

SIDE TRACKS

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GEORGIA SIDECAR CLUB

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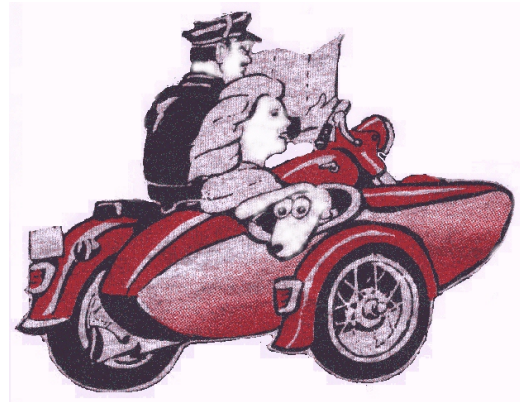
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From the President:

Hi! Going to get a real Pres letter this time. Will get back to the Russia trip in a newsletter or two. Have some stuff to go over. First, the spring safety talk. Please be careful out there. Just yesterday a guy in Macon got left turned by an elderly man who admitted on camera "I just didn't see him". The bike was a fully dressed Harley on a nice day with moderate traffic. Rider is ok, but now has a damaged bike and freaked out wife. Not good. So folks, get those reflexes back up to snuff, make sure the rig is ok and have a good time, safely!

Eddie, Van and I spent a day at Bluemoon Cycle helping out with a Ural Demo Day. Yes, Eddie on Urals and we didn't get pictures dagnabit. I even heard him say of the M70 "This is nice"... We spent the day eating John's food, giving rides and some very basic instruction to licensed riders who wanted to try out a Ural. One of the guys I took for a ride, Stephan, bought a Urban Camo Gear Up and is our newest member! Congrats Stephan! Was told that another sale was being worked on as we left the event! Event started as invitation only as John thought he was going to be flooded after the interest shown at a gun show he and the Urals attended but they did not come, but the others who got the word showed up. Enough folks that it was a very successful day! Bluemoon plans on doing this 4 or 5 times a year. So if you are one of our Ural minded riders or just like to help out, this is a good opportunity.

Speaking of opportunity, the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation is begging us to help round up +80 sidecars for their stars and families at the Ride For Kids. Yes, they need over 80. Had 53 last year, we all had riders. There are considerably more kids, families and providers wanting rides this year. The stars and families get first dibs, then the providers, as it should be. There were enough folks from the club there last year that I am not even going to try to name everyone. I will leave someone out. That would not be nice... There are worse ways to spend a summer day than riding in the country taking a kid or his family for a ride. You also get lunch, a chance to win door prizes and other stuff depending on how much you raise. The vast majority of the money gathered goes straight to research. The death rate of Pediatric Tumors has gone from something like 80% to less then 20% in just 30 years. Our efforts to raise money had a lot to do with this. On top of that our late friend Carl Schantz has very, very into it, so there is another good reason to attend, to honor Carl. I can't think of a better way.



You know, the weekend after the RfK we have a rally. Get those reservations into the campground soon! Remember, we filled it up last year and 3 of us were sharing a cabin! Friday night of the rally I will be AWOL but will be back Saturday for a little surprise. I have something to attend in Charlotte Friday night, but will be back Saturday bright and early! I'll be preparing the surprise Saturday when I get back and you all are out enjoying the day. Nope, not telling but you'll figure it out by Friday night... We will do all the stuff we did last year, eat, ride, repeat, tell lies, door prizes and the coveted 50/50 drawing. Will we have awards, may be... Will the unwary be joyfully and in the nicest way harassed – of course. Will we have a good time? I don't see why not. This is also when we renew our memberships and the free initial memberships expire, in most cases. Remember, after who knows how long we increased the dues to \$20 from \$18. Why? Well, purely so Janice did not have to make change and most of us say keep it anyway. So beat the rush and get those renewals in before the rally so she does not have to bother you about it!

I think that is all I have! Like I said we'll finish the Russia trip soon! So in closing all I have to say is , it's nice out side, why are you not out riding?

From the Vice President:

Don't forget our Middle Friday Campout on April 15-17. It will be at James H "Sloppy" Floyd State Park near Summerville, GA. Looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Eddie George



Sidecars in the Smokies

Welcome to North Carolinas Sidecars in the Smokies. Come and join us for a fun filled weekend of camping, bike games, raffles, fellowship, good food and great people. The sidecar rally will be held at Iron Horse Motorcycle Campground in Robbinsville N.C. the weekend of April 28th Thru May 1st 2016. On site camping reservations will be taken by the Iron Horse Campground call: 828-479-3864 or e-mail: info@ironhorseNC.com. Website is: <http://ironhorseNC.com> Make them ASAP.

Rally fee includes prime rib dinner on Saturday night. Pre-registration by April 1,2016 gets you a rally shirt also. Registration is \$35.00 per person.

Drivers Name _____ Shirt Size _____ Color _____

Address _____

City,State,Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Drivers Name _____ Shirt Size _____ Color _____

Passenger Name _____ Shirt Size _____ Color _____

Passenger Name _____ Shirt Size _____ Color _____

Passenger Name _____ Shirt Size _____ Color _____

Number of people _____ X \$35.00 Total enclosed _____

Choice of shirt colors are Black, Blue and Red.

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2016 Keystone Sidecar Club Kampout

The 2016 Keystone Sidecar Club Kampout will be held the week of July 24-31, 2016 at Amish Country Campsites near Winesburg, Ohio. Contact campground for reservations, we highly recommend them, It is a small ,clean campground. It looks like some of us will be there all week, my family for sure. There is a small website for campground, the phone number is 330-359-5226. Friday night pot luck weeny roast, 50/50 drawing. Saturday evening dinner ride to Der Dutchman restaurant. Free firewood and barn on site. There is a ton to see and do in the area, so come early if you can. If needed contact Kevin Klages at 304-737-1531 or 304-670-3299. Or stretchkwk@hotmail.com. No fees for club just pay campground.

From the Editor:

Recently, Kathy & I were out enjoying a sunny Saturday afternoon ride. While we were out we stopped at Harley-Davidson of Macon. Below is a photo of Grover Sassaman in front of our rig. Grover is not only a long time sidecarist, but is also the oldest living Harley dealer in the world. Grover's kids run the business these days, but he is at the dealership often, talking with the customers. He is a walking piece of history.



The Howdy Summer is coming up soon. Hope to see all of you there. No fee for the rally. Food and accommodations are on you. Donations of door prizes would be greatly appreciated. For Saturday night dinner, we will probably all throw money into the pot for food (no obligation to participate). We did this last year and it worked well as it kept everyone on site for the "official rally stuff" held that evening.

The flyer for our upcoming Howdy Summer can be found at:
<http://georgiasidecarclub.com/>

The flyer for the GROPE Dual Sport Sidecar Rally can be found at:
<http://georgiasidecarclub.com/3rdAnnualGrove.pdf>

In December, our group came together to celebrate Christmas by sharing a meal and some fellowship. We ate, played games and had a spirited exchange of gifts. One of the games was to build a house using marshmallows and toothpicks, which is harder than it sounds. The following pictures are from the party.









