



GWRRA CHAPTER WA-A SEATTLE, WA



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Something from the road.



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Hello Chapter A. Went to Chapter “Q's” breakfast meeting a couple of days ago and had a good get together. About the only thing I got out of it was they're closing their chapter and are having a Halloween Dance this Saturday. It's going to be at the Poodle Dog in Federal Way. Should be fun. Weather around here is heading toward fall and the rides are getting fewer and farther between. We have our Chapter “A” meeting this Saturday so don't be shy. We'd love to see you all. Like I always say; Let's burn gas and wear out some tires. Your CD, Todd



Don't forget! This **Saturday October 26th** 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.....**



23826 104th Ave SE, Kent, WA 98031.

(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-----

Todd McLain
Chapter "A" Director
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Assistant Director (ACD) – October 2019



Looking through the Windshield:

Mother nature has changed the seasons as easy as flipping a switch! I was up early getting ready to ride to our September Chapter “A” meeting and stepped out on the deck to find the rain coming down in buckets, not what I was looking for. But as usual in Washington wait a couple of hours and the weather changes. There was a nice turnout of members and visitors at the meeting and for the hardy soles that road their Wings to the meeting Mother Nature granted them with a change to nice weather with some Sun shining through for their after meeting rides. **It’s that time of the year when the weather is constantly changing, so ride when you can and ride safely!**



The Chapter has several positions open and is looking for members with great ideas to fill them!

Assistant Chapter Director-----Open

News Letter Editor-----Open

Ride Coordinator-----Open

Chapter Couple-----Open

Ways & Means ---50/50 Tickets---Open

So step forward, “ volunteer” to have more fun and have your ideas enjoyed by everyone!

Chapter “A” will be in its 40th year in 2020

Let’s plan some fun celebrations

And then there was the need to go visiting. First was the Chapter “V” meeting on Sept 5th



We had so much fun there we went to their social at the Olive Garden on the 19th. It was a great turnout with a lot of good conversation.



Till next month your **interim** ACD

Don Hatley
Chapter “A” ACD
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Chapter Treasurer – October 2019



From the treasurer

-----All Quiet in the Treasury this month-----

Charlie Butters / Treasure

Membership Enhancement



Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Input – October 2019 –

Do you have a Tire Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) on your bike?

Either Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or aftermarket? The target of a TPMS is avoiding traffic accidents, poor fuel economy, and increased tire wear due to under-inflated tires through early recognition of a hazardous state of the tires. The OEM system falls flat on its face when it comes to meeting the target.

I have an OEM TPMS system on my new 2017 GL1800. It doesn't give any information about the tires until they are below some predetermined pressure or flat. That is when you see the dreaded TPMS idiot light.

On my GL1500 I used the Tire Gard and on my 2003 GL1800 I used the TireSafeGard. In August of 2016, I swapped the Tire Gard on the GL1500 to an FOBOT Bike blue-tooth TPMS system. I like it so much that I am now using an identical system on my new 2017 GL1800.

The OEM TPMS system is okay I guess but with the aftermarket TPMS systems, there is so much more information available. The OEM system has an idiot light that says there may be a problem. The aftermarket systems tell you tire pressure, temperature in real time and in some cases the battery condition of the sensors.

I have the TireSafeGard TPMS on my 2003 GL1800 and it works well, except the display is not waterproof and needs to be stowed away when in a rain storm. The TireSafeGard sells for \$169 on Amazon.



TireSafeGard

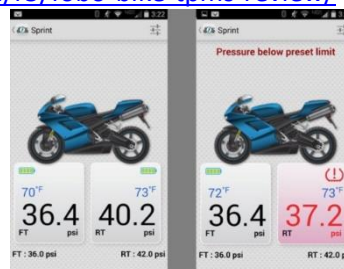


Tire Gard

I had been using the Tire Gard from Show Chrome on the GL1500. The Tire Gard now sells for \$87.99 on Amazon. Quite a price reduction from \$149 when I first bought one. This display too is not waterproof and needs to be stowed away when in a rain storm.

For \$99 or less, a FOBOT Bike Blue Tooth TPMS system using a Smart Phone Application (App) started to look promising to me. It has audible and visual alerts. I recently bought one from Honda Direct Line for \$67.

Here is a good review of the system at this site: <http://www.webbikeworld.com/r5/fobo-bike-tpms-review/>



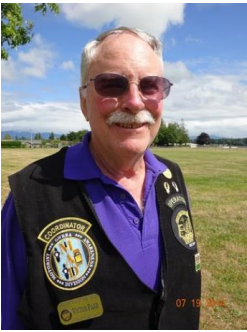
FOBO Components in the package. Screen Display on your Smart Phone.

All the reviews I have seen on the system are positive and the price is right. About \$87 on Amazon. I liked this system so much that I bought one and gave it as a Christmas Present to a close friend.

Mike Bries

WA-A Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Motorcycle



Vic Parr

Awareness - October 2019



Carl Maier



How Motorist Awareness Saves Lives

Motorist awareness was something I wished to be involved in from the first time I heard about it in a GWRRR University Class room. From that day on I have made it a passion of mine, to the point of being a pest at times, but even then, I hope some of these points were finding a place in the receiver's mind. I just did not ever want to write about it because of an experience that I experienced!

On our way to the Tri-Cities the other day, to visit the Chapter L in their meeting, to see old friends, and to discuss motor awareness, along with handing out Tri-Folds, and stickers, and for Kaye to perform her duties as the Assistant District Director, I had the experience that follows, and the results that both Kaye and I felt, and the relief we both have, because of the training we have acquired through GWRRR. Following a chip truck just north of Eltopia, I radioed Kaye and said I was going to pass it, and then proceeded around it, speeding up, and keeping out of the NO-ZONE, while keeping alert to things that may be changing in my line of sight. All of sudden I noticed that he was moving over toward me, so I slowed down as I was only about half way past him! He then really came over very fast, and I saw that I was about to be forced off the road completely. I really got on my brakes, and was able to allow him to get past me, while I was still on pavement on the shoulder of the road. While I was busy avoiding being either run over or forced into the ditch, I heard Kaye yell, I think it was over the CB, but I will not swear to that. When it was all over, and I settled down, I knew that if I had not been aware of my position and watching closely, the outcome would have been very

different! This trucker is someone who should not have been driving, as he did not use his signals, nor did he use his mirrors to see if it was clear to move over. When I did pass him, he would not even look at me at that point. I hope he understood the distress he caused through his actions, on the road. I did give a rundown of this incident to the Chapter L members, and they told me that this sort of thing is common during harvest season, so be on the look out while on the road. Not all drivers out there are trained to be safe, or follow the rules of the road.

Again, I thank my experiences with the Motor Awareness, and my training through other GWRRA classes, that allow me now to tell you about this situation, and hope it will help someone in the future.

Thank You

Be safe and share the ride

Carl and Kaye Maier WA District Asst MAPC

Vic Parr

WA District

Motorist Awareness Coordinator

SPECIAL NOTICE:

A beautiful 80"x80" custom made quilt commemorating Wing Dings #1 through #40 was created to be raffled off to support the Motorist Awareness Program. More details on how you can possibly own this quilt can be seen at <http://gwrwa-wa.org/quilt/> and photos of the finished quilt can be viewed at <http://gwrwa-wa.org/quilt/album/>.

Raffle tickets are \$2.00 each or 6 for \$10.00. They can be purchased from either:

Vic Parr Carl Maier (253) 224-6420 (509) 844-3865 parrv@msn.com camaier@cybermesa.com

Thank You

Carl and Kaye Maier

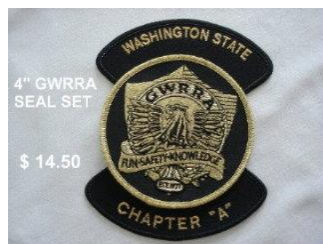
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MAP Coordinator**

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27th Jennifer Allen



October Anniversaries

November Birthdays

November Anniversaries

Chris & Patty Johnson
Sunshine / Greeters

WA"A" Activities



New the 5 Aces Ride



Hello All GWRRA members and Chapters,

At Chapter “A” We’ve noticed that there are some lonely Saturdays out there. Outcasts, if you will. Four months each year have an additional **5th Saturday** with no chapter meetings or scheduled events. No guidance, and more importantly, **“No Ice Cream”**. Well here at Chapter “A” we want to do something about it! Come ride with us, on these **5th Saturdays** of the month and **we will buy you a cone**. The destinations are going to be forthcoming. We are not really sure. Did I mention that there will be ice cream and riding involved. More to follow!

Todd Mclain,
Chapter “A” Director

Flyers for the above events can be found on the Chapter “A” website.
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Motorcycles and / or Parts Buy / Sale

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

GWRRA Members Adds Free!

Selling ??



Bought "New" 2017

Goldwing, now I have to sell my 2003 ABS Gold Wing. It is a wonderful wing with 117,400 fun miles on it. And its beautiful inside and out. **It is listed on Craig's List at:**

<https://seattle.craigslist.org/tac/mcy/d/tacoma-2003-honda-gl1800-abs-model-gold/6965531264.html>

It is advertised on Cycle Trader at:

<https://www.cycletrader.com/listing/2003-Honda-GOLD-WING-1800ABS-5009283716>

I have it listed at \$5800. If interested, let's talk.

Mike Briesse briesse@earthlink.net

WANTED / To Buy

**And just like that
1969
was 50 years ago!**

WASHINGTON CHAPTER GATHERINGS

Chapter WA-A	City /Mascot Seattle Apes	Chapter Director Todd McClain Phone: (206) 241-3565	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 @ 9:30 AM Gathering @ 10:00 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 @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	Canyon Lakes Club House Café 3700 W Canyon Lakes Drive. Kennewick, WA 99336
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 @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 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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