

Gold Nuggets

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- GYPSY RUN
- DUFFEY LAKE LOOP RIDE
- GOLD RUN
- POKER RUN
- ARC

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Letter from the Chapter A Directors

What a busy month we had in July! My new to me GL1500 had to have a mid season oil change – 10,000KM put on since mid June! This is a record for me. I hope all of you are getting in some riding time as well – the weather has been great this summer.

Giselle and I had the opportunity to attend the Washington District Rally in Cashmere in mid July. About 130 participants, including a bunch from Chapter C and several from Chapter G were there. Giselle and I won a plaque for being the couple that rode the furthest to get to the rally, and my lone entry in the GL1500 Class got me a trophy in the show and shine. Chapter C was awarded the chapter with the most attendees from out of state with 14 or 15 members attending. We had a great time, met many new friends, and got to see how a successful district rally is set up.



Plans are in the works for our own District Rally for next year. Mark your calendar and make plans for 100 Mile House the weekend of July 25-28! We have some awesome ideas coming for lots of fun and great riding.

Coming up this month and next we have several rides happening – our own Duffey Lake Loop Ride on August 25. Gord, if you don't want to do it again, we understand. Wing Ding is on the 28th to Sept 1st in Knoxville, TN and the Chapter D Gold Run is the same weekend, being held at Derby Reach Park in Langley this year. Sign up information is on the District (GWRRA-NWC.COM) and the Chapter D (GWRRA-BCD.ORG) websites. Have a safe summer season and get out there and ride!

Dave and Giselle
Chapter BC-A Directors



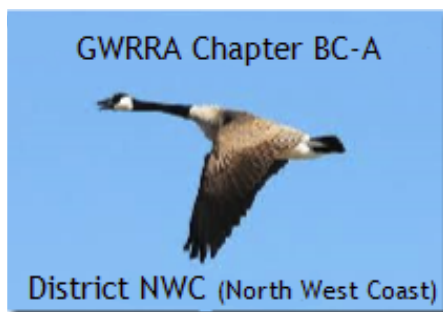
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Chapter Directors

Dave Ward & Giselle Collins

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Web Site: www.gwrrabca.org

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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 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:

gwrra.gowans@gmail.com

2018 Chapter BC A Team

Chapter Directors: Dave Ward & Giselle Collins

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Webmaster: Keiller Gowans

Ride Coordinator: Chuck Taylor

Games Coordinator: Kelly Parkes

Membership Enhancement Coordinator: Ian McAlpine

Assistant Directors:

Stores: Giselle Collins

Historian: Ivan Armstrong

Newsletter Editor: Tracy Gowans

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

June 2018 District Report

North West Coast District - District Director's Message



*Kevin Bramhoff
is the
District Director
for the
North West
Coast District.*

Fellow Wingers:

Before writing this, as it is late and the newsletter editors have been pushing me for this article, I was on a Zoom Call with other District Directors and our head office. It was somewhat productive however, had absolutely nothing to do with riding motor-cycles.

All the way through the meeting all I could think about was riding and at the beginning of the third hour.... well, I am sure for those that know me you can figure it out!

My message for you all this month...Get Out and Ride! Just do it. The weather is great and we should take advantage while we all can.

Our district ride coordinator put together 2 great rides that we all hope you will participate in. All of the chapters in the district have multiple rides planned. They are all listed on the district web site under the "What's Happening" tab. <http://gwrra-nwc.com> Ride schedules at the chapter level are published on their web sites.

So many options available with GWRRR as well as just getting out on your own for a ride somewhere, anywhere! An afternoon impromptu ride, play hooky from work, (not that I am encouraging this) go for a picnic, call a friend and just GO!

Continued >

North West Coast District - District Director's Message Continued

Did you know there are 193 roads listed in the destinations highways book right here in British Columbia alone? Never mind that we have access to Washington State if we like.

We are fortunate to live in a region that has some of the best riding in North America. It would be tantamount to negligence to miss out on the opportunity to ride some of them. So, get out there, ride a little ride a lot, I don't care just ride!

While you are at it, have some fun...

Thank you for being members of the GWRRA. Your membership and participation are what makes the GWRRA the finest International Motorcycle Riding organization in North America.

Until I see you all again, Be safe – Ride safe.

Respectfully

Kevin Bramhoff

District Director – District N.W.C “The Great North West Coast”



50/50 Draw Article

Submitted by Dave Ward

GL1500 Shifter Pivot

This little kit is a must have for every GL1500 owner.



This is a GL1500 shifter pivot. It is designed to give stability to the outer end of the shifter shaft. The pivot assembly is made from billet 6061 aluminum with a Teflon coated bushing and high quality fasteners. The design of the OEM Honda shift shaft on the GL1500 allows for a lot of play which makes for sloppy shifts and premature oil seal failure. This simple bolt on assembly fixes the problem. It is simple to install and has a lifetime warranty. This will fit all Goldwing GL1500's from 1988-2000.

I purchased it from CycleMax online for \$125USD. Installation only took me about 2 hours. I had to cut away some of the heat shield to get a proper fit, but it is not noticeable. Once installed, virtually all the play I had on the shifter simply disappeared. Shifts are smooth and quiet, and the elusive neutral is much easier to find.

My shifter seal was showing signs of wear – a bit of oil and dirt surrounding the output shaft, but I didn't think it was bad enough to replace at this time.

I have put on over 1000 km since installing it and am very pleased with the improvement. If you own a 1500 and this has not been done, I recommend it. It will add many more miles to your transmission and shifter oil seal.

Membership Draw Article

Submitted by Tom Goetz

In July's meeting Kelly spoke so well about Chuck's Mother going for a ride on Chuck's motorcycle. It left all of us there with a warm smile and a wonderful memory of sharing a time with a parent.

I too will share a memory with you about my Dad. During World War Two, early in 1940 my dad was a Military Policeman guarding Officers. He was one of a special group that was trained on Motorcycles. He mainly rode BSA's and Harley's, almost always BSA. He was stationed in many places in England and sometimes in Scotland. He was young and sometimes I think reckless; he loved the adventure. One day on the way back to a base he and another biker were escorting an Officer's car and they were attacked by a German plane on its way back across the Channel. The Officer escaped injury but my Dad was seriously wounded. He spent several months in Hospital. One day the officer my Dad was guarding visited him and brought a unique gift—two motorcycles in parts. So as part of his therapy he was asked to build one bike and when ready, come back to duty. My Dad found this was a great idea and he was sure it sped up his recovery. My Dad never lost his love for bikes. Things like having kids and life got in the way.

Now, fast forward to when I was in University. My Dad had retired from serving a full career in the Military and he and my mother were living in Kelowna. After finishing exams in April, myself and group of motorcycle friends headed up from UBC to Kelowna to help do some spring stuff to Dad's house. We had planned this stop as part of a bike/camping trip. Upon arrival, everyone meeting my family, setting up tents in the back yard, having a nice lunch, cleaning our bikes. Suddenly my Dad got up and I threw him my keys to my BMW and he said to my friends "Last one to Vernon buys the Ice-cream." He got up and put my gear on, started the bike and was on his way. I can still see my friends' looks of astonishment as this white haired guy started the bike and waited while these young guys got it together to go on this ride. Just one of those moments you get to cherish in life.

Thanks Kelly for triggering such a memory.

Events Throughout the District

*For more information and/or more rides,
please visit the websites for the host chapters or the district*



NWC District Gypsy Run—August 17-20

<https://gwrra-nwc.com/blog/event/gypsy-run/>



Chapter A Duffey Lake Loop Ride—August 25th

http://gwrra-nwc.com/Registration_forms/Duffey%20Lake%20Ride.pdf



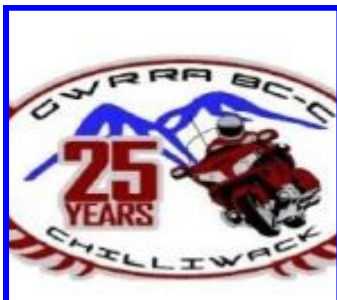
Chapter D Gold Run—September 1-2

<http://www.gwrra-bcd.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/2018-Gold-Run-Registration.pdf>



Chapter V Poker Run—September 8

<https://sites.google.com/site/victoriagwrra/events>



Chapter C Advanced Rider Course—September 14,15

<https://gwrra-nwc.com/blog/2018/07/26/sept-15-arc-chapter-c/>

FOOD *for* THOUGHT

Four wheels move the body,
two wheels move the SOUL
 it's not the destination,
 it's the journey

WHATEVER IT IS IT'S BETTER IN THE WIND

If she changes her oil more than she changes her mind follow her

A good long ride can clear your mind, restore your **faith** and use up a lot of fuel

keep the paint up AND THE RUBBER DOWN

LIVE TO RIDE, RIDE TO LIVE

WHICH ONE WOULD YOU CHOOSE

bikes don't leak oil, they mark their territory

WORK to ride and ride to **WORK**

sweat wipes off, road rash doesn't
 if you ride like there's no tomorrow, there won't be.

Safety is a cheap and effective insurance policy

A bike on the road is worth two in the shed

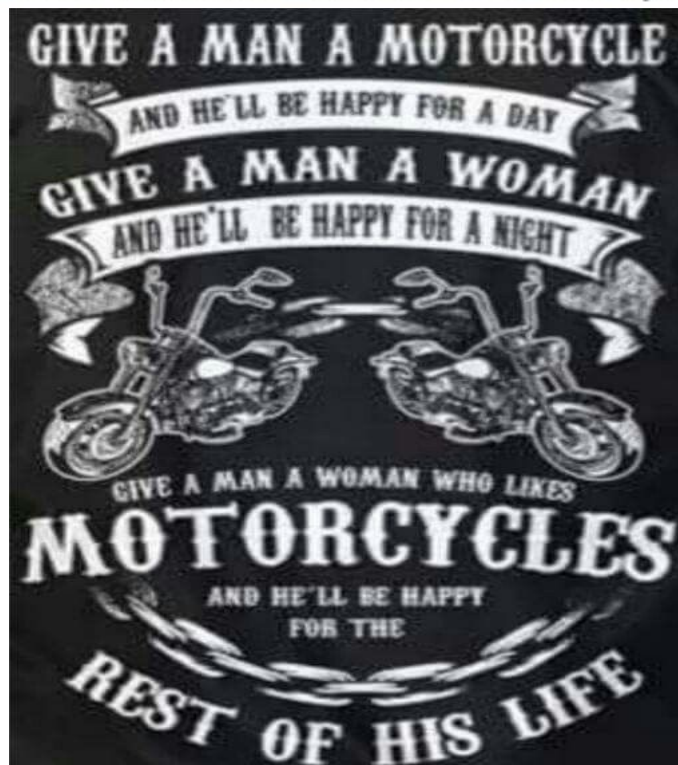
THE BEST ALARM CLOCK IS SUNSHINE ON GRASS

keep the shiny side up

Life is too short from traffic
 you don't stop riding because you get old, you get old because you stop riding

FASTER, FASTER, FASTER, UNTIL THE THRILL OF SPEED overcomes the fear of death OR never ride faster than your guardian angel can fly

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BC Lower Mainland

Chapter Contacts

Chapter BC-A Vancouver

www.gwrrabca.org

Breakfast Gathering

3rd Sunday of every Month (except Dec).
Ricky's Restaurant,
2350 Boundary Rd, Burnaby, BC
Breakfast 8:00 AM Gathering 9:00 AM

Directors

Dave Ward and Giselle Collins
Email: chapterdirector@gmail.com
Facebook: GWRRA BC-A

Chapter BC-C Chilliwack

www.gwrra-bcc.org

Dinner Gathering

3rd Tuesday of every Month (except Dec)
Rendezvous Restaurant
9360 Young Road, Chilliwack, BC
Dinner 6:00 AM Gathering 7:00 PM

Directors

Karin Young
Email: gwrrabcc.director@gmail.com
Facebook: GWRRA BCC

Chapter BC-D Surrey

www.gwrra-bcd.org

Dinner Gathering

1st Wednesday of every Month
Ricky's Restaurant
152nd & Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC
Dinner 6:00 AM Gathering 7:00 PM

Directors

Dave Truesdell
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Facebook: GWRRA BC-D



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





August Wedding Anniversaries

none

August Birthdays

John Wait Aug 3rd
Tracy Gowans Aug 6th
Don Champion Aug 7th
Ian Thompson Aug 7th
Chris Maki Aug 11th
Ian McAlpine Aug 18th
Doug Wilkins Aug 18
Rob Gosselin Aug 19th
Bob Buchanan Aug 29th
Parm Gosselin Aug 31st

GWRRA Anniversaries

Mairi Sparrow 2006-08-04
Toby Sandwell 2007-08-12
Rob Gosselin 2008-08-13
Parm Gosselin 2008-08-13
Kyle Gosselin 2008-08-13
Kirin Gosselin 2008-08-13
Robert Meers 2009-08-10
Leona Meers 2009-08-10
Linda Chung 2009-08-20
Dan Michael O'Meara (7)
Dan Noorian 2012-08-20
Ian Thompson 2013-08-29
Wayne Scott 2015-08-24

Please help us keep our database current.

If you know of a member's birthday/wedding anniversary /GWRRA anniversary and you do not see it listed on this page please send us an email with the month and day of the special date(s) so they (or you) don't get missed!

To: gwrra.gowans@gmail.com and chapterdirector@gmail.com
Subject: Birthday and Anniversary update

COMING SOON!



September 2018

1-2	Gold Run	BC-D
5	Dinner Gathering	BD-D
9	Fraser Valley Toy Run	
9/23	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
14-15	ARC—Chilliwack/Abbotsford	BC-C
15	Corn Roast	BC-D
16	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
18	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
23	37th Oyster Run—Anacortes, WA	

October 2018

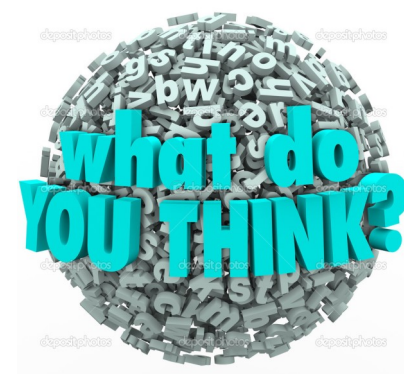
3	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
7	39th Vancouver Toy Run	
7/21	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
16	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
21	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
27	Spaghetti Factory Dinner	BC-D

November 2018

3	Guy Fawkes Burn	BC-D
4/18	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
7	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
11	Remembrance Day Ride	BC-A
17	Chili Feed	BC-D
18	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
20	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
24	Christmas Dinner	BC-A

December 2018

	No BC-A Breakfast Gathering	
	No BC-C Dinner Gathering	
1	Christmas Dinner Party	BC-D
2	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
5	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
8	Christmas Party	BC-C
25	Merry Christmas	
TBA	Montesano Festival of Lights	WA-D





GWRRA North West Coast District

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On the web at : www.gwrra-nwc.com

District Ride Coordinator	- Keiller Gowans
District Membership Enhancement Coordinator	- <i>Vacant</i>
District Motorist Awareness Coordinator	- Kathy Estey
District Educator	- Gavin Karey-McKenna
District Treasurer	- Janet Turner
District Webmaster	- Dave Ward
District University Coordinator	- <i>Vacant</i>

Should anyone in any chapter in the district wish to "Step Up" to fill the vacant positions it would be most appreciated.



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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.

- July 22nd Valley GranFondo is now complete with 7 moto Escorts. All Positions Filled
- Sept 8th Whistler GranFondo is now complete with 2 extras.

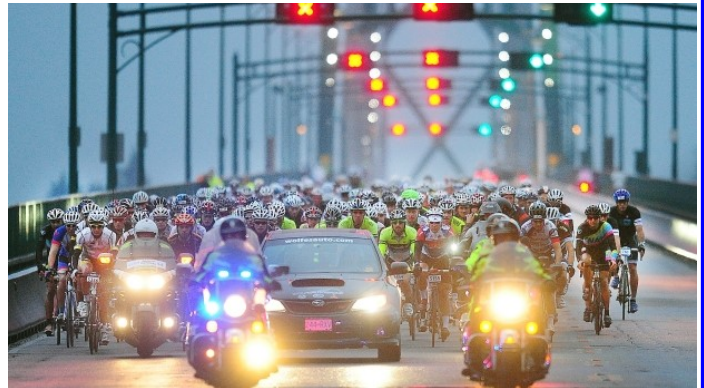
Stay Tuned For upcoming events.

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.

**let Carl know if you would like to be a last minute extra if someone cancels out.*



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 gwwra.gowans@gmail.com with your ideas.

Deadline for articles for the September newsletter is September 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

Riding Gear for Sale

BMW All-round Black Boots Size 38

Paid \$256.00

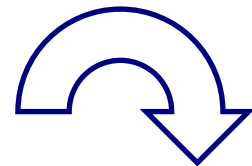
Sell for \$100.00



Reasonable offers Considered

Contact Marian 778 980 2374 or Tom 778 866 7057

Revit Ignition Jacket Black Women's
Size 42 Paid \$534.00 Sell for



\$275.00

Revit
Ventura Pant



Black Women's Size 38 Paid \$363.00

Sell for \$165.00



Chapter A Stores

For Sale items

Patches:

	Description	Quantity on hand 2017-Oct-14	Cost
Rocker	GWRRA BC-A Vancouver (black and gold with flags)	8	\$22.00
Rocker	North West Coast District – available soon	Available soon	\$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	Xl-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@gmail.com



Wing Ding 40 slated to be held in Knoxville, Tennessee!

Knoxville, home of GWRRA's 40th Annual Wing Ding, is situated at the foothills of Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Three Interstates run through Knoxville making it easily accessible! The majority of the events will take place downtown at the beautiful Knoxville Convention Center.

Many exciting changes are happening including a completely revamped event schedule with less structure and more fun! To register or view the event schedule, visit www.wing-ding.org today!

Look what's new at Wing Ding 40!

We are going to introduce new events and ideas at Wing Ding 40. We'll feature one of the new events with each newsletter.

We want to open Wing Ding 40 with a party! We are going to move opening ceremonies to the Opening Night Party. Join us on Tuesday night, August 28th for fun, entertainment and the "official" opening. It will be a party in Knoxville.

Wednesday morning, we are offering a breakfast. During that breakfast we will present the colors for the event and announce the location for the next year. It will be a fun morning that will precede the opening of the Trade Show. So don't miss out, tickets are available for purchase now for this good breakfast and fun new way to start the day. Come join us!

You can call Customer Service to add these tickets to your existing registration, [800-843-9460](tel:800-843-9460).

If you haven't registered yet, the new registration form includes the breakfast.

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Chapter BC-A, Vancouver

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Boundary Rd at Lougheed Hwy

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Burnaby, BC

(604) 293-1242

Breakfast at 8:00 am Gathering 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 8:00 am

Ride leaves at 9:00 am

Saturday, Sunday and All Statutory Holidays



Chapter BC - A Tuesday Night Rides

Coffee Social (ride in season)

Wendy's Restaurant
(Boundary and Grandview)

Coffee From 5 pm

Ride Leaves between 6:30 pm and 7 pm

