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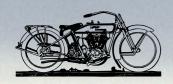




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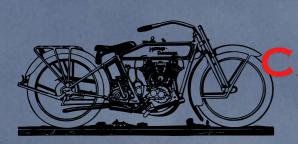
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# OCTOBER RIDE RECAP



Fall Foliage Ride Saturday October 7th; 10:00 a.m. Getgo – Gibsonia Rhonda Diercks Road Captain Sorry No Photos

Luigis's - JJ Memorial Ride Saturday October 14th, 9:30 a.m. CHANGEGEDO TGOSDA CAR DRIVE DUBE Eagen Road ArteinATHER



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# No Chapter Rides Planned for NOV-JAN

## Luigis's - JJ Memorial Ride Saturday October 14th



#### How to Store Your Motorcycle for Winter

Written By: Bing Chat with GPT-4

Winter is coming, and for many motorcycle enthusiasts, that means it's time to put away their bikes until the spring. But storing your motorcycle for the cold season is not as simple as parking it in the garage and covering it with a tarp. If you want to keep your bike in good condition and avoid costly repairs or maintenance issues, you need to follow some basic steps to prepare it for winter storage. Here are some tips on how to store your motorcycle for winter and make sure it's ready to hit the road when the weather warms up.

#### 1. Clean Your Motorcycle

Before you store your motorcycle for winter, you should give it a thorough cleaning. Dirt, bugs, and road grime can damage your bike's paint and chrome over time, especially if they are exposed to moisture or temperature changes. Use a mild detergent and water to wash your bike and dry it completely with a soft cloth. You can also apply a coat of wax or polish to protect the finish and prevent rust. Don't forget to clean your wheels and tires and check for any signs of wear or damage.

#### 2. Change Your Oil and Fluids

Another important step to store your motorcycle for winter is to change your oil and fluids. Old oil and fluids can contain contaminants that can corrode your engine and other components. You should change your engine oil and filter, as well as your brake, clutch, and coolant fluids. Check your owner's manual for the recommended intervals and types of oil and fluids for your bike. You should also lubricate your chain, cables, and pivot points to prevent them from drying out or seizing.

#### 3. Fill Up Your Tank and Add Fuel Stabilizer

One of the most common problems that can occur when you store your motorcycle for winter is fuel degradation. Gasoline can deteriorate over time and form gum and varnish that can clog your fuel system and carburetor. To prevent this, you should fill up your tank with fresh gas and add a fuel stabilizer. You should run your engine for a few minutes after adding the stabilizer to circulate it through the fuel system.

#### 4. Lift Your Tires Off the Ground

If you leave your motorcycle sitting on its tires for a long period of time, you risk developing flat spots or cracks on them. Flat spots can affect your bike's handling and performance, while cracks can lead to air leaks or blowouts. To avoid these issues, you should lift your tires off the ground using a motorcycle stand or jack.

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This will relieve the pressure on your tires and prevent them from losing shape or air. You should also check your tire pressure and inflate them to the recommended level.

#### 5. Disconnect or Tenderize Your Battery

Your motorcycle battery can lose its charge over time, especially if it's exposed to cold temperatures. A dead battery can prevent your bike from starting or damage your electrical system. To prevent this, you have two options: disconnect your battery or use a battery tender. Disconnecting your battery means removing it from your bike and storing it in a cool and dry place. You should also clean the terminals and apply some grease to prevent corrosion. A battery tender is a device that plugs into your battery and maintains a constant charge. It can also prevent overcharging or sulfation, which can shorten your battery's lifespan.

#### 6. Start Your Bike Regularly

Even if you follow all the steps above, you should still start your bike regularly during the winter. This will help keep your engine and fuel system lubricated and prevent them from drying out or freezing. It will also keep your battery charged and prevent it from losing its capacity. You should start your bike at least once a month and let it run for 10 to 15 minutes. You can also take it for a short ride if the weather permits, but make sure to avoid salt or ice on the roads.

#### 7. Cover Your Bike

The last step to store your motorcycle for winter is to cover it with a motorcycle cover. A motorcycle cover will protect your bike from dust, dirt, moisture, and UV rays. It will also prevent scratches, dents, or theft. You should choose a cover that fits your bike snugly and has vents to allow air circulation. You should also avoid using plastic tarps or sheets, as they can trap moisture and cause rust or mold.

#### 8. Enjoy Your Winter Break

By following these tips, you can store your motorcycle for winter and keep it in good shape for the next riding season. You can also use this time to plan your next trip, upgrade your gear, or customize your bike. Winter doesn't have to be a boring time for motorcycle enthusiasts. It can be a great opportunity to take a break, recharge, and get ready for more adventures on the road.





Steve Krchnavy, Nov 2nd Scott Shearer, Nov 5th Russell Walker, Nov 8th Suzi Zaki, Nov 13th Douglas Morrison, Nov 18th William Dunnigan, Nov 19th Robert Loehr, Nov 26th Bruce Berman, Nov 28th



## Mux and Debbie Macaio, Nov 3rd "16 Years"

## Todd and Noreen Havekotte, Nov 10th "44 Years"

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Todd Levenson, Dec 5th John Sonnett, Dec 10th Suzanne Connors, Dec 15th Alan Klacik, Dec 16th Sal Calderone, Dec 19th Michael Gass, Dec 19th Elizabeth Brasuk, Dec 21st Eric Jones, Dec 22nd Sharon Shearer, Dec 28th Jeffrey Goerlich, Dec 28th

Birthday

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## om and Karen Galanda, Dec 31st "18 Years"

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Michael Vogini, Jan 1st Cari Moore, Jan 11th **Chyrel Klaas, Jan 13th Rhonda Diercks, Jan 13th** Alicia Suess, Jan 18th **Bob Case, Jan 19th** Jose Rodriguez, Jan 22nd Eva Aulicino, Jan 26st Tim Beck, Jan 28th

Happy Birthday!



## Jason and Sandy Victor, Jan 5th "38 Years"



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#### Luigi's Ride Oct 17th, 2021

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## Nov 23 - Jan 24 Events

Veterans Day Event - November 11th (11-3)

**Pictures With Santa - December 9th (11-3)** 

**Polar Bear Ride - January 1st** (Registration 1030, KSU 1200)

## **Veterans Day Event**

THREE RIVERS HARLEY-DAVIDSON CELEBRATIES







NOVEMBER 11TH 11AM-3PM



### **Pictures with Santa**



### **Polar Bear Ride**

POLAR BEAR RIDE

JANUARY 1, 2024 REGISTRATION: 10:30AM KSU: 12:00PM FREE DONUTS & COFFEE



RIDE WITH THREE RIVERS TO WICKED WITCHES FOR LUNCH GET A FREE 2024 RIDING PIN

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## **BIKER'S PRAYER**

**MAY THE SUN RISE** IN FRONT OF ME, THE RAIN FALL BEHIND ME AND THE WIND FOLLOW ME. MAY THE ANGLES GUARD MY TRAVELS FOR THEY KNOW WHAT IS AHEAD OF ME. **KEEP ME SAFE** THROUGH THE ROLLING HILLS AND SWIRLING TURNS. LET THE EAGLE GUIDE ME TO THE MOUNTAIN TOPS. LET THE MOON'S LIGHT GUIDE **ME THROUGH THE NIGHT.** LORD, THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME BE A BIKER.



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Josh Sutton

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If you are looking for good people to ride with and good times, join our chapter! We welcome you!