



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.

November 2023 Edition: *Buddy Walton*: Winter is just around the corner:
Mark Bayer: If you are active in the Midwest, please let us know what you are doing so we can promote your events. To do so, you must communicate with us. Let's get prepared for a great 2024 season:

It's that Fall Midwest time of the year once again: when riding days are much cooler and the process of winterizing our machines begins. Maybe you have a project planned for that bike sitting in the corner of the garage and the parts ordering, disassembly and cleaning begins. I still look forward to having some good weather to take a short trip or long Sunday ride out in the country.

Living in the Kansas City area we have a very unique gathering place for motorcyclists of all types and ages. Blip Coffee Roasters has been the "Go To" spot especially on Sunday mornings for the areas motorcycle community where hundreds of bikes ride in, hang out and talk moto. The mix of bikes ranges from Harleys, Sport bikes, Vespas, Vintage and everything in between. Blip also has moto gear, helmets gloves and shirts along with a good variety of coffee and some tasty treats. Even when weather is inclement, bike riders drive down to hang out in the great moto atmosphere, catch some Wi-Fi, and talk shop. If you are in the KC area on a Sunday morning check out Blip, you will not be disappointed.

And by the way the KCVJMC is hosts the "Invitational" bike show at Blip in early June so plan on joining us for a fun event. Hope to see you there! Both pictures below are from past "Invitationals." *****



In the last VJMC magazine, page 55 of the October/November 2023 issue, there was an article about this **Midwest Newsletter**. This publication came from hearing numerous people over the years decline VJMC involvement by saying that there was not much going on in our area. Since this newsletter has been going out to members, that statement has been much less common. The goal was to do interviews, cover shows, and to promote what is going on in our area. This will hopefully encourage membership and involvement. I have been encouraging VJMC members to attempt to **attend at least two events every year**. More would be better but I understand everyone has time commitments. Here in Kansas City, we have a continual string of outsiders join us at events, we are thrilled at this. As we move in to a less active time period, those cold winter months, think about what you would like to see happen in 2024. We, the guys behind this newsletter, want to help promote your shows, meetings, events, rides, or any activity which promotes VJMC and its goals. There is no hurry, but think about 2024 and let us know your plans. We want to cheer you along! If you have an interesting story, let us know, if you are planning an event, let us know, and if you have any ideas as to how we can let those in our area know what is going on, please let us know. KC VJMC is planning our 2024 season and it looks like it will be a banner year. Just engage your groups, friends, or members in your area, and next year should be one of the best!



This picture was taken at the 2023 Donnell's Rally in May. It was well attended and we had at least 800 guests.

This picture was taken at the Santa Fe Trail Show which our group represents nearly 40% of the motorcycle's present. As your group gets Involved in local activities you can build a presence which attracts new members and greater involvement.

