

Gold Nuggets

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APRIL/MAY 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- APRIL 22ND
BIKE
MAINTENANCE DAY
- APRIL 23RD
TEAM RIDING COURSE.
- MAY 5-7 ARC
- MAY 13 MEMORIAL RIDE
- MAY 20 VICTORIA DAYS

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Letter from the Chapter A Directors

Spring has sprung

They say April showers bring May flowers well what if it rains forever. Are we going to need a six cylinder weed eater? Well despite the rain we have had a few good rides already this year up to Boston Bar, up from Portland on Harleys and Indians, a Whistler run and a few others.

Basically, if you haven't insured your bike you're missing out on some good ones. We've had some training sessions with a Maintenance day this weekend and the ARC just around the corner. Tracy and I are looking forward to the Victoria Day Rally in Salmon Arm followed by a 15,000 KM trip to the east coast.

On another note we have the Alphabet Ride officially starting May 1st so please be sure you get your cards, you are getting out for rides and logging your trips. A full card gets you in the draw for prizes TBA.

This should be a great year so let's get this party started.

See you out there

Keiller and Tracy

Directors

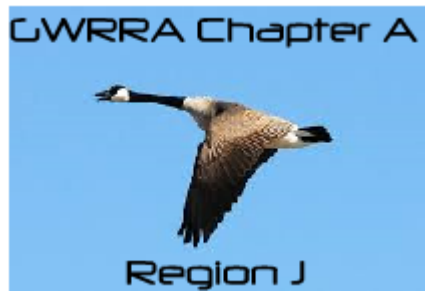
Chapter A



Monitoring Radio

CB Ch. 33

Amateur Radio Frequency Simplex 146.490 and
Repeater - Mount Seymour 145.350 (tone 127.3)



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BC's Chapter A is located in Canada's third largest city, Vancouver British Columbia. Situated in the pristine natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest and nestled between the shores of the Pacific Ocean and the majestic peaks of the Coastal Mountain ranges. Riders and Co-riders are blessed with an abundance of some of the most scenic areas available to motorcycle touring enthusiasts anywhere.

"Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge"

Message from the Editor:



WANTED! If you are interested in taking it on or partnering with another member let us know! We would love to have a someone excited about putting together our monthly newsletter. If you love talking to people, gathering news stories or even writing a few yourself this job is for you. Contact Tracy Gowans to express your interest in this fun position.

This is your newsletter, anything you would like to contribute please send to:

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2017 Chapter BC A Team

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If you are interested in holding a position on the Executive or would like to nominate someone please contact the chapter directors

April 2017 Region Report



"Volunteers are needed for the Region J Rally in Fort Langley in August"

*Gary and Susan
Premech
Region J Directors*

Hello everyone,

Well spring has sprung in some area and yet others are still playing with winter. Here in Calgary as we are writing this, the snow is almost gone and you can hear a few eager souls out on their motorcycles. Some louder than other but they are enjoying the weather and pushing the limits as well. Remember that if you are going out for a ride to watch for gravel, black ice and of course the other motorist that think motorcyclist are still hibernating.

At our last meeting with the Chapter Directors we had asked them to pass on a request for volunteers to help with different parts of the Region J Rally in August. This is a team event and with everyone assistance we can make this another great event. This is one of those yearly events to catch up with old friends and meet new ones.

At the Chapter level, you can help your Chapter Directors and their teams with your participation at your monthly gatherings by volunteering to lead group rides, bring in guest speakers or even make your own presentation about something special you did. People are always interested in hearing about your motorcycle trips, European vacations, Cruises, etc. Bring up events that you would like to see happen as you will never know until you try it if it was a success or not. You would be surprised!! The team is only as good as the players. We have a lot of talent out there that hasn't been unleashed yet. Volunteer and have fun as you are part of the GWRRA family with a moto of Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge.

Celebrating our 40th year in business, GWRRA is inviting all of you to join in the celebration this year at Wing Ding in Grapevine Texas, August 29th to September 2nd.

Until next month,

Gary and Susan Premech
Region J Directors

BC- A Chapter Member Profile - Peter MacGregor

Petey's Prattle



As penance for winning the 50/50 a few months ago, I have been roped into writing this column for the newsletter.

For those who do not know me too well, when I was young and starting off in the insurance business in Ontario, I investigated a number of motorcycle accidents and swore that I would never get on one of these damn things!

However, back in the early 90's I was working with some riders who romanticized how great motorcycling was. So I broke down and enrolled in Action Riding School and ended up getting my class 6 license. After a couple of scary test rides, I settled on a Gold Wing and eventually bought my one and only blue 1988 GL1500 in 1993. The following year, I joined GWRRA following seeing a mall show at Guildford.

I initially attended BC-D and BC-A, and became the Ride Coordinators for both Chapters as I seemed to know more of the local roads than the native BCers. During this time, I met Sheila and we married in 1996. I had settled at BC-A, and we became the Acting Chapter Directors for a short time before moving to Chilliwack where we became the Chapter Directors. After moving to Victoria for work, and we associated with BC-V and became the ACDs there before moving back to the Vancouver area and returning to BC-A. Sheila has not ridden with me since about 2006. I was the ACD to John Wait and later the BC District Educator, BC District Ambassador and am now the Region J Ambassador.

I have also been a Seminar Presenter in the Rider Education Program for a number of years and was certified earlier this year as a GWRRA University Trainer.

Over the years, Sheila and I have met many fellow Wingers, many of which we still count as friends. Hopefully I will have a few more years of riding in me before I hang up the boots.

Peter MacGregor - #094727

Region Ambassador.

1984 Honda Gold Wing Aspencade

Before & After



Where do I begin? Let start here. Three years ago in July, I went to visit my father Jim in Carbon Alberta (near Drumheller). One morning my dad threw a bag on the table with 1984-87 Wing manual in it and said to make sure I keep up the maintenance and take good care of it; he of course was talking about his 1984 Honda Goldwing Aspencade. This was brought about because he was sick (cancer) and the bike was now too big for him to safely handle. I was sad for my

pops but of course very happy to be given such a wonderful gift. In general, the Wing at this point was all original, (except the pipes), a very tight motor and the body in fairly good shape.

Although, I immediately thought, I need to make the bike new and shiny again. The task of bringing the olé girl up to speed was at hand. It began one summer day with me wondering in the Daytona bike shop and started to chat with a guy named Damon about whether or not they had any old Honda bike parts that I could purchase. Bonus! to my surprise he said that he had new wings decals for the entire bike, (front, back and side), this was like music to my ears, anything for a bike that old is difficult to find, especially brand new and in the package. I bought them over a period of a few months as I was going to BCIT full time and fazools were tight. The next year I added new PIAA lights and a new tire. Moving along I finished two years of school and was hired as a Health and Safety Coordinator, and began to make those fazools. It was time now to really make my scooter Purdy, or so I thought. There was a slight change in plans, I decided to marry the most amazing and beautiful lady by the name of Jaime; that meant a ring and I may add a big ring (is there any other kind?). I have to say it was a close toss up; buying a ring or fixing scooter, oh the contemplations, ha ha. I believe I made the 'wise' and 'smart' decision, the bike was put on hold for a bit.

Moving along I went to my awesome brother Wayne Manuel, as I always do since being given his number two years ago on my first day of attending a GWRRA BC-A Vancouver meeting. I never would have imagined that would be such a huge blessing. Wayne and his wife Louis are absolutely fantastic people. I only thought I was getting a number for a dude that was good at working on old Wings and every other kind of bike, as I would find out later; however, I gained a friend, brother and a sister.

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1984 Aspencade Before & After



After several discussions with Wayne, I made a commitment to put all of my extra cash for the next 4 months into two-tone custom paint, with pin stripping, lots of chrome, suspension (progressive), springs, 12 Volt outlet, Flush mount Volt gauge new forks, windshield, CB, etc., etc. there is way too much to list, not even kidding. Wayne did all kinds of work that is unseen, for example, replaced all of the wood screws and standard bolts to metric, and wiring. The bike was completely stripped, my fairing and bags cut

into recyclable pieces as mine were cracked from the bike being dropped (not by me).

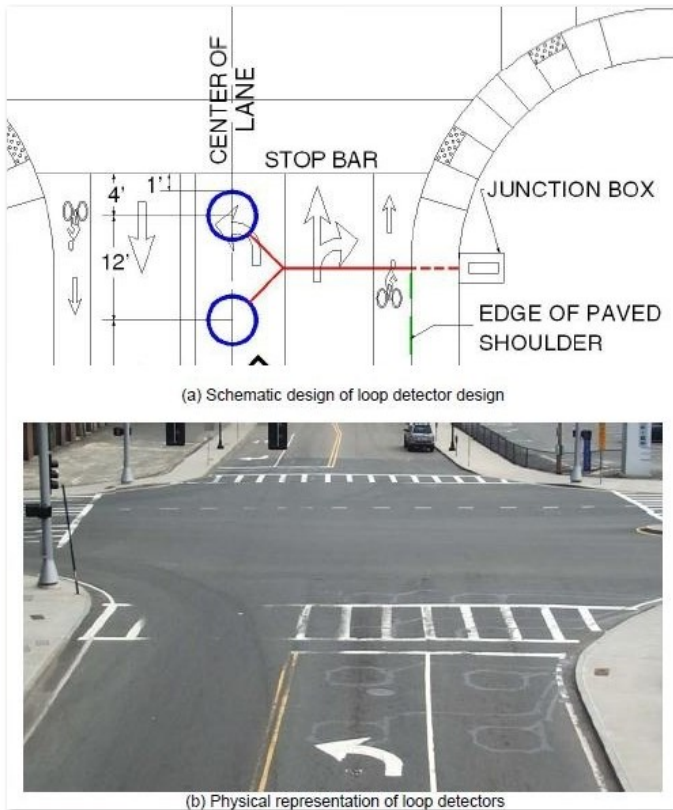
Wayne had a fairing and bags that were like new inside and out, so Mr. Grumpy gave them to me, nice huh, ya. What's funny is that, on the bottom of my bill Wayne wrote "There was lots of little things that I did to make things fit properly at no charge – Just because I could," ha ha, how awesome is that! We took the 25 pieces to a painter that Wayne knew and vouched was reputable and did quality work. His name is Ken Breen 604 220 3469, this Kat has been painting for almost 40 years and for the last 15 only motorcycles. I can say he is very easily to get along with and extremely detailed. Three weeks later Wayne and I picked up the pieces and then Wayne started to work his magic. Wayne and his sweetie in six-weeks were leaving for a month-long trip to Europe. I have to say, in the beginning I was like, dang, I wonder if he will have my bike completed before they go on their trip. Well, the rest is history and I still have a permanent smile and heart full of gratitude for all of Wayne's and Ken's exceptional work.



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Tech Report Article submitted by Keiller Gowans

Traffic Loop Detectors - How do they work?



How it Works:

The preformed or saw-cut loop is buried in the traffic lane and is a continuous run of wire that enters and exits from the same point. The two ends of the loop wire are connected to the loop extension cable, which in turn connects to the vehicle detector. The detector powers the loop causing a magnetic field in the loop area and it resonates at a constant frequency that the detector monitors. A base frequency is established when there is no vehicle over the loop so when a large metal object, such as a vehicle, moves over the loop, the resonate frequency increases. This increase in frequency is sensed and, depending on the design of the detector, forces a normally open relay to close. The relay will remain closed until the vehicle leaves the loop and the frequency returns to the base level. The relay can trigger any number of devices such as an audio intercom system, a gate, a traffic light, etc. In general, a compact car will cause a greater increase in frequency than a full size car or truck.

This occurs because the metal surfaces on the under carriage of the vehicle are closer to the loop. Also, it is interesting to note that the frequency change is very consistent between two vehicles of the same make and model, so much so that a detector can almost be designed to determine the type of vehicle over the loop. It is interesting to note that the frequency change is very consistent between two vehicles of the same make and model, so much so that a detector can almost be designed to determine the type of vehicle over the loop.

Motorcycles

There is a misconception that inductive loop vehicle detection is based on metal mass. This is simply not true. Detection is based on metal surface area, otherwise known as skin effect. The greater the surface area of metal in the same plane as the loop, the greater the increase in frequency. For example, a one square foot piece of sheet metal positioned in the same plane of the loop has the same effect as a hunk of metal one foot square and one foot thick. Another way to illustrate the point is to take the same one square foot piece of sheet metal, which is easily detected when held in the same plane as the loop, and turn it perpendicular to the loop and it becomes impossible to detect. Keep this principle in mind when riding a motorcycle over a loop detector.

Municipal changes

Some Municipalities are adjusting the way that loop detectors function. Some of those changes will have an effect on what happens when your vehicle is detected and will react differently when more than one vehicle is detected. In some cases as the vehicles are detected the length of the light will be increased and in other cases the light will only operate with one vehicle from times like 12AM to 5AM and the rest of the time more than one vehicle is required to initiate the change.

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Ride to Portland Oregon and back on April 14th 2017



The crew left Vancouver at 5 am in a one way rental van with Chuck Taylor at the helm, and headed straight down to Portland Oregon stopping for breakfast along the way at a real greasy spoon called Don's in Marysville Washington. They got down to Portland Oregon around lunch time and as organized by Dan Fortin, picked up the bikes at Eagle Rider. Three Harley's and three Indian's had to be returned to Eagle Rider in Vancouver after a one way rental landed them in Portland.

Chuck Taylor, Rob Goslin, Dan Fortin, Gord McDonald, Keiller Gowans and Johnathan (Friend of Chuck's) rode around the Portland area on some awesome roads for a bit, then stopped for lunch at a micro brewery (no alcohol was consumed). The crew separated part way, 4 stayed overnight and went to the Lemay Auto Museum in Tacoma and had excellent weather on the way home on Saturday. Keiller and Chuck continued home to Vancouver on Friday getting home at 1:45 am the next day. It took a little while to get used to a Harley but it was a fun experience and a nice change but Keiller says he would not give up his Gold Wing. You're safe Max!



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50/50 Draw Article submitted by Joe LeBlanc

Subject: Headline Story from the Rotherham Observer.....

Buttock Tattoo Terror Lands Rotherham Pair In Hospital



A row has broken out between a local tattoo artist and client after what started out as a routine inking session left both of them requiring emergency hospital treatment. Furious film fan and part-time plus-size model Tracey Munter (23), had visited the Ink it Good Tattoo Emporium on Wellgate last week to have the finishing touches applied to a double buttock representation of the chariot race scene from the iconic 1959 film, Ben Hur.

Tattooist Jason Burns takes up the story.

"It was a big job in more ways than one," he told us "I'd just lit a roll-up and was finishing off a centurions helmet. It's a delicate, close up work. Next thing is, I sense a slight ripple in the buttock cleavage area just around Charlton Heston's whip, and hissing sound - more of a whoosh than a rasp - and before I know what's happening, there's a flame shooting from her arse to my fag and my beards gone up like an Aussie bush fire."

Jason says he rushed to the studio sink to quell the flames, only to turn around and see Tracey frantically fanning her buttock area with a damp towel. The flames had travelled down the gas cloud and set fire to her thong which was smoking like a cheap firework.

"To be honest", said Jason, "I didn't even realize she was wearing one. You'd need a sodding mining license and a torch to find out for sure. She could have had a complete wardrobe in there and I'd have been none the wiser."

Jason and Tracey were taken to Rotherham District Hospital accident and emergency department where treated for minor burns and shock. Both are adamant that the other is to blame. "I'm furious" said Jason, "I've got a face like a mange-ridden dog and my left eyebrow's not there anymore. I don't know about Ben Hur - Gone With the Wind's more like it. You don't just let rip in someone's face like that, it's dangerous."

But Tracey remains both angry and unrepentant; "I'm still in agony," she said "and Charlton Heston looks more like Sidney bloody Poitier now. Jason shouldn't have had a fag on the go and there's no way I'd guff on purpose. He'd had me on all fours for nearly an hour, I can only put up with that for so long before nature takes it's course. My Kev knows that I give him my five-second warning and I'd have done the same for Jason, but I didn't get chance - it just crept out."

Ted Walters from the South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue service wasn't surprised when we told him what had happened. "People just don't appreciate the dangers." He told us, "We get called out to more flatulence ignition incidents that kitchen fires these days now that people have moved over to oven chips. We have a slogan "Flame n' Fart - Keep "em apart". Anyone engaging in an arse-inking scenario would do well to bear that in mind in the future."

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Member Article submitted by John Waddington

Trail Mix



A beautiful fall day. Big blue sky, rolling countryside, well kept fields, separated by stands of trees.

What a wonderful day to be out on my Gold Wing and also perform a useful purpose. A few weeks earlier I had volunteered to provide assistance and security for a mass bicycle tour through the rolling country of South Langley and Surrey.

Well I was having a wonderful time. Hundreds of bicycle riders pedaling like mad along the rural roads. Me gently twisting my throttle wrist. I had pulled over and was quietly waiting for more riders to appear over a rise. Engine off and just enjoying the serenity and solitude of the moment. After a few moments a quiet voice sounded coming from behind me. "Excuse me but are you with the bicyclists?" it said. Quickly returning to

reality I looked around. Standing a few feet behind me was what could be described as a "Gentleman Farmer".

Well yes I am, I replied. Actually I and some other motorcycle enthusiasts are acting as safety and assist personnel for the bicycle tour participants.

In a polite and well-spoken manner the "Farmer" explained that he owned property nearby and in fact boarded and occasionally rented horses. The equine enthusiasts used the area for trail rides and on occasion rode along the rural roads shared by, on this day, many bicycles and a few Gold Wings.

He then asked if I would pass on some safety information to the bikers of all persuasion. "The horses and riders in this area are familiar with motorized vehicles and usually there is no problem when they share the road". However, he said, "horses had eyes and ears a long way from the hindmost part of their bodies!" The problems occur when a vehicle (bicycle, car or motorcycle), perhaps in a misguided or misinformed attempt to be polite. When passing the pachyderms they do so very quietly.

The horse doesn't know they are near until he/she suddenly spies the vehicle from the corner of one eye. Occasionally this intrusion into whatever the horse is thinking about, next oat snack, weight of the rider, filly in the next field, etc with disastrous results. The horse can become startled and shy, buck, jump or get spooked (farmers word not mine). Any of the aforementioned horse antics can have serious repercussions to the horse rider. The gem of wisdom the country gentleman imparted on me was totally opposite to what I, out of consideration to the riders, had been doing! He suggested that when approaching to pass a horse or group (herd) ensures that some noise is made. Talking, music, bells, or the mellowed sound of exhausts (motorcycle not human). This will alert the four-legged beasts that something is approaching from behind and they are not as likely to be surprised when they see you beside them.

I was pleased to be asked to pass this info on to bicyclists and fellow motorcycle riders. In my misguided wisdom I had been doing the exact opposite. When passing horses I had pulled in the clutch, eased off the throttle and passed in "whisper mode". All the while thinking what a wonderful and considerate rider I was.! So, at the request of horse owners and riders who share the country byways with us, I ask that you heed the gentleman's advice and make a little noise when approaching and passing horses on the road.

This will help in us keeping the tire side down and the horse riders in keeping their backside up.

John Waddington

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GWRRRA BC Drill Team Riding April 2017

Drill Team Riding,

With a view to adding something to your chapter newsletters, we are continuing this year with Drill Team Tech articles. While we share these opinions and viewpoints, these articles are not intended to provide you instruction on how to ride your motorcycle. Please seek assistance from a professional riding school, or GWRRRA rider course to improve your riding skills.

How much “Focus” and “What” to focus on!

Here's a photo from the Gold Run 2007 in Merit.

(Back Row) Dave Beaverstock, Arnie Tucker, Gordon Benns, John Wait, Tea Brideau,
(Front Row) John Waddington, Mark Redl, John Lang, Wanda Truesdell, Roger Gledlie.



Well we should be riding now!

How much focus do our riders have to commit to “Riding Technique” while riding a performance? That has to be difficult paying attention to my riding “and” the routine all at once! When we first get back in the saddle after a little time off through the winter, we “do” have to focus on our skills and pay attention to what we are doing individually! That consists of assessing how well you are talking to the bike, and reading the bikes “feedback” to your input.

It's kind of like “re-joining” the team again because you might have lost some of those “fine skills” you had last summer! Not unexpected at all, in fact it's pretty well normal. Each rider gets back into the swing of things a little differently from one another, but they catch up quickly, or rather, “faster” than the average rider.

Once we get further into the start of the season and we start riding maneuvers, our riders don't spend anywhere near as much time having to focus as much “mental” energy on riding technique because they have spent enough time, “Reinforcing” muscle memory and a fine “sense” of feedback. Once we start riding maneuvers, we tend to focus on what is being “called”, finding our “intervals”, finding our “set up” points,



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GWRRRA BC Drill Team Riding April 2017



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that pretty well takes most of your focus. The riding part starts to become “ingrained” and does not need so much focus HOWEVER! At the start of each practice we will devote “some” time to skill re-enforcement and development so we don’t just “drop” skill challenge and individual skill practice, because we need to keep a level of ability “Up” to a team standard and expectations all the way through the season. But when we ride a performance, almost all our attention goes to the performance.

Having some “fun” at riding a new maneuver and seeing the puzzle pieces of a new routine come together will stir up some smiles and that’s what this stuff is also supposed to be. “FUN”. Making mistakes and turning the wrong way can actually be pretty funny to watch some times, soooooo..... It’s also important to learn to laugh at our mistakes so that you can keep a healthy attitude and take some pressure off! That’s why we call it “**Practice**” Not to confuse “FUN” with “Hard Work” because that is in there as well! It takes repetition and plenty of feedback from our peers to perfect anything we do!

So the first steps riding with the team will consist of some growing spurts, as well as



some “Ahh Haa” moments, you are finding things out about yourself, and your bike.

The smallest rider can control the largest bike with ease once they have figured out where all the “power” comes from to control a heavy “monster”. Your bikes “**Engine torque**” “**Handle Bars**”, and “**wheels**” are responsible for making your dream machine “Dance”! Your brain is the “**computer**”, your arms legs, and muscles are the “**wiring, patch chords, and interface**”. Your eyes and “inner ear” become sensory input, and the bike simply becomes the final mechanical mechanisms that you put in motion.

So much for my previous comments about “dance partner”! I know you all think I should make up my mind! Is it a “lady”? or a darn machine!? The more you ride it, the more ladylike she becomes.

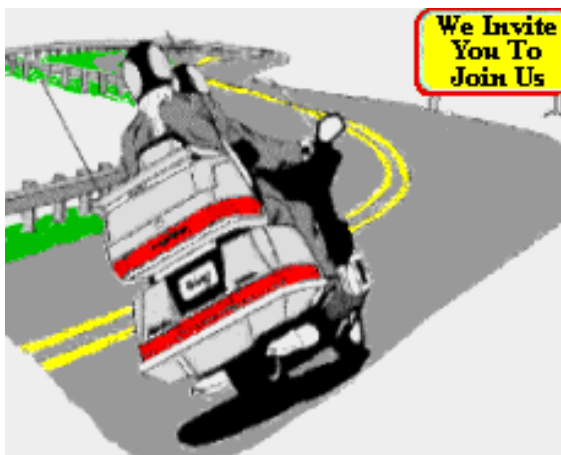
Well my lady needs a wash!

Until next month, “Shinny Up” Rob Ellis Captain BCMDT



FOOD *for* THOUGHT

Everyone open your eyes, get off your phones, stop being distracted, behind every bike behind every set of handle bars is a father, brother, son, mother, sister, daughter, etc. I'd love to see ALL my friends/family to share this post to help open eyes #bikerslivesmatter



BC Lower Mainland

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Chapter BC-A Vanc Breakfast Meeting

3rd Sunday of every Month (except Dec)

Check our website to confirm location

www.gwrrabca.org

Breakfast at 8:00 am Meeting at 9:00 am

Chapter BC-A Tuesday Night Coffee

(Rides in season)

Wendy's—3698 Grandview Hwy, Vancouver

Coffee 6:00 PM Ride 7:00 PM

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Chapter BC-D Surrey Dinner Meeting

1st Wednesday of every month

Ricky's Restaurant

152nd & Fraser Hwy, Surrey

Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

Chapter BC-D Friday Night Coffee

(Rides in season)

Tim Horton's—Fraser Hwy, & 166th St Surrey

Coffee 6:30 PM Ride 7:00 PM

Chapter BC-D Surrey Director

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Chapter BC-C Chilliwack Dinner Meeting

3rd Tuesday of every month (except Dec)

Characters Restaurant 8559 Young Rd. Chilliwack

Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

Chapter BC-C Breakfast/Ride Days Every other Sunday

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Upcoming Courses:

Skills Training Anyone?

Anyone interested in getting together in a large parking lot with a few cones and practicing some riding skills? Send Kelly Parkes an email. If we get enough interested we will schedule it. kparkes@shaw.ca





April Wedding Anniversaries

We need to update our database of member's birthday's and wedding anniversaries. Please send us an email with the month and year of your special dates so you don't get missed! Put Birthday and Anniversary dates in the title.

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Steve & Patty McKenna April 3rd

John & Kathy Schretlen April 7th,

Doug & Cathy Wilkins April 15th

April Birthdays

Heinz Blisse April 1st

Sue Arthurs April 21st

Harold Arthurs April 22nd

John Waddington April 24th

Toby Sandwell April 26th

GWRRA Anniversaries

Ellen Mikkelsen 21 years

Bernie Sparrow 12 years

Brad Sharun 12 years

Gord McDonald 11 years

Alex Horkoff 11 years

Donn Champion 6 years

Kim Treider 6 years

Ken Lebron 5 years

John Burke 4 years

Art & Tracinda Plenert 4 years

Michael Peterson 3 years

Ian & Deb Chalmers 3 years

Brian Ellis 1 year

COMING SOON!



April 2017

1	The Wacky Dinner	BC-D
9/23	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
5	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
8	Early Spring Fun Run	WA-E
9	Road Captains/Co Riders Course	BC-A/D
22	Bike Maintenance Day	BC-A
23	Breakfast Meeting (week later)	BC-A
23	Team Riding Course	
18	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
29	Mall show	BC-A/D



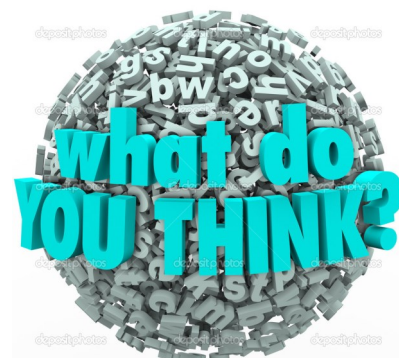
May 2017

3	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
5-7	Advanced Rider Course (ARC)	
13	Memorial Ride/Ice Cream Social	BC-D
7/21	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
21	Breakfast Meeting	BC-A
16	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
20-22	Victoria Days/Salmon Arm Rally	BC-G
28	Ride To Live/Prostate Cancer	
27	Medic First Aid (location TBA)	BC A/D



June 2017

3	Memorial Ride	BC-A
7	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
10	Duck Hunt Ride	WA-D
4/18	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
20	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
24	Triple D Ride	BC-A
25	Breakfast meeting (week later)	BC-A



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RIDERS WANTED

Riders Wanted

The BCMDT is looking for you to try something interesting and it involves riding your motorcycle around mostly scenic, and interesting roads all around our area.

Stay Tuned For upcoming events.

Contact Carl Schoten bcmdt-moto-safety@shaw.ca
or

604 202 7140

We pay for much more than your gas, so come give it a try.



Please sign up to volunteer at our GWRRA information booth. Most shifts are 3 hours and two-three people per shift. You must be a GWRRA Member in good standing.

Sign up online at <http://signup.com/go/zLXoWe> or give Keiller a call at 604 970 0531

Saturday April 29th 2017	Hatzic Valley Cycling Race	6 Motos and 1 first aid Moto Total	Dale R, Neils J, Patrick F, Carl S Need 2 more motos and 1 mo-
Sunday May 14th 2017	Hatzic Valley Cycling Race	6 Motos and 1 first aid Moto Total	Patrick F, Neils J, Carl S Need 3 more and 1 first aid
Saturday May 27th 2017	Escape Velocity Cycling Place TBD	6 Motos	
Sunday May 28th 2017	Escape Velocity Cycling Place TBD	6 Motos	

Sounds like a daunting task to put your thoughts down on paper and send it in but really just a few lines is all it really takes. Take a few minutes and send us whatever you have.... We love photos too.

- Did you go on a great ride lately?
- Did you attend a great event or meet some great people?
- Maybe find a solution to a problem others may also be trying to fix?
- Are you a techy and want to share your knowledge?
- Maybe you have a burning question we can publish in the newsletter?

Contact Tracy Gowans at gwrri.gowans@gmail.com with your ideas.

Deadline for articles for May's newsletter is May 1st 2017

Buy & Sell

For Sale/Want will run for 3 editions of the newsletter. Please contact the newsletter editor if you wish to extend it longer or if your item has been sold at gwrri.gowans@gmail.com or phone Tracy Gowans 604 219 5836 Ads are free



For Sale

"Rubber Side Down" HALO High Visibility Jacket.

Like new... Size 52, 100% Waterproof

Large front, back and upper arm venting, all zippers are rubber sealed.

Full CE rated protection in arms and shoulders - All removable.

Removable dual density spine protector, quilted full sleeve removable liner.

8" rear zipper for attachment to all "Rubber Side Down" pants

Wide arm cinch straps to prevent billowing of jacket.

MSRP \$329.00 Asking \$150.000 OBO

Call Wayne or Louise Manuel (Membership #21362) 604 584 1452

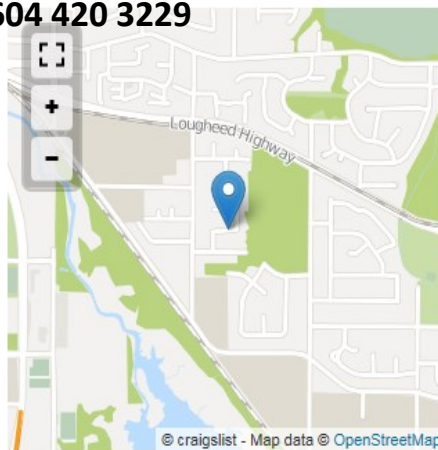
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☆ Gold Wing - \$13500

Contact Joe LeBlanc at acadianstoo@gmail.com

Phone 604 420 3229



([google map](#))

2006 honda gold wing 1800

condition: **excellent**

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FOR SALE

1800 Trunk Rack, new in the box. \$60



Contact:
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250-523-6561
kthomaser@telus.net



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For Sale 2013 GL1800

Only 46,750 KM, Silver/Black, CB Radio, AM/FM, Set up for Sirius XM, Truck rack, Passenger arm rests and cup holder, driver cup holder, trailer hitch with vertical receiver. Also includes Packet Rack and Receiver Rack. **New Price \$18,000 OBO**

Call Pat Williams at 778 590 1229
Or regionjtrainer@gmail.com

NEW AD

Good condition, new rear tire, Full load, CB,
Wired for Heated gear, Extra large windshield, Ultimate X custom saddle.
New rear suspension last year, Tow package.
Extra set of front brake pads, rear arm rests and full shop manual.
78263 miles, (EX US Bike)
Asking: \$5000

Patrick Austin
Cell: 250-961-2315



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NEW AD



For sale: 2011 Harley Davidson Softail Deluxe \$15,999 Negotiable (North Shore)

- Very Clean only, 11,800 Km Second Owner
- Always Garage Stored, Never seen Rain.
- Detachable HD windscreen, Back Rest HD
- Engine Guard, 1 year HD Factory Transferable extended warranty to June 2018.
- 96B Six speed cruise drive Serious Inquiries only, by appointment only.
- Call David Hibbard at 604 219 5514

Months after that wild night in the motel...



Chapter A Stores

For Sale items:

Patches:

	Description	Quantity on hand 2015-Mar-31	Cost	Quantity on hand 2016-Apr-4	Cost
Rocker	GWRRA BC-A Vancouver (black and gold with flags)	10	\$22.00	9	\$22.00
Rocker	The Great Northwest Region "J"	6	\$20.00	0	
Rocker	Chapter BC-A Vancouver (white, 2 Canada flags)	1	\$22.00	1	\$22.00
Round	10" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	5	\$15.00	4	\$15.00
Round	4" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	8	\$5.00	7	\$5.00
Round	10" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	5	\$15.00	3*	17.50*
Round	4" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	2	\$5.00	5*	9.00*
Round	4" GWRRA BC-A (blue with Canada goose)	5	\$7.00	5	\$7.00

Pins:

GWRRA BC district – large	2	\$5.00	2	\$5.00
GWRRA BC district – small	4	\$3.00	4	\$3.00
BC-A hangers?	89	\$3.00	Lots	\$3.00

Clothing

Hats- ball	O/S	3	\$10.00	3	\$10.00
Shirt-Long Sleeve	3xl	1	\$40.00	0	0
Shirt-Long Sleeve	2xl	2	\$40.00	2	\$40.00
Shirt-long sleeve	XI-Men	1	\$40.00	1	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve	L-Ladies	1	\$40.00	1	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve sport	3xl	1	\$40.00	0	0
Shirt-short sleeve sport	2xl	2	\$40.00	2	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve sport	M	3	\$40.00	0	0

Miscellaneous:

Antenna Flag		1	\$12.00	??	??
Static Cling Decal	4" Round	19	\$3.00	??	??



To purchase items from Chapter A's Stores
contact Dave Ward at drward@telus.net

Region J Rally in Langley British Columbia

Trinity Western University

August 4th - 6th 2017

PLEASE SEE BELOW REGARDING THE CAMPING FOR THE REGION J RALLY IN FORT LANGLEY AUGUST 4/5/6

I have now reserved all sites in 3 campgrounds for the Rally. All have been put on hold for August 4, 5 and 6, 2017 under GWRRA name. They all need individuals to call and confirm with their own credit card to guarantee site.

Brae Island Regional Park
(Fort Campground)
9451 Glover Rd.
Langley, BC
[604-888-3678](tel:604-888-3678)

They will now hold 30 sites, only until end of January. People must phone and book their site ASAP. The 30 tent sites have water & electric \$40.00 per night, minimum 3 nights. The 5 RV sites are full hook-ups \$48.00 per night, minimum 3 nights

Livingstone Campground
23141 72 Ave
Langley, BC
[604-882-3880](tel:604-882-3880)

The 6 sites have water & electric \$36.00 per night, 2 persons, \$5.00 additional per day for extra vehicle and \$5.00 additional per day for extra persons.

Hazelmere RV and Campground
18843 8 Ave
Surrey, BC
[1-877-501-5007](tel:1-877-501-5007) or [604-538-1167](tel:604-538-1167)
The 4 sites have water & electric \$45.15 (includes tax) per day

WE ARE STILL WAITING ON HOTEL INFORMATION.

Gary & Susan Premech
Region J Directors



**Region J Rally 2017
Trinity Western University
Langley, BC
August 4 to 6**

We need a LOGO idea for this year's event!

Region Directors, Gary and Susan Premech have put out a request for a LOGO design. Please forward your LOGO ideas for the Rally by February 15th to regionjdirectors@gmail.com or gpremech@gmail.com

There will be a request for volunteers as more details come out. Please consider helping the Region Team out by volunteering to help make the Rally a success.

GWRRA Head Office

Phoenix Arizona
Toll Free
1-800-843-9460

Email:
memberservices@gwrra.org

G O L D N U G G E T S

Region J Rally in Langley British Columbia
Trinity Western University
August 4th - 6th 2017

Rally Hotel Lodging

HOST HOTEL: Best Western Plus Gold Wing Road Riders

5978 Glover Road

GWRRA Reservation Number #1090

Langley, BC V3A 4H9

PH: 604-530-9311

2 Queen Beds \$149.99/Night (plus taxes)

Bookings will be accepted until: June 4, 2017

Cancellations received later than 7 days prior to the scheduled check in
will be charged the full amount of their stay.

Sandman Hotel Langley Gold Wing Road Rider Association

8855 202nd Street

GWRRA Reservation Number #347758

Langley, BC V1M 2N9

PH: 604-888-7263

Standard Queen (1 Queen Bed) \$139.00/night (plus taxes)

Standard Twin (2 Dbl Beds) \$139.00/night (plus taxes)

Studio Suite (1 Dbl Bed) \$154.00/night (plus taxes)

Jr. Corporate Suite (1 King) \$164.00/night (plus taxes)

Executive Queen Suite (1 Queen) \$184.00/night (plus taxes)

Bookings will be accepted until: June 5, 2017

Cancellations may be made up to 24 hours prior without penalty.

Cancellations made inside the 24 hours are non-refundable and
will be charged a one night cancellation fee.

Alphabet Ride

We are very happy to bring forward a friendly competition riding game called the "Alphabet Ride".

The challenge is to ride to several locations (city, town, village, etc.) using the first letter of the name.

Example "V" for Vancouver / "K" for Kamloops.

Object is to visit enough places to complete all 26 letters of the alphabet.

The details are as follows

- Locations: British Columbia and Washington State only. This of course includes the Islands.
- Time frame: May 1, 2017 to Nov 1, 2017
 - If no one completes we will extend to next year
- Tough Letters:
 - X - We will accept a Park or a Name that contains "X"
 - Z - There is a Town that starts with "Z" Happy Hunting
- Limitations: You can only get credit for 2 Letters per ride / per day. (after all this is about getting out for several rides "13")
- Problems: If you have questions contact Chuck Taylor – Ride Co-ordinator
- How: Group rides or solo rides
- Credit: If you ride 2-up both people will get credit for the letter

The following will be required as PROOF

* Picture of you and your bike at location of landmark (store, post office, information center, etc.)

Forward a copy of the pic to the following address with your name(s) and membership #

gwrri.gowans@gmail.com

A list will be made and tracked for all members participating. We will provide monthly updates of progress. Now you are say "why all of these details and rules for a fun challenge game"? Well that's because you are going to be playing for bragging rights and prizes.

The prizes will be as follows:

A Patch or Pin will be created for your vest for all those who complete for bragging rights. On top of that, those who complete all 26 letters will have your name entered for a one year GWRRA membership.

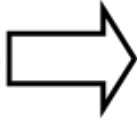
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Alphabet Ride

GWRRA Chapter BC-A ALPHABET RIDE 2017



Your
Letter



Date: _____

Location: _____

Rider's Name: _____

Co-Rider's Name: _____

**This document certifies that this rider and co-rider
were witnessed at this location on this date.**

RULES:

1. Locations are in BC and Washington State only.
2. Limit of 2 letters per day.
3. Duration May 1st to Nov 1st 2017
4. Provide a photo of the rider with bike at location landmark e.g. Post Office, Store, Information Centre etc.
5. Forward copies of pics, forms to:
gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com

This is a sample of the form for the Alphabet ride. Pick one up at the chapter meeting, Check the Website, or email gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com to request a form be emailed out to you.

Victoria Days 2017

Hosted By GWRRA chapter BC-G, in Beautiful Salmon Arm, BC
May 19th – 22nd

- **New Escorted Rides on Friday**
- **Garage Sale Saturday.** Bring your motorcycle and/or camping items. The BC-G chapter will sell them for you (for a 10% commission) 9:00—11:00 am. *(For safety reasons, please no helmets more than 3 years old.)*
- **New Destination Rides on Saturday**
- **Fun Run Sunday** to benefit the **Make-A-Wish Foundation.** First motorcycle out at 9:00 a.m. Last motorcycle out at 10:00 am. All motorcycles in by 2:00 pm

For more information, please contact: Kirk Elliott: 250-374-2583 or kandkelliott@shaw.ca

Please fill out this form below and mail to

Kirk Elliott, 251 McGill Rd, Kamloops, BC, V2C 1M2

Rider _____ Second/Co-Rider _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov/State _____ Postal or Zip _____

Code _____

Chapter Association ____ Personal E-mail _____

Early Registration on or before April 30th \$20.00 per person() \$ _____
Registration includes: Grand Prize and Early Registration Tickets

On site Registration \$25.00 Per-person x () \$ _____

Camping \$20.00 per tent/ tent trailer/ RV per night x () nights
(All Camping sites have water and power)
Arrival Date: _____ Length of rig: _____

Fun Run Cards @ \$5.00 each x () cards \$ _____
Saturday night Dinner; \$20.00 each x () meals \$ _____
Saturday dinner guaranteed only if Prepaid by April 30

Total Enclosed (cheques payable to GWRRA BC-G) **Total:** \$ _____

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Saturday morning Breakfast hosted by BC-C (Chilliwack)

We can't guarantee the weather but we do guarantee the Fun

GOLD RUN 2017
September 2 & 3
In Historic Cache Creek, BC
GWRRA CHAPTER BC-D SURREY

REGISTRATION Saturday September 2 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Canada's Best Value Desert Inn & Suites

1069 South Trans Canada Hwy Cache Creek BC

Accommodations and food are your responsibility (2 nights in Cache Creek)

Motel and Camping have been reserved in Cache Creek, BC under GWRRA please call direct

Hotel: Canada's Best Value Desert Inn & Suites 1069 South Trans Canada Hwy

Cache Creek (250) 457-6226

Camping: Brookside Campground 1621 Trans-Canada Hwy, Cache Creek (250) 457-6633

****Early Bird Draw, Door Prizes, Fun Run & Light Ride****

**** Saturday night Meal & Sunday Continental Breakfast Included in the registration price****

To be eligible for the preregistration Draw and the Chapter with the most in attendance registrations must be
post marked by August 10

PLEASE REMIT CHEQUES/MONEY ORDERS TO: GWRRA CHAPTER BC-D

\$30.00 CDN Registration per person *** GWRRA Members discounted to \$25.00 CDN per person***

For more information: V Hildebrand 604-557- 0622 email: directorsbcd@gmail.com

Barry McMillan 778-574-3579 email: bc-dtreasurer@shaw.ca

Please mail form and payment to: Gold Run 7852 167A Street, Surrey, BC V4N 0L9

RIDER NAME: _____ MEMBER # _____

CO-RIDER NAME: _____ MEMBER # _____

ADDRESS: _____ City: _____

PROVINCE/STATE: _____ POSTAL/ZIP CODE: _____ Phone: _____

CHAPTER: _____ () Fun Run Cards @ \$5.00 _____ *

Signature Rider: _____ Signature Co-Rider: _____

e-mail: _____ Amount Paid \$ _____

***Additional Fun Run cards may be purchased on site Sunday September 3**

I/We understand this application and agree to hold harmless the GWRRA and all involved Participants of this Rally for Liabilities involved in my/our injury or loss due to participation thereof. I/We also agree to conform to the rules governing this event and to be responsible for my/our own actions while participating. I/We understand the Rally Organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to this event.

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Visit our Website at www.gwrrabca.org Visit our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/GWRRA-BC-A-Vancouver Page 29



Chapter D's 2017 Duck Hunt Registration



JUNE 10th, 2017
Beacon School
1717 East Beacon Ave.
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Erv Granahan 249-3463 ervg@comcast.net



Grab Bag Sale



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For the Betterment of Motorcycling



**JOIN US FOR THE 25TH ANNUAL
G.V.M.C.**

"RIDE FOR THE KIDS"



**Join us for a day of riding, delicious food, silent auction, draws and
most importantly, supporting a very worthwhile cause.**

Date: Sunday, May 7th, 2017

Place: GVMC Club House - Unit 307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey

Time: 9:00am Breakfast

Come early for a GVMC Pancake & Sausage Breakfast \$5.00

10:00 - 11:00am SIGN-UP / \$25 per person (cars welcome!)

Enjoy a great ride and help kids with Burn Injuries!

All proceeds benefit the BC Professional Fire Fighters' Burn Fund



www.burnfund.org

For more information contact:

Ron Gaudette rwgaudette@telus.net

www.gvmc.ca

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Monthly

Chapter Meeting

Chapter BC-A, Vancouver

The THIRD Sunday of each Month
(except Dec)

Ricky's Country Restaurant

Boundary Rd at Lougheed Hwy

2350 Boundary Rd

Burnaby, BC

(604) 293-1242

Breakfast at 8:00 am Meeting at 9:00 am

Enjoy breakfast with new and old friends,
or come for a cup of coffee before the meet-
ing. See you there.

WEEKEND / STATUTORY HOLIDAY RIDES

If there are NOT any Lower Mainland Rides/Events on
our Chapter Schedule, then you can expect a ride
from the McDonalds at the Boundary Road/Lougheed
Highway intersection, Vancouver. Coffee from 9.00.
Ride leaves at 10.00. Saturday, Sunday and all



Chapter BC - A

Tuesday Night Rides

Coffee Social (ride in season)

***We are trying out different locations
in 2017. Check the website or Call
Keiller 604 970 0531 to confirm**

**Coffee From 5 pm Ride Leaves between
6:30 pm and 7 pm**

