

MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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Happy New Year!

MTRA is going all electronic and email! Due to the increased cost and labor required to send out our newsletters (~\$500 per newsletter), we will continue to send out future Newsletters via email. This will only work if you provide a current email address. We promise not to share your email address with anyone. When you send your membership application or entry forms, please be sure to include your email address (legibly please ☺). Also, please send this Newsletter to all of your riding friends that might not be on our mailing list. Thank you for your help.

2019 MTRA Schedule of Events

DATE	EVENT
February 23	MTRA Post-Christmas Membership Meeting
March 16-17	VTRA Ride Weekend
April 20-21	VTRA Ride Weekend/Work Weekend
May 18-19	VTRA Ride Weekend/Work Weekend/ BMW Motorrad International GS Trophy Challenge Midwest Qualifier
June 15-16	VTRA Ride Weekend
July 20-21	VTRA Ride Weekend
August 17-18	VTRA Ride Weekend
September 14-15	Show Me 200 National Dual Sport Ride and 500 National Adventure Ride
September 21-22	VTRA Ride Weekend
October 5-6	VTRA Woods Poker Run
October 19-20	VTRA Ride Weekend
November 2-3	VTRA Halloween Ride

The 2019 MTRA Membership Application is included with this Newsletter. We have also included a list of current paid members for the year 2019. If your name is not on the list, your membership has expired, and you will need to renew for 2019. We hope you continue to support our cause and renew your membership.

Slow Down! Some members have voiced concerns that some of the bikes are riding too fast in and out of the campground. As we do have kids, dogs, and old slow guys in the campground, we would like everyone to take it slow while riding in the campground! We recently put up some speed limit signs to help remind riders. Thank you.

BMW Motorrad International GS Trophy Challenge Qualifier, Midwest Region. Late in 2018, we were approached by BMW and asked if we would host the 2020 BMW Motorrad International GS Trophy Challenge Midwest Qualifier in May of 2019 at VTRA. With May being so close to the Show Me Dual Sport Ride and Adventure Ride, we worked with the AMA, US Forest Service, and The Missouri Mudders to come up with the dates of September 14-15 for our National Dual Sport Ride and Adventure Ride so that we could accommodate BMW to hold the Midwest Qualifier on May 17, 18 & 19. After getting all the approvals to change our 2-day rides

to September 14-15, we subsequently heard from BMW that we will NOT be hosting the BMW GS Trophy Challenge Midwest Qualifier this year. As it really is too late to change back to June for our 2-day events, we hope everyone will understand and support these new dates for 2019. We will reconsider the 2020 event dates later this year. If you have a preference, please let us know.

Course Change for Dual Sport Ride. Since the Show Me 2-day event dates have been changed to September this year, we will have additional time to make changes to our dual sport ride course. We plan to consolidate our previous A & B courses, with some changes. The course will be more of a dual sport ride rather than a 75 mile hare scrambles course. There will still be plenty of single track but we will have more open sections tying the overall course together. The Saturday and Sunday courses will be different, with the Sunday course providing an early out option at lunch for those that need to get a start on the journey home and a full length ride for those that have time to stay. We also plan to incorporate work days into our April and May ride weekends at the VTRA so that we can begin work on the trails. Everyone is welcome and invited to help out on those weekends. Workers can camp for free and the club may provide some grilled burgers or brats for those that volunteer.

VTRA News. In November of 2018, the Skunkwerks Moto group from Springfield, Missouri hosted their annual Middle of the Map (MOM) Rally at our VTRA facility. While temperatures that weekend were brutally cold, we think the event was a success. In fact, Skunkwerks was so impressed with the VTRA facility that they want to have one or two events per year at VTRA. We think this is great that the VTRA has evolved to the point where other groups now consider it a legitimate/desirable venue for their motorcycle events. Thanks to everyone for all your efforts getting the VTRA to where it is today!

Main Pavilion Extension. In 2018, we doubled the size of the main shelter at the VTRA parking area including extending the concrete pad and the roof of the pavilion. Thanks to all members who volunteered their time and effort in framing and pouring the concrete, including Mike Bowers, Chris Harris, George and Linda Siegfried, Doug Thompson, Alan Gibson, Rick Bald, Curt and Devin Schrieber, Jordan Pugh, Raymon Boss, John Suter, Jeff Deutman, Mike and Matt Steinmeyer, and Anthony Salger. Please accept our apologies if we left someone out. A big thank you to Charlie Faletti, Mike Bowers, Chris Harris, and George Siegfried for constructing the roof extension and to Steve Thomas for working with Steward Steel in getting the materials for the job. It was a successful work effort by everyone involved and will be a great addition to our events. On behalf of the MTRA and the board, thank you to all the volunteers that came out and helped.

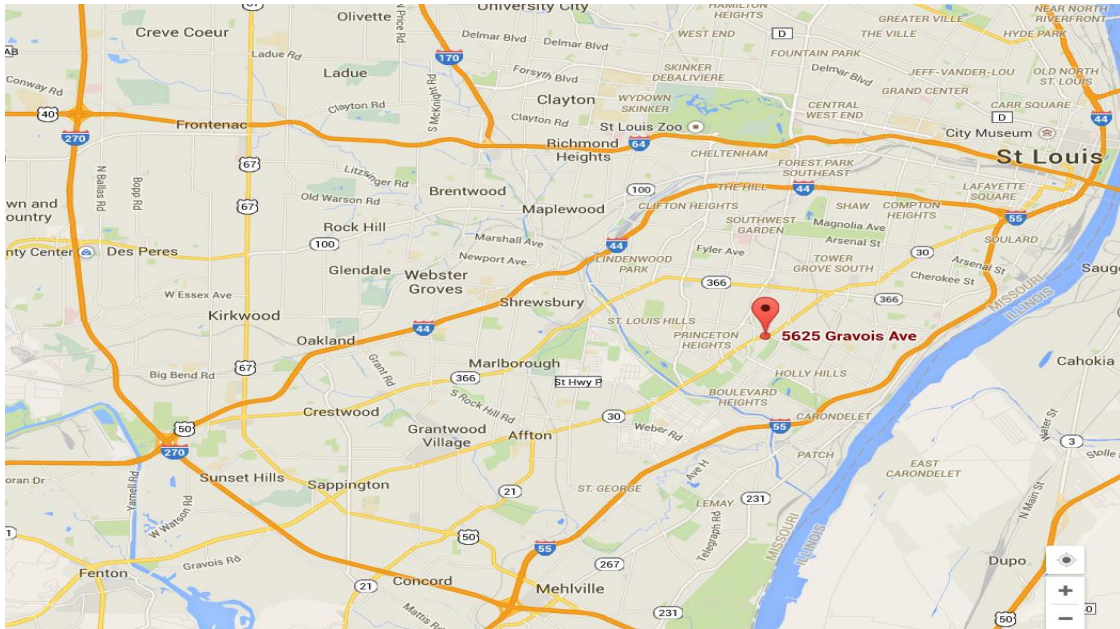
This year, we also plan to construct extensions on three sides of the main pavilion to keep out the wind, rain and sun. This will come in handy for sign up and will allow us to eat a meal and socialize without the rain and wind cutting our evening short.

Welcome Members! Thank you to all our new members that have joined the MTRA over the past couple of years and to those who continue to renew their membership. We hope that you have had the opportunity to enjoy our events and get involved! Note: The MTRA does not issue membership cards. We will have a current membership list at all the events if you need to check your membership status or update your contact information. The MTRA owns the VTRA (Viburnum Trend Riding Area) near Bixby Missouri and it is open for riding the 3rd full weekend of every month, March thru October.

Need to Renew your AMA Membership? You can now renew your AMA membership at www.ridemtra.com and skip the renewal lines at the races/events! If you renew your membership with the link on our site, the AMA will send a small portion of your renewal fee back to the MTRA. Great deal for everyone!

E-Mail Distribution List. We are continuing to create an email distribution list for those wanting to be notified of MTRA news and events. Your help is needed to keep this list up to date. Your contact information will not be sold to third parties and will be used exclusively for MTRA communications. If you want to help out the club and be kept informed of news and events, please go to our web page at www.ridemtra.com and click on the “Join Mailing List” tab to fill in and submit your information. For identity verification and security, you will be sent an email which you need to reply to confirming your email address so that your information can be processed into the MTRA database. If you have previously provided your information on our mailing list but your contact information has changed, please go online and update your information. We appreciate your help.

February 23 - MTRA Post-Christmas Membership Meeting. We will be having a general Membership Meeting at Dave Mungenast Classic Automobiles and Motorcycle Museum at 5625 Gravois Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63116. We will provide some food @ 6:00 PM, & have a short meeting starting @ 7:00 PM. We will be voting on MTRA Board Members and we will be signing up volunteers to work the various MTRA events and VTRA Gate Keepers for 2019. Note: **This will be a BYOB event.** We will have some soft drinks and a cooler to keep your drinks cold.



SHOW ME 200 - AMA NATIONAL DUAL SPORT RIDE

PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE! (We changed the date from June to September to accommodate BMW to host the International GS Trophy Challenge Midwest Qualifier, only for BMW to cancel the qualifier.)

September 14-15, 2019 -- This will be the 29th Annual Show Me 200 (30th running, 5000+ miles of BAD ROAD!). The series is being sponsored by BETA in 2019. If you want to ride the event, you need to fill in the entry form and send it back to the MTRA ASAP. The entry form can also be downloaded from our website. Entries and Cancellations must be received by August 30, 2019. Late entries will not receive meals, T-shirt or attendance prizes. Note: The US Forest Service still limits us to 100 participants. So, sign up early! **If you have any questions or need more information, please contact: Denny Arnett @ 314-732-5954 or kmdarnett@gmail.com.**

SHOW ME 200 - AMA NATIONAL DUAL SPORT RIDE ENTRY FORM Sept 14-15, 2019

NAME: _____ AMA NO: _____ *EXPIRES* _____
(All participants must be current AMA Members)

ADDRESS: _____
(STREET)

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____

CELL PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

NOTE: We absolutely must have your email address so we can send you confirmation and event instructions.

Bike Brand _____ Year _____ Model _____ CCs _____
(AMA requires this information)

T-SHIRT SIZE (CIRCLE ONE) M L XL XXL

____ I will be bringing a guest for the Saturday evening meal and will pay at sign up.

Name of Guest: _____

Entry Fee: Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride - \$160

(If you want a hotel room in Viburnum, you must reserve the room on your own. Viburnum Inn 573-244-5600).

RETURN THIS ENTRY FORM & ENTRY FEE TO: MTRA P.O. BOX 1203 MARYLAND HTS. MO 63043

What can we do to improve the event?

SHOW ME 500 - AMA NATIONAL ADVENTURE RIDE

PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE! (We changed the date from June to September to accommodate BMW to host the International GS Trophy Challenge Midwest Qualifier, only for BMW to cancel the qualifier.)

September 14-15, 2019 -- The MTRA will again this year be hosting an AMA National Adventure Ride! The series is being sponsored by KTM in 2019, with events being held all over the U.S. The MTRA's AMA Show-Me 500 Adventure Ride will be held on the same weekend as our AMA Show-Me 200 Dual Sport Ride, but with a very different route. Riders of the Adventure Ride will share in the fun with our Dual Sport riders for the camping, meals, attendance prizes, and camaraderie. To ride the event, please fill in the entry form and send it back to the MTRA ASAP. The entry form can also be downloaded from our website. Entries and Cancellations must be received by August 30, 2019. Late entries will not receive meals, T-shirt, or attendance prizes.

The AMA Adventure Rides are geared more toward street orientated motorcycles, Super Ténérés, KLRs, GSs, V-Stroms, KTM adventure bikes, and about any street legal motorcycle, large or small, that will negotiate a gravel road. The route is generally 200 to 250 miles per day for two days, but it's easy to add more miles or short cut as the route is on mapped public roads. Riders ride at their own pace, with other riders, or by themselves. Lunch and gas stops are plentiful, and you can decide when and where based on our suggestions. Two-up riders are welcome as nothing is too challenging or difficult. The route covers gravel forest roads, paved back roads, and 2 lane highways, aimed at being a scenic, pleasant, easy-paced ride. Our goal is to keep our older riders interested, and bring in novice riders, riders that may not be up to the grueling pace and challenges of our Dual Sport ride but would like to be out there riding and joining in the fun. **If you have any questions or need more information, please contact: George Siegfried at mtra2day@hotmail.com.**

SHOW ME 500 - AMA NATIONAL ADVENTURE RIDE

ENTRY FORM

Sept 14-15, 2019

NAME: _____ AMA NO: _____ *EXPIRES* _____

(All participants must be current AMA Members)

ADDRESS: _____

(STREET)

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____

CELL PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

NOTE: We absolutely must have your email address so we can send you confirmation and event instructions.

Bike Brand _____ Year _____ Model _____ CCs _____

(AMA requires this information)

T-SHIRT SIZE (CIRCLE ONE) M L XL XXL

____ I will be bringing a guest for the Saturday evening meal and will pay at sign up.

Name of Guest: _____

Entry Fee: Show Me 500 Adventure Ride - \$120

(If you want a hotel room in Viburnum, you must reserve the room on your own. Viburnum Inn 573-244-5600).

RETURN THIS ENTRY FORM & ENTRY FEE TO: MTRA P.O. BOX 1203 MARYLAND HTS. MO 63043

MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(PLEASE PRINT)

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL, OLD MTRA NO. _____ NEW _____

TYPE: INDIVIDUAL (\$10) _____ FAMILY (\$15) _____
DEALER / CLUB / BUSINESS (\$20) _____

FIRST NAME: _____ LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS (DEPENDENTS)

HOME
ADDRESS: _____
NUMBER STREET

_____ CITY STATE ZIP

HOME PHONE () _____ - _____
CELL PHONE () _____ - _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TYPE OF RIDER: MOTORCYCLE: ____, ATV: ____,
BOTH: ____

AMA MEMBER? YES _____ NO _____
IF SO -- AMA NUMBER: _____

OCCUPATION _____ AGE: _____

ARE YOU IN ANYWAY DISABLED? YES _____ NO _____

IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN: _____

I AM INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH THE:

_____ POTOSI DISTRICT, _____ SALEM DISTRICT

_____ ADOPT-A-TRAIL, _____ CONSTR. PROJECTS

_____ STRIKE FORCE (LETTER WRITERS)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE
MTRA LAND FUND? \$ _____

ANY OTHER SERVICES THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE?

PLEASE SIGN THE ADJACENT SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION
(If you can, please go to MTRA's web page at www.ridemtra.com
and add or update your email address on our mailing list!)

I/WE THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL OF MY/OUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC. (MTRA). I/WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS AS STATED IN THE ASSOCIATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS. I/WE SHALL AND HEREBY DO, FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND ASSIGNS, RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND FOREVER HOLD HARMLESS, THE MTRA OFFICERS, PAST AND PRESENT, THE AMA, & U. S. FOREST SERVICE, FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR LIABILITIES DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY AS A RESULT OF ALL INJURIES (INCLUDING DEATH) AND/OR ACCIDENTS TO OR CAUSED BY MYSELF WHILE ENGAGED IN ANY FORM OF MOTORCYCLING (INCLUDING ALL TYPES OF ATVS), RIDING IN OR ON ANY MOTOR VEHICLE, OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES PERFORMED BY MYSELF IN CONNECTION WITH THE MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC., AND FREE SAID ORGANIZATION FROM ANY RESPONSIBILITY THEREWITH. I/WE ALSO AGREE TO HOLD BLAMELESS THE OWNERS OF ANY PROPERTIES THAT I/WE MAY CROSS DURING ANY MTRA ACTIVITY FOR ANY LOSSES OR INJURY (INCLUDING DEATH). I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. IF UNDER 18, I MUST HAVE PARENTAL CONSENT.

X _____
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

X _____
SIGNATURE OF FAMILY MEMBER DATE

X _____
SIGNATURE OF FAMILY MEMBER DATE

X _____
SIGNATURE OF FAMILY MEMBER DATE

X _____
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN DATE

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AND RETURN TO:
M T R A
P.O. BOX 1203
MARYLAND HTS., MO 63043

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE
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MTRA SUPPORTING DEALERS/BUSINESSES (Please support those who support the MTRA efforts.)

NAME	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP	TELEPHONE	WEBSITE
Acerbis USA	110 Lindsay Circle	Ketchum	ID	83340	800-659-1440	acerbisusa.com
BCR Machine Shop	#6 Krista Lane	Washington	MO	63090	636-239-5611	
Bob Armon Construction	5144 Sherwood Lane	House Springs	MO	63051	314-574-0709	
Clarke Manufacturing Co.	13388 S. Molalla Forest Road	Molalla	OR	97038	503-829-2156	clarkemfg.com
Dale Sign Service, Inc.	13652 Manchester Road	St. Louis	MO	63131	314-966-2620	
Dave Mungenast Motorsports	5939 S. Lindbergh	St. Louis	MO	63123	314-894-9179	
Donelson Cycles Inc.	9851 St. Charles Rock Road	St. Ann	MO	63074	314-427-1204	
EVS Sports Protection	P.O. Box 180	Walworth	WI	53184	262-394-5370	evs-sports.com
Fred Mueller Service Company	P.O. Box 225	St. Peters	MO	63376	314-580-1778	
IMS	6240 Box Springs Blvd. Unit E	Riverside	CA	92507	951-653-7720	imsproducts.com
JD Transport Services	P.O. Box 32	St. Albans	MO	63073	636-451-5743	
Koch Mechanical Services	P.O. Box 587	Hillsboro	MO	63050	314-798-4563	
Motorcycles & More	P.O. Box 184 1501 State Hwy. 47	Marthasville	MO	63357	636-433-2384	
Obermeyer Yamaha Suzuki Honda	2501 Newton	Jasper	IN	47546	812-634-6686	
RK Excel	2645 Vista Point Drive	Oceanside	CA	92056	760-732-3161	rkexcelamerica.com
Robert Kister Trial Lawyer LLC	P.O. Box 156	Herculaneum	MO	63048	636-931-4439	
Wolfman Luggage	350 Terry Street Suite 150	Longmont	CO	80501	303-651-6022	wolfmanluggage.com

YEAR	MEMBER #	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
19	2948	AHRENS	PAUL
19	1606	ALTOM II	WILLIAM
19	206	AROMANDO	JOE
19	3266	BALD	JERAME
19	3267	CHRISTOPHER	BECKER
19	3268	BIERMANN	ZACHARY
19	1499	BRADY	MICHAEL
19	153	BRAUER	LEONARD
19	1602	BRINKLEY	DANIEL
19	2040	CHARPENTIER	MARK
19	3269	DAVIS	COUPER
19	2938	EARNEY	MICHAEL
19	2786	FRIESE	DOUG
19	2558	GARDNER	ELLIOT
19	3270	GARDNER	EVAN
19	3292	GLASSEY	MARKIS
19	3271	GOETZ	ERIC
19	3086	GOETZ	KEVIN
19	3272	GONZALEZ	JACOB
19	3088	HALE	JASON
19	3291	HANLON	DON
19	734	HANSELMAN	RONIE
19	3174	HARMON	BRAD
19	2793	HARRINGTON	DON
19	2795	HARRINGTON	CHRIS
19	3273	HEDRICK	HUNTER
21	12	HEJLEK	AL
19	3274	HOOVER	JOHN
19	3275	HOWARD	MIKE
19	3276	JETT	MATT
19	3277	JIMMERSON	LANDON
19	2895	JOBE	MICHAEL
20	1150	KAUFMAN	ROBERT
19	3278	LEBBING	KEITH
19	3178	LEWIS	LYNN
19	3279	MAHONEY	DAMIAN
19	3280	MAXWELL	JAMES
19	3281	MCKEE	TOM
19	2802	MENSIO	ROBERT
19	514	METTER	JIM
19	3282	NELSON	BRIAN
19	2913	NESBITT	DOUG
19	753	OSIA	GLEN
19	3284	PHEGLEY	KEVIN
19	3285	PILKENTON	RICK
19	3293	POESCHL	NICHOLAS
19	3283	PRUITT	MICHAEL
19	2470	PRYOR	ELI
19	3099	RETTIG	DAVID
19	2613	ROCK	JODY
19	2719	RYAN	MAX
19	3286	SANDERS	MATT
19	2258	SCHAEFFER	CHARLIE
19	2757	SIEGFRIED	CORY
19	511	SIEGFRIED	GEORGE
20	861	STEWARD	LARRY
19	3288	STIENTJES	JEFF
20	595	STONE	TOM
19	3288	SWAIN	NINA
20	1	THOMAS	STEVE
19	3294	WEHNER	AARON
19	3289	WEITZEL	ZACK
19	3290	WILBURN	DAVID
19	3124	WOLF	MICHAEL
19	3163	WORKMAN	MATT