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## Chapter Meeting Oct. 21

The October meeting will be back a Piccadilly Cafeteria on Hurstbourne Lane near Shelbyville Rd. We will eat at 5:30 PM and meet at 6:30 PM.

### From Our CD

Mike and Kathy Lebre

Hey gang, hope every one has had a chance to take advantage of some of the BEAUTIFUL fall weather and get out and spend a little time on the back of your motorcycles. Between the wet and the cold it's hard to find a nice day much less a weekend. Want to thank everyone that showed up for our picnic, I think everyone had a great time especially with the bike games and the balloon toss, it was a great day. Also a special thanks to Bill Bond of D.Q. for providing us with the burgers and dogs and Bob Church for making sure that we enjoyed them, they were delicious. A group of us went to Moonlite B-B-Q, and had a great time. Found a nice road Hwy 144, you can pick it up about 15 miles or so, right after you turn onto Hwy 60 off of 31W, for the long ride, or pick it up past Cloverport. It is a great day ride, just to ride. There were a couple of roads we passed by that I would like to try, just to see if we could get lost ( I mean go sightseeing ) on. Want to congratulate Bruce Jump on high mileage for this month, 2 months in a row, way to go. Don't Derby City Wing Riders Newsletter, October 2006

forget to bring any of the pictures you've taken to give to Lani, for our scrapbook. Hope to see you all at the meeting this Saturday.

### Remaining October Ride

Note that October is the end of our regular ride schedule for the year. Check our message board on our web site for ad hoc rides as weather permits.

**Sunday October 22**, Buffalo Crossing Lunch ride, meet at Hatmakers Market on Taylorsville Rd near Pope Lick at 11:00 AM.

### MSF Courses, BRC and ERC

Derby Motorcycle School, 502-366-4351  
Kentucky Driving School, 502-456-5266  
Advantage MC School, 502-876-5190

Remember Honda Rider Club will reimburse you for \$70 of the course costs.

### Rider Ed Comments and Tips

Jim Rippy

Have you ever gone for an unplanned ride for the day? Most of us have. It was fun, but was it smart? Pilots file a "flight plan" and so should you, especially if you like to travel the back roads. Let someone know where you are headed, the probable route and when you expect to get back.

Have someone who expects to hear from you when you get back. Be prepared so you do not end up a 50 or a 100 miles from home and have a problem and it's a long time before anyone realizes you may be in trouble.

Check your shadow. If your shadow is directly in front of you, the longer it is, the harder it is for oncoming traffic to see you.

Let's talk about trailers and safety chains for a minute. There should be two chains on that trailer and they should be crossed as to form a cradle to catch the tongue should the hitch ever become disconnected from the ball. If not crossed and the tongue comes loose there is the chance that it could dig into the pavement and the ride would be over. Furthermore, make sure the chains are not too long. If the chains are too long they can allow the tongue to come into contact with the rear tire of the motorcycle if there is a disconnect.

While we are on the subject of trailers there is the question of tongue angle. Should the tongue be level, angled down or up? Think about it. If the tongue is angled upward and you have to make a sudden emergency stop the trailer will exert upward pressure on the rear of the bike and increase the chance that the rear tire will break traction. Not a good thing... If the tongue is level and an emergency stop is required the chance is about 50% that the tongue will push the rear of the bike upward taking pressure "and traction" away from the rear wheel. If the tongue is slightly angled downward it will push the rear of the bike downward in an emergency stop situation and help keep the rear tire in contact with the road surface and help maintain traction on the rear tire.

Have you noticed that it's getting cooler and even a bit wetter on rides lately? A good way to help keep your hands warm is to use silk liner with latex gloves over them inside of your riding gloves. It is amazing how much warmer this is. If you get caught out in the cold and rain and need some latex gloves, check your first aid kit for a pair. Latex gloves are very inexpensive and very handy to have around. Harbor Freight has them on sale in October for \$3.99 for a box of 100 and they come in three different sizes.

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**Jim Rippy**  
*When First Impressions Count*  
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**AutoQual Kentuckiana**  
502-418-2742  
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Check chapter web site for car cleanup special.

### **October Birthdays**

Mike Lebre – Happy Birthday  
Sue Maxwell – Happy Birthday

### **October Anniversaries**

Joe and Linda Schoene – Happy Anniversary  
Ken and Sue Maxwell – Happy Anniversary

The advertisement for Petscriptions.com features a cartoon dog on the left holding a newspaper. To the right of the dog is the website name "Petscriptions.com" in a green, sans-serif font. Below the name is the tagline "Fulfilling your pets medical needs." in a smaller, black font. At the bottom right of the ad, two phone numbers are listed: "1-877-97PETRX" and "1-877-9773879".

Visit us on the web at [www.gwrrakya.org](http://www.gwrrakya.org) .

**The difference between adventure and disaster is planning.**

### **Where to Call...**

Ever get stuck at a traffic light and it won't turn because you are on a motorcycle? How about finding an unsafe road condition or large pothole?

Here are the contact numbers to get action. To report pothole, traffic light or road problems on county roads call, Jefferson County 574-5000, Bullitt County 543-2510, Oldham County 222-0426.

If it's a state road you can call the State Highway Department, Jefferson County 367-6411, Bullitt County 543-2530, Oldham County 222-9009.

**For Sale**  
Charles Green's "Wingin"



Here is the info on 'Wingin'.  
Red 2000 Honda Goldwing 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition  
20000ish miles, new brakes and new tires (installed at Wing Ding Fort Wayne 2005)  
Tulsa Windshield, Baker Built Airwings  
Passenger Arm Rests  
Driver and Passenger Cup Holders  
Neon Lights (front and back), Ring of Fire Lights on Front Wheel  
Trailer Hitch  
Lighted Trunk Spoiler and Under Trunk Spoiler  
6 Disc DC Changer with Remote  
Highway Foot Pegs  
Drag Specialties Back Rest  
All routine maintenance up to date and one by Honda Certified Mechanic  
JBM Headset, 1 Aria Helmet (Red), 2 separate JBM headsets  
Passenger CB Controls  
2 Goldwing Travel Bags for saddlebag storage  
\$13,000  
Contact Elise Green at [elisegreen@bellsouth.net](mailto:elisegreen@bellsouth.net)

**Our Second Trip To Trace Branch this year...**

We found out that the last week of September going into October there is free camping at Trace Branch. We took advantage of that and went back for a late year campout. We practically had the campground to ourselves. There are a lot of good motorcycle roads in that part of the country as well as this beautiful small campground hidden away on a finger of Buckhorn lake.

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Here are some shots of the campground and us cooking breakfast on Sunday morning. Eggs, ham, bacon, hash browns, biscuits, coffee and juice, breakfast just doesn't get any better than this. See our web site for more pictures of our adventure.