



# RKMC — Mass 2 — 2021 Ride Schedule

Join us on a **JAR** - It's simple...  
it means "**Just a Ride.**"

With the continued uncertainty with the pandemic, our 2021 calendar currently shows scheduled "JARs" (Just A Ride). These are placeholders so that we can still get out and have some wheel-spinning time together. We can easily continue to be socially distant within our group and stay to ourselves as we get together in small groups. If the pandemic lessens, we can revisit some of our traditional events and alter the calendar as the year progresses.

Depending on the situation at the time, we may plan for picnic rides, where we do not have to stop at restaurants, have modified picnic rides where we plan to stop at a mom and pop place to pick up "to go" meals – or we may be able to again venture into restaurants! Listed on this page is a list of some "stopping" destinations that we can choose from as the JAR leader is planning the ride. If you have any hidden gems that we should consider, let the officers know!

In the schedule most JARs do not have detail. It will be up to the ride's leader to decide. If the ride is going to be longer than a 2-3 hours, ~100 mile ride, we will share that information as the date approaches. But we had feedback from members — let's just get out and ride!

## Red Knights' Breakfast Club

We are hopeful that our breakfast clubs will return in the fall. Mark those "3rd Saturdays" in your calendar.

In the meantime, join us on the third Saturdays of January—March for "Virtual" Breakfast Clubs through ZOOM. Links for each of those events will be sent out via email several days in advance.

### Virtual Breakfast Clubs:

- January 16
- February 20
- March 20

### Fall Breakfast Clubs:

- November 20
- December 18
- January 15 (2022)
- February 19 (2022)

### Where might our JARs take us in 2021?

- Annie's Hot Dog in Paxton/Liechester
- Barstow's Dairy and Bakery in Hadley
- The Clambox in Brookfield
- Curtis' BBQ (?)
- Hager's Farm Market on the Mohawk Trail
- Herrick's Tavern in Orange
- Jacksonville General Store on Route 100

- Janine's Frostee in Ware
- Lee's Hot Dog Stand in Baldwinville
- Murph's Hotdogs on Rt. 117 in Lancaster
- New Salem General Store
- Outlook Farm and Eatery in Westhampton, MA
- Rein's Deli in Vernon, CT
- The Summer House in Southwick MA

### Where else?

**Saturday, April 17. Massachusetts State Meeting.** The spring State Meeting for Massachusetts will be hosted by Mass-4 at the Huguenot Steamer #1 Fire Museum in North Oxford. Hopefully conditions will allow the holding of the meeting AND having the bikes out for the ride to the meeting!

**Saturday, April 24. Red Knight JAR.** Shake off the winter dust with our first JAR of the year. Meet at Westminster Dunkin Donuts for 1:00 pm. It's an afternoon ride with maybe some ice cream!

**Saturday, May 8. Red Knight JAR.** Let's venture westerly from our starting point, for another early spring ride. Meet at 2/202 Shell Station in Orange for 10:00 am and we'll hit the road — and have a stop for lunch before we are done.

**Sunday, May 16. Red Knight JAR. Time to Shake up the meeting place!** Meet at the Dunkin's by Huhtala's Oil, Route 2A, in Templeton for 11:00 am and it will give us a new direction to head! (Exit 21)

**Saturday, June 19. Vermont-2's Paul's Ride.** Meet at 2/202 Shell in Orange for 8:00 a.m. Our sister chapter in Vermont is making plans for another Paul's Ride, if conditions allow. If their plans do not materialize, we can still use this date as a **Father's Day Weekend JAR Ride.**

### Monday, June 21. International Ride to Work Day.

If you are still at the daily grind of work — take your bike to work!  
If you are retired, get out and ride and smile at all those people headed to work!

**Sunday, July 4. 4th of July Celebration and Cookout.** Come enjoy some time with friends at a holiday pot-luck. *(More details will be shared later)*

**Saturday, July 17. Red Knight JAR.** Meet at the Westminster Dunkins for 10:00 am.

### WHAT? No Ice Cream?

You may have noticed we do not have evening ice cream rides in the schedule. But ice cream destinations are definitely great outdoor, socially-distant ride events!

Never fear — there will be ice cream! *(Maybe the UConn Dairy when they reopen!)*

Sunday, August 1. Red Knight (ice cream) JAR. Meet at the 2/202 Shell Station in Orange for 1:00 pm and a ride to the Ice Cream Machine in Charlestown, NH.

August 18-22. Red Knights International's Annual Convention. Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada — Sponsored by New Brunswick-1.

Saturday, August 21. Red Knight JAR. Billed as the International Lunch Ride because our members attending the convention will already be in Canada. Meet at the Westminster Dunkins for 11:00 am.

Sunday, September 5. Labor Day Cookout. Enjoy the last official weekend of summer with a chapter Cookout to celebrate the Labor Day weekend. *(More details will be shared later)*

Saturday, September 18. Red Knight JAR. Maybe some northern roads into NH and VT will have some early foliage to see. And we will search out some ice cream before the shops close for the season! Meet at the Westminster Dunkins for 11:00 am.

September 21-25. Americade — Lake George, N.Y. The Dutcher's and their team have been planning for Americade to return since last summer. Because of the questions still in the air about COVID, vaccines and what restrictions would still be mandated in June, Americade will be in September — helping the riding season wind down, rather than begin!

As you know, we no longer have the Red Knight Cabins at the Bay Front Cottages. There are many options for lodging in and around Lake George. Some members were looking at Roaring Brook Ranch and several members have accommodations reserved at the Radisson, near the Great Escape in Queensbury. Whether you want to be along the strip in town on Canada Street, in Lake George but away from the strip, or further removed from the hustle and bustle, there are many other choices for lodging throughout the area. As you investigate options, you will quickly notice that we had been very fortunate (and spoiled) to have the pristine lodging we had at the cabins for the price we were paying!

Hopefully, we will also see the return of the Red Knights ride and open house during the week. We will keep you informed!

Sunday, October 3: Breakfast with Smokey Bear. Join us for Breakfast (to support our brethren at the Jaffrey FD) to kick off Fire Prevention Week! Leave Westminster Dunkin Donuts at 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, October ??. **Fall State Meeting.** We will let you know details on the fall state meeting when it becomes available.

Saturday, October 23 (tentative): Annual Chapter Meeting. We will let you know details of our annual business meeting later in the year.

Sunday, October 31. Halloween Ride or Gathering (?)

Sunday, November 7. Polar Bear Ride. What will the weather bring in '21? Meet at Westminster DD at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, November 20. Picture Perfect—with Breakfast. The return of our In-person Breakfast Clubs, with our first one of the fall with traditional plans to have the 2021 photo collection rolling for your review at the November Breakfast Club. Bob and Diona will be hosts in Petersham for November.

*Let an officer know if you would like to host a Breakfast Club, when we return to in-person socials!*

At the time this schedule was originally printed:

- RKMC International Convention planning is still moving forward.
- The Yankee Rally (Region-1) has been cancelled.
- The Dixie Rally (Region-4) for May 14-16 in Culpeper, VA is still an active event.
- The Bootlegger Rally (Region 3) for September 2-5 in Scottsburg, IN is still an active event.
- Western Rally (Region 5) scheduled for late June in Cold Lake, Alberta.

November 21 All Christmas Party fees/RSVPs due.

December 1 All 2022 member dues are due.

Sunday, December 5.

**Red Knight's Christmas Party & Yankee Swap**

Reservations at the Glen Caffé, details to follow in newsletters.

