

Corrie's Second Annual "Let your Hog Out for MS Research" May 14&15th

This is one of them events that time just didn't allow us to complete. We headed out of Stevens point for the 2 hour ride to the starting point of this ride in Beaver Dam at The Pub. Hooking up with Snoopy, main organizer and founding father of the event that helps raise money for St Luke's in Milwaukee for Multiple Sclerosis. Snoopy's daughter Corrie is a victim of MS.

We were only able to attend the first 3 stops of the days run, before having to head home for a prior commitment. So here's Snoopy with "The rest of the story" as Paul Harvey puts it.

Day one:

The day pretty much started out as usual- Who's doing What, but by the time we were ready to leave it seemed better. We left The Pub in Beaver Dam on time, headed to Rumors in Pardeeville. By the way, biker friendly only 2 doors south of Wild Bills. Back on the road again to Johann's in Richfield. As the day went on I realized that this was more then just a good ride, it was an adventure. As we headed for Suds on the Sq. In Ripon, going across Dakota Rd it was gone- yes gone, nothing but dirt and to top it off in a down pour rain. When we arrived in Ripon, I seemed to get a feeling the riders wanted to say something to me, but all I could say is the road was there a few days ago.

The ice was broken and everyone then started to relax. The rest of the day went fine, next to Lenny's at the Hitching Post in Fondulac and onto the Hill Crest to relax, get some food and listen to some music.

Day 2:

The day seemed a little cool, but the ride must go on. We left for Wayne's Bar & Grill, 11 new sign-ins that day. Jean had hot coffee waiting-good girl, then off to Batavia and Lyn's Creek Side Inn. Very friendly people, Thx Lyn.

From there we headed up to Adel then down I to the Road House in 5 corners at Cedarburg. Large bar and good food. From there we went south to Holy Hill Rd, west to Schlinger St. Pub in Neosho, then off to Scoots where we listened to Alimony Blues and Iggy Rae. Good 2 days in all. Thanks to everyone who helped out and we'll see you again next year.

PS: Watch for other Wings of Charity events that help out the less fortunate.



Dear Preacher & Lorie,

I'm a sister that's been down for 61/2 years. Not a day goes by that I don't rely on great memories of the open road to get me through. The Free Riders Press is a tangible piece of that keeps me going. About a year and a half ago you printed an address for a guy doing federal time. I wrote, and we've been "common ground" allies ever since. I've written a poem about this. I hope you can use it.



Common Ground
 The system, staff...
 An uneducated enigma
 Arbitrary, capricious...
 It's bad karma

Don't cry, don't laugh...
 In this house of corruption
 Your life's a joke...
 The D.O.C's contrived destruction

Freakin', desperasexuals...
 Coming out of the woodwork
 It's accepted; unnatural...
 A sick propagating quirk

Some have tricks...
 Sugar Daddies? Not quite!
 They're old men; latches...
 For the lowlife giving up the fight

Forgotten, broken, wrecked, bitter...
 Still another man's wife
 No purpose, no connection...
 I need a common ground life

Waiting, dreaming...
 On Milwaukee iron I long to be
 God, tattoos, rock n' roll...
 I'm a pistol with moxi

Now add Abe...
 My mental vacation
 A twinge of life...
 New stimulation

My "common ground" ally...
 A euphoric likeness
 Found in Black & White...
 Thanks to Free Riders Press!
 Jacquie

Thanks for brightening my days while being warehoused in this place called a "correctional" facility. Ride safe... God Bless you and all you do.

Jaquie,
 Thanx for the letter. I'm glad it is helping the time go by a little easier. We are proud to give all the brothers and sisters on the inside an outlet. Send us whatever you got because I know most everything that comes in from people in the riding community is all from the heart.
 Preacher

Anyone interested in sending a downed brother some letters, it would be greatly appreciated.

Hello, I am a fellow biker that is going to be down awhile. I was wondering if I would be able to receive the Free Riders Press to keep up on what's happening in the world. My name is Biker Al and I ride a '69 Electra Glide when I'm not down. Do you think you can put my name and address in the paper for a pen-pal.

Biker Al #207459, Stanley Correctional Institute 100 Correction Drive, Stanley, WI 54768-6500

There you go. I would appreciate you writing to Bingo regarding the paper, "from the Inside" section is under his control. TC

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