

ILLINOIS CHAPTER H-2 NEWS EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

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November 2024

Monthly Social: First Tuesday of the month—Side Trax Bar and Grill, 441 E. Main St., Galesburg (Eat 5:30-6:30 Social at 6:30 p.m.)

Coffee: Third Tues. of the month at 5:30 p.m.—check calendar for location

November Director's Message



Thanks to everyone that attended the November gathering. We started the evening with a trail mix treat, conversations, and a puzzle. Then after our meal we enjoyed homemade brownies! A good way to start the evening even though the weather outside was cool with scattered showers

Dan continues with his rehab and is showing improvement even though it is slower than he had hoped it would be. We are all wishing Dan a complete recovery.

Donna and Tom shared several of their riding experiences in October that were exceptional with the warm weather. The past month was very unusual with the high temperatures and limited precipitation. It turned out to be some of the best riding of the season.

We are including an article on watching for deer who are in their breeding season when male deer (bucks) pursue female deer (does), that are ready to mate from now until early December. The most active times of the day are at dusk and dawn. The bucks will be searching for does and ignoring most things around them such as cars, roadways, etc. When they see a doe, they will be heading for her as directly and as fast as they can disregarding anything in their path like cars, trucks, or motorcycles.

As a side note, last week we took a trip to Oklahoma and during the trip we must have seen 3 dozen or more deer on the roadsides that had been hit. This was a reminder that we need to be diligently watching the roadsides for any movement or possible deer activity. Be prepared to drive defensively.



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Upcoming Events Include:

Nov 9, IA-O Gathering, 9 a.m., Machine Shed Nov 19, H-2 Coffee, New Windsor Depot, 5:30 p.m. Dec 3, H-2 Christmas Party, Side Trax Bar & Grill, Eat 5:30 Jan 7, H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar & Grill, 6:30, eat 5:30

Check the newsletter or H-2 Facebook for additional information.

Until Next Time, Be Safe Lanny & Carolyn, Chapter Directors







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Join us on Facebook. A FB group has been created as an additional way for H-2 members and friends of H-2 to communicate. The name of the group is Illinois H-2 Highway Wingers, Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association.

To order H-2 orange shirts or hats, contact Carolyn Anderson.

H-2 Hosts and Hostesses for 2024

December—Lanny & Carolyn Anderson

November Game Winners

Donna Wesolowski Ron Naslund Tom Smith

A Deer Warning

A deer-vehicle collision can happen any time in our area so it is important to be alert for deer, wild-life, and obstacles that can pose a hazard while driving. With fall well under way, it is time for drivers to be even more cautious as any deer-vehicle collisions occur in the fall months during the deer breeding season or rut.

November begins the breeding season, and bucks become more restless increasing their activity and travels in search of does ready to breed. Their attention is on other things, and their vigilance when crossing a road is decreased. In addition to this, the bucks are often crossing roads in areas they are not familiar with or in places they would usually not cross.

As rut progresses and does begin to come into breeding condition, it is normal for them to be chased for a period-of-time by one or more bucks. This creates a situation with multiple, fast-moving deer crossing highways, and they are often oblivious to traffic. November typically has more deer-vehicle collisions than any other month.

Use extra caution to avoid collisions while driving. Deer will be more active at any time of the day or night, and hunting season has also stirred and confused the deer. While driving, constantly scan the sides of the road and ditches ahead for any sign of movement or activity to indicate a deer may be going to cross. If a driver can spot the deer before it enters the roadway, the chances for avoiding a collision are greatly increased.

When driving at night, don't overdrive your headlights. The average stopping distance for a car traveling 60 mph is about 300 feet under ideal conditions. The illumination distance of high beam headlights is about the same distance. Typically, drivers do not concentrate on the outer edge of the (300 feet) illuminated area, and objects smaller than another vehicle are often difficult to spot. Low beam headlights are not made for speeds of more than 40 mph. Also, don't use the cruise control as that will increase your reaction time for stopping.

When driving in areas of heavy forested or brushy habitats next to the roadway, one should remain extra alert and use extreme caution. At night it is best to not drive faster than 50 or 55 mph. If a deer is seen, switching to low beams can often "unfreeze" a deer and encourage it to move off the roadway as you are slowing down.

If a collision cannot be avoided, remember that it is usually safer to hit the animal than to leave the roadway or to swerve into oncoming traffic.

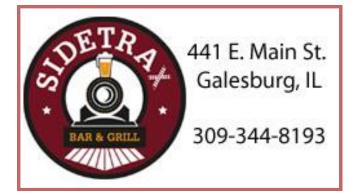




November 2024



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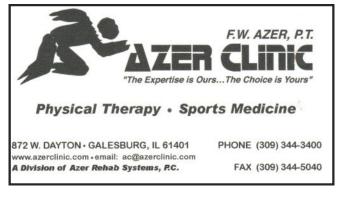
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29	30 Alvah Fryer	31				





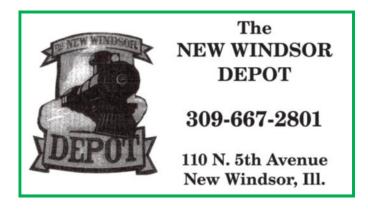




IL-H-2's Calendar of Events—2025 (Scheduled events are always subject to change Always check your H-2 newsletter or website for updates)

January July 7 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. 1 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) 21 IL H-2 Coffee, Tres Café, 1135 Lincoln, St., Galesburg, IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. 15 25-26 Region E Ride In **February August** 5 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) (eat 5:30) 18 IL H-2 Coffee, Big Catz BBQ, 221 E. Main St., Knoxville, 19 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. Eagle Wings Rendezvous, Convention Center, Fort Smith, 5:30 p.m. 28-30 March September 4 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) 2 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. 18 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) 16 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. 19-20 Iowa District Rally, Jackson County Fairgrounds, Maquo-April keta. IA 1 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) October IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. 15 7 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. May 21 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. 6 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. (eat 5:30) November 20 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. 29-31 Missouri Eagle Wings Rally, Branson, MO IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. 18 IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m. June 3 IL H-2 Gathering, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 6:30 p.m. December

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IL H-2 Coffee, location TBA, 5:30 p.m.

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IL H-2 Christmas Party, Side Trax Bar and Grill, 5:30 p.m.