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# **TRIKE RIDERS INTERNATIONAL™**

## *National Newsletter*

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### Bob & Linda Larsen

The month of January has been a very busy month for us and a lot was accomplished and that is a good thing. We have appointed a new Director of Member Enhancement. (See the article on page 2). We have been to Branson for meetings with a lot of people on the 2009 TRI Rally, and I just returned from Phoenix where we discussed and laid out strategies for the growth of Trike Riders International. All of the meetings were very positive and I feel, even more so than before, that we are on the right track to see some great growth in TRI in 2009. We have some plans in place that will prove very positive for TRI in the months ahead. Keep an eye on the message board because the first announcements will be started there.

Some of you may have noticed that over the last few months we have been using different titles for our officers. We are going to be changing the titles of all our Region, District and Chapter leaders from their current titles to Directors. So moving forward we will have Region Directors, District Direc-

tors and Chapter Directors. If you have been around motorcycles and motorcycle organizations for any length of time, you already know that the Officers have titles of Directors and not Leaders and Coordinators. I believe this small change will better identify and clarify our officers positions with in the motorcycling community.

I am not sure that everyone is aware that **TRIKES** magazine is what we call a members magazine and as such we rely on members to write articles to fill it up. We have no staff writers on the payroll. Consider your self a staff writer and write an article. The Winter Issue was a great magazine and it looks like we will have a great spring issue due in part to the efforts of Joe Jenkins who has been beating the bushes to get people to write. Lets not stop there, keep it going by writing some stories about what you have been doing or maybe a favorite ride and send them to Sharon. at editor@trikes.org.

**We are still looking for a newsletter**

### 2009 Rally Update

OK, we have a name for the 2009 International Rally. The Official Rally name is:

*Spirit Of Three*

The lucky winner of the \$50.00 that will awarded at the Rally is Emmitt Grant, TRI member 90185  
**Congratulations Emmitt.**

Well the rally planning is well on its way and should be a lot of fun for all those that can get there. Bob & Mary Hough, Joe Jenkins and Cork Garner met me in Branson on January 19th and 20th to meet with the hotel people and the peo-

ple that run Area 57, Let me tell you, this is one heck of a location and is perfect for what we are doing. This location will easily handle 2000 people and many vendors and still have plenty of room to roam. Parking is great and believe it or not the hot breakfast is served in a completely separate building that will seat 175 people or more. Don't miss this, it's going to be FUN FUN FUN. Brush up on your Fifties dancing for Friday night because we are going to rock. Outdoor movie on Thursday night— be there early!

## Director of Membership Enhancement

It is with my utmost enthusiasm that we have accepted the position of Director of Membership Enhancement in the Trike Riders International Organization. My short message to you is that my personal goal is to assist Bob Larsen in developing TRI into the premier trike-focused group in the country and internationally.

TRI is a young, developing organization with a mission to assist you, our riders and co-riders, in enjoying triking and in meeting and riding with other trikers. These goals would not exist without you, nor will they be accomplished without your help. On a pragmatic level, we need to increase our membership and the numbers of TRI chapters across the country. New and successful TRI programs cannot be implemented without such growth. On a personal level, we, the staff at TRI, from the Executive Director to the individual Chapter Leaders, have the goal of implementing new programs and services to meet your needs and wishes. Yet, on both the pragmatic and personal levels, TRI needs your participation, enthusiasm, recommendations, and ideas to make TRI great. Let us all work to make TRI a TRIKING FAMILY.

As first steps, use and enjoy the ever-developing TRI Website: <http://trikes.org/>; Consider attending the TRI Rally in Branson this summer (Aug. 20-22); contact one of the staff and consider starting a TRI chapter, make friends with other trikers you don't already know, and last--for this newsletter at least--make your needs and interests known.

Larry & Katherine Goulet



**Katherine Goulet,  
1800 GW Trike**



*Be sure to read  
the article by  
our new  
Director of  
Membership  
Enhancement*

### Clayton (Butch) Fleek, Juneau, Alaska, #007259, 09 H-D TRI-GLIDE



Now I bet this would have been an interesting story. Nice picture Butch.

How about an article from Alaska on what is going on in your neck of the woods

## International Director Operations

Its going to be a great year for Trike Riders International. Along with the 2009 International Rally, Central Region is having a Trike-In. It will be in Litchfield, IL on June 12-14, 2009. Host Hotel is the Hampton Inn 217-324-4441 and the Kamper Kompanion Campground is about 5 miles north of Litchfield. 217-324-4747 See you there.

Also in the works is TRI will have a booth at Wing Ding in Tulsa, OK, and a booth at Davis Rally in New Hampton, Iowa. There are also some state and region events where we will be present. As we get more info we will pass it on to the membership.

We are looking for members to start chapters in their area. We are also looking for members to step up and be District Directors in their state. At this time I am working on the appoint-

ment of District Directors in Georgia and Kansas. If you are interested in becoming an Officer of TRI give me a call. My phone # is 319-352-5181 or e-mail me [m.hough@mchsi.com](mailto:m.hough@mchsi.com).

The month of January has been good for TRI. We have formed a new Chapter in DeRidder, La. The Chapter Director is Rocky Houser. His phone # is 337-463-3275. We also have a new Chapter in Hartwell, Georgia. The Chapter Director is Robert South. His phone # is 706-376-7920. We are working on three more chapters. One is around the Kokomo, Indiana area, one in Pueblo, Co area and another one in Texas. We are also rebuilding the Tucson, Az. Chapter

Thanks for all your help

Bob & Mary Hough  
International Operations Director



**CHECK OUT  
THE MESSAGE  
ON  
TRI  
OFFICIAL  
PRODUCTS**

## TRI Official Products

Over the last few months I have heard some stories about the quality of the shirts and other merchandise that we have in stock in Phoenix so when I was out there recently I made it a point of checking this inventory to verify what I had been hearing. I was pleasantly surprised to see that the shirts we have do not appear to have a quality problem and are rather nice and appear to have taken a bad rap for one reason or another. I would like to get some feedback from you as to what you would like see in our product line. Not saying we can do it all but it would be nice to get some ideas. By the way, the belt buckles are really nice and are now on sale. Bob L.

## Rescue Plus

Just so you know, this is not an advertisement from me but a message that I firmly believe in. One of the benefits that TRI offers to it's membership is the discounted rates that we are able to extend to you on the Rescue Plus towing program. I would hope that everyone has reviewed what this program has to offer to our members. No one wants to have a break down but when and if it happens, it sure is nice to know that the person that you are relying on to haul your precious trike away are bike people and know what they are doing. By the way, we just extended the towing mileage from 50 miles to 100 miles for the same price.

## TRI Webmaster

For those of you that I haven't been introduced to, my name is Becky Guidry, the webmaster for TRI. I live in the state of Louisiana in the big village of Hosston. We might have 200 people in the village limits, (maybe). I started riding about two years ago when my husband, Don and I bought our 2002 Goldwing Trike w/ Motortrike kit. We have enjoyed riding our trike and try to ride as often as we can. We made the rally in Sikeston last year and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. We met a lot of the friendly people that make up this organization that

we call TRI and saw lots of trikes.

As for the website, I am trying my best to make the website look attractive to everyone that views it. My goal is to have a website that is user friendly and that looks great. If there is anything that the members think would make this website better please feel free to email me and we will consider it. Let's make TRI the best it can be and be united in what we do.

Becky Guidry



**Ed Gibb, MO, 2008  
GW with Motor  
Trike 2+2 Conversion  
Kit**

## Louisiana District Director

Hello everyone, my name is Don Guidry, the District Director for Louisiana. My wife, Becky and I have owned a trike for 2 years now. I have been riding motorcycles for thirty three years. My first motorcycle was a 1975 Goldwing, the first year for Goldwing and I still have this bike in my possession. With the help of some friends, we started the first chapter in Louisiana in July, 2008. In December 2008, we help start the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter in Louisiana. Everything is looking good for the state of Louisiana and we are growing in numbers. We will be making the rallies and trying to get more members signed up and make this organization bigger and better. We look

forward to seeing everyone in Branson and meeting new friends that we have only been talking to through the message board or emails. If there are any members in Louisiana interested in starting a chapter in their area please feel free to contact me at [guidry\\_75@yahoo.com](mailto:guidry_75@yahoo.com) or call my toll free number 866-214-3604 and I will be glad to assist in any way I can.

Don Guidry  
Louisiana District Director



## East Coast Trike In All Motorcycle Trikes Welcome

For those of you around the Maryland area that would like or need to take a Trike Rider Course, you might want to check out page 5 of the newsletter. Ken Ingram & Danny Horton are holding their second East Coast Trike-In for all brands of trikes in Easton, Maryland. While this is not a TRI function, I know that some of you have a hard time finding a TRC course to take so when Ken approached me about it, I jumped on the chance to let people out east know about it. I know Ken, and I can assure you that he will run a great Trike-In and TRC

course. For any one that goes, you need to help me talk Ken & Danny into joining TRI and to make the 2010 Trike In a TRI event.

Bob Larsen



*Be sure to read  
the member  
profile on  
Roscoe &  
Sharon  
Dellinger.*

## Member Profile: Roscoe and Sharon Dellinger

Please allow us to introduce ourselves, we are Roscoe and Sharon Dellinger and we live in beautiful southern Illinois. We are proud owners of this 1998 Honda Gold Wing with a 2008 Champion conversion which was purchased in March of 2008 from G and D Trikes of Tremont, Illinois. I have been riding motorcycles since 1997 and have owned 5 Goldwings in that time but will never have another 2 wheeler. Sharon and I are newlyweds having been married since Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 2006. Sharon is a stay at home transcriptionist and I am re-

tired Prison Guard who now works at Walmart. Between us we have 4 daughters and one son deceased and 8 grandchildren. We have seen a lot of this country Sharon was an over the road truck driver for a while running from Missouri to the West Coast and I drove a school bus part time here in Illinois.

If you see us on the road give us a wave we are always open to making new friends, we can be contacted at [rbuck-et55@hotmail.com](mailto:rbuck-et55@hotmail.com) if we can be of assistance in anyway.



Roscoe and Sharon Dellinger 1998 Honda Gold Wing with a 2008 Champion conversion



# East Coast Trike In All Motorcycle Trikes Wel- come!

Featuring:  
Trike Rider Course training by  
GWRRA TRC Coaches  
Light Parade in Town  
Great Local Restaurants  
Guided Tour of the Area

**Date May 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009**

Location: **HOST HOTEL**

Days Inn 7018 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601  
phone 410-822-4600  
Fax 410-820-9723

Contact: For registration information:  
Ken Ingram 301-980-3401 or  
Danny Horton 443-786-9974

Directions:

Rt. 50 East across Chesapeake Bay Bridge follow signs to  
Easton.

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Fax 410-820-9723

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