



Friends for fun, safety and knowledge

June 2006

Chapter "E" Bellevue



Chapter WA-E Web Address: <http://www.gwr-ra-wae.org>

Message from your Chapter Directors: Bob & Patty Spencer

Has anyone noticed? We're **GROWING!** No...I don't mean our waist lines, although mine seems to be. We have lots of new friends in the chapter and Patty and I are pleased to see you getting involved in our chapter activities and rides. We're glad you chose our chapter and we will do everything we can to affirm your decision to join us. Also, as you're Chapter Directors, we will do our best to keep it fun by living up to the "GWRRA" motto, "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge". We also encourage your feedback, both positive and negative (as long as it's constructive). So, please don't hesitate to offer suggestions and share new ideas. We are always looking for fun things to do and better ways to do some of the things we already do. We want to hear from you. After all, **THIS IS YOUR CHAPTER!**

Speaking of getting involved, we have had several rides this last month. The turnout was great for the May "after meeting ride" which took us up Whidbey Island, across Deception Pass, into the back side of Anacortes and through Washington Park. The return trip was a Fast one, taking us through La-Conner and Conway and onto Interstate 5 for a quick ride home as it was beginning to get late. This year's Snohomish Bike show was bigger and better than ever and was also well attended by our chapter. Then there was the second annual "Bob's Omak Loop" ride with 24 bikes participating in the overnight adventure. On Sunday we split into several groups which went different ways for various reasons and each had their own story of the weather and ride home, but all in all I think everyone had a fun time and I am already looking forward to planning next year's surprise ride!

There is still a lot of summer left with lots of rides and activities to fill your calendar. Two important events to remember are the Gustin picnic at the lake on July 15th (after our chapter meeting). This is a family event and we always have a ball with lots to do and eat! You don't want to miss this one. The other one is the District Rally on July 21st - 23rd. We want to make a good showing at the rally. In addition to working security for a day we also will be participating in the talent contest as a group. Don't be shy! No one will be singled out. We will do our thing as a group.

Bellevue Chapter WA-E Breakfast

Our next meeting is:

Saturday, July 15th

We meet at the Paragon Hotel (old Ramada Inn) on the corner of 112th Ave NE and NE 8th just off 405 in Bellevue

Breakfast/Meeting Hours:

Summer May-Sept. 8:00 AM

Ice Cream Social

Join us every Thursday night through the summer at Triple XXX in Issaquah, starts at 6 pm.

Hope to see you there!!!



What's on the calendar?

June 22nd and 29th - "Ice Cream Social" - Come join us for dinner, a root beer, an ice cream treat, or all three. Held at the famous "Triple X Drive In" at the NE corner of Front street and Gilman Blvd in Issaquah. 6:00 p.m. to about 7:30.

June 25th - "Bike Show at Remlinger Farms" - We have been asked to show our bikes at the Remlingers Farm "Strawberry Festival" this Sunday (10:30 to 2:30). This will be great exposure for us and for motorcycling in general. Please make an effort to bring your bike to this event. We would like a strong showing. Remlinger Farms has been very supportive of the biking community and even hosts the "Ride For Kids" ride in September. They will have an area roped off for us and provide seating, free admittance to the park and free pie and coffee! **Now what winger can turn down free pie???** Patty and I will leave the Canyon Park QFC Starbucks at 8:30 a.m. Come join us, or meet us at the Carnation Starbucks at 9:30 or be at Remlinger Farm at 10:15. For more information about Remlinger Farm go to www.remlingerfarms.com See you all on Sunday!

July 2nd - "Run to the Wall" - This is not a GWRRA ride but all GWRRA chapters were invited to participate and our District Director passed it along to us. I thought some of you may be interested in going. We will meet at the Canyon Park (QFC) Starbucks and plan to leave at 8:00 a.m. sharp. We will ride to Silverdale via the Edmonds / Kingston ferry and join the "Run to the Wall" ride from Legend Harley Davidson to the "7 Cedars" Casino in Sequim. After closing ceremonies at 1:00 p.m. we can take a nice leisure ride through Port Townsend, Chimicum, Port Ludlow and Port Gamble on our way home. If you haven't seen this traveling tribute, or the "real thing" in Washington DC as Patty and I did last year, I assure you that it is a moving experience that you won't want to miss. Bring a hanky. More info at www.themovingwall.org

July 2nd - 6th - "Wing Ding" - Being held this year in Nashville, Tennessee. The Thurgoods will be there, competing for the International "Couple of the Year". We wish them luck and a safe journey to and from Wing Ding. Good luck Bob and Thess. We wish we could be there to support you.

July 8th - "Ride to Vancouver, BC" (Maritime Museum) - This will be a day ride. More information to follow. link www.vancouvermaritimemuseum.com

July 15th - Chapter "E" picnic at the Gustin's - This is a family event and has been a lot of fun in past years. Rick and Sue are wonderful hosts and we thank them for opening their lakeside home to us, for a fun day of eating, swimming, sailing, fishing, lawn games and more eating. More information to follow. You won't want to miss this, our favorite chapter event of the summer! Mark your calendars now if you haven't already.

July 21st - 23rd - "Washington District Rally" - Lot's of information to follow.



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

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June 9, 2006

Re: Wing Ding 28 Masters Luncheon

You are cordially invited to attend the Masters Luncheon on Thursday, July 6, 2004, at 11:00 a.m. The luncheon will be hosted by the **Gibson Showcase at 161 Opry Mills Dr., Nashville, TN**. This is located in the mall adjacent to the Opryland Hotel.

The luncheon is a new approach to our annual get together and is a result of the feedback and input from many of our Master level membership. The event has been scheduled to allow attendance and participation without the overlapping schedules of seminars, training and other Wing Ding events. Please plan on joining us and sharing the camaraderie of an elite group of motorcyclists dedicated to maintaining and growing Rider Education not only within GWRRA but also within our sport throughout the world.

Lunch will be served promptly at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed by the annual Rider Education Division recognition awards including the annual Rider Education Division National Merit Awards and the National Educator of the Year Award. The presentation ceremonies will conclude no later than 1 p.m. The luncheon is capacity limited to 500. With the elimination of the annual renewal fees for all Masters the luncheon is available only by pre-registration reservation and purchase. Tickets can be reserved and purchased for **\$15 per person** by contacting member services at **800-843-9460**. The luncheon tickets will be included in the member's registration packet for Wing Ding. **Entry for the luncheon will require the ticket**. Guests are welcome but must be registered Wing Ding participants and accompanied by a Master. Thank you for your dedication, support and enthusiasm. You represent the finest of examples for our membership.

We trust that this will be a great event and that it will provide an enjoyable time for everyone.

Sincerely,

Bob Lorenz
Senior International Director
Rider Education Division

Luncheon Menu:

Roasted Chicken Breast
Roast Beef Carving w/ assorted fresh rolls and sauces
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Green Beans with Shallots
Fresh Fruit Display
Assorted Cakes and pies
Beverages: Tea, coffee, soft drinks, bottled water

Chapter WA- E 2006 RIDE CALENDAR

June

3-4 WA-R Blue Mountain Run
10-11 Bob's Omak/Chelan Overnighter Loop Ride
17 Breakfast Meeting 8:00 - Followed by NW Trek
18 WA-Z "Porker" run

July

2-6 Wing Ding
8 Vancouver, BC Day Ride
15 Breakfast Meeting 8:00 - followed by Gustin Picnic
20-23 Washington District Rally in Longview
29 Mt. Rainier Ride
30 GWRRA Chapter E Night at the Aqua Sox

August

5-7 Carson Hot Springs double overnighter
12 WA-Y Riddler Run
17-20 Region I Rally in Wyoming
18-20 WA-P Oyster Feed
19 Breakfast Meeting 8:00 - Followed by Music in the Mountains
26-27 Olympic Peninsula Hoh Rainforest Overnighter

Sept

3 Labor Day Picnic
10 Ride for Kids
16 Breakfast meeting 8:00 - Followed by 3-Pass Ride
24 Oyster run in Anacortes

Oct

7 Washington District Leadership Workshop - Moses Lake
21 Breakfast Meeting 9:00 - (Winter Hours Begin)
21-22 South Hill (Puyallup) Mall Show
28 Game Night at Smith's Home - Theme: Halloween

Nov

18 Breakfast Meeting 9:00 - Followed by 2007 Ride Calendar Planning Meeting

Dec

2 WA-E Christmas Party
9 WA-D Festival of Lights
16 Breakfast Meeting 9:00

NOTES

- (1) Rides and activities are subject to change for any number of reasons
- (2) We will continue to add items as they come up.

GWRRA
WASHINGTON DISTRICT RALLY
2006

Cowlitz County Fair Grounds
JULY 20, 21&22, 2006
1900 7th Avenue
Longview, Washington

THREE RIVERS RENDEZVOUS

We have blocked out 10 rooms at the Best Western "Aladdin Motor Inn" 310 Long Ave in Kelso for July 21st and 22nd. The motel is less than a half mile from the fairgrounds.

If you are going to take one of these rooms, call the toll free number 1-800-764-7378 and tell them you are with "**CHAPTER E**" of the Gold Wing Road Riders to reserve it. The price is \$65.00 a night. They have a continental breakfast and an indoor pool and jacuzzi.



Time Share

We have a 4-person occupancy unit at Lake Placid Lodge just a couple minutes out of the main Whistler Village in B.C. The drive up is gorgeous on a bike or any other mode of transportation. There is secured covered parking. It is a SUMMER week (May - Sept.) There are at least 3 major golf courses in the area, miles of hiking/walking trails, mountain biking, trampolines, rock climbing, restaurants galore, entertainment, theatres, etc. Also we have a membership in RCI which allows you to "bank" the week you choose and exchange it for resorts all over the world. We will also include 2 extra weeks that we have already banked (one needs to be used this year and one before the end of next year). We have a lot of information we will give to anyone interested. We would be willing to sell it for \$2,000. It can be passed down to your children, etc.

We are willing to discuss this with anyone interested.
Just give us a call.

Thanks.
Joe and Freda 360-793-9791



Chapter E Business

Chapter E Birthdays & Anniversaries



Happy Birthday

MAY, 2006

Karen Jamison	3
Anna Hershey	6
Kathy Jones	7
Lance Donaldson	12

May Anniversaries

Bob & Carolyn Reagle	11
Chuck & Gale Thuot	17
Ron & Lana Peck	22



Chapter E Library

Please contact Jim & Karen Roberson if you are interested in borrowing something for your reading or viewing pleasures.

- Book: Street Strategies by David L. Hough
- Book: Proficient Motorcycling by David L. Hough
- VHS: Co-Rider from GWRRA (2002)
- VHS: Gary Sanford's Slow Speed Cycling Seminar
- VHS: Part 1: Helmet Effectiveness (Hurt Report); Part 2: Co-Rider from GWRRA (Pre-2002)
- VHS: GWRRA & Safeco present Touring & Braking / Trailing (1996)
- VHS: Buying Motorcycle Helmets (Snell Memorial Foundation)
- VHS: Basic Maintenance of the 1500 Goldwing with Andy MacDonald
- VHS: Advanced Maintenance for the 1500 Goldwing with Andrew MacDonald
- Report: Fatal Single Vehicle Motorcycle Crashes, October 2001
- Report: Drowsy Driving and Automobile Crashes
- Report: Impaired Motorcycle Riding: What Motorcyclists Think About Alcohol and Motorcycling, February 2001

Reminders

Gustin picnic

July 15th

Eating, games, swimming, sailing, paddle boat, fishing....Lot's of fun!

Run to the Wall

July 2nd



Aqua Sox

Tickets are now on sale now!!!

July 30th

Steve Lee (206-406-7800) for tickets.



This is a fundraiser for our chapter; hope to see you all there.

Rider Education

By Jim & Karen Roberson

“Dressing in Layers”

From the GWRRA Rider Education Newsletter June 2005

I was trying to come up with an article this month and ran across this one. With the weather being as cool as it has been lately, we should all learn from this article. Jim Roberson “Chapter Educator”

Why are layers important? They help you maintain comfort and protection while riding. The comfort will allow you to keep your mind clear to think about your riding, looking for hazards, and enjoy the ride. If you are too cool or too hot then your thinking is on your discomfort and not your defensive riding. Protection from the cool and heat will require you to wear items of clothing that afford warmth or cooling. The motorcycle dealers have many items to help you keep warm or cool.

The clothing manufactures in the last few years have addressed the problems and have designed some great riding apparel. There are great jackets, helmets with vents, gloves with ventilation or liners, pants and chaps with removable liners, boots to keep you dry, warm and cool. When looking to purchase these items the size you always wear may feel good in the show room, but set down in a chair or even better find a bike to mount up. This will allow you to see if the pants are tight as you put you leg over the seat or too short in the riding position, or the jackets are not long enough to cover your lumbar area, and the sleeves are exposing you wrist or arms. I have seen many types of gloves that look good till I put them on. They tend to have pinch points and the fingers have seams on the palm side. This will cause your hands much discomfort and could cause them to cut off blood circulation. Do not worry about looks when buying your apparel. Comfort for 300 or 400 miles is so important to a safe and pleasant ride.

