

MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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www.ridemtra.com, ridemtra@hotmail.com, 314-434-5095 (Event Hot-Line)
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Due to the increased number of people being diagnosed with the corona virus, our President and Governors extending the bans on large events and public gatherings as well as issuing “Shelter in Place” orders, in addition to the AMA encouraging organizers to comply with all CDC guidelines and restrictions imposed by the federal and state governments, the Midwest Trail Riders Association had to cancel or postpone some of our events for this year.

The health, welfare, and safety of our guests, our members, our family, and our friends remains our highest priority. We share your passion for motorcycling and adventure and when this crisis is over, the MTRA will again be ready to show you a great Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride and Show Me 500 Adventure Ride. Thank you for understanding in these uncertain times. Stay well and be safe.

2020 MTRA **REVISED** Schedule of Events

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
April 5	MHSC Hare Scrambles at VTRA POSTPONED DUE TO CORONA VIRUS BANS
April 18-19	VTRA Ride Weekend CANCELLED DUE TO CORONA VIRUS BANS
May 16-17	VTRA Ride Weekend
June 6-7	MTRA Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride/Show Me 500 Adventure Ride RESCHEDULED
June 20-21	VTRA Ride Weekend
July 18-19	VTRA Ride Weekend
August 15-16	VTRA Ride Weekend
September 19-20	VTRA Ride Weekend
September 26-27	RESCHEDULED MTRA Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride/Show Me 500 Adventure Ride
October 4	VTRA Woods Poker Run
October 17-18	VTRA Ride Weekend
November 7-8	VTRA Halloween Ride

AMA National Dual Sport Ride/Adventure Ride. **PLEASE NOTE NEW DATES******

RESCHEDULED TO SEPTEMBER 26-27 DUE TO CORONA VIRUS GATHERING BANS.

The updated entry forms for both the dual sport ride and adventure ride are included with this Newsletter. If you already signed up for either ride in June and are able to attend on the dates rescheduled for September, we look forward to seeing you at the event. For those of you that asked for a refund, we will miss you and hope to see you next year or at one of our other events or ride weekends this year.

We will have a lot of trail work ahead of us once these gathering bans and shelter in place orders are over. Volunteers will be needed to help with trail clearing and we will announce workdays when the bans are lifted.

The dual sport ride is intended for true off-road/dirt bike motorcycles. The course will be basically the same as last year where we made the course more of a dual sport ride with plenty of **single track** along with more open sections tying the overall course together. The Sunday dual sport course will have an early out option at lunch for those that need to get home that evening and a full-length ride for those that have time to complete the course.



The adventure ride is 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. As in the past, the GPS download of the route will be sent to all entrants about a week prior to the event.





PAY PAL Account. MTRA has set up a PayPal account. If you want to use PayPal for payment of your entry fee, please do the following:

- 1) Fill out the entry form with all requested information and email it to MTRA at ridemtra@hotmail.com; and
- 2) Send the funds for the entry fee to our PayPal account at ridemtra@hotmail.com.

***Please make sure your PayPal account name matches the entry form that you send to us. If you are sending PayPal funds for someone else, let us know who that person is by putting the applicant's name under the payment notes.



AMA Membership. *AMA membership is required for both the dual sport ride and the adventure ride as they are "AMA National Events".* You can renew your AMA membership at www.ridemtra.com and skip the renewal lines at sign up. 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. This is a great deal for everyone and will make the event sign-up and registration much more efficient.

Hare Scrambles. **TO BE RESCHEDULED LATER THIS YEAR.** The MTRA hare scrambles previously scheduled in April had to be cancelled due to the corona virus gathering bans and stay in place orders. It is our hope to reschedule later this year and as soon as we get a date on the MHSC schedule, we will announce it along with any workdays for clearing trail.

Membership Renewal. A Membership Application form is included with this Newsletter. If you have not already sent in your membership application for this year, we hope you will continue to support our cause and renew your membership.

SHOW ME 200 - AMA NATIONAL DUAL SPORT RIDE

RESCHEDULED FROM JUNE DUE TO CORONA VIRUS GATHERING BANS.

September 26-27 -- This will be the 30th Annual Show Me 200 (^{31st} running, 5000+ miles of BAD ROAD!). The series is being sponsored by BETA, Kenda Tires and IMS in 2020. The entry form can also be downloaded from our website. **Entries and cancelations must be received by September 11, 2020. 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

September 26-27, 2020

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 post-marked before September 11

\$180 if post-marked after September 11

_____ I will send the entry fee via PayPal.

Email completed form to ridemtra@hotmail.com

Send entry fee via PayPal to ridemtra@hotmail.com

(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

RESCHEDULED FROM JUNE DUE TO CORONA VIRUS GATHERING BANS.

September 26-27 --The MTRA will also be hosting an AMA National Adventure Ride this year! The series is being sponsored by Kenda Tires, IMS and Helite Moto in 2020, 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. The entry form can also be downloaded from our website. **Entries and Cancellations must be received by September 11, 2020. Late entries will not receive meals, T-shirt, or attendance prizes.**

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

September 26-27, 2020

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 post-marked before September 11
\$140 if post-marked after September 11

_____ I will send the entry fee via PayPal.

Email completed form to ridemtra@hotmail.com

Send entry fee via PayPal to ridemtra@hotmail.com

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

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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