



VBA 2017 National Rally Bagging the Adirondacks

Lake George, NY

Hosted by: Northeast US / Eastern Canada Regions

Welcome to the VBA 2017 National Rally

The VBA Northeast US and Eastern Canada Regions invite you to attend the VBA 2017 National Rally, to be held in Lake George, NY. We believe the location is ideal, just west of New England, close to major highways, with fantastic riding, plenty of restaurants, and lots to see and do. And as home to the Americade Rally, held every year during the first week of June, Lake George is a motorcycle friendly area.

We are working on a great agenda for this rally and do hope you can plan to attend.

- Lake George Guide: <http://www.lakegeorgeguide.com/>

Rally Overview

- Where: Lake George, New York
- When: Week of July 17th
 - Arrive: Monday, July 17th
 - Depart: Friday, July 21st
- Motel: Springhills Rodeway Inn (Reservations can be now be made. Please use the information on the Lodging and Reservations Slide for details on making reservations.)
- Finally, please note that we are continuing to work the details for this rally and will provide additional information as it becomes available. Do not hesitate to reach out to me (tomm) via PM with any questions or comments.

Rides

- We are planning two groups rides. Both will be ridden on both Tuesday and Thursday. Wednesday will be a rain date. You will be able to do both group rides, one on each day, while we can keep the size of each group a bit smaller. Details on these rides will be provided next spring, once we've had a chance to pre-ride the routes and check for construction, winter road damage, etc.
- We are also planning to put together several self-guided rides, which you may decide to do instead of the group rides, or on Wednesday. Again, we will provide details on these next spring.
- Check out some of the Websites on riding throughout the Adirondacks and New England later in this package on the "Riding" slide.

About Lake George

Copied from Wikipedia: **Lake George**, nicknamed the *Queen of American Lakes*,^[2] is a long, narrow [oligotrophic lake](#) located at the southeast base of the [Adirondack Mountains](#), in the northeastern portion of the [U.S. state of New York](#). It lies within the upper region of the [Great Appalachian Valley](#) and drains northward into [Lake Champlain](#) and the [St. Lawrence River drainage basin](#). The lake is situated along the historical natural ([Amerindian](#)) path between the valley of the [Hudson River](#) and that of the St. Lawrence, so lies on the direct land route between [Albany, New York](#) and [Montreal, Canada](#). The lake extends about 32.2 mi (51.8 km) on a north-south axis, is quite deep, and varies from 1 to 3 miles (1.7 to 5 km) in width, presenting a significant barrier to east-west travel. Although the year-round population of the Lake George region is relatively small, the summertime population can swell to over 50,000 residents, many in the [Village of Lake George](#) region at the southern end of the lake.

Lodging and Reservations

- Springhills Rodeway Inn
 - 2447 State Route 9N
 - Lake George, NY 12845
- Reservations (VBA Rally)
 - We have 50 rooms blocked (single or double occupancy) until June 23, 2017
 - 45 Rooms (double queen) at \$89.99 / night (before taxes)
 - 5 Rooms (single king) at \$95.99 / night (before taxes)
 - Note that the motel is closed now for the winter until May 31st.
 - 518-668-4141 (Hotel Front Desk). Identify yourself as a member of the VBA Rally. Note that the best times to call the motel are between 9 AM and 5 PM eastern. If no one answers the phone, leave a message. Someone will get back to you within about 24 hours.
 - Cancellations: Must cancel no later than 15 days before arrival to avoid a cancellation charge of one night's stay.

Riding

- From Lake George, there is plenty of great riding in almost every direction. To the west and north is Adirondack Park, over 6 million acres of wilderness with some of the best riding in the country.
 - <http://www.gotourny.com/find-your-ride/adirondacks>
- Or head east into Vermont,
 - http://www.motorcycleroads.com/Routes/Vermont_121.html
 - <http://motorcycle-vermont.com/roads/>
- Bottom line, New England just isn't that big, and maybe with the exception of Northern Maine, pretty much anywhere can be reached in a day's ride.
 - [http://www.newenglandriders.org/Great_Routes_and_Rides/Best Motorcycle_Rides.htm](http://www.newenglandriders.org/Great_Routes_and_Rides/Best_Motorcycle_Rides.htm)
 - <http://www.motorcycleroads.us/regions/nemap.html>

Things to do around Lake George

- Lake George Boat Rides: <http://lakegeorgesteamboat.com/>
- Fort Ticonderoga: <http://www.fortticonderoga.org/>
- Adirondack Museum: <http://www.adkmuseum.org/>
- Wild Center: <http://www.wildcenter.org/>
- Great Camp Sagamore: <http://greatcampsagamore.org/> See how the rich and famous of the gilded age "roughed" it.
- Thousand Islands: <http://www.visit1000islands.com/>
- Boldt Castle: <http://www.boldtcastle.com/visitorinfo/>
- Ferry across Lake Champlain: <http://www.ferries.com/>
- Lake Placid: <http://www.lakeplacid.com/>
- Ausable Chasm: <http://ausablechasm.com/>
- Hunter Mountain Zip Line: <http://huntermountainzipline.com/tours.html>

