



International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians

North American Chapter (IFMR-NA)

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-- IFMR-NA President's Newsletter --

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*** COMING EVENTS ***

- **Monthly rides:** SE TN, NW GA. 'Black Sheep of Rotary'. For more details contact Tom Kale, tskale@comcast.net
- **April 6-23: Brazil Sao Paulo-Iguazu Falls Tour.** Registration deadline: Feb 15. For more details contact Andre Neto, IFMR-South America, Skype:andre.c.neto or andrecneto@terra.com.br,
- **May 4-6: IFMR Spring Get-Together,** Walnut Creek, OH. For more details contact Rory Windrim, rwindrim@aol.com.
- **June 1-3: IFMR Get-Together, Ljubljana, Slovenia.** Registration deadline: Feb 29. For more details, contact ifmr.et2012@gmail.com,
- **June 15-July 7: 48-State PolioPlus Circuit Ride.** Contact Jim Perra, jimp@bankofzumbrota.com, Zumbrota, MN.
- **Sept 21-22: Outer Banks Ride,** Manteo, NC. Contact Carlton Pernell, carltonpernell@aol.com for details.
- **October 12-14: IFMR Fall Get-Together,** Maryville, TN, Smoky Mtn area. For more details contact Tom Kale, tskale@comcast.net

For info on other domestic and international IFMR rides, check www.ifmr-na.org and www.ifmr.org

To announce IFMR rides and events in your area, send a short description, dates, and contact info to me at Bob@shriner.com, to IFMR-NA.org webmaster chrisjones@lakenormanrotary.org, and the IFMR-NA Yahoo Groups email server ifmr-na@yahoogroups.com

Local 'Ride Guides' Needed

As the list of upcoming IFMR rides at left indicates, the number of IFMR rides and get-togethers being planned around the country is growing. The key is that more IFMR members are using their membership roster to contact other members in their area and organizing rides in their district or local area. I'm probably only hearing about a fraction of the events that are going on around the country, and many only after they have happened; but it's a positive development that I hope will continue to grow.

To help the process along I'm beginning to recruit and designate 'area ride guides' as I find members willing and interested in organizing rides in their area, plus serving as an information source for IFMR riders interested in riding in their area. I'd like to have IFMR 'ride guides' in every state/province and Rotary district in the U.S., Mexico, and Canada who are organizing local rides every month or so during the riding season, as Tom Kale is now doing in SE Tennessee and others are trying to do in their areas.

For example, in California Don Theile, Lari Trippett, and Jim Buntin are planning a mid-state IFMR get-together for later this spring or early summer (stay tuned). In Nova Scotia, Clarke Paynter and several other current and future IFMR riders from their district got together last fall for a ride. In North Carolina, Carlton Pernell has announced plans for a spectacular ride on the Outer Banks next fall (see listing at left).

Alaska IFMR member Jim Dahl reported recently that he's planning a ride from his home in Ketchikan (Continued on reverse)

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down to the 'lower 48' in late April and May and hopes to connect with local IFMR members along the way. If you'd like to connect with Jim, perhaps invite him to talk at your club or just ride a bit, email him at jrdahl@kpunet.net.

Local IFMR 'ride guides' are also a welcome source of information about the best riding places in their area. As I travel the country I make it a point to contact IFMR members in the areas I plan to travel thru, make plans to visit with them and whenever possible speak at their local Rotary club and, of course, get their suggestions for the best roads to ride in their area. To me, that's the best thing

about the IFMR membership directory that Membership Director Jean Does prepares and distributes 2-3 times a year. With its help, I've made dozens of new Rotary friends in the past 2-3 years, including IFMR riders from other countries who have contacted me for information and assistance as they plan trips in the U.S.

You, too, can become an IFMR 'ride guide' and play a key role in growing IFMR by contacting other IFMR members in your area and inviting them to join you for a ride. You can also help spread the word by hosting an IFMR exhibit at your District Conference and other Rotary events, or by speaking at clubs in your area. Just let me know what you'd like to do and I'll help you with details.

You can also help spread the word about IFMR and develop new members in your area by passing along a copy of this ad to the editor of your district newsletter. Email me if you want a JPG version to send.

Bob Jones



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IFMR "America Started Here" Tour – 2003



Ride-to-Calgary - Grand Coulee Dam, Washington



San Luis Obispo Ride - California

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