



## *The Rotarian Rider*

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### **New Logo Approved by Rotary International**

After several rounds of interaction with Rotary International staff, our new logo (as adjusted) has been approved. Perhaps I should say our new “logos.” The Rotary wheel symbol is only allowed on top of a logo when used for a pin. When used for larger items such as a letterhead, a patch, a sticker, shirts, etc. The logo must appear separate from Rotary marks. Thus below are our two new logos.

#### Our new IMFR-NA Pin Logo



#### Our new logo for all other items:



New arrangements are now being made with Rotary vendors and we hope to have a new pin, patch and reflective sticker out to our active members soon. Other IFMR-NA products will become available as we re-establish our Merchandising Directorship.

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### **IFMR-NA Takes on the Triple Nickel Raising Funds for Polio Plus**

by Kathy Fuller (Chapin, South Carolina)



It was KSU (kick stands up) for IFMR-NA members and guests who took part in the Windy 9 ride in Athens, Ohio June 21-22. The ride was also a fundraiser for Rotary International's PolioPlus Fund, which is dedicated to eradicating Polio around the world.



The ride was organized and led by PDG John Kramb (from Orrtanna, Pennsylvania). Amy Kinneer-Spoutz, representative of the Athens County Convention & Visitors Bureau, helped facilitate the ride which featured the Windy (wine-dee) 9. The Windy 9 consists of nine motorcycle routes beginning and ending in Athens. A photographer was provided daily for each leg of the ride.

There were 18 motorcycles in the group which included an Indian, Honda Gold Wings, BMWs, Spiders, trikes, and Harley Davidsons. The bikes were driven and trailered from as far away as Canada and several states. The riders were Rotarians and their mates, friends, and even a son. Many have served Rotary for several years as members, officers, presidents, District Governors and RI committee members. The common bond in the group was their love of motorcycling which led them to become a part of the IFMR-NA.



The group arrived at the Fairfield Inn in Athens on Thursday in pouring rain. The seasoned riders took on the weather in foul weather gear and arrived in time to gather for supper which was provided by the Athens County Convention & Visitors Bureau. Riders greeted longtime friends and met new ones who joined the group for this ride.

Friday morning the riders took advantage of the breakfast buffet provided by the hotel then met for a photo session prior to departure. Day one with bright sunny skies was 170 miles of rolling, winding hills with a stop at Old Man's Cave. There was a short walk down to the cave and the upper and lower falls. The scenery made for a great photo shoot. Lunch was at Jumbo's Café at the western edge of the route in the Hocking Hills. The café caters to bikers who frequent the Windy 9. Bikers completed the ride and returned to the hotel by midafternoon.



Supper for the group was down the street from the hotel at the Texas Road House. Riders were taken to the restaurant by the hotel shuttle. The evening provided fellowship as longtime members became acquainted with the newer members of the group.

Saturday, Day two, had been forecast as one of rain but instead was overcast but dry. The ride was 130 miles of winding, rolling hills along Route 555 known as The Triple Nickel and the Rim of the World. This was Amish country where horse drawn buggies were often seen on the road. Riders made a portion of the ride and stopped for a mid-morning coffee at the Triple Nickel Cafe in Chesterhill, OH, a farm to table local restaurant known for its charm and delicious food. Before continuing the ride everyone ordered lunch for their return. As the group left to continue the ride some of the riders came out later than others. In a short time the group was separated and left part of the riders behind. The latter part of the group rode until they were unsure of the route so they turned back and retraced their steps. Arriving back at the café ahead of the front part of the group they decided they would be known as the *Adventure Group* who rode the Doubleback Triple Nickel. Lunch was served to the group and they departed to complete the ride and return to the hotel.

Supper was at a local restaurant, Shade. The group was given the entire outdoor patio area which was pleasantly comfortable with cooling temperatures in the evening. There was fellowship and a short program. Chris Jones, president of IFMR-NA for these past three years, passed his position to Gerry Jackson who is to be the new president for the next two years. There were also some recognitions of others who had served the group. A report was made about the Polio Plus funds that had been collected by the group. The total was \$4000 and still growing. Leaving the restaurant many said their good-byes due to early morning departures for the next day.

These Motorcyclists who love riding found this experience met all their expectations. Rolling hills, beautiful scenery and great fellowship along with good food made the trip quite worthwhile. While some may Live to Ride and Ride to Live these Rotarians know it is really *Ride to Fellowship and Fellowship to Ride.....*



*Additional photos available at our [ifmr-na.org](http://ifmr-na.org) website*

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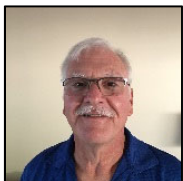
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I hope this newsletter finds all of you in good health. I look forward to the opportunities to meet and ride with you.

Cheers,

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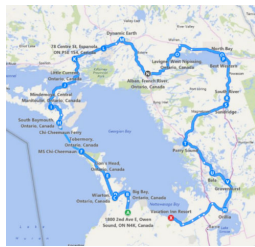
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**Upcoming IFMR-NA Rides (details at [ifmr-na.org](http://ifmr-na.org) or click on the links below):**



**[Ride Ontario in September!](#)** (September 12-15, 2019) – This past weekend I just finished riding the pre-ride with ride planner Bruce Paterson and several other local IFMR-NA motorcyclists. Bruce has done an excellent job putting this ride together. This will be an awesome riding and fellowship event.



**[IFMR Australia 2020 International Ride](#)** (October 2020) – Come to Australia and ride the Great Dividing Mountain Range! Visit Sydney, NSW and the Gold Coast, Queensland

**Please let me know of other IFMR-NA Rides.**

**Possible Rides being planned for 2020 (dates & details to be determined)**

Three Sisters – being planned by Ute Schneider

The Great River Road near Platteville, Wisconsin – being planned by Jim Lawrence

Eastern Tennessee – being planned by Jim Dodmead

South Florida – being planned by Tom Dines

The mountain passes near Breckinridge, Colorado – being planned by Tom Dines & Gerry Jackson

New Jersey, Delaware & New York – being planned by Roland Weimer

The Iron Butt Challenge – being planned by Gerry Jackson