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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

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Hello to all Red Knights,

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I hope this letter finds all of you and your families well. While enjoying the riding and doing so safely. Convention is in just a few short weeks. I hope to see many of you there.

As I have mentioned before, at the spring meeting the Board made the decision to change webhosting services including web development to an outside source. The new webmaster lives in California. Her name is Kathryn, she has asked us to call her Kitty. She owns her own business, Dynamic Business Solutions. She is an expert in digital graphic arts as well as website building and management.

Over the previous month Kitty has worked on redesigning our website to a newer type of software and design. We as a board have been excited to view and navigate the new site. We have looked through the pages and found some items that have already been corrected. When the new site goes active at the end of the month, I am certain there will be a few corrections that still need to be made. If you find something that needs to be addressed, please make your Regional Director aware of it.

The transfer of all of our web services is going to take place beginning on July 31st.

Our current website will go down in the evening eastern time. The new site should be up and running by Saturday morning on the new servers. There is no need for you to change anything about how you access the website.

Over that weekend they will be changing all the @redknightsmc.com emails over to the new server. When this happens, ANY EMAILS ON THE SERVER (in the inbox of outlook) WILL BE LOST FOREVER! Please ensure that by the end of the month any emails that you may be keeping on your email are saved on your computer or in a file in outlook. By the end of the weekend each chapter president will be sent a welcome email to their personnel email account that we have on file. It will contain your new temporary password and instructions on how to set up outlook or other mail programs. It will also include instructions on how to access your email and to change your temporary password.

As of this week, the webmaster email will start being monitored by Kitty. From what I am being told, any email password resets, will be requested online by the Chapter President, then automatically sent to the Regional Director to verify the authenticity of the password reset and forwarding of the new password.

As with any changeover, I am certain there are going to be unforeseen issue that will crop up. Please bear with us as we make these changes that we are certain will be for the benefit our club.

I would like to close by offering the entire Boards appreciation to our outgoing webmaster, Tommy, for taking on the formidable task of working our website for over a year. He donated many hours of his time to help the Red Knights stay within budget while maintaining the quality and timeliness of the information for our members.

Loyal to our duty Chris