

MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION

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Happy New Year!

The June 6-7, 2015 MTRA Show Me 200 entry form is enclosed in this Newsletter. This will be the 25th Annual Show Me 200 (26th running, 5000+ miles of BAD ROAD!). The entry form can also be downloaded from our website. If you want to ride the event, you need to fill in the entry form and send it back to the MTRA ASAP. Entries and Cancellations due by 1 May 2015. We sort the entries by post mark date, not delivery date to our mailbox/PO Box. Your envelope must show a post mark date by the post office, not a meter mark from a meter machine. Note: The US Forest Service still limits us to 100 participants. So sign up early!!

The “NEW” 2015 MTRA Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride

We are celebrating our 25th annual event this year and because of that we are making some changes that everyone needs to be aware of for the coming event. The “big” changes are listed below.

First and foremost we have a new “reduced” cost for the event while still providing the quality you have come to expect over the past. **This year’s cost will be \$160.00 for all riders.**

Big Change #1 - We will now start and end each day of riding at the VTRA property south of Bixby, MO.

The MTRA will no longer be charging for hotel or non-hotel registrations, this is the same as in 2014 so not a big change. If you would like to stay at the hotel the participant needs to make their own reservations. There are hotels in Viburnum, Salem, Steelville and Cuba.

Big Change #2 – The MTRA is no longer using the Gym for Saturday night. You will need to either plan on sleeping at the VTRA or grabbing floor space with a buddy that has a hotel room. Again, we will be starting and ending each day where you parked your vehicle.

Camping at the VTRA - Participants can camp on the VTRA property for FREE on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. There are no hook ups for electric, sewer, or water. We do have a nice shower and restrooms, water, and RV dump station and we will be bringing in an additional shower trailer to have more showers available. You are welcome to bring a tent, trailer or RV that’s uses generator power as we do allow generators. There is plenty of room to camp, come enjoy the open air at our beautiful facility.

Big Change #3 and maybe biggest - As before, we will provide Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast and BBQ lunch. Saturday lunch will remain the same as we make the stop in Bixby. However, we will now provide **the Saturday night dinner at the VTRA riding area**. We will be bringing in a tent and additional seating to provide a different atmosphere than in the past. No more needing to wait for the shuttle. If you are staying at the Viburnum hotel we will provide a shuttle service to the VTRA for dinner. Sunday breakfast will also be provided at the VTRA riding area. Lunch will remain the same on Sunday.

Big Change #4 – The route on Saturday is going to be adjusted so that we get everyone to lunch at a reasonable hour and thus will allow you to complete the entire course on Saturday. We have listened to those who would like to not be so wore out by lunch that they can’t make the rest of Saturday. The other part of this is that the course will now start and end at the VTRA property.

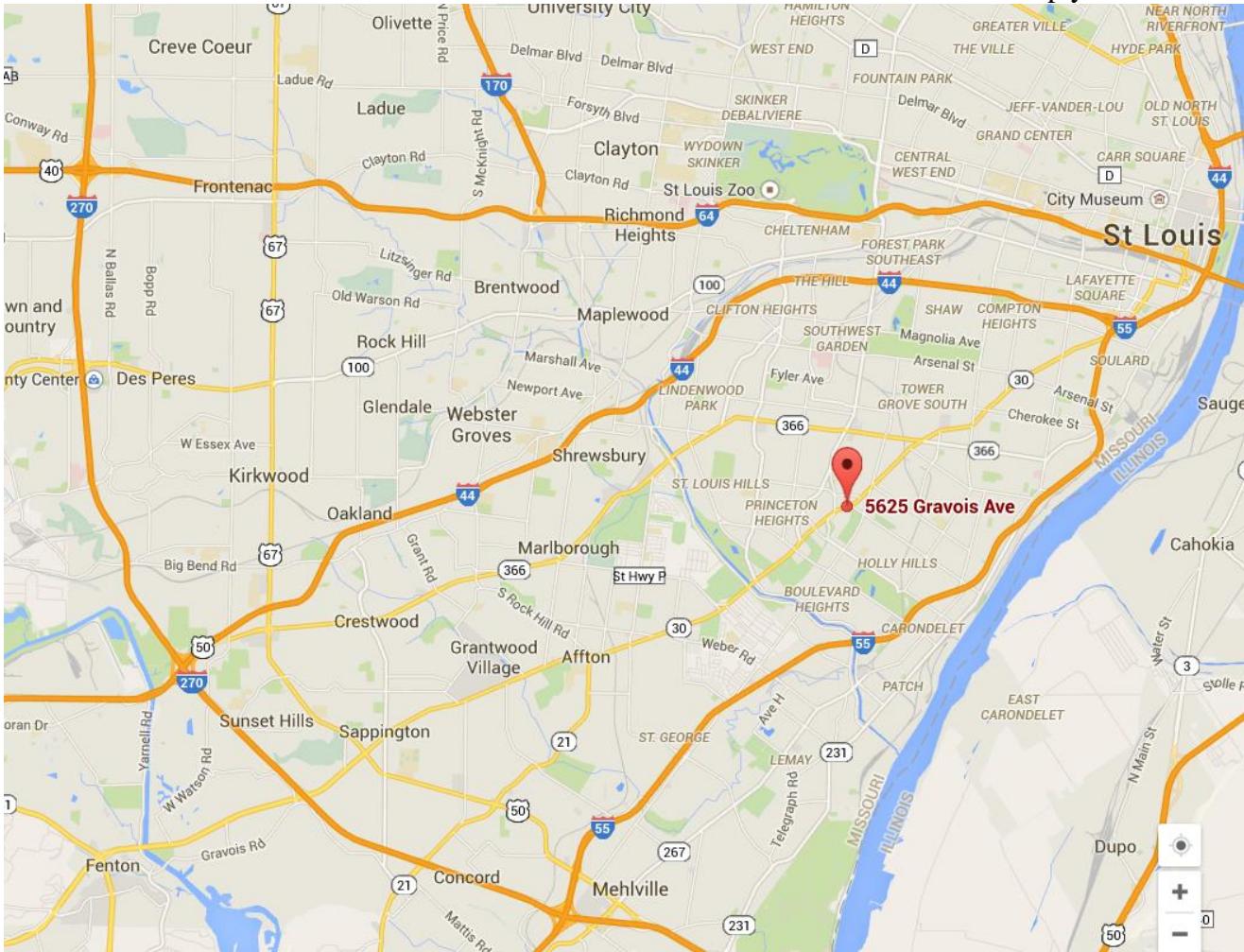
Big Change #5, we will **no longer have the emergency gas out on the course**. The mileage to lunch will be 50-55 miles and then the mileage after lunch will be close to the same. **We will still provide gas for all participants at Bixby and then near the end of the event as we go back through Viburnum**. This will also allow you to top off each night and if you choose to use your own high octane gas you will be able to when you get back to your car at the end of each day.

We know these are a lot of changes but we are looking to make it a better event for all that pay to ride our event each year. We thank you for the continued support! Please contact Denny Arnett at 314-732-5954 or kmdarnett@gmail.com if you have any questions or need for more information.

The 2015 MTRA Membership Application is also enclosed in this Newsletter. Please check your name/address label with this newsletter to see if your membership is current or if you need to renew your MTRA membership. **Your MTRA membership number is on the first line of the address after your name, and the last year that your membership has been paid is in front of your name, i.e., 14 John Doe 2456. (Last year paid = 2014 and member # = 2456) So if there is a 14, 13, or 12 in front of your name, your membership has now expired.** We hope you continue to support our cause and renew your membership.

2015 Upcoming events:

January 17th MTRA Post Xmas Membership Meeting. We will be having a general Membership Meeting at Dave Mungenast Classic Automobiles and Motorcycle Museum at 5625 Gravois Ave. We will provide some food @ 6:00 PM, & have a short meeting starting @ 7:00 PM. We will be voting on MTRA Board Members and we will be signing up volunteers to work the various MTRA events and VTRA Gate Keepers for 2015. Note: **This will be a BYOB event.** We will have some soft drinks and a cooler to keep your drinks cold.



Slow Down! Some MTRA members have voiced concerns some of the bikes are riding too fast in and out of the campground. As we do have kids, dogs, and old slow guys in the campgrounds, we would like to everyone to take it slow while riding in the campground! We recently put up some speed limit signs to help remind riders.

2015 MTRA Schedule of Events

March 21-22 VTRA Ride Weekend, April 18-19 VTRA Ride Weekend
May 3rd MHSCS Hare Scrambles at VTRA, May 16-17 VTRA Ride Weekend
June 6-7 Show Me 200 Dual Sport Ride
June 20-21 VTRA Ride Weekend, July 18-19 VTRA Ride Weekend
August 15-16 VTRA Ride Weekend, Sept 19-20 VTRA Ride Weekend
Oct 4 Old Miners Day Woods Poker Run AT VTRA
Oct 17-18 VTRA Ride Weekend
Nov 7-8 Halloween Ride at VTRA

Welcome New Members! Thanks to all our new members that have joined the MTRA over the past couple of years. We hope that you have the opportunity to enjoy our events and get involved! Note: The MTRA does not issue membership cards; they are just too much work and really aren't good for anything. We will have a current membership list at all the events if you need to check your membership status or address. The MTRA owns the VTRA (Viburnum Trend Riding Area) near Bixby Mo. The VTRA is open for riding the 3rd full weekend of every month, March thru October.

Need to Re-new your AMA membership? You can now renew your AMA membership at www.ridemtra.com and skip the renewal lines at the races/events! If you renew your membership with the link on our site, The AMA will send back a small portion of your renewal fee back to the MTRA. Great deal for everyone!

**JUNE 6 & 7, 2015 ENTRY FORM
SHOW ME 200 NATIONAL DUAL SPORT TRAIL RIDE**

NAME: _____ **AMA NO:** _____ *expires* _____

ADDRESS: _____

(STREET)

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

Email address: _____ *Bike Brand and Displacement* _____

HOME PHONE: (_____) _____ - _____

T-SHIRT SIZE (CIRCLE ONE) M L XL XXL

___ *I will be bringing a guest for the Saturday evening meal and will pay at sign up.*

Name of Guest: _____

Entry Fee: \$160 (If you want at hotel room, you have to reserve the room on your own)

Are interested in the golf tournament on June 5th? Yes? No?

What can we do to improve the event? _____

**RETURN THIS ENTRY FORM & ENTRY FEE
TO: MTRA P.O. BOX 1203 MARYLAND HTS. MO 63043
(All participants must be current AMA Members)**

MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(PLEASE PRINT)

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

RENEWAL, OLD MTRA NO. _____ NEW _____

TYPE: INDIVIDUAL(\$10) _____ FAMILY(\$15) _____
DEALER / CLUB / BUSINESS (\$20) _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE

FIRST NAME: _____ LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS (DEPENDENTS)

HOME

ADDRESS: _____
NUMBER STREET

CITY STATE ZIP

HOME PHONE () _____ - _____

TYPE OF RIDER: MOTORCYCLE: ____, ATV: ____,
BOTH: ____

AMA MEMBER? YES ___ NO ___ IF SO,
NO. _____

OCCUPATION _____ AGE: _____

ARE YOU IN ANYWAY DISABLED? YES ___ NO ____,

IF YES , PLEASE EXPLAIN: _____

I AM INTERESTED IN HELPING WITH THE:

_____ POTOSI DISTRICT, _____ SALEM DISTRICT

____ "ADOPT-A-TRAIL", ____ CONSTR. PROJECTS

____ "STRIKE FORCE" (LETTER WRITERS)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE
MTRA LAND FUND?

\$ _____
ANY OTHER SERVICES THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE?

PLEASE SIGN THE ADJACENT SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION

I/WE THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL OF MY/OUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC. (MTRA). I/WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS AS STATED IN THE ASSOCIATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS. I/WE SHALL AND HEREBY DO , FOR MYSELF, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND ASSIGNS, RELEASE, DISCHARGE AND FOREVER HOLD HARMLESS, THE MTRA OFFICERS, PAST AND PRESENT, THE AMA, U. S. FOREST SERVICE, FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR LIABILITIES DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY AS A RESULT OF ALL INJURIES (INCLUDING DEATH) AND/OR ACCIDENTS TO OR CAUSED BY MYSELF WHILE ENGAGED IN ANY FORM OF MOTORCYCLING (INCLUDING ALL TYPES OF ATVS) RIDING ANY MOTOR VEHICLE, OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES PERFORMED BY MYSELF IN CONNECTION WITH THE MIDWEST TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC., AND FREE SAID ORGANIZATION FROM ANY RESPONSIBILITY THEREWITH. I/WE ALSO AGREE TO HOLD BLAMELESS THE OWNERS OF ANY PROPERTIES THAT I/WE MAY CROSS DURING ANY MTRA ACTIVITY FOR ANY LOSSES OR INJURY (INCLUDING DEATH). I ALSO CERTIFY THAT I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. IF UNDER 18, I MUST HAVE PARENTAL CONSENT.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

SIGNATURE OF FAMILY MEMBER DATE

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN DATE

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AND RETURN TO:

M T R A
P.O. BOX 1203
MARYLAND HTS., MO 63043

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2014 MTRA SUPPORTING DEALERS/BUSINESSES (Please support those who support the MTRA efforts)

NAME	STREET	CITY	ST	ZIP	HOMEPHONE
BCR MACHING SHOP	#6 KRISTA LANE	WASHINGTON	MO	63090	636-239-5611
BELLEVILLE ENDURO TEAM	PO BOX 180	BELLEVILLE	IL	62222	618-277-DIRT
DALE SIGN SERVICE, INC	13652 MANCHESTER RD	ST LOUIS	MO	63131	314-966-2620
DAVE MUNGENAST MOTORSPORTS	5939 S LINDBERGH	ST LOUIS	MO	63123	314-894-9179
DONELSON CYCLES INC	9851 ST CHARLES ROCK RD	ST ANN	MO	63074	314-427-1204
EVS	2130 E GLADWICK ST	RANCHO DOMINGU	CA	90220	310-637-5000
STOUT CONTRACTING	PO BOX 32	ST. ALBANS	MO	63073	636-451-5743
FRED MUELLER SERVICE COMPANY	PO BOX 225	ST PETERS	MO	63376	314-580-1778
HODAKA DAVE	1681 SPRECKELMEYER	BERGER	MO	63014	573-834-5001
STAHLMAN POWERSPORTS	1387S. BISHOP AVE	ROLLA	MO	65401	314-364-6944
DIAMOND CHAIN	402 KENTUCKY AVE	INDIANAPOLIS	IN	46225	
KOCH MECHANICAL SERVICES	PO BOX 587	HILLSBORO	MO	63050	636-798-4563
WIDMAN M/C SALES	3628 S BROADWAY	ST LOUIS	MO	63118	314-771-7100
MOTORCYCLES + MORE INC	PO BOX 184	MARTHASVILLE	MO	63357	636-433-2384
OBERMEYER YAMAHA SUZUKI HONDA	102 3RD AVE	JASPER	IN	47546	812-634-6686
OURY GRIP USA	PO BOX 788	IMBODEN	AR	72434	870-869-3265
RK EXCEL AMERICA INC	2645 VISTA PACIFIC DR	OCEANSIDE	CA	92056	760-732-3161
REGINA USA	305 E MAHN CT	OAK CREEK	WI	53154	414-571-0032
S & S KAWASAKI	521 HIGHWAY 61-67	CRYSTAL CITY	MO	63019	314-937-9155
PRO CIRCUIT	2771 WARDLOW RD	CORONA	CA	92882	951-738-8050
DID DAIDO CORPORATION OF AMERICA	1031 FRED WHITE BLVD	PORTLAND	TN	37148	
CLARK MANUFACTURING	13388 S MOLALLA FOREST	MOLALLA	OR	97038	800-232-2002
GRAB ON GRIPS	350 E BEECH AVENUE	WALLA WALLA	WA	99362	509-529-9800
SLINE TIE DOWNS	301 VZ COUNTY ROAD	GRAND SALINE	TX	75140	800-687-9900
SHOCK ZONE SUSPENSION SERVICES	13317 WESTERMAN ROAD	ST LOUIS	MO	63122	314-960-0128

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Maryland Heights MO 63043

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National Dual Sport Ride
Entry Enclosed