



The Shadow Writer

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Official Newsletter of the
Shadow Riders Club of St. Louis
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A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

Well the year is rushing by and we're looking at Thanksgiving on the newsletter calendar already. It seems like I just finished off the leftover turkey from last year. Keep in mind that we still have some nice weather before it gets, and stays, cold. Take a look at the remaining Sundays on the ride calendar and pick a day you want to lead a ride so we can finish off the year and start thinking about where we want to go next year. We'll be talking about where we want to be having our off-season breakfasts at this Tuesday's meeting so we can get that information on the calendar.

The chili cook-off is also coming up and so far we have one, maybe two, contestants from the Club who are going to compete. That's always a good time and an opportunity to visit with some good people and get a little free exposure for the Club. Don't forget to wear your Shadow Rider wear when you attend events like these to show your pride in our organization.

We have a good turn-out for our Club Picnic on Sunday. Thanks to Laura for putting it on and thanks to everybody who dressed up and came out to break bread with their friends. We had seven riders who participated in the ride before lunch and, in spite of my leading skills, we actually made it to the park to eat. We decided to try to get the same pavilion next year for our picnic. It's a great location; private; right next to bathrooms; plenty of open area for washers or other activities; a pit for cooking; and a decent-sized parking lot.

Andrea and Sue Braun have agreed to organize the Holiday Party this January so we'll be getting details on that as things come together. Thanks in advance to the girls for stepping up without having to be bribed . . . I mean asked.

Don't forget the monthly meeting is this coming Tuesday, October 23 at the Sports Café. It would be nice to have a good turn-out as we discuss potential candidates for our Club charities for 2019. We have always had motorcycle-oriented charities in the past and we would like to keep it that way. Any suggestions are welcome. I hope to see you there!

John Geiler
President

Club Meeting (General Membership)

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month

The Sports Café, 3579 Penridge (West of St. Charles
Rock Road, North of I-270)

Next Meeting: October 23, 2018

Board meeting 30 minutes before regular meeting.

Sunday Rides

April through November:
Meet at Old Orchard Center, 14128
Manchester, behind Arby's. Plan to ar-
rive around 9:30, line up your bike, then
visit with friends. Rides leave at 10 a.m.

9/25/18 Meeting Minutes

Vice President Randy Hendershot opened the meeting at 7:01PM.

Membership Chairman Jim Gianella reported the club membership is 102 members which is down from 118 members this same time last year. We have 2 new members: Bob Bryant and Vincent Dunlap.

A report from Treasure Tony Weaver showed the club took in \$51 and spent \$0 over the past month.

Safety Officer Ross reported all Sunday ride dates in November were still available. Please contact Ross if you'd like to volunteer to lead a November ride.

Merchandising chair Andrea reported she has everything in stock. Dave Kelewae has club decals available.

Laura Bergsieker reported Ride for Wishes rides are being moved from June to October. The 2019 Ride for Wishes will be October 12 & 13.

Ira & Randy are riding to SIUE in Carbondale to see the homecoming football game. They'll spend the night there and do some riding around southern Illinois. They extended an invite to any club members who'd like to join them.

Bob Bryant won \$24 and a club decal in the 50/50 drawing. Lou Soucy, Jim Orth, and Jim Stiebel won bandannas.

The meeting ended at 7:31PM.

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September Membership

Main Members	81
Significant Others	21
Juniors	1
Total	103

November Birthdays

- 03 - ERIC JOHNSTON - ROSS MCGOVERN
- 06 - ERIN O'DONNELL - CHARLIE SEIBEL
- 14 - RANDY BUCKNER
- 20 - HAROLD LEE
- 22 - ROY KINDER
- 23 - RICH SIMPSON - JAMES CRAIG

October Anniversaries

- 15 years – Bob Mueller
- 5 years – Dave Kelewae, Jim Wadum

I just wanted to broach a subject that always comes up in conversations with members this time of year: “Where are we going next year??”.

This is not a typo or a “copy and paste” of last month’s article. We’ve had more discussion about next year’s trips and what we want to do. In our discussions about going to Yellowstone it has come to our attention that only one year is not enough time to plan our lodging in or around Yellowstone so we may be planning a trip for 2020 to go back to the park which gives us time to try to book rooms that usually fill up more than a year in advance.

We are having some discussions about Bryce Canyon as a possible location for our 2019 long trip. As our trip organizers get more information it will be shared with the Club.

Bikes, Blues, and Bar-B-Que was a success again this year. We had a great ride down; a great day of riding on Friday; fun at the event on Saturday (we even had our own personal train car for the ride back from the university); and a great ride home on Sunday. We’ll let everybody know about next year’s plans as they come together. We may be coming up with alternative places to stay to save a little money. It seems that the people who went down with us this year as first-timers really had a good time and are looking forward to next year already.

I’m looking forward to getting a few more Sunday rides in before the end of our official riding season, weather permitting. I hope to see many of you on our remaining Sundays and then again for our breakfast meetings all winter. It’s all about the food. It’s a wonder how we’re all able to stay so slim. I’m just sayin’ . . .

Johnny G
Editor

Bike Count for September

Honda - 22 Harley - 34 Kawasaki - 16 Suzuki - 3 BMW - 4 Yamaha - 7 KTM - 4
Vento - 1 Big Dog - 1 CanAm - 1 Triumph - 1 Ducati - 1 Victory - 5 Polaris - 1 Ural - 1

ShadowRiders,

Ross didn't have anything in particular to share this month, and since I have poetic license as editor, I had something to share as this season comes to an end.

I know I've harped on the change-of-season hazards but I like to bring them up because we have a tendency to get excited when we have some surprise warm days late in the season and we want to jump on the bike to get in "one more ride". I'm the same way but, due to past bad experiences, I've got some road demons that I now look out for when I'm tooling through the back roads and enjoying the fall season colors.

I've mentioned this before, and I'm sorry if you don't feel the need to hear it, but really be on the watch for small patches of leaves that have fallen on the road and then gotten wet from the dew, or seasonal showers. These little land mines are slicker than a timeshare salesman and can cause problems faster than you can blink.

Some of you non-hunters forget that in the fall the woods have bow hunters walking around trying to fill the freezer before the rifle season rolls around. These movements in the woods have a driving effect on deer, and they usually stay still as long as they can, and then they run as fast and they can for new cover which is sometimes on the other side of the road that you're riding on. Just be alert and cautious.

The last thing daddy wants to tell you about is what Ross was talking about last month and that's tire pressure. As the temps change so do our air pressures. Always check before hitting the road. Sometimes that low tire can be almost as bad as black ice in a tight curve and the rear end will dance right off the pavement.

Let's hope for an extended time of moderate weather before we have to put the battery tenders on so we can enjoy what we love. Be safe! I don't want to have to visit any of my extended family while they're laid up from a spill.

Johnny G.

New members for September/October

Bob Bryant rides a gray 2016 BMW R1200RT (9/15/18, #800)

Shannon Ivins rides a silver/orange 2017 KTM SD1290GT (10/01/18, #801)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 21 <i>Baylee Joe's Bar-B-Que in Ironton</i>	Oct. 22	Oct. 23 <i>Monthly Meeting Sports Cafe</i>	Oct. 24	Oct. 25	Oct. 26	Oct. 27
Oct. 28 <i>St. John's Gildehaus Sausage Dinner</i>	Oct. 29	Oct. 30	Oct. 31 	Nov. 1	Nov. 2	Nov. 3
Nov. 4 <i>Open Ride</i>	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Nov. 7	Nov. 8	Nov. 9	Nov. 10
Nov. 11 <i>Open Ride</i>	Nov. 12 	Nov. 13	Nov. 14	Nov. 15	Nov. 16	Nov. 17
Nov. 18 <i>Open Ride</i>	Nov. 19	Nov. 20	Nov. 21	Nov. 22 	Nov. 23	Nov. 24

Rides and Events

Oct. 21: The calendar says that I'm leading the ride but Tony was able to get his bike back out of the shop so he will be doing his ride after all. Tony is taking us down to Ironton, MO to Baylee Joe's Bar-B-Que. Almost all the roads going to Ironton are winners on a bike and I'm looking forward to this one. I hope to see you all there.

Oct. 28: Rich Bayers is taking us to the St. John's Gildehaus Church Annual Sausage Dinner. This has always been a treat for the Club. Great food; all you can eat; pork delicacies that can only be had here and at grandma's house. Just remember to bring cash since the church can't handle plastic. If I remember correctly desert is included.

Nov. 4; Nov. 11; Nov. 18 are all open rides. Please consider volunteering to lead one of these Sundays to help out with the calendar.

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Two pair of fringed chaps. Both seldom worn and in excellent condition. One is size XXI, and the other is 3XL (both adjustable) One is a 25 inseam and the other is 30 inseam. One has zipper down the sides and the other is all snaps so both can be trimmed shorter. I have a picture.

Peggy Phillips

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