

RKMC — Mass 2 — 2009 Ride Schedule



Sunday, January 18. **Sliding on the Ice with the Red Knights**

Come to the Petersham Curling Club and have some fun on the ice and learn to Curl!
Meet at the Curling Club (Route 32—North Main Street) in Petersham for 1:00 p.m.
Dinner to be served at 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 7. **Northeast Motorcycle Expo in Boston.** A guy's day out via train. Meet at the Leominster Train station by 9:15 a.m. Visit www.kevmarv.com for more info.

Saturday, February 14. **Winter Pot-luck and Fun in the snow.** Join us at the Ashburnham Public Safety Complex for some winter fun... (1:00 p.m.) Dress for the weather, bring your sleds, and we will try out the hills behind the station.

Saturday, March 14. **Americade Pot-luck Planning Meeting.** Are you planning on going to Americade in June? Come to Kevin & Lori's in Ashburnham at 4:00 p.m. and bring some food to share too.

Saturday, March 21. **Massachusetts State Meeting of the Red Knights.** After the monthly "Breakfast Club" we'll head over to the Ashburnham FD for a meeting of officers from the Mass Chapters (11:00 a.m.)

Saturday, April 11. **A Trip to Boston for a visit to the North End and Mother Anna's (and more).** We'll pick up the train at 9:25 a.m. in Leominster and provide "on the rail" entertainment inbound to Boston. The tastes of our favorite Italian restaurant, dessert at *Mike's Pastries*, and a visit to Quincy Market are all on the annual docket! *Call Bob L. by Monday, April 6 if you plan to go so we can give John a heads-up at Mother Anna's and look for you at the train stops.*

Sunday, April 26. **Spring Business (Dinner) Meeting —with an educational component.** Meet up at the Westminster FD at noon. We'll head off for a ride, lunch, a brief meeting, and the opportunity to review some information that will help us each be better riders.

Friday, May 8 – Sunday, May 10. **RKMC Spring Weekend.** Meet at Westminster FD at 10:00 am on Friday, May 8. This year's spring weekend will be in Connecticut's "quiet corner" where we can spend time in the casinos and along Connecticut's coast (including the sub museum and other area attractions). *More info to come in the newsletter.*

Saturday, May 16. **Make sure you have your food groups.** Plans are to make stops to cover the basic food groups — (1) Coffee, (2) Hot Dogs, (3) Ice Cream, (4) Snacks. Meet at the Westminster FD at 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 19. **RK Ladies' Americade Planning.** Meet at Peg's for 6:30 p.m. and bring ideas for the supplies needed to cover our week at Lake George.

Week of June 1-7. **Americade — Lake George, N.Y.** Varying departure times and staying times throughout week. The largest group is leaving Sunday, May 31. *The Red Knights are hosting the Wednesday evening three-course Dinner (we need door prizes), RK meeting Thursday evening — and are participating in the Parade on Saturday morning.*

Sunday, June 21. **New Hampshire BBQ Competition —** Come join us for a Father's Day Ride to at the Anheuser-Busch complex in Merrimack for the NH BBQ Cook-off. Meet at WFD at 10:00 a.m. www.rotaryribfest.org

Thursday, June 25 – Sunday, June 28. **Road trip to Madawaska, Maine.** It's time to head to Maine for the Acadia Festival—complete with bed races and all—and a visit to the Four Corners Memorial. Planned stop enroute includes the Cole Land Transport Museum outside of Bangor. www.madawaskafourcorners.org

Saturday, June 27. **RK Vermont-2's Paul's Ride.** Let's support a nearby chapter's efforts to help those with cancer. Meet at WFD at 8:00 a.m.

Other opportunities to ride:

Monday, April 20.
It's Patriot's Day — Wanna Ride?
Contact Tim K. if you want to go for a holiday ride.

The Worcester Tornadoes

have many home games (baseball) in Worcester — a fun (and affordable) afternoon or evening out. Visit www.worcestertornadoes.com for details

If you hear of other rides... or just have free time and want to go for a ride — let others know — there's always someone who will be able to go!

Red Knights' Breakfast Club

Join us for Breakfast on the 3rd Saturday in the cold weather months. Meet at WFD at 8:00 am

- January 17
- February 21
- March 21
- April 18
- October 17
- (Oct. is 9 a.m. with a Fall Mystery Ride after)
- November 21
- December 19

New England Fire Chief's Show June 26-28 — In West Springfield

The RKMC will have an information booth at the Fire Chief's Show.

Anyone interested in spending time in the booth contact State Rep Steve Mickle.

Ice Cream Rides

Ice cream is always popular so we will meet on the 3rd Friday during the ice cream months & leave WFD at 6:30 p.m.

- Friday, May 15
- Friday, June 19
- Friday, July 17
- Friday, August 21
- Friday, Sept. 18

Looking for more ice cream and more motorcycles? Each Tuesday evening from May - September you can head to Lowell for the Motorcycle Night at Heritage Farm. Visit www.motorcyclenight.com for more info

Saturday, July 4. **4th of July Pot-luck BBQ.** Come enjoy some time with friends at a holiday pot-luck. We'll be in Westminster at the home of the "On Site Academy" with our host Don Hurme and the academy's staff. Bring a dish to share and something to throw on the grill. Meet at noon at Westminster FD (for those of you who do not know the way to Bragg Hill).

Looking for an earlier gathering? Bring your flags to Petersham and we can participate in the **Petersham July 4th Parade** (only about a mile long) at 10:00 a.m. (Meet on the town common).

Saturday, July 18. **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, July 25. **Americade's Picture Perfect Pot-luck.** Join us at Moe and Marcia's with your pictures and videos from Americade. Along with the pictures we'll share some food, laughs, and stories! Meet at M & M's in Gardner at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 2. **Battleship Cove.** Meet at Westminster FD at 8:00 a.m. and we will head off to visit the USS Massachusetts at the Battleship Cove. www.battleshipcove.org

Sunday, August 15. **Southern BBQ in Vermont.** We'll be off to Chester, Vermont for lunch at *the new* Curtis Grill... then a ride down Route 100. Meet at WFD at 9:00 a.m. www.curtisbbqvt.com

Sunday, August 16. **New England Ride for Kids.** If you are not headed to the convention, come join us for the Ride for Kids it's a ride that you'll never forget! If you cannot join us, consider sending a donation along with Bob for the PBTfUS. www.pbtfus.org/rideforkids

Saturday, August 22. **Day ride to Wells, Maine to visit our snow birds.** We'll meet at WFD at 8:00 a.m. and take advantage of the long daylight hours for a ride to Wells, Maine to have lunch with Marty & Cliff!

(Thurs. to Sun.) August 20-23. **Red Knights' annual convention.** Fort Lauderdale is the destination. Sounds like there are a few members heading south... contact Ed B. if you are interested in going.

Saturday, August 29. **Play your cards with the Chapter.** Our chapter treasurer will flip a coin and lead us where he wants. At each stop the riders will participate in some "card games" to see who ends up with the best hand. One of the stops will be at "Sherry's House" in Worcester for a visit with the kids (and drop off our care packages). Meet at Westminster FD at 9:00 a.m. More info to come in the newsletter. www.whyme.org

Saturday, September 5. **Labor Day Weekend Cookout.** We'll be joining up with the Mickle's in Nashua for this year's Labor Day Cookout. Meet at Westminster FD at 10:00 and we'll go for a ride that ends at our pot-luck.

(Wed. to Sun.) September 9-13. **Killington Classic in Killington, VT.** More information about lodging when we get closer. www.killingtonclassic.com

Friday, September 25 - 27. **Cape Cod Dutch-treat Weekend.** Meet at Westminster FD at 9:00 a.m.—we'll pick up more friends at the Route 12/140 intersection at 9:30. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters on accommodations, rides, routes, and events.

Sunday, October 4: **Breakfast with Smokey Bear....** Breakfast first (to support our brethren at the Jaffrey FD) and then off to the roads of NH & VT for some fall sights! Leave WFD at 8:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 11: **Princeton Firefighter's Breakfast.** Are you an early riser? We can grab breakfast in Princeton before the chapter meeting.

Sunday, October 11: **Annual Chapter meeting and Apple Pie Ride.** Chapter meeting (and election of officers) at 9:00 and then a ride to Dummerston for the Vermont Apple Pie Festival.

Saturday, October 17. **Breakfast Club Ride.** Our first Saturday Breakfast Club for the Fall — plans are to visit the newly renovated Springfield Museum of History and their collection of Indian Motorcycles. Meet at WFD at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 1. **Polar Bear Ride.** What will the weather bring in '09? Meet at WFD at 11:00.

Sunday, December 13. **Red Knights Christmas Party and Yankee Swap.** Meet us at the Apple Hill Farm in Leominster for our dinner, party, and gift swap. 1:00 p.m.

RKMC 2008 Dixie Rally
Wilmington, NC from
May 15-17 2009 hosted
by the Dixie
Confederation of
Southern Chapters.
www.rkmc Dixie.com

Gettysburg Bike Week
July 9-12
www.gettysburgbikeweek.com
RKMC events hosted by
Pennsylvania Chapter 12
www.redknightspa12.org

