

Quad City Section

Welcome back to the Quad City Section. First things first, I must thank all the great folks who are supporting this section & this paper by placing an ad. Please make sure you let them know you saw their ad so I can keep this paper available for all of you here in the QCA. As I travel around the QCA I find new places that are Biker Friendly. Let me share some of them with you. In Thompson, IL is The Iron Filly serving food and ICED COLD beer, so new they have not gotten up the sign so look for the bare bulbs hanging on the front of the rustic red wooden building. Then in Morrison, IL is Da Bar with a Bike Nite on Wednesdays. On the Great River, (home to Howard's Tap) about a mile and half north of Albany is a red and white painted roadside stand that has been a long time ice cream shop, it is now also serving food. Don't let the name Dickys Burger & BBQ for a Buck fool you. The BBQ pork sandwich for a buck was loaded high with tender meat in a tasty sauce; the pickles added that final touch to an awesome sandwich. Up in Savanna IL a group of bars on Main Street will be holding a weekly bike party night Starting mid July on Fridays all day and into the night. A lot of riders I meet out and about ask where they can get a copy of the Free Riders Press. Well, I will be putting together a list on my website, www.gmaxpro.com, to let you know just that. So if you know of a place that would like to have me stop by with some copies please let me know. Don't forget to send me your answer to my Trivia

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As Always - Ride Safe, Gery Schemel

The Iron Horse Bike & Music Festival Memorial Day weekend on the bluffs in Sabula Iowa was, shortly put, ANOTHER GREAT TIME. With the hill sides filling up early on Friday the party was shaping up. Free admission for Friday night (no camping) started revving things up. The live music was "PURE ROCK THAT ROCKS" by local area favorite JAMMER. The crowd was fully entertained by the groups' many sets of great rock and roll music. They covered the classics with style and shared some awesome original songs. They timed the encore right to the stroke of midnight. Saturday started off on dark clouds of rain which lasted most of the day into the evening. But the rain didn't stop The Georgia Satellites (returning for the second year) from performing for the true hardcore bikers who stuck it out. They jumped right in by opening with Rain (The Beatles) as the song ended so did the rain. The crowd was energized by the bands tight performance of their hit music and showed how much they enjoyed it by the huge demand for more after the band had finished its set. It didn't take long for the fans to be

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QCA Events

- July 7th-** Relay for Life Benefit Run, Iron Horse in Savanna, IL Don @ 815-273-4195
 - July 14th-** Sherrard Volunteer Fire Dept, the Office Sherrard, IL Joan @ 309-593-9876
 - July 21st-** USO Foundation Benefit Run, Scooters East Moline 309-755-8088
 - July 21st-** Benefit run, Todd Dies & Mike Finney, Purgatory's Theresa @ 563-210-4859
 - Labor Day Weekend-** Iron Horse Bike & Music Festival www.thehorserrally.com
 - September 30th-** Mystery Fun Run to Benefit the Pearl City Fire Department Dennis Yeager @ 815-238-6262
 - October 26- 28-** Muddy Water Tattoo Convention www.gmaxpro.com
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