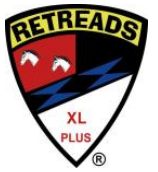




# Western PA Retreads



Get ready to ride!!!

Jan-Feb-March

"On The Road Again"

[www.wparetreads.org](http://www.wparetreads.org)

Hello Retreads!

February 2, 2024

Winter finally arrived in Western PA bringing freezing temperatures and a foot of snow on January 13th. That was the time to cozy up inside and start planning those warm weather vacations. Check the events page for lots of options this year. Punxsutawney Phil predicts an early Spring. I'm good with that!

Our last event of 2023 was The Welcome to Winter Gathering, We had 19 members and 1 guest get together for a fun afternoon. It was wonderful to have Carrie Huntington join us! For the newer members, Carrie was a Western PA Rep many years ago. She now lives in Arizona, but is planning on being back in Western PA in July and is going to try to attend our rally. Margie Sumner & Melvin Long won the door prizes. The Christmas Candy guessing game was won with the exact guess of 91 by Don Grossman. Guesses ranged from 62 to 210. There was a 1960's era pinball machine that was on and several of us took up the challenge. Although a few came close, Dave Boleratz was the undisputed winner with a score of 4685! If you weren't there, you missed a fun afternoon with lots of good food and great friends.

We had 5 guests from the Southern Tier NY Retreads join us for the first Western PA Breakfast meeting of 2024 in Meadville on January 13th. I was very surprised to see that they had still decided to come as Western NY was under a winter storm warning.

We had a bit of a glitch with the banquet facilities and caterer for our Western PA Rally which is why our rally reservation form was delayed this year. The restaurant which leased the facilities and catered our meals abruptly shut down and went out of business. The potential crisis is being resolved by the hotel that actually owns the facilities. They are working to lease it out to someone else but have assured me that we will have the use of the facilities for our rally. We've made arrangements with a new caterer to provide a meal on Monday evening and our banquet. I'm very excited about the menu!

Now to finish the rally flyer so I can get it out with this newsletter.

Until next time...be safe and stay well,

Kim Docter, Western PA Rep

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2024

Membership  
Renewals Are  
Due!

If you haven't renewed yet, stop what you're doing, grab the form out of this newsletter, fill it out and drop it in the mail. You don't want to miss out on the fun!



# Western PA Retreads 2024 Application/Renewal Form

Retreads Motorcycle Club International, Inc.

AMA Charter 3233

Visit us at: [www.wparetreads.org](http://www.wparetreads.org)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Please type or print)

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal \_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_ Sponsored By(if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**Important: Must be signed by Applicant and Co-applicant, if any, before cards are issued.**

By voluntarily applying for membership, I understand that the Retreads cannot assume responsibility for any aspect of my safety. I understand the sport of motorcycle riding has an inherent safety hazard. I also understand that my participation in any Retread activity is strictly voluntary and further, I release and hold harmless the Retreads from any loss to my person or property.

**Applicant sign:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Co-applicant sign:** \_\_\_\_\_

Do you approve of your contact information being shared with other Retreads? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

May your name and/or photo appear on the Western PA Retread website? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Birthday \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant's Birthday \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

AMA number(s) if members \_\_\_\_\_ Co-Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Year/Make of Motorcycle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

How do you prefer to receive your newsletter? \_\_\_\_ Email or \_\_\_\_ US mail

Annual donation \$20/single or \$25/couple Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make check payable to: Western PA Retreads and return application to:**

Jan Archer - 25461 State Street, Saegertown, PA 16433

The following to be completed by Western PA Rep. only

Retread Membership Card Number: Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Co-applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash: \_\_\_\_\_ Check: \_\_\_\_\_

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** We will publish Retread events as we receive them and enclose registration forms for Retread rallies with your newsletter, at least once. Underlined events have or have had ride/rally information included in a newsletter. If you need a copy of a rally flier contact Kim at 814-398-4918 or [kadocter@gmail.com](mailto:kadocter@gmail.com) Rally fliers are also available online at most of the sites below. **CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ANY CANCELATIONS OR CHANGES TO THE MONTHLY BREAKFASTS.**

**Northern Breakfast Meeting: Hosted by Darryl & Nancy Boleratz - Meadville, PA**

2nd Sat. every month - Breakfast 8-9AM - Meeting 9:00am at Perkins. Meadville, PA RT 322 East of I-79

**Southern Breakfast Meeting: Hosted by Bill & Carol Fezell - Butler, PA**

4th Sun. every month - Breakfast 8-9AM - Meeting 9:00am at Michael's Restaurant, 970 New Castle Rd (RT 422), Butler PA

**Southern Tier Retreads** (Our neighboring Retread group in Western NY) meets on the second Sunday of the month. Lunch at 2pm and meeting at 3pm with the exception of February when they meet on the third Sunday. The Old Tool Tavern, 114 School St, Randolph, NY 14722

**2024 Retread Events**

- Mar 9-11 - Eastern PA Retreads Mid Winter Get-A-Way, Waynesboro, PA - *Info in this newsletter*
- April 5-6 - Coffeyville Retreads April Fools Rally, Coffeeville, KS - *Info on our website or contact Kim*
- April 24-27 - SWLA Retread Rally, Westlake, LA - *Info on our website or contact Kim*
- May 1-4 - Four Corners Rally, Chinle, AZ - *Info on our website or contact Kim*
- May 16-18 - Mid-Atlantic Retreads Rally, Bird-In-Hand, PA - *Rally reservation form in this newsletter*
- June 11-13 - New England Retreads Rally, Waterville, ME - *Rally reservation form in this newsletter*
- July 15-17 - Western PA Retreads Rally, Franklin, PA - *Rally reservation form in this newsletter*
- Aug 19-23 - International Retreads Rally, Gulfport, MS
- Aug 22-25 - ME Retreads Weekend Getaway, Shelburne, NH - *Rally reservation form in this newsletter*
- Sept 16-18 - Delmarva Retreads Rally, Harrington, DE?
- Sept 28 - Oct 5 - Ride to the Finger Lakes, Sponsored by Eastern PA Retreads - *More info on our website or contact Kim*

**Web Sites for Rally flyers**

- Western PA:** [www.wparetreads.org](http://www.wparetreads.org)
- Mid-Atlantic:** [www.midatlanticretreads.com](http://www.midatlanticretreads.com)
- Maryland:** [www.mdretreads.weebly.com](http://www.mdretreads.weebly.com)
- International Retreads:** [www.retreadsmc.org](http://www.retreadsmc.org)
- Delmarva:** [www.delmarvaretreads.weebly.com](http://www.delmarvaretreads.weebly.com)
- Eastern PA:** [www.eparetreads.com](http://www.eparetreads.com)
- New England:** [www.newenglandretreads.com](http://www.newenglandretreads.com)



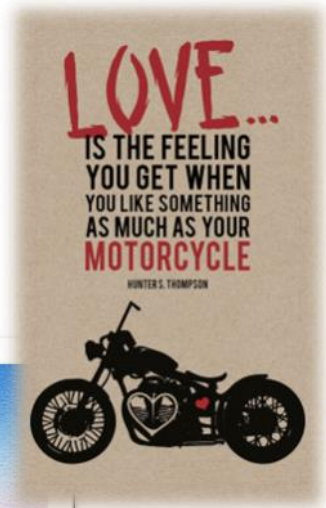
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| Carol Haines     | 2/2  |
| David Boleratz   | 2/10 |
| Sandy McCaslin   | 2/18 |
| Darlene Phillips | 2/23 |
| Robert Connerly  | 2/22 |
| Larry Snodgrass  | 2/27 |
| Francis Haines   | 3/2  |
| Nancy White      | 3/2  |
| Donald Arthurs   | 3/16 |
| Pam Horn         | 3/18 |
| Larry Brown      | 3/29 |
| Deon Jackson     | 3/30 |



**Valentine's Day**

A day for kindness  
A day for smiles  
A day for friendship  
Across the miles

A day for sharing  
A day for hugs  
But most of all  
A day for love





# WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA RETREADS RALLY 2024



## July 15th - 17th

Early Registration Check-in on July 14th

**The Greenberg Cadillac Museum**  
"World's Largest Cadillac Collection"



### Quality Inn & Conference Center

1411 Liberty St, Franklin, PA 16323

814-437-3031 Mention RETREADS for special room rates



\$105.94/night + taxes. Includes hot breakfast bar  
Room check-in begins after 2:00pm. Earlier check-in is not guaranteed

Come unwind and relax in Historic Franklin PA. Enjoy riding and fellowship with friendly RETREADS from many states and Canada. Lots to see and do, or just relax at the hotel with other Retreads

Nearby hotels: *Knights Inn* 814-432-2101

*Several B&B's—Check the Franklin, PA website*

#### RALLY PACKAGE INCLUDES

**Sun. Aft:** Early Registration 3-5pm

**Mon. Eve:** Pulled Pork Dinner & Games

**Tues. Eve:** Entertainment—Rudy Elvis Returns with an Ice Cream Sundae Intermission

**Wed. Eve:** Banquet, Awards & Door prizes

Guided & Self Guided Rides and Walking Tours



#### 50/50 & Drop Tickets

(Donations are welcome for the Drop Ticket auction and door prizes)



#### Camping Available at:

Two Mile Run County Park 814-676-6116 (9.5 miles)

Registration Room open:  
Early registration...Sunday July 14th 3pm - 5pm  
Monday 7:30am - 10am  
Other times will be dependent upon volunteers to staff the room. Times will be posted and listed in your rally packets.  
Drinks and snacks will be available

You must have a current membership card to be eligible for awards. No awards for trailered bikes.

Make check payable to: Western Pennsylvania Retreads

More info: Darryl & Nancy Boleratz 814-332-9571

Mail to: Richard White 6329 Mt. Pleasant Rd, Meadville, PA 16335

E-mail: Boleratz@hotmail.com

Driver \_\_\_\_\_ Driver/Passenger \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address ( for confirmation of registration) \_\_\_\_\_

Retread Group you belong to: \_\_\_\_\_ Position (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first time attending a Western PA Retread Rally? YES NO

# of people \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 80.00 ea. AFTER JUNE 15TH - \$90 ea. ----- = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of people \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 70.00 ea. (without banquet)AFTER JUNE 15TH - \$80 ea.-- = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*ALL Payments must be in U.S. Funds Please\* Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

RETREAD'S GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME



# Mid-Winter

## Getaway with the Mid-Atlantic Retreats

Come join us for a short break from winter and  
visit with old friends



**March 7th - 10th 2024**

**Rooms: \$89.99 per night**

**Mention "Eastern PA Retreats" for Special Rate**

Reservations must be made 02/10/2024

Complimentary Breakfast

Lunch & Dinner on your own

Nightly Gatherings in the Meeting Room

Playing Cards, Dice, and Cribbage etc.

Come see what Waynesboro, Pennsylvania has to offer:

Waynesboro Mall, Gettysburg Battlefield, Red Run Park, Sunshine Lanes Bowling, Antique Shopping, Waynesboro Movie Theatre, Frank's Pizza, Gino's NY Pizza, Waynesburger, Celebrity Deli, Applebee's, Monterey Pass, Rolling Mills, Red Run Grill, Café Del Sole, China Maple, Keystone Family Restaurant, and many more.

## **Cobblestone Hotel and Suites**

**12695 Washington Twp Blvd, Waynesboro, PA 17268**

**717-765-0034**

All Rates are Plus Tax 11% Breakfast included in Rate

No outside Alcohol Beverages in Meeting Rooms







# 2024 Mid Atlantic Retreads Rally

May 16th-18th 2024, - early registration Wednesday May 15th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Host Hotel – Bird-In-Hand Family Inn & Restaurant, Rt. 340, Bird In Hand, PA

800-537-2535 [www.bird-in-hand.com](http://www.bird-in-hand.com)

MENTION "RETREADS MOTORCYCLE CLUB" SPECIAL ROOM RATES WILL BE HELD UNTIL **APRIL 1**

**ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS:**

Harvest Drive Family Inn 3368 Harvest Drive, Gordonville PA 717-768-7186  
Spruce Lane Lodge & Cottages 2439 Old Philadelphia Pike Lancaster PA 866-925-8676  
Country Acres Campground 20 Leven Rd Gordonville PA 866-675-4745  
More hotels and campgrounds listed on our website.

Hosted by Mid Atlantic Retreads <http://www.midatlanticretreads.com/> for more details

### Rally Package Includes

Wednesday evening Ice Cream Social  
Door Prizes - Trophies  
Hospitality Room with coffee, cookies, pretzels and ice cream  
Thursday evening entertainment  
Guided & Self Guided tours Thur – Sat  
Retreads Breakfast Buffet, Fri or Sat  
Friday Evening Banquet & awards  
**Saturday Evening BBQ**  
Rally Pins to first 150 signed in at rally

### Additional Activities

Thursday evening guided ride to Shady Maple  
Smorgasbord  
Mini Golf Tournament with trophies  
Charity Poker Run with trophies  
Outlet Malls Nearby  
Host Hotel permits all attendees to use pool and hot tub, even if staying somewhere else.

Valid membership card required for some trophies



Hanes 100% cotton shirts.  
V neck for ladies, pocket for men.

**Shirts must be ordered by April 8**

Colors may vary due to shortages

**Checks payable to Mid Atlantic Retreads.** – dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net  
Mail to: Greg & Diane Gill P.O. Box 573 Saylorsburg PA 18353 570-369-2467  
dianeg@affordablecomfortinc.net

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ Retread Card No(s) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ AMA Card No(s) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

RETREAD POSITION – **CIRCLE WHICH APPLIES** - PAST OR CURRENT – **CIRCLE WHICH APPLIES** - BOARD, DIRECTOR, STATE REP, ASSISTANT STATE REP. – WHICH STATE \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_ X \$88 Before April 14, \$98 after April 14 = \_\_\_\_\_  
**Without Banquet** number attending \_\_\_ X \$78 Before April 14, \$88 after April 14 = \_\_\_\_\_

SHADY MAPLE SMORGASBORD, NUMBER ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ x \$24 = \_\_\_\_\_

Mens pocket T Shirts S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ XXL\_\_\_ 3XL\_\_\_ \$25 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Ladies V neck Shirts S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ XXL\_\_\_ 3XL\_\_\_ \$20 each = \_\_\_\_\_

**Shirts must be ordered by April 8.** Total amount enclosed (in U.S. funds please) = \_\_\_\_\_



# MAINE RETREADS WEEKEND GETAWAY

Join Us and "Let's Ride" The Open Road



August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024

\$20 registration per person

## Town & Country Inn

20 US-2 #1033

Shelburne, NH 03581

1.800.325.4386

Room Rates Per Night \$159 plus 8.5% tax & \$3 service fee

Mention "**Maine Retreads**" when making reservations.

Meals not included. There is a restaurant on site  
serving breakfast and dinner daily.

(Please note that in order to receive the group rate,

reservations must be made

**before July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024**)

Group Rides Planned for Friday & Saturday or Self-Guided Trips  
as well as other "FUN" activities.

FMI Email [meretreads@gmail.com](mailto:meretreads@gmail.com) or  
Ron Winslow at 207.641.7125 (call or text)



## MAINE RETREADS 2024 WEEKEND GETAWAY

Rider Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # \_\_\_\_\_

Length of stay for Weekend Getaway (Please Check) \_\_\_\_\_ (Aug. 22) \_\_\_\_\_ (Aug. 23) \_\_\_\_\_ (Aug. 24)

\$20 Registration Fee per Person \_\_\_\_\_ (Number of Persons) \_\_\_\_\_ (Total Fee Included)

(Please note that the registration fee and the signed RELEASE FORM must be received by July 15, 2024)

### Mail registration with check payable to:

**Maine Retreads, c/o Ronald Winslow, 1 York Pond Road, York, ME 03909**

### RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned by July 15, 2024)

I/We agree to hold harmless Retreads Motorcycle Club, Maine Retreads, the Town & Country Inn located 20 US-2 # 1033, Shelburne, NH 03581 and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.

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Rider Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Co-Rider Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## WESTERN PA RETREADS CLUB SURVEY

This is your chance to provide us some feedback on what you want to see in our group.  
Please complete and return to Kim in person at a meeting, via email or mail.

### Rides:

- Keep rides local? 75 – 150 miles. Places you may be interested going on a short ride
  - 1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- Destination rides, pick something to go see and a lunch stop. These may be in the 150 – 250 mile range. List places you may be interested going on a longer day ride.
  - 1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- Overnight or multiday rides? List places you may be interested going on an overnight or multi-day trip
  - 1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- Ride to eat. The lunch stop is the destination. List places you may be interested going for a lunch ride
  - 1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- Days you would like to see rides planned
  - Saturdays \_\_\_\_\_
  - Sunday \_\_\_\_\_
  - Weekdays \_\_\_\_\_
- Start times. Please put a start time that you would favor for a...
  1. Saturday ride \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Sunday ride \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Weekday ride \_\_\_\_\_
- What kind of information should we include in ride announcements besides start time & location?

|                     |       |               |       |
|---------------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| Destination         | _____ | Distance      | _____ |
| Breakfast stop      | _____ | Lunch stop    | _____ |
| Need cash for lunch | _____ | Anything else | _____ |

Survey Continued

Non riding activities

- Meetings- We need to post when our meetings are. It needs to be consistent so people interested in checking us out can find us.

Keep it as it is? \_\_\_\_\_

Different venue? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes...Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Different Time? \_\_\_\_\_ If so...When? \_\_\_\_\_

- Picnics \_\_\_\_\_
- Off season dinner get togethers \_\_\_\_\_
- Any other ideas? \_\_\_\_\_
- Recruiting, please give us any ideas you might have to get more folks to join us.

Do we want to participate more with the Southern Tier Retreads near Jamestown, NY and invite them to join our activities? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to help plan rides? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to lead a ride? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to plan other club activities? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to help with other club activities? \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info: Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to complete and return this survey!

Kim Docter – Western PA Rep

814-398-4918 [kadocter@gmail.com](mailto:kadocter@gmail.com)

27553 Miller Station Rd, Cambridge Springs, PA 16403





# 2024 New England Regional Retread Rally June 11, 12 and 13, 2024



(Early Check-in Monday June 10<sup>th</sup>)

**Best Western Waterville  
375 Main Street  
Waterville, ME 04901  
(207)873-0111  
(Mention "RETREADS")**

**Host Hotel Rate: \$119.00** plus tax for **Single or Double** occupancy  
\*Rate includes breakfast daily

**Rally package includes:** Hospitality Room, Early check-in Mon. (2:00 pm – 4:00 pm), Tues. Wed. (8:00 am – 4:00 pm), Thurs. (8:00 am – noon), Ice Cream Social Tuesday evening in the hospitality room 7:00 pm, Entertainment Wednesday evening (Time TBD) in hospitality room, Rally Pin (First 100 to register), Guided and self-guided rides, Thurs. Night Banquet and Awards. (You must hold a valid Retread membership Card to be eligible for awards. No awards for trailered bikes)

**Camp Grounds:**  
• See next page

NO REFUNDS AFTER May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Please make checks payable to "New England Retreads" mail to:  
Ron & Robin Cardin 97 Spruce Road Norwood, MA 02062

Your canceled check is your Registration confirmation or enclose a SASE or Email address for written confirmation

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Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Next of Kin: (Name, address & Phone #) \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*Register Early! After May 14th the cost is \$90.00 per person with Banquet\*\*\*\*\*

Rally with banquet \$80.00/person, times \_\_\_\_\_ people \$90.00 after May 14th..... Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rally **without** Banquet \$70.00/ person, times \_\_\_\_\_ people \$80.00 after May14th..... Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Men's Short Sleeve T-Shirt - **\$20.00 ea.:** S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ ..... Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Women's "V" Neck T-Shirt - **\$20.00 ea.:** S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ ..... Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 XX-Large \_\_\_\_\_ **\$22.00 ea.** XXX-Large \_\_\_\_\_ **\$23.00 ea.** ..... Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Long Sleeve (Men's or Woman's) \_\_\_\_\_ add **\$3.00 ea** ..... Grand Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **GROUP RIDING**

You may think of your riding group as a single unit heading down the highway, but experts make it clear that when it comes to other traffic- and the law - you are a number of individual motorcyclists who happen to be using the same road. Law enforcement officers point out that most states have no laws giving large groups of motorcyclists any special rights or privileges on the road unless they obtain a parade permit.

They note that it is entirely legal, and often necessary, for other vehicles to move in and out of a group of bikes. Group riders should know that they may occupy the travel lane, but there will be times when cars may need to travel within the group to turn, etc. They continue by saying that each rider is subject to traffic laws individually. If you are the 11th rider in a group approaching a stop light and the first 10 get through on a green, that doesn't absolve you for the responsibility to stop when it turns red. Nor does it give you the right to break the speed limit to catch up.

Officials suggest that large groups divide up into smaller groups of 10 or less and leave space between the groups to allow other vehicles to pass. On 2 lane roads, it may be necessary to break into even small units.

This is an illustration of the first and most important rule for every motorcyclist involved in a group ride; Ride your own ride. When you're in a group, keep track of your own speed, your own margins from other vehicles and your own safety, just as though you were riding on your own. And if a car moves in on you, by all means, get out of the way - whether the driver is right or wrong. Even though motorcycles do have the right to ride, getting tangled up with road-rage drivers can be dangerous and possibly lethal.

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**RIDING**  
*is my*  
**FAVORITE**  
*season*