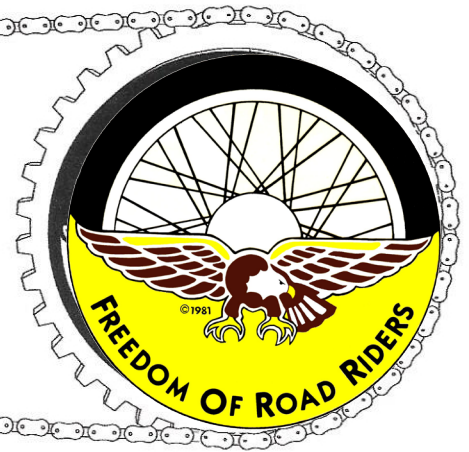




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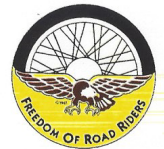
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Central Committee Meetings are at 10:00 am on
the 2nd Sunday of the odd numbered
months of the year

Central Committee Meetings for 2025: September 14 - November 9

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Please be sure your membership is current.

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Saturday Committees

Membership 12:00 pm
Legislative 1:00 pm
PAC Rally 2:00 pm
FEW Seminar 3:00 pm
Motorcycle Awareness 4:00 pm
Open Officers Meeting 5:00 pm

VC Report

Show Me Rally 2025

We've made good progress with vendors, looks
like 12-14!!!

Sponsorships had a few more come in, we can
accept up to the rally date but if you're doing
T-Shirt sponsorship I need received by July 31 or
sooner to make it on the shirt.

Attendance is what we need the most, full
weekend \$25 member \$30 non-member
\$15 Day pass Fri or Sat come out for a fun filled
weekend and support FORR!!!

Thur. gate opens at 2pm

Fri. gate opens at 4pm

Sat. gate opens at 8am

Bike tickets: If you don't turn at July CC be sure
to bring!

Friday kicks off with FREE FIREBALL SHOTS
5:30pm - 6:30pm (while supplies last)
At 6:30pm Build your own bikini. (collect items
around rally to make)
7pm Wet T-Shirt contest.

Hope you all had a great Fourth!!!

VC: Fitzs

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See you in Urich!

Local 1 – Lee's Summit (March 1980)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1pm - Location Varies

Contact: Rebel 816-850-4511 or Dragon 816-547-4906

Facebook: FORR Local 1

Hey, all Freedom Fighters, hope all are doing well in this heat. Last month I reported too many folks down for the count – be careful out there and watch out for that other guy....

To repeat a mention from last month - each local has been challenged to sign up, 5 new members. Continue to work hard to do that.

Our Lime Run was GREAT! Not as many folks as we're used to but still a success. Thanks for all that helped and participated, hope you had a FUN ride. Many thanks to The Pickled Possum (*Corporate Sponsor*) for their hospitality and opening up a bit early for us.

(See pictures in this issue.)

Are you ready for the SHOW-ME Rally in Urich! Always a great time to catch up with folks you don't get to see often enough – Hope to see you there.

My favorite event of the year....

Octoberfest is October 3-5. There will be a Friday night on site poker run as we did last year. DIRT Drags are on the schedule and all of those Bike Games – It's going to be a blast!!!

The August 17th meeting will be at Muleskinners' at 1pm.

District 4 patches are now available... Ask your District Rep for one, they are pretty cool!

As always check out the back cover for all of the upcoming events! So much to do and so much FUN!

Well, that's all I have for now so, as I always say – Have a good one, then have another!

See ya, **Michelle 'Rebel' O'Connor #7157**

2025

Local 1 Lime Run



M&M Motor Sports in Holden



Local 2 – Macon (November 2020)

Meetings: 3rd Saturday of the month 10am @ Apple Basket Café in Macon, MO 63552

Contact: Big D 816-805-7746 (Pres)

Facebook: FORR Local 2

Hello everyone!!

As every year summer is already flying by!! With Independence Day just around the corner!! Wishing everyone a great time with family and friends, if you're out riding over the long weekend (Continued)

have a fantastic time and be safe out there!!

So, on 6/14/25, we held our planned Poker Run and to our surprise it was a better turn out than expected!!! That said, we have to say a big, THANK YOU to Local 13 and 12 for their awesome support as well as to the Legion Riders Post 57 and all our friends who surprised us and joined us for a fun ride!! Again!! A big THANK YOU to everyone for your support!!!



Sadly, there were only 3 of us from Local 2 Our next meeting will be on 7/12/25, different date, same time and location. Unless some unforeseen change of events takes place... it will probably be our last meeting, really can't keep a local going when only 3 members are trying ... to be continued!!! Best wishes to all for a fun and safe 4th Of July and a fabulous summer. Enjoy, to the max!!!

Cathy

Local 3 - Truman Lake (March 2013)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30pm Call for 'new' Location-

Contact: President John Bowen 417-321-4090, Vice president Sasha Bowen 417-309-0039

Secretary Marcia Rogers 417-309-1669, Treasurer Walter Quick 816-223-0918

CC rep Sasha Bowen 417-309-0039, Newsletter Pattie Scott 417-306-0260

Facebook: FORR® Local 3

Local 5 - South Kansas City (June 1981)

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 4pm VFW Post 1829

5904 Crystal in KCMO. (816-921-2222)

Contact: President Kieth Cronin 816-377- 0645 and

VP Duane Copowycz 816-217-1812

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders, Inc. Local 5 South KC

Hello to all, I want to start by apologizing for missing last month's newsletter. No excuse I simply forgot. I realized it was too late for the deadline. Sorry.

I was saddened to learn of the passing of Mel Bates, a life member of Local 5. He was a regular at Octoberfest for many years. Prayers to his family.

We currently have 67 members with 3 new additions. A big welcome to Julie Stone, Troy Talavera, and Steve Ragsdale. Glad to have you joining Local 5.

We have voted to order trifolds, as state is no longer providing them. Duane Copowycz has taken this chore upon himself so let him know when you're ready for more. Thank you, Duane!

Show-Me Rally coming up quickly. If you haven't aired *(Continued)*

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out the tent or opened up the RV yet, then it's time to come and party and maybe grab a shift. Every shift you work helps to offset state dues for your local.

Lots of good times and good music to be had. Every year the owners add new accommodations, it's great to feel welcome. Be there or be square!

It had been decided to cancel this year's Mid-South MILE, but that decision has changed, it will be held October 17-19th. Watch Freedom Press or forr.net for details.

Octoberfest is coming up quickly October 4-6th. Details in the ad in this month's Freedom Press. The food vendor has been secured. Thanks Donna. As always, vendors and sponsors needed as well as shift workers.

Debbie Berneking is taking donations of yarn. Any kind but cotton. Dana Strouder a generous new member, has volunteered to knit hats for children at the Sunshine Center. To be given during the Toy Run in November. Also taking donations of toys as need continues to rise. Thanks everyone.

KC Motorcycle Swap Meets and Greaserama have moved to La Benit Park at River on 291 North. Sadly, Twin Drive-In has permanently closed. Swap Meets being held July 27th, August 24th, and September 28th.

Greaserama being held Labor Day Weekend.

I want to take a moment and recognize the professional job Rebel does with the newsletter every month. Thank you and enjoy your vacation O'Connors.

Thank you for your time, **Rebecca**.

Local 6 - St. Joseph (March 1982)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30pm VFW Post #1668 at 821 N. 4th Street, St. Joseph, MO 64501

**Contact: Dan Harmon 816-387-1095 or Newsletter: Editor Christine Bell
queenbwitch@hotmail.com 913-645-1570**

On June 1st we had 6 members attend ABATE of Kansas District 11 monthly meeting.

On June 6th-8th we had 10 members attend ABATE of Kansas Back to our Roots Rally on the Old Military Road at Lake Perry. This was a bike rally with only what you could bring in on your bike for the weekend.

On June 14th we had 1 member ride down to Wyandotte County Lake for the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association Family Day Picnic

On June 15th we had our monthly meeting with 19 members present. Our next meetings will be July 20th and August 17th, hope to see you all there. **(Continued)**



On June 21st we held a social gathering at Krug Park, 40 members attended with 15 riding in on bikes. Had a great day with food, fun and friends.

On June 24th-July 1st we had 1 member take off to Athens, Georgia for the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association National Convention traveling 1907 miles round trip.

On July 4th we had 2 members participate in the Troy, KS 4th of July parade with the American Legion Post 55 as the Honor Guard.

August birthdays are: Jonah Babcock on the 1st, Brandy Elliott on the 8th, Ben Hughes on the 25th, Jim Cross on the 26th, and Tressa Livingston on the 28th. Happy birthday to you all.

We have one anniversary in August, David and Marilyn Davidson are celebrating on the 9th. Congratulations to you both.

For those going to Sturgis and the ABATE Labor Day Rally, ride safe and have fun. **Christine**



Local 7 – Lebanon (January 1983)

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4pm T'S Redneck Restaurant in Lebanon, MO.

Contact: Robert Young 417-426-5627

Well, here it is July so I'll put some info in our newsletter because our meeting will be after the newsletter deadline.

On Saturday August 23rd there will be a memorial ride at Jones truck stop in Lebanon kickstands up at 9:00 am. In September on Sunday the 7th there will be a poker run for Sound House, time has not been set yet. In

October on Sunday the 5th there will be scavenger hunt for Hough senior meals on wheels program. Starting and ending at T's Redneck steak house in Lebanon bikes out around 1:00 pm back by 4:00 pm Rocky to have list. It will be a blast come out and join in on the fun. I think I am done now so ride safe and enjoy your ride.

Sir Robert

Local 8 – Chillicothe (March 1986)

Meetings: (call for info - location varies)

Contact: 660-247-5713 or 660-973-3907

Facebook: FORR Local 8



Show-Me Rally Coming Soon!
IS EVERYONE READY...



See you in Urich!

Local 9 – Lake of the Ozarks (May 2024)**Meetings:** 2nd Saturday of the month @ 6pm**location may vary****Contact:** Christabel William 417-718-5946**Email:** FORRlocal9@outlook.com**Facebook:** FORR Local 9

Hello FORR family. I hope everyone had a great month. By the time this comes out the 4th of July will have come and gone. I hope everyone took advantage of the great weather we had toward the end of June and went riding and spent time outdoors. I know I did. I rode as much as I could. My bike complained some as it was hot, and it thought it needed to be in the shade all the time. Looking ahead I think July and August will have some great days in it too.

Our local took the time to go to Eldon to a bike show and silent auction. The Eldon bike show, and silent auction was a blast! They raised funds for a scholarship program there.

Thank you all for your continued support and participation.

We'd love to see you at our next meeting on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 6 pm. Feel free to share your riding stories or any suggestions for our next events! Remember, ride safe and stay connected with us on Facebook and via email.

Take care and happy riding! *Christabel "Ducktape" William*

Newest LIFE Members

Merel Johnson

Local 28

Robert Elger

Local 28

Phillip Greer

Local 00

Congrats!**Local 10 - Jefferson City** (March 1987)**Meetings:** 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30pm at the Third Base in Apache Flats**(5515 business 50 west, Jefferson City, MO)****Contact:** Pres. Kip Loveall 573-999-0005 or Secy. Julie Loveall 573-645-7106**Treas.** Jo Romano 573-514-0889 **Safety.** Gary Smith 573-424-4539**Facebook:** Freedom of Road Riders® (FORR) Local 10**Local 11 - Southwest Missouri** (February 1984)**Meetings:** Normally the 4th Sunday of the month @ 1pm. See Facebook for possible changes.**Fraternal Order of Eagles, 1321 S. Main, NW Door, Joplin MO 64801****Contacts:** President, Mark Capps @ 417-439-5908 or Vice President, Jake High @ 417-540-3620**Facebook:** Freedom of Road Riders Local 11

Don't forget... if you are interested in running this FINE organization you have until the end of August to submit your letter of intent and a cabinet.

Local 12 – Glasgow (April 1994)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3:00 pm Location varies.

Tami Adcock 660-631-5314 Susan McDaniel 660-631-6024

Contact Facebook Freedom of Road Riders Local 12

Upcoming Meetings:

Socko and Laura's July 20(Sun) 545 Briarwood Dr.

Marshall 3 pm Mike and Tami's Sept 21(Sun) 1 pm Make

up meeting Sept 25 at Stump Island during the Firecracker Classic

Facebook Freedom of Road Riders Local 12

Local 12 Captured the Flag at Local 2's Poker Run

**Local 13 – Mexico** (January 1987)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @1pm

For Meeting info or Membership

Call: President Steve "DUTCH" Dailing @ 573-933-0044 or Vice Pres. Sara Allen @sballen2438@gmail.com - Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders® Local 13

Hello FORR, Hello FORR, 13 was asked to come escort some of our Local veterans by our neighboring town for their 4th of July parade, and we answered the call. While waiting a few of our members took advantage of the swings and kept themselves entertained for a bit.

Things are quiet around here for now as we have some down time before our next 2 events. If you have no other plans for Aug 23rd, come down to the Soybean Festival and take part in the fun and the car show we are hosting for them. And mark your calendars for Sept 6th as the date for the DOC DAILING WONDER RUN has been set in stone. Doc loved this event and what better way to honor his memory and antics than to name it after him.

Well, that is it for this episode of HOW 13 TURNS. Catch you next month until then ride safe, and often.

Stampede.

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Local 14 – Lexington (September 1989)**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2pm VFW Post 4052****3109 Franklin Ave, Lexington, MO 64067****Contact: Donna Hilburn 816-665-7243****Facebook: FORR® Local 14**

Hello brothers and sisters!! Well, it's summertime. Keep safe out there.

Here are some updates and such.

August meeting will be at Show-me Rally probably during Saturday dinner

Pool Tournament Oct 25th...flyer is out

Christmas party Dec 6th...flyer is out

We are going to try to help the Hall out and support there all you eat breakfast which is \$10 or \$12 per person also hoping this will help our local as well.

Just a reminder some members are missing renewing their memberships, please look at your membership card and renew when it's time. Please give Tammy a call to renew or you can go online and renew. It's very simple

Steph "Puff" Foulks

Local 15 – Branson / Tri-Lakes (May 1991)**Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7pm****Call for information Contact: Cyndi Barker 417-294-7340****Facebook: FORR Local #15****Local 16 – SEMO** (December 1984)**Meetings: 7pm, 4th Friday of the month****The West End Tavern in Frohna****Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or****George 573-270-7494****E-mail: forrlocal16@gmail.com****Facebook: FORR Local 16**

I cannot for the life of me, think of anything new or exciting to report regarding the goings on of Local 16 over the course of the past month. I asked Drake if he could contribute anything to this month's newsletter submission. As usual, he did not have much to say about it one way or another. However, his body language pretty much summed up Local 16 for the past month, so I took a picture of him and sent it along as this month's report. Concrete proof that there is such a thing as "The Dog Days of Summer".

With respect to all,

Martin King of Pocahontas





Local 18 – Springfield (January 2007)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday of the month – 5:00pm

The Foxhole American Legion, 2350 N Clifton Ave., Springfield, MO 65807

Contact: President - Kevin "Sixty-Eight" Kopp 239-600-2829

V.P. – Terry Lee Cook 573-754-2723

Secretary- Amy *Miami* Leslie (417)861-0769

Local 20 – Dexter (September 1985)

Meetings: Last Saturday @ 2pm The Tin Can 24 N. Locust St., Dexter, MO

Contact: Robert Reif Jr 573-421-4780 / rrreifjr@bpsnetworks.com

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 20 Dexter

Local 24 - St. Louis (October 1986 / Closed 2006 – reinstated January 2009)

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 6:30 @ Sports Cafe, 3579 Pennridge Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044.

Contact: Kerri Lewis 314-546-1624 or myself at 314-769-7810

Greetings. I have no news other than what I had for you last month. So, in the interest of shameless promotion of local 24 business, here's some good old-fashioned redundancy.

Effective immediately Local 24's monthly meetings will be on the 2nd Tuesday of the month 630PM at Sports Cafe 3579 Pennridge Bridgeton Mo 63044. Attend these meetings and let your voice be heard. Get involved with FORR and a great group of people!

Local 24 is pleased to announce that the annual REDNECK BIKER GOLF date has been selected. Picture putt putt golf with a redneck country feel to it. On Saturday, August 16th. 11AM, we meet at the first hole at Saint Charles Music House 2556 Raymond St Charles Mo 63301. Last bike out @ noon. Featuring the thing that was called a 50/50 drawing for years but now has a politically correct name that escapes me. It's not a 50/50 drawing, ok? Anyway, fun, riding, games, prizes, and fellowship. All bikes and even cars and trucks are welcome. Some of us myself included, like to dress as rednecks for this event and it's encouraged. :) some of us don't need to! LOL. I will do my best to build the trophies again which are coveted. (Not really, ;) The event is just a great time, and I encourage you all to attend!

Tales from the road... Kinda.

Let me start by saying that "I'm old and I forget stuff, and I'm not as pretty as I used to be but damnit I'm still the Ram." (Mickey Rourke, The Wrestler) So what I'm trying to say is that I may have told this story here before and if I did, I apologize.

A long time ago I was a little boy. It was October 1970. It was my 7th birthday. I grew up in Maryland Heights. Back then Maryland Heights was almost like a country area. Kinda rural. Hell, at one time we had a quarter horse and an electric fence. Anyway, I digress. I got off of the bus after school at the end of

Cumberland at Midland and walked up to 11 Cumberland. Don't look for it. The shack I grew up in is long gone. At the top of the long gravel driveway my dad was standing *(Continued)*



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there with a minibike, grinning. It was my first bike. Needless to say, little Rob was a happy boy. I've been on two wheels with an engine ever since.

You should know that my father was not a biker. He never owned a motorcycle. He could ride but it just wasn't his thing. However, he knew that motorcycles touched his son in a very deep place. Many years later I was visiting my dad in a little town called St. Elmo in Alabama near Mobile. Daddy and I were sitting in lawn chairs in the back yard drinking beer and my dad said it's too bad his neighbor wasn't home because he'd love to see my bike. That made me think of the minibike. I told my dad that I knew I thanked him many times before but, one more time, thanks Dad for giving me a minibike for my birthday.... It was then that I learned all those years later that my dad had to sleep on the couch for a couple weeks over it. My mom told him to get rid of that thing, my little boy is gonna kill himself on it etc.... I love and miss you, dad.

Watch out for the cellphone loving idiots on the road. Make sure your tires are good and have proper air pressure. Have fun. Get home with all of your skin.

Rob.

Local 25 - St. Charles County (November 1986)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ Noon

St. Charles Music House

Contact: President Justin Nelson 636-288-4411

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 25

Local 26 – Maryville (February 1990)

Meetings: 1st Tuesday @ 6pm Breaktime @ 1517 E. 1st St., Maryville, MO

Contact: Kathy Rice 660-582-1742

Facebook: Local 26 Freedom of Road Rider

Local 28 – Waynesville (March 1990)

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7pm Pulaski Shriners Club.

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Hello Motorcycle Riders and Fans

If you missed the Buckhorn Blast, I am truly sorry, folks waited till the last moment to get the information out. It was warm. I will try to get some pictures out next month. Blast was on the fifth so didn't have the time to get them in the press. Got out and rode a little in the last couple of weeks, damn it felt good. I didn't run into freshly moved grass which was a blessing. Rode a couple of Patriot Guard escorts. Honored to do it. My E-mail seems to have 3 or 4 announcements a week or sometimes a day.

Can't ever seem to have birthdays in the press, just not getting the information on time. Guess I need to be proactive and send out E-mails.

Well school starts this month doesn't seem like the kiddo got the whole summer off, dang weather didn't

corporate. The rain has been dangerous for loads of people. Remember to take safety into account every time you do anything. Watch out for the children all the time, as the saying goes "They are our future".

History Lesson for the month: August 1, 1944 - Anne Frank penned her last entry into her diary. "[I] keep on trying to find a way of becoming what I would like to be, and what I could be, if...there weren't any other people living in the world." Three days later, Anne and her family were arrested and sent to Nazi concentration camps. Anne died at Bergen-Belsen concentration camp on March 15, 1945, at age 15. August 15, 1969 - Woodstock began in a field near Yasgur's Farm at Bethel, New York. The three-day concert featured 24 rock bands and drew a crowd of more than 300,000 young people. The event came to symbolize the counter-culture movement of the 1960's. August 29, 1991 - Following the unsuccessful coup of August 19-21, the Soviet Communist Party was suspended, thus ending the institution that ruled Soviet Russia for nearly 75 years.

"Young riders pick a destination and go... Old riders pick a direction and go." *Anonymous*

Shake a Veterans hand and let them know you are proud to do so. Keep the wind and sun to your back, all wheels on the road and God as your co-pilot. God Bless the USA.

Merel "Hat Man" Johnson, Freedom Press Reporter Local 28.

Local 29 - Kansas City North *(February 1988)*

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2pm (Location Varies)

Antioch Bar & Grill 5410 NE Antioch Rd, Kansas City, MO 64119

Contact: Nancy Martin 816-309-2566 or Randy Adkison 816-217-8794

Facebook: FORR Local 29

Hello everybody! It's been excessively hot so far this summer. I hope everybody stays hydrated if you have to be in the heat. I have 2 corrections to make from last month's newsletter. The new member Charles Wever is actually spelled Wevers, aka Rednek. William Lybarger is aka Troy. Welcome to new member, Sonia Pringle. Spelling?

REMINDER: The Show Me Rally will be August 23 - 24. Last I heard they still needed vendors.

As I look around while driving through neighborhoods, I'm still seeing lots of grass clippings in the streets. Please be careful while riding especially when the streets are wet.

That's all for now. If anyone wants anything posted in the newsletter, just let me know. Pending approval, I will add it in.

See ya when I see ya.

Shelly Bryan

Local 31 - Central Missouri (December 1990)

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month @ 7:00pm

Check Facebook for meeting location.

You may also get ahold of Mike Thompson @ L31pres@gmail.com

Or call Debra John, 573-647-0129

Facebook: Local 31 Central MO

Local 33 - Hwy. 50 West (March 1999)

Meetings: 3rd Sunday of every month @ 11:30am

Location: The End Zone @ 3129 W Broadway Blvd, Sedalia, MO

President: Roy Hoard 660-527-3395

Facebook: Freedom of Road Riders Local 33

Hello FORR Friends...hope you have made it through this hot riding season so far.

By now Local 33 has had our \$1000 Poker Run and I am predicting that we had a fantastic turnout!!! We had 3 people win cash prizes from our Giveaway and the Silent Auction items went over well.

Local 33 is trying to recruit new members and get previous members to come back and help us promote Motorcycle Safety and to keep fighting for the helmet law and any and all things pertaining to our Motorcycle Rights.

We are also trying to go to other Local's events and rub elbows with other FORR Members.

This is the 4th year that Local 33 has given out our Brass Balls Award. The Local 33 Member that was honored with this Award in 2025 was Life Member Doug Weiss.

Happy Birthday to all Local 33 Birthdays!

Before you go riding, check your bike...tires, brakes, shocks, lights, signals and riding partner.

As always, Ride a lot, Be safe and Enjoy the wind in your face

Karen "Susie Q" Ryan - News Editor

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"Show - Me" Motorcycle Rally



Presented by FORR® August 22 - 24, 2025

Location: 16385 N.W. HWY MM, Urich, MO 64788

Admission: \$25 Member / \$30 Non-Member / Day Pass: Fri. OR Sat. \$15

Tent camping: Free w/admission. (includes anything pulled by Motorcycle)

Limited RV Sites: "As listed" (includes water & electric) \$35 per day. \$70 Fri. & Sat. (Thur. Free)

RV Reservations call: 660-342-4729 **W/O Hookups:** \$30 all weekend. **RV cost:** Anything pulled in with 4 wheels.



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Live Music: Fri. & Sat. TBD

Bike Show, Field Events, Human Games.

Miss Show Me: Lingerie Contest

ALL BIKES WELCOME

For more information contact.

Jim Fitzsimonds 660-631-3208

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Hey all you Freedom Lovers,

Well this is going to be short and to the point as we are packing up and leaving tomorrow for our O'Connor Family Reunion. This is our 50th year for our reunions, we started in 1975 when at my mother's funeral my Aunts and Uncles decided that funerals should not be the only place we all see each other. Now we rent out a resort for a week, usually 100 to 150 family members, all sharing and catching up on each other's lives. Counting my Grandpa and Grandma as the first generation we now have 6 generations attending and there are no fights and no one goes to jail.

There are lots of events coming up so get ready and try to support each other's locals. The Hootontown Rally on July 25th thru 27th (if it isn't over yet), L-35 Memorial ride August 9th, The Show-Me Rally in Urich on August 22nd thru 24th, and don't forget Octoberfest the first weekend in October the 3rd thru 5th. L14 has a Pool Tournament and Costume Party on October 25th and their Christmas Party is on December 6th. The Harley Rhoades Memorial Toy Run will be on the first Sunday in November so mark it on your calendar now.

Don't forget that if you are interested in running this FINE organization you have until the end of August to submit your letter of intent and a cabinet.

Never Give Up and Thank You for Giving a Shit.

Tim "Dragon" O'Connor
District 4 Secretary
Member# 7156

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Keegan Honeycutt & The Bar Dwellers

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday - DJ Chosen One

Blue 88

7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

ANTICIPATED EVENTS

FRIDAY

HAPPY HOUR 5-7 P.M.

SATURDAY

JOHN STOFFER MEMORIAL POKER RUN

Sign in 8:30 AM • Leave 10AM • Back by 3 PM

BIKE SHOW SIGN IN 3:30 p.m.

FIELD EVENTS

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MRF Report

Fast-Tracking Autonomous Vehicles

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) has growing concerns over recent actions by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to expedite the approval process for autonomous vehicles (AVs), particularly those lacking basic human driving controls such as steering wheels and brake pedals.

In a recent letter, NHTSA announced it will "streamline" the exemption process requiring manufacturers to seek federal approval before deploying self-driving vehicles. These standards have traditionally mandated that all vehicles include manual controls, which are a critical safeguard for human operation and accountability on public roads.

NHTSA Chief Counsel Peter Simshauser stated that under this new policy, the agency "anticipates reaching decisions on most exemption requests within months rather than years." This announcement may open the door to the widespread deployment of AVs without fully understanding or addressing the potential risks these vehicles pose to all road users, including motorcyclists.

The MRF has long advocated for the rights and safety of motorcyclists in an evolving transportation landscape. The MRF believes that rigorous testing and transparent data sharing are the best methods to ensure AV systems are capable of safely sharing the road with all roadway users.

We recognize the potential benefits of autonomous technology, but not at the expense of human lives.

Motorcyclists cannot be an afterthought in the race toward automation. For the future of road safety and the preservation of motorcyclists' rights, we must ensure that innovation proceeds responsibly and inclusively.



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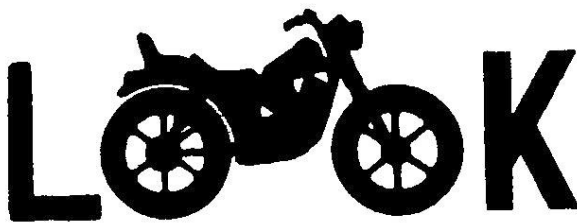
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 25-27 / Local 15 - Hootontown Rally
 26 / Local 33 - \$1000 Poker Run

AUGUST

9 / Local 35 - Memorial Ride & Poker Run
 16 / Local 24 - Redneck Biker Golf
 22-24 / State - Show-Me Rally
 23 / Local 13 - Soybean Festival & Car Show

SEPTEMBER

26-27 / Local 12 - Firecracker Classic

OCTOBER

4-6 / District 4 - Octoberfest
 17-19 / Mid-South M.I.L.E.

NOVEMBER

25 / Local 14 - Memorial Pool Tournament

DECEMBER

6 / Local 14 - Christmas Party & Silent Auction
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