



Midwest Tandem Rally

2012 "Meet Me in the Middle"

Aug 31st - Sept 3rd, 2012

Middleton, WI

General Information

WELCOME!

The 37th Annual Midwest Tandem Rally (MTR 2012) will be held August 31st - September 3rd 2012, in Middleton, Wisconsin sponsored by the Couples on Wheels (COWs). Middleton is part of the Madison metropolitan area. It is an excellent location for MTR starting with the community's heritage and affinity for cycling of all kinds. Travel to the area is easy and convenient whether you are from Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio or anywhere in between. The area is blessed with varied and beautiful scenery, award winning facilities, a wide variety of independent restaurants, and with an abundance of free and low-cost events including the "Taste of Madison" on the Capitol Square over the MTR weekend.

Registration Information

A mail in registration form is enclosed. Printable registration forms are also available on-line at www.couplesonwheels.com. You can also find any updates and the most current details at this site.

Additional Riders & Tots

Please be sure to register **ALL** family members or participants in your rally team. Children 5 & under are no charge. Please include them on the registration form so we can establish accurate participant counts. Your help on insuring that all of your members attending are registered will help us accurately plan for food, volunteer resources and facilities insuring everyone will have a good time. A completed registration form is required for each bicycle.

Accommodations

2012 MTR HOST HOTEL:

Marriot Madison West
1313 John Q. Hammons Drive
Middleton, WI 53562
Reservations: (608) 831-2000
Toll Free: 1-888-745-2032
\$99 / Night + Tax – Standard rooms

Web Site:

<http://www.marriot.com/hotels/travel/msnwe-madison-marriot-west/>

Accommodations (continued)

Mention "MTR 2012" to receive the special MTR Group Rate.

The Marriot has blocked 225 rooms. A group room rate will be \$99.00 single or multiple occupancy for a spacious room with two double beds or a king leisure room. Enjoy all that MTR has to offer by staying at the host hotel. You'll be glad you did!

Please note that bicycles will not be allowed in the guest rooms at the Marriot.

Overflow Hotels:

There also several outlying hotels within close proximity to the Marriot who have blocked rooms for MTR 2012 in the event that overflow rooms are needed.

Fairfield Inn & Suites – 608-831-1400
\$89.00 per room

Hilton Garden Inn – 608-831-2220
\$99.00 per room

Residence Inn – 608-662-1100
\$99.00 per room

FOR MORE INFORMATION about Hotel Accommodations, Camping & RV facilities & Family Activities, please contact Greater Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau at 1-800-373-6376 or on the internet at www.visitmadison.com

Camping & RV Areas

There are several choices of camping in the Middleton Area:

Mendota County Park

5133 Cty Hwy M, Middleton, WI 53562

www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/mendota.aspx

Lake Farm Park

4330 Libby Rd. Madison, WI

www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/lake_farm.aspx

Babcock County Park

4214 Hwy 51, McFarland, WI

www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/babcock.aspx

Bicycle Storage

A 24-hour secure bicycle storage facility will be offered in the host hotel in a convenient first floor room. Bicycle check-in and check-out procedures will be utilized to insure safe storage and control of all stored bicycles. **Note that Bike storage is not allowed within guest rooms at the host hotel. If you need bike storage, you MUST PROVIDE YOUR OWN solid and clearly marked rack.**

Lunches

The cost of the lunches for the Saturday and Sunday rides are included in the cost of registration. Please indicate on the registration form if you would like a vegetarian lunch.

Friday & Saturday Nights

Your nights are free to try a local fish fry or other Wisconsin delicacy. Look for additional restaurant information in your Registration packet.

Sunday Rally Banquet

The banquet festivities are a large part of the MTR weekend's fun and shouldn't be missed by anyone! Be sure to join in, we know you'll enjoy the food & the entertainment in the company of the other MTR riders! Festivities will take place at the Marriot hotel. **Seating is limited, so make your reservation now.** Please indicate any dietary restrictions on the Banquet reservation below. Be specific: Vegetarian, Gluten-Free, Lactose-Free. The Marriot will try to accommodate your requests.

Vendors & Workshops

During your spare moments be sure to check out the variety of bicycle vendors who will be displaying their latest accessories, tandems and cycling toys in the Vendor Display Area. Check out what's new and what you "can't live without"! There will also be seminars or workshops to entertain and enlighten you on a variety of topics. Be sure to check these out too.

MTR Jerseys, T's & Tags

The 2012 Midwest Tandem Rally Jerseys are going to be a hit. They're bright and colorful! Make sure you take time to check out the full color jersey photos on the 2012 MTR web page at <http://www.couplesonwheels.com>

Make sure to indicate your jersey requests on the registration form. Plan to wear the official 2012 MTR jerseys on Sunday's ride. Some dandy T-shirts, dry shirts and commemorative Bicycle Tags are also available. Be sure to check those out! **Note that we cannot guarantee merchandise orders received after June 30th, 2012.**

SAG Support

None of us ever wants to break down on the road, but sooner or later it's bound to happen. SAG support will be available in case of emergencies. Show your fellow rally participants you are a *Responsible, Safe* rider by insuring your bicycle is in good working order before bringing it to the rally. Emergency SAG support will be provided on Saturday and Sunday routes only. There will also be assistance through our vendors for miscellaneous parts or accessories between rides.

Refunds

Plans changed and you can't make it? Refunds for registration and meals will only be granted upon receipt of a written confirmation to the Registration Chairs if your cancellation received by August 3rd, 2012. A \$10.00 handling fee will be charged. After that date, we cannot honor refunds. We regret that there will be no merchandise refunds.

Safety Requirements

All participants are required to wear helmets on all scheduled rides at MTR 2012. Your Safety is a concern for all of us!

How to Get to MTR

Distance from Midwestern Cities:

Cedar Rapids, IA	157 miles
Chicago, IL	156 miles
Ann Arbor, MI	396 miles
Indianapolis, IN	341 miles
Milwaukee, WI	92 miles
Minneapolis, MN	262 miles
Columbus, OH	514 miles
St. Louis, MO	367 miles

Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday August 31

- Registration & Info Pickup Noon – 9 PM
- Vendor Set-Up Noon – 4 PM
- Vendor Displays Open Noon – 8 PM
- Ice Cream Ride 4:30 – 7:30 PM

Saturday September 1

- Registration & Info Pickup 7:00 - 10:00 AM
- Ride Announcements 8:50 AM
- Ride Mass Start 9:00 AM
- Lunch On Route
- Vendor Displays Open 3 – 8 PM
- Workshops 5 - 6 PM & 6 -7 PM

Sunday September 2

- Ride Announcements 8:50 AM
- Ride Mass Start 9:00 AM
- Lunch On Route
- Vendor Displays Open 3 – 5 PM
- Social Hour & MTR Banquet 5:30 PM +

Monday September 3

- Ride of your choice / Departure

MTR 2012 Registration Forms:

Registration will be available on-line through:



http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=2003864

or

The following 4 sheets are the Registration Forms to be completed for MTR 2012.

Please be sure to fill out and return them to the Registration Address shown below, in order to insure your registration for MTR 2012.

Registration Mailing Address:

MTR 2012
C/O RF & Kelly Jordan
P.O. Box 881
Menomonee Falls, WI 53052

If you are ordering MTR 2012 Merchandise, please be sure to indicate all sizes and/or license plate information requested on Form 2 and 3.

Thank You,

MTR 2012 Planning Committee

*Special Thanks to our sponsors
Wheel & Sprocket and the
Capital Brewery.*

Midwest Tandem Rally 2012 - REGISTRATION FORM (1)

Middleton, WI August 31 - September 3, 2012

Rally Registration ONLY !! Hotel registrations must be made directly with Marriot Madison West or hotel of your choice.

HELMETS ARE REQUIRED!

Please complete One Registration Form per Bicycle			
Captain:	*Age:	Stoker:	*Age:
Address:			
City:			
State:		Zip:	
Phone:			
Cell Phone:			
Email: <i>(To be used for ALL MTR communications - please print clearly & list only one)</i>			
Additional Riders:			
Name:	Age: *	Name:	Age: *
Name:	Age: *	Name:	Age: *
Emergency contact: Name and telephone number of a person not at rally to contact.			

* Age will not be published. For MTR planning purposes only.

Bike Storage - You must provide your own solid and clearly marked rack.

Host hotel does not allow bikes in the rooms. Will you need bike storage? Yes ___ No ___

>>> Please mail all Registration Forms to: <<<

MTR 2012

C/O RF & Kelly Jordan

P.O. Box 881

Menomonee Falls, WI 53052

Please make Checks Payable to: Couples On Wheels Inc.

For registration confirmation, please include SASE or email address on form above.

Midwest Tandem Rally 2012 - REGISTRATION FORM (2)

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Rally Registration ONLY !! Hotel registrations must be made directly with Marriot Madison West or hotel of your choice.

REGISTRATION FEES	AMOUNT	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Adult Participant (Before July 6 th) 12 & over	\$55.00		
Child Participant (Before July 6 th) 6-11	\$25.00		
Adult Participant (July 7 th to August 24 th) 12 & over	\$65.00		
Child Participant (July 7 th to August 24 th) 6-11	\$30.00		
Adult Participant (After August 24 th) 12 & over	\$75.00		
Child Participant (After August 24 th) 6-11	\$35.00		
Child 5 & under	FREE		FREE
No refunds after August 3 rd , 2012		\$ Subtotal	

MEAL FEES	AMOUNT	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Saturday and Sunday Lunches	Included in registration	Sat. Vegetarian # _____ Sun. Vegetarian # _____	
Sunday MTR Banquet <i>Adult 12 & over – please indicate any dietary restrictions here: (Be Specific)</i>	\$30.00		
Sunday MTR Banquet <i>Child under 12</i>	\$15.00		
		\$ Subtotal	

JERSEY ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 30TH, 2012

VOMax Men's Club Cut Jersey	Chest	Waist	Price	Quantity Short Sleeve	Quantity Sleeveless	\$ TOTAL
MEN – X Small	33-34	28-30	\$55			
MEN – Small	35-36	31-32	\$55			
MEN – Medium	37-38	33-34	\$55			
MEN – Large	39-40	35-36	\$55			
MEN – X Large	41-42	37-38	\$55			
MEN – 2X Large	43-44	39-40	\$55			
MEN – 3X Large	45-46	41-42	\$55			
MEN – 4X Large	47-48	43-44	\$55			
					Sub-total	

VOMax Women's Club Cut Jersey	Chest	Waist	Price	Quantity Short Sleeve	Quantity Sleeveless	\$ TOTAL
WOMEN – X Small	32-33	25-26	\$55			
WOMEN – Small	34-35	26-27	\$55			
WOMEN – Medium	36-37	28-29	\$55			
WOMEN – Large	38-39	30-31	\$55			
WOMEN – X Large	40-41	32-33	\$55			
WOMEN – 2X Large	42-43	34-35	\$55			
WOMEN – 3X Large	44-45	36-37	\$55			
WOMEN – 4X Large	46-47	38-39	\$55			
					Sub-total	

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T-Shirt	Chest	Regular T-Shirt Price	Quantity	Regular T-Shirt Total Cost	Dry T-Shirt Price	Quantity	Dry T-Shirt Total Cost
Adult - Small	34-36	\$15/ea			\$20/ea		
Adult - Medium	38-40	\$15/ea			\$20/ea		
Adult - Large	42-44	\$15/ea			\$20/ea		
Adult - X Large	46-48	\$15/ea			\$20/ea		
Adult - 2X Large	50-52	\$18/ea			\$25/ea		
Adult - 3X Large	52-54	\$18/ea			\$25/ea		
				Sub-Total			Sub-Total

MTR 2012 Commemorative License Plates Information - Price \$8 / Plate	
Provide your personalized details below. Indicate quantity on the Registration Form. Second Line "Last Name" is optional. If you want more than one license plate, provide additional personalized details on a separate piece of paper.	
First Line : FIRST NAMES	
Second Line : LAST NAME	
Third Line : YOUR CITY AND STATE	
Sub-total	

TOTALS	
Total Registration Fees	\$
Total Banquet Fees	\$
NO MERCHANDISE ORDERS AFTER 6/30/12	
Total Men's Jerseys	\$
Total Women's Jerseys	\$
Total Regular T-Shirts	\$
Total Dry T-Shirts	\$
Total License Plates	\$
Grand Total	\$

Please make Checks Payable to: Couples On Wheels Inc.

Midwest Tandem Rally 2012 - REGISTRATION FORM (4)

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, INDEMNITY, AND PARENTAL CONSENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") for LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMAN D/B/A LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS ("LAB")

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in any way in The Midwest Tandem Rally 2012 hosted by the Couples on Wheels, Inc. ("Club") sponsored Bicycling Activities ("Activity") I, for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I understand the nature of Bicycling Activities and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I further acknowledge that the Activity will be conducted over public roads and facilities open to the public during the Activity and upon which the hazards of traveling are to be expected. I further agree and warrant that if, at any time, I believe conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activity.

2. FULLY UNDERSTAND that (a) BICYCLING ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS AND DEATH ("Risks"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Activity, the conditions in which the Activity takes place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS AND SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I may incur as a result of my participation in the Activity.

3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Club, the LAB, the City of Middleton, its respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, members, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS. And, I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND THAT I AM GIVING UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, HAVE SIGNED IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW. I AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID, THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

PARTICIPANT'S NAME (PRINTED): _____

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE (only if age 18 or over): I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

PARTICIPANT'S NAME (PRINTED): _____

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE (only if age 18 or over): I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

PHONE: _____ DATE: _____

MINOR RELEASE - (complete for Participants Under the Age of 18)

AND I, THE MINOR'S PARENT AND/OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF BICYCLING ACTIVITIES AND THE MINOR'S EXPERIENCE AND CAPABILITIES AND BELIEVE THE MINOR TO BE QUALIFIED, IN GOOD HEALTH, AND IN PROPER PHYSICAL CONDITION TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH ACTIVITY. I HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON THE MINOR'S ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS AND FURTHER AGREE THAT IF, DESPITE THIS RELEASE, I, THE MINOR, OR ANYONE ON THE MINOR'S BEHALF MAKES A CLAIM AGAINST ANY OF THE RELEASEES NAMED ABOVE, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST ANY MAY INCUR AS THE RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

MINOR'S NAME (PRINTED): _____ BIRTH DATE OF MINOR: _____

SIGNATURE OF MINOR PARTICIPANT: I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

MINOR'S NAME (PRINTED): _____ BIRTH DATE OF MINOR: _____

SIGNATURE OF MINOR PARTICIPANT: I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (PRINTED): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (only if participant is under the age of 18): I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE

ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

PHONE: _____ DATE: _____