

The MENAGE-a-TROIS Rally

The folks that brought you 22 UTAH 1088's, 5 RWYB's, a couple of 10n10 rallies, and most recently, the 5 & Dime Rally, are proud to announce the 2015 MENAGE-a-TROIS Rally. This introduction into a three way encounter may be the first for some of you, but I can assure you it will be something you remember for the rest of your riding career.

The MERA minds have been hard at work in an attempt to design a rally that will appeal to the vast majority of riders, and I think we may have come upon the best possible solution. We are going to offer a 12 hour, a 24 hour, and a 36 hour event all staged the same weekend.

A rider can enter any, or all of the events. Riders that enter the 12 hour rally will only be competing in that event. Riders that enter the 24 hour rally can compete in both the 12 hour and the 24 hour events. And riders that enter the 36 hour rally can, if they choose, compete in all three rallies. Or they can compete in just the 36 hour rally. As with previous MERA events, we allow riders to make their own decisions. A rider entering the 36 hour rally could conceivably podium finish in all three rallies.

This unique event will be staged August 21, 2015 through August 23, 2015. The rallies will start and finish in Salt Lake City, Utah.

In typical MERA fashion this event will be a great time. . .with fantastic roads and destinations. . .great camaraderie. . .a great banquet. . .possibly a few explosives thrown into the mix. . .and of course our famous open bar at the close of the rally.

The cost of this event for single riders will be \$150.00 for the 12 hour rally. . .\$225.00 for the 24 hour rally. . .and \$300.00 for the 36 hour event. If you are riding two up in any of the three rallies just add \$50.00 for the back seat rider. In typical MERA fashion your entry fee will provide you with a great rally shirt. . .a number of goodies. . .and a great banquet. And who knows, it may also provide for a firearm give away as well. MERA members will of course be able to take their customary 10% discount from the entry fee.

MERA continues to follow our original ideal of introducing riders to this sport by offering a mentoring program for the novice riders entering their first rally. If you as a veteran of prior MERA events, entice a friend, family member, or even a former in-law to enter any of the three events, and at the time of your initial sign up you let us know that this person will be entering the this rally, we will give you a \$25.00 credit off that entry fee for you to mentor this person and help them prepare for their first rally experience

All riders in each of the events will be ***strongly encouraged*** to use Spot units for your safety and the rally master's peace of mind. For those of you that are new to MERA events, when we say strongly encouraged we mean we will be offering big points for you to do so, and a severe penalty for not using Spot.

Registration will officially open upon receipt of this entry form, and will remain open until the field of 80 riders for each event is full. At that time, we will start a stand-by list for riders that are waiting to enter the rally. This list will be called if and when riders who are already entered in the rally are forced to withdraw for one reason or another. Due to the actions by a number of riders in earlier MERA events, there will be a 50% cancellation/aggravation fee assessed to any rider that enters and then withdraws from the rally.

The refund deadline for this event is March 1, 2015.

Riders can expect to ride a minimum of 500 miles in the 12 hour rally. . .at least 1,000 miles in the 24 hour event. . .and at least 1,500 miles in the 36 hour event. To be considered a finisher in this event a rider only needs to travel the minimum amount of miles for their event, and make any checkpoints that may be in there specific rally. The points a rider earns during the rally will be used for calculate finishing positions.

Finisher's certificates will be given to all riders that finish the rallies in the allotted time, and travel at least the minimum main route distances. Position plaques will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in each of the rallies in both single rider and couple category.

Rider packs will be mailed out on or before February 1, 2015, and will contain the complete schedule of the rally, a brief overview of the rally, complete rules, and all hotel information. Rally headquarters will be the Double Tree Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah. These folks have taken excellent care of the riders during the 5 & Dime rally and have asked us to return.

MERA events have always been an event for both veterans rally riders, and novice's alike. It doesn't matter what you ride. . .where you ride. . .or how long you've been riding. While we're doing a few things differently, the one thing we will never change is to offer riders a great experience. We will challenge you. . .we will make you laugh. . .and we'll see that you meet some of the best people in this community. MERA events will challenge you from the starting line to the finish line. But they will also offer you one of the most memorable and rewarding experiences that you've ever had on a motorcycle. We give you the opportunity to ride some of the best roads and experience some of the most beautiful scenery this country has to offer. And the camaraderie that you will experience at this event is like nothing you will experience in any other rally. So if you go home without having fun, well, it's your own damn fault.

We have quite a history here at MERA. A history that we are very proud of. And we hope that you'll decide to join us for this rally and write your own chapter in that history.

If you have any questions, I can be reached most any time at 801-631-3810, or by email at stevechalmers@comcast.net.

We hope to see you next August, and until then. . .Ride Safe. . .Ride Often. . .and like it says on our sticker. . .No BS, Just Ride!

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REGISTRATION FORM

NAME_____

ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE DAYS_____

EVENINGS _____

Email
ADDRESS_____

AGE_____ SHIRT SIZE _____

M.E.R.A MEMBER YES_____ NO_____

BRAND OF
MOTORCYCLE_____

RALLY EXPERIENCE

SIGNATURE_____

By signing this non-transferable entry, you acknowledge that you possess the skill to ride a motorcycle endurance event for a period of at least 36 hours.

12 HOUR RALLY_____ 24 HOUR RALLY_____ 36 HOUR RALLY_____

**Make checks payable to Steve Chalmers/UTAH 1088 and
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