

GWRRA CHAPTER WA-A SEATTLE, WA





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Through the Windshield:



Looking through the Windshield:

Hello chapter "A"

Boy as I set here at the computer working on the Newsletter I realized that 1/6th of the year has already passed and in another couple of weeks 1/4th of the year will have passed us by. With all the Snow and Ice on the roads the opportunities to get our Wings out have been few and far between. I hope everybody has taken the opportunity to do their t-clocks, perform their preventive maintenance and are getting ready to take advantage of the warm spring and Summer the weather people say is coming. They are predicting a warmer than normal Spring and Summer. Hopefully we won't have a lot of smoke from wild fires and we can enjoy a fun riding season.







At the February meeting we had a visit from our District Director Jesse Valentine

Who talked about up coming events and his visit to GWRRA National headquarters in Phoenix and the Washington District Rally this July. A very nice meeting was enjoyed by all attending.

After the Meeting we headed out to Rainier Hills Christian Fellowship Church in Buckley to attend the Memorial Service for Maxine Alexander at noon. The service was well attended by members from throughout the state, showing our appreciation for their friendship and devotion both she and Garry have given as both members, friends, and District Directors to everyone they met.

Then on March 2nd (yours truly's 80th) we joined up with chapter "V" for there planned ride led by Harry on a very beautiful blue sky day (bit cool, a gerbing heated gear day) of a little over 100 miles leaving the Auburn Denny's restaurant (kick stands up at 10:00am) and traveling on 90% back roads up to North Bend and back down to the Covington Dairy Queen for some end of ride desert. A fantastic day of celebration for me, and a great ride for everyone!











Don't forget! This **S**aturday **March 23rd** is our **C**hapter "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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(Have you checked 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 dhatwaa@comcast.net

Assistant Director (ACD) – March 2019



Something from the road

Went on a little ride last Saturday to support OR-I Blarney Run. Left 512 McDonalds for Portland at 7am. Headed south and picked up a few riders along the way. Mike sent out times we'd be passing on-ramps and we were right on time. Our new arrivals to the convoy folded right in and we kept the wheels rolling. Thank God for Gorden's inventions that made the early morning riding possible. Was a beautiful start of the day. Pulled into the little gas station just before the church we were to start the ride from and the attendants always seem befuddled when we start to pump our own gas. Not sure who is more put off by that; me or them? Got to the start and everything went well. One thing about they're rides; they sure do have some GREAT roads around there. Only thing that was lacking was one road (Haggens road) had sand on it from the snowfall days. I'm sure that road would be a 10 later on in the summer. Had a great hamburger at the end. OR-I used this run to benefit their local food bank and was very successful. Was easier for us to give them cash. It is amazing how far they can stretch a buck. Stopped by the benefit dinner, for District chapter couple, and had a great time there also. All-in-all was a great day for the ride. Had a GREAT day with GREAT friends. Come with us next time. You'll see. Help us burn gas and wear out tires.

Your ACD. Todd Mclain



Chapter Treasurer – March 2019



From the treasurer

All Quiet in the Treasury this month.

Membership Enhancement



Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Input – March 2019 –

Being in a GWRRA Chapter is like being in a large family

Here is a picture of a small part of that family, Chapter's A, B, I, Q, V and Z together all in green to commemorate St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. But more importantly, we are at a fund raiser to help support the trip to Wing Ding for your District Couple of the year. In the off chance that our District Couple, Jeff and Cindy Duffield, are not selected to represent us this year, the funds raised this year will be seed money for the needs of next year's District Couple of the year's travel costs.

This event was pretty much totally put together by Chapter Z and supported by Chapters A, B, I, L, P, Q, X and Z.



Motorcycle

Awareness - March 2019









Carl Maier



During this time of the year we motorcyclist are wishing it would get warmer quicker, as we are longing to get back on our bikes, for a fun ride and take our long awaited first ride of the season. This is also the time to start the practice of remembering, and going through the things we all have heard and read on how to make this first ride of the season a safe one, for us and the others who share the road with us. I have had the opportunity to see a bike on the road the other day, which really was surprising and thought provoking, but at the same time it made me watch this individual do some things, that I thought were not what I would say, were that of a rider who was a good example of a person who was following the practices we want to see as aware motorist. These practices that I am talking about are ones that help other motorist on the road see us, especially at this time of the year when they are not looking for motorcyclist on the road.

- 1. Lane position (riding or driving in the lane that you are not in the No Zone).
- 2. Following distance (following to close) (also in the No Zone).

- 3. Leave some distance behind other vehicles at stop lights, and signs.
- 4. Use of turn signals.
- 5. Wearing of helmets, and clothing that stand out, and can be seen.
- 6. Watch for other drivers' blind spots (things in rear windows, and hanging from mirrors).
- 7. Be Friendly and Courteous, this will help others on the road to look for you.

As Motorist Awareness people, which I hope we all will be, please think of ways to make people want to look for us and see us on the road.

We will be having coloring books and crayons, to give to kids, no age restrictions, wherever you may have the opportunity, to help them become more aware of us, therefore this will also help their parents be more aware of us also.

Also, I wish to ask you all to hand out the Motor Awareness Bi-Folds to all your friends, old and new, so they will help us in this mission.

Thank You
Your Assistant Motorist Awareness Coordinator
Carl Maier

MONTHLY MOTORIST AWARENESS ACTIVITY REPORT

| CHAPTER | ALL | |
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| DISTRICT | WA | |
| DATE | 02/27/29 | |
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CHECK THE BOX IF YOU DID THIS MOTORIST AWARENESS ACTIVITY

(CHECK ALL THAT APPLY, EVEN IF PUBLIC SPEECH

YOU DID MULTIPLE ACTIVITIES AT ONE EVENT. NUMBER COUNTS ARE NOT REQUIRED.) GROUP

RIDE

LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION REST STOP

MAP TABLE AT ANY EVENT

MALL SHOW

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

PARADE

RODE TO ANY CHAPTER EVENT

SIGNAGE/BUMPER STICKERS

SWAP MEET/FLEA MARKET

WORE CHAPTER COLORS

PERSONAL CONTACTS YARD SALE

PRESENTATION DISTRIBUTE COLORING

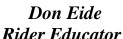
BOOKLETS

Vic Parr WA District Motorist Awareness Coordinator (253) 224-6420



Vic Parr District MAP Coordinator







THE GWRRA RIDER EDUCATION PROGRAM

It's almost March and on the east side of the Cascades, snow is still visible on the hills and in the shadows of the ditches along the roadside. The rains have stopped for now and the roads are almost dry. Our bikes are checked out, batteries charged, and tires aired up. We head out for a crosstown ride and find a menace everywhere we turn. "POTHOLES"

Pothole damage accounts for nearly 500,000 insurance claims every year!

So, if you've been a victim of one, you're not alone. That's why it's important to stay alert, slow down, and keep an eye out, to avoid some costly damage and some serious stress.

General strategies to use whenever driving in hazardous situations.

Leave more space between you and the driver ahead of you. This is just general good driving practice, but it comes in handy avoiding potholes too. After all, the more space between you and the other guy, the more likely you are to notice a pothole and calmly avoid it.

Slow down. Ratchet your speed back a little bit to improve your reaction time. Also, hitting a pothole at lower speeds typically doesn't cause as much, or as serious damage as hitting one at higher speeds.

Watch out for water. After a rainstorm or snow, potholes can fill with water. That makes them harder to see, and harder to judge how deep they are, which makes them even more mysterious and dangerous! So when in doubt, avoid them.

For a safety discussion during your March or April Chapter Gathering, Try this.

Imagine you are riding on a one lane road and you suddenly see a huge pothole, directly in front of you. What would your natural reaction be?

What could you do to handle the situation? The following suggestions for question 2 were obtained from:

- 1. Motorcycle Safety Foundation materials (www.msf.com).
- 2. GWRRA Rider Education Materials.

First, try to avoid the pothole, which would be the safest course of action. However, if swerving or stopping is not an option, attack potholes and every obstacle at a straight on or a 90 degree angle if possible. This will help you avoid a loss of control if the wheel gets snagged.

Second (if the pothole is unavoidable), perform a quick brake maneuver, (slowing down your bike as much as possible before you reach the hole), Let off the brake just before entering the pothole and stand up slightly with your knees bent on your pegs, to act as shock absorbers. Lean back slightly to take some of the weight off the front wheel. After entering the pothole, regain your normal riding posture and smoothly increase your speed. Accelerating the bike transfers weight rearward and in turn provides increased traction to the rear wheel. 8

Any Washington GWRRA member can call or e-mail me directly with questions/concerns with your education needs and levels information.

Please ride safely and pay attention to changing weather conditions.

Ride Smart & Be Safe

Don Eide

Washington District Assistant Educator

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Ride Coordinator - March, 2019

Haven't been able to get out on the road very much this month so here's a little something to warm up your tummy.

Crum Crust

1 ½ Cup of Flour

½ Cup Sugar

1/2 Teaspoon baking Powder

1 pinch salt

10 tablespoons cold unsalted butter (cut in cubes)

1 large egg yoke

1 tablespoon water

Peach filling

2 cups fresh peach slices or more to fill

1/2 cup white sugar

2 table spoons flour

1 tablespoon lemon juice

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Preheat oven to 375

Coat an 8X8 inch baking pan with butter spray

Wisk-flour, Sugar, Baking powder, and Salt together in a bowl. **Next** – cut in the cold butter using 2 forks or pastry cutter, then slowly mix in the eggs yoke and cold water.

Don't worry if the dough seems really crumbly it should be.

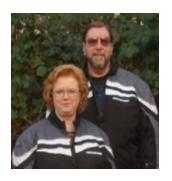
Press ½ of the crumble mixture into prepared pan to make the crust. Save the rest for the top.

Stir together peach slices, flour, lemon juice, vanilla extract, cinnamon & nutmeg until combined. Evenly add peach filling to the top of the crust, sprinkle the remaining crumble over the peach filling. Bake in preheated oven until brown and set 30 -38 minutes. Cool pie to room temp.

Cut & Serve w/ Ice Cream

Bill Holt / Ride Coordinator Phone Tree Coordinator

Chapter Stores



















The full stores inventory is on the Chapter Website:



Chapter Sunshine / Greeters







March Birthdays

2nd – Patty Johnson 2nd – Don Hatley 20th – Joanne Beard 26th – Joe Ennaro

April Birthdays

17th – Tina Hatley 19th – Sue Ennaro 25th – Chris Johnson

March Anniversaries

9th – Dick & Gisela Jones 29th – Bill & Terri Holt

April Anniversaries

19th – Joe & Susan Ennaro 30th – Don & Tina Hatley

Chris & Patty Johnson Sunshine / Greeters



WA"A" Activities

Sat - April 6th - Multi - Chapter Meeting - Toppenish

Fri/Sat May 3rd & 4th - Chapter "B" Mall Show

Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon May 24th – 27th WA"L" 32nd Annual Desert Spring Fling

Sat - June 8th - Chapter "D" Annual Duck Hunt

Thu/Fri/Sat June 13th – 15th Oregon District Rally (Turner, OR)

Sat - June 29th - Ice Cream Run (Sponsored by Chapter "A")

Sat - July 6th - Chapter "A" Burgers @ Miners ride

Sat - July 7th - Packwood Chicken BBQ

Thu/Fri/Sat - July 18th - 20th Washington District Rally

Sat – August 10th – Chapter "Z" Chicken Run

August 27 – 31 Wing Ding 4

Sat - September 21st - Chapter "P" End of the Season Ride

Flyers for the above events can be found on the Chapter "A" website.
gwrra-waa.org



When: June 29, 2019 - 9:00 am.

Where: Meet at Kent McDonald's

Destination: It's a Mystery.

How long of a Ride? About 5 hours round trip.

Sponsored by Chapter WA-A ~ The Ice Cream is on us.

Here is your chance to go out for a ride and have someone else pay for the ice cream. All you have to do is show up at the Kent McDonald's Restaurant, have a full tank of gas and be ready to ride at 9:00 am in the morning. We are headed out for a day of riding with desert as our destination.







This ride is sponsored by a GWRRA Chapter and is open to GWRRA Members and guests.



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

Robot

A father buys a lie detector robot that slaps people when they lie.

He decides to test it out at dinner one night.

The father asks his son what he did that afternoon.

The son says, "I did some schoolwork."

The robot slaps the son.

The son says, "Ok, Ok. I was at a friend's house watching movies."

Dad asks, "What movie did you watch?" Son says, "Toy Story."

The robot slaps the son.

Son says, "Ok, Ok, we were watching porn."

Dad says, "What? At your age I didn't even know what porn was."

The robot slaps the father.

Mom laughs and says, "Well, he certainly is your son."

The robot slaps the mother.

Robot for sale.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER GATHERINGS

| Chapter WA-A | City /Mascot Seattle Apes | Chapter Director Don Hatley Phone (253)941-5674 | Meeting Date/ Time 4th Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM | Location Golden Steer Restaurant 23826 104th Ave SE Kent, WA 98031 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| WA-B | Bremerton Bees | Bob & Helen Liddell Phone: (360)649-9658 | 1st Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM | Bremerton Airport Diner 8830 State Highway 3 Bremerton, WA 98312 |
| WA-D | Aberdeen Duck | Kerry & Greg Bash Phone: (360)581-5543 | 2nd Sunday Breakfast @ 8:30 AM | Duffy's Restaurant 1605 Simpson Ave Aberdeen, WA 98520 |
| WA-E | Bellevue Eagles | Ron & Lana Peck Phone: (425)908-7321 | 3rd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 8:30 AM | Kenmore Lanes 7638 NE Bothell Way Kenmore, WA 98028 |
| WA-H | Lynden Hound Dog | Garry & Judy Calman Phone: (360)739-5888 | 2nd Tuesday Dinner @ 6:00 PM Gathering @ 7:00 PM | Fairway Family Restaurant 1726 Front Street Lynden, WA 98264 |
| WA-I | Olympia Cow | Ron & Dianna Hemmi Phone: (253)686-7029 | 3rd Sunday Breakfast @ 7:30 AM Gathering @ 8:00 AM | Hawks Prairie Restaurant 8306 Quinault Drive NE Lacey, WA 98516 |
| WA-L | Kennewick Looney Tunes | Joyce LoParco Phone: (509)531-9939 | 2nd Saturday Breakfast @ 9:00 AM Gathering @ 10:00 AM | Red Lion 2525 North 20th Ave Pasco, WA 99301 |
| WA-M | Yakama Mountain Lion | Sherre Holden Phone: (509)305-1278 | 1st Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM | Branding Iron Restaurant 61311 Hwy 97 Toppenish, WA 98948 |
| WA-N | Spokane Wing Nuts | Lori Ann & Lewis Robertson Phone: (509)251-4443 | 3rd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 8:30 AM | Golden Corral Buffet 7717 N Division St Spokane, WA 99208 |
| WA-O | Port Orchard Orca | Ken & Tami Smith Phone: (360)440-6357 | 4th Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 8:30 AM | Bremerton Airport Diner 8830 State Highway 3 Bremerton, WA 98312 |
| WA-P | Longview Panda | Rose & Bruce Hibbs Phone: (360)571-5732 | 3rd Saturday Breakfast @ 9:00 AM Gathering @ 10:00 AM | Olde Creekside Café 1323 Commerce Ave Longview, WA 98632 (360) 423-7225 |
| WA-Q | Puyallup Koala | Rusty & Nancy Boyatt Phone: (253)312-0851 | 2nd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 8:30 AM | Little Park Restaurant 17106 Pacific Ave S Spanaway, WA 98387 |
| WA-R | Walla Walla Road Runner | Pat & Von Webb Phone (509)522-2320 | 1st Saturday Breakfast @ 9:00 AM Gathering @ 10:00 AM | Smith's Family Restaurant 1425 W Pine St Walla Walla, WA 99362 |
| WA-V | Auburn Frog | Joe & Patti Diambri Phone: (253)630-8463 | 1st Thursday Dinner @ 6:00 PM Meeting @ 7:00 PM | Trotter's Family Restaurant 825 Harvey Rd Auburn, WA 98002 |
| WA-X | Vancouver Phoenix | Michael & Vickie Miller Phone: (360)666-2569 | 1st Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM | Golden Corral 11801 NE Fourth Plain Blvd Vancouver, WA 98682 |
| WA-Z | Centralia Chickens | Patrick & Ruth Allison Phone: (360)266-8418 | 2nd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:30 AM | Ramblin Jacks Ribeye 1336 Rush Rd Chehalis, WA 98532 Ext 72 |

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