

Reach Out and Read Poker Run

By Cam Blevins

Anytime you live in the Midwest and plan a Poker Run in May you know you're taking a gamble on what the weather is going to do. But if you've got a name like Fabick and you want to put on a Poker Run with a sponsor like SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center chances are people are still going to show up even if it's kind of cool and pretty cloudy. The morning started out a little on the chilly side with lots of clouds and that dooming threat of rain but despite of the weather Fabick had a good turn out for there Reach Out and Read Poker Run. Unfortunately I was the one who got off to a bad start that morning and barely made the check in time. But fortunately I ran into some old friends who were checking in a little late themselves and we all decided to ride together for the Poker Run. You know it's going to be a great day when the first thing that happens is the "leader" gets the whole group lost leaving the parking lot!! You had to be there to appreciate this one!! But after one wrong turn we were off to the Candlelight Country Inn in New Melle, MO where the party had started without us and several people had already left for the next stop. After getting our cards and a cold drink we were off to 3 Brother's Restaurant & Bar in Labadie, MO. By this time we were starting to catch up with other friends and finally the sun was peeking out and it was starting to get warm. From Labadie we were off to R Place in House Springs. At R Place we ran into more biker friends and more sunshine. Everyone was enjoying what had turned out to be a great riding day. From House Springs everyone was off to Twister's Iron Bar Saloon in Imperial where prizes were award and everyone got to enjoy the music of Powder Keg!!

I want Jeff Wahl and everyone who helped put this run together to know you did a great job! I know everyone who benefits from this ride appreciates your efforts! And to the friends I got to ride with and I haven't had a chance to hang out with in a long time, I had a blast!! Let's do it again!



What a "big bike"!



And the sun came out!



Candlelight Country Inn - stop #2



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