



RKMC — Mass 2 — 2012 Ride Schedule

Other opportunities to ride?

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!

Saturday, January 28. Northeast Motorcycle Expo in Boston. A guy's day out via train. Meet at the Leominster Train station by 9:00 a.m. (We'll carpool down to Riverside T-Station). Visit www.kevmarv.com for more info.

Sunday, February 5. Winter Pot-luck and Planning for 2012 fun! Join us at the Westminster American Legion for our Winter Pot Luck (1:00 pm). We'll have our 2012 Ride Schedule printed and ready for your perusal.

Saturday, February 25. Monadnock Harley Chili Fest. Meet at the Winchendon McDonalds at 10:30 and we'll head north to kick some tires and eat some chili!

Saturday, March 3. Galactic Bowling (In the dark) and Pizza. Come join us at the Gardner 10-Pins on West Broadway for a few strings of Chapter Bowling with their glow-in-the dark "Galactic Bowling." (6:30 p.m.)

Saturday, March 24. RK Massachusetts State Meeting. Hosted by MA-1 in Boylston. Contact a Chapter Officer if you would like to attend.

Sunday, March 25. Americade Pot-luck Planning Meeting. Are you planning on going to Americade in June? Come to Ed and Peg's (in Westminster) at 2:00 p.m. and bring some food to share too.

Saturday, March 31. A Trip to Boston for a visit to the North End and Mother Anna's (and more). Meet at the Leominster station for 9:00 a.m. and we will head into "the city." Plans are to walk the piece of the Freedom Trail that meanders through the North End with a goal of lunch at our favorite Italian restaurant. *Call Bob L. by Monday, March 26 if you plan to go so we can give John a heads-up at Mother Anna's and look for you at the train station.*

Sunday, April 15 (May 20) Motor-officer Blessing and Rodeo. Meet at WFD for a.m. and we will head south to Uxbridge to watch the Motor-Officer Rodeo. Come watch the bike games, motorcycle rodeo, food, music, a raffle and more. www.motorofficerblessing.com

Saturday, April 28. Spring "Dust-Off" Ride. Meet at WFD for 10:00 a.m. and for a ride to *who knows where* — just because we need a ride!

Friday-Sunday, May 4 – May 6. Spring Weekend in the Berkshires. Meet at Shell Station at Route 2/202 in Orange (Exit 16) at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 4. We'll be staying in the Berkshires. *More info to come in the newsletter.*

Saturday, May 19. 2012 Red Knights Skills Day. Meet up at the 2/202 Shell Station in Orange for 9:00 a.m. We'll head off to the drill yard (@UMass) to dust off our skills and have some fun and a post-practice ride and food as well.

Monday, May 21. RK Ladies' Americade Food Planning. Meet at Peg's for 6:30 p.m. and bring ideas for the supplies needed to cover our week at Lake George. *...since the ladies will be out of the house, the guys will meet at 2/202 in Orange (at 6:00) and fend for ourselves at some local eating establishment (with a ride of course!)*

Week of June 2-10. Americade — Lake George, N.Y. Varying departure times and staying times throughout week. The largest group is leaving Saturday, June 2. *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 17. Father's Day Ice Cream and Fantasies — Meet at WFD at 10:00 am and we will head out for a ride to UConn for a stop at their Puppet Museum... and of course ice cream at the UConn Dairy! <http://bimp.uconn.edu/>

Saturday, June 30. RK Vermont-2's Paul's Ride. Let's support a nearby chapter's efforts to help those with cancer. Meet at the 2/202 Shell in Orange at 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, July 7. 4th of July Celebration Pot-luck BBQ. Come enjoy some time with friends at a holiday pot-luck. We'll be guests of Nancy and Larry Robinson in Petersham (1:00 p.m.) [355 North Main Street—Route 32]

Saturday, July 14. The Moving Vietnam Wall. The Wall is coming to Springfield, Vermont. Join us for a ride to pay our respects to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Meet at WFD for 9:00 a.m. www.themovingwall.org/

Red Knights' Breakfast Club

Join us for Breakfast on the 3rd Saturday in the cold weather months. Meet at WFD at 9:00 am

- January 21
- February 18
- March 17
- April 21 (Ride??)
- Oct. 20 is a meeting & brunch/lunch ride
- November 17
- December 15

Ice Cream Rides

Ice cream is always popular so we will meet on the 4th Wednesdays during the ice cream months & leave WFD at 6:30 p.m.

- Wed., May 23
- Wed., June 27
- Wed., July 25
- Wed., August 22
- Wed., Sept. 26

New England Fire Chief's Show

June 22-24
In West Springfield

The RKMC will have an information booth at the Fire Chiefs Show.

The big rallies to dream of:

Daytona Bike Week
March 9-18, 2012

Myrtle Beach Bike Week
May 11-20

Rolling Thunder
May 27—Washington, DC
rollingthundermotorcycleraly.com
stars-stripes-spokes.com

Laconia Motorcycle Week
June 9-17

GWRRA Wing-Ding
Ft. Wayne, IN—July 4-7

Gettysburg Bike Week
July 12-15
gettysburgbikeweek.com

71st Anniversary Sturgis
Motorcycle Rally Aug. 6-12

Biketoberfest—Daytona
October 13 - 16

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 21. **Glasgow Lands Scottish Festival.** We'll take a ride down to Northampton's Look Park to take in the Highland Games. Meet at 2/202 at 9:00 a.m. (Ticket costs for event are \$16 per person). www.glasgowlands.org/

Saturday, July 28. **Castle in the Clouds.** A ride into the White Mountains of New Hampshire with lunch at the Castle in the Clouds in Moultonborough. Meet at Westminster FD at 8:00 a.m. www.castleintheclouds.org/ ***Want to stay over in the White Mountains? This is always an option too, whether to ride home on Saturday or kick around somewhere until Sunday!***

Saturday, August 11. **Glass blowing at the Mill—Quechee, VT.** It's a ride north along both sides of the Connecticut River to Quechee. Meet at WFD for 8:00 a.m. <http://www.simonpearce.com>

Thursday-Sunday, August 16-19. **Red Knights International's Annual Convention.** Gettysburg, PA. www.redknightspa12.org

Sunday, August 19. **New England Ride for Kids.** Come join us for the Ride for Kids it's a ride that you'll never forget! This year's starting point is Tantasqua High School. If you cannot join us, consider sending a donation along with Bob for the PBTFUS. www.pbtfus.org/rideforkids

Saturday, August 25: **It's the smallest state and the smallest covered bridge—and a good place to eat!** Come join us for a ride into Rhode Island where we will find the smallest covered bridge in the country and have lunch at Wright's Chicken Farm. Meet at Westminster FD for 10:00. www.wrightsfarm.com

Thursday-Monday, August 30-September 2. **Killington Classic in Killington, VT.** More information about lodging when we get closer. www.killingtonclassic.com

Saturday, September 1. **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 noon and we'll go for a ride that ends at our pot-luck.

Sunday, September 9. **Taza Chocolate Tour!** We'll meet at WFD at 9:00 a.m. for a ride towards Somerville for a visit to Taza Chocolates. www.tazachocolate.com/

Saturday, September 15. **Mass 2's annual ride for Sherry's House.** Our chapter treasurer will take the lead with our turn to "play some cards." At each stop the riders will participate in some "card games" to see who ends up with the best hand. Donations and proceeds of the *gambling* will be left off at "Sherry's House" in Worcester (and we'll drop off our care packages too). Meet at Westminster FD at 9:00 a.m. More info to come in the newsletter. www.whyme.org

Friday-Sunday, September 21-23. **Cape Cod State Weekend!** We'll meet at WFD for 9:00 a.m. and work our way towards Falmouth for a return of the Red Knights State Weekend on Cape Cod. Preliminary plans have a ride on the Vineyard too. More details to follow in newsletter.

Saturday, September 29. **Americade Picture Perfect Potluck.** Bring your pictures, your videos, some food to share, and your *opera glasses* to enjoy an afternoon of laughs reminiscing about our Americade week! 4:00 p.m. at M&M's in Gardner.

Saturday, October 6. **Chapter Officers' Meeting.** Meet at the Café 57 in Ashburnham for lunch (at 11:30 a.m.), for an officers meeting... and a ride.

Sunday, October 7: **Breakfast (and Apple Pie) with Smokey Bear....** Breakfast first (to support our brethren at the Jaffrey FD) and then off to the Dummerston Apple Pie Festival! Leave WFD at 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 13. **RK Massachusetts State Meeting.** Fall meeting hosted by Mass-13 at the Ayer F.D. Meet and greet in Ayer at 10:30 a.m. Mass-2 meet at WFD for 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, October 20. **Annual Meeting and (Brunch/Lunch) Ride.** Our first Saturday Breakfast Club for the Fall, but it will be more for lunch. Meet at the Shell Station in Orange at 2/202 at 9:00 a.m. A short ride to Amherst where we will have our annual meeting (and election of officers) and then a *post-meeting* ride (Looking toward Goshen with the Three Sisters Sanctuary www.threesisterssanctuary.com and/or the Bridge of Flowers <http://bridgeofflowersmass.org/>) and a meal.

Sunday, October 28. **Gold Star Mother Ride.** Fall ride to Manchester, NH to view the Gold Star Mothers Monument. Meet at WFD for 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 4. **Polar Bear Ride.** What will the weather bring in '12? Meet at WFD at 11:00 a.m. (*Don't forget to change your clocks!*)

Sunday, December 9. **Red Knight's Christmas Party & Yankee Swap.** Reservations at the Glen Café, details to follow in newsletters. (1:00-5:00 pm)

Do we know your birthday? If we have a ride on that day, it could mean a free ice cream on the group!

Other Motorcycle Opportunities!

Mothers for Daughters Cancer Ride
www.mothersfordaughters.com
May 18-20—Dover, Vermont

Rotary Rib Fest—Merrimack, NH
June 15-17—www.rotaryribfest.org

National Ride to Work Day
Monday, June 18, 2012
www.ridetowork.org/

Cruise 4 Cancer II
September 8, 2012,
@ Gardner PACC
Benefiting the Relay for Life
<http://cruise4cancer.net/>

