Cancer Road Challenge

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The Cancer Road Challenge was hosted by NorthWest Arkansas Community College on Sept. 13.

The rain couldn't dampen the spirit of the motorcycle riders. The first bike went out at 8:30 a.m. and the last at 10:00 a.m..

A good-sized crowd came out to participate and to admire the bikes. Several vendors attended and spent their time visiting with the guests and handing out literature on cancer and cancer prevention.

Participating vendors included NARTI, Coppertone, Munson Chiropractic and The Jones Center. Nilu Berner and Hollie Spencer came out to represent the Wal-Mart Vision Center.

They gave out eyeglass cleaner and pamphlets on glaucoma.

Some NWACC employees volunteered at the event. Ruth Brenneman from accounts payable was running one of the tables with Melanie Wilks, one of our accounting techs.

Diana Hoke along with Elaine Olson was also there to help.

There were also community volunteers including Mark Giles from NorthWest Communications and Deborah Wright from Wal-Mart.

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Volunteers and onlookers admired motorcycles at the 2008 Cancer Road Challenge on Sept. 13 at NorthWest Arkansas Community College.

Joe Giles and The Home Wreckers Band provided entertainment.

Kevin Lyles, of Club Marketing, said that this is his company's fifth year with the Road Challenge, and he was happy to be a participant and help provide the food.

Debbie Sonnentag with Coppertone had a few interesting facts to share. She said that everyone should wear lotion with at least SPF30 if not higher, and that 80 percent of damaging rays still come through the clouds. So even if it is a cloudy day, everyone should still wear their suntan lotion.

Of course, the event wouldn't have been so successful without the hard work of Becky Hudson, Cancer Road Challenge Committee chair or without Tina Waggener, executive director of the Cancer Road Challenge. Hudson and Waggener along with Jana Wegner, who was in charge of the logistics for the Cancer Road Challenge, put forth an enormous effort to get this event up and going and to help in the continual fight against cancer.

Toni Sauerwein, right, and Chad Mahmens participated in the Cancer Challenge on Sept. 13.

Joe Giles and The Home Wreckers Band provided entertainment.

Executive Director Tina Waggener, left, and Cancer Road Challenge Committee Chairwoman Becky Hudson worked hard to have a successful 2008 Cancer Road Challenge on Sept. 13.

A Honda Valkyrie Rune caught a lot of attention at the 2008 Cancer Road Challenge on Sept. 13 at NorthWest Arkansas Community College.