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From the Editor:

Hey all, how's the riding. Is everybody taking advantage of the few nice weekends we have had? I know I have been getting a little wind, but I sure would like to have more time in the saddle.

With the calender filling up "Big Time". Already I have been looking at the calender of events (www.freeriderspress.us) and have come to the conclusion that if I hit as many of the advertised events as I can, my plate will be full. I know in May, my game plan is to attend the Roadrunners Blessing May 6th in Oak Creek, the Abate 2J party May 12th, the Diablo Lobos run the 19th and the Cross of Christ Church Bike Blessing in Lakeville, MN the 20th. (Anybody interested in shooting up with me to have the privilege of hearing our very own Pastor Sam do his thing at the blessing feel free to give me a call. We can all ride up together). Then comes Memorial Day weekend. Looking at the events happening on this holiday weekend is mind boggling. I'm thinking to myself, "ok self", if we hit this one for a couple hours then shoot over here for a couple hours then ride like hell, we can catch the last hour or two of this other event. But then again these three other events are happening on the other side of the state. So if I attend them I can go to this one besides. See the problem I and many others of you have? To many events and not enough time to attend them all. So whatever you decide to do, ride safe, keep the drinking and riding to a minimum and enjoy. All these event folks work their butts off to give you a good time.

For those of you that are not aware of this tidbit of information, May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. Yep, a whole month to ourselves, to promote our causes like "Being seen" and not run over by some cell talking cager who is more worried about that evenings dinner plans than he is of watching out for those of us on two wheels. All the groups out there that fight for your rights like ABATE, MMRA, the MRF and all the other MRO's are filled with brothers and sisters that dedicate a ton of their time and energy for you, the motorcycle rider. Do me a favor and support these folks and what they do for us, because without them we can all be fitted for full faced helmets, bright colored clothing, roll bars and maybe even an airbag or two. Trust me on this one, the safety Nazis are working overtime right now, trying to push their way of thinking on all of us. Even if they don't ride themselves, they know what's best, you don't.

I do want to make a quick mention that we lost a couple of Brothers this past month.1st is "Animal" who resided in Adams. Everybody knew him as a gruff speaking man who really enjoyed his music. On top of that he was a freind to many, many people. Countless times I seen or heard of him going out of his way to help someone out, even if it meant getting stepped on himself. A big hearted man who would give the shirt off his back if someone needed. I am honored to have known him, even if it was for a short couple of years. Animal did right by me at all times he possibly could, even while in extreme pain. Brother you will be missed by myself and many others for years to come. Thanks for all the great memories.

2nd we lost Donald "Cowboy" Buhr of the VNVMC.. I don't know a whole lot about this brother, so I am going to hold off till next month so I can print something that gives a little more respect than an obit.

Before I leave I want to share a quote that was sent to me.

America, is like a healthy body and its resistance is threefold: its patriotism, its morality, and its spiritual life. If we can undermine these three areas, America will collapse from within." ... Joseph Stalin

There is plenty more to say but on that note, till next month.

Preacher

Abate Meeting

Abate meeting for 4b (Portage County) is 1st Tuesday of month. May meeting will be at Renee's Red Rooster on Hwy P

Trivia, Trivia, Trivia

The winner last month was Ron S. of Waukesha, WI.. He was pulled from the many right answers of Glenn Curtis. Now wasn't that easy Ron. Here's how to play. I give you a question supplied to me by PIPEz. When you have the answer, e-mail it to trivia@gmaxpro.com and around the 10th we will post the answer on www.gmaxpro.com/FREE-RIDERS-TRIVIA web page. From the right answers we will draw a winner. These folks will win products and items that are donated from different advertis-

ers and businesses. Sound easy enough? Lets get to it!!!

Where is the oldest and longest running motorcycle race? And what is it called?

Remember: e-mail answer to e-mail it to trivia@gmaxpro.com





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This month's Next Generation Rider



Meet Jared from MN. Grandson of Ron and Kathy S.

If you have a picture of your Next Generation Rider, feel free to send it in to me. Who knows it just might kick start a Hollywood career for them. Send those pic's to preacher@freeriderspress.us or by snail mail to 4500 Hwy 66, Stevens Point, WI 54481

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