



# Illini Free Spirit Riders

Honda Riders Club of America Chapter 0151



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## NEWSLETTER & EVENTS

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### August 2014

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## Rides and Information

### July Rides:

Wing Ding – ride leader Lee Lasseigne it was a good time for those who participated.  
The St. Louis Ride – ride leader John Conley  
The Chicagoland Ride for Kids – Lee Lasseigne

The Antique Archeology ride, led by Ron Dougherty, was a beautiful day with many participants including some guest riders. We had breakfast at Calamity Jane's and left heading out up Rt 30. We went over to 67 then south to Antique Archeology. Antique Archeology is the store on American pickers. We looked at the new building which was more of a museum and gift store. We bought merchandise and looked around. We had a nice lunch in Davenport at the Machine Shed restaurant. We found some back roads to Rt. 34 then headed home.

Though apprehensive about it being his first ride lead, John Lazarz led 13 people on 10 bikes along Michigan's western shoreline up to Ludington, MI, where he and his wife, Nancy, have a summer house.

The ride, called "Michigan Walk on the Beach", was a three day event based in Ludington. John and Nancy opened their home to all the riders it could accommodate. The rest of us stayed minutes away at nearby motels along or near RT10. The ride began in Bolingbrook at an "untested" truck stop restaurant. A cruise through Indiana's I-80/94 corridor with its usual toll booth confusion, and on to HWY31 in Michigan followed breakfast. The early evening hours escorted us into Ludington and to John's house. Nancy, arriving the day before, met us at the door with a warm smile and the aroma of a much anticipated dinner. Lake Michigan with Ludington's lighthouse and the "Badger", was the setting for the patio dinner, a nice sunset and Day One's socializing.

John's Day Two plan was to head north via HWY31 and M22 to Sleeping Bear Dunes and Traverse City with stops at Point Betsie Lighthouse and scenic overlooks along the way. It was no surprise that once we saw the dunes, no one left their bikes behind for a trek up (and down) the four hundred plus foot high dunes, so it was off to Traverse City for lunch and a self-guided walking tour.

A late dinner in Pentwater, MI brought Day Two to an end.

Fog, sometimes with a visibility of only 1/16 mile, was the highlight of Day Three's morning. John took us past the Ludington Lighthouse that you can see from his house, but due to the fog, we had to take his word for it that it was there. It was then through town and on to HWY31 for the ride home. Thanks John and Nancy for a nice weekend ride/getaway.

### Antique Archeology Ride



### Michigan Walk on the Beach Ride



Note – Any information on the rides would be greatly appreciated. The info can come from the ride leader or a participant. A line or two is all that is needed. Thanks – Editor, Ron Dougherty

## Members Corner

We are hoping to get members to write articles for the newsletter. This article can be about whatever you, the club member wants to write about. Things like informational editorials, ride reviews etc. you get the idea. Please send your articles to [webmaster@freespiritriders.com](mailto:webmaster@freespiritriders.com) or [ifsr.secr@yahoo.com](mailto:ifsr.secr@yahoo.com) or bring your submission to a meeting, or leave it at Fox Valley Cycles in the club mailbox.

## President's Message

This month a chuckle... I would rather be riding my motorcycle thinking about God, rather than sitting in church thinking about my motorcycle.

Bill Hay, President

## Calendar

Scheduled August rides... check the [scheduled rides](#) page for better details.

8/2-8/3	Saturday-Sunday	<a href="#">Wisconsin Ride for Kids</a>	Michael D	8:00 AM	TBD	425
8/3	Sunday	<a href="#">Route 66</a>	Jim T	10:30 AM	Illinois 55 Truck Stop.	160
8/8 - 8/10	Friday-Sunday	<a href="#">Shanty Days</a>	Lee G	9:00 AM	RT 47 WCC Nth entrance)	450
8/16	Saturday	New Diggins, WI	Bill H	TBD	TBD	
8/17	Sunday	<a href="#">Kalamazoo Air Zoo</a>	Tracy S	8:00 AM	IHOP - Bolingbrook	360
8/24	Sunday	Amboy Days	Bill H	9:00 AM	IHOP - Aurora	120

Dinner Locations for August...check the [calendar](#) for details

8/6 Ray's Evergreen Tavern, West Main Street, St. Charles, IL, United States

8/13 Meeting at FVC, dinner at Grandma's Table,

8/20 Round up Sugar Grove

8/27 Uptown Tap Plainfield IL.

\*The Wednesday Dinner Schedule for the upcoming month is decided at the monthly meeting. Please come to the Monthly meetings and make recommendations on the dinner schedules.



## Illini Free Spirit Riders Meeting Agenda July 9, 2014

- Opening
  - Thank you to all for attending
  - Recognition of guests & new members
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Old Business
  - Past Club Rides Reviews
    - Crossroads Village, 6/13-15, Leader—Tracy S.
    - IL Motorcycle Freedom Run, 6/21, Leader—Larry T.
    - Texas Crossroads Ranch, 6/21-29, Leader—Ron D.
    - Wing Ding, 7/03-7/05, Leader—Lee L.
  - Anyone do anything interesting last month?
- New Business
  - Fox Valley Cycle News
  - Select upcoming dinner locations
    - Tonight — Gario's Pizza, Montgomery
    - July 16<sup>th</sup>—Ray's Evergreen, St. Charles
    - July 23<sup>rd</sup>—The Patio, Bolingbrook
    - July 30<sup>th</sup>—Gemato's, Naperville
    - August 6<sup>th</sup>—
    - Meeting Night –August 13<sup>th</sup>—
    - August 20<sup>th</sup>—
    - August 27<sup>th</sup>—
  - Additional New Business?

### Upcoming IFSR RIDES!!!

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Ride Leader</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place To Meet</u>	<u>Mileage</u>
7/12-7/14	Sat-Monday	St. Louis Ride	John C.	5 pm	Fox Valley Cycles	810
7/19	Saturday	Antique Archeology Ride	Ron D.	TBD	TBD	350
7/20	Sunday	Chicagoland Ride for Kids	Lee L.	7 am	Fox Valley Cycles	125
7/25-7/27	Fri-Sunday	Michigan Walk on the Beach Ludington/Traverse City	John L./ Ken K.	9 am	Bolingbrook Truck Stop	300
8/02-8/03	Sat-Sunday	Wisconsin Ride for Kids	Michael D.	8 am	TBD	425
8/08-8/10	Fri-Sunday	Shanty Days	Lee G.	TBD	TBD	450

- Upcoming Events, Next Meeting—August, 13<sup>th</sup>
- Closing
- 50/50 Drawing



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## Meeting Minutes of June 11, 2014

### Opening

President Bill Hay opened the June meeting of the Illini Free Spirit Riders Motorcycle Club at 6:10PM. Twenty three members were in attendance.

### Secretary's Report

Minutes from the May meeting were made available prior to the meeting. Bill asked the members to review the minutes. A motion was made by Jim Thevenot to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded and a vote was taken. The minutes were unanimously accepted.

### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Bob Crawley presented his report. Lee Grunwald motioned to accept the report. The motion was seconded and a vote was taken. The report was unanimously accepted.

### Business

#### Old Business

- Ride reports were presented for the Northern Kentucky Ride, Mississippi River Photo Shoot Ride, the postponed Route 66 Ride and the Rock River (Impromptu turned Official) Ride. Michael D'Aversa reported on his A.B.A.T.E. Ride as did Bill Hay on his Memorial Day Coolant Mishap Ride.

#### New Business

- In the Fox Valley Cycles' report, John Conley reported that a new Honda side-by-side was the model revealed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May. John promoted the Chicagoland Ride for Kids Ride coming up on Sunday, June 20, 2014. FVC has a 20% off windshield sale going on through June. FVC will be closed July 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Bill Hay made a motion that the Club donate \$100.00 to the "Lake Erie Loop" cause that member Tim Gron attends. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimously in favor
- Upcoming dinner locations were decided. June 18<sup>th</sup> ... Buck's Pit Stop, Hodgkins, June 25<sup>th</sup> ... The Lodge, Wasco, July 2nd ... Firehouse Pizza & Pub, Oswego, July 9<sup>th</sup> (after the Meeting) ... Gario's Pizza Villa, Montgomery, July 16<sup>th</sup> ... Ray's Evergreen, St Charles, July 23<sup>rd</sup> ... The Patio, Bolingbrook and July 30<sup>th</sup> ... Gemato's, Naperville.
- Upcoming rides include... 7/3 Wing Ding ... 7/12 St. Louis Ride ... 7/19 Antique Archeology Ride ... 7/20 Chicagoland Ride for Kids and 7/25 Michigan Walk on the Beach Ride.

### Adjournment

With no additional New Business, President Bill Hay asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ron Dougherty made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and President Bill Hay closed the meeting at 7:02PM.

Members met at O'Malley's for the post-meeting dinner.

Ken Kutschke  
Secretary