

# The Shadow Writer October, 2020

Official Newsletter of the Shadow Riders Club of St. Louis www.shadowriders-stl.com

#### A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

The Shadow Rider Travelers just got back from the trip East on Sunday. We had a total of eight riders and, with the exception of one rainy day, the weather was beautiful. A little coolish in the morning for the last half of the trip but the daytime temps got into the 70's and we had sunshine almost every day. The total for the round trip was about 2300 miles. We rode through Illinois and Kentucky to reach Tennessee. While staying 5 nights in Tennessee and 3 nights in North Carolina we visited Kentucky; Tennessee; North Carolina; Virginia; and Georgia. We saw countless waterfalls and endless beautiful scenery. The roads were in great condition and the company was very enjoyable. We got very lucky on most of our lunch and dinner stops and only did a couple meals of pot luck. Everyone got home safe and we're looking forward to next year's plans.

Speaking of next year (see what I did there??) we are going to being taking nominations for Board officers for 2021. All positions are open but hopefully some of our staff will stay on for another year. Our Vice-President, Scott Lenahan, will not be able to serve unfortunately and Flash Stiebel will be taking some time off to care for his health issues. I would also appreciate a couple members who are willing to serve on a Nomination Committee to make the election process official. All you need to do is take the nominations and contact the person being nominated to see if they are willing to serve.

We are also looking for some people to organize this year's Holiday Party in January. Please take into consideration the possibility of having limited seating at different venues in case the pandemic has not receded sufficiently to have a large gathering. Thanks in advance for your help.

John Geiler President

#### Club Meeting (General Membership)

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month The Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge (West of St. Charles Rock Road, North of I-270)

Next Meeting: October 27, 2020

Board meeting 30 minutes before regular meeting.

#### **Sunday Rides**

If you've opted to receive the texts for information on our destinations then you will receive your information before the scheduled ride. If you'd rather not receive the messages then just check the calendar on the website for all the information and route sheets.

Meeting	Minutes	for	9/2.2	/2020

General Discussion We are meeting at the Sports Café. Jim pro-

vided a Zoom link for the meeting so folks can attend via Zoom. Introduced Mike

Curran, a new member to club.

Road Trips Andrea leaving this Saturday on a trip to North Carolina and Tennessee. Falling Leaf Rally (BMW) is moving to Steel-

ville on October 9-11.

If you would like a trip that you're making shared with the club, send it to John and he

will let the club know.

Treasurer Tony was absent. John will mail the financial

report out.

Ride Committee Ira made a motion, Randy seconded, to move

our rally point back to Old Orchard for Sun-

day morning rides.

Discussion: Do we have too many places? Can we stick to

just Eureka and Weldon Springs in addition to Old Orchard? There are some advantages to having a single consistent meeting place. Folks always know where to meet. Some have showed up at Old Orchard only to find the rally point was different that week. Motion passed 10 for, 3 against, 2 abstained.

Vice President's Report We have 8 rides open after this next Sunday.

Let Scott know if you can take one of the open spots. John will take Oct 11th. Rich is taking Oct 18th. Ira will take Oct 4th. Oct

25th Jim Craig.

Website Ted was absent.

Sign up for TEXT MESSAGING notifications of the rides. Text SHADOW to

84483 to sign up

Membership Current 2020 paid membership as of tonight

74.

Safety Officer Jim (Flash) was absent.

Hartbauer McBride Web site: bikershelpingbikers.com

Make a Wish 2020 Ride for Wishes: Cancelled this year. The

Club made a \$1000 donation this year.

Events Picnic went well.

Motorcycle Training Check the St Louis Community College web

site for training sessions and dates – classes currently closed. The only site doing training right now is Big St. Charles Motorsports.

Dennis is working on setting up BRC

courses for club members.

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#### September Membership

Main Members64Significant Others10Juniors0Total74

#### **November Birthdays**

03 - ERIC JOHNSTON

03 - ROSS MCGOVERN

06 - ERIN O'DONNELL

06 - CHARLIE SEIBEL

20 - HAROLD LEE

22 - ROY KINDER

23 - RICH SIMPSON

23 - JAMES CRAIG

#### October Anniversaries:

We have 4 member anniversaries but we have been posting only the 5 year intervals.

Shadow Riders,

Well, as you can see by the meeting minutes a vote was held at our September meeting and the motion to return to Old Orchard for our Sunday morning rides was passed 10 to 3. I hope that some of those who voted to return to the original meeting spot will help out with the organization of rides.

I would like to thank the Ride Committee for all their hard work. We still have the heads-up text in place to notify members of our destinations on Sundays. Now we need to decide where we will gather for our Sunday breakfasts when the riding season is over. We're open for suggestions if membership is not satisfied with the current arrangements. It would be nice to have alternating breakfast stops to break it up a little but it would also be nice to keep those spots somewhere central. It was brought up by one of our long-time members that at one time the members got together and placed pins on a map indicating where their homes were. That was how Old Orchard came to be the meeting place for rides. After hearing this I proceeded to take all the addresses in the Buzz Book and do the same process. Once again the intersection of Manchester Road and Highway 141 came up as the center of the membership's home locations. Let's see what we can come up with.

We only have two official months left on our regular ride calendar but it would be nice if we could have an interim Safety Officer to stand in for Flash while he recovers from his treatments and until we can find a new Safety Officer. Thanks in advance for the help.

I believe we may still have some nice weather for riding before it gets too cold for some people. Let's finish filling out that ride calendar so we can have a fresh start for next season.

### Johnny G

Well, it's time to turn the page and start looking at the possibilities for 2021. Let's make this next year memorable to make up for the sad times that we've experienced in 2020. I believe that we should make all of 2021 a celebration of life and really take a look at everything we've taken for granted in the past. Let's put our heads together and figure out where we're going to go and what we want to see next year and start making plans to take our Shadow Rider brothers and sisters with us to share the experience.

If you've never travelled by motorcycle you're missing out on a memorable experience. If you have any questions about travelling on two wheels, or if you just wonder how to pack for a trip on a bike, talk to one of our Travelers and they can fill you in. I have to say that the trips I've taken with the Shadow Riders have been the most enjoyable of all my travels.

If there's somewhere you've wanted to go why don't you contact one of the other members and see if maybe we can turn it into a Club trip. We're looking forward to hearing your ideas and maybe you'll come out of 2021 with new stories to tell about your trip with the Shadow Riders.

I'm just sayin'....

# Shadow Riders Merchandise

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Short Sleeve Shirt (Safety Yellow)
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M, L or XL - \$14.00

XXL - \$15.00

XXXL - \$17.00

Long Sleeve Shirt (Ash Grey)

M, L or XL - \$17.00

XXL - \$18.00

XXXL - \$20.00

Hats

Black - \$11.00

Khaki – \$11.00

**Patches** 

Large -\$31.00

Small - \$12.00

Rockers (2-styles) – \$10.00 (Currently free if you own a Large Patch or purchase a new Large Patch!)

4×4 Window Clings - \$3.00 ea.

### No new members for September

## October/November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 11	Oct. 12	Oct. 13	Oct. 14	Oct. 15	Oct. 16	Oct. 17
Hannibal, MO						
Oct. 18 Highway 185	Oct. 19	Oct. 20	Oct. 21	Oct. 22	Oct. 23	Oct. 24
Oct. 25	Oct. 26	Oct. 27	Oct. 28	Oct. 29	Oct. 30	Oct. 31
TBD		Monthly Meeting At Sports Cafe				HALLOWEEN
Nov. 1 Maraca's New Melle, MO	Nov. 2	Nov. 3	Nov. 4	Nov. 5	Nov. 6	Nov. 7
Nov. 8 Open Ride	Nov. 9	Nov. 10	Nov. 11	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Nov. 14

### Rides and Events

- Oct. 11: Lou Soucy is taking us to the Saints Avenue Steakhouse and Buffet in Hannibal, MO. We'll be travelling North and West to the home of Mark Twain for a delicious lunch. For those who do not want to "dine-in" there is seating in the park nearby.
- Oct. 18: Rich Bayers is going to lead us on the roller coaster ride that is Highway 185. We'll be rocking and rolling through the hills to the Du Kum Inn in Sullivan, MO. One of the Club's favorite rides. Come out and get some butterflies!
- Oct. 25: Our own Jim Craig will be leading us on this Sunday's ride. The destination is still to be determined but I'm sure it will be memorable. Details to come!
- Nov. 1: Your Pres will be taking you to Maraca's Mexican Restaurant in New Melle, MO for some excellent Mexican cuisine. The food is great as well as the service. It's a nice ride through some of our favorite western roads.
- Nov. 8: This is an Open Ride so step right up and throw your hat in the ring for a chance to take the Club to your favorite destination. Contact a member of the Board with your plans and we'll get it on the calendar. Thanks in advance for your help.

Members' classified ads are free! Send to John Geiler at editor@shadowriders-stl.com or (314)-401-3485

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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 573-883-2123

Gear for Sale to my Shadow Rider friends:

Harley waterproof boots, men's size 8, \$50

Women's Tourmaster Rain suit, yellow & gray jacket, black pants, size medium \$20

Sissy bar roll bag, T-Bags, 13 x10x10 attaches with Velcro straps \$20

Indoor/outdoor Motorcycle cover for HD-Sportster 1200T and similar bikes \$50

Email <u>nita@palaver.org</u> or TEXT 314-808-7762 if interested. Thanks!

