

Red Knights Mass Chapter 2 — January 2007

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Last call for ride ideas for the '07 ride schedule... the officers will be meeting to make the schedule later this month!

Mass Chapter 2 Motorcycle Safety Just a short informational mailing to start the New Year and get Foundation Rider Education Scholarship some important data out to you. Take a look at the info on the rider scholarship, the promotional materials for the club, our The chapter is again providing MSF Rider Scholarships for 2007. We will be giving out two weekend in Vermont, and our upcoming pot-luck in February! basic rider course scholarships that are available to anyone and two experienced rider course Local promotion of the Red Knights scholarships that are available to our members. Enclosed with this newsletter is a flyer, Scholarship Application, Deadline for submission is March 1, 2007 and and Chapter Tri-fold to share with your fellow firefighters. the scholarships will be awarded in April. An application for the scholarship is enclosed and We ask that everyone take these fliers and post them at a local fire they are also available on the webpage. station. It can be your station or another nearby station. There are still fire departments that have no Please share the scholarship information Winter Potluck Red Knight members from them. with someone who would benefit from We are especially trying to target the training program. these stations to let their riding Sunday, February 11 members know about our club. • 1:00 pm in Ashby Come enjoy Route 100 and the Green There is also an extra copy of the We'll be meeting at the Farm in Ashby, Mountains at the Swiss Farm Inn on Bennett Road again this year, thanks tri-fold enclosed in the newsletter to the hospitality of our hosts Wayne and for you. Keep this on your bike We have booked a Vermont B&B and when others ask you about Linda Stacy. for the weekend of July 6-8. We will the Red Knights you can share the be the only guests and the roads Bring a dish to share and something to information with them. wet your whistle and we will share stories around central Vermont will be all from the past and look ahead to the new ours for the weekend! If you need more tri-folds they are riding year. available for download on our The catch is that there are only 15 webpage or you can contact Bob We will have the ride schedule for 2007 rooms. So the first fifteen people to Laford for more copies. printed and ready for distribution – so make reservations get to enjoy the don't miss it! weekend in the Mountains with us. Thanks for your support! Give Linda a call to let her know that you The cost is \$55 per night (Friday and will be coming, and to ask for directions if Saturday) and that includes a great vou are unfamiliar with where the farm is. breakfast. We will also be having 978-386-7915 dinner at the B&B on Friday night and If you have Congratulations to Moe and that is an extra \$15 per person. paid your dues Congratulations to Kevin for 2007 (Thank You) and Marcia on moving Then we will spend Saturday lost in Martin, Tim Kilhart, and have not received your into their new the Mountains of Vermont! Bob Shakarian on their remembership card yet it home and best election to the chapter's should be enclosed with wishes to Kevin Come join us. Please make your reservation (NOW) by contacting the this mailing. and Lori as they board of officers. Swiss Farm Inn at 800-245-5126 and make plans to If you have not paid Thank you also to Donna mention you are with the Red Knights. break ground on your dues yet for 2007 Moreau, Bob Shakarian, Also let Bob Laford know so he can keep their new place! (oops) there is second and Don Hurme for track of who is going. If by chance there notice is enclosed. continuing on as members are still rooms open by May 1 we will Sounds like two of the Scholarship If you have any open those spaces to friends and members new places for a questions, please contact from other chapters. Committee for 2007. pot-luck will be

Treasurer Tim Kilhart.

coming soon!

On the road with our friends...

• Our late fall riding was in cool weather. It was frosty the day of the Apple Pie Ride and was barely 40 degrees later in October when we met for breakfast and headed off to Salem to visit the "Witch City." For that ride we

had 11 bikes, one fourwheeler totaling 18 members! Maybe we should forecast cool temperatures for every ride if that's the turn out we'll see!



During our time in Salem we

enjoyed the rich history of the city and even had a chance to view street actors portraying the beginning of the period when the citizens were embroiled in the witch frenzy. The town crier, with warrant in hand, was looking for the accused – a woman wearing a red bodice. Standing nearby was Diona, with her Red Knights vest, and one of the actresses asked if she was *one of them!*

 Another cold morning greeted us when it was Polar Bear Ride time. But that did not stop everyone from coming out for some great fall weather riding. We had ten bikes and a handful of cars (24 people) for the meeting and almost everyone headed down the road for brunch and then a stop at the Cider Day Festival in New Salem. Wintertime in Lake George...

Did you know that Lake George hosts a Winter Festival each weekend throughout the month of February? Whose up for a weekend away at our favorite home away from home!?!

Look on line at www.lakegeorgewintercarnival.com to see if any of the planned events pique your interest and maybe a few of us will head up to LG for a midwinter break!

If you're interested and have a weekend in mind, give Bob a call.

Our **Breakfast Clubs** have started up again! The riding season may be winding down, but that does not mean that the fun is going to stop.

In November we had 14 people (7 still on bikes!) and we had a great breakfast before a few of us continued into Connecticut to pay annual taxes to the Native Americans.

Every third Saturday from October through April we will gather for breakfast and fellowship. Meet at the Westminster FD for 8:00 a.m. and we will discover a different breakfast haunt for the month.

January 20, February 17, March 17, and April 21

Guy's Day out in Boston 2007

The Boston Motorcycle Show is the weekend of February 3-4, 2007 at the Bayside Expo in Boston (A new location).

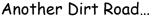
It is always a great time looking at all the bikes, vendors, and wares at this show. Come join us on **Saturday, February 3.** We will meet at the Leominster train station about 9:00 a.m. for the ride into Boston and see if we can get lost — and always with a smile and a laugh! (And no, it's not just limited to the guys!)

Then there are the cultural stops like Wings at our favorite restaurant... or is it the legs!

Other 2007 Show dates and locations are:

Hartford, CT on January 6-7 Wilmington, MA on Jan. 13-14 Salem, NH on January 27-28

Check out www.kevmarv.com for more information





Just how many dirt roads did the president lead us down during the last riding season?

And the bigger question is how many will he find in 2007!

...a snapshot from our Polar Bear Ride in November with a stop at the Cider Day Festival.

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas Party such a success. A special thank you, as always, to Donna Moreau and her sister for such fine faire and wonderful atmosphere at the Farm. It was a fantastic meal! We'll be back there on Sunday, December 9, 2007.

It's hard to imagine that we had 38 people at the party, (even with 2 couples on two wheels!) – WOW!

And thank you to all that gave gifts for the Fishes and Loaves program that Deb works with. We gave 41 gifts that went to families that need an extra

