

## **Region 2 Director – Leo Patry**

Well I never once imagined that I would live through a worldwide Pandemic that would have such a major impact on all aspects of my life, Personal, Business, and Social.

With the close of our very successful and well attended convention held in New Hampshire on August 22 – 25 2019 and the looking forward to some great fall riding and events little did we know how much our day to day lives would be disrupted and what a major impact was coming our way.

Here in Region 2 the COVID-19 pandemic has played havoc on the Red Knights membership activities with almost all chapter meetings, rides and events either being cancelled or being rescheduled to the fall in the hope that things will have gotten better by then.

Hopefully with the continued caution and observance of social distancing and hand washing things will open more to the point of being able to hold chapter meetings and events. The biggest disappointment for us in Region 2 has been the cancellation of both the Ontario and Atlantic regional rallies and annual business meetings along with the cancelling of the 2020 International Convention in France.

The members of France 3 with the support of the Region 7 Director and chapters have put their heart and soul into putting a couple of years of planning and organizing into this event to ensure a world class convention for the Red Knights Membership to enjoy, they are to be commended for their efforts and hopefully the European rally that is being arranged as a replacement for the Convention will be successful for them. I am looking forward to the fall and our ability to attend meetings and events becoming once more a reality.

The 2021 International Convention being hosted by the New Brunswick Chapter 1 they have been working hard for three years to put this convention together and they have a great program lined up with some spectacular local rides set up for those attending. For those members that have never had the opportunity to experience Down East hospitality you are in for a treat. Till then take care and be safe.