



MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Memorial Day is here already...oh-my! The unofficial Summer kick-off! A 3-day weekend for many, a time of cook-outs, trips to the beach, lake or mountains and of course the good old family get-togethers. Here at RCTR we'll be celebrating with our annual Poker Run.

But I do wonder how many of you think of the true meaning of the holiday in the hustle and bustle of it all? Did we forget that **Memorial Day** is not just a day off of work or school -- Not just a chance to welcome Summer?

Around this time, you also see poppy flower pins. Enjoy this little history lesson.

The poppy has a long association with Memorial Day. But how did the distinctive red flower become such a potent symbol of our remembrance of the sacrifices made in past wars? Long before WWI, the red poppy had become a symbol of death, renewal and life. The seeds of the flower can remain dormant in the soil for years, but will blossom spectacularly when the soil is churned. Beginning in late 1914, the WWI fields of Northern France and Flanders became the scene of stupendous disturbances. Red poppies soon appeared, once the conflict was over. The poppy was one of the only plants to grow

on the otherwise barren battlefields. The significance of the poppy as a lasting memorial symbol to the fallen was realized by a poem entitled, "In Flanders Fields", the poppy has become the flower symbol for the Memorial Day Holiday. From the poem, written by Canadian physician and soldier John McCrae, we develop a sense that the poppy represents the blood shed by soldiers during times of war. Although the poem was written by McCrae, the poppy was only first recognized as the Memorial Day flower in 1915 when a woman by the name of Moina Michael began to sell poppies in an effort to encourage further recognition of the day. Michael helped to begin the National Poppy movement and to commemorate her efforts a 3-cent stamp was created in her honor. So, use this inspiration to begin a new family tradition and plant poppies this Memorial Day in remembrance of the soldiers who committed their lives for our country and for a daily reflection of peace and beauty.



Weather FORECAST

Fri T-Storms 90%
 75° F | 61° F
Sat Sun & Clouds Mix 60% Rain
 73° F | 55° F
Sun Partly Cloudy
 77° F | 57° F

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NEED THE LOCKBOX COMBINATION FOR THE GATES?

CALL THE OFFICE AT
 570.682.1075.

THE ANDREW GATE HAS BEEN
 CLOSED PERMANENTLY.

Office Hours Change

WE ARE NOW OPEN AN HOUR LATER!

SUMMER STORE HOURS

Starting Memorial Day...

Monday—Thursday 9am—3:30pm

Friday—Saturday 8am—5pm

Sunday 8am—5pm



WINTER STORE HOURS

Starting the weekend after Labor Day...

Monday—Thursday 9am—3:30pm

Friday—Sunday 8am—4pm

*Store hours may change without notice



♦ ALL GUESTS

*Riding or not everyone must be signed in upon arrival! The guest waiver is on the outside of the office wall 24/7.

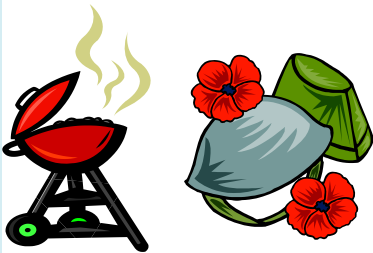
*This does not exclude members. Members must sign in every vis-



Tip of the Day! Local To Do's

Although Memorial Day has simply come to symbolize the start of summer for many people, its true purpose is to honor the men and women who lost their lives while serving our country. Here are a few ways you can observe the real meaning of Memorial Day with your family:

- Take time to explain the meaning of Memorial Day to children or grandchildren.
- Proudly fly the American flag.
- Take your family to a Memorial Day parade in your community.
- Place a donation in an American Legion kettle and get a red poppy for your lapel or t-shirt.
- Stop by a local cemetery and place flags on the graves of fallen soldiers.



Every Friday afternoon and evening, Crossroads Farmer's Market, Route 25 between Gratz & Berysburg

Sky-Vu Drive-In Theatre in Gratz OPEN

June 3rd First Friday on the Deck @ Benigna's Creek Vineyard & Winery 7pm

June 4th Pioneer Day 2022 @ Pioneer Tunnel Coal Mine in Ashland 60th Anniversary 10am-4pm

June 8-11th- Hegin's Valley Fire-Rescue Annual Firemans Carnival

June 11th Kitten Carnival Food & Craft Fair 11am @ 18 Wertz Drive, Pine Grove @ SPCA

June 11th Massers Farm Strawberry Festival 10am-4pm 3979 Line Mtn Road Klingerstowns, PA FOOD & Vendors

June 17th-19th Pine Grove Area Carnival @ 1 Orchard St Pine Grove

June 18th Strawberry Festival @ Kenny Stehr & Sons Farm 8am-4pm Vendors & crafts

2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 28 Members Only

Poker Run

June 18 Treasure Hunt

July 2 Member Appreciation Day

July 16 Kids Scavenger Hunt

July 16 Christmas in July Ride

August 6 Bonfire Bash

August 20 Public Rally in Bear Valley

September 3 Mud Ride

October 9 Dual Sport Ride

October 22 Trick or Treat Day

November 5 Fall Foliage Ride

November 12 Turkey Feast

10/28 Fall Foliage Ride

BUSY BUZZING WEEKEND...



It's going to be a LOOOONG weekend...

Please NOTE: The next group ride will be June 4th.

This is one of the BUSIEST holidays of the year at the Trailriders, so please pay particular attention to the **5 mph speed limit**.

You've probably got the basics down pat as you've signed and reviewed the rules waiver and quiz...I'm feeling we may have some forgetters out there so take a minute to remind yourself:

- There will be Operations officials patrolling the campground throughout the night so feel free to flag them down.
- Sign your guests in as soon as possible EVEN if they are non-riders, they must sign in! The sign in sheet is outside of the office 24/7.
- No Fireworks of any kind on RC property.
- Due to the holiday weekend, we will be extending quiet hours an extra hour to 11pm-7am. Please be courteous to your neighbors during these hours.

• Don't forget to use the emergency line if there is an urgent situation...call 570.682.1075 and leave a message, someone will get back to you, soon after calling.

• Keep that helmet on and strapped during any riding activity.

• Don't ride on Township Road or through member's campsites.

• Be considerate of your camp neighbors.

• Take a hydrating drink along when you ride...it'll be HOT.

AND OF COURSE, BE PREPARED TO HAVE A BLAST!

The staff and management of RCTR have put lots of planning and preparation into the Poker Run.

Everyone is welcome to attend and participate, even the little ones.



GRAB A FLYER AT THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFO