

Periodic News Letter JUNE 2024



Mascot Mr Adams



Giles Andreae Quote

Have you checked out the **Chapter "A" Website lately**? Our Webmaster works on it almost daily, Check it out!



https://www.gwta-waa.com

<u>Calendar</u> <u>Newsletters & Emails</u> <u>Local Chapter Meeting Places</u> <u>Photos</u> <u>Staff</u> <u>Forms</u> <u>Goldwing Technical Service Bulletins - 1988 through 2012.</u> <u>AND SOOOOO much more!</u>

Greetings from the Chapter Director





Jocelyn Piechowiak

There are some fun events coming up:

A Five Aces ride to Ice Cream on the 5th Saturday of this month! We meet up at the Rainbow Café. Details finalized at this month's meeting. I will share them as well.

Seattle to Portland aka STP on July 14th, is a fundraiser for GWTA both the state and local chapters. Volunteers needed to protect the bicyclists from traffic as they cross the bridge. Organized by our State Director Vonda Brest.

GOLD RUSH in Bowling Green, KY July 15th to 18th. For info, <u>www.gwta.org</u>

GWTA WA district "After Labor Day CampOut" Sept 6th to 9th still has room. Please be sure to mention that you are with a Goldwing Chapter and your Chapter Director name. Squaw Rock 509-658-2800.

State Director Vonda Brest says she have me zoomed into the June/July meetings. See you at the August meeting.

Cheers, Jocelyn Piechowiak GWTA WA A Chapter Director jocelynpiechowiak@hotmail.com

P.S. Thanks to those are doing their best to keep the fire going.You know who you are.Can't wait to see you all.



Chapter WA "A" Officers and Staff

Chapter Director (CD) –Jocelyn Piechowiak Assistant Chapter Director (ACD) - Currently an OPEN position at time of press. Webmaster - Mike Briese Technical Coordinator (GW Maint Info) - Dennis Murphy Newsletter Editor – Jocelyn Piechowiak Phone Tree - Bill Holt Facebook Coordinator – Jocelyn Piechowiak Sunshine Committee – Jocelyn Piechowiak with stand-in Dianna Hemmi 50/50 Coordinator – Dianna Hemmi

The Chapter has several positions open and are looking for members who would love to fill them!

Ride Coordinator(s)

Activity/Social Coordinator

Booking a place to gather once a month or so for the group. Coordinate with Officers to promote gatherings.

Chapter Historian

---So "volunteer" and join in the fun!

Gold Wing Touring Association

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Chapter Treasurer





Charlie and Ann Butters

Future Ride Coordinator(s)

Chapter "A" Stores:



Joe Leon

Come see Joe at the meetings! He might just have that perfect sticker, patch, shirt or hat for you.

50/50 Drawing



Dianna Hemmi

Join Us on the 4th Saturday of Every Month for our monthly meeting.

Next Meetings are June 22nd and July 27th, 2024.

Breakfast starting at 9:00am with meeting following at 10:00am.

Rainbow Cafe Restaurant. 112 E. Main St. Auburn, WA. 98002 (253) 833-1880

Weather Permitting Rides after the meeting. *Hope to see you there!*



Front Entrance to Rainbow Cafe





Rear entrance to Rainbow Cafe

There is limited parking in the front but plenty of parking in the back.

The Famous WA"A" 5 Aces Ride.....June 29th ,2024!

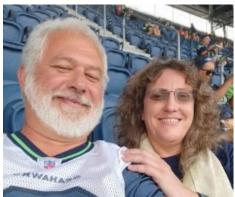
At Chapter **"A"** we've noticed that 4 months each year have an additional 5th Saturday.

We at Chapter "A" honor those extra Saturdays with an "Ice Cream Ride" aka The Famous WA "A" 5 Aces Ride. The Chapter is buying!!

Suggestions for destinations are welcome.



Sunshine Committee



A shout out to Dianna Hemmi for being Miss Sunshine during our absence!!!

Hugs to All!

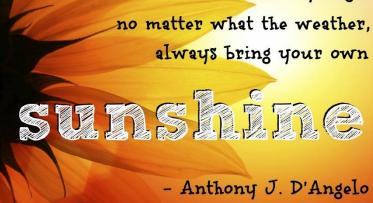
Jocelyn and Michael Piechowiak

JUNE CELEBRATIONS!

<u>Birthdays:</u> 1st Pen Briese 17th Linda Crain 22nd Mike Blangy 28th Cindy Duffield

<u>Anniversaries:</u> 2nd Kevin & Jennifer Allen







Summer riding time is here. Get out and ride.

Though the weather has not totally cooperated, there has still been plenty of opportunity to get out and burn gas and wear out tires.

I do not know what you guys did after last month's meeting. Unfortunately not able to attend or ride that day. The following weekend was a wash out as well. I had planned to visit Chapter Q in Centralia but the weather turned cold and wet. Sad state of affairs for the first weekend of June.

A few days later, on Wednesday, there was a really nice break in the weather day. I took advantage of the opportunity and rode out to Ashford to the Copper Creek Inn Restaurant on SR 706 for some really great blackberry pie and coffee. Their days of operation are pretty fluid so it is necessary to check and see if they are open before riding out there.

Then on Saturday I was in Kent at 7:00 am to meet with any prospective riders to WA-C in Everett however, there were no takers. The weather was predicted to be close to 80° on the west side of the mountains and nearing 90° on the east side. I rode to WA-C and enjoyed a pretty decent breakfast. After breakfast and the subsequent meeting they had a ride scheduled to Desert Aire for a house warming. There were six bikes from Chapter C and myself ready to ride.



The ride proceeded over Hwy 2 through Steven's Pass to Nason Creek Rest area for a nature break.



From there we rode through Leavenworth to Cashmere, Wenatchee and as we passed George, I left the group to head through Vantage and then over to Yakima. I hadn't planned on making this an overnight ride so I opted not to go into Desert Aire. I'm sure the Chapter C folks enjoyed a great visit.

In Yakima I stopped at Los Hermandez's for some Tamales for a late lunch. I picked up a dozen to take home.



Knowing that Chinook Pass had just opened on May 31st, I took this opportunity to go through there on the way home. It was about a 500 mile day for me. It was a wonderful weather day for a ride. It was a shame that there were not more of us



This coming Saturday, the 22nd, is our scheduled Chapter A breakfast meeting. Hopefully someone will generate a ride so you can all stretch your motorcycle legs after the meeting. I will be participating in the Tour de Blast down in Toutle and riding up and back to the Coldwater Ridge Visitors Center rest area. This a bicycle escort event that is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Longview. This is something that I kind of got talked into last year by a bicycle enthusiast and once again got talked into it this year. Not being a bicycle enthusiast myself, I was not really interested but to show support I reluctantly decided to participate. I really don't think I will be doing it again.

The following Saturday, the 29th is the Five Aces Ride. Unfortunately I will not be able to participate in that event. I've got a previous family commitment. I hope all of you go out and enjoy some ice cream on the chapter's dime.

It's summer time. Time to ride.



Mike Briese WA-A Webmaster

Goldwing Preventative Maintenance



Dennis Murphy

My shoulder still hurts. It's been a bit of a problem when I'm trying to do anything. Still can't lift up my arm very far and it gets fatigued very fast. But enough about me..

Since I bought my 2015, the heated seat, just in the front has not worked. After testing, it was determined that there was a broken wire somewhere under my butt.

I started to take the cover off to get at the heating element but discovered that the heating element is seriously stuck on the seat. the wiring is on some very thin foam and is impossible to get off without being destroyed.

I took it to Van's Upholstery in Enumclaw for assistance. After a couple of days he told me that he had gotten it all up and it was basically destroyed. No fixing it.

I called up Partzilla about getting a new element. They sent me a seat heater. Not the element that I needed. It was sent back. There is no replacement for the heating element. Honda doesn't make one. I called up Van's again and just told him to put the cover back on and it just won't be heated. While searching around on Facebook I happened to find one for \$200.00. That is a steal! They are

\$1500.00 new and this one has been used for about 3 weeks total.

The guy that is selling it was in an accident in his car. He was rear ended and pushed 600 feet. It broke his back and now he is paralyzed. Super nice guy. Doesn't have the bike anymore. The guy that hit him was texting and by the time he realized that they were stopped, there wasn't enough time to brake. Very sad.

Never know what fate has got for you.

Please remember to do your **T-CLOCS** inspection before you ride too.

The **T** is for Tires and Wheels. The **C** is for Controls. The **L** is for Lights and Electrics.

The **O** is for Oil and Other Fluids. The **C** is for Chassis.

The **S** is for Stands, center and side



Admit It, You Would Ride It!



FB Page "I'm a Biker. Love me or Hate me" December 9. 2023

For only 52k you too can own a Harley that looks just like your grandpa's 83' Goldwing.



Pictured here is the first release in 1975 of a Honda Gold Wing GL1000..... seen in Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum, Birmingham Alabama USA.





WA"A" Activities

"Chapter "A" has been enjoying FUN since September 1980.

Upcoming events

Be sure to check our website https://www.gwta-waa.com for details on the big events in 2024.

June 2024

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.
2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.
4th Saturday. June 22nd. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.
5th Saturday, June 29th Five Aces Ride. Depart from Rainbow Café. Time to be announced at mtg.

July 2024

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA. 2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA. 4th Saturday. July 27th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

August 2024

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA. 2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA. 4th Saturday. August 24th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

September 2024

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA. 2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA. 4th Saturday. September 28th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

October 2024

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA. 2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA. 4th Saturday. October 26th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

GWTA WA Chapter "A" Seattle Wings Newsletter and Phone Tree Information Request

The following request is for the purpose of gathering current information on the Chapter "A" roster. It will assist in the accuracy and correct mailing of the Chapter Newsletter to our members and followers. It will also assist us in the timely communication of impromptu rides and any changes in planned rides or events via the Chapter "A" Phone Tree and/or email.

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1. E	Birthday Cards and be noted at the monthly meeting/in the newsletter during your birthday month?			
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2. A	Anniversary Cards and be noted at the monthly meeting/in the newsletter during your anniversary			
n	month? If yes, Month/Date/(and Year?)			
3. V	We send out Get Well and Sympathy Cards. Is this okay?			

Please return this form in person or by email to either the CD or any board member. *Thank You* for Joining us in our Destination of Friendship.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER GATHERINGS

GWTA Chapter	Group Name	<u>Chapter Director</u>	Meeting Date/ Time	Location
WA-A	Seattle Wings Mascot: Ape	Jocelyn Piechowiak Phone (206) 249-6310 ACD: Open Position	4th Saturday Breakfast @ 9:00 AM Meeting @10:00 AM	Rainbow Cafe 112 E. Main St. Auburn,WA 98002
WA-C	Evergreen Wings	Howie Dickerman (206)571-3273 ACD: Mike Zmiarovich	2 nd Saturday Breakfast @ 08:00AM Meeting @ 09:00AM	Evergreen Lanes 5111 Claremont Way Everett, WA 98203
WA-F	Fun & Friendship Riders	Gary & Vonda Brest (206)852-2625 ACD: Lisa Alberts (253) 350-4594	2 nd Staurday Breakfast @ 8:00AM Meeting @ 9:00AM	(Currently Inactive)
WA-Q	The Q Crew	Steve Henson (360)489-5275	1 st Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00AM Meeting @ 9:00AM	Centerville Café 111 N. Tower Ave. Centralia, WA 98532
WA-U	Okanogan Valley Wings	Teri Mitschelen (509)429-1751 ACD: Mel Caylor (509)322-2546	3rd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00AM Meeting @ 9:00AM	Status Unknown
GWRRA Chapter	<u>Group Name</u>	Chapter Director	Meeting Date/ Time	<u>Location</u>
WA-L (High Desert Riders) (Independent)	Kennewick Looney Tunes	Gary Dumas Phone: (509) 551-6133 ACD: Tom Denny (509) 582-8779	2nd Saturday Breakfast @ 8:00 AM Gathering @ 9:00 AM	Sterling's Restaurant 2500 Queens gate Drive Richland, WA 99352
WA-N (Independent)	Spokane Wing Nuts	Don & Hope Sundahl Phone: (509)993-5501	2 nd Tuesday Social 6pm November to April. Location TBD	TBD – Call ahead. Spokane, WA
WA-P (Independent)	Kalama	Rose & Bruce Hibbs Rose (360)609-4648 Bruce (360)606-6643	3 rd Wednesday Social at 11am. Weather permitting Call ahead.	Columbian Inn Rest. 698 N Frontage Road Kalama, WA 98625 360-673-7600
WA-R (Independent)	Walla Walla Road Runner	Pat & Von Webb Phone (509) 438-3906 ACD:	1st Saturday Breakfast @ 9:00AM Gathering @ 10:00 AM (Winter Hours)	Clarette's Restaurant 15 S Touchet St. Walla Walla, WA 99362

This list is subject to change.

Please contact the Chapter you wish to visit before going.

Find out what is going on in other GWTA chapters' neck of the woods:

<u>GWTA - Motorcycle Touring Association</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/51175813698</u> currently 2.2K following.

Gold Wing Touring Association 2024 Calendar of Events

Destination Friendship Established 1987 "All Bikes Welcome"

Be sure to check websites: https://www.gwta-waa.com or https://www.gwta.org for details on the events.

June 2024

□ June 22nd – Chaperone the Tour de Blast on Mt St Helens. Volunteers needed. Contact Rose Hibbs of GWRRA Chapter P at mrsrhibbs@gmail.com. See Flyer Attached.

July 2024

□ Jul 14 STP - Seattle to Portland Bicycle Ride Portland Bridge. Volunteers needed, Contact State Director Vonda Brest. 206-854-9341 ez2beme23@aol.com

□ Jul 15~18 - **GOLD RUSH XXXVI in Bowling Green, KY** Sign Up at https://gwta.org/event/gold-rush/

August 2024

□ August 8th to 10th. 38th Annual Buzzard Butt Buster (not a GWTA event but very popular) <u>www.buzzardbuttbuster.com</u> Run by Missy Buzzard in Shelton WA 360-432-9374

September 2024

□ Sep 6~9 GWTA Washington District's week after Labor Day Campout at **Squaw Rock Resort.** <u>https://squawrockrvresortandcampground.com/</u> *Be sure* to let them know you are part of our group.

□ Sep 22 Annual Oyster Run in Anacortes, WA

VISITING OUR GWTA CHAPTERS:

Chapter Q in Centralia, The Q Crew

Monthly breakfast meeting at <u>Centerville Café, 111 N. Tower Ave, Centralia, WA 98531</u>, (360) 736-5159. We meet at the McDonald's on South Tacoma Way and Hwy 512 for a 7:00 am kick stands up.8:00 am Eat - 9:00 am Meet (Changes on occasion, please call Chapter Director Steve Henson to verify).

Chapter C in Everett, Evergreen Wings

Monthly breakfast meeting at Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett, Washington.

We meet at the Kent Chevron across from the McDonald's Restaurant on 84th and 212th Streets in Kent, WA. 7:00 am departure for an 8:00 am Eat, 9:00 am Meet. A ride normally follows the meeting. Yearly Calendar can be found in this newsletter for other activities.

GWTA WA-C Evergreen Wings 2024 Calendar

Sat Jun 01 Ride to Green compound in Desert Aire details are TBD Sat Jun 08 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sat Jun 08 Ride to Deception Falls w/Bob A (falls are located near Stevens Pass) Mon Jun 10 Jun 20 Edelweiss Best of Southern France Tour Nice, France Sat Jun 22 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett Tue Jun 25 6:30 Dinner at Grazie Ristorante 23207 Bothell Everett Hwy, Bothell Sat Jun 29 Chapter A Ice Cream Ride details TBD

Sat Jul 06 Day ride to Neah Bay w/Mike Z 7:30 Meet at Edmonds Ferry dock Sat Jul 13 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sat Jul 13 Ride to Winthrop for lunch w/Justin leave from breakfast meeting Sun Jul 14 STP - Seattle to Portland Bicycle Ride Portland Bridge (Coordinate with Jeff from Chapter A) Mon Jul 15 Jul 18 GWTA Gold Rush - Bowling Green KY https://gwta.org/event/gold-rush/ Mon Jul 15 Jul 22 One week ride to Canadian Rockies (Jasper) 9am depart from Smokey Point Rest Area Tue Jul 23 6:30 Dinner at Big Lake Bar & Grill 18247 WA-9, Mt Vernon Sat Jul 27 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Fri Aug 02 Aug 04 Three day Men's Ride to BC (Whistler, Hope) 9am depart from Smokey Point Rest Area Sat Aug 10 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sat Aug 10 Three Pass Blast (Hwy 2, 97, 90) w/Walt leave from breakfast meeting Sat Aug 17 Ride to Artist Point (Mt Baker Hwy) w/Walt 9am depart from Smokey Point Rest Area Tue Aug 20 6:30 Dinner at Emory's on Silver Lake 11830 19th Ave SE, Everett Sat Aug 24 Aug 25 Overnight Ride to Government Camp, OR 9am depart from Mariner Park & Ride Sat Aug 24 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett Sat Aug 31 Chapter A Ice Cream Ride details TBD

Fri Sep 06 Sep 09 GWTA Campout weekend Squaw Rock RV Resort & Campground, Naches WA Sat Sep 14 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sat Sep 14 Ride to Leavenworth w/Justin leave from breakfast meeting Sun Sep 22 Oyster Run Anacortes WA Sat Sep 28 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Oct 12 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sat Oct 12 Ride to Windy Ridge w/DJ (near Mt St Helens) Tue Oct 22 6:30 Dinner at McMenamin's Bothell 18607 Bothell Way NE, Bothell Sat Oct 26 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Nov 09 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sun Nov 17 2pm Planning Meeting then go out to eat Everett Powersports - upstairs meeting room Sat Nov 23 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett Sat Nov 30 Chapter A Ice Cream Ride details TBD

Sat Dec 14 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett Sun Dec 15 6pm Christmas Party at Village Taphouse & Grill 1204 3rd St, Marysville

EVERYTHING ON THIS CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE questions/comments/changes...contact howiedickerman@outlook.com



Ads will be listed for three (3) months or until transaction completion! For GWRRA and GWTA Members Ads Free! Got something to buy, sell, or trade? Got something on your wish list? Got something you wish to donate or give away?

FOR SALE

2017 Slingshot 5 speed with less than 3,000 miles. Located in Washington State. Call for Pricing.





Contact Mike White at 360-340-2588 or Bijou White at 360-620-1536 or email at babyblue370@gmail.com.



Two sets of Saddle Bags for 2001 - 2010 Goldwings One Black and One Dark Red.

They are from "New" Wings that were triked at a Honda Dealer. Asking \$100 each.



Don Hatley dhatwaa@comcast.net Chapter "A" became officially operational in September 1980 (This is our 44th year).



The Chapter CD Lee Adams was known around the area as the Ape man due to he had so many Apes attached to his bike. They almost covered the bike. I, Don Hatley, was ACD at the time and took over as CD when Lee was transferred to Texas by Boeing. It only made sense that the Ape would continue to be our mascot.

--Don Hatley, original member

Thanks for Reading our Newletters!

Got an Article, Story, Funny or Buy/Sell/Give Ad?

Be sure to submit by midnight of the 20th of the month to be included in that month's newsletter.

Send your comments, questions, and submittals to Newsletter Editor Jocelyn Piechowiak. <u>jocelynpiechowiak@hotmail.com</u> Call or Text 206-249-6310.

THE END.