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Hello friends! This newsletter is our way of sharing articles and news recently posted on [WomenRidersNow.com](https://www.womenridersnow.com) (WRN).

One of the coolest things about the motorcycle community is how charitable riders are. I recently had an amazing experience involving bikes and fundraising. I rode my BMW to Vermont to join Liz Campbell's "Moto Cavalry" which supports the Kelly Brush Foundation (KBF) bicycle ride. KBF helps people living with spinal cord injuries live active, healthy lives. Many of the participants ride adaptive bicycles using only their upper body to pedal over the 20-, 50-, or 100-mile scenic (and hilly) routes!



The Motos (that's what the Cavalry calls its professional network of motorcyclists) are connected through several different apps and tech gadgets and ride our motorcycles spaced out along the routes, slowly passing the bicyclists and circling back again and again. We carry things like spare tire tubes, pumps, tools, candy, and other emergency supplies. If there's an issue that we can't fix on the spot, we alert Liz and help arrives within minutes.

Dressed in hi-viz vests and gear, the Motos offer more than just physical support. Riding alongside riders who are breathing heavily, offering big air fist bumps and shouts like, "Yes! You got this!" is always greeted with a big smile. Sometimes encouragement is all that's needed to make it to the next peak.

The number of bicyclists who went out of their way to thank us and tell us how important our

presence was to them elevated the day to be one of my top riding experiences. Sometimes pedaling alone for hours, having a Moto ride by with a “thumbs up” offered the reassurance they were still on-course. By the way, the KBR brought in \$1.2 million which will help so many others get out there and enjoy life to its fullest.

The Moto Cavalry works many other bicycle events and races in the U.S. If you would like to learn more about the Moto Cavalry, email Liz at msslizvt@yahoo.com. Thanks to Christina Vollkommer, the Moto pictured here, for allowing us to use her awesome mug shot.

Ride safely and with love,

Tricia Szulewski, Editor | WomenRidersNow.com

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~ New Motorcycle Review ~

Premium H-D Bagger Upgrades

Harley-Davidson CVO Street Glide and Road Glide—better than ever!



Harley CVO limited production tourers are the first to receive premium upgrades when they are introduced. The 2023 CVO Street Glide and CVO Road Glide baggers are lighter, faster, more comfortable, and include state-of-the-art technology. Long known to be among women touring riders’ favorite motorcycles, the new Glides have been reworked from top to bottom with big changes we love. **[READ REVIEW](#)**

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~ WRN Gear Picks ~

Our Favorite Riding Pants

What's in your closet?



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With a plethora of ladies riding pants available nowadays, women riders have very different ideas about which are the “best” riding pants. From women-owned small companies to the bigger brands we all know and love, WRN staffers each share what their personal go-to riding pants are and why they stand apart. **CHECK THEM OUT**



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~ Reader Story ~

Women Riders Cite A Mind/Body/Spirit Experience

Why women ride motorcycles



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47-year-old Pamela Say finally found the “thing” that lights her up inside—motorcycling! Traversing the winding roads of the enchanted hills of Western New York, happiness radiates from her body, transcending anything she has ever experienced before. Curious to know if other women share this experience, she posted the question on social media. Check out the overwhelming responses and share your own. [**LEARN MORE**](#)

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~ New Gear ~

Trinity Mototech

New woman-owned gear company launches



Combining function and style, Trinity Mototech is a new woman-rider-owned company offering protection for women motorcyclists who want to look great on and off the bike. Check out the first offerings and find out more about this new company. [CHECK IT OUT](#)



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~ News & Events ~

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Athena “Vagabond” Ransom is a name that should sound familiar. Besides [contributing tech articles to WRN](#), this lovely lady has been customizing motorcycles and paving the way for women riders for decades. Last year, she was part of the [women’s tech crew along the AMCA Chix on 66](#) ride and has been a featured guest at motorcycle events, such as the [Buffalo Chip Biker Belles women's ride](#) during Sturgis Bike Week. Her weekly live Facebook/Youtube broadcast covers timely events in motorcycling as well as interviews with motorcycling personalities—sometimes well-known and other times not-so-well-known, but people you want to get to know.

[Mark your calendar to watch “Athena After Dark,” on October 16 at 10 p.m. EST](#) when she interviews WRN editor, Tricia Szulewski. We'd love you to join the show live and ask your own questions.

Additionally, our editor was recently given the honor of being published on the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) website. To celebrate 50 years of riding safety, the MSF is posting 50 personal and motivational motorcycling stories, similar to [WRN's Reader Stories](#). [Check out Tricia’s story](#)

[here at MSF-USA.org](https://www.msf-usa.org).



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Bill Kniegge may be a less-than-familiar name but one we'd love to introduce you to. Bill was heavily involved in the [tour of Italy WRN](#) staff and readers attended back in 2015. WRN will be partnering up once again with Bill and his tour company, [Blue Strada Tours](#) to offer a "Ladies First" Tour of Portugal and Western Spain September 27-October 4, 2024.

Details are still being worked out, but the tour will offer at least six days of riding with several female motorcycle industry leaders, 4-star hospitality and food, and a support vehicle that will transport luggage and souvenirs. BMW, Honda, and Royal Enfield standard and ADV motorcycles are available from 500cc to 1250cc. This tour is open to women and those who accompany a woman. Prices will start at about \$5,000 (not including airfare) and there will be limited participation. If you would like to be added to an email list for more information about this tour, please contact Bill at billk@BlueStradaTours.com.



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[~Beginner's Guide~](#)

No matter where you are in the process of learning to ride a motorcycle, our Beginner's Guide covers everything you need to know. Learn where to start, how to choose a motorcycle, and more. Share with your friends who are considering motorcycling too!

[~Women's Riding Groups~](#)

Find some new riding friends by joining a riding club. WRN has the largest listing of all-female motorcycle riding groups—and adding more all the time. Got a group that isn't listed? Shoot us an email with the details at Info@WomenRidersNow.com.



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