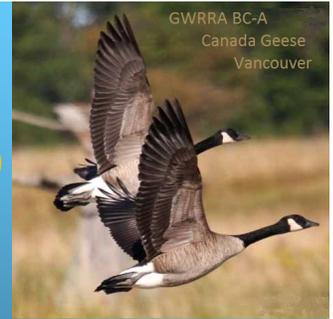


# Gold Nuggets



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- REMEMBRANCE DAY RIDE NOV 11TH.
- CHRISTMAS DINNER DEC 7TH
- NEW YEARS DAY RIDE & BREAKFAST JAN 1ST.

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## Letter from the Chapter A Directors Chapter A Directors November Director's Message

November was a busy month at work for both Giselle and I, but we did manage to get out for a ride together. The sunny but cool weather has let us get out and take in some beautiful fall scenery along some of our favorite lower mainland roads.



We had two successful Falling Leaves rides with lots of participants. Thanks again to Chuck and Keiller for leading these rides through some of the nicest motorcycle roads in the NW region of Washington State.

November 17 will be our last chapter breakfast meeting at Ricky's Country Restaurant on Boundary road. We have been forced to move for financial reasons. Our attendance has dropped and the manager decided that it isn't worth it for him to reserve the room for us every month, so we had to find another place. The good news is, we found a place willing to accommodate us with only a \$6 minimum spend per person.

**Our new meeting place will be at the Ricky's All Day Grill at 1090 Lougheed Highway in Coquitlam, just in beside Marks Workwear at the King Edward intersection. The managers Matty and Ali will be pleased to serve us starting on January 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Coming up is our annual chapter Christmas Dinner on Saturday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00PM till ????. It is being held again this year in the meeting room at the Accent Inn, behind the Ricky's Restaurant on Boundary Road. It will be a full on turkey buffet with before dinner appetizers, salads, vegetables, coffee, tea, and bar service for those that want it – all for \$30.00 per person. The chapter will be picking up the extra costs and the gratuity. So far we have 21 people signed up.

We need a minimum of 25, so if you haven't signed up, please do so at the link below:

<https://doodle.com/poll/sq6h4e7fsnecc7gp>

Dave and Giselle

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



## North West Coast District - Summer District Director's Message



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

Fellow Wingers,

As I see the end of riding season in my rear-view mirror I am reminded of the great rides and new people we met as well as old friends I was able to reconnect with this year. I have to say, "What a fantastic summer and riding season we had this year"!

There were numerous riding opportunities throughout the district. Every chapter had riding events. Karin & I attended as many as we could. They were all excellent, well organized and frankly, FUN to attend. I am looking forward to riding season 2020 and it looks to be better than last year.

### **Planned District Events:**

**2020 Gypsy Run** this year titled "Gypsy Sisters" Run, June 12th – 14th. This ride is going to heading South this year. Stay tuned for details. It will be a great one I am certain of that! If it is as good 2019, well, I encourage others in the district to "Join us for the 2020 Gypsy Sisters Run"! You will not regret it.

**2020 Wings in the Cariboo 2.0 rally** – July 23rd – 26th . The town of 100 mile will be our rally point again this year. The people of the township enjoyed our visit so much...they invited us back! We will have additional activities this year as well as some different rides throughout the region. Great food; Catered dinner, BBQ, and a Pancake breakfast are planned for this coming year. It will be better than 2019 – that's saying something! Stay tuned and we will be sending information out on a regular basis.

**Island Loop** – September 12th & 13th – Our ride coordinator has a new plan for this one as well and it is expected to be better than last year as well. ***The 2019 ride was excellent so this will be a tough one to beat! I have high expectations of our ride coordinator!***

As you are all aware, we have launched a recruitment drive. All of you received your individual recruitment kits. If you need another kit, just advise your Chapter Director and we will get them to you. So far Chapter BC-C is ahead, way ahead, followed by BC-A. I would like to see some recruitment from the other chapters out there. It is a contest after all! There is still time – make it go! We have so few days to ride in now please ensure you get out and ride when you can this fall. Stay warm, watch for deer, enjoy the fall colours, most of all be safe! Thank you for being members of GWRR; your membership and participation is what makes GWRR 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

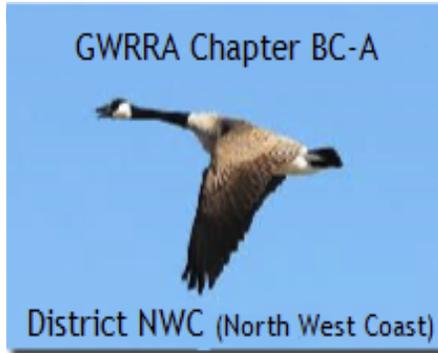
**Please contact Tracy Gowans to express your interest in this fun position or to contribute an article, joke or great story.**

**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



## “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-

Chapter Directors

Dave Ward & Giselle Collins

email : [chapterdirector@gmail.com](mailto:chapterdirector@gmail.com)

### Chapter BC-A Vancouver

[www.gwrrabca.org](http://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  
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### Chapter BC-C Chilliwack

[www.gwrra-bcc.org](http://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  
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Facebook: GWRRRA BCC

### Chapter BC-D Surrey

[www.gwrra-bcd.org](http://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**

Doug Conley  
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## 2019 Chapter BC A Team

**Chapter Directors:** Dave Ward & Giselle Collins  
**Treasurer:** Niels Jensen  
**Educator:** Kelly Parkes  
**Webmaster:** Keiller Gowans  
**Ride Coordinator:** Chuck Taylor  
**Membership Enhancement Coordinator:** Ian McAlpine

**Assistant Directors:**  
**Stores:** Giselle Collins  
**Historian:** Ivan Armstrong  
**Newsletter Editor:** Tracy Gowans  
**Games Coordinator:** Kelly Parkes

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





## Skills Training Anyone?

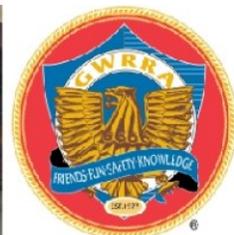
Anyone interested in getting together in a large parking lot with a few cones and practicing some riding skills? Send Kelly Parkes an email. If we get enough interested we will schedule it. [kparkes@shaw.ca](mailto:kparkes@shaw.ca)



## **District NWC - North West Coast District Team**

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**On the web at:** [gwrra-nwc.com](http://gwrra-nwc.com)



## **GWRRRA North West Coast District**

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

**On the web at :** [www.gwrra-nwc.com](http://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](mailto:director@gwrra-nwc.com))**



# Milestones

## Nov & Dec Wedding Anniversaries

*Ian & Kathie McAlpine Nov 18*

*Henry & June Bahn Dec 20th,*

*Ian & Pat Armstrong Dec 30th,*

## Nov & Dec GWRRA Anniversaries

*John Schretlen Nov 24th, 03*

## Nov & Dec Birthdays

*Bernie Sparrow Nov 3rd*

*Howie Mosher Nov 23rd*

*Kelly Parkes Nov 25th*

*Dan Fortin Dec 6th,*

*Marian Goetz Dec 30th,*

### 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](mailto:gwrра.gowans@gmail.com) Subject: Birthday and Anniversary update

**50/50 Draw** — *Submitted by Dan Fortin*

*Remembrance Day Ride*

*Three Chapter BC-A members connected at McDonalds on Boundary Road on November 11th, just as we always do on Saturdays, Sundays and Statutory Holidays for coffee and a ride. We rode to Coquitlam to meet another member and then the four of us rode some backroads to Alouette Lake and back.*

*We stopped for a moment of silence at 11 am.*

*We are so lucky to have the freedom we have.*

*Dan Fortin—GWRRA BC A*



*There was also a gathering of GWRRA members that went out to their annual Remembrance Day ride to Belcarra Regional Park where they were able to enjoy and honor the service that Port Moody Power & Sail Squadron presented at the dock n the park.*



## Member Story — *Submitted by Patrick Frampton*

### An Evening of Smiles

*Well after years of motorcycle vacations I finally took Rainie on a tropical vacation to Maui. We had only been on Maui for a few days and I wanted to see a collage football game. One problem was that only collage team in Hawaii was on O'ahu, so that was a bust. So I started to think, maybe a high school football game would be fun to go and see. I asked Cathy and Doug Wilkins, who just happened to be our condo mates, if they would join Rainie and I and go to see a high school football game that Friday night.*

*The two teams playing were, Kamehameha Warriors, who were the home team vs Lahainaluna Lunas, who were the visiting team. Seeing this was boys varsity football the players were in their mid to late teens, but don't let their ages fool you, both teams came to play. We sat in the home team section and were surrounded by kids of all ages with their parents. Just over to our right was the school band and in front of us was a full cheerleading squad, with 8 girls and 2 boys. Believe me they had everyone cheering for their Warriors. They even had a mascot in a full muscle body costume. The game was a really good and the atmosphere was electric. I was sitting in front of a mother, who was always getting us to join in on the many great cheers being done by the cheerleaders. In the end the Lunas were too much for the Warriors and the home team lost 31-17. I can honestly say Cathy, Doug, Rainie and I had the biggest smiles on our faces from start to finish that night. We could not stop talking about how much fun we all had.*

*My advice to each and everyone of you is, if you get a chance to go watch a high school boys varsity football game you will not be disappointed. You know s well as I do that when traveling in the States you spend a few nights in some small town with a little bit of internet searching you can find a local football game to watch and you will have the time of your life. Now that I know how much fun it is, I will be looking for a small town football game again, believe me!!*

*Ride safe and have fun,  
Patrick Frampton,  
GWRRA Chapter BC A*



## Member Story — *Submitted by Malcolm Muir*

*I've had my "Wing" for just over a year now and also been a member of GWRRA for the same length of time. I've put 10,000 miles on my bike since buying it, which compared to some of you is not much, but I am quite proud of it. My first encounter with the Chapter A guys was of course at McDonalds on the corner of Lougheed and Boundary one Saturday morning about a week after buying my bike. I mentioned to them during the course of that first meeting that my rear brakes were a bit "spongy" and that I'd need to have them looked at, which elicited the immediate response that there would be no need for that as we would adjourn immediately to Rob's place where he promptly and efficiently took care of the issue.*

*Now I had been told by a friend who used to be a member of GWRRA that it was a great organization with really good people and that I would have a lot of support for almost any situation in relation to riding, but this just blew me away. I had literally just met these guys and here they were not just welcoming me to the group, but checking out and repairing my bike!*

*It didn't end there either, I've had tires and wheel balancers installed by Rob and loads of advise and instruction on riding and maintenance from many other people. But the real value of the group is obviously the riding. The group rides I've gone on have been wonderful and not just for the terrific routes planned by Chuck, Keiller and others, but also for the camaraderie and fun to be found when riding stops. That is priceless. It's not just confined to chapter A either, although we like to think we are the nicest group. The folks from the Island, Surrey and Chilliwack are every bit as friendly, encouraging, supportive and all round lovely as the chapter A folks. The point of this article, if it's not obvious, is to thank all of you for not only adding to my enjoyment in riding, but also for expanding my circle of friends.*



## Member Story — *Submitted by Chuck Taylor*

*Riding Arizona—February 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th 2019*

*Well after the Vancouver motorcycle show in January, Dan Fortin and I decided that we needed to ride. So as winter was setting in we decided to book a motorcycle trip to Arizona. It is always warmer down there in the winter, so Dan and I booked a*

*trip to Arizona, leaving Bellingham on February 7th to ride in Phoenix. We arrived early and went straight to Eagle Rider in Tempe to rent two Harley Davidson Electra Glide Ultra Limited. We made sure to have our electric gear and installed front and rear cameras and electrical wiring for our heated gear.*

*Brandon from Eagle Rider took pictures of what we were doing to equip these bikes for our road trip. After we had everything*



*assembled, Brandon mentioned that we had more gear than their shop had on hand. We headed off for Tortilla Flat on the newly paved Apache Hwy 88, which was fantastic. We then ended up in town and found that the town shut down at 6 pm just as we were arriving.*

*We then headed back to Mesa to stop off at Organ Stop Pizza and experienced the world's largest Wurlitzer Organ being played at the restaurant that Dan was told about by one of his buddies. If you are in Mesa you must experience this restaurant. Address is 1149 East Southern Ave, Mesa Arizona 85204.*



*We booked into our hotel in Surprise Arizona to wake up in the morning to a surprising 28 degrees F, then off to Starbucks for a warm up with an Americano coffee, just how Dan likes it! Then we headed North West to Sedona via the back roads to Hwy 89 to Prescott, Jerome, Cottonwood. Continued on pg. 10*

**Member Story**, Continued from pg. 9



*We then stopped for another warm up at Starbucks in Sedona, before heading South East to Camp Verde, Strawberry Pine, Star Valley to Show Low where we experienced very cold temperatures at 7500 ft. By that time Dan's feet were frozen so I happened to have an extra pair of heated socks for him to use. We then headed South to Globe on Hwy 60 where we stopped for the night. In the morning we stayed at a lower elevation, 3500—4000 ft so Dan could stay thawed out. We road south to Christmas, Hayden, Kearny to Superior then to the top of the world to Claypool. We then topped up at Starbucks and headed west to Theodore Roosevelt Lake on Hwy 188.*



*We continued West to Hwy 87, then South to Saguaro Lake on N Bush Hwy. (Cont. on pg. 11 )*



**Member Story** Continued from pg. 10



*We road from Saguario Lake to Tortilla Flat, an old western town, with a general store and saloon style eatery, the Superstition Saloon where we had dinner.*

*We headed back to Mesa to the Moxy Hotel for the night and had to return the bikes in the morning. (Cont. on pg. 12)*

**Tortilla Flat Superstition Saloon**



**Member Story** Continued from pg. 11

*In the morning we headed back to Eagle Rider via Starbucks, then took a Lyft ride to the Mesa airport to fly back to Bellingham. Upon approach to Bellingham airport the plane had to circle, unable to land because of a snow storm. The pilot told us that we were going to head East to Pasco, Washington to land in a very tiny airport. We were let off the plane about 4 pm to the disembarking area to find out that three other aircraft were having to land there as well. We waited until 9 pm and then we were told to board the plane and wait. At 10 pm the pilot said that we were not able to fly to Bellingham due to another snow storm approaching. At that point Dan and I got off the plane and rented an SUV to head back to Bellingham via Snoqualmie Pass, Hwy 90 in whiteout blizzard conditions. We drove through the night to arrive in Bellingham airport to drop off the SUV.*



*We then drove to Vancouver and I had to work in the morning. We had a call from a person who stayed on the plane and found out they were stranded in Pasco. I found out that the people that were in Pasco were flown to Oregon and then to Bellingham but could not land due to fog, then circled back to Oregon to land. It took them 4 days to get back on the ground in Bellingham.*

*Fortunately, we had made it through Snoqualmie pass as they had a four foot snow fall that shut down the highway for four days. Happily, Melodie, my wife, was glad that I was able to make it home for our 41st wedding anniversary on February 11th. I had made arrangements to book a table for 7 pm at the Boathouse restaurant at Kitsilano Beach. Upon arrival it was snowing heavily and the radio stations were telling everyone to stay off of the roads. I dropped Melodie off at the door and parked my truck. We ended up having the entire restaurant to ourselves that night. Melodie and I have a very special Happy 41st Anniversary that night!*



**Chuck Taylor, GWRRA BC-A, Ride Coordinator.**



## Chapter Historian Update — *Submitted by Ivan Armstrong*

### Here we go again!

*Oh boy, how many times do we have to go through this before we get the message? Restaurants are not charitable organizations, they exist to make a profit! They hire staff, pay liability and fire insurance. They pay high rents for the use of that expensive commercial property. They heat/cool and maintain the building and equipment. They have to be competitive in a very competitive business. Do you remember when you used to pay for refills of your coffee? I don't know how much creamers cost, but I see a lot of empty ones on the table at the end of the meeting. I could go on.....*

*Our chapters are not-for-profit organizations, there is no charge for attending. We expect and usually get the exclusive use of a private room for roughly 3 hours and get our own waitress to look after us. We don't usually have to pay for the room. All that the owner asks is that we buy a certain amount of food and beverages. A gratuity has been added to each bill to ensure that the staff get a fair tip. Sounds good so far?*

*Buying a coffee and toast does not cut it folks! Nor does bringing in outside food or beverages. Most of us spend a lot of money on "safety chrome", lights, etc. for our bikes, not to mention insurance etc. I don't understand why we can't treat ourselves to a decent breakfast once a month in the company of friends. Most restaurants have something on the menu that will suit your needs, or they will usually modify food to suit you, if you only ask.*

*Most of the places that we have used have been franchised businesses struggling to make a go of it, they see our fancy expensive machines lined up in the parking lot and wonder why we are so cheap (there, I finally used the word!), I don't apologise for the word because it is the truth.*

*We were using this same restaurant when I joined back in 1996, actually we had just left another one in Queensboro, we were eventually asked to leave for the same reason as now. It was there that my wife and I were CD's and for 2.5 years and I can remember having a few embarrassing conversations with the manager about the small amount of money that members were spending each time, remember it's only once per month!*

*I know that what I am saying doesn't apply to most of you, so please don't take offense if you are one of the supporters. I also know that many of you help out in other ways, but we ALL need to support the restaurant that we use so it's a win-win situation.*

***Sincerely, Ivan Armstrong***

***Former Chapter Director, Current Chapter Historian.***

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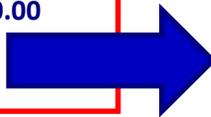
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**November 2019**

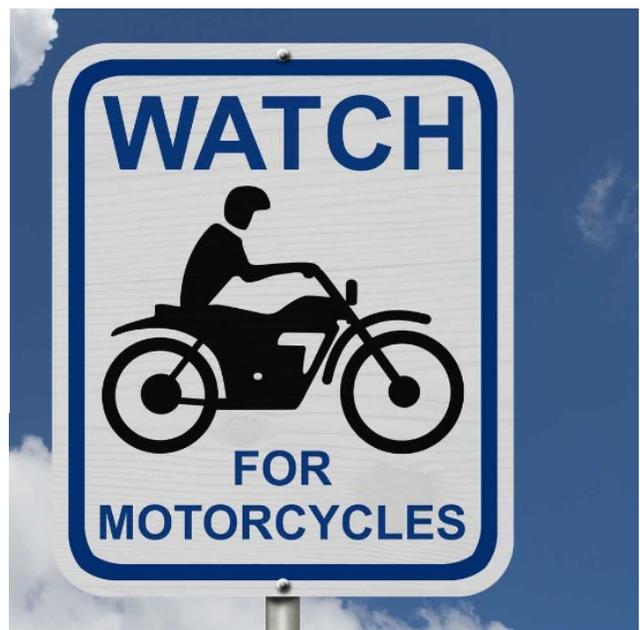
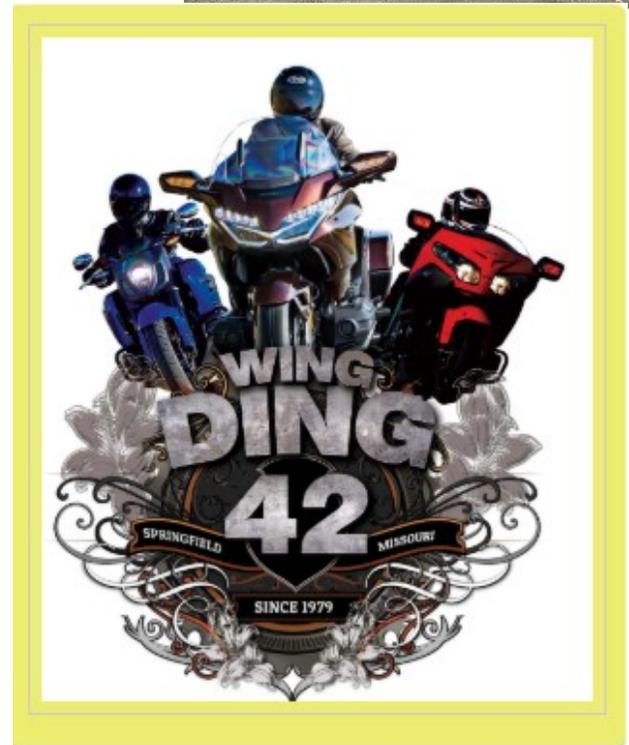
3/17	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
6	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
11	Remembrance Day Ride	BC-A
16	Chili Feed	BC-D
17	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
19	Dinner Gathering	BC-C

**December 2019**

	No BC-A Breakfast Gathering	
	No BC-C Dinner Gathering	
4	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
7	Christmas Dinner Party (change)	BC-A
7	Christmast Dinner	BC-D
14	Christmas Dinner	BC-C
1/15/29	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
25	<b>Merry Christmas</b>	

**January 2020**

1	New Years Day Breakfast/Ride	BC-A
8	Dinner Gathering	BC-D
12/26	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
19	Breakfast Gathering	BC-A
21	Dinner Gathering	BC-C





# 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.

Gentlemen,  
We the drill team would like to Thank each one of you for your help this year with the Gran Fondo 2019 !!!!!!!  
The Fondo people have been sizing us up for next year's event, as it is going to be a world class event .....  
The plan is to invite the top racing cyclists from around the world and we will be involved !!!!  
I think that we will need many more trained and enthusiastic Moto people as we can muster for this !!!  
We will need some passengers to ride backwards with us for Video and photo..... Probably more medics on Motos as well .  
Please send any Moto person my info ...  
**Cheers Carl Scouten and team BCMDT**



My Thanks to Carl Scouten our Moto Safety Manager. An Addendum to what Carl has given you all a glimpse of. Looking forward to next years event, (Grand Fondo) we are planning on preparing in a slightly more formal fashion than previous years. With an eye on "Orientation" and also "rider evaluation" for all our moto's so we can keep everyone up to speed on changes to our duties. Also some background on the experience we have gained doing these "Moto safety" events. To new moto riders that come to our organized Moto support events, the first event for them can some times be a little confusing, and even for some of our regular moto's riders, who may not be able to make it out to all the other types of Moto Safety events we do, there is more we may be able to discuss before next years Grand Fondo. To all our Moto Riders that have taken part with us this last event, I would like to say that we are very happy with what you all bring to our troops. You guys do a fantastic job. Next years event will carry a slightly higher expectation from some of our Moto Team, so expect more communication next year well before the Grand Fondo event.

Yours in Motorcycling

**Rob Ellis**  
**President BCMDT**

**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](mailto:gwrra.gowans@gmail.com) with your ideas.**

**Deadline for articles for the September Newsletter is November 13th, 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

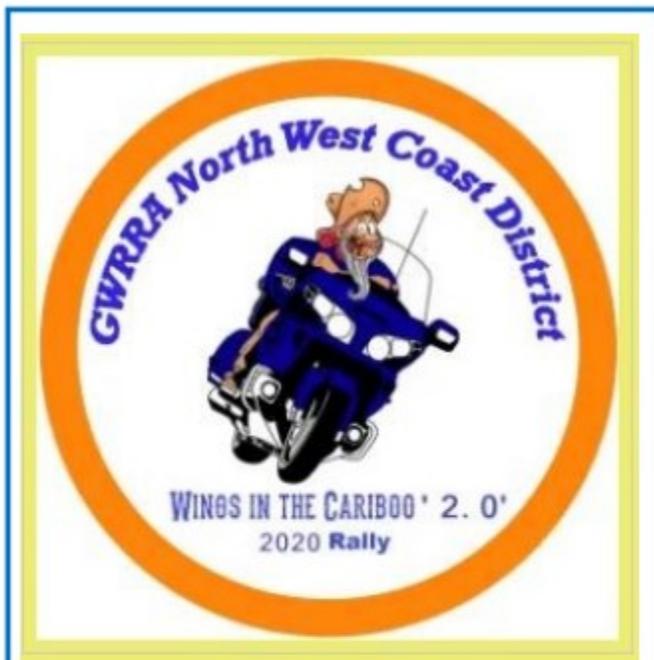
Hat : ball	One Size	3	\$10.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	2xl-Men	2	\$35.00
Shirt : Long Sleeve	XL-Men	1	\$35.00
Shirt : Short sleeve sport	2xl-Men	2	\$35.00



To purchase items from Chapter A's Stores contact

Dave Ward or Giselle Collins at  
chapteradirector@gmail.com

## DISTRICT EVENTS

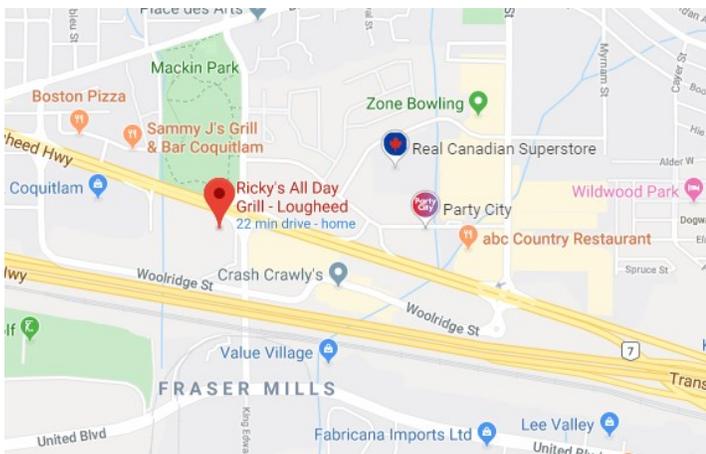


Last year's rally was such a success, we decided to do it again! Mark your calendar – **July 23rd to 26th, 2020**. We have new events, more venues, and more rides planned. Spread the word!

For more information about these rides or other events check out the District Website at: [gwr-ra-nwc.com](http://gwr-ra-nwc.com)



*GWRRA Chapter BC A's October breakfast meeting had 19 in attendance. Wayne Manuel won the Membership draw and Dan Fortin won the 50/50.*



*Reminder to all Nov 17th will be our last meeting at Ricky's on Boundary in Burnaby. Starting in January our breakfast meetings will be held at the Ricky's All Day Grill at 1090 Lougheed Highway in Coquitlam. It is just beside Mark's Workwear at the King Edward intersection. The managers Matty and Ali will be please to start serving us on January 19th 2020. There is a \$6 per person minimum.*

## DISTRICT EVENTS

It is official – the dates are June 5th-8th, 2020. A four day ride with twisties galore and up the Oregon Coast! More information as it comes. Reserve your time off for this one. If you think the Kootenay ride last year was awesome, wait till you see what Keiller has planned.....



# It's a new ERA!



Motorcycles are just machines that we use to transport us during the pleasant activity of riding, nothing more. It is just a preference, not a reflection on the rider good or bad!

District Policy is to embrace all bikes and all styles.

District N.W.C. *"The Great North West Coast"*

To participate in this program, fill out the N.13A form and send to your District Educator as indicated on the form. The District Educator will pass the application to the Team GWRRA Rider Education Assistant, Rider Course Programs for approval. Your application will be held until there are enough candidates on the waiting list in your area. You will be notified at that time and given the opportunity to participate. If you choose to do so, you will be required to submit a \$100 fee to the Team GWRRA Rider Education Assistant, Rider Course Programs.

If successful in the Instructor Preparation Course, the candidates will be given "Interim Certification" that requires them to instruct their first two courses with an experienced instructor or under the supervision of a Master Instructor or Master Instructor Trainer. If their performance is satisfactory in these initial courses they will then attain full certification.

### **Instructor Certification Course (ICC)**

After initially becoming fully Certified GWRRA Riding Course Instructor, individuals may be certified in additional Riding Courses within GWRRA. To do this, individuals must participate in an Instructor Certification Course (ICC). This course is conducted by a GWRRA Master Instructor (MI) or MIT and typically done over a two day period with day one consisting of range set-up, practice riding the specific course range exercises and oral testing of the candidate's knowledge of the course. Prior to this day the candidate will be required to complete the "Study Guide" questions for the specific course. It is the option of the MI or MIT to require further written and oral testing. On day two the candidate will conduct a course while a Master Instructor observes and evaluates.

Courses currently offered by GWRRA are:

ARC – Advanced Rider Course	ARC-R – Range only ARC*
TRC – Trike Rider Course	TRC-R – Range only TRC*
TC – Trailering Course (Two Wheel)	TTRC – Trikes w/trailers Riding Course
SRC – Sidecar Rider Course	

\*Note – The TRC-R and ARC-R may be taught by any fully certified ARC or TRC Instructor.

### **To Maintain GWRRA Rider Course Instructor Certification**

Once an Instructor is certified, he/she must maintain that certification by accomplishing the following:

- Submit a N.13 Rider Course Instructor Renewal and ICC Application to your District Educator every two(2) years.
- Maintain all of the requirements of his/her initial certification.
- Conduct a minimum of two (2) GWRRA Rider Courses during each two year certification period
- Demonstrate commitment to the REP by leading by example – proper riding gear, REP renewals, etc.
- Participate in Instructor update courses and/or refresher courses when available.
- Check the GWRRA Rider Course Instructor website to ensure they are using the current materials for the course.

For more information contact:

**Chuck & Melanie Geggie**  
Team GWRRA Rider Education Assistant  
513-312-0224  
[cwqeggie@gmail.com](mailto:cwqeggie@gmail.com)



# GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION



## RIDER EDUCATION PROGRAM RIDER COURSE INSTRUCTOR APPLICATION

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please type or print clearly)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State or Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip or Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the attached document "How to become a GWRRA Rider Course Instructor" Yes  No

Are you currently a Motorcycle Instructor for any organization? Yes  No

If "Yes", please complete Section 1 of this form. If "No", please complete Section 2

### Section 1

What organization are you currently certified with?

MSF  CSC  ESC  State Sponsored Program  What State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Instructor Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date Certified \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR CURRENT CERTIFICATION CARD

### Section 2

Type of RCICP you are applying for (check one) ARC  TRC   
 Location of RCICP you are applying for \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing this application I understand and agree to adhere to the requirements as listed in "How to become a GWRRA Rider Course Instructor".**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (DO NOT SEND ELECTRONICALLY - MUST CONTAIN AN ORIGINAL SIGNATURE)

You will be notified of RCICPs currently scheduled. District and National Educators reserve the right to restrict the number of applicants depending on the number of Rider Course Instructors available and ongoing opportunities for each to meet the maintenance requirements for their certification.

Once you are accepted into a RCICP Course you will be asked to submit a \$100.00 registration fee.

**\*\*SEND THIS APPLICATION TO YOUR DISTRICT EDUCATOR.**

District Educator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

District Educators -- Return the completed application to:

**Chuck & Melanie Geggie  
Team GWRRA Rider Education Assistant  
2208 Oxford Trenton Road, Oxford, OH 45056**

cwgeggie@gmail.com  
513-312-0224



## How to become a GWRRA Rider Course Instructor



### **Any GWRRA Member can become a Certified GWRRA Rider Course Instructor**

#### **Qualifications required of all applicants:**

- Be a current GWRRA member.
- Have no more than 4 points on his/her motorcycle license.
- Have no DUI convictions for the past five years.
- Be current at Level III or above in the REP Levels.
- Demonstrate safe riding habits by always wearing the proper riding gear. **(ATGATT) - All The Gear, All The Time**

#### **There are two methods for becoming a certified GWRRA Rider Course Instructor.**

##### **Method 1:**

Be currently certified as an Instructor with another recognized training organization such as Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), Canadian Safety Council (CSC), Evergreen Safety Council (ESC), and many State Programs.

Complete the N.13A Rider Course Instructor Application. Send it, along with a copy of your current certification card, to your GWRRA District Educator. The District Educator will pass the application to the Team GWRRA Rider Education Assistant, Rider Course Programs for approval.

If approved, the individual will be issued a Rider Course Instructor number (RCI). Should the Instructor choose to become certified in a GWRRA Curriculum, the Instructor shall determine which course(s) they wish to instruct and participate in the appropriate ICC Course(s) for certification.

##### **Method 2:**

Members who are not currently certified as instructors by another organization must participate in a Rider Course Instructor Certification Program (RCICP).

The RCICP is a 5 day program conducted by a GWRRA Master Instructor Trainer (MIT) and is currently offered for the Advanced Rider Course (ARC) and the Trike Rider Course (TRC). Day one is a classroom session to assess and develop the candidate's classroom presentation skills. The RCICP is independent of the University Program and all sessions must be taken even if the candidate has participated in a UTDP or ITCP.

The remaining four days are a combination of classroom and range instruction. This portion of the RCICP is designed to provide the candidate with the skills and knowledge to enable them to effectively conduct a GWRRA Rider Course. Included in the first of these four days is a riding skills test.

The specific schedule of the 5 days is at the discretion of the MIT and will take into account the travel distances of the candidates and the availability of the facility. All five days require pre-course assignments and study.



# **GWRRA UNIVERSITY**

## **HOW-TO**

### **How Can I Participate in GWRRA?**

If you are looking to be more involved in the Chapter let the Chapter Director and the other Team members know. Let them know what your background is and what education or unique skills you have in certain areas.

Sharing your knowledge supports the TEAM philosophy; **T**ogether **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore.

A volunteer organization is heavily dependent on its people stepping up and taking on a position, a challenge, and opportunity for growth. Chapters depend on members willing to share their talents and abilities. What Are Your Talents? Do you have talents that you feel confident using? Would you like to use these talents to benefit others in GWRRA?

#### Match Your Talents with Opportunities Passions

Social in nature, upbeat, outgoing, friendly

Door Greeter, Hug Collector or Sunshine Person

Safety minded, conscientious rider, likes to share knowledge and set a good example

Educator everyone's responsibility

Good with maps, directions, familiar with places of interest and good restaurants

Ride Coordinator

Computer savvy with inclination towards management and data

Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Chapter of the Year Coordinator

Mechanical aptitude

Technical Advisor

Communication (Telephone) affinity

Phone Tree (Coordinator or Helper)

Leadership skills with benevolent nature

Chapter Director or Assistant Chapter Director

Skills in arranging social events  
Events Coordinator goes with Membership Enhancement

Computer savvy with graphic arts and publishing experience  
Newsletter Editor social media

Financially inclined, good record keeping skills  
Treasurer

Computer savvy with graphic arts and web experience  
Webmaster

Inclination toward nostalgia  
Chapter Historian, Scrapbook Coordinator

Leadership skills related to riding  
Road Captain ride coordinator

Are you a shutterbug?  
Chapter Photographer

Writing skills or simply enjoy writing  
Newsletter Contributor

If you don't want to commit to a position on the Team, there are many other ways you can help:

Volunteer for the Anniversary committee, or the Holiday Party committee Chapter FUNraiser

If you take pictures at an event or on a ride you can share them with the Chapter Newsletter Editor.

Put together a skit for a talent show.

Design a Chapter shirt for the Best Dressed competition.

Chapters are always looking for new destinations for their rides. Help the Ride Coordinator with destination suggestions.

If you don't feel comfortable assuming the duties of a position or working on a committee at least be a cheerleader for the Chapter. Be positive and upbeat about plans for an activity even if you aren't going along.

You don't have to be the Chapter Director to give praise for a job well done. People like to get the pats on the back. It keeps them active and involved.

Participate with the Chapter by showing your pride. You can do this by wearing Chapter colors, shirts, hats, vests and other means of identification with the Chapter. Even by Flying a Chapter flag on your antenna. Remember the only requirement to wear any of this the officer (10" patch).

There are no rules for being a participant. Participate at whatever level is right for you. As time goes by, you may feel the need to get more involved. Remember, it is your GWRRA, after all!

## Events — *Submitted by Dave & Giselle*

### **GWRRRA Annual Christmas Party—December 7th 2019**

Our Christmas party this year will be held at the Accent Inn on Boundary Rd for \$30.00 each. There will be a Turkey Dinner buffet.

6 PM—appetizers menu

7 pm—dinner

Private setting.

The Accent Inn is attached to the Ricky's Restaurant on Boundary where we used to have our monthly meetings.

The Cost will be \$30.00 per person, please bring cash if possible, as we will be collecting at the door and paying the total bill with a chapter cheque. There will be drinks available from the bar starting at 6 pm and some small appetizers will be served. Dinner will start at 7 pm.

Instead of a gift exchange, we ask that members bring a donation for the food bank, there will be a bin at the front door. ***Rumor has it Santa may pay a visit.***

Please go to this link if you know you will be attending.

<https://doodle.com/poll/sq6h4e7fsnecc7gp>

Dave & Giselle  
Chapter Directors  
GWRRRA BC-A, Vancouver  
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## 2020 Vancouver Motorcycle Show

### Volunteers Needed.



Hi All,

As you may have guessed from the subject, the Vancouver Motorcycle show is fast approaching. The GWRRA North West Coast District is hosting a booth again this year and we are seeking volunteers from chapters across the district to do "booth duty"

#### What are the Dates?

**January 24, 25 & 26 2020**

#### What does "Booth Duty" include?

- Greeting interested motorcycle enthusiasts
- Chatting up the benefits of GWRRA membership to all riders.
- Signing up new members to GWRRA
- Meeting members from other District Chapters

Shifts typically run 3 or 4 hours and we would like 3 volunteers

per shift. If you are interested and are bringing your significant

other please sign up twice, this enables me to keep track of the

actual number of volunteers. It is pretty easy to see if there are spaces available (see image above)

Jan 24 FRI	Jan 24 FRI	Jan 24 FRI	Jan 25 SAT	Jan 25 SAT
11:30 AM 3:00 PM	2:45 PM 6:00 PM	5:45 PM 9:00 PM	9:30 AM 12:00 PM	11:45 AM 3:00 PM
✓0/3	✓1/3	✓0/3	✓0/3	✓3/3

#### What is my incentive to volunteer?

- Free admission to the show (more information about this later)
- Meeting other chapter and district members.
- See the new 2020 models.

#### Where am I going to stay?

If you are coming from out of town I will do my best to find billets for out of town volunteers. (Just give me a call—see phone number below) If I am unsuccessful than there are some relatively inexpensive hotel/ motel options in the area.

#### How do I volunteer?

You are in luck, I have created a poll using Doodle which enables :

- The ability to show what time slots are available.
- You to sign up for as many spaces as you are interested in, providing they are still available.

Please follow the link. <https://doodle.com/poll/zwf97qc9cnx84hhf>

When you sign up please enter your name, email address, chapter (e.g. Giselle Collins, gwr-ra.collins@gmail.com, BC-A) I have participated in the Motorcycle show for the past several years and find the experience to be very rewarding.

Thank you in advance for your consideration

Giselle Collins, 2020 Vancouver Motorcycle show coordinator GWRRA—NWC District 778 928 0107

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# 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

