

### Red Knights Motorcycle Club – Mass Chapter 2 P.O. Box 316 — Westminster, MA 01473 www.rk-mass2.org

### 2008 Summer update....

### A thanks to all the members...

At the July 4th BBQ the members voted to host and fund an outing for the members of the chapter as a THANK YOU for being part of the Red Knights.

The officers have been pouring over brochures and web pages looking for "the" special event to serve as this year's club thank you. We thought we had found it with the *Green Mountain Flyer*. Their schedule posted a foliage train from Bellows Falls to Ludlow, Vermont for the Ludlow "Chili Festival." **BUT** as we were getting ready to make a commitment and purchase the tickets we realized that Ludlow had their festival on one weekend and the train had their scheduled ride to the festival on another weekend! It was one of those "left hand/right hand" communications failures.

So we are still working out the details for our thank you to you the members. Instead of trying to fit something special into what is left of our busy ride schedule we are looking at winter time events that will give us good reason to gather and have fun together when the cold winds are blowing!

e wish all those headed to the convention in Ohio a safe ride...

And depending on the travelers' departure plans, maybe we can ride with them for a while (and find a breakfast or coffee spot) to

see them on their way!

# LABOR DAY CELEBRATIONS!

Sunday, August 31
Labor Day Weekend Cookout

We have the pavilion and grills reserved at the Tully Lake Recreational area in Royalston.

The Tully Lake Recreation Area provides picnic tables, grills, horseshoe pits, a small playground, a boat ramp, and toilets. There is also an open field area. Swimming is permitted, but not directly at the boat launch site.

Meet at the Westminster FD at 10:00 a.m. and we will take a ride and end up at our Pot-luck BBQ destination! Bring something to throw on the grill, and a dish to share and we will enjoy the Labor Day Holiday Weekend together!

We'll have the grills going for noon!

### Killington Classic in Killington, VT.

(Thursday through Sunday) September 4-7

This year the Killington Classic is sponsored by the Killington Area Chamber of Commerce and there is no registration fees for the event.

Similar to past years there are organized rides to choose from, vendors, and the parade on Friday evening. Again this year the "Classic" coincides with the Vermont State Fair in Rutland.

State Rep Steve Mickle has been negotiating with several hotels and has received a good deal for us all. Thirty rooms are set aside for the Red Knights at the North Star Lodge at a cost of \$59 per night (plus tax) (regularly \$89). They are on the road to the Mountain and just a few minute walk to the Gristmill Restaurant.

Mention you are with the Red Knights when you call to make reservations. 800-422-2296 — room availability is limited — www.northstarinn.com.

More information about the Killington Classic is at www.killingtonclassic.com

Best wishes to Donna Moreau as she heads to Qatar (in the Middle East) to begin a teaching assignment for two years. It will be quite an adventure and we can't wait to see her back for a few weeks at our Christmas Party in December!



Donna's email is Donamore@aol.com if you would like to keep in contact with her while she is away.

### October business meeting

At our annual business meeting for our chapter, scheduled for October, the officer positions of Vice-president, Treasurer and Road Captain will be up for election/re-election. Any member interested in running for the posts should contact this year's nomination chairman (chapter secretary) Moe Lizotte.

# Sunday, October 12 — Annual Chapter meeting followed by the Apple Pie Ride.

Chapter meeting (and election of officers) at 10:00 and then a ride to Dummerston for the Vermont Apple Pie Festival.

#### What's on the schedule??

Sunday, August 17. New England Ride for Kids. If you are not headed to the convention, come join us for the Ride for Kids. If you cannot join us, consider sending a donation along with Bob for the PBTFUS.

## (Wed. to Sun.) August 20-24. Red Knights' annual convention.

Sandusky, Ohio. Plans look like the contingent will be leaving on Saturday, August 16 with a ride along the Great Lakes enroute to Ohio. How about those staying behind ride with them for a while and stop for breakfast along the way?

Saturday, September 13. A Ride to the Rough. Let's meet early (8:00 a.m. in Westminster) and we'll head east towards Gloucester to enjoy the northern seacoast of Massachusetts... and some seafood too I suppose!

Saturday, September 27. Lunch with the Clydesdales. We'll head towards southern New Hampshire for a visit, tour, and lunch at the Anheuser-Busch complex in Merrimack. Meet at WFD at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 5: Breakfast with Smokey Bear... and then to toss a pumpkin or two. Breakfast first (to support our brethren at the Jaffrey FD) and then off to the roads of New Hampshire for some fall sights including the Yankee Siege trebuchet under guidance of Ed B! Leave WFD at 8:00 a.m.

#### Whitehorse Press Fall Tent Sale

Whitehorse press (www.whitehorsepress.com) is hosting their Fall Tent Sale at their "world headquarters" on Saturday, September 13 in Center Conway, New Hampshire.

They say to *bring a truck* because you will want to take home more than your bike will carry!

RoadBike Magazine said that their spring event was "wall-towall two-wheeled mayhem with food, drink, folks, and fun" as the order of the day.

Advertised as (1) White Mountain Roads, (2) Close-out pricing and deals, and (3) no sales tax in New Hampshire make it a great destination stop!

### **Meliset's Ride**

Supporters of Bay State Medical Center are sponsoring a Poker Run on Sunday Sept 7th to benefit their Pediatric/ Adolescent HIV program at Baystate.

The ride starts at the Bay State Clinic at 3300 Main St. in Springfield at 10 a.m. and includes McCray's Farm in South Hadley, Atkin's Farm in Amherst, Popoli's Motorcycle shop in Westfield, and ends at Stanley Park in Westfield.

The goal is 250 bikes. The route is planned by Star Touring and Riding group with support of Popoli's Powersports of Westfield, MA.

www.legionpost224.com/riders/id32.html

### "Fire and Iron" Fall Run for Shriner's Children's Hospital

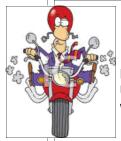
The Adams, Massachusetts Chapter of Fire and Iron Motorcycle Club is sponsoring their annual "Fall Run" to benefit Shriner's Children's Hospital on Sunday, September 28

Last year this event raised 60,000 dollars. The president of the F & I chapter sent out a general invitation to the Red Knights of Massachusetts to join them in the ride.

The Fall Run is a weekend of events beginning on Friday, September 26 at noon with a meet and greet at the Adams Fire Dept. Saturday, the 27th is a charity ride through the hills of Vermont and Massachusetts and a tour of a local motorcycle museum.

Saturday night the Main Street in Adams for a bike night. Following bike night there is a band at a local Polish and American Club. Lastly, Sunday the 28th the annual fall run sponsored by custom city cycle and the fall run committee, which is a 65 mile ride through the Berkshire mountains ending at Mohawk Park where there is food and a band with bike games.

Cory Adelt, President Fire and Iron m/c Station 100 Adams, MA



MDA Poker Run — Sponsored by the Amherst Firefighters

Saturday, August 23

\$25 per bike

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Alumni Stadium at UMass. If you are not in Ohio for the RKMC Convention and would like to ride, contact Bob Laford.

www.amherstfirefighters.org