



**JOHN E. JACOBS LEGION POST 68 LELAND
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LEGION POST 68 RIDERS SUMMER FUNDRAISER

The American Legion's John E. Jacobs Post 68 Riders are part of more than 2,500 Legion Rider chapters nationwide. Chartered in 2018 and based in Leland, the local Riders, like their national counterparts, are dedicated motorcycle enthusiasts who support American Legion programs through fundraising, ceremonial participation, funeral escorts, and other charitable community services.

Each summer, the Post 68 Riders host a Cookout Fundraiser, sponsored by Shipwreck Harley Davidson, on Market Street in Wilmington. The dealership provides all the required equipment, including tables and a canopy, as well as the food and drink, while the Riders provide the necessary manpower and cooking skills. This year's event took place on Saturday afternoon, August 1, 2026. Proceeds from the annual event benefit the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina (BGHNC) in Lake Waccamaw. Legion Riders pictured below (L-R) are Bob Page and Kobe Kelley.



Since 1954, BGHNC has been a safe place for young people removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect, or other family dysfunction. BGHNC provides a continuum of care on its idyllic Lake Waccamaw campus to meet the physical, emotional, mental, behavioral, social, educational, and spiritual needs of children and families in distress or at risk. As a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization, BGHNC relies on support from civic organizations across the Carolinas and other philanthropic donations to fulfill its mission of providing essential services to at-risk children and families. To learn more about BGHNC, visit <https://boysandgirlshomes.org>.

To learn more about the Legion Riders, visit <https://www.ncpost68.org/legion-riders>. To learn more about the John E. Jacobs American Legion Post 68, visit <https://www.ncpost68.org/>. Membership meetings are typically held in the banquet room at Blossoms Restaurant (1800 Tommie Jacobs Drive, Leland) on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Dinner is an informal gathering for members, starting between 4:30 pm and 5:00 pm. The official meeting begins at 6:00 pm. After the meeting, members socialize over drinks in the Blossoms bar area. Everyone is welcome: members, visitors, guests, and spouses. NOTE: Due to a scheduling conflict, the next Post 68 meeting is on Wednesday, August 19.