



GWRRA CHAPTER WA-A SEATTLE, WA



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Through the Windshield:



Looking through the Windshield:

Hello chapter "A"

The Summer is really flying by quickly. Here it is July already, it seems like the Winters take forever to get through and the Summers just seem to fly by quickly and before you realize it the Summer is over. Let's get those Goldwing's out and enjoy every minute of it! June came and went quickly with the after meeting ride, the Chapter "D" Duck Hunt, a couple of Garage Nights doing preventive maintenance followed by the July 1st Packwood Chicken BBQ, visiting with Chapter "V" at there meeting on the 5th of July. It's been a very busy month.

The June Chapter meeting was very well attended with visitors from Chapters "E" and "V" as well. A great time was had by all with lots of discussion about fun times we've all enjoyed.



*After the meeting we headed out on a very nice ride laid out by Bill Holt our Ride Coordinator. **Details in his article.***

Then on Thursday **July 5th** Chapter "**A**" attended the Chapter "**V**" meeting at Trotters Restaurant 825 Harvey Rd in Auburn.



July 14th we were off to visit with Chapter "**Q**" at there meeting in Spanaway. After the meeting we split up due some of us had other commitments and some took a nice ride ending at Miners in Yakima.



July 21st we meet up in North Bend for a 8:00am kick stands up ride to the State Rally in Cashmere. **The fun just keeps coming...**



Don't forget! This Saturday July 28th is our Chapter "A" monthly meeting at the Golden Steer Restaurant. Breakfast starting at 8:00am with meeting following at 9:00. **Usually a ride after.....**



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One of our members has chosen the monthly social for August 9th at the Triple XXX Restaurant 98 NE Gilman Blvd Issaquah 98027 (425) 392-1266 (always the second Thursday of the month) Official time is 6:00pm, with some members showing up a little early.

What's your favorite restaurant? Just let us know, send a text, e-mail, or call and we'll set it up for our next social.....

(Have you check out the **Chapter "A" Website lately?** Our Webmaster works on it almost daily, Check it out) gwrra-waa.org

Come on out and join in!

-----Don't miss the fun-----

Don Hatley
Chapter "A" Director
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Assistant Director (ACD) – August 2018



Something from the road.

Had a good ride this last Saturday. Went to Wa Q meeting. Had enough apes that we should have taken their mascot home with us. Had great company and a great meal. Afterwards Mike and I headed for Yakima to meet up with Wa V at Miners. We took Skate Creek rd. and it was pretty good. There was a good number of potholes hiding in the shadows. Stopped in Packwood for fuel and a soda. Talked to some people we hadn't met before and gave some directions to people trying to get into the park. They could drive around and see the Mountain but couldn't find the entrance. lol. Nice drive into Yakima and got to Miners. Good food and we were on our way. Came back on 410 and was a beautiful ride. Went to Wa I Sunday but had chores after the meeting so I only got to ride there and back. Hope to see you at our meeting. come with us and burn some gas and wear out some tires. Your ACD, Todd



Todd McClain (ACD)

Chapter Treasurer – August 2018



From the treasurer

All quiet in the treasury this month.....

Charlie Butters / Treasure

Membership Enhancement



Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Input – August 2018 -

Have you ever wondered what is inside that Oil Filter you are using? I have.

I have heard so many negative remarks concerning a certain brand of oil filters and also have always wondered why the Honda OEM filter is so expensive compared to the other brands. The FRAM is about \$5, the Super Tech is about \$3 and the Honda is about \$15. I decided that I would disassemble three filters, a FRAM 7317, a Super Tech 6607 and a Honda 15410-MFJ-D01. I have used all three of these at different times. These were brand new filters. I have never really had a cause for concern with any of the filters. None of them have leaked and I can only assume that they all did the job of filtering the oil quite well. After all, I've logged well over half a million miles on my motorcycles and never had an oil related failure.

I've always assumed my choice of oil and filters has attributed to the successful operation of all my motorcycles. Of course, assumptions are easy to come by. Trouble is, there has been lots of bad press on one brand of filter and I never really gave it much credence. So, here they are, all disassembled.



Which filter do you think has the best construction, filters the best and best longevity? I'll leave it up to you to decide. I will have these disassembled filters at the next gathering at the Golden Steer in Kent on July 28th for you to inspect and make your own assumptions.

Mike Briesse

WA-A Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Motorcycle Awareness – August 2018



Distracted Driving

When I hear someone say they can multitask, while driving, it just drives me crazy! The human mind can only do one thing at a time. It can stop one process and go to the other, and then back to the first, but if you are driving leaving that process, for any length of time is called a distraction! Distracted driving is one of the fastest growing safety issues on the roads today. Distracted drivers aren't just a threat to themselves: they're a danger to everyone else on the road. You've probably seen campaigns centered on texting and driving. In fact, 15 U.S. states have made it illegal, slapping you with a hefty fine if caught on your phone behind the wheel. But it's important to note that distracted driving includes *anything* that requires you to take your eyes off the road (with texting being one of the biggest offenders). Other activities could include putting directions into your GPS, talking on your phone through Bluetooth, or scrolling through social media on your infotainment center. Hands-free innovation has enabled our phones and cars to sync up — no fussing with cords, no punching in phone numbers and no texting. Both hands are on the wheel and your eyes are on the road. Simple, right? Not so fast. A recent study asked participants questions while driving (replicating real-life mobile conversations) and found that, even with their eyes zeroed in on a hazard, they failed to recognize them.

Allow the other person to leave a voicemail and refocus on driving. Call them back when you've reached your destination.

Your Motorist Awareness Coordinator
Carl & Kaye Maier



Vic Parr
District MAP Coordinator



Ride Coordinator – August 2018

Packwood Chicken BBQ

Our ride started at 10 am Sunday, meeting at the Safeway parking lot in Enumclaw. With 9 bikes and 3 trikes and a big Congratulations to Cindy (Chapter V) on her new Spider. We headed out to hwy. 410 to hwy. 123 and on over to hwy. 12 heading to Packwood. Arriving in Packwood we headed to the community center to the park in back for the BBQ. With a big smile we said our hello's and got in line to get our plate of ½ a chicken, beans, a roll, corn on the cob with potato salad and cake. All for \$10, you can't beat that. They had a good turnout with Chapters represented along with A and V, Chapters Q, X and I. With a full stomach it was time to head for home. We decided to take Hwy 12 to Morton, through Morton to Elbe, where some of us split up to head home in different directions. It was a great day for a ride with Friends to a fun gathering. We hope to see you on August 5th for the Packwood Beef BBQ. **As always keep the rubber side down.....**



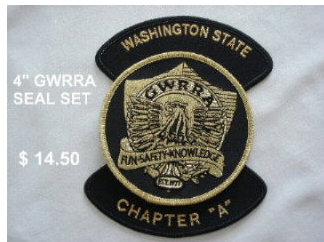
***Bill Holt / Ride Coordinator
Phone Tree Coordinator***

Chapter Stores



New items this month in Chapter "A" Stores.

12" MIRCO FIBER cloths 3 for \$1.00 and Wheel wash brush for \$3.00 ea.



The full stores inventory is on the Chapter Website:



Gary Beard/Stores Manager

Chapter Sunshine / Greeters



July Birthdays

No July Birthdays

July Anniversaries

No July Anniversaries

August Birthdays

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| 3 rd | Les Greer |
| 17 th | Susan Edwards |

August Anniversaries

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| 3 rd | Gary & Joanne Beard |
| 8 th | Charlie & Ann Butters |
| 14 th | Chris & Patty Johnson |
| 21 st | Les & Stephanie Greer |

Chris & Patty Johnson
Sunshine / Greeters



WA"A" Activities

Sun – August 5th Annual **Packwood Beef BBQ** Noon -3:00
Tues - August 28th - Sat Sept 1st **WING DING** Knoxville, Tennessee
Sat – September 15th the Chapter "Z" Chicken Run



Motorcycles and / or Parts Buy / Sale

Adds will be listed for three (3) months or until sold!
GWRRA Members Adds Free

Selling??

WANTED / To Buy

The Irish Fisherman

There standing in front of a big Puddle outside of the pub was An old Irishman drenched, holding a stick, with a piece of string dangling in the water. A passer-by stopped and asked "What are you doing?" "Fishing" replied the old man. Feeling sorry for the old man, the gent says, "Come in out of the rain and have a drink with me." In the warmth of the pub, as they sip their whiskies, the gentleman, being a bit of a smart ass, cannot resist asking, "So how many have you caught today?" "You're the eight", says the old man....

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