



Vision Riders



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Events Report

10/7 Galilean Home Bug Run

I went looking for bugs during the first weekend of October, well that Saturday anyway. It was the annual bug run sponsored by the Lexington CMA chapter, The Bluegrass Believers. Dale and a host of other chapter members greeted me at the "I can't speak their name" parking lot. Just kidding, it was the Harley Davidson shop in Lexington. The ride there was wonderful, a little windy, but nice. So windy, that one of the rider's bike fell over. I think it was a kickstand malfunction or so he said anyway.

The ride left the lot after a prayer led by the area rep, Mike Walden. We then proceeded to ride with the football traffic along Man O'War, around Nicholasville, then through some side and back streets of Danville. We stopped at the gas station outside of Danville.

After a brief rest we proceeded on to Liberty to the Kids home. This is the place that takes care of children that, unfortunately, nobody wants. They range from infants to disabled children whose parents cannot or won't care for them. We met 3 toddlers that had been there since birth. They were sweet kids. We then presented the donation, which I believe was over \$300, to the head honcho.

After a short tour of the place we proceeded to the Bread Of Life, which has a wonderful buffet. We blessed some bikes from the forming chapter in Danville and encouraged them and another bike ridden by a man of Asian heritage. He saw the blessing stickers on my bike and asked me what they were. I proceeded to tell him that we bless the bikes and riders, asking God for their safety and help for any other issues they may have. I asked him if he would like his bike blessed. He said yes and I hollered at Mike and the Danville members for help. We gathered around his bike and just as Mike started to pray he asked us if he could take pictures. Mike said sure which he proceeded to do so while the prayer was being said. After leaving the dining hall, I enjoyed the wonderful ride back home. Oh! I didn't find any bugs.

Your servant, *Mitch*



10/7 Relay for Life Run and Bike Show

We gathered on Main street in Campbellsville at about 10:30 to prepare for a fund raising event for Relay for Life. Drew Underwood came by to greet the riders and pray with us before we left on the ride.

Before we were scheduled to pull out Skip and I went to one of the vendors to grab lunch. When we tried to pay them, they would not take our money because we were taking care of the ride, so our lunch was free. We had a lot of competition as far as other rides going on in the area. In Lebanon they had a fallen officer ride and Hodgenville had a Lincoln day ride so we did not have that many bikes. We rode for about two hours, we went through Mannsville, Bradfordsville, Liberty and then returned to Campbellsville. Attendees were Daniel Taylor, Diane Taylor, Skip Leslie, Randall Shofner, Harry & Delores Mack and myself. It was a good day and a good cause.

Ron Mardis



10/21 KOHRS at Sawmill

On a beautiful Saturday morning I had the opportunity to attend the end of season poker run at Sawmill. There was a nice turnout of 50-60 bikes for a fun event.

David Price had laid out a few different trails for the riders. If you were adventurous, the longest and toughest trail was over 16 miles. There were riders from under 10 to over 50 years of age participating. David had me set up our table beside the registration table so people would have easy access to our material. David, again, was gracious to our chapter and had me do a devotional and prayer before the ride began at the riders meeting.

After the meeting, I had the pleasure to give out literature, bless bikes, give kids balloons, wrist bands and enjoy conversation with a lot of the riders. Some of them said they were coming to our event at Russell

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Creek. It was again a pleasure to be there and be so well received.

Dan Hayes



10/21 2nd Brigade Toy Run

Theresa and I were spending some wonderful ride time at Cumberland Falls (Oct., 20th-22nd). While there we met up with the Second Brigade on Saturday for their annual toy run. The ride began at Burnside at the Dollar Store.

We met several of the members there, along with Brewster, the Reborn Riders president. It was a good crowd and a great day to ride. We had to wait a little longer due to some of their members from other parts of the state that were on their way.

Once we started, we rode down Hwy 27 for about 30 miles, where we arrived at our destination, the American Legion Post. We then had our pictures made and were treated to lunch. Afterwards, they presented the toys and donations to the lady in charge.

The Post Commander then presented a plaque of appreciation for the Second Brigade's continued support to the community and kids. After the door prizes were given out, Theresa and I left to enjoy the rest of the day. I believe there were at least 50 bikes on the ride. It was a good and blessed day. The ride reminded me of the BTF rides.

Your servant, *Mitch*



10/22 New Journey Church Visit/Presentation

On October 22 the Vision Riders presented the RFS message to the New Journey Church in Campbellsville.

The ladies performed their skit, much to the delight of the congregation and Dan gave the devotion referencing 1 Peter 2:9 which says we are a chosen people and 1 Timothy says For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power. We are to be fearless when we go out to minister and we have the power God gave us to accomplish His commands.

We also saw three short videos, *Why I like CMA*, *Riding for the Son* and *Thank You*. Brother Jeff had good words for our group and a love offering was accepted. A big "thank you" to the guys for helping the ladies set up and take down their skit stage and for the 13 members who came in support of this presentation.

Linda Hayes



10/27-10/29 Annual Off Road Event at Russell Creek

CMA Vision Riders off road event was at our 6th annual Hickerson appreciation weekend ride, October 27-29 at Russell Creek off road compound. Fun, food, and fellowship was had by all.

Special thanks to Darryl Smith; he started cooking on Friday and didn't stop until Sunday afternoon. Side dishes were prepared by many, but Darryl made all the meat and home fries.

Riders of all ages hit the trails in the woods and the motocross track on dirt bikes, 4 wheelers, and side by sides. Mud and fun was had by all. Mitch Collins even performed a river baptism to yours truly. Drone footage, videos, and pictures can be found on Facebook and you tube.

Lonnie Embry sung some beautiful songs Sunday morning and the good word was brought to us by Joey Borders.

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We had CMA members from Brandenburg, Elizabethtown, and Louisville join us for the weekend. It was a fun, relaxing weekend for all who attended.

A special thank you goes out to the Hickerson family for allowing us to ride at the Russell Creek off road compound. They will never know how much all the riders truly appreciate them.

Diane Taylor

Birthdays & Anniversaries In November:

Herbie Goff	11/28
Harry Mack	11/17/47
Delores Mack	11/13
Shane Moore	11/28
Phillip Benningfield	11/27
Scott & Kathy Wheeler	11/20

Nov 4th Chili Cook-off Pictures



Vision Riders booth



"Yeah, put Dan's picture there."



"OK dog, here's what a fire hydrant feels like."



She looks better in the hat than Skip.

Our 2018 Officers

President:	Ron Mardis
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