



**WING'D
RIDERS**

Derby City Road Riders **Louisville, Kentucky**

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Chapter A **January 2024**

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Individual of the Year: **Chanel Blue**



Director's Track



It is great when a plan comes together.

As Motorcycle Riders we must plan everything out to maximize our ride time.

We must schedule maintenance and repair for times of the year when weather conditions make for non or

terrible riding conditions here in Kentucky. This time is usually in the winter.

In addition to our Motorcycles, we must also allow time for when our bodies need a little maintenance also. This requires time set aside to keep our bodies strong and durable.

In my case not only did I have to schedule motorcycle maintenance and repair, but my body itself understood my wants, needs and desires.

This year my body decided that January was a good time to address this. It decided that it would address Afib. It decided that I needed a little time in the Hospital for rest and relaxation. As a result, I had to spend six days there.

They waited on me hand and foot and to make sure that I didn't overdose on sleep, they would wake me every two hours or so to ask if I was alright and do a little poking and probing.

My wife Angela was always there to make sure that the doctors and nurses were doing things right for me and that no one took advantage of my good nature. My Daughter Stacey was also there to assure that I followed orders to the T.

After six days, it was decided that I had had enough. They were discharging me. I am still in Afib and will be addressing it to see if it falls back in line or in worst case just make sure that it doesn't get worse.

I understand that this will not affect my riding and I can go on as usual. When something like this happens in life, it is extremely reassuring to know that you have people in your organization who will step up and keep the Chapter running without a glitch. In Chapter A, we have an abundance of people who will just take over and get things done.

Chapter A is a rare organization. I want to thank everyone for all their hard work, well wishes and prayers. Thank you!

A couple of more months of nasty weather and opportunity and we will be out there on the road enjoying the fruits of our labor and ready to ride. See you all out there.

Ray & Angela Taylor

Ride Coordinator

Kent Risen



It is great seeing the sunset time slowly getting later! While we have many days to go, it does mean that spring is on the way!

We have received some ideas for ride destinations this year but would love to put more on the list! If you have any ideas, please send them to Don or me.

It is also a good time to think about any maintenance you need to have completed, most shops will start getting busy when the first warm days are forecasted so better to do it now.





Membership Enhancement

Dean Miller/Miles Justice

Happy New Year Everyone! We appreciated the feedback at our Ops meeting that folks have been enjoying the challenges we've been putting together. We will be revising the Annual Scavenger Hunt and it will be included in the March newsletter.

Because of the limited riding weather during the months of January and February those two monthly Copy Cat challenge photos can be taken using any vehicle and not just your motorcycles. Here's January's Challenge which will be due by our February meeting:

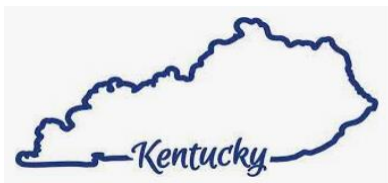


Metro Diner
4901 Outer Loop
Louisville, Ky 40219

We are working on putting together a "New Member" packet that should help answer some of the questions for those new to the group.

Don't forget to renew your Wing'd Rider membership and remember you can still renew up to 60 days after expiration and NOT lose your original Charter/Elite membership status.

Also, make sure you check out the new Roadside assistance Plan. You can find information at wingdrider.com under the WR-TOW tab.



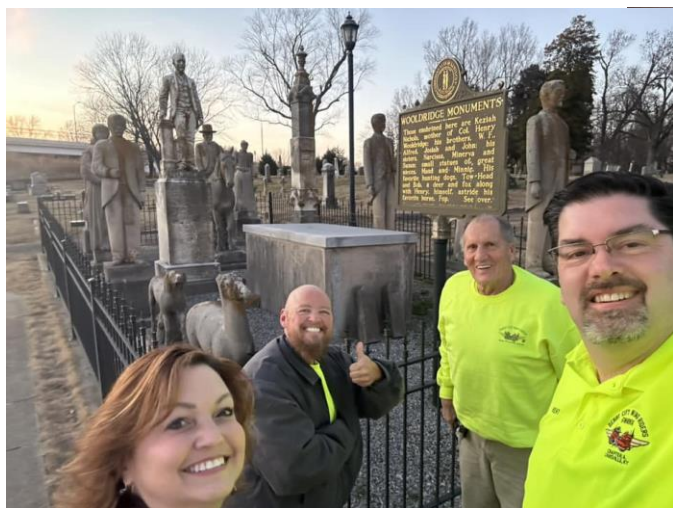
Chapter Visits:

January 4th visit to Chapter Y



Some members of Chapter A decided to take a road trip to Mayfield, Ky and attend Chapter Y's meeting. What a fun group of folks! We arrived a little early and looked up Mayfield attractions which led us to the Wooldridge Monument. We were close by so we went for a visit and Miles realized this had been on one of Kentucky Road Rider's Crossword Puzzle Challenges in the past so we couldn't help but get a "thumbs up" picture! LOL!

The Wooldridge Monument was a memorial to Colonel Henry Wooldridge. His marble image statue was carved in Italy and the memorial was devoted to the memory of his family and his life. He was a member of the Masonic order, an animal lover, and a famous fox hunter. He is the only one entombed here, but the memorial was interesting and worth a visit. After this quick stop and photo op we headed on to the Majestic Restaurant to meet up with Chapter Y. They had a great turn out for their first meeting of 2024, and we won all the Chocolate door prizes and even some homemade cookies!!



January 9th visit to Chapter G

Some members of Chapter A rode North to visit Chapter G in Florence, Ky. It was a cold rainy nasty night, but Chapter G always gives us a warm welcome and we lit up their American Legion Post with our bright Sunny yellow shirts. We didn't win all the Chocolate door prizes like we did at Chapter Y but a good time was had by all and we got double points for traveling again in the dreary month of January!!!



2024 Past Rides and Events:

January 1st Black Eye Pea Ride

Our 1st event of 2024 was our Black Eye Pea ride and lunch at Metro Diner in Louisville. It was a cold dreary day with some unwanted wind, and we were seated on their patio where the heaters usually work but they were struggling this year!! Despite the cold we had a few members on bikes and a good time was had by ALL!





Editor's desk Karen Risen

WOW! Chapter A does it again! Sending a **BIG** shout out to Chapter A members that submitted articles for January's Newsletter.

If this is an indication of what Chapter A can get done in 2024 then the sky's the limit for this group!!!



2024 Chapter Rides and Events Schedule:



September 2024 Annual Trip
to Niagara Falls, Ontario Canada

Currently in the planning Stages but we know it will be AWESOME!

All rides listed are tentative and subject to change to due to weather, participation, or availability!!
Please check with Chapter A or our facebook page for the most recent updates and ride information!!

You can find more up to date information for future rides on [Chapter A's Facebook page](#) or website: chaptera.org

Kentucky District Events:



**Rick and Leah
Cridlin**

Kentucky State
Directors

2024 Ky District Events:

January 27th Kentucky Ops Meeting

Annual KRR Operations Meeting

The 2024 KRR Operations Meeting will be held, Saturday, January 27, 2024.

Where: The Burlington Historical Courthouse, 2988 Washington St., Burlington, KY 41005

Start Time: 8:30am

Friday night FUN and GAMES at the courthouse, January 26th, 2024 5-9 pm

Saturday Night KRR Prom 2024 will be held that evening, 6-10pm –Food, Fun, and the time of your life! Don't miss it! See registration form on page 11.

Hotel Information:

Hampton Inn Hebron, 755 Petersburg Rd, Hebron, KY 41048

Room Rate: \$114.00 + tax per night

Group Name: Kentucky Road Riders OPS Meeting

Reservations need to be made by December 26, 2023 to secure block rate.



**June 1st Kentucky Ride-In hosted by
Chapter K in Henderson, KY details
coming soon.....**

More information @ kyroadriders.org

June 26th 2024 Wing'D Rider Rally: Information and Registration at wingdrider.com



*** TRADE SHOW DOES NOT OPEN UNTIL 6/26**
All events and locations subject to change/cancellation

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

- 2:00pm – 5:00pm **Pre-Registered Rally Packet Pickup***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 2:00pm – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Official Merchandise Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 2:00pm – 5:00pm **Food Court**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 2:00pm – 5:00pm **Adventure Ride Information Booth***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 2:00pm – 5:00pm **Rally Games Registration Booth***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

- 7:00am – 8:00am **Opening Ceremonies**
Litchfield Community Center
- 9:00am – 2:30pm **Great River Road Adventure Ride (Staging at 8:30am)**
Leaving Wingd Rider Pavillion
- 9:00am – 2:30pm **Old Route 66 Adventure Ride (Staging at 8:30am)**
Leaving Wingd Rider Pavillion
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Pre-Registered Rally Packet Pickup***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Official Merchandise Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Food Court**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Adventure Ride Document Signing Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Recruiting and Info Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Rally Trade Show Expo!**
Vendor Lot @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:30am – 12:00pm **Rally Games Bean Bag Toss**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 6:30pm – 9:00pm **Downtown StreetParty Rally Kickoff**
Exact Downtown Litchfield Location TBA

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

- 9:00am – 2:30pm **Great River Road Adventure Ride (Staging at 8:30am)**
Leaving Wingd Rider Pavillion
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- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Recruiting and Info Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Rally Trade Show Expo!**
Vendor Lot @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:30am – 12:00pm **Rally Games Bean Bag Toss**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 5:00pm – 8:30pm **JMCorp DinnerParty/Charity/Entertainment Event**
Litchfield Community Center

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Pre-Registered Rally Packet Pickup***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Official Merchandise Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Food Court**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Recruiting and Info Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:30am – 12:00pm **Rally Games FINALS***
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 5:00pm **Wingd Rider Rally Trade Show Expo!**
Vendor Lot @ Niehaus Cycles
- 5:00pm – 6:00pm **Parade Staging**
TBD @ Niehaus cycles
- 6:00pm – 6:45pm **Parade**
Route TBD
- 7:00pm – 8:00pm **Bike Night – Bike and Light Show – Live Entertainment**
Litchfield Community Center

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

- 9:00am – 1:00pm **Wingd Rider Official Merchandise Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 1:00pm **Food Court**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 1:00pm **Wingd Rider Recruiting and Info Booth**
Wingd Rider Pavilion @ Niehaus Cycles
- 9:00am – 1:00pm **Trade Show**
Vendor Lot @ Niehaus Cycles
- 1:30pm – 2:30pm **Closing Ceremonies (Rally Armband Needed)**
Litchfield Community Center

* Ticket/WRMembership Card Needed

August 15-17 Kentucky Blast State Rally



Friday Night Boogie Bash: August 16, 2024 6:00pm

Number attending _____ x \$25.00 each=_____

Boogie Bash includes:

Dinner – Dancing – 70's Trivia
Munchies & a Groovy Time for Everyone!

Registration Total: _____

Friday Boogie Bash Total: _____

Total: _____

Make Checks payable to: Kentucky Road Riders
Mail Registrations to: Rick and Leah Cridlin
1601 Drake Ct.,
Hebron, KY 41048
PH: 859-534-5292

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Kentucky Road Riders

[Visit our State Website:](#)

www.kyroadriders.org

*Email a picture of yourself back in the 70's for
some fun trivia!*

kentuckyroadriderdirector@gmail.com.

Please answer the following trivia questions:

How old were you in 1970? _____

Did you own a motorcycle? If so, what type?

Who was your favorite music group?

What was your favorite TV show?

Were you team Disco or team Hippie?

What was your favorite Atari video game?

I/We agree to conform and comply with the ideas governing this convention and we further agree to hold harmless KRR, co-sponsoring organizations or any property owner(s) for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/We may become involved by reason of/or participation in the convention. I/We agree to assume responsibility for any property which we damage or destroy. I/We have read and understand these terms.

Rider: _____

Co-Rider: _____

Date: _____



**Kentucky Road Riders
2023 KY Blast District Rally
August 15 - 17, 2024**

The Showroom, 2405 Lebanon Rd, Danville, KY 40422

70's Hippy Bash
Peace – Love – Motorcycles

Join Kentucky for our 2nd Rally with Wing'D Rider

Vendors– Games - Wingo

Couple/Individual of the Year Selection

Daily 50/30/20 – IOY/COY Social Hour

Chapter Challenges & Daily Rides

There is really something for EVERYONE!

Accommodations:

Holiday Inn (859)209-2928

200 Shannon Way, Danville, KY 40422

Group Name: Wing'D Riders, KY Blast

King&Double Rooms \$129.00 per night + tax

Hampton Inn (859)236-6200

100 Montgomery Way, Danville, KY 40422

Group Name: Wing'D Riders, KY Blast

King&Double Rooms \$129.00 per night + tax

Chimney Rock Campground (859) 936-0271

220 Chimney Rock Rd

Harrodsburg, KY 40330

\$40.00 per night (14 miles away)

Registration Information

Rider: _____

WING'D# _____ Exp: _____

Rider/Co-Rider: _____

WING'D# _____ Exp: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

State/Chapter: _____

Miles to Rally: _____ One Up: _____ Two Up: _____

*******Pre-Registration Ends on July 26, 2024*******

For PRE-REGISTRATION and STATISTICAL AWARDS, your registration MUST be postmarked by 7/26/2024.

KRR Member: \$35.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Non-Member: \$40.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

2024 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Is this your First KY Rally? _____

Is this your first Rally of any kind? _____

******* Registration after July 26, 2024*******

KRR Member: \$40.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Non-Member: \$45.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

2024 Rally Pin: \$5.00 x _____ Total: \$ _____

Day Passes Sold on-site: \$20.00

Full Registration Fee Includes:

Ice Cream Social - RPM Academy Courses

On Bike Games/Team Challenges

Statistical Awards are based upon Pre-Registration

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance by Percentage

Largest KY Chapter in Attendance

Largest District Outside of KY

Longest Distance 1-Up Male/Female

Longest Distance 2-Up Male/Female



**Rick and Kim
Artmayer**

State Educator

State Educator's Report

Since 1973, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) has been continuing to educate the American rider in motorcycle safety and operation. In 2023, they passed the ten million mark for the number of riders enrolled in the Basic Rider Course.

The U.S. Senate agreed to a resolution recognizing the Motorcycle Safety Foundation for 50 years of safety education and improving the ride for motorcycle riders across the United States. sponsored by senators Gary Peters of Michigan, Ron Johnson of Wisconsin, Ted Budd of North Carolina, Joni Ernst of Iowa, Thom Tillis of North Carolina, and Bob Casey of Pennsylvania.

The resolution recognizes that the "efforts of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation are aimed at making the roadways of the United States safer for both motorcycle riders and non-riders." It also notes that 46 states and the U.S. Armed Forces use an MSF curriculum as their motorcycle license waiver course and that nearly 10,000 RiderCoaches teach MSF curricula at 2,700 training sites across the country. It further notes that MSF meets the needs of motorcycle riders by continuing to create courses for the most popular types of bikes on the road and on the trail, including the hands-on Adventure Bike RiderCourse and the DirtBike School courses, which help riders get the most out of their bikes. A copy of the resolution appears below.

While visiting the MSF website, msf-usa.org, I found that on-line classes are now available, starting at \$19.99 each. The MSF also offers two different sets of three classes for \$39.99 each. If you find you have a few hours of down time and are looking to add to your knowledge, or you just want to refresh what you have learned in the past, check out the classes they offer. They even have some preview videos to watch so you can choose the courses that are right for you.

S. RES. 310

Recognizing the Motorcycle Safety Foundation for 50 years of safety education.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 25, 2023

Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BUDD, Ms. ERNST, Mr. TILLIS, and Mr. CASEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

SEPTEMBER 30 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 22), 2023
Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Motorcycle Safety Foundation for 50 years of safety education.

Whereas, in 1973, the Motorcycle Safety Foundation began creating the first motorcycle rider safety training curriculum in the United States;

Whereas the Motorcycle Safety Foundation is a nonprofit organization providing motorcycle rider training and education;

Whereas the Motorcycle Safety Foundation meets the needs of motorcycle riders by continuing to create courses for the most popular bikes on the road and on the trail, including the hands-on Adventure Bike Rider Course and the Dirtbike School courses, that enable motorcycle riders to get the most out of their bikes;

Whereas new and experienced riders can benefit from learning basic motorcycle controls, safe-riding habits, and street strategies in a comprehensive, research-based curriculum created by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation;

Whereas 10,000,000 motorcyclists have taken the Basic Rider Course taught by Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider coaches in the last 50 years;

Whereas 46 States and the Armed Forces use Motorcycle Safety Foundation curriculum as their motorcycle license waiver course;

Whereas nearly 10,000 rider coaches teach Motorcycle Safety Foundation curriculum at 2,700 training sites across the United States; and

Whereas the efforts of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation are aimed at making the roadways of the United States safer for both motorcycle riders and non-riders: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate recognizes the Motorcycle Safety Foundation for 50 years of safety education and improving the ride for motorcycle riders across the United States.



New Member Focus: *Cindy Simpkins*



I hope everyone's new year is off to a wonderful start. As a new rider I'm looking forward to spring and all the new adventures to be experienced this year. I never thought I would

be caught on a motorcycle again after I attempted to ride on the back of one at the age of 18. I knew the leaning wasn't for me.

That all changed when I saw a Spyder for the first time at the Black-Eyed Pea Lunch in 2023. I said to myself, "I think I might be able to do that." I spent the summer of that year researching about and window shopping Spyders and Rykers. I signed myself up for the 3-wheel BRC in Walton, KY as that location provides the bikes. I then started studying for my motorcycle permit and passed it at the end of August.

I passed the 3-wheel BRC in October and now have my full license. It was an excellent class, and I would highly recommend it for anyone riding a 3-wheel motorcycle. It was a wonderful resource for me as a beginner but could also be helpful for someone who just wants to learn a few tips and tricks. I think everyone can learn something new. Who knows, you may even learn something you forgot!

In October I brought home my new 2023 Ryker Rally, with some help from Debi Baldwin. A big thanks to her for riding my bike home when I was still too new for that long of a trip! Coincidentally, it was Debi's Spyder that motivated me to start this journey, so I guess I owe her another big thank you for getting me onto the path of something fun.

I became an official member of Chapter A in September. I had my first group ride in November to Chapter S's meeting. Everyone has been wonderful and welcoming. Chapter A is full of some of the best people to ride with and I would recommend them to anyone.

This adventure has taught me once again that you should never say never. It will

come back to bite you if you do. In this case I think it bit me in a great way. I'm looking forward to hitting the road this year with Chapter A and starting some new adventures. You're never too old to try something new!



Chapter A Monthly Meet!!

2nd Saturday of the Month Roosters
10430 Shelbyville Rd Louisville, KY
40223 Eat at 11am Meet at Noon.

Facebook page: [Derby City Road Riders Louisville Ky](#) and our website: [chaptera.org](#)

Chapter A met Saturday January 13th. Kent and I got broken in quick as Assistant Chapter Directors since Ray Taylor was still in the hospital. He is home now and recovering well. We were all able to stumble through our new roles without our fearless leader, but we sure missed him and Angela and are looking forward to having them back next month!!



We had visitors from Chapter C in Lexington and they headed home with the Traveling Plaque by default since they were the only other Chapter present. Congrats Chapter C!! We also had a few new members and a few visitors in attendance. It was great to see both old and new faces and start the New Year off with our motorcycle family!

Marble Game Winner:

*Dean Miller had the winning ticket but did not draw the winning marble.
\$90+ up for grabs next month!!*



50/50 Winners:

1st Place Winner: \$21.00 John Conner Chapter C

2nd Place Winner: \$20.00 John Conner Chapter C



John, I hope you bought a Lottery ticket after winning both 50/50 drawings!!!

(Thanks to all who played)

January Birthdays:

Danny Drane February 5th

Joan Mullineaux February 8th

Miles Finley Justice February 17th

Mike Falone February 28th



Birthday Spotlight!!!! **Tony Johnson December 30**



Guess what? On my birthday I was treated like royalty. I have my Chapter A and G Family to thank for turning me into a King for a day. The celebration was so epic that I felt like I should start practicing my royal wave.

We gathered at Jim Beam's fancy joint, The Kitchen Table, where we stuffed ourselves with divine food and sipped on drinks that made us forget we're not actually royalty. Then, a bunch of us went on a tour, diving deep into the history of bourbon-because nothing says "birthday bash" like bourbon.

But the real shocker hit me when I got back home. There, in my front yard, was a sign proudly displaying the BIG 65. Yep, I hit a milestone, and they wanted the whole neighborhood to know. Inside the house, it was like stepping into a royal palace. I was surrounded by friends and family, the place was decked out like it was hosting a King's coronation and the gifts were fit for a ruler- or in my case, an Original Gangster!

Major shoutout to everyone who made my day ridiculously special. I've now officially leveled up to O.G. status, and I couldn't be happier. The celebration went above and beyond anything I could've imagined, and I'm seriously grateful for all the memories from this epic day. Cheers to being King for a day-and an O.G. forever!!!



Anniversaries:



No January anniversaries

Chapter A's Next Meeting will be Saturday February 10th!!



**Kent and Karen
Risen**

State COY Coordinators

State Couple of the Year Coordinators

Happy New Year to All! January is here and boy is it cold and dark out early, Yuck! Kent and I had a great holiday season with friends and family. We are looking forward to seeing what 2024 will bring. We're hoping there is a lot of great days with beautiful weather to ride but until then we will stay warm inside and get those home projects done and try not to go stir crazy! LOL!

We do have two Ops meeting this month to start the new year off right by planning rides and events. Our Chapter A Ops meeting will be at the beginning of this month and then the Kentucky State Ops meeting will be at the end of this month. Kent and I are attending both. If we can't ride right now at least we can talk about riding when the weather gets warm. We hope to see everyone at the State Ops meeting where we will introduce the new Chapter Couples and Individuals of the Year. Also, the new mascots will be revealed! We can't wait to meet them!!

GET THE SHIRT!!

Kentucky Road Riders now have a ride shirt! You can have it monogrammed on the right side of the chest with whatever you would like. Small to extra-large are \$14, and XXL are \$17. An added monogram will cost \$5. Shirts can be ordered at: <https://blankstore.club/shop/ols/products/xn--gildan---dryblend-50-cotton50-poly-short-or-long-sleeve-t-shirt-vpcl> You can also get it in a long-sleeve version.



[Click here to order the shirt!](#)



**Dean and Lora
Miller**

State COY

State Couple of the Year: Dean and Lora Miller

Now that all the excitement and busyness of the Holidays is over Dean, and I are looking forward to doing some Chapter visiting! We started off the New Year with Chapter A's annual Black Eyed Pea lunch at Metro Diner and even though there were a couple of glitches this year, like the cold weather and the lack of black-eyed peas it was still a fantastic time. There was also the Chapter's annual OPs meeting where we discussed many things but the highlight for us was everyone working together to help Kent and Don in narrowing down the plans for this year's annual trip in September. I was unable to take part in the last Niagara trip three years ago, so I am really excited about going this year especially since we will be traveling thru Canada this time.

The upcoming State Ops meeting is going to be so much fun with game night and the handing off the new mascots, but we are thrilled the most about attending our first Prom together.

Here's a fun fact according to MadameBridal.com:

Prom is shortened from "promenade", a slow introductory walk those debutantes did at their first ball. Back in the 19th century, college students had their first formal event where they were introduced to polite society, and these events were only reserved for the most elite private colleges. These weren't posh parties made for posh kids, but formal events that were meant to teach all the participants good manners and proper behavior. As the economy got better in the 1900s, these elite-only events quickly found their way (and popularity) to high schools, and now proms are here to stay. Proms used to be simple, modest, and homely, the entire class would put on their best clothes, get together in the gym for tea and sweets, and to dance under the protective gazes of the chaperones.



State Individual of the Year: Miles Finley Justice

Happy New Year Chapter A! I hope everyone's 2024 is off to a great start. Although the weather has not been particularly cooperative so far this month in terms of being able to ride our bikes, we have still managed to spend some quality time together. Most of us gathered at the Metro Diner for our Black-Eyed event on New Year's Day (though we were not actually able to have black eyed peas that day 😊). Ray, Kent, Karen, and I visited Chapter Y in Mayfield on January 4th. Chapter A held our annual Operations Meeting on January 6th. Chanel, Cindy, Kent, Karen, Dean, and I visited Chapter G in Florence on January 9th. And, of course, Chapter A had our regular monthly meeting on January 13th. Considering we are only halfway through January; Chapter A has been pretty active. Plus, January is double-points month, so we have accumulated quite a few points toward the annual chapter visitation competition.

We have some great rides planned for this year – particularly the annual September Chapter A trip to Canada. I am looking forward to getting back on the Goldwing and enjoying time in the saddle with all of you. Let's hope for an early spring this year!



IOY/COY Raffle 2024

The Couple of the Year/Individual of the Year raffle item has been selected. Did you know that the proceeds from this raffle are needed to support the COY/IOY program? We ask that everyone please help keep this fun activity going by purchasing a raffle ticket or two or three from your chapter's COY/IOY.

Chapter A's Couple of the Year 2024: Tony Johnson and Debi Baldwin



Greetings Chapter A family & friends! January marks the 2-year anniversary of Tony and me connecting with Chapter A. We attended our first event, a monthly chapter meeting, in January 2022 on the invitation from long-time friends Dean and Lora Miller. We haven't looked back since! I hope every new Chapter member feels as welcome as we did. These last 2

years have been so enjoyable with great people on great rides and attending great events. Because of all this, we are especially honored to have been chosen as Chapter A Couple of the Year for 2024. We have some BIG shoes to fill from what we've witnessed over the past 2 years, and we're excited to do our best to step into those shoes and represent the Chapter positively.

The cold isn't very conducive to getting our much-needed wind therapy. But it won't be long until temps are rising enough that we can get back out there! Inevitably we'll connect with other riders. In the past, we had biker ducks with our Chapter info to leave for other riders to help them learn about us. We're looking into other ways to share our info to include updating our business cards, and even potentially getting stickers, magnets, and flyers! Growth is essential to maintain a thriving organization and we're looking for easy practical ways to share our Chapter info with others. This is really exciting to me because I love sharing things that bring me joy, such as this Chapter!

Along with the theme of sharing our awesome Chapter with others, our fluorescent yellow shirts ALWAYS garner attention and work as instant advertising. I'm excited to be taking over as Chapter Shirt Czar from Brenda Snook who kept us well dressed for years. Another high bar to live up to! She was a great help through the transition and has set me up for success. We have a new Chapter patch/logo and will soon have some hands-on items to check out! I

appreciate everyone's input and support as we make these changes.

Here's to a happy, healthy, prosperous 2024 and a safe, adventurous riding season!

Chapter A's Individual of the Year 2024: Chanel Blue



Hey there, I'm Chanel, the dynamo and individual of the year for Chapter A! Let me take you on a ride through my motorcycle odyssey. Picture this: not too long ago, I was petrified of motorcycles, fearing the unknown rush of wind and the hum of the engine. It all changed when my late husband, a true road warrior, offered me a chance to experience the thrill from the backseat. Little did I know that the ride would ignite a spark within me that would grow into a fiery passion.

Fast forward to March 2021, a pivotal moment in my life when I decided to take the plunge and get my very own motorcycle. The day I brought that beast home, I felt an exhilaration like no other. My first solo journey from St. Louis, Missouri to Kentucky was a test of nerves, especially for my late husband who was a bit anxious about my maiden long-distance ride. But as I pulled into my driveway, the sense of accomplishment and empowerment washed over me, transforming any anxiety into a feeling of pure badassery.

In the same year, I embarked on various adventures, with the highlight being a thrilling ride from the heart of Kentucky up to the enchanting landscapes of South Dakota. The wind in my hair, the open road stretching ahead – it was a symphony of freedom. Since, I'm proudly cruising on my own Can-Am Spyder named Miss Ruby, a loyal companion on local joyrides and lengthier excursions with Chapter A.

In 2023, alongside the incredible members of Chapter A, I tackled what I considered the scariest of all rides – the infamous Back of the Dragon. The twists, turns, and sheer exhilaration of that journey had my heart racing, toes tingling, yet every nerve electrified with empowerment. It was the kind of fear that fuels a different kind of courage, making me realize the true essence of being scared yet utterly empowered.

For me, the act of throwing on my helmet and hitting the road is a form of therapy, a liberation that brings peace and a sense of untethered freedom. Riding a motorcycle is more than a hobby; it's an embodiment of joy, resilience, and the unyielding spirit of the open road.

Riding isn't just a hobby; it's a testament to the unyielding spirit of the open road. So, whether it's the wind in my hair on familiar streets or conquering the spine-tingling Back of the Dragon, my motorcycle remains a symbol of fear conquered, and empowerment embraced.



We can't wait to see you at
the next gathering!

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2005 Goldwing GL1800 48,500 miles The rear tire has about 100 miles on it and the brakes only have about 300 miles on them. I also have a cover for it, and I have a set of extra brakes. It has aftermarket running boards for the driver. It has a heel toe shifter. I would sell it with two helmets that have an intercom. Asking \$5300

Contact Ron Severns @ Bikerblue35@gmail.com

Get on the Level

Level System

Basically there are four levels:

1. Safety by Commitment
2. Safety by Education
3. Safety by Preparedness
4. Safety by Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

Rider Education Levels Program

"THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF RIDER EDUCATION"

Level 1: Safety By Commitment

Rider and Co-Rider requirements:

- The expressed commitment of the Rider or Co-Rider to strive for and practice safe riding.

Level 2: Safety By Education

Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have a current motorcycle license.
- Have completed an approved on-bike Rider course within the past three years.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years.

Level 3: Safety By Preparedness

Rider requirements:

- Completed a formal approved on-bike Rider Course within the past three years.
- Maintain current First Aid, CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.
- Carry a First Aid kit on the motorcycle.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years (a sanctioned PLP is not allowed to be used for this Level).
- Maintain current First Aid or CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.

Level 4: Safety By Commitment and Preparedness

Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid **and** CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding.
 - *Proper riding apparel, a.k.a.: proper riding "gear" will include, at a minimum, a DOT (FMVSS 218)/Snell (M2010) / ECE 22.05 approved helmet (approved standard applicable to the local area), eye protection, long sleeved jacket/ shirt (no "riding pull on/off sleeves"), long legged sturdy pants, full fingered gloves and over the ankle footwear. Some have coined the acronym ATGATT standing for All the Gear, All the Time.*

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid **and** CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding (see definition in the Rider section above).

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Area Chapter Meetings in the Bluegrass State:

Chapter A



Louisville KY
40223

2nd Saturday of the month @ Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Rd.

11:00am Lunch. Meeting begins at Noon.

www.chaptera.org

Chapter C



Lexington KY
40509

3rd Saturday of the month @ Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd.

11:00am Lunch. Meeting begins at Noon.

www.kybluegrasswings.org

Chapter G



Florence KY
41042

2nd Tuesday of the month @ American Legion Post 4, 8385 US Hwy42. Eat at 6:00pm(Bring your own food) Meeting begins 7p

www.chapterg.org

Chapter K



Henderson KY
42420

1st Saturday of the Month @ Henderson Diamond Echo Lanes, 1698 Second St. Henderson, Ky. Meet@11:30am. Eat at noon.

CENTRAL TIME

Chapter S



Elizabethtown KY
42701

Varies between 1st and 2ND Sunday of the month @ Shoney's, 1046 Executive Dr. 4:00pm Dinner. Meeting begins 5:00pm.

Chapter T



Paintsville KY
41240

3rd Saturday of the month Giovanni's pizza 261 Court St
Eat at 5pm. Meeting begins 6:00pm.

Chapter Y



Mayfield KY
42066

1st Thursday of the month @ Majestic Family Restaurant,
700 S. 6th Street. 6:00pm dinner. Meeting begins 7:00pm

CENTRAL TIME

Traveling Plaque

Chapter C has the Traveling Plaque. It will be available at their gathering on 1/20/24. They meet at Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd, Lexington, Ky. They eat at 11am and meet at Noon. We'll see Ya'll there!!



Traveling Plaque Rules can be found by clicking [here](#)

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