

Gold Nuggets



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JPCOMING EVENTS:

- CHRISTMAS
 PARTY NOV 25
- MONTESANO FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS DEC 9
- NO BREAKFAST MEETING THIS MONTH.
- NEW YEARS
 BREAKFAST
 JAN 1ST

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Letter from the Chapter A Directors

As I sit here pondering what to write about this month, I have to reflect on what a great, long riding season we have had. On October 28th, nine of us got together and put on about 500 km of riding through some of the prettiest, most colorful scenery I have seen. But the weather can't stay this nice for much long-



er and many of you are thinking of putting up the bikes for the winter. So, here are some helpful tips for winter storage that I found online from a Globe and Mail article:

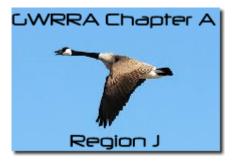
- Change your oil(s) and warm the bike up.
- Find Storage
- Fill the gas tank and add fuel stabilizer
- Put the bike on a low-output trickle charger.
- For liquid-cooled bikes, drain the coolant and refill it with fresh stuff.
- Get the tires off the ground to prevent flat spots.
- Give the bike a wash and wax.
- Protect your bike.

I hope this helps some of you so that starting up next spring is that much easier. (See more details on Pg. 7)

Dave and Giselle Chapter A Directors

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 rangers. 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

Chapter Directors: Dave Ward & Giselle Collins **Assistant Directors:**

Treasurer:Niels JensenStores:Giselle CollinsEducator:Kelly ParkesHistorian:Ivan ArmstrongWebmaster:Keiller GowansNewsletter Editor:Tracy Gowans

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Membership Enhancement Coordinator: Ian McAlpine

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

November 2017 Region Report



Hello everyone,

Here we are less than two months before the end of 2017 and the end of Region J, as we look forward to the future with GWRRA as we should know soon what head office has decided for Region J with the transition to Districts. We have been busy since Wing Ding with myself and Ron Myers becoming certified as ARC Trike instructors after teaching a class in Red Deer. This along with our daughter's wedding in Reginal and the birth of our third grandson in Toron-

Gary and Susan Premech Region J Directors to has kept us hopping. The end of October was also the fiscal year end for 2017 and financial reports were sent to our Region J Treasurer along with the charter fees. Once again we say so long to the Snowbirds who would rather winter in the warmer climates in Arizona than braving another Canadian winter.

We had some changes in Chapter Directors as Dave Ward & Giselle Collins became the new CD for BC-A Vancouver and Des Rees the new CD for AB-B Edmonton. Wel would like to thank Keiller & Tracy Gowans and Mike & Tiffany Coles along with Larry Moore for their terms as Chapter Directors. We would also like to welcome Roger Matas as the new Region J Trainer and come January he will be the District University Coordinator. Thank you to Pat Williams for her term as Region J Trainer and wish her the best in the future.

Something to look forward to May 25th—27th 2018 is the Zermatt Rally in Midway, UT at the Zermatt Resort. This had started out as the Region F event however has turned out to be a Multi-District event that should bring members from Districts surrounding Zermatt including those here in the former Region J. This will not be your regular rally as it will be more of a destination rally with a change to participate in the activities that the resort offers.

Until next month,

Gary and Susan Premech

Region J Directors

Membership Draw Article submitted by Gord McDonald

Ramblings of an Old Mind

I found this timely, because today I was in a store that sells sunglasses, and only sunglasses. A young lady walks over to me and asks, "What brings you in today?" I looked at her, and said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator." She didn't quite know how to respond.

Am I getting to be that age? I was thinking about how a status symbol of today is those cell phones that everyone has clipped onto their belt or purse. I can't afford one. So I'm wearing my garage door opener.

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something one the ball, but you are just too tired to bounce it. I thought about making a fitness movie for folks my age and calling it "Pumping Rust". When people see a cat's litter box they always say, "Oh, have you got a cat?" Just once I want to say, "No it's for company!"

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, "an ambulance". The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement? Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.



GOLD NUGGETS

50/50 Draw Article submitted by Giselle Collins

"Are you getting your license?" This question has been asked of me a number of times over the past year, or two. Since Dave became Chapter Director and I his able assistant, I think the time has come for me to seriously contemplate if riding is in my future.

I am still uneasy on the back of the bike but I definitely don't want to be the "Nervous Nelly" who misses out on a lot of fun. To ally some of the uneasiness I have started checking online for information specifically targeted at women who ride. One of the sites that is returned in my search is

http://www.womenridersnow.com/ and although it is targeted at women WRN has some very interesting articles, safe riding tips and reviews that are not gender

specific – the exception to this might be the clothing and jewelry reviews!.

So, to answer the question
- "I will study up and get
my learners and then I will
think about taking lessons
in the spring". Who knows
- the drivers seat might be
a more comfortable place
for me to sit!

Giselle Collins
Chapter A Director



BC Chapter A Member Profile submitted by Wayne Scott

I love motorcycling!! My first motorcycle was a brand new 1965 Suzuki 80. An 80cc 2 stroke and a 60 day learner drivers license was all I needed! It was so much fun, but really it was the freedom and excitement of riding that was so appealing. I rode everywhere on that bike with a bunch of buddies and through one Toronto Winter. I rode that bike for about 18 months before I got a full time job, a car and a girlfriend.

Shortly after that I got married and raised 4 kids which was in recent years expanded to include 8 grandchildren. I didn't do much riding while married except in 1985 I got a Honda 350 XL onroad off-road but was never licensed for the road. We did a lot of dirt bike riding, gravel pits and logging roads during my 2-3 week vacation every year. I still have that bike.

We moved from Toronto to Vancouver in 1992 to open a small print shop and to be closer to my wife's family. Unfortunately my wife of 43 years passed away from cancer in 2014 which brought many changes to my life. One of those changes was a rebirth of my interest in motor-cycle riding. I bought my nephew's 2008 Harley Davidson VRod, and then a 2005 Honda ST1300 which is my main ride. (anyone want a VRod??) :-) I made 6 week trip on my own to the Mexi-

can Baja in the spring on my newest bike a 2008 F650GS BMW which was a trip of a lifetime. I love my Tuesday night and weekend rides with my GWRRA Friends. Joining was one of the best things I've done making lots of new friends and enjoying the great riding we have here in BC.

I don't have a Goldwing but your never know....

Cheers

Wayne.





Helpful Tips for Winter Storage (Continued from Page 1)

Change your oil (s) and warm the bike up. By installing fresh oil, most contaminants are removed and if the oil is hot, it will drain more thoroughly. Filling the oil up to the filler hole is a good idea because it'll cover transmission components, eliminating the possibility of rust formation.

Find storage. If you don't have a basement or a weather-tight garage, rent space at a mini-storage facility or store it with your local dealer. "Do not park the vehicle near any caustic materials – i.e. swimming pool supplies or working electric motors," says John White, manager of service and warranty administration for Deeley Harley-Davidson of Canada.

Fill the gas tank and add fuel stabilizer. Simon Bird, general manager at Carter Honda Motorsports in Vancouver, says this will "prevent any moisture from forming" and preserve the fuel's quality. Run the bike briefly to get the stabilizer distributed throughout the system. This is especially crucial for bikes with carburetors. Be sure to use a recommended fuel stabilizer as indicated in the owner's manual, says White.

Put the bike on a low-output trickle charger. Failing that, remove the battery and "store it in a warm dry place" says Bird. If the battery is more than five years old, discard it and buy a new one in the spring. If you don't have a trickle charger, recharge the battery every two weeks.

For liquid-cooled bikes, drain the coolant and refill it with fresh stuff. To dispose of it, take it to an approved drop-off facility. "If you have a center stand, great," says Bird. "Get the tires off the ground to prevent flat spots." If you don't have a stand, you can buy a motorcycle lift for about \$150. Otherwise, jack it up and put some blocks under the frame. Ensure your tires are at the correct pressure.

Give the bike a wash and wax to rid it of road grime accumulated during the summer.

"Ensure the motorcycle is clean and any bare metal surfaces are protected with the appropriate surface care products," says White.

Spray WD-40 on nuts and bolts.

Protect your bike with a good quality, breathable cover.

I hope this helps some of you so that starting up next spring is that much easier.

Dave Ward





CANADA'S PREMIER MOTORCYCLE SHOWS
Presented by Dalton Timmis Insurance

January 19 - 21, 2018

Tradex, Abbotsford

BC Chapter A Member Story submitted by Keiller Gowans

Saddle Sore 1600K

As many already know, Tracy and I did the big circle around Canada and the US I this summer. Just prior to the trip we decided that she would fly back to Detroit I and I would pick her up there. That made me think that if I was going the first leg I on my own that maybe I could do the Iron Butt challenge. I'm sure we've all done I that run back to the barn or that long run to make up time that most likely qualified I for some kind of award. So I started to read all the information online and plan my route. My route was for the most part Hwy #1 to Moose Jaw Saskatchewan and yes that was through Revelstoke, the road flooding and construction Capital of BC I this year.

Just so we are clear this is the first time that I had done this so I was a little para-

noid that I would miss a step or two or forget to cross a "T" but after talking to one of the locals that were listed on the site it all made sense.

On June 12th I filed up with gas at 3:30AM and left for Moose Jaw with trailer in tow. The traffic up to Salmon Arm was great but as I alluded to above it all slowed down from there to almost Golden. After that I was destined to hit Calgary and all routes around it in the middle of rush hour. I finally arrived just past Moose Jaw at 1:30AM Saskatchewan time dragging my Saddle Sore butt into the hotel.

The next time I will make sure the route is a clearer one and I think even though the deer are everywhere at night (including the dead ones) I will leave a lot earlier in the morning.

Keiller



Events

Remembrance Day Ride Organized by Patrick Frampton

Remembrance Day 2017 Chapter BC A Ride

This years 2017 Remembrance day fell on a Saturday. We had 19 people for breakfast, 9 bikes out for the ride to our ride to remember the soles who gave their lives for our freedom. Thanks for organizing Patrick, great job! Thanks to Keiller and Dave for the Photos.



Events

2017 Autumn Leaves Ride Organized by Chuck Taylor

Oct 28th 2017 was our annual fallen leaves ride organized by Chuck Taylor. We saw 8 bikes and 9 riders come out and ride along the Washington Coast through 300 miles of beautiful, colorful backroads. We could not have asked for a better day!



2017 Vancouver Toy Run submitted by Dan & Valerie Fortin

Oct 1st 2017—The Vancouver Motorcycle Christmas Toy Run was one of the largest toy runs in Canada with about 2,000 bikes out, many of them decked out in Christmas costumes and packing stuffed animals— now in it's 39th year! A num-



ber of motorcycle groups that volunteer and the cities of Coquitlam, Port Moody, Burnaby and Vancouver all support the event. The Toy Run leaves Coquitlam Center and proceeds through Port Moody along Barnet highway and along Hastings Street to the PNE Fairgrounds. Thanks to Dan and Valarie for attending!!

You know that Christmas is around the corner, when you awake that first Sunday in October and gear up for the Annual Vancouver Toy Run! And what a beautiful day it was! The air crisp and fresh! The sun a blazin'! You could not have picked a better day to ride if you had planned it! As we headed out on the freeway, bikes echoed from all directions to converge on the start point at Coquitlam Centre. By the time we arrived, rows and rows of bikes had already parked, riders and co-I riders dismounted. Some huddled in groups I chatting, others admiring the machines in an almost "bike show" atmosphere and then others, like us, making a beeline for their morning jumpstart at the local Starbucks! you knew it, it was 9:30 AM. This party was a'rollin'!

Like waiting for the "drag lights" at Mission Raceway, engines started to rev and riders slowly postured their steeds for the easiest access out onto the street. In parade-like precision, the mass exodus of bikes filed out and the event had officially begun. As we wound our way along the route, many people in anticipation of this fun event, had already lined up along the streets with tots in tow, some out every year, waving as we passed and many of us waving right back! The support from the public this year and years past was awe inspiring. (Continued Pg. 12)

2017 Vancouver Toy Run submitted by Dan & Valerie Fortin

The night before, Dan had primed his bike with Christmas Carols and as we rode along, the tunes jingled and jollied their way to all who were in earshot! How could one not get caught up in the excitement? Smiles enveloped us as we made our pilgrimage through to our destination, the PNE Fairgrounds Agri-dome. Wait-

ing for all who arrived there was The Christmas Bureau toy drop-off center, donation desk, vendors and of course, food!

We found a parking spot close by. As Dan was tucking us in, a cameraman from Global News was there filming US! Once parked, he said that we made his job so easy because not only did he have the video but also "the music" too! Hmmm...would we be on the evening news? After 6:00 PM that day, we started getting texts, emails and phone calls from family and friends to say they caught US on Global News! We tried to track down the video but to no avail. Even contacting the station didn't pan out as they did not save that piece on their website! It wasn't until Dan put some feelers out and discovered one of his co-workers had actual-Iv recorded the broadcast and he was able to forward us our segment! FANTAS-TIC! We were SO HAPPY! There we were "Reality TV Personalities" Woo Hoo! (PS..and being that this was my Birthday Weekend...it was like "icing on the cake"!) Sources say there were over 1000 bikes and 1700 Toy Run pins handed out. With all the heart that goes into this every year and the generosity of those who partake.....we would say it was 10 TIMES that much! Dan and I look forward to





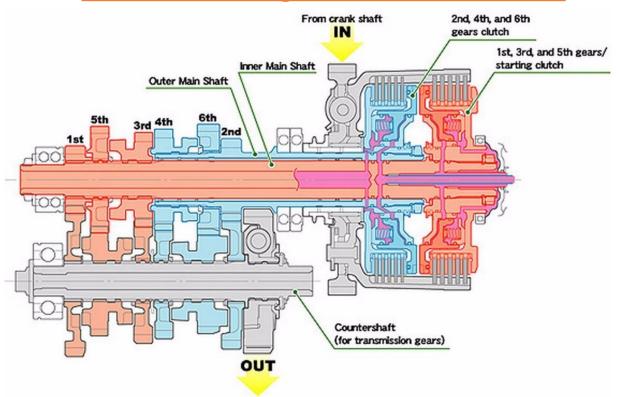
to doing our part each year.

May the Vancouver Toy Run continue to "ride on" for many more years to come! Valerie and Dan Fortin.

Do you have a story to tell from a ride or other adventure, please send your stories and photos to gwrra.gowans@gmail.com

Tech Report submitted by Chuck Taylor

New 2018 Goldwing Dual Clutch Transmission



Dual clutch transmissions: As you would expect from the name, DCT's have two clutches. In fact, a DCT is actually two small transmissions in one, crammed into the same space. Each clutch is responsible for one half of the transmission's gears, and they alternate: so the first clutch will be responsible for 1st, 3rd and 5th gears, and the second clutch will be responsible for 2nd, 4th and 6th. The second set of gears, 2nd 4th and 6th, are on a tubular shaft that rotates around the shaft controlled by the first clutch, so that both sets of gears can be packed into a small area. Many highend sports cars with dual-clutch transmissions have separate shafts for each set of gears, as they don't have the space restrictions found in motorcycles.

When both clutches are disengaged, the transmission is in neutral. To engage first gear, the shift dog for first gear engages, and its clutch (the red clutch) then engages. The motorcycle is now being driven in first gear. The motorcycles knows that the next gear will be second gear, so it gets it ready, by sliding the shift dog for second gear into place, engaging second gear.

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Tech Report submitted by

New 2018 Goldwing Dual Clutch Transmission

This is OK to do while first gear is already engaged, because the clutch for second gear (the blue clutch) is not engaged. When it comes time to shift from first to second gear, the red clutch is disengaged, and at the same time the blue clutch is engaged. Now second gear is being driven, and first gear is not - the shift is instantaneous. The motorcycle knows that the next gear will be third, so it shifts the red gear out of first and into third. When it comes time to shift into third, it simultaneously disengages the blue clutch and re-engages the red clutch.

Obviously working two clutches and two shifters like this is beyond the capability of most riders, and besides - holding one of your clutches in all of the time would get tiring - not to mention how catastrophic it would be to your transmission if you accidentally engaged both clutches at the same time! So instead, a DCT is controlled by a computer. The computer controls the shift forks as well as the engaging and disengaging of the clutches. The rider shifts by pressing buttons on the handlebars, or by setting the transmission to "automatic" and letting the computer do it all.

How does this benefit the rider? Instant shifts mean less time spent shifting gears when accelerating. More efficient use of gear selection for acceleration and engine braking as selected by the computer offer benefits in terms of performance as well as fuel-efficiency. And of course, no more tedious clutching in stop-and-go traffic!

Because DCT clutches are disengaged until the computer energizes the clutch to engage it (either with oil pressure or electrical actuators), it means that when the engine is off, neither clutch is engaged. That means that when the engine is off, the engine is not connected to the wheel - so the motorcycle could potentially roll away! Therefore, DCT motorcycles typically come with a parking brake.



Do you have a story to tell from a technical issue you encountered and solved? Please send your stories and photos to gwrra.gowans@gmail.com

GWRRA BC Drill Team Riding November 2017

Our work with "Moto Safety" for various bicycle races puts us in contact with a lot of interesting people and public relations is important if your carrying a "Brand name" with you because people will remember that brand and the experience they are left with.

We are indeed lucky to have the involvement with many of you to support our team activities, so this month's issue is about the extra effort that our team of "Moto Riders" sometimes provide to those bicyclist. Those little interactions can be brief, or carry on for as long as needed, and the bicycle riders are very vocal in expressing their appreciation of us being there to help.

This last Grand Fondo from Vancouver to Whistler saw one of those cyclists receive the help and good will offered to her from one of our Moto Crew.

Our Moto crew member was able to assist a cyclist who had somehow launched herself above and over the concreate hwy barrier at side of the road which resulted in her going down a steep

embankment. There was help for her at the side of the road with Chuck Taylor being one of the first people on site to help. One of our Moto Bikes with a mobile Doctor on wheels was expedited to her location along with an ambulance where she was checked out. Bumps and bruises yes, but even more a little hypothermia was what she was also dealing with.

The story doesn't end there because our Moto Crew member was somehow able to obtain a participation medal given out to the bicycle riders at the end of the event, so with medal in hand and some ingenuity, he was able to track the rider down and make an appointment to go and see her. She must have been appreciative when she saw Chuck Taylors impressive Red Wing show up with a number of Chapter A Goldwing's in tow as well to meet her at her UBC campus to deliver her

medal. All in a Tuesday night ride for the local Gold wingers.

This is only one of the countless little stories that take place over the course of an entire season of Moto duties with many of our riders. (Continued on Pg 16)





Interested in learning more about the BCM Drill Team? Contact Rob Ellis at: groundhog@shaw.ca



GWRRA BC Drill Team Riding November 2017



Interested in learning more about the BCM Drill Team? Contact Rob Ellis at : groundhog@shaw.ca Chucks story!

Our Day Started out at 4:00 am where we meet up at McDonald's to team up with first aid attendants, mechanics and officials.

My position was to run the pre sweep with Lindsay to make sure that the rout was safe to ride, Pylons in place and no other problems on the roadway through each of the 5 check points. We give the officials affirmation for the cyclist to proceed with the ride. After clearing the rout to Whistler I proceeded to run back to Squamish then up to Whistler to assist cyclist in need of tire tubes and air or any other support they needed. The weather had deteriorated with rain and cold temperatures making it very challenging for the riders. As I was heading down to Squamish for the second time I came across a group of riders who flagged me down so I did a 180 and came to their assistance to find out that a woman cyclist had crashed off the highway, over a embankment and landing on boulders in the brush about 20 feet down off the roadway there were other cyclist there with her. I called first aid and let them know what had happened. As she was checked out that she had no serious injuries we helped her to the road and I retrieved her bicycle. I asked her if she wanted to have the support vehicle to come and pick her up. I asked her name and she said Mikhaela; and I want to keep riding woo-hoo. I noticed she had a cut in her leg so I retrieved a dry towel from my bike to treat the wound and to help dry her off. So I asked her again if she wanted to continue she yelled out woo-hoo yes! so I proceeded to check her bike out I flipped her bike upside down and installed the chain that had come off in the crash, checked the gears then spun the wheels to find out that both the front and rear rims were bent about 1/2 " or 12mm and asked her again if she wanted to continue the ride. Mikhaela shouted out woo-hoo yes. So I said that I will keep watch over her as she proceeded on to whistler.

As I continued about a 1 km she looked ok so I headed south down to the next check point. I patrolled the route north back to Whistler 2 km from check point when I came across Mikhaela stopped and shivering out of control so I asked her if she could make it down the road to a highway support vehicle where we put her in to warm up. Within 5 minutes Drew the First Aid Marshal had showed up with Rob Ellis. Drew checked her for hypothermia and gave her a radiant blanket. Mikhaela and her bike were taken to Whistler First Aid by the support vehicle. When I had come back to Whistler for Lunch I went to the cyclist tent where the medals were given out. I told the attendant of Mikheala's episode and asked for a Medal for her. I failed to find her that day in Whistler. I had remembered her first name and her race number. The following day I /



GWRRA BC Drill Team Riding November 2017



Interested in learning more about the BCM Drill Team? Contact Rob Ellis at: groundhog@shaw.ca searched for Mikhaela on the RBC registrant's web site. I was able to Google her name and found that she worked at UBC so I called her number and left a message. Mikhaela returned my call and I told her of the Gran Fondo medal that I picked up for her. She was thrilled and we agreed to meet at her house Tuesday night on our GWRRA BC-A Ride night. Our group ride on the Tuesday Ride Night we road to Mikheala's house to present her the Gran Fondo Medal. Kelly Parks took the photo of Mikhaela receiving the Medal.

I would like to say a special thank you to Carl Scouten of the BCMDT for the time and effort in organizing this event.

Chuck Taylor

Ride coordinator GWRRA BC-A



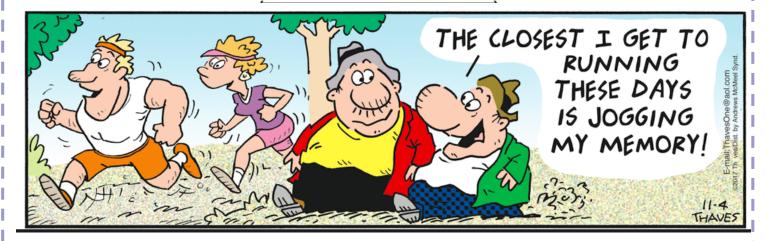
We owe Chuck Taylor a big thank you for making our BCMDT brand name carry a great reputation that organizers may remember.

May you all have a happy holiday and Merry Christmas.



Rob Ellis BCMDT

FOOD for THOUGHT







EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room at each side.

With a 5-lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax.

Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-lb potato bags. Then try 50-lb potato bags and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-lb potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level).

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

BC Lower Mainland

Chapter BC-A Vanc Breakfast Meeting

3rd Sunday of every Month (except Dec) Ricky's Restaurant, 2350 Boundary Rd. BBY Check our website to confirm location

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

Chapter BC-A Vancouver Directors

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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 Surrey Director

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Chapter BC-C Chilliwack Dinner Meeting

3rd Tuesday of every month (except Dec) Rendezvous Restaurant 9360 Young Rd. Chilliwack

Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

Chapter BC-C Chilliwack Directors

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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







November /December 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. gwrra.gowans@gmail.com

Ian & Kathie McAlpine Nov 18th Henry & June Bahn Dec 20th Ivan & Pat Armstrong Dec 30th

Did we miss your Birthday or Anniversary? Let us know!

Nov/Dec Birthdays

Bernie Sparrow Nov 3rd
Gary Robins Nov 12th
Howie Mosher Nov 23rd
Kelly Parkes Nov 25th
Arnie Tucker Nov 25th
Dan Fortin Dec 6th
Marian Goetz Dec 30th

GWRRA Anniversaries

John Schretlen 2003

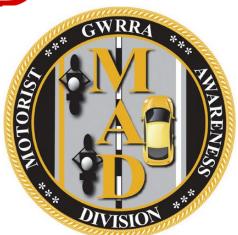
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November 2017

1	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
4	Guy Fox	BC-D
11	Remembrance Day Ride	BC-A
5/19	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
21	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
19	Breakfast Meeting	BC-A
25	Christmas Dinner (Potluck)	BC-A



December 2017

2	Christmas Dinner	BC-D
6	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
9	31st Montesano Festival of Lights	WA-D
3/17	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
17	No Breakfast meeting this month	BC-A
19	No Dinner meeting this month	BC-C
25	Merry Christmas	



January 2018

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1	New Years Day Breakfast/Ride	BC-A
3	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
16	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
21	Breakfast Meeting	BC-A
TBD	Vancouver Motorcycle Show	BC-A/D



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Open 7 days & open late Fridays!

Closed many holidays! Click here for info: HOURS & HOLIDAYS.





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

Do you have a great idea for a newsletter Article?

Ever thought about becoming the Newsletter Editor?

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 gwrra.gowans@gmail.com with your ideas.

Deadline for articles for January's newsletter is January 1st 2018

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 gwrra.gowans@gmail.com or phone Tracy Gowans 604 219 5836 Ads are free

2004 Red Gold wing 1800A (ABS) for Sale - \$11 500 Now \$9900.00





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Manual and more
April 2016 New Battery



@ 122 288 kms

April 2016 All Fluids changed, new Alternator installed,

and recall service completed @ 122 288kms

July 2016 New Front Fork Seals @ 123 708kms

Contact: Tom @ 778-866-7057 Vancouver, BC

Chapter A Stores

Items For Sale

Patches:

	Description	Quantity on hand 2017-Oct-14	Cost
Rocker	GWRRA BC-A Vancouver (black and gold with flags)	8	\$22.00
Rocker	The Great Northwest Region "J"	4	\$20.00
Rocker	Chapter BC-A Vancouver (white, 2 Canada flags)	1	\$22.00
Round	10" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	4	\$17.00
Round	10" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	3	\$17.00
Round	4" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	7	\$7.00
Round	4" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	5	\$7.00
Round	4" GWRRA BC-A (blue with Canada goose)	5	\$7.00

Pins:

GWRRA BC district – large	2	\$5.00
GWRRA BC district – small	4	\$3.00
BC-A hangers?	80	\$3.00
PinSaver (10 pack)	4	\$7.00

Clothing

Hat : ball	One Size	3	\$10.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	2xl-Men	2	\$40.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	XL-Men	1	\$40.00
Shirt : Short Sleeve	XI-Men	1	\$40.00
Shirt : Short sleeve sport	2xl-Men	2	\$40.00



To purchase items from Chapter A's Stores contact Dave Ward or Giselle Collins at

chapteradirector@gmaill.com



No Gift Exchange or any other silly Christmas traditions, just us getting together for dinner.

Questions? Call Dave Ward at 604 830 1487

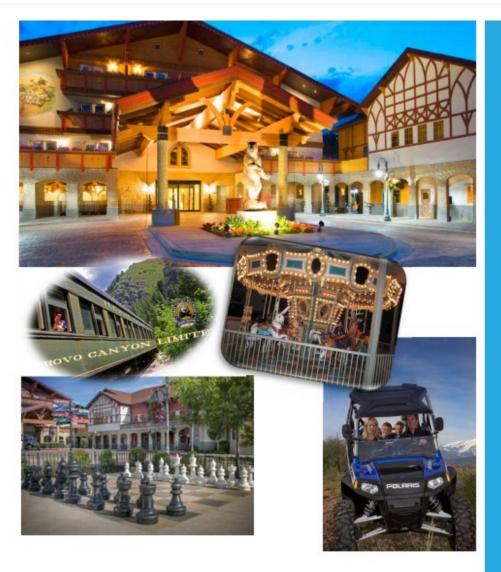
Sign up at November Breakfast Meeting or Online Click on this link: https://beta.doodle.com/poll/pkgvmkrw9pna24xt

Members are encouraged to bring a donation for SKAT of any Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Socks etc.



GOLD NUGGETS





MAY 25-27, 2018 ZERMATT RALLY

Come join us in Midway, UT at the Zermatt Resort

Yes! The 2018 Rally at Zermatt is still on the schedule! There are so many things to do, *Get out and RIDE*, So many Friends to see, So much Fun to have!

Contact your Directors for Details.





it *Won't* be your regular Rally!

3 Days & Nights of Fun, Friends and Inspiration \$1000.00 Cash Grand Prize

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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 meeting. 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

