



## Monthly Newsletter to the Midwest VJMC Community

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This is a newsletter covering what is going on in the Midwest with our VJMC friends. Please send us your events, activities, or interesting stories. We will keep you informed about the above topics and want to see our region grow. Please pass this newsletter to any of your friends and let's build a community. Any correspondence will be kept private and no information will be given out without your permission.

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### June 2023 Edition:

**Buddy Walton:** Long term VJMC member Fred Reynolds Sr.

**Mark Bayer:** Join us at the VJMC Invitational and The Bill Brown VJMC Sidecar Meet & Picnic

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### Long term VJMC member, Fred Reynolds Senior:

Every club has its "oldest" member but ours has one which "oldest" means "longest" VJMC member in our Kansas City club. That gentleman would be Mr. Fred Reynolds Senior. Fred has been a VJMC member for over 30+ years and has the stories and tales to go along with it. Fred has owned many different bikes and made many trips and journeys on two wheels along the way. An Army National Guard vet, Fred's first bike was a Harley 125 2 stroke which started his motorcycle obsession. His dad rode Harleys and Indians which also got his interest in motorcycles going. Fred worked for General Motors over 30 years, and also was a certified Kawasaki mechanic working for Associated Motorcycles in Claycomo, Missouri for many years. He has owned Bultaco's, Bridgestone's, Suzuki's, Harleys, and even a Royal Enfield over the years. Fred has built some unusual two-wheel creations such as a motorized bicycle and small bore drag bike. He also has hand built many RC airplanes, which he still owns. Fred was at the introduction of the Kawasaki Mach II triple in of all places Rock Island Illinois, in 1971. Fred also has been a tour bus driver taking folks on many trips across the country but enjoyed his cross-country motorcycle trips even more. And if you are a Hot Wheels fan Fred has one of the largest collections you will ever see. Fred is still very much involved with our club along with his son Fred Jr and grandson. Fred Sr. is a true treasure for our club, his stories are priceless. We salute him for his years of devotion to VJMC and the sport we love.

**Buddy Walton**



The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual *VJMC Invitational* is an event where our local club invites other local clubs to join us in a community show at Blip Coffee. The intention is to let larger clubs in our geographic area build camaraderie and to let each club better know what each group is involved in. This year VJMC will be joined with the AMCA Santa Fe Trail Club, the Kansas City BMW club, and the Sport Bike Society of Kansas City. This event will be held on June 11<sup>th</sup>. The second event will be the *Bill Brown Sidecar Meet and Picnic*. If you own a sidecar or like sidecar set ups, this is an event for you. This event will be held on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Fliers for both events are posted below. Make plans to join us at both events! *More information at: [kcvjmc.com](http://kcvjmc.com)*

*The Kansas City Motorcycle Club  
Invitational @ Blip Coffee*  
Sunday June 11, 2023

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**Address:** Blip Coffee 1301 Woodswether Road K.C., Mo. 64105

**Event Area:** Behind the main building (go to the end of the block then left and into back lot)

**Who is invited:** VJMC, Santa Fe Trail, KC BMW, any riding group

**Time:** 9:30am to 1pm      **Contact:** 816-454-2891  
(text)

**Other:** Free event, parking available for trailers, any and all are welcome

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**BILL BROWNS  
SIDECAR MEET  
& PICNIC**

Sunday July 9th  
8120 Gleason Rd  
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All Bikes Welcome  
Food & Drink Availabl  
With Donation