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Open, free, in the wind. Those words, I'm sure, were on many minds since my last writing. With many good days in the past month or so, motorcyclists could be seen every where and anywhere. I saw bikes parked outside places that didn't "fit" the biker kind of place. That shows people who ride motorcycles are from just about from every walk of life. People, who like the feeling of being in the wind, riding the open roads, are everyday folks. The feeling of freedom that comes from riding must be close to the feeling the Founding Fathers felt some 232 years ago when they stood up to being ruled by elitists living in a place far, far away. Think about it; a group of people living far away making rules for others to live under while they enjoy a different set of rules. Remember that freedom has never been free or with out cost of some kind. Freedom can not be simply given; it must be earned & fought for. Freedom is something to protect, hold dear and believe in.

The local Bike Nite season has started now with Ducky's Lagoon having gotten off to a running start since the 1st Thursday of last month. With bands, giving away cold hard cash, the Girls from Miller Beer, good eats and more, Mmmm sounds like you can get paid to enjoy live music and have a good time. By the time you read this most all of the other Bike Nites will have started. I will be at as many of them as I can with an arm full of the latest issue. If you go to [www.qccruz-news.com](http://www.qccruz-news.com) you can get more details as to the locations, dates and times.

While I was OUT-n-ABOUT I spotted a group of riders when I noticed that one of the bikes looked different. At first I thought a trike but no, it was one of those new Can-Am Spyder three wheelers. They were headed north on the Great River Road. I followed it for a while but after the two stop signs by the railroad tracks they had gotten so far ahead I lost site of them. With my next stop being the Outpost I had to stop the chase. I was hoping to talk with Wayne about the Supercycle Show and what he had going, but he was busy cooking up the great food he offers up. Wayne is among the most involved business owners as far as motorcycling goes. Just like Max is from Stormin' Norman's up in Maquoketa, IA.

Wow will you look at that! It is just over a month till Fathers Day (yes this is May and Mothers day, Happy Mothers Day!) and that means Sturgis on the River. This year's event is shaping up to be huge; with the talk about a motorcycle jump into the River, live bands on 3 stages, Ball of Steel River Rat Bike Show, Dwyer & Michaels car Show and more to come I'm sure. Once again this year I will be doing the general announcing & holding some fun games and contests. For the most up to date info check them out at [sturgisontheriver.com](http://sturgisontheriver.com)

**THE FREE ROAD RADIO SHOW**  
**WCCI 100.3 FM**  
**National & Local MOTORCYCLE News & Information**  
**STARTING SATURDAY JUNE 7**  
 FOR MORE INFO >>> [wcciradio.com](http://wcciradio.com)  
 Covering the HEARTLAND from SAVANNA, IL

Starting Saturday June 7th the FREE ROAD RADIO SHOW will be broadcasted on 100.3 FM WCCI out of Savanna, IL. As of now no time has been set for the one hour show. You will be able to find out the time from the stations web site [wcciradio.com](http://wcciradio.com). The show will feature industry news, national & local current events, organizers of charity runs, MRO's, Veterans groups, ask the expert, Riders Requests (music), etc. Until next time enjoy the ride and cherish the freedoms you still have.

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*Covering the Heartland along the Mississippi River from Savanna, IL to Blue grass IA., this is where the Mighty Mississippi River turns west along its journey south. Just look on the map for where the 80 and 74 Interstates cross marking the big X.*

OVER \$12,000.00 in CASH & PRIZES  
**THURSDAY is BIKE NITE at DUCKY'S LAGOON**  
 309-798-2423  
 13515-78th Ave  
 Taylor Ridge, IL  
[duckyslagoon.com](http://duckyslagoon.com) 1/2 mile west of Andalusia on HWY 92

Weekdays "COLDEST BEER AROUND" Weekends  
 AM 11 NOON  
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**June 6, 7 & 8**  
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*Can Am Spyder 08  
 The color of the winning bike might be different than shown here*

The SPYDER is supplied by Vetsnik PowerSports Richland Center. Only 1000 bikes are made 2008, we have one of them. It can be yours. Limited amount of tickets

**The Historic Indian Crossing Casino**  
**Hwy Q Chain of Lakes Waupaca WI**  
 May 15 - Dickey Betts and Great Southern w/ Mike Dowling & Randy Sabien \*  
 May 23 - Cory Chisel & The Wandering Sons w/ The Mark Little Band  
 June 7 - Johnny Winter w/ Ray Bonneville \*  
 June 21 - New Riders of the Purple Sage w/ The Rowdy Prairie Dogs \*  
 July 5 - Randy Sabien & The Fiddlehead Band w/ Corey Carlson  
 July 19 - Siegel-Schwall Reunion w/ Otis and The Alligators \*  
 Aug 2 - Chris Hillman & Herb Pederson and Heartsfield \*  
 Aug 21 - Molly Hatchet w/ The Dave Steffen Band \*  
 Aug 31 - Paul Cebal Tomorrow Sound w/ the Atomics  
 Sept 20 - Jon Greiner's Swing Shift Band - 7pm \*\*  
**\*\* All Show @ 8 pm except Sept. 20**  
 Please stay at Comfort Suites at Foxfire Waupaca  
 715-942-0500  
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