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Something from the road!

#### Hello chapter A

Well here we are, almost to the end of another month. Wishing that the weather would cooperate with us for riding. The weekends have not really worked out in our favor. Snow and rain have really kept my bike in the garage. They are saying that our ability to get together is returning to normal (well more normal than it was). Maybe in the near future we'll be able to have a meal together. A least when the sun shines, we'll be able to go somewhere and eat our sack lunches together. As long as we get to ride. That's all I've been thinking about. I really am missing our togetherness. Soon. When we can, come along and burn some gas and wear out some tires. Your CD, Todd



**Don't forget!** Next Saturday February 27th 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......

---- CANCELED DUE COVID-19 ---- and the restrictions in King County the Golden Steer cannot hold a group our size in our meeting room. Hopefully they'll be able when King County enters Phase (4) four.



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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-----

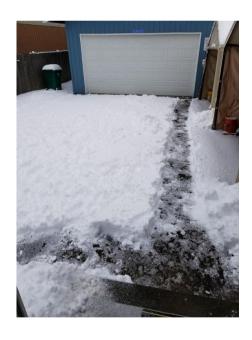
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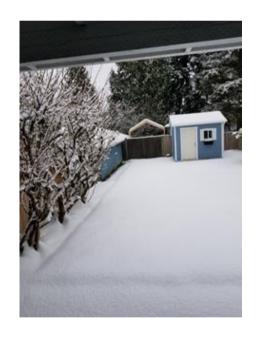
#### Assistant Director (ACD) – February 2021



### Looking through the Windshield:

As I sit here working on the news letter with it snowing outside (about `8 to 10" inches in my driveway and still coming down) I'm thinking this year is already passing by quickly! Here we are in February already with warm weather and the wind in our faces looking off in the distance. Hopefully by Spring or early Summer we can all get our Covid-19 vacinations and start being able to have group rides with our Goldwing family's again.





So ride when you can and stay safe....

Chapter "A" is in its 41st year in 2021

Don Hatley Chapter "A" ACD dhatwaa@comcast.net

#### **Chapter Treasurer – February 2021**



From the treasurer

Not much riding going on. I think I got on the bike once to make sure it still worked. I did put on a new trunk rack. The bike had a rack when I bought it but the chrome was very pitted. I came across a trunk rack on eBay that looked like it may have been from the same unknown manufacturer and could use the same mounting holes. I had to make 2 holes a little larger for it to fit.

Shortly after finishing that, the latest windstorm came through and blew down one of our cedar side fences. Turns out it is owned by the neighbor so he is working on replacing the fence but he moved it to keep it out of the years of dirt buildup so I am building small retaining wall to keep his yard in his yard.

Hopefully a little more riding in the next month or so. Nice to have the daylight slowly on the increase which should help.





New trunk rack and blown down fence

**Charlie Butters / Treasurer** 



# Do You Know The difference between Stopping and Slowing Down?

A London lawyer is in Glasgow. He runs a stop sign and gets pulled over by a local elderly policeman.

The lawyer is certain that he is smarter than any Scottish cop, so he decides to prove this to himself and have some fun.

The policeman says, "License and registration, please."

The lawyer says, "What for?"

The policeman says, "Ye didnae come to a complete stop at the stop sign."

The lawyer says, "I slowed down, and no one was coming."

The policeman said, "Ye still didnae come to a complete stop. License and registration, please"

The lawyer says, "If you can show me the legal difference between slow down and stop, I'll give you my license and registration and you give me the ticket. If not, you let me go and don't give me the ticket."

The policeman says, "Sounds fair. Please exit your vehicle, sir."

The lawyer exits his vehicle. The policeman takes out his baton and starts beating the living crap out of the lawyer and says, "D'ye want me to stop now, or just slow down?"

Mike Briese

WA-A Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Coordinator

#### **Motorcycle Awareness February 2021**







**Carl Maier** 

I will start off by saying "I hope and pray all are staying safe and well"!

I do not think very many of us in the Pacific Northwest are riding yet, but that does not mean we are not thinking of where we want to go and do, when the time comes.

I have noticed a bike or two on the road, when there was no snow, but all that made me think of was how much we all miss the enjoyment and freedom of this activity at a time like this.

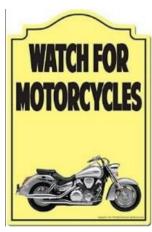
In the meantime, I have stopped at a few motorcycle shops to see if there was something that I would like and could do without, when the time came to throw my leg over the saddle again. This activity also gives me time to talk to the people working there, and to hand out some Trifolds, and "Look out for Motorcycles" stickers. We have not been able to meet and have gatherings like in the past, but we have had Zoom Calls, they give us the feeling of connectiveness, until we can get back to normal.

The motorcycles I have seen on the road lately really brought out a couple of things, all car and truck drivers should know, and look out for, and that is as follows:

- 1) because of its small size (both of the bikes that surprised me where small), a motorcycle may look farther away than it is, and
- 2) it may also be difficult to judge a motorcycles speed. When checking traffic to turn at an intersection or into (or out of) a driveway, assume a motorcycle is closer than it looks.

When a motorcycle is in motion, see more than the motorcycle – see the person under the helmet, who could be your friend, neighbor, or relative.

Be safe and try to help people become more aware of those of us who ride and share the road with them. Your Motorist Awareness Coordinator
Carl & Kaye Maier



# RIDER EDUCATOR

Robert & Helen Liddell

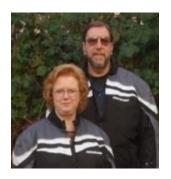
Robert has stepped down from this position due to his wife's health and his requirements at work. Thank you Bob for your support & help with GWRRA, we wish you the best and many prayers go out to your wife. We hope to see you down the road.

This position is now available. If you are interested please contact Ken.

Ken & Tami Smith Phone: (360)440-6357



### **Chapter Stores**



















The full stores inventory is on the Chapter Website:



## **Chapter Sunshine / Greeters**









February Birthdays

February Anniversaries

Chris & Patty Johnson Sunshine / Greeters



#### **WA"A" Activities**

#### New the 5 Aces Ride

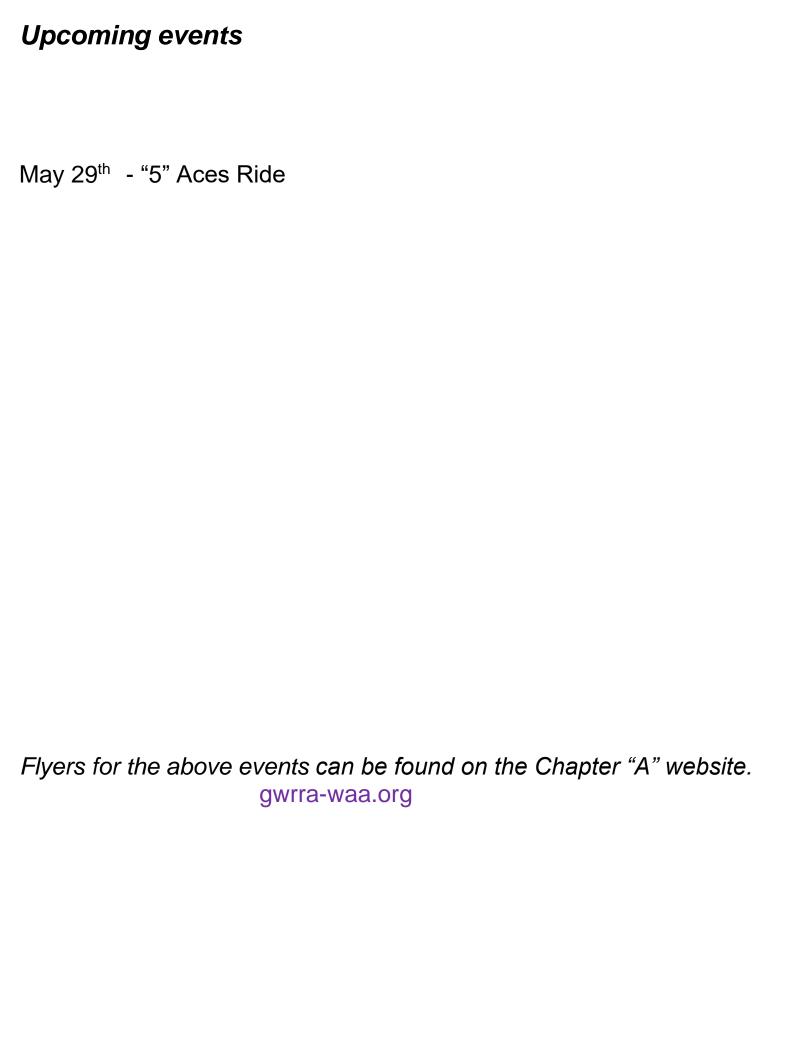


#### Hello All GWRRA members and Chapters,

At Chapter "A" We've noticed that there are some <u>lonely Saturdays</u> out there.

Outcasts, if you will. Four months each year have an additional 5<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month and <u>we will buy you a cone</u>. The destinations are going to be forthcoming. We are not really sure. Did I mention that there will be <u>ice cream and riding</u> involved. More to follow!

Todd Mclain, Chapter "A" Director





# 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







# Chapter WA"A" Officers and Staff

Todd Mclain – Chapter Director (CD)

**Don Hatley – Assistant Chapter Director (ACD)** 

**Don Hatley – Newsletter Editor** 

**Charlie Butters – Treasurer** 

Mike Briese – Membership Enhancement Coordinator (MEC)

Mike Briese - Webmaster

**Gary Beard - Stores Manager** 

Bill Holt – Phone Tree Coordinator

Joann Beard - Face Book Coordinator

#### **Chris & Patty Johnson – Greeters, and Sunshine Person**

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

- -Open Assistant Chapter Director (ACD)
- -Open Ride Coordinator
- -Open Newsletter Editor
- -Open Activity Coordinator (Monthly Activities)
- -Open Technical Coordinator (Goldwing Maintenance Information)
- -Open Chapter Historian
- -Open Ways & Means Coordinator Conducts 50/50 drawings, door prize etc.

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

# WASHINGTON CHAPTER GATHERINGS

Chapter WA-A	City /Mascot Seattle Apes	Chapter Director Todd Mclain Phone (206) 241-3565 ACD: Don Hatley	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 @ 9:00 AM Gathering @ 10:00 AM	All Star Lanes & Casino 10710 Silverdale Way NW. Silverdale, WA 98383
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-I	Olympia Cow	Ray Abitz Phone: (360)790-2832 ACD: Ron Wolf	3rd Sunday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 8:30 AM	VFW On Martin Way 2902 Martin Way E. Olympia, WA 98506
WA-L	Kennewick Looney Tunes	Joyce LoParco Phone: (509)531-9939	2nd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	Sterling's Restaurant 2500 Queens gate Drive Richland, WA 99352
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 ACD: Jack Davies	3rd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	Everybody's Restaurant 4215 SE Mile Hill DR Port Orchard, WA 98366
WA-R	Walla Walla Road Runner	Pat & Von Webb Phone (509)522-2320 ACD:	1st Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	Clarette's Restaurant 15 S Touchet 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	David Van Nice Phone:	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Dinner @ 5:30 PM Gathering @ 6:00 PM	Benny's Rod & Custom Pizza 4219 N.E. St Johns Rd. Vancouver, WA 98661
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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