

Powder Keg Chapter
Membership Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2025

(List of meeting attendees is included at the end of this document)

1. Ken Cornett opened the meeting at James Third Base Sports Bar and Grill by welcoming members to the March Powder Keg Chapter meeting.
2. Ken, assisted by Kimberly Brehm, led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Ken then recognized Military Service Veterans and Members, First Responders, parents of veterans and current serving military personnel and thanked them for their service.
4. At this time, there is no one from the dealership that is attending and no new members at this meeting.
5. Saturday's picnic was a great success and Ken thanked Ann for the great job that she did in coordinating the day and everyone that attended.
6. Even with rain delays, Gabe Venzin's rocker ride turned out great and Ron Hooven also earned his as well for sweeping.
7. Kevin Morris presented Sharon Beckworth and Mark Tucker with their road captain rockers following a special road captain's ride.
8. Frank Fuller's Patriot ride is coming up and we are still in need of t-shirts for the veterans. Jack Johnson at the dealership gave a deal on t-shirts and also donated the tees from the swag event. This ride will stage at the Perkins parking lot at 9:30 and will return to the dealership around 3:30. This is a special day that will leave a lasting impression on those who attend as much as the veterans there. Many of these have no local family and are very appreciative of those who listen and spend time with them.
9. Dano came up to briefly talk about the first overnight ride of the season to Amish Country, riding primarily on scenic country roads. They have also arranged for an amazing 90-minute private group tour of the Age of Steam Roundhouse Museum. The rate for this tour will be \$15 cash to be paid to Jim Riehm in advance.
10. Ralph then talked about the Ribber ride to Portsmouth. This will be a beautiful and easy ride going through parts of the Shawnee Forest and great food at The Ribber restaurant.
11. Bob talked about the Kentucky Twisties ride coming up next month. Due to the many road closures, this is becoming more of a mystery ride. This also being the case, everyone should plan a packed lunch.

12. Kevin came up to talk about July's Coal Mine ride. Make your reservations early for this ride, as the reservation block expires on June 15th. This will be an aggressive ride through the mountains, including the Dragon Slayer.

13. Ken gave a big congratulations to Sherry Carter for building up her strength to be back riding her own bike!!

14. The Keg is hosting bike nights again, every other Friday starting this week. There will be a live band and the VFW trailer will be there serving cold beer.

15. Rick came up to discuss rider safety. It has been nearly a month since the skills ride and he offered a big thank you to all 8 road captains for running each station that day. Each station went very well, especially the one that brought the most apprehension, the dreaded 2x4. He also gave a special thanks to Wally and the CMA group that came out for the blessing of the bikes.

With the growing number of Trikes in the group, there are discussions being had with road captains for safety and best practices. This includes Trikes being permitted to lead groups. This will not be decided this year, but policies will be decided for next year's riding season.

Rick's safety tip of the day – "How to best approach uneven lanes" > this should be done with a confident, decisive, and quick movement.

Take Rick's money question: "When group riding in formation comes to a stop, what is the correct formation to take when taking back off?" Kimberly Brehm answered - the same formation that you entered the stop.

16. Ken, representing Ron Hooven then talked membership. We are currently up to 87 members in good standing. \$90 was raised for the backpack warrior program.

- We then did the drawing:
 - Free membership – Diana Roberts
 - 1st \$25 Powder Keg gift card – Kevin Morris
 - 2nd \$25 Powder Keg gift card – Ralph Dixon
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Ken had to give IOU's for the gift cards, as he was not able to connect with Tracy before the meeting.

15. Ken then thanked everyone for the turn out, reminding everyone of the next chapter meeting will be on Tuesday June 17, 2025 and then officially adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Lisa Noble-McCoy

Secretary, Powder Keg Chapter

Next Meeting – Tuesday 6/17/2025

Attendance for May 20, 2025 Chapter Meeting

Edwin Amrein
Richard Anderson
Sharon Beckworth
Brian Brehm
Kimberly Brehm
Sherry Carter
Randall Carter
Bob Cooney
Ken Cornett
Ralph Dixon
Frank Fuller
Robert Grooms
Richard Hyland
Steven Isaacs

Kevin Morris
Lisa Noble
Charles Phillips
Mark Putnam
Jim Riehm
Diana Roberts
Ken Ross
Suzanne Ross
Daniel Soha
Douglas Strief
Mark Tucker
Fred Vanpelt
Michael Wagner
John Wright