

Chapter Chatter

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Wisconsin Chapter A

March 2010



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

By Kevin Puckett, Chapter Director

GWRRA Officer Certification Program

Based on information gathered from the GWRRA membership, the following things were discovered:

- Members want trained and qualified Officers who can lead them and make the GWRRA experience the best it can be.
- Achieve continuity throughout GWRRA so the Membership can have the same experience anywhere they go.
- End the "club" mentality that exists in some areas of GWRRA.

The Officer Certification Program consists of:

- A 1½ day training class consisting of:
- 9 (nine) modules covering the Officer Handbook • Knowledge Exercise
- 4 modules consisting of expanded, advanced seminars specifically for the GWRRA Officer.



I am proud to report that the following members of Chapter-A donated their weekend to attend the new Officer Certification Program earlier this month and are now certified by the GWRRA!

Ed & Rosemary Martin
Denny & Yvonne Paffel
Laura Peche
Kevin Puckett

Treasurer
Rider Educators
Assistant Chapter Director
Chapter Director

Wisconsin District Rally – June 25 & 26

Rain Tree Resort and Water Park
1435 Wisconsin Dells Parkway North
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
(877) 254-7400



Chapter-A is responsible to staff the Information Table on Friday from 8am-4pm in 2 hour shifts. We need 8 people (2 per shift) for this assignment. Please see the sign-up sheet on the front counter. Thank You!

By Laura Peche, Assistant Chapter Director

After a week like last week, I am sure we are all getting the itch to start riding. Just a little reminder,

Dust Off 2010 - May 21-23rd

Camping – See Al Schwabe or call the number listed below:

For reservations call 920-526-3101

Be sure to mention GWRRA-WI

motorcycle campers pulled by a motorcycle \$14.00 per night.

Can put as many on a site as will fit.

Large rigs, motorhomes, fifthwheels and pop ups behind a car are \$19.99 per night.

Day passes \$5.00

LODGING

For those that do not have their own covered wagon, we found a place for you to hunker down for the night. It is the Super 8 in Fond du Lac. The room cost is only \$67.60 per night (plus tax). We got the old school marm to lower the price and hold rooms until March 31st. Be sure to reserve it under GWRRA. Call now to book your room. The address is, 391 Pioneer Rd. Fond du Lac.

The phone number is 920-922-1088.

Coordinates are: N43 47.271 W88 28.938

Activities & Events:

All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner– Friday Night - \$7.50 each from 5:00-7:00

Bon Fire– Friday & Saturday Nights–S'mores on Saturday

Swap Meet – Friday & Saturday

Biking for Bucks - Saturday

All You Can Eat Pancake & Sausage Breakfast – Sunday Morning - \$5.00 each.

AND

Madison Mallards Baseball – Sat. June 12!

We'll start off by joining Chapter-H for lunch at their fundraiser. We'll pay off our ice cream/mileage contest debt and then, head over to the Mallards game. This night, they play the Waterloo Bucks! If you have never attended a Mallards game, you are in for a treat! Just ask Ed Martin!

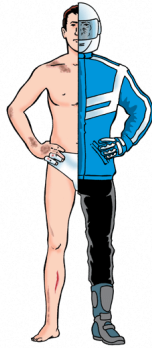
- 11AM - Chapter-H Lunch
- 1 PM - ICE CREAM
- 2-4 PM - Fun, Fun, Fun
- 4:30PM - Gates open
- 6:05PM - First pitch:

See Laura to reserve your box seat! Tickets are only \$9 in the reserved seating section (The comfy seats with chair-backs). Laura: (608) 289-7762

Rider Education

By Denny & Yvonne Paffel

Winter is finally gone, so let the riding season begin! Maybe you have recently taken a CPR/First Aid class or a seminar or two off-season. This better prepared one of your has an accident issue, or you be a better co-are available to time riding now is here. have also taken sure your ready to go, have done a T-CLOCS, or changed the oil, replaced worn tires, kept your battery charged, or discovered that you needed a new one and replaced it.



There are other things that you can do to be at your best out on the road, too. Many of us will be out on the road before MSF or GWRRA Rider Courses are offered. So what else can you do to get in the right frame of mind and tune up your skills right away? There are a few things you can do as an individual or in a group (such as with your fellow chapter members) to be prepared to ride safely and with skill before the season is even two weeks old.

You can practice your skills in an empty, quiet parking lot with smooth pavement that is free of loose gravel or sand. Find an empty church or a school parking lot, or some unused out-of-the-way space at a shopping center safely away from moving vehicles. Choose a time when it is unlikely to be busy, (e.g., a school lot on Sunday) as your safety is of the utmost importance. Work on braking, turning, curves, stopping while in a curve (remember to straighten the handlebars before braking!), and turning when pulling away from a stop. When you practice alone, always remain vigilant to vehicles encroaching on your space.

Keep the shinny side up

Denny & Yvonne



Daytime Rides?

Are you interested in riding during the day this season? Many of us are available and are up for a little riding when the roads are less crowded. How about getting a few folks together weekly for a daytime ride? What do you think? Is there anyone willing to coordinate this idea and make it happen?

42" Flat Screen! Tickets?

Please turn in ticket money and stubs to Kevin. We have just 4 weeks to sell the remaining tickets before our Tire Kicking event. If you would like another book of tickets, take one with today. Tickets are only \$5 or 6/\$25!



Saturday, April 17, 2010 - Tire Kicking Fundraiser - Mark Your Calendar!

Prizes!

Remember, our Tire Kicking event is only 57 days away! It's not too early to start thinking about obtaining some raffle prizes to help us fill the prize table! **Bonnie Neuberger** did a wonderful job last year at organizing and coordinating our group efforts for the prizes and is doing it again this year. Please make arrangements to get your prizes to her.

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March Birthdays

3	Jan Williams
10	Curtis Pierce
15	Dee Alderman
19	Kris Martin

Upcoming Events

Fri Mar 26	Dinner Outback Steakhouse-Rockford 5:30pm
Sat Mar 27	Medic First Aid/CPR
Sat April 10	Moonshine Lunch Run
Sat April 17	Tire Kicking 8am-3pm 9am – Crash Scent Mgt. Seminar 11am – Mature Rider Seminar
Sat/Sun May 1 & 2	TRC ERC Course – Kaukauna
Tue May 4	Ice Cream Rides Begin 6pm Jake's