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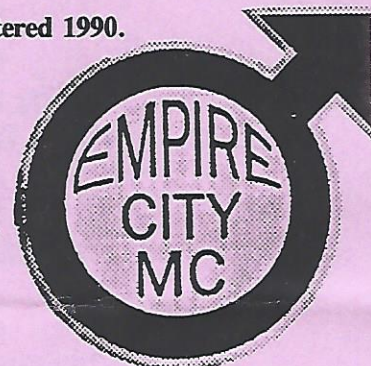
SIRENS M.C. N.Y.C.

New York City's leading women's motorcycle club, founded 1986; A.M.A. Chartered 1990.

and

EMPIRE CITY M.C.

Founded 1964, the country's second oldest gay men's motorcycle club.



INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM FOR

NEW YORK CITY'S 24th ANNUAL LESBIAN, BI & GAY PRIDE MARCH

Sunday, June 27, 1993 - Fifth Avenue

Dear Motorcyclist,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to ride with the women of SIRENS M.C. and the men of EMPIRE CITY M.C. in leading the 1993 Gay Pride March in New York City. We will ride together in the spirit of friendship and pride. This letter offers you your ONLY opportunity to join them! We have simplified the details. All you have to do is complete the attached Registration Form, sign the enclosed Liability Waiver Form, buy the Money Order, mail everything to the address indicated ... and show up on the day. So, if you want to ride with us, read on and take action TODAY!

The participation fees are:

*Motorcycle & Rider plus two rainbow flags	\$24.00
*Motorcycle & Rider no flags, got your own!	\$14.00
*Passenger	\$6.00
*Support Marshal (see note)	\$3.00

The fee includes the following:

*Official Parade Permit:

you CANNOT ride your motorcycle in the March without this and it must be taped to your bike

*A Ribbon of Remembrance:

in support of the People With AIDS Coalition

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***Two gorgeous Rainbow Flags:**

to attach to the mirrors of your bike, Heritage Of Pride required Dress Code (unless you have kept your flags from previous years, if you still have your flags you pay the *smaller* participation fee)

***Extra ribbons and decorations for yourself and your bike!**

***Safe Parking:**

at the end of the March in an area close to the Street Festival on the West Side (new location) and the Pier for the dance and the fireworks

***A support Vehicle:**

to carry your helmet and other gear during the March and to help in case of any emergency, such as a breakdown

***Support Marshals:**

our group will have 10 or more Support Marshals who will walk with us and help out where necessary, [ie beat back the adoring crowds, push a bike in case of need, carry cold drinks to thirsty riders, etc] - they will be identifiable by their official Heritage of Pride Marshal T-shirts.

The fee DOES NOT include breakfast BUT we have made an arrangement at The City Diner [11th Avenue at 43rd Street] and they will be waiting to feed you quickly and get you on your way -- please be good to them as the waiters have been brought in especially to serve you.

The dress code for you is simple:

* Your Club colors of course.

* Virtually anything goes! Wear your sexiest number. Remember it may be very hot during the March and you could be in the sun for many hours; black leather could fry you.

* A cap/hat is strongly recommended and sunglasses for protection against the sun (don't forget the sun tan lotion and block).

* Your helmet must be worn TO and FROM the March, but not during.

Mandataries:

You must carry a valid drivers license, inspection sticker, insurance card, and registration sticker* on the day of the March. The police, as always, are very fussy and will be very happy to hand out tickets. Remember, NO ALCOHOL OR OTHER DRUGS are to be consumed or carried on your bike (like oil and water, booze/drugs 'n bikes just don't mix).

(*If you don't know how to get any of these items call your Club Trip Captain, OR, call one of the numbers listed at the end of this letter.)

Confirmation Package:

A confirmation of receipt of your registration will be sent to you along with more details of time and meeting place. We will meet before the March to dress and decorate the bikes and .../...

to get into March formation. We will ride as a group to our designated place at the head of the March [we hope to have a police escort from the diner to Fifth Avenue]. If for some reason you are delayed, meet us before 11:30 AM at the head of the March on Fifth Avenue at 52nd Street [the starting place has been moved again].

WANTED – MARSHALS!

If you know someone who doesn't have a motorcycle but would like to march with us, they CAN by becoming a Support Marshal. This is a VERY important job and training is given by Heritage of Pride [they throw in a free T-shirt!] -- we add our own special training needs. Please complete the appropriate line on the attached Registration Form.

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Please make sure your motorcycle is in good working order. The slow pace of the March and the heat of the day make this a very rough ride on your bike's engine. Our suggestion is to make sure you have a tune-up as soon as possible. At a minimum it would be a good idea to:

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| *check the battery fluid level | *change the oil & filter |
| *check battery is fully charged | *check brake pad wear |
| *check liquid coolant (if appropriate) | *check the tire pressure & wear |
| *change the spark plugs | *if the bike does NOT idle well check with a mechanic and have it adjusted |
| *and clean it till it SHINES | |

DON'T FORGET:

Please complete the Registration Form, sign and return the enclosed Liability Waiver form together with your Money Order (no personal checks please) by Wednesday, May 26th. **WE MUST HEAR FROM YOU BEFORE MAY 26th** or you won't be able to ride with us.

If you have questions, please call:

Jacqui Sturgess: 516-467-6271 (machine let it ring), OR
if necessary, at work 212-684-5220 (use discretion)
Jose Reyes: 212-580-7946 (machine) OR Cheryl Stewart (212) 425-1413
Maria Luiken: 201-481-9497 OR Cindy Ryder: 516-625-9373

READ ON FOR INFORMATION ON OTHER GAY PRIDE EVENTS.

WE ARE EVERYWHERE!

Mark your Calendar now for these other Gay Pride Special Events:

- June 4
Friday
9:00 pm
Bike Christening & Blessing outside The Dugout, Christopher Str/Weehawken Str, sponsored by Empire City M.C. Join us for this very special event and take home a personalized souvenir (does *your* bike have a name?).
- June 5
Saturday
3rd Asbury Park Gay Pride March (New Jersey)
Registration is required, let us know if you are interested; don't miss this opportunity to strut your stuff at the beach! (Marshals required here too).
- June 6
Sunday
11:00 am
1st Queens Lesbian & Gay Pride March
89th Street between 35th & 34th Avenues in Jackson Heights, come on and meet us there to support Queens very own first Gay Pride March! be one of the 'First of the First.' After the March there'll be a huge Block Party. Registration is \$1 on the day.
- June 13
Sunday
Huntington Gay Pride March (Long Island)
Rumor has it that the motorcycle contingency will be escorting the Grand Marshal's car! Let us know if you are interested in more details.
- June 25
Friday
evening
Candle Light Vigil, Christopher Str @ 7th Ave, Greenwich Village, NYC
No registration, simply join us in remembering and honoring those affected by AIDS. Check your Pride Guide for the time.

AND THESE OTHER MOTORCYCLING EVENTS

- May
Is National Motorcycle Awareness Month
- June 8-13
Tues-Sun
Americade, Lake George, NY -- Go for one day or the whole week, 20,000 motorcyclists can't be wrong; there's one local gay bar, drop by and say hello.
- July 17-18
Sat-Sun
Ramapo 500 -- Weekend Ride in the Tri-State area, presented for the 17th consecutive year; for more information and a registration form call Nick (914)623-6885 or Randy (914)624-1627. We intend to have a Great Gay Group riding this year -- join us!
- July 22
Wed
National Ride Your Bike To Work Day -- show others that gay motorcyclists are everywhere, that bikes are economical, kinder to the environment & FUN!
- Sept 10-12
Pacific Coast Women's Motorcycle Festival -- information call (415)905-4511.
- TBD
Women Riding For Research (Women Motorcyclists Against Breast Cancer) Benefit Ride. It is possible that over 180,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during 1993; 47,000 women will die. This Benefit Ride is one of many such events taking place around the nation and we hope you will join us.
- TBD
The Combined Motorcycle Clubs Benefit Ride -- details to come.
- TBD
Lesbian & Gay Motorcyclists Fall Foliage Ride -- details to come.