

Powder Keg Chapter

Membership Meeting Minutes

September 16, 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 June Powder Keg Chapter meeting.
2. Ken, assisted by Jim Riehm, 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. No one from the dealership was in attendance this evening. Ken was told that Chrissy had been promoted from PR at the Keg, to corporate.
5. Mark came up to discuss the upcoming elections for 2026. First to be discussed are the two primary positions that are for a two year term, Director and Secretary. Anyone who has any interest in either of these positions, please speak to Mark in person or email him your interest by Friday October 3rd. Mark will bring the names to the officers during the next officer's meeting. The positions will then be voted on and then the names of the recommended will be taken to Dewey at the dealership for final approval. Only then will the names be announced during the October chapter meeting.

During the October meeting, we will be discussing discretionary positions that will be coming open for 2026. These are; Activities, Photographer, Editor and Head Road Captain for a two year term. Also, LOH is open for 1 year that is remaining on Holly's term that she will be unable to fill.

6. Frank came up to discuss remaining rides on the calendar. In September are Frank's Madison Indiana/Rabbit Hash ride, John's Packard Museum ride and Jeff's rocker ride to a surprise location on Sunday September 28th. In October we have Sherri's Breast Cancer ride and Dano's Covered Bridges ride and lastly the DAV ride in November. Still a lot of great riding remaining.
7. Rick for Safety then talked about tire safety. He researched both Dunlop and Bridgestone's websites on their best practices recommendations on general wear and tire inflation. It is recommended to check your tire's overall condition and pressure and tread before each ride. He researched when the best time to check your tire pressure, which is when the tire is "cold". The tires are considered "cold", before riding or when the bike has been ridden less than a mile. The tire tread is also something that should be checked before each ride; 2/32" is the legal minimum. You can check this with the penny test, which is if you can see the top of Lincoln's head, then your tires need replaced. Most manufacturer's recommend replacing the tires approximately every 5 to 6 years at minimum even if low miles due to rubber deterioration (or

sooner depending on driving habits and tread). You can check the manufacturing date on the sidewall of the tire. The last 4 digits of the code will tell you this; an example is "3624" would mean the 36th week of 2024. Improper tire inflation will not only affect the life of the tire, but also how the bike will handle. Under-inflation will not only wear your tires down more quickly, but it can also cause the bike feel sluggish, while over-inflation can make the tires rigid and harder to handle, with a smaller patch of rubber making contact with the pavement.

Rick talked briefly about lane changes on the highway. That, you should not even turn on your turn signal until the lead signals, not when the sweep secures the lane.

Takes Rick Money – What year did Willie G and investors buy Harley back from AMF? 1981
Bonus question – What year did AMF buy Harley? 1969

11. Ann could not be here, so Ken talked about the Christmas party. This year it will be on Friday December 12th at the same location, RSVP on Wards Corner Road beginning at 6:30.

13. Ed stood in for Ron tonight. We are currently at 89 members in good standing; we then did the drawing with \$100 brought in.

- Free membership – Sue Ross
- 1st \$25 Powder Keg gift card – Rick Hyland
- 2nd \$25 Powder Keg gift card – Rob Luhn

14. Ken then thanked everyone for the turn out, reminding everyone of the next chapter meeting will be on Tuesday October 21, 2025 and then officially adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Lisa Noble-McCoy
Secretary, Powder Keg Chapter
Next Meeting – Tuesday 10/21/2025

Attendance for September 16, 2025 Chapter Meeting

Francisco Alers Negron	Ralph Dixon	Mark Putnam
Jeffrey Allen	Frank Fuller	Jim Riehm
Edwin Amrein	Richard Hyland	Diana Roberts
Richard Anderson	Steven Isaacs	Ken Ross
Amitabh Bali	Dan Jacobs	Suzanne Ross
Sharon Beckworth	Robert Luhn	Daniel Soha
Brian Brehm	Lisa Noble	Douglas Strief
Kimberly Brehm	Wally Patton	Mark Tucker
Ken Cornett	Charles Phillips	Michael Wagner