



GWRRA CHAPTER WA-A SEATTLE, WA



Periodic News Letter
January 2021
www.gwrro-waa.org



Chapter Director



Something from the road!

Hello chapter A

Well here is another month gone by without us able to get together. Between the weather and the social distancing, our get togethers sure do look different. National is promoting Wing-Ding, Region is promoting the district rally. I just want to see my friends. This month has 5 Saturdays and hopefully the weather will co-operate with our ice cream ride. Am thinking of leaving 512 McDonalds at 10am. Would love to be able to find a place that will be able to sell us some treats. Will have to see what the forecast has install for us. (weather and shop openings). We'll do our distancing and get some fresh air. Come ride with us and we'll burn some gas and wear out some tires. Your CD, Todd



Don't forget! 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**.



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) – January 2021



Looking through the Windshield:

Well here we are in January 2021 already and what a rocky year 2020 turned out to be. All the fun rides and events we had looked forward to were canceled due the Covid – 19 pandemic. First it was the Chapter rides and events, then the State Rally had to be canceled (was really looking forward to it) then even WingDing was canceled! Then if that wasn't enough I belong to several car clubs and they were also shut down. Well atleast we were able to enjoy a few good rides including the Chapter "A" 5 Aces ride on Halloween day. Really looking forward to a much better riding year as everyone gets their Covid-19 vaccinations and were closer to back to "Normal"

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

*Take the time to attend other Chapter meetings and functions! You won't regret it.....**Don't miss the Fun.***

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

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

Chapter Treasurer – January 2021



From the treasurer

Continued:

Kitchen progress

Things were moving along with the November/December newsletter for our kitchen. It's not completely done (can't move too quickly on these things, ya know). But the floor is done and the cabinets are in. We have not gotten a new countertop yet. Ann wants to first repaint the kitchen then pick the countertop. Then the little things left like baseboards, trim, etc. Lots of work but a big difference.

Not too much riding since November. I did get out on the New Year's Day ride and also another short ride last weekend, so the bike still works. I have a few new parts to put on like a new luggage rack and trim pieces on the saddlebags to fix broken pieces, but those will have to wait for the kitchen — and some warmer weather.

Another repeat of the old kitchen and a recent photo of the new one.



Charlie Butters / Treasure



Do You Know Your Tires?

This is a reprint from the October 2004 Chapter A Newsletter. It was written by Dale Simle, the Chapter Assistant ride Educator at the time.

Do You Know Your Tires?

Have you tried to read those hieroglyphics on the sidewall of your motorcycle's tires? If you are replacing your tires, do you know what size tires to ask for? Deciphering the information from a tire's sidewall can be a confusing exercise. For most of us, it ranks right up there with decoding the Egyptian markings on a mummy's tomb.

Let's take a look at the markings on a tire and break them down. DOT Markings, The U.S. Department of Transportation markings, signify that the tire meets DOT tire-safety standards. The DOT markings help track the tire in the same way a lot number tracks a food product.

- The first four characters designate the tire manufacturer and plant code. This could be important if the tire receives a safety recall.
- Characters five and six are part of the North American tire Identification number.
- The final four numbers denote the date the tire was produced. The first two indicate the week, and the last two numbers specify the year.



The most important part of the tire operation is **AIR PRESSURE**. You must maintain proper air pressure. Low pressure will cause excessive wear, heat, improper handling and creates drag on the tire as if you had the brake applied on that wheel with the low tire. This causes overheating and expansion of the tire cords with the possibility of a blow out. Many motorcycles have a decal showing air inflation pressure with and without loads. If you do not have a decal, check your owner's manual. If you do not have an owner's manual, look on the sidewall of the tire it is located there also. However, the tire pressure on the sidewall references the **MAXIMUM** allowable cold tire pressure for the **MAXIMUM** related load.

As always all of us would like all of you to be aware of safety. **PLEASE** don't drink and drive any vehicle. The life you save may be your own. Watch for the deer, leaves, ice and anything out of the ordinary especially during this time of year. Keeping warm by layering is great protection.

by Dale Simle, Asst. Rider Educator, October 2004.

Mike Briese

WA-A Webmaster/Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Motorcycle Awareness January 2021



Carl Maier

Happy New Year to All!

I truly hope and pray all of you are healthy and being careful with all of this that is going on. This will allow us to get back to our favorite activities of riding and being with our friends, for socializing.

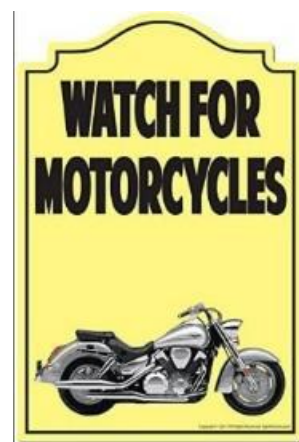
While I am sitting here, thinking that with all of this and then the weather on top of it all. I want to remind you that we can all continue to tell, and remind, people to continue to watch for those of us, who will, at times, break our bikes out for a ride whenever there is no snow.

I will also remind those of us who do this. To watch out for things, that are hazards at this time of the year. These consist of things like sand at stopping points, and curves, low visibility, and things that appear on the road all of a sudden, like deer and ice.

I also ask you to continue to make us visible in other ways, that will remind people we still or out there. Simple things like wearing your GWRRA jacket, or hat, in public. People will see this and be reminded of who we are. This also may lead to discussions about riding, and opportunities to hand out information about who we are and how they can help us to enjoy being safe, when riding season returns.

Your Motorist Awareness Coordinator

Carl & Kaye Maier



-----RIDER EDUCATOR-----

Happy New Year,



I thought this prayer is appropriate for this time of year. I hope you enjoy it as I did.
Original post was from Leisa Collins of BIKER CRAP BikerCrap) posted 10/4/2020

A BIKER'S PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, we humbly bow our heads before you, giving you all praise for giving us the ability to ride. We know that there is nothing we can do without you, you blessed us with the talent to ride.

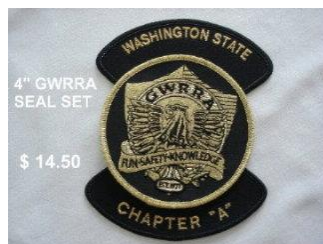
Lord we are bikers who find Peace when we ride and with that we turn it to joy and not use it for selfish pride. Father we offer ourselves to be used for those who are in need, for those who need guidance or Charity. Give us the strength to do your will Lord. Protect those of us who ride each day to work, to visit others, or for an evening ride, and most of all those who travel the world enjoying your beautiful creation.

Bless us on the by-ways, on the highways and even when we get sideways. Keep your hand on the young riders who are less skillfull, and for those who are under the influence. For all the ones who aren't bikers in other vehicles who do foolish things that over look us. Last but not least, Father touch the hearts of our Fallen Riders and let them know they are still The Lord's Bikers. Amen...

SHARE WITH YOUR FELLOW RIDERS

Robert & Helen Liddell
District Rider Educator and Chapter "B" CD
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Chapter Stores



4" GWRRA
SEAL SET

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\$3.00



\$11.00



\$3.50



\$3.00



\$12.00



EARRINGS - DANGLE

\$6.50 pr.



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The full stores inventory is on the Chapter Website:



Gary & JoAnn Beard
Stores Manager / Face Book Coordinator

Chapter Sunshine / Greeters



January	Birthdays
1 st	Bill Holt
9 th	Mike Briesse
15 th	Ann Butters
16 th	Gisela Jones

February	Birthdays
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January	Anniversaries
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February	Anniversaries
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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 McClain,
Chapter “A” Director*

Upcoming events

Jan 30th 5 Ace's Ride

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



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

**I think
senility is
going to be a
fairly smooth
transition for
me.**



Chapter WA "A" Officers and Staff

Todd McClain – 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	City /Mascot	Chapter Director	Meeting Date/ Time	Location
WA-A	Seattle Apes	Todd McLain Phone (206) 241-3565 ACD: Don Hatley	4th Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	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 th 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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WA-A Chapter Director

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2021 Desert Spring Fling... If you plan on attending, reserve your space NOW.

The May 2021 GWRRA WA-L Spring Fling will be held at the Columbia Sun RV Resort in Kennewick rather than at the fairgrounds as we did for so many years. We understand that it is more expensive at the RV park, but we have no other options. Be patient with our changes and please plan to come and join us in our new endeavors.



Basic Information:

Columbia Sun RV Resort: <https://www.columbiasunrvresort.com/>

Address: 103907 Wiser Pkwy, Kennewick, WA 99338

Phone: (509) 420-4880

Point of Contact: Minerva (our coordinator) **Be sure to mention you are part of the GWRRA group.**

Cost: 1 RV (cost depends on size of RV)

1 tent is \$49 + Tax (minus your Good Sam, AARP, etc. discount if applicable).

Add a Tent Trailer for \$15. Should be able to get 3 Tent Trailers to a spot. Some have electricity and some without. Some spots may hold 4 tent trailers.

Note: Be sure to use your discounts (Good Sam, AAA, AARP, etc.)

Register as a group or individually. If you register as a group, it is easier for them to have one person make the reservation for the entire group. Pay for the first night to hold each spot. You can settle up with your group at the end of the weekend. Supporters of the Desert Spring Fling... Get your spots reserved. All spots Chapter L reserved are now gone. If you plan attending May 2021 reserve a space now. We must reserve as many spots as we can before January since the park is filling up already and we don't want to be spread out here and there.

Minerva at the resort knows the spaces she saved for us...We may need more so we need to get what she has now, or they could be rented to outsiders... You can go look at the map on the web. You don't get what you want but she will group chapters together as best she can.

Some foods are provided, most are on your own. We do have a Grannies over by Columbia Center Mall, McDonald's and such up and down the CC Blvd. There are many other places around there also...just ask. Those suggested by the Park can be expensive. Famous Dave's has closed as has Old Country Buffett.

Everyone has to check into the Park at the office. You will be escorted to your lot.....I don't know yet if we will set up Spring Fling Registration near the Park Office or closer to our campsites.

Questions? Call Joyce at 509-531-9939.

Gold Wing Road Riders Association --- 34th Annual Desert Spring Fling

"One More Time"

(Our emphasis this year will be bike
tours) May 28th – May 31st

Columbia Sun RV Resort
103907 Wiser Pkwy, Kennewick, WA 99338
Phone: (509) 420-4880

They would like for all attending to register ASAP as they are already getting reservations from travelers for next Memorial Day weekend in 2021. If we don't get spots reserved by 1/1/21 they may not have any left for us.

Ask for Minerva
Make sure to tell her you are part of the Chapter WA-L rally.

**You need to call the RV Resort and pay for the 1st night for each spot you want to reserve.
(48-hour cancellation required.)**

Visit their Website at <https://www.columbiasunrvresort.com/> for rates and park rules.

We have 15 sites reserved, (I am trying for 20 this year) that can be shared with up to 3 separate tents/RVs each depending of RV Size. (8 people per space only.) Some foods at the RV park are included with your reserved spot as is swimming and hot tub.

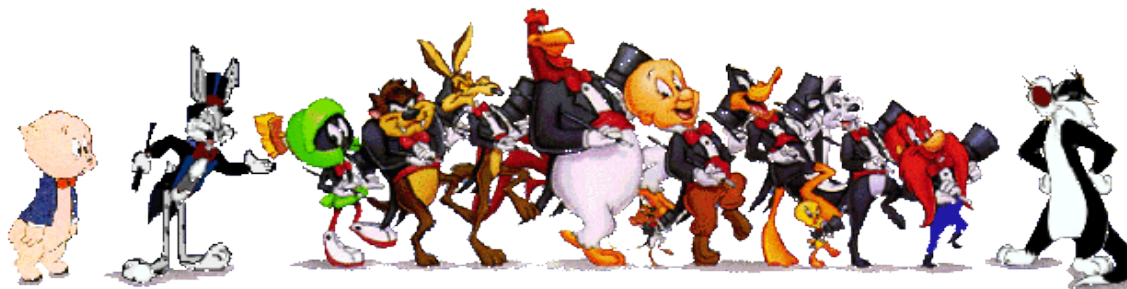
We need your current email for Chapter L records please.

Please make sure to fill your Registration Form out in full.

Print your name, Address, Membership Number and e-mail so we can read them.

Mail to: GWRRA Chapter WA-L - P.O. Box 6361, Kennewick, WA 99336

*****Make checks payable to: GWRRA WA-L*****



Grand Prize \$300.00 (*must be present to win*)

Daily 50/50 drawings

Several rides planned, Show & Shine, Poker Run, on-site Light Parade

DESERT SPRING FLING 2020 SCHEDULE

Friday – 28th	2:00pm - 7:00pm	Registration Opens (2:00 is RV Park Check-In time)
	5:00pm - 9:00pm	Dinner Rides (on your own or escorted)
	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Ice Cream Social (provided by RV Park/Donations Welcome)
	7:30pm	Karaoke (RV Park)
	10:00pm	Quiet Time
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Saturday – 29th	8:00am-7:00pm	Registration Open (Closed during Opening Ceremonies)
Breakfast – On Site	8:00am-10:00am	Pancake Breakfast (provided RV Park/ Donations Welcome)
	10:00am	Opening Ceremonies (outside of main building west end) (Early Registration 50/50 to be awarded)
	9:00am-6:00pm	Swap Meet if you bring stuff
	12:00pm-1:00pm	On your own.
	1:00pm-3:00pm	Bike Show (Come show off your Bike)
	1:00pm-?	Rides on Your Own or Dam Ride
	2:00pm-4:00pm	Adult Games (Trunk Search, etc.) if we have enough people.
	5:00pm-7:00pm	Dinner on your own.
	6:30pm-7:30pm	Ice Cream Social & Karaoke (provided by RV Park/Donations Welcome)
	8:00 pm	Daily 50/50 (Must be present to win)
	8:45pm-9:00pm	Light Parade Drivers Meeting
	9:00pm-?	Light Parade (In Park Only)
	10:00pm	Quiet Time
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Sunday – 30th	8:00am	Breakfast – On Site – Continental Breakfast or Breakfast on your Own.
	8:00am-10:00am	Registration Open
	9:00am-2:30pm	Poker Run (First out-9am - Last out 9:30am) Draw your Hand(s) and pick the ride you want to poker ride on (no set route) at this time. Must be back by 2:30pm (please see BBQ notes).
Barb-B-Que onsite	12noon-1:30pm	RV park providing (donations welcome) or on your own. This will also be the last a check in point for Poker ride) You can choose to return for the Bar-B-Que or eat on the road.
	5:00pm-7:00pm	Dinner On your own
		Ice Cream Social & Karaoke (provided by RV Park/Donations Welcome)
	7:15pm	CLOSING CEREMONIES! (Awards, Daily 50/50, Grand Prize Drawing)
	10:00pm	Quiet Time
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Monday – 31st	6:30am-9:30am	Continental Breakfast/ Cleanup/Pack-up your RV Spot
	11:00am	Vacate RV Park Good-Bye till Next Year!!

THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Must be present to win any Daily 50/50 NOTE: 50/50 tickets, Grand Prize tickets etc. will only be sold at the Registration Desk. Please help support us by purchasing tickets there.

Return whole form to: **GWRRA Chapter WA-L PO Box 6361, Kennewick, WA 99336**

Make checks payable to: GWRRA WA-L

****EARLY REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY March 31, 2021 TO RECEIVE THE DISCOUNTED PRICE****

NO Exceptions

FREE SATURDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION. DONATIONS WELCOME – Provided by RV Park

GWRRA Member Name(s)	\$15.00 X ____ = ____		Non-Member Name(s)	\$20.00 x ____ = ____
		TICKETS		
Grand Prize Tickets	\$1.00 x ____ = ____		Early Reg. 50/50	\$1.00 x ____ = ____
			Total Amount Enclosed	\$

FREE SUNDAY DONUTS & COFFEE INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION. DONATIONS WELCOME - Provided by RV Park

REGISTRATION AFTER MARCH 31, 2021

GWRRA Member Name(s)	\$20.00 X ____ = ____		Non-Member Name(s)	\$25.00 x ____ = ____
		TICKETS		
Grand Prize	\$1.00 x ____ = ____	Buy at door Only	Total Amount Enclosed	\$

PLEASE PRINT!! Be sure to include Member #s!! And good emails!!! And phone numbers. We don't share with other companies!!

RIDER: _____ **Membership #** _____ **EXP DATE** _____

CO-RIDER: _____ **Membership #** _____ **EXP DATE** _____

Mailing Address: _____ **Email:** _____

City: _____ **State** _____ **Zip or postal Code** _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Chapter/Providence: _____ **Position:** _____

AGE: ____/____ **Direct miles to Rally:** _____

I/We the undersigned agree to and will comply with the rules governing this event. I/We further agree to hold harmless GWRRA, its officers and representatives, persons sponsoring this event for loss or injury to property or myself in which I/we may become involved by participating in this event. I/We have read and understand this form.

Rider Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Co-Rider Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Chapter use only: Check number: _____ Post Marked Date: _____
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