



The Highway Hobos Of NEW YORK CHAPTER H

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THE HOBO RAG

Hello Hobos,

Can we see the light at the end of the Tunnel?????

It's March and I hope as you are reading this, the weather is getting better. I know we had the teaser just before the Walser's party. It was in the 50's and most of my snow is gone. Then Sat and some more snow and wicked winds. I have an anemometer mounted on the side of the house and it recorded a peak gust of 70.1 MPH. That is really blowing. I did see 2 bikes out on Thursday and 5 on Friday. Apparently, that cloud I see from a vehicle going by is not salt dust. Soon we will be riding and that is a sure sign of spring. Another reminder is to set your sights on maintenance day and let me know what you are thinking or planning on doing. I am doing a fork rebuild and fluid swap-out for Jeff Kasper while he is deployed to the desert. That will be a nice surprise for when he gets back. Saint Patrick's day is coming and so is the gathering at the Parson's. Along with that, Keith and I have a huge Medic First Aid class going on in Rochester on the 5th. And one of my favorites, La Costa Verde on the 23rd for what is always a great meal. So go out, sit on it and polish it a little and soon we will all be riding.

Keep safe and ride smart
Rick and Connie

See everyone at the next gathering at the Basket Factory in Middleport, 10am

Mar 6 th	Apr 3 rd	May 1 st
Jun 5 th	Jul 10 th	Aug 7 th
Sep 11 th	Oct 2 nd	Nov 6 th
Dec 3 rd (party)		

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Some Event Dates For The 2011 Season!



Mar 3-13	Bike Week, Daytona, FL
Jun 6-11	Americade, Lake George, NY
Jun 20	Ride to Work Day
Jul 6-9	Wing Ding, Knoxville, TN
Jul 7	Pediatric Brain Tumor Ride for Kids, Utica, NY
Jul 28-30	New England Convention, Maine
Aug 11-13	Bi-State Convention, Liverpool, NY
Sep 8-10	PA Convention, Hotel Carlisle, Carlisle, PA
Sep 11	Pediatric Brain Tumor Ride for Kids, Binghamton, NY

If you have any events you'd like listed, let me know.

NOTES

Just a reminder: our food drive is still ongoing. Please bring canned goods/non-perishables to each meeting. Bill & Carolyn are collecting.

For Sale: 1985 Timeout tent camper, always kept inside, like new condition, asking \$1500. Also black leather motorcycle jacket with removable fur collar size med. Also chaps size med. Coat and chaps are like new condition, worn just a couple of times. Make offer. Jack Schoonover, 716-745-9984.

March Birthdays

Bonnie Peete, 6th
Gene Ottman, 18th

Bob Kelley, 14th
John Ochtyun, 24th

Marcia Masters, 14th
Sheryl Reis, 25th

March Anniversaries

None

LISTING OF CHAPTER EVENTS YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

- Mar 6th Chapter Gathering, Basket Factory, Middleport, 10am
- Mar 19th Cabin Fever at the Parson's, 1549 Youngstown-Lockport Rd., Youngstown, Dish to pass; any time after 4pm.
- Mar 23rd Winter Fellowship, meet at LaCosta Verde, 5790 Transit Rd., Depew, At 6:30
- Apr 3rd Chapter Gathering, Basket Factory, Middleport, 10am. Meeting will Include a presentation on insurance coverage.
- Apr 16th Cabin Fever at the Fox's, 250 Carmas Dr., Rochester, after 4pm
- Apr 20th Winter Fellowship, meet at Santiserio's, 1329 Niagara St, Buffalo, at 6:30pm
- Apr 28th First Dessert Ride of the season, to Village Diner, 425 Main St., Youngstown, meet at Marsh's at 6:30. Led by Rick & Connie
- Apr 30th Tech Day at the Parson's, 1549 Youngstown-Lockport Rd, Youngstown, 8am, rain or shine. Let Rick know what work you will want to have done.
- May 1st Chapter Gathering, Basket Factory, Middleport, 9am. NOTE TIME CHANGE
- May 2-7 Blue Ridge area tour, led by the Fox's. Details to follow. Contact Myron if interested so he can begin planning.
- May 4th Dessert Ride to Rudy's, 118 W. Center St., Medina, meet at Kenyon's At 6:30pm. Led by Bob & Sandy.
- May 12th Dessert Ride to Whistle Pig, Military Rd., NF. Meet at Marsh's at 6:30pm. Led by Rick & Connie

POST THIS LISTING ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR!



Bruce's Blurbs

Although there is still a lot of snow remaining, Punxsutawney Phil predicts we will have an early spring. With this in mind, we should all start addressing the upcoming riding season with thoughts of safety. The topic of safety is one that should be discussed not only with other riders, but with our passengers, and done on a routine basis. If in the future a co-rider course is offered, consider signing up at that time.

A quote taken from Motorcycle Consumer News June 2010:

“A rider who has experienced many uneventful miles can easily become complacent and overconfident. It's common for people to think they are more proficient than they really are until they are faced with a problem they cannot handle. “

“A rider who has an accurate perception of his / her riding abilities and of the risks of riding will make good decisions and behave accordingly.”

Before the actual riding starts, look over the owners manual. Familiarize yourself with controls on the bike. Determine what items may need to be replaced or repaired. Consider doing this at the tech day. Go through compartments clean out and repack. Carrying a first-aid kit is part of the requirement for the Levels program. Now would be the time to add, or update an existing kit.

Rider Education Program pamphlets are available. Reading this material will help members understand how to obtain a higher level of safety.

Bruce A. Krebs
Chapter H Educator

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