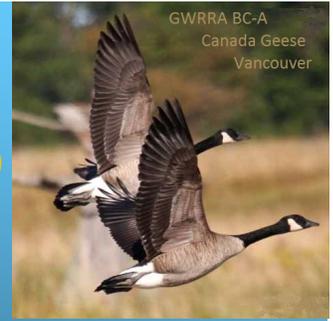


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UPCOMING EVENTS

- LONG WEEKEND RIDE 29,30 & 1 BC-A
- CASCADE LOOP JULY 6 & 7 BC-A
- DISTRICT RALLY JULY 25-28
- DUFFY LAKE LOOP AUG 10 BC A
- ISLAND LOOP AUG 17 & 18 BC A
- AUTO MUSEUM RIDE BC-A
- WING DING 41 AUG 27-31
- GOLD RUN AUG 30 SEPT 1 BC D

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Letter from the Chapter A Directors

What a great bunch of guys! Saturday morning breakfast/coffee crew ready to ride.....Gord McDonald, Dan Fortin, Kelly Parkes, John Schretlen, Rob Gosselin. Without members like these, and a few others that weren't able to make it – Chuck Taylor, Keiller Gowans, Ivan Armstrong, Heinz Blisse and more - this chapter would not be the oldest, greatest chapter in Canada!



We had a fantastic turnout for our annual Memorial Ride. 26 bikes with lots of riders from all the lower mainland chapters turned out to help us raise some funds for the chapter. We were able to raise over \$400 towards the cost of the AED we purchased in February. It is now paid off. Thanks to all who showed up and also to those that volunteered their help for the event. Dan and Kelly put together a great ride and Tom and Marian took time out to help at the poker stops. A special thank you to the members of Chapter C who volunteered to provide us a great BBQ at the end of the ride. **Without volunteers, there would not be any events!**

The Gypsy Run was another great success, despite the uncooperative weather. Kudos to Keiller for putting together a great route. Over 25 riders participated in the three days of riding through some of the best motorcycle roads our province has to offer. It is going to be hard to outdo this ride next year.....

Giselle and I will be participating in an 'Iron Butt' ride the weekend of the 22nd with a few other chapter members. We will both be pretty tired and worn out, but will definitely be at the Sunday breakfast the next day....

Coming up on the July long weekend is our multi chapter ride to Cashmere, WA. If you haven't been to this beautiful area of Washington, here is your chance to ride some spectacular roads down there. We have booked 10 rooms in the only motel in Cashmere for a two night stay. We will be riding along the Yakima river valley and back up through the Columbia basin on Sunday, the 30th, before returning home on the 1st. If the friendship and camaraderie is anything like it was on last year's ride down the Olympic Peninsula, this should be a great weekend.

Don't forget to get registered for the district Rally – Wings in the Cariboo, being held in 100 Mile House this July 25-28th. We already have over 90 people signed up, but not many from Chapter A, so get yourself in gear and get registered!! It is really easy to do – just go to <https://wingsinthecariboo.com> and get out your credit card.....Let's get 100 people registered for a great time in 100 Mile House!

It is looking like a busy year for Chapter BC-A. We hope to see many of you out for these events and more. As always, have fun and ride safe!

Dave and Giselle, Chapter Directors BC A Vancouver

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CB Ch. 33
Amateur Radio Frequency Simplex 146.490 and
Repeater - Mount Seymour
145.350 (tone 127.3)



Milestones

June Wedding Anniversaries

Patrick & Rainie Frampton June 17th

Rob & Terry Ellis June 24th

June Birthdays

Sheila MacGregor June 21st

Patty McKenna June 25th

GWRRA Anniversaries

Chris Maki 85

IB Mikkelsen 91

Jacqueline Stuart 02

Tristan Meers 10

Kathlyn Meers 10

Penny Oliver 11

Gary Rainthrope 14

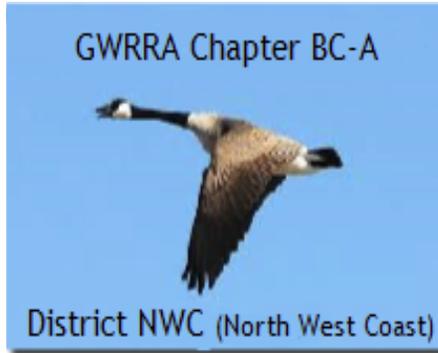
Please help us keep our database current.

If you know of a member's birthday/wedding anniversary and we do not have them on this list please send us an email with the month and day of the special dates so they (or you) don't get missed!

To: gwrра.gowans@gmail.com

Subject: Birthday and Anniversary update

“Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge”



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 range. Riders and Co-riders are blessed with an abundance of some of the most scenic areas available to motor-

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Chapter BC-A Vancouver

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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

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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

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Chapter BC-D Surrey

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Dinner Gathering

1st Wednesday of every Month
Ricky's Restaurant
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Dinner 6:00 AM Gathering 7:00 PM

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Games Coordinator: Kelly Parkes

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





North West Coast District - June District Director's Message



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

Another Victoria Day Weekend has come and gone and of course the Victoria Days Rally in Salmon Arm along with it. Kirk & Kathy work hard every year to put on a rally that all in the district can enjoy. They did a great job this year and I believe it was a success. I have a rally report complete with photos for all of you to review in the district newsletter. Karin & enjoyed the rally and the riding very much. We have some good weather, some bad, some interesting road events, all in all a great trip. Enough about us.

As you are all aware, we have launched a recruitment drive. All of you received your individual recruitment kits. We have had some immediate success and there already is a chapter in the lead for the "Most Recruits" If you need another kit, just advise your chapter director and we will get them to you.

Have you signed up for our district rally yet? Wings in the Cariboo It's important to register early so organizers can plan appropriately and have the necessary seed money to book venues. There are also incentives to booking early. Registering for the District Rally prior to May 30th gets you a discount. **Rooms are booking fast and rally registration goes up in price after May so early registration will save you money and ensure your spot at this once every 2-year event!**

Register today at:
www.wingsinthecariboo.com – District Rally
www.gwrra-nwc.com – District Rides

I am excited to take advantage of all the riding opportunities in our district this year. ***I would like to see a "profusion of participation" from all chapters at all riding events this year.*** Let's make it the best riding season ever! See you all real soon!

Thank you for being members of GWRRA; your membership and participation is what makes GWRRA the finest international riding association 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"***

For More Information on Events Throughout the District

**please visit the district website
gwrra-nwc.com
where you will find links to
individual chapter websites as
well as district sponsored events!**

Message from the Editor:



We need someone:

- excited about putting together our monthly newsletter
- who is interested in participating in the chapter by taking it on or partnering with another member

If you:

- love talking to people
- gathering news stories
- writing a few yourself

Please contact Tracy Gowans to express your interest in this fun position or to contribute an article, joke or great story.

Chapters

- Alaska
- BC Motorcycle Drill Team
- Chapter BC-A, Vancouver
- Chapter BC-C, Chilliwack
- Chapter BC-D, Surrey
- Chapter BC-G, Kamloops
- Chapter BC-P, Prince George
- Chapter BC-V, Victoria
- Chapter YT-A, Whitehorse



Adventures with Wild Animals while Riding

Over the years we have all had some memorable experiences with animals; I thought I would share a few with you. Living in Prince George for 40 years it was only a short distance till you were in the “Wilderness”. I did not ride all this time but 40+ years ago I did ride my new Honda 750 from Vancouver to Prince George. The bike was a grad gift to myself. One of the best bikes I have owned. Years later I would join GWRRA and have my riding memories increase and be enriched.

We, members of BC-P and others often rode to Jasper for lunch. On one of these rides I encountered eight Grizzlies. It was early Spring and there were two sets of Moms with cubs and two single young Males. This experience was spread out over a number of hours. I never got too close to these Bears, but close enough. One Mom got really upset as she was going to cross the Highway and she had to stop the cubs from coming in front of us. She stood up by the side of the road, growled at us, keeping the cubs away from the road and scaring the you know what out of us.

Some times I was on my own. Once on my way to Calgary from PG, going through the Columbia Ice Fields I met a Bull Moose. It was early September and as I often did, I liked to ride early in the Morning...no traffic to speak of and a beautiful morning. Up ahead I saw a Bull Moose with a very large rack walking down the Highway. I slowed down and hoped some cars would be coming soon...no such luck. As we got closer to each other the Moose charged me. I forgot that this Moose was in “rutting season”. I’m not that cute. As everything was happening so fast. I honked my horns and honked my horns. These, as you know are very loud horns and being in the middle of nowhere, even louder. Well that Moose got scared and as he was charging on Asphalt, he slipped as he tried to turn on his feet and skidded off the road just passed me, down the edge of the road. He made it into the ditch, stood up, shook his head and wandered off into the woods.

Another time, coming back from Jasper we got to witness one of Nature’s amazing experiences. A young Grizzly was attacking a Black Bear and her two cubs. The Black Bear was a little more than half the size of the Grizzly but she had twice the fight in her. First of all she treed the cubs to safety and then continued her fight. The sound of the fight you could hear through our helmets as we all watched in amazement. It was over quickly as the young grizzly had had enough and it ran off into the woods. I am sure the bears were exhausted. I knew we were just from watching it all.

One year, a group of guys, mainly from University days, got together for a week’s ride into Montana along the “Lewis and Clark” trail. As many of you know riding in this area is just beautiful and exciting. Great roads and scenery that just doesn’t quit. There were eight of us on all kinds of bikes...I being the only Gold Wing. We were heading to a favorite place for lunch. I had pulled over to take a picture of a bridge over the River we had been riding along for hours...such lovely River Valley. Back on the bike, I was trying to catch up to the other guys when I saw what I thought was a Deer coming up from the River. Wrong! It turned out to be a large Grizzly. Again, for some reason, no traffic and a narrow Road. I went to the other side of road and slowed down, then stopped. We surprised each other. Here we are both stopped, looking at each other. Suddenly he stood up and growled. A sound I swear went through my whole body. As he stood there I zoomed past him on the wrong side of the road. In my mirrors I could see him drop down on all fours and go back towards the river. I soon caught up with my friends where they were having lunch. They say I shook for 40 minutes before I could eat anything. I think I had to change my “drawers” before I could continue on that trip. ***Continued on page 7***





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Another time in Nova Scotia on our way from Halifax to Peggy's Cove, travelling along a Coastal Highway we frequently road across bridges that allow for Ocean water to flow with the Tides. There are always Sea Gulls going over and under these Bridges. On this day one Sea Gull didn't read the signs that said "Fly over or under the bridge not just slightly over the bridge".

The gull hit the Gold Wing just by the mirror and the windshield. My friends said bird pieces were flying everywhere

with many parts all over me. I managed to pull over safely and come to stop. Thank goodness for full face helmets, gloves and proper jacket. Nothing broke. I am sure the bird would like to try that activity one more time another way.

One additional experience in Jasper. Marian and I often stay at Becker's Chalets just 5k south of town near the Gates to the Columbia Ice Fields on the Athabasca River. A lovely spot if you get the opportunity to visit. One night we had finished dinner at the Chalets and we walked back to our cabin. The Gold Wing was parked out front of our door with its Half Cover on for the night. A beautiful Summer eve. Our phone rang in our cabin and it was the front desk warning us that not one but two Cougars were walking through the area. I looked outside and right beside the bike were the two Cougars, maybe just over a meter from our door, quite the sight. On they walked, an amazing sight to see. Very healthy, beautiful and young. Something you don't see even day.

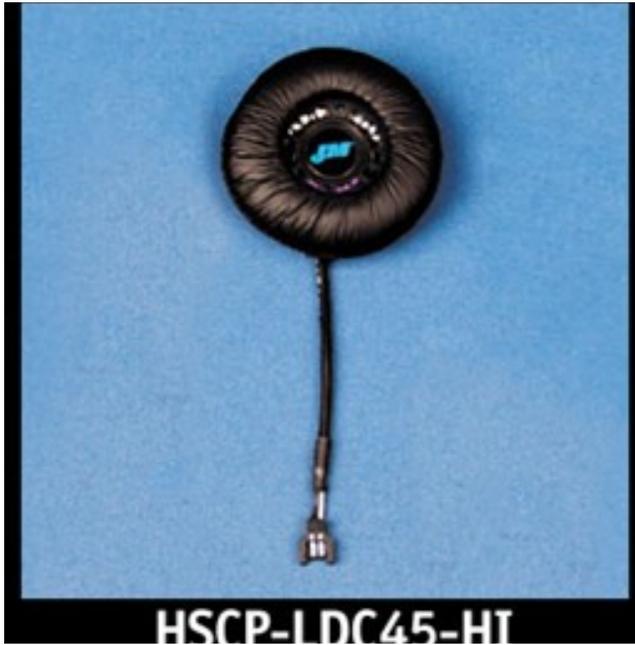
Over the years many of our friends have called me "Bearman" as I seem to see animals, especially bears, wherever we travel in North America. It all adds to the Adventure of our travels and one of the reasons why riding our Wing was so enriching to our lives.

Tom Goetz
GWRRA Chapter A
Member.



Membership Draw Article —*Submitted by Keiller Gowans*

Review—J&M High Intensity 45 mm Large Diameter Helmet Speaker



For some time now I have been using the J&M Basic low profile speaker in my helmet because when I got them the sound was a significant upgrade from the Sena speakers I was used to prior to using a corded headset. Over the last few years however I have not used them to listen to music. I always have my CB set on helmet mode but the music just didn't sound great and it was necessary to turn it way up to get any enjoyment out of it. Just re-

cently we had a failed microphone and while ordering a new one I noticed these speakers and thought I would give J&M a call to see if they thought it would be a smart upgrade. They assured me that I would notice a significant and that I would be very happy so I took the chance and ordered them.

Changes

I no longer need to increase the volume when switching to helmet speakers.

The cushions are close to my ears but if anything this is a comfort plus.

They help block out road noise.

The fullness of the base is very impressive.

Fit my Shoei helmet perfectly

Great improvement!!

Keiller Gowans

GWRRA Chapter A Member

District Ride Coordinator

Event — *Submitted by Keiller Gowans*

The 2019 Gypsy Run

On the weekend starting Friday June 7th we completed the 2nd Annual Gypsy Run looping through the southern part of our Province and enjoying some of the beautiful scenery of Princeton, Osoyoos, Grand Forks, Trail, Creston, Nakusp, Vernon and Kamloops to mention a few. I have since received much very positive feedback which to be perfectly honest surprises me just a little because no matter how well you plan a trip like this you are at the mercy of Mother Nature and it's not like you can tell 30 people "oh well, the weather isn't great this week so let's just go next week". People have scheduled the time off and have made reservation along with arranging dog walking and whatever else is affected by leaving on a Friday morning for the weekend. The weather was looking great for Sunday but Friday and Saturday did not look great.

On Friday Tracy and I left the North Shore in the pouring rain but as soon as we were clear of the mountains the rain stopped and we actually were able to comfortably meet up with other riders on the way to Hope making it quite a way before getting hit by any significant rain. Periodically riders did run into some strong weather usually at altitude over the passes but for the most part it was pretty good. This ride was loaded with some of the top riding roads in BC with nothing but twisties, plenty of programmed comfort stops if needed, comfy hotels, group dinner parties and great people. Tracy and I had a blast!

What about next year?

I can say that I have already planned the Run for next year but it has not been officially approved by the District Team. However if all goes as planned (hopefully with Kevin Bramhoff at the helm) next years ride will be different again, will include amazing scenery, tons of twisty roads and just might be called something like Gypsy Run 2020 "The Gypsy Sisters".

Hope you will join us. *More pictures and stories in the July newsletter.

[Keiller Gowans](#)

Ride Coordinator Guy

District NWC



Gold Wing Road Riders Association



Membership Story — *Submitted by Ivan Armstrong* Thoughts on Visibility



Probably the most commonly used phrase from a driver who has tangled with a motorcyclist is: “I didn’t see them...”

Keeping this in mind I would think that we would do everything in our power to be seen (I know I do!). We put extra lights on our bikes, stick reflective material on them, ride with high beams on, add passing lights (a favourite with cruisers), wear bright reflective clothing, I have even seen brake lights on the back of helmets! Yet the favourite color for a great number of

riders is black! Silver is even worse as it blends in with the road on a dull day. My favourite color for a helmet is white. It can be easily seen when the rider is in heavy traffic, most riders sit higher than car roofs, dark helmets do not stand out.

There are a lot of colorful reflective vests for sale and these work really well when you are off the bike for whatever reason, but I’m sorry to tell you that most of them are blocked from view by the back truck on the Goldwings. All that is visible are the sleeves and many of these are black. I was surprised and shocked when the new Goldwings showed up with only two small tail lights, quite a change from the models that preceded them. Was this a cost saving move on Honda’s part? Talking of the tail lights, one of my things to do is to install a flashing / solid electronic unit in the brake light circuit. This relatively inexpensive unit is easy to install and makes sure that the person behind you sees your brake lights transition from side lights to full on brake lights, this is particularly important on cruisers that may only have a single tail light!

Side reflectors can easily be converted by drilling through them from the back and gluing in amber/red 12V LEDs. If you are going to change your brake / side and signal bulbs to LEDs you should be aware that you need to use red LEDs behind red lenses and yellow LEDs behind amber lenses. If you use white LEDs some of the color is lost as the lenses convert some of the white light, don’t believe me? Ask the guys who sell LEDs. Blue lights are illegal and are for police use only, I once saw a chapter member get chewed out on the I-5 in Washington State by a highway patrol officer who spotted the blue LEDs in his multi-colored Rings of Fire.

Of course one of the most important things to observe is to position yourself correctly in your lane, make sure you are visible to the driver a head of you and that you’re not in the blind spot. Particularly important when you are behind a large truck. Don’t tailgate and remember to allow enough room for you to slow down in a controlled manner without fear of being rear-ended.

In finishing, let me say that I’m shocked that GWRRA is offering for sale storm jackets in grey and black. I can’t think of two worse colors to wear on a dark grey rainy day. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas of your own. Ride Safe...

Sincerely, Ivan Armstrong

Member, GWRRA Chapter BC A Region J Canada

Membership Story — *Submitted by Tom & Marian Goetz*

Conversion Story—2 wheels to 3

Our Son, Bryan is a welder in Kamloops. His friend Brock, also a welder takes on jobs in his garage. His family has a long standing history in the trike world. These pictures show a Goldwing during the conversion process from two wheels to a trike. Bryan says that with all the “stuff involved this trike is worth close to \$80,000 dollars. The accessories are valued at \$9,000 dollars, the paint job has gold flecks in it and he is not sure how many coats of lacquer are done to the bike. The paint job alone is valued at \$15,000 dollars. All in all our son says it’s one beautiful trike. We thought we would share it with you.



Tom & Marian Goetz
GWRRA Members
Chapter A

Membership Story — *Submitted by Sandra Cipras*



One thing that I had promised myself... and my worried mother was that I would not start riding until I learned the skills I needed. With a riding course under my belt I took to the streets. I joined a few social rides over the past two years, did Duffy Lake Loop, Sea to Sky and a few shorter rides through the Fraser Valley. All where good fun and helped me to get a bit more comfortable on my bike. Fast forward to 2019 when I was introduced to the GWRRA Chapter A. I felt welcome from the first time I walked into the monthly meeting. I knew this was the group for me and signed up right away.

I was lucky to take advantage of the Advanced Riders Course (ARC) right away. I learned so much over the two days. Of course the skills improved my confidence on my bike, but they also transferred to my time behind the wheel. The funny thing is that you don't realize that you have learned something truly until you experience your skills put to the test. For me it was while driving my car. I was in the middle of making a left onto a side street. In true "Motorbike mode", I focused far up the road looking where I wanted to go. As I accelerated I noticed a flash of color to my right, low to the ground in the distance. Foot on the brake anticipating a quick stop, a toddler ran down the playground path into the street, his mom frantic with an outstretched arm merely inches behind... I stopped quick and controlled. The toddler was snatched up by his mom for the biggest hug and no doubt the sternest talking to.

Me, thankful for the skills I had just practiced. The thought that you are never too old or too skilled to learn something new or to hone your skills is a lesson that will guide me forever.

Sandra Cipras,
New Member
GWRRA BC A



Motor Officer Motorcycle Course Part 2 - Submitted by Rob Ellis

Day 1—So day one starts in class, and we go over “yawn” the course details. Bike theory and some war stories! Mostly sergeant “what’s his name”, and then eventually out to the bikes. Did I mention no one in the parking lot knew how to “team park” as in “Drill team” parking? More on that later. So off to practice range and get started on some riding. Rain? Yes, and I’m totally fine with it but a lot of guys keep mentioning the impending sun that is about to make an appearance. Nope, didn’t happen that day :-)

It was made clear at the outset of this course that this program would tax you physically and mentally, besides honing super human ride skills as well. While they slowly, sorry actually kind of rapidly, decreased pattern sizes when you weren’t looking. There was a lot to go over and if we took forever to shrink patterns down we would be at this crap for more than two weeks, so shrink, shrink and shrink!

First lesson, start by learning to pick the bike up off the ground! In order of sequence 1...2...3... Ignition off, transmission in gear, and side stand deployed. (if your lucky enough to have it land on that side)

Then into some follow the leader and set up for exercises. Slow speed slalom, and right and left 90 degree pullouts and slow speed races. Friction zone exercises, included is a good test to ride over four 2x4s one right after an other, in the rain and guarded by plastic construction pillars on either side. Point was to go slower than walking speed and climb over each 2 x 4 ever so carefully without spitting out a board with your back tire, and to use no brake pressure at all. A front wheel slip on a wet board would have you picking up your bike, as learned at the beginning of range . This meant that your bike never had both wheels on the ground at the same time until you exited the chute . The suspension system was never completely settled because of all the bumps in the ride.

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Day one ends with fairly easy start to riding, partly because of all those **“Sergeant what’s his name”** war stories. Oh and some **“team riding”**, did I mention that parking thing? Well it was clear that Sergeant was not going to be happy until his class of 10 riders got their parking strategy together and learned to park like a **“Team”**. They had to start looking professional if we were to head out on the road. Finished quite nicely at 5 pm and not tired at all. Early to bed to be ready for the next 8 hours of mixed sport, team riding and of course **“War Stories”**.

Day 2—Ok now they start pulling out ride patterns and giving more clues on head, eye, body posture “grey area control” otherwise known as “the friction zone” and a focus on tire placement in order to make it through those patterns. I have learned well through “off road” courses is that much finer edge of friction control. That is also what was stressed here, although rear “drag” braking was a useful “modulation” control. That finer edge of momentum control is strictly the use of that clutch!

No real pressure here yet for me, and the class started looking at **“muaw”** for “how in the heck did you do that? One fellow from the UK, a police officer there really made me chuckle when his jaw hit the ground after my completion of a couple of patterns,.... **“Yawn”**. (Most of you know I’m still learning to ride the darn thing) with his statement, “now you really done that proper like mate”. It would be safe to say that there was a long day of practice, and some people going “oh crap, what have I gotten myself into?”

So what’s up with that side by side police riding? We are all taught the dangers of that type of riding, and you’re encouraged to ride in 1 second “staggered offset” intervals. You have probably seen motor officers riding in “deuce” or tight side by side formations on the street. The state-

ment I have often heard is **“that must be dangerous”**.

Why do we ride in **“staggered”** formation when group riding, while those **“cop guys”** do their own thing in such a tight formation?

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The thought behind the motor officer **“tight deuce”** side by side team ride is for the group to be able to stay together, and force traffic to see the group and pay attention. This also discourages other road users from pushing in between the motor group because the officers simply do not allow enough space for that to take place. Your own riding often puts you in that left track on single opposing lane roads to allow you to take ownership of your road position by virtue of being there. Same goes for the police approach to riding tactics. They put themselves in a **“Commanding or Dominant”** road position, and that just happens to allow them that positive **“conspicuous”** visibility to the traffic around them. Not to say they aren’t ready to take evasive action, they definitely are ready if needed. This type of riding isn’t for us average riders, because we don’t take the type of training that motor officers do. We are not tested annually to be able to keep our bikes on the road.

Motor officers have to re-certify each year to be able to keep their positions. Part of being ready for that re-certification means riding on a daily basis in a manner that allows them to keep their skill levels very close to where they need to be when it comes test time. The EOC isn’t an easy test. If road sight lines, visibility and the public allow it the officers may even ride tight twos at freeway speed. They do fall into staggered or even single file when circumstance absolutely demands it. So part of our training each day is team rides where we worked on those tight **“twos”** formations with quite tight following intervals, 1 1/2 bike lengths behind the two bikes in front of us. It is cool though, and I must admit I had an advantage at this because the drill team riding has given me a comfort level with bikes in very close proximity to me. I thought this stuff was AWESOME! Riding 90 to 100 kph all within 1 1/2 bike space and 2 feet to the bike beside you for many kms at a time. I just wish I had red and blue lights. Mr. Sergeant man often used his police lights and road position to allow the group to navigate some streets into or through intersections where he thought it was efficient to do so. I think he likes doing that, heck who wouldn’t?

We were now ending days practice with team rides so we could cool bikes off and cool the riders off as well. If you take an ARC course with GWRRA you’re lucky to get 5 trips through any exercise, with the Motor Officer course you probably do each exercise 30 or 40 times in a day. Now add that up over 10 days and you get the picture. Next day will

hold high speed braking, high speed brake and evade and more new ever shrinking patterns.

Until next issue

Rob Ellis

GWRRA #302735,

Master Tour Rider

GW Ride Course Inst. MI-088

Team Member BCMDT



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New Ad June 2019

For sale 2008 American Goldwing with 53,000 miles. Comes with full Bakerbuilt wings, mini-floor boards, heel toe shifter, CB Radio, Good Rubber, also included luggage rack, highway pegs and volt meter. Full service completed prior to sale. Asking \$8000.00 Firm Contact Rob



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91,968 KMS

- One of the cleanest GL1500s you're likely to find with many accessories and upgrades.
- Various chrome accents including Ring of Fire and front wheel chrome reflector inserts.
- ISO Grips and footrests for long-rid comfort and control.
- Progressive front/rear suspension
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- F4Customs +4 windscreen (additional Tulsa Windscreen included.)
- Evans waterless coolant and synthetic oil. Numerous ad-

ditional parts, accessories and Honda OEM shop manual included.

This motorcycle is considered by many to be the pinnacle on Honda's touring motorcycles and the gold standard by which many others are judged. The GL1500 is designed for pure long-distance touring comfort and reliability. That being said, the GL1500 I no slouch in the performance department with a powerful six-cylinder 1520cc engine and low center of gravity that allows it to keep up with its newer competitors. This highly sought

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New Ad June 2019

There are two 1985 Goldwings for sale here. One is an Interstate in good shape, and has been on the road recently. It has **110,000 KM** on it and is burgundy in color. The other is not 100% complete, it is a two toned blue colored Aspencade with about the same mileage. This bike was bought for parts. If interested in either bike please give **Rob Croll** a call at **1 250 208 8214** or email robcroll@gmail.com \$3000.00 obo.



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F6B

This is Donn Champions old bike.

20,000 kms

Listed for \$15,500, but for a GWRRA member will do \$14,500.

Obviously excellent condition.

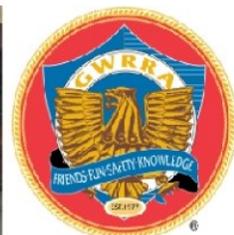
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Skills Training Anyone?

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



GWRRRA North West Coast District

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

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

Are you interested in :

- Participating as a district team member?
 - Helping out at district events?

Contact District Director—Kevin Bramhoff (director@gwrra-nwc.com)

MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR



June 2019

1	Memorial Ride	BC-A
5	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
7-9	Gypsy Ride	district
8	Duck Hunt	WA-D
2/16/30	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
15	Greenheart Run	BC-C
16	<i>Happy Fathers Day</i>	
18	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
22	Ride to Eat	BC-A
23	Breakfast Gathering (week later)	BC-A
29,30,1	Long Weekend Ride	BC-A
29,30,1	Kootenay Loop Ride	BC-D

July 2019

29,30,1	Long Weekend Ride	BC-A/C
29,30,1	Kootenay Loop Ride	BC-D
3	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
6,7	Cascade Loop Ride	BC-A
14/28	Breakfast /Ride	BC-C
16	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
21	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
25-28	NWC District Rally—100 Mile House	

August 2019

7	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
10	Duffy Lake Loop Ride	BC-A
11/25	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
17&18	Island Loop Ride	district
18	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
20	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
24,25	Auto Museum Ride (Tacoma)	BC-A
27-31	Wing Ding 41—Nashville TN	
30-Sep1	Gold Run	BC-D

September 2019

Aug30/1	Gold Run	BC-D
4	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
8	Fraser Valley Toy Run	
8/22	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
14	Corn Roast	BC-D
15	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
17	Dinner Gathering	BC-C
28	37th Oyster Run—Anacortes, WA	





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.

Abbotsford Air Show

Aug 9, 10 & 11 2019

Here is the link to register

--- [MOTORCYCLE](#)

Or contact Ian McAlpine at mr.imca@telus.net
Sandra Bater at Sandra@abbotsfordairshow.com

Grand Fondo Whistler is Saturday

September 7th 2019

Contact Carl Scouten if you want to volunteer
bcmdt-moto-safety@shaw.ca



Do you have a great idea for a newsletter Article?

Have you 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 the June Newsletter is June 1st 2019

Chapter A Stores

For Sale items

	Description	Quantity on hand 2018-December-31	Cost
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Patches:

Rocker	BC-A Vancouver chapter (black and gold with flags)	6	\$22.00
Rocker	BC-A Vancouver chapter (white, 2 Canada flags)	1	\$22.00
Rocker	District NWC	0	\$20.00
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)	6	\$7.00
Round	4" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	5	\$7.00
Round	4" GWRRA (black, blue and gold with griffin)	15	\$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 hanger bars		80	\$3.00
PinSaver (10 pack)		4	\$7.00

Clothing

Hat : ball	One Size	3	\$10.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	2xl-Men	2	\$35.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	XL-Men	1	\$35.00
Shirt : Short sleeve sport	2xl-Men	2	\$35.00



To purchase items from Chapter A's Stores contact

Dave Ward or Giselle Collins at
chapteradirector@gmail.com

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GWRRR DISTRICT NWC "WINGS IN THE CARIBOO" RALLY



July 25-28, 2019

Pre registrations postmarked prior to June 1, 2019 will be entered in a draw to have your registration fee refunded.

- **Registration**
 - Early (by May 30) - \$35.00 X ____ = ____
 - Late (After May 30) - \$40.00 X ____ = ____
- **Catered Dinner Ticket**
 - \$28.00 X ____ = ____
- **Friday BBQ Ticket**
 - \$15.00 X ____ = ____
- **50/50 Tickets**
 - 3/\$5.00X ____ = ____
- **Door Prize Tickets**
 - 3/\$5.00X ____ = ____
- **Poker Run Tickets**
 - \$2.00eaX ____ = ____

Please indicate if Vegetarian desired Y / N

Rally Logo Wear Options (Circle size)

Unisex T-Shirt SM M LG XL XXL XXXL \$20.00 X ____ = ____

Zipper Front Hoodie SM M LG XL XXL XXXL \$35.00 X ____ = ____

Rider Name _____ Chapter _____

Co-Rider Name _____ Chapter _____

Street Address _____

City _____

ST/Prov _____ Postal/ZIP Code _____

Email _____

Registration Total _____

Dinner Totals _____

BBQ Total _____

50/50 Total _____

Door Prize Total _____

Poker Run Total _____

Clothing Total _____

GRAND TOTAL _____

AGREEMENT

I/We the undersigned, agree to comply with the rules governing this event. I/We hold harmless GWRRR, its Officers, representatives, and event sponsors, for any loss of personal property or personal injury. I/We have read and understand this form.

Signature Rider _____ Date _____ Member# _____

Signature Co-Rider _____ Date _____ Member # _____

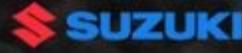
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29 June

Chapter C: 7AM Meet at Evans Rd Chevron

Chapter A: 8AM Meet at the
Chevron on H Street in Blaine

The two Chapters Meet for Breakfast
at 10AM at the HomeTown Café
in Sedro Wooley

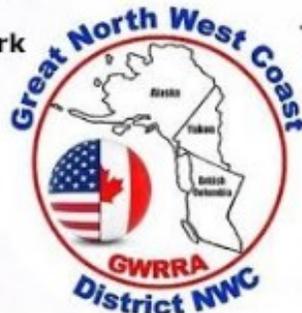
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Ride back to Canada

For more info contact:
director@gwrra-nwc.com

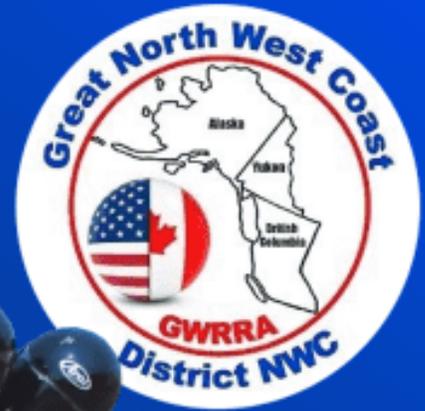
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Gold Wing Road Riders Association North West Coast District

2019 Vancouver Island Ride



17 / 18 Aug 2019

<https://gwr-ra-nwc.com/district-events/>

*You Don't Have To Ride A Gold Wing...
You Just Have To Ride*

LET'S RIDE!

Monthly Chapter Gathering

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 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

