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Tom the Bomb... RAMBLINGS From the Top Dawg

Just when you thought Summer might just hang around a while longer – Fall is here. I'm sure I sound like a broken record by now, but... it's a great time to ride! The cooler air is a welcome relief after our scorching hot summer, and it's still not cold enough to break out the serious gear yet. It's the time of year when you should carry a light jacket with you if you plan on riding before daylight or after dark... or maybe if you want to turn your bike toward North Carolina on Highway 64. You'd be surprised how much cooler it gets in the mountains, especially in the shade.

October is just the ticket for daytime outdoor activities and it's just chilly enough to enjoy a campfire after dark. It's perfect weather for a picnic, a hike, or a hayride... It's a great time of year for everyone, but let's face it – God made this time of year for bikers.

Believe it or not, the holiday season is just around the corner. It won't be long before we're reminding ourselves what we have to be thankful for, decorating

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Christmas trees, and making plans for New Year's Eve.

What do all these things mean? To me, it points to the obvious fact we all need to get out and for a good scoot while the weather's nice (and before the holiday chaos begins). If nothing else, take an afternoon off in the middle of the week and just go where your bike takes you. You deserve it. If you are at a loss as to what to do or where to go (and don't feel like wingin' it), there are tons of activities planned for the remainder of the year and you can find all the details on our Web site.

With that said, I'm climbing on the soapbox (watch out)... This (free) magazine you are holding is made possible by the good people who pay for advertising space on its pages. It is the only local media that not only allows but also solicits submissions from its audience, giving a voice to the frustrated. Road Rash Magazine consistently donates an unheard of amount of ad space and editorial to charitable causes across the board, and we list every motorcycle event we are

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Wings In The Wind

by Eddie Rahm (Part 4 of 7)
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Recap: Our trip took us through eight states in five days on back roads and state highways. Day one took us through Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia (280 miles) and day two we continued through Virginia, back to Tennessee, and then through much of Kentucky (320 miles). Since on much of the first two days we were negotiating curvy, mountain roads we were ready for a more relaxing leg. Leg three as follows:



Day 3 – Kentucky – Illinois – Missouri (290 Miles)
After a comfortable night's sleep at the Four Seasons we met in the lounge area for a short time of visiting over the continental breakfast and then had our morning devotion. We then packed our bikes and hit the road for a new day of sights, friendly people,

and great riding. To start the day's ride we took Highway 31 back to Highway 68 (still a divided four-lane) and made good time cruising westerly until reaching the city of Bowling Green, home of the Corvette factory and museum. We slowly passed through a somewhat



congested part of town, including the Western Kentucky University campus, and then back out of town and more cruising on the divided four-lane. Within a short distance we stopped at the Shaker Museum in the community of Pleasant Hill. The Shakers got their names from the practice of shaking during their church services. Since I was already getting complaints of hunger shakes we promptly headed back to 68 and continued west through the small town of Russellville. The Jesse James Gang also passed through Russellville in March of



1868, making a sizeable withdrawal from the Southern Deposit Bank downtown. After making our get-away only a few miles down Highway 68 we passed through the small biker friendly town of Elkton. Every Thursday night Elkton blocks off part of the downtown area to bikers only, similar to Chattanooga's Nightfall events. Thanks Elkton,



we appreciate you!
Rolling on down the road we stopped at a remote location a little off the highway for fuel. As we peered across the street we saw what appeared to be the Washington Monument. It turns out this was the Jefferson Davis State Park, in Fairview Kentucky, which was created as a tribute to Jefferson Davis, the President of the Confederate States of America. Jefferson Davis was born at that site in 1808. At 351 feet, this monument is the tallest un-reinforced concrete structure in the world. Since the store did not have fuel and John Martin's "Low Fuel" light had been

trying to get his attention for a while, getting fuel became our top priority. We finally reached a small store not too far down the highway with gas pumps to top off our tanks and then continued west through Hopkinsville, the bowling ball manufacturing capital of the US. We then cruised through Cadiz, and crossed under Interstate 24 before reaching the Golden Pond Visitors Center at Land Between the Lakes. One of the things I noticed along our stretch of small towns was the local police always waved as we rode through their town. I think having the bikes loaded with gear was the trigger that caused numerous people of all types and ages to wave at us, and needless to say we always waved back.



The Visitors Center at Land Between the Lakes was a great place for clean rest rooms, a rest break, and the opportunity to

meet other bikers who had been riding the nearby Natchez Trace Parkway. Soon it was time for us to push that black starter button and do some fellowshiping with our steel and chrome buddies. At this point we turned north on the Natchez Trace Parkway and enjoyed the relaxing curves, the smell of fresh cut grass that lined the roadway on both sides, and the almost non-existent traffic. This section passes through the Land Between the Lakes, which was created by TVA and given to the National Park Service for operation. The 444-mile Natchez Trace Parkway commemorates an ancient trail that connected southern portions of the Mississippi River, through Alabama, to salt licks in today's central Tennessee. The heaviest use of the Old Trace was from 1800 to about 1825 by men, known as "Kaintucks," who floated down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers and returned north on foot via the Trace. After traveling about twenty miles on the Trace we exited at Grand Rivers Kentucky, the northern termination point of the Trace. Grand Rivers was originally called Nickelville, but was renamed Grand Rivers in the 1890s as part of an effort to establish it as a major steel-producing city, based on nearby iron deposits. The steel-producing enterprise failed within a few years. Grand Rivers was our planned lunch stop but to our surprise it also had a new Harley-Davidson retail apparel store, which is a branch of the Four Rivers Harley-Davidson

dealership in Paducah. We picked up some t-shirt souvenirs and visited with the pleasant ladies who operated the store, then ambled down the street to Patty's Place. Patty's is a rather famous restaurant that has been featured in Southern Living Magazine and is the home of the 2-inch thick pork chops. After a great meal we walked back down the street to see "Wings in the Wind" displayed on the Harley marquee. Thanks Leslie!



After one of the more enjoyable stops on our trip we headed back out on Highway 62 and crossed over the Kentucky Dam, which impounds the largest lake in the TVA system, and in short time arrived in Paducah. We then turned left on Highway 60 and passed through the old part of town, which has been renovated like many other downtowns across the US. A couple blocks off Highway 60 is Red's Donut Shop. Red's is a great local spot to satisfy your donut craving, in a town known for the round fat pills sometimes called donuts. Their crueler cake donuts have a slightly crusty outside with a tender inside (kind of like a lot of bikers) and will not only melt in your mouth they will also melt through the box (a little on the greasy side). In 1937 one of the local Paducah bakers sold his recipe for



yeast donuts to a company who automated the process in and has fed them to millions since. The company? Krispy Kreme of course! Heading on we exit Paducah turning due west on Highway 60 and passed through Kevel, La Center, and Barlow before turning north on Highway 51 at Wickliffe. During a brief rest stop at Barlow the Swans Food delivery-man came over to chat a bit and in short time we were each consuming free Swans (damaged product) ice cream sandwiches. Anyone who knows Swans knows they have some of the best products on the market!

After making the turn at Wickliffe we headed north and within a mile or so approached the bridge crossing the Ohio River. The bridge was open to one lane traffic due to repairs, which meant an opportunity to watch other vehicles and view the awesome river from a high vantage point. It is near this location that the Ohio River flows into the Mississippi River. The Mississippi River is about 2,300 miles in length and drops about 1450 feet in elevation over its length. As we finally got our green light we crossed the bridge and entered the state of Illinois and soon the city of Cairo. Driving through Cairo gives you the feeling you are in one of those movies where you slept through something that caused everyone else to disappear. The buildings are all there to support



a town of large population but nobody is there, and all those buildings are boarded up. It's a modern day ghost town created during the civil rights era in the 60's when the blacks boycotted

the white businesses because the whites would not hire them. After a decade long boycott many of the whites eventually left and remnants of past life are all that lay behind.

After arriving at our destination, the Days Inn of Cairo, we spent some time getting settled in and then blistered I-57 for Sikeston, Missouri (about 35 miles away) and Lamberts Cafe, the home of the "thrown rolls". Lambert's, which specializes in home cooked foods, became famous for the "thrown rolls" after a customer told Norman Lambert to just pitch him a roll. Including all of their locations they bake over two million five-inch diameter rolls every year, many destined for flight. Arriving back at the motel we visited with our new roommates a while and then hit the sack to rest up for another fun day to come.



It had been a great day, with more relaxing miles than the previous two days and some fantastic meals. I hope you also had a great day and you were able to see some things you had not seen before. Wild Wings!

Some things we learned on Day 3:

1. How many free things and deeds were offered to us by admirers.
2. How thankful we were

that our homes were in a growing, healthy community.
3. How rest at the end of the day feels great even after a fun day.
4. How we were developing special friendships that would last a lifetime.

Hint for next leg (November Issue): We will explore more small towns and deserted buildings with a mix of curvy ridge roads and relaxing straights. We will pass through the country of one of Tennessee's favorite sons of the past and a favorite son of the present. We will pass within a few miles of a nationally known one-of-a-kind facility that few people that live in the state even know exists.

Eddie Rahm

Mystery Pic #4 - Give me the name of the person this monument was built in honor of and it's location. Hint: He was a close friend of Thomas Jefferson and one of America's famous explorers. He was found dead of gunshot wounds (believed to be self-inflicted) at this spot in 1809. First correct response receives a \$150 gift certificate from your choice of **American Cycles**, **Southern Powersports**, or **RT Cycles**, plus an embroidered denim Road Rash shirt compliments of **Quick Tees**. Responses should be sent to edtennga@bellsouth.net

Note: James Skipper was the first correct response on last month's mystery pic. The monument is located at the Jefferson Davis State Park in Fairview, KY and erected in honor of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. Thanks to **Steel Horse Motorcycles** for sponsoring the prize.





Rock's Two Cents

It was a cool crisp morning as we headed to downtown Chattanooga for the start of the 14th Annual Trail of Tears Remembrance Ride. When we arrived at 7:15 a.m. the bikes extended from 28th and Broad Street (the starting point) well

past MLK and Riverfront Parkway. As always, there were all shapes and sizes (of bikes and riders). Moleman and I started snapping pics as we worked our way through the horde. After spending some time back in the pack we headed to the front of the group where all the major media was congregated with their television cameras and reporters. I caught Bill Cason (the ride originator) between interviews and asked if he would give me an interview for our November issue and we agreed to get together after he got back from Oklahoma. After the day ride ends in Florence, Alabama, Bill continues to lead a pack of a few hundred experienced riders on to Okmulgee, Oklahoma. Be watching for his interview next month where he will talk about the ride's history, the controversy surrounding this year's ride, and his vision for the future of the world's largest motorcycle ride.

Now, to another matter. Last month, in relation to

another story, our local mainstream media reported that 1%er clubs like the Outlaws MC often have rides to benefit charities as public relations ploys. They cited as an example the recent Outlaws MC annual ride for the Ronald McDonald House. Now this statement flew all over me since I know the history of the event (see my story in last month's issue). You would think that it would be relatively simple to do a little research before reporting something that could effect fund raising for one of Chattanooga's worthiest causes. Reporters and news directors need to get off their as#@es and check the facts before they blow them all over the airwaves. The Outlaws MC ride for the Ronald McDonald House was born out of a club member's personal experience with the Ronald McDonald House. The fundraising ride was started in gratitude for the RMH's help in a time of need. If you can't give credit to a club that does a good deed then you are not much of a news organization. GET YOUR FACTS STRAIGHT!

The staff of Road Rash Magazine is supporting the Outlaws MC in 2008 to grow this grass roots ride into the biggest one in our area. This ride was founded by real bikers, not some organization that has jumped on the "biker bandwagon" in an attempt to use us as fund raising minions. If you are going to support any ride in 2008, it needs to be this one. The ride has been moved from the heat of summer to October 4, 2008. All the money raised goes straight to our local Ronald McDonald House to be used in funding their programs. More details will be announced closer to the event.

It won't be long until the leaves will be falling and riding conditions will worsen. Riding in the Fall is my favorite,

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but, it does come with it's own unique challenges. Every year there are a number of single bike accidents caused by leaves on the roadways. If you are a new rider, be very cautious of this road hazard. Loose and especially wet leaves can be deadly to novice and experienced riders alike. Those same roads you ride with reckless abandon in the summer can be extremely hazardous in the fall of the year. If your front tire hits a pile of wet leaves in a turn at speed, you're toast. If you treat leaves as you would ice, you'll be fine.

Lastly, there have been reports of a number of motorcycle club members being pulled over by police for nothing more than wearing their colors. This practice of profiling motorcycle club members needs to stop. It gets back to what I've said many times before. Law enforcement and the general public love us when we're raising money, but treat us differently in everyday situations. If the police spent as much time trying to stop the drive by shootings in various parts of the city and less time stopping some group for simply wearing their vests, we would all be much better off. They should bust people who are breaking the law and leave the people alone who are riding along minding their own business. What amazes me is that police aren't allowed to profile certain people boarding an aircraft, yet they can stop of group of American born bikers not breaking any laws. Go figure.

As always, I will ask you all to send us photos of your meetings, rides, and trips. They will be placed in a gallery on our website www.roadrashmag.com within 48 hours. Then your friends and club members can download them free of charge for their personal use. We are always in need of information about your friends who have been

involved in accidents or have passed away for Tears on Black Leather (pg. 10). We can't include someone if we don't know about them. Remember, Road Rash Magazine is a reflection of you, our Chattanooga area riders. Unlike other publications, the Chattanooga area is our ONLY business. We are your magazine, so if you like what we're doing, then please support our advertisers and tell them thanks for making Road Rash Magazine available to you.

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Brothers and Sisters Down or Gone

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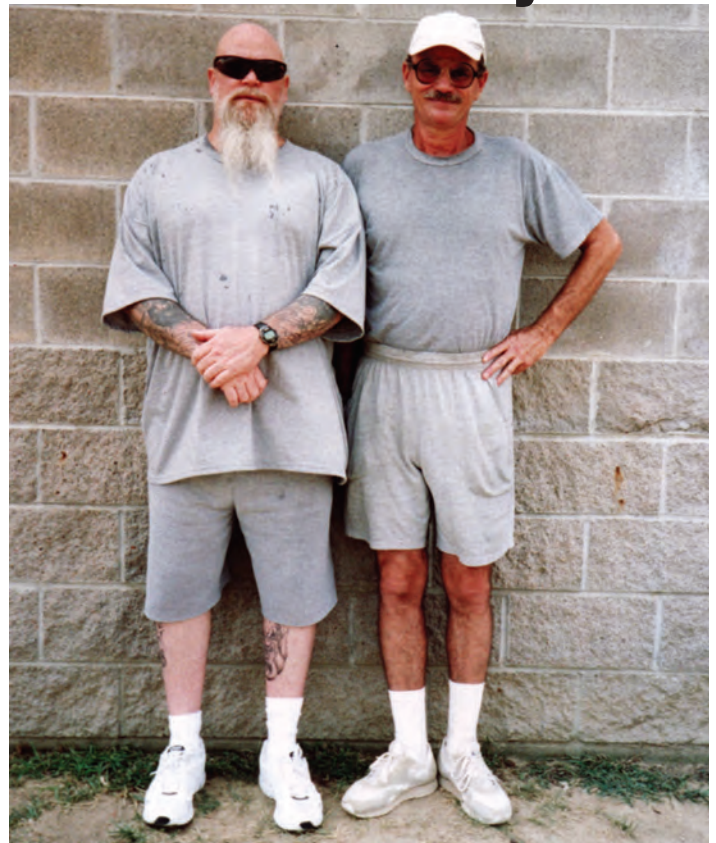
Chad Yates had a minor motorcycle accident recently but came out of it pretty well with bumps, bruises and a little road rash. Mark McAllister is also recovering from a leg injury received in a motorcycle wreck.

On August 20, police and EMTs were called to a motorcycle accident on I-24 near Moore Road where a man was apparently knocked off of his bike by a vehicle and ran over by another. He was transported to the hospital in stable condition. A car rear-ended a motorcycle on Hixson Pike September 8, injuring the male motorcyclist and his 15-year-old female passenger, who were both transported to the hospital. We haven't been informed of any other specifics in these cases.

It is good to see this list is a short one this

month, hopefully it isn't because we were not informed of the injuries and deaths that have occurred. If you know of any situations that should be included here, please let us know! In the meantime, please keep your brothers and sisters close to your heart, in your thoughts and in your prayers because everyone needs support in times of need and none of us are promised tomorrow.

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Joe Cool's Biker Health



Before I begin this month's article, I would like to address the article I wrote for last month. The previous health article dealt with finding spiritual health, which is as important as physical wellbeing. I received more e-mail responses from this one article than all the others published in this magazine since its first issue (approx. 72). I am not a biblical expert, but I am a fitness/wellness expert. I conveyed my experiences to achieve spiritual balance in my life by living the "Golden Rule." Everyone must choose their own spiritual path to wellness. I would like to thank Clyde "Chilli Willi" Hill and Paul B. Longmire, Associate Pastor Hixson United Methodist Church for their humble Christian comments about this subject. They have contributed to my continuing spiritual development.

Not everyone seeks spiritual health through God, but if he is in your heart, are you making your heart a healthy place for him to stay? Your heart is the center of your physical existence on earth. Without the contestant beating of this smooth cardiac muscle you will die. Some might say the brain is the most important organ of the body, but the brain cannot survive without the heart's constant supply of blood flow. However, the heart can exist with out the brain.

Do you realize that the heart pumps the vital fluids

to every cell of your body with out you thinking about it? You can control your brain and your lungs, but you cannot control the constant beating of your heart. The heart has a self-contained electrical system that keeps it beating, even if one is in a brain-dead comatose state. However, you can control the elements that keep the heart working properly for your lifetime.

Do you realize the by the time a man or woman reaches 75 years of age the heart will have beat over four billion times? That does not count the months your heart began beating in the womb. What keeps this remarkable mechanism going? The heart relies on its host (you) to keep it well fed and free of obstructions so it can work with a little effort as possible. If the workload is great, then the efficiency of the heart is less.

Let me explain, the heart is like the gas pump to a motor. If the fuel lines are sluggish with debris then the pump has to push harder. If the fuel demand is greater than the pump capacity, then the pump has to pump faster to meet the need for more fuel. Eventually, the pump gives out. Then the pump is over-hauled or replaced. Or, the motor never runs again. Are you demanding too much from your pump? Are you maintaining a clean fuel system free of debris? Are you requiring your pump to pump faster to meet the fuel demand to a expanding fuel system that comes with a bigger and heavier body?

Remember the heart is a muscle. Like all muscles it needs exercise for improved efficiency in its workload. Regular cardiovascular activities will improve the heart's blood out put to the body during exercise and at rest. Eating foods low in fats and high in fiber will help keep the debris causing cholesterols under control. Your fuel system will work smoother and give you a lifetime of continuous blood flow.

I am sure that God would appreciate your proactive efforts in keeping this incredible organ running smoothly as long as you can. Give yourself a greater opportunity to achieve even greater spiritual wellness by keeping your heart strong for God and yourself. Take care of your physical and spiritual self, because if you won't, who will?

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I like old stuff! In my basement is a restored '65 Schwinn Stingray bicycle and a 1949 Coke machine. I have at one point owned both a vintage muscle car ('78 Bandit) and a classic motorcycle ('48 Harley Panhead). My son is in a band and there was a used musical instrument warehouse in Atlanta where we spent hours scouring through a mountain pile of discarded drum pieces looking for that vintage Ludwig, Gretsch, Pearl or Slingerland tom, 'cause "they just don't make 'em like that anymore!" I think Ebay has been a blessing and a curse to those of us who like relics from the past, as it has established "market value" at whatever one fool high bidder was willing to pay. You will have to find your treasure in a barn before someone else to get "a bargain" anymore. I think Ebay may also be at least partially responsible for also killing motorcycle "swap meets."

I am old enough to remember "in the day" when there

was no admission charge and they used to lure you in with free beer to get you into swap meets. I think they sold a lot of junk that people brought back to the next meet and attempted to "swap" for something else with that ploy (at least to me anyway). It was great to see Shovels, Pans and even an occasional Knucklehead in the parking lot. Today, even Evo's and FXR's are becoming rare sightings.

The biggest difference between a vintage car and motorcycle owner is that automobile gearheads love low mileage. They brag about finding "survivors" with only 3,000 miles and will do anything to preserve original parts even down to the screws and floor mats. Motorcycle (especially Harley) freaks love to brag about the just opposite, how many miles their bike has! I won't step on Rock's toes here, because even a "RUB" like myself agrees with him on the position that motorcycles are made to be ridden, not preserved. I have put a lot of mileage on this summer! At one point, I was longing for what Booger calls "the tire of the month club" because I was measuring trips not by mileage but in terms of the number of fuel stops and in some cases even time zone changes.

Rock has a worn and tattered pair of fingerless gloves mounted on his wall that he retired after an estimated 150,000 miles. If his pair had 150,000 miles, the ones I recently replaced had 250,000 because they literally fell apart one day. I took them to Whitecotton Leather in Dalton, GA to see if they could be re-sewn. They laughed and told me to buy a new pair. It's not that I am cheap. It is just there are a lot of memories in addition to mileage on those mitts. I recently retired a pair of boots with probably the same amount of wear and tear. A set of Redwings that were worn so bad they could not be resoled! Last spring I found a guy in Alabama at an old-fashioned shoeshine stand that gave them their first (and last) polish. "Can you re-dye them and make look new?" I asked. "I can try," he said, "what color were they originally?"

I think it is proper to grieve when that denim shirt, faded blue jeans, or favorite sweatshirt finally bites the dust. I have been known to rescue several tee shirts from the rag bin. I guess we just hold on to stuff too long for its nostalgic value but I have always maintained that motorcycles are a form of therapy.

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I may be a lot of things (and I may have claimed to be even more things) but one thing I am not is psychic. So with that said, I cannot predict what the weather is like when you are actually reading this. But I will say it can't be as hot at the first of October as it is right now as I write this. I can only hope it has cooled down some. It has been the hottest riding weather I have ever dealt with. It hasn't kept me off the bike much but it has been hot.

Now that I have that out of the way, I can get to my monthly rambling. It has come to my attention that with the popularity of MP3 players that more and more people are listening to music while they ride. Music has always been available on most high end touring bikes but now it has become common on almost every kind of bike out there. One of the cool things about a MP3 player is that not only can you have music, but you can program exactly the songs you want. This allows people to customize their riding music to their personal taste. Nothing says awesome like a two lane black top back road and a cool soundtrack that you preprogrammed into your player. What is loaded on my player runs the gamut from country (Kenny Chesney) to rap (L.L. Cool J). But



there are some songs that I think everyone will agree on that are just plain good riding songs. I will list (in no particular order) my top five time best riding songs and why I think they are made for listening to while riding a motorcycle.

Midnight Rider by the Allman brothers; If you have ever been riding solo at night while listening to this song you should know why it made the list. It's got all the ingredients of a riding

song. In fact, it says it in the song, and "I'm bound to keep on riding." If you have a player and you are going be riding solo at midnight or close too midnight, put this song on and you'll understand.

Take The Highway by Marshall Tucker; This is another song that needs little or no explanation. Plus the flute solo is so cool to be listening too on a curvy road. Like a lot of the songs on my list this one talks about leaving or coming back, in fact this one talks about both. I know as far as Marshall Tucker songs go this one may be obscure but trust me - find it, download it and you'll understand why it made the list.

Smoke On The Water by Deep Purple; I know this one has nothing to do with roads, traveling or riding but when listened to while riding it just seems to fit. Again, trust me. If you have never listened to this song while riding, load this, find a good piece of back road and head out. This one also fits well into heading down the interstate,

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Little Less Conversation by Elvis Presley; Now I know this selection may surprise a lot of you, but the remix of this song that has been used in at least one movie and several TV shows just sounds real cool to me. Plus, it spreads the message, "lets quit talking and get moving" to me.

Now I know that these five songs are just my opinion and I invite all of you to send in their choice of riding songs. A lot of what I listen to is determined by my mood. That can vary from wanting to hear Phil Collins sing I Don't Care Anymore so I can forget about a bad night at work to wanting to hear Cats In The Cradle because I miss my daughter. I guess what I am getting at is: find songs that fit your mood and riding style, load them up in your player and hit the road. One last thing is please check with your local laws before using earphones (snicker, snicker).

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Several matters were discussed at the meeting including the procurement of a special bicycle for the young boy that was involved in a tragic car accident. If a new bicycle cannot be found with the special outfitting needed, then several members agreed to build one specially to fit the boy's needs.

The upcoming Trail of Tears Ride was discussed and the controversy surrounding this year's ride. A brief history of the ride was given by Harold of the Freedom Riders. A benefit is being planned to support Nancy's House on World Aids Day in December. MCIC patches and t-shirts were discussed and will be produced in the near future. There was also discussion about riders being stopped by law enforcement for nothing more than wearing their club's colors. Everyone was encouraged to obtain the officer's name, badge number, and car number. If this sort of harrassment continues, some publicity might be needed to discourage this from continuing.

"Yuppie" of the Freedom Riders has started a MCIC myspace page. This page can be accessed at www.myspace.com/chattanoogaamcic. This page will contain pics of the previous meeting along with the date of next month's meeting.



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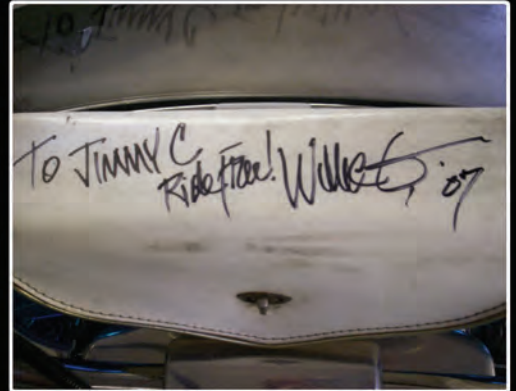
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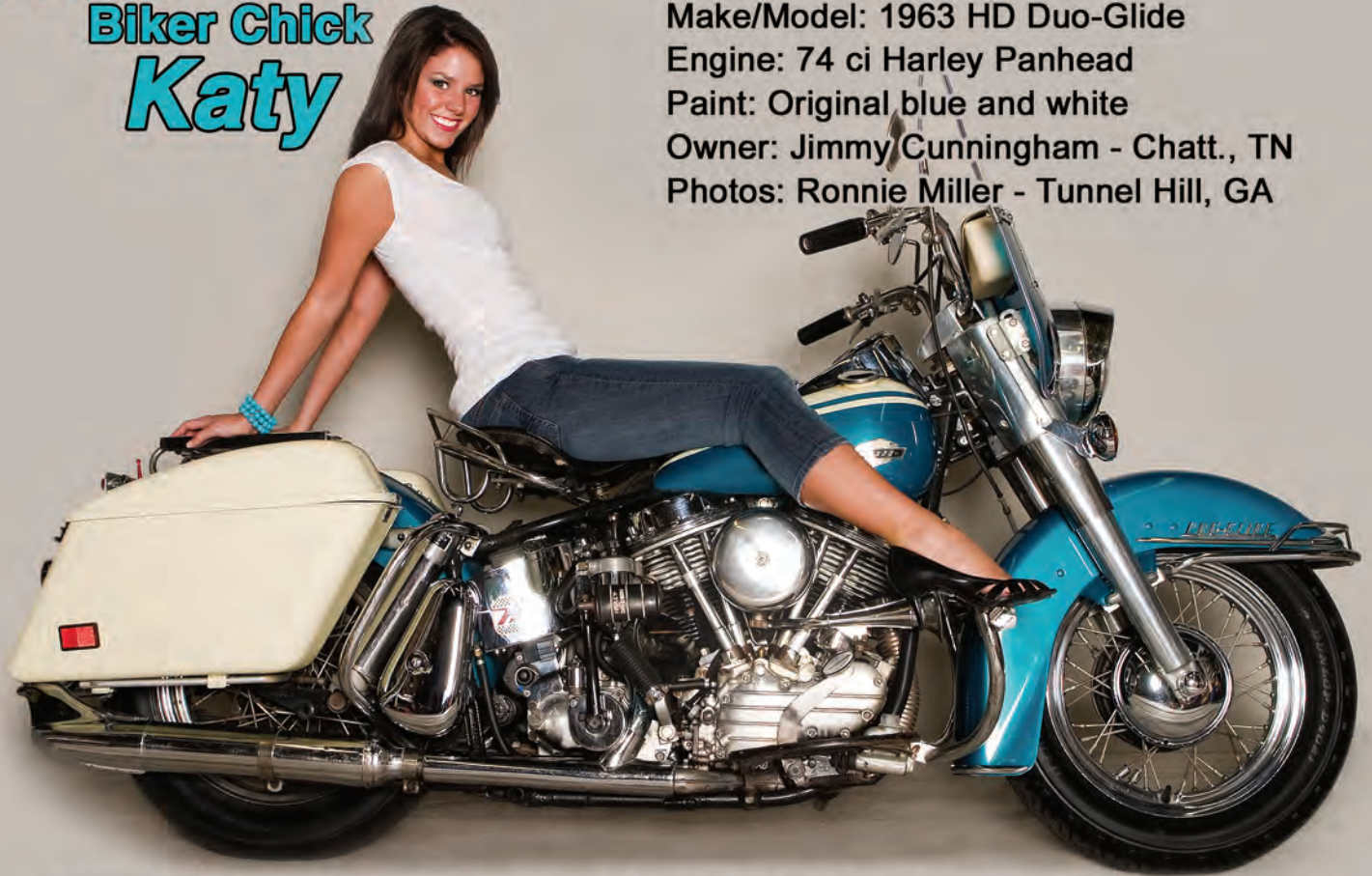
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The Low Down:

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This month's featured bike is an old favorite: the Harley-Davidson Duo-Glide. Although these bikes are pretty rare, Jimmy Cunningham's 1963 is even more so because it is largely unrestored. This bike won first place at the Rat's Hole bike show in Daytona this year, but I caught my first glimpse of it while hanging out with the CBB gang in and around Jimmy's garage a few months ago (check out the pics online in our Event Pic section at www.roadrashmag.com). Jimmy had the pleasure of meeting Willie G. Davidson at the National Harley Owners Group Convention in Knoxville last month and had him sign the windshield bag. I guess even Willie recognized this bike as a true piece of nostalgia and a thing of beauty.

Speaking of beauty, the sweetheart we're featuring this month, Katy, is a nice complement to the classic bike. When she's not posing for the camera or doing promotional modeling, Katy works as an office administrator for a research and development pharmaceutical company. So... not only does she have a smile that would brighten any day, she has brains to boot.

Special thanks goes out to Jimmy Cunningham for supplying the bike and delivering it to the Road Rash studio. Photography duties were taken care of by our (single) friend Ronnie Miller from Tunnel Hill, Georgia. He's done a great job for us in the past, but this time, he submitted so many great pics that it was nearly impossible to choose which ones to publish. You can check them out at roadrashmag.com or check out more of Ronnie's photography at www.myspace.com/63534376.



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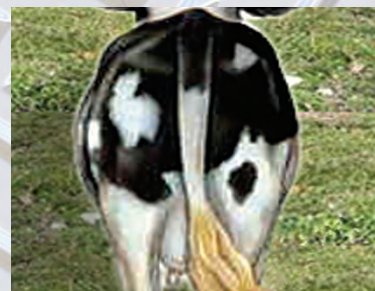
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I love to make lists; I've written several articles over the years using them. I guess its part of my "style" if you want to call it that. So this month don't be surprised, but here is another list.

Thanks to those folks who called and asked where my article was in the last two issues. Sometimes life gets in the way. The top 10 things to know about your motorcycle. Things to do and not to do. These are all based on previous accidents, gaffs, and errors of folks I know. They will remain nameless.

10. A motorcycle is not a "tater" plow. The crash bars are not meant to furrow up rows to plant your crop.
9. Telling the dealer "the motor has a miss at 135 mph" is not a good plan.
8. Do not use the front wheel to straighten the bumper of a pick up truck.
7. Motorcycles cannot be used as watercraft. They will always sink.
6. 99.99% of all motorcycles run on gasoline not diesel fuel. The green nozzle is not color coded for Kawasaki.
5. A touring bike cannot traverse a ravine.

4. Riding with your saddlebags open will most likely cause many of the contents to fly out (Including your new sunglasses).
3. Motorcycles cannot fly (Well not for long).
2. Telling your friends "Watch this, Steve McQueen ain't got nothing on me" will always be followed by "I think it's broke, don't pull on my boot."

1. Setting fire to your garage with your motorcycles inside will damage them.

Any similarity to anyone you may know is strictly a coincidence.

It's that time of year for some really great riding. By the time you read this, Trail of Tears will be over and we will be into the fall riding season. Remember lots of folks who don't drive much and lots of distracted drivers will be out looking at the fall colors so be extra careful as fall approaches. CMA will be at many of the rides and events this fall. We hope to get to meet and serve many of you before the end of the year.

I was recently asked why Christianity was the only major "religion" that allowed its followers to eat pork. I answered, "I serve a risen Lord and He likes BBQ."

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WOW! WHAT A RIDE!

by Diane Lieving

Wow! What a Ride! That's all I can say! I left for the open road on Thursday, July 12 from Chattanooga, TN. I knew what direction I was heading, and the routes. For the ones that know me, that could change at anytime during my adventure. My first destination was Salisbury, NC to see my brother. I haven't been there and was excited to go



somewhere new for a change. Besides he just bought a Harley-Davidson from a friend of his. You see, he has had some health problems for quite some time and it was good to hear that he was feeling good enough to get on a bike

again! I was looking forward to riding with him. The last time we rode together was when we were young riding dirt bikes. He jokes about me "living on my bike" that's what he tells all his friends! I started out going thru Ocoee on route 64/74 into North Carolina. I know a lot of riders from Chattanooga have made this trip and know how beautiful it is thru the Smokey Mountains. The mountains between Ocoee, Andrews and Nantahala are so relaxing to ride. Then I picked up route 40 in Waynesville, NC to get to Salisbury. I usually don't enjoy interstates but 40 is not that busy between major cities. I knew I would need an oil change on this leg of my trip since my bike would turn over 85,000 miles along the way. My brother had the nerve to say that we could take the car to get the stuff, but I was quick to add that I had saddlebags to carry what I needed. I already had my tools with me as I had planned ahead for this. We took a ride to South Carolina on route 52. We went thru a lot of small towns along the way. I enjoyed the whole day with him and it was great to ride with him after all these years.



After watching the weather report I decided to leave the next day for my mother's house in Ohio. I left Saturday morning. I just knew when it was time to ride, felt it in my bones! I didn't know if I would make it all in one day. I do have a habit of changing my mind along the way when I see something I want to stop for. The weather and scenery was great all

the way thru Virginia and West Virginia. I don't think I will ever get tired of the mountains! I went up route 77 through two states and into Ohio. It was a great ride and I did



make it all the way to my mothers. It was 500 miles exactly when I pulled into her driveway. The weather wasn't the best during the week, so I was a little lazy while at her house. My stepfather has a wood working shop and I made some things. Being on a bike I had to limit myself on things I wanted to make to be able to bring it home. I just kept telling them as long as I had bungee cords, I could carry just about anything on my bike! All my friends know this too! They have seen it! I can pack my bike.

After a week of being lazy it was time to head home to TN. I started out on 77 South (South was always good to see on those road signs!). When I was halfway through West Virginia. I decided that I wanted to change my route to go through Kentucky. I stopped and checked out my maps, and sure enough - it was meant to be! I stopped right where I needed to be (near Charleston) to take route 64 west to 119 South into Kentucky. I knew it was going to add miles to my trip, but really didn't care because I still had a couple days left of my adventure. If I didn't make it home on Friday, it really didn't matter to me. I went through some really neat little towns up in the mountains along the way. It was great! I picked up route 23 when I went into Virginia. The weather was a little iffy so I wasn't quite sure where I was going from there. When I checked out the map, I thought about going 81 South down to pick up route 40 and go the back roads through NC home. The closer I got to 40, the darker the skies looked that way. So I just came home on I-75. I really didn't like that route but



when you are finishing up the last leg of your trip and the weather is not looking good, you tend to take the quickest way home! I ended up being on the road 13 hours that day and going 700 miles! This is why I said "WOW, what a ride!" I didn't start out

thinking I would be riding that long or that far but that is just how the day went. I was in my own world riding and was enjoying the day. So the ride home really made the whole trip great! During this adventure, I saw seven states, added 1,700 miles on my bike and did it solo. As I tell everyone, each ride I take is an adventure. I am just enjoying life. My world is okay as long as I can ride! I hope this might inspire other women to just go for it and enjoy the ride!

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(Continued from last month)...

After riding 700+ miles, we finally crashed outside Las Vegas to get some much needed rest for the next day. The next morning came early and surprisingly it was warm. You see, we had been up in the mountains up to



this point and woke to some pretty chilly mornings; the warmth was a much welcome change. We packed and headed up the road towards Vegas, but first we had to cross the Hoover Dam and Lake Mead. After getting security clearance, we followed the winding road to the dam overlook. The water reminded me of the Caribbean Ocean with its vibrant blue green color. This color was enhanced by the white bathtub ring on the



rocks created by the drought. We passed over the dam and continued on our way through the heat to Vegas.

Paris, Venice, Monte Carlo, Medieval Castles, Treasure Island, or the Pyramids

- visit them all in one day in the city that is Las Vegas. Our stop was the tropical themed, Mirage Hotel, which comes complete with an erupting volcano. After navigating through the massive resort, we arrived at the Suzuki dealer show, where we got to view the 2008 models for the first time. Some of my favorites include the new 1340cc Orange/Black Hayabusa, a White/Gold C90, and the new



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ride north.

On the way to Zion National Park the next day, my dad made a sharp right turn into a gravel driveway and pulled behind a small house. Reindeer! Was my first thought. Now, don't laugh, I'd never seen elk before and especially not elk with fuzzy brown antlers, known as velvet. I was quickly corrected both by my dad and the information posted. For instance, did you know elk only live to be 15 to 20 years old? Or that they lose their antlers in February/March and then grow them back in 140 days at 2-4 inches per day? One of the most interesting elk at the ranch was Club-horn. At one year old he broke his skull and thus has a club for an antler. Of course, I had to find him and get his picture. Housed with the "reindeer" were massive Texas longhorns and a few buffalo, of which we would see many before this trip ended. If you're ever in southern Utah, be sure and visit the Zion Canyon Elk Ranch, it's really unique.

Zion National Park was our next stop. The land has been carved by seas, rivers, and desert winds over the past 2 billion years. The land here is bare except for the small plants that grow in the cracks of the multicolored rocks. One of the most interesting things



about this park is the 1.1 mile Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel which was dedicated on July 4, 1930. The tunnel was originally built to link the Grand Canyon with Bryce Canyon. In recent years the park has tried to limit the amount of traffic

passing through the tunnel by offering a shuttle and to avoid accidents, traffic is only allowed one direction at a time.

One of the funniest things that happened on the trip occurred in Zion. We had pulled over to look at a structure called the "checkerboard mesa" when a Taiwanese tour bus pulled over. All the tourists climbed out of the bus looking at our bikes. My dad told one man he could sit on his trike and that was all it took! Every person on the bus had to have their picture taken either with us or on one of our bikes. They started calling my dad "Easy Rider." One of the best parts of the trip was getting to ride with "Easy Rider," as Terrell Welborn is known as in Taiwan. From Zion we headed toward Bryce and Red Rock Canyons.

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Well, someone must've thought our Hot Seat needed a challenge because they nominated a bona fide fireman for this feature – Terry Newberry (I suppose they thought he could handle the heat). I caught up with Terry at his home in Chickamauga Georgia where he introduced me to his 2007 Special Fire Fighter Edition Harley-Davidson. He started off with a beautiful bike, then added about three grand to make it just like he wanted. A long-time motorcyclist, Terry started off volunteering at the fire department in 1980, and moved up from Fire Fitter, to Lieutenant and Captain to his current position as Battalion Chief. He's ran into burning buildings when everyone else is running away. He's helped rebuild fire departments in the wake of hurricane Katrina, and received awards for



things like saving a kid in a house fire and helping after the grizzly discoveries at the Tri State Crematory. He's even helped protect the President... but will that be enough experience to bring him through our Hot Seat questions without getting scorched? Let's see:

1) Do you have any nicknames, and if so, how did you get them?

Not really. Some people that ride with me know I'm a Battalion Chief for the Walker County Fire Department and call me "Chief." When other people find out about it, they'll call me that too.

2) When did you first start riding motorcycles, and what was your first bike?

When I was about 15 I started riding dirt bikes. Everything just sort of grew from that. My first street bike was a 650 Yamaha.

3) What was your longest road trip on a bike, and did anything interesting happen?

In 2002, I rode the Trail of Tears from Chattanooga to Oklahoma. On the way from Florence, Alabama to Hot Springs Arkansas, the pack was separated by a train... and guess who was in front of the second group? Yes, me! We sat there for about ten minutes while the train passed by, and the rest of the group continued. So, I ended up leading a pack of seventy-five to one-hundred bikes, and guess what? I had no clue which way to go! Thankfully, we were able to catch up with the rest of the pack at the next fuel stop.

4) Do any other members of your family participate in motorcycling?

Yes. My sister and her husband ride. They both have Harley-Davidson Road Kings.

5) Have you ever had any serious wrecks?

No. I have been close a few times though. Close only counts in horseshoes and motorcycles!

6) Have you ever been



discriminated against because you ride a motorcycle?

Not much. Most people are more curious than discriminatory. I think most people are envious of what we have and wish they had bikes.



7) Have you enjoyed special benefits because you ride a motorcycle?

I will say that parking at restaurants is one of the best things about motorcycles.

8) What is your favorite type of riding and what is your favorite local route (within 100 miles)?

I love riding the Cherochala and the Blue Ridge Parkway.

9) On average, how many miles do you ride each year?

I have a 2007 model with 13,000 miles on it already. I try to ride year round. My rule is the temperature has to be at least 40 degrees and not raining. It is okay to get caught in the rain, but crazy to leave the house in the rain.

10) If you could change one thing about the motorcycling community, what would it be?

I love the motorcycling community. I compare it to the fire department that I work for. They are both a kind of brotherhood. If you need help in any way, both groups will be there whether it is good or bad. It doesn't matter what kind of bike you ride... Honda, Yamaha, Suzuki, or Harley (I prefer Harley), the main thing is that you ride your own ride and be safe about it. Everyone should enjoy every day like it is their last and go on an adventure every day because no one is promised tomorrow.

Okay, I'll admit it... Terry barely broke a sweat answering our Hot Seat questions, but what else would you expect from someone who has endured more heat than most of us ever will (hopefully). If you should happen to see Terry out and about, be sure to ask him to sign your copy of Road Rash Magazine. Just make sure you don't tell him if it's your birthday, unless you've got a few hours to spare... Thanks Terry! - **Tom the Bomb**



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