

## Treasurer's End of Year Report

It was an eventful year in 2018. I had more trips out of the country this year than ever before. I hadn't planned to, so I didn't track how many miles I put on over the year. In the end I was out of country seven times, I visited nine countries, riding in eight of them. Six of the countries I had never been in before and six of them I had never ridden in before. In over half the countries I rode in, I was on the wrong side of the road. It took me four different bikes to do all the riding.

In addition to board meetings in the spring, summer, and fall, I attended six Red Knights events. I attended the Park Rededication/Memorial Hall dedication, International Convention, Yankee Rally, Atlantic Association Rally, European Conference, and the Knights of the Round Table – which the Red Knights hosted and won.

There were too many memorable moments to go over even a fraction with you, but I will share a highlight of all this travelling and what it means to be a Red Knight. I was at a tourist attraction looking around the gift shop and noticed a familiar vest. There in the same gift shop were some brothers and sisters from the Red Knights, many of whom I had never met before, so we took some time out of our travels to have a coffee together. No doubt many Red Knights have met up with brothers and sisters from another chapter along the road and stopped for a coffee. But here's what makes this so special, I am Canadian, and this wasn't in Canada. It gets better, they were Austrian, and this wasn't in Austria. We were all foreigners in England, but we were all brothers and sisters sitting down for coffee. And if that wasn't enough to show the scope of our club, later that same trip I pulled into a ferry line up in Wales and meet up with another chapter, not from Wales, this time it was my brothers from Netherlands.

Just as I hadn't planned to do so much travelling and didn't track my miles, I also had no idea at the beginning of the year how many countries I would meet representatives from so did not keep track. I do know it was well more than the nine countries I had visited. So, I encourage you to wear your vest wherever you are and take every opportunity you can to share a moment with a brother or sister from a foreign land.

Following are notes I like to keep at the bottom of all my reports, so members can find it easy.

One of the main questions I get is how much the dues are. Unfortunately, our bylaws do not outline the dues in a nice easy to understand format. The note below I will include in each of my quarterly reports, so member know where to find it anytime you sign up a new member. I would also like to ask chapter to please provide me with updated rosters whenever new members join.

### Chapter Member Dues:

Renewal = \$17 Active & Association, \$11 Social & Honorary (\$50 late fee after February 15<sup>th</sup>)  
NEW member = \$20 all members; \$15 for those joining in August/September; back to \$20 for those joining after October 1 and it covers to the end of the following year  
Joining a second chapter or more = \$17 Active & Associate, \$11 Social & Honorary (25% off August/September)  
NEW Chapter application fee = \$35

MAL Dues:

Renewal = \$19 Active, \$14 Social (\$10 late fee after March 31)

NEW MAL = \$10 application fee + \$19 Active, \$14 Social (25% off August/September).

All dues are US Dollars. Options are to mail a check, pay from your paypal account directly to [treasurer@redknightsmc.com](mailto:treasurer@redknightsmc.com) or through one of the paypal links on our website at <http://www.redknightsmc.com/membership.htm> with the top button being perhaps the easiest (all you have to do is change the quantity to the total amount of dues being paid). In 2018 I changed address, checks now need to be mailed to me at PO Box 343, Charlottetown, PE, C1A7K7.

I have also officially taken over the mapping of members. If anyone finds any errors in the map, please let me know.

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Ride safe,  
Scott