

GOLD NUGGETS



Goldwing Road Riders Association

Region J, Chapter BC-A, Vancouver

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From the Chapter Directors...

2012

Happy February people!

Thanks to everyone who helped at the Trade X GWRRA booth during the recent Vancouver Motorcycle Show. Thank you guys, at District level for looking after BC so well. It was surely a busy place, and if you ventured out to battle parking and people, you weren't going to be disappointed because there was so much to see ... and no, I'm not talking about the Amsoil display;) By now we have hopefully had a successful Feb4th Silent Auction, and boy I couldn't be in better hands than having all of you stepping in to take over different parts of it. I think you guys have done this before !! I hope my Trunk bag gets a good home at the silent auction, cause I won it fair & Square, even if it cost me a pinch of chrome. !! too funny! Two spots on our chapter team have had some change and the 1st is the inclusion of Chuck Taylor as our Ride Coordinator. You will start to see more info coming from his desk just as soon as he gets some more safety chrome for his computer mouse. If his mouse moves as ably as his bike, you're all in for a ride. Don't tell me I didn't warn you! 2ndly, I have spent some time talking with our dear Web master/Mistress Kathy Drozdik, and she has no problem agreeing with me that her service to the Chapter has been a long and solid. As many of you know, she too, has been dealing with health issues along with her husband Ed, and I think we all owe her a very heartfelt thank you. I hope to see her at a breakfast meeting just as soon as she can make it work for her, and most importantly, I hope you all spend a moment to thank her personally when you see her. She will be handing over Web site authority to a young solid man whom is very adept in this field, and is steadily becoming a rider to contend with on the ARC range. I would like to welcome Kyle Gosselin to the position of Web Master. The change over should be seamless, and I would bet that Kyle will make his impressions on the site when he gets a chance to put thought and ideas to work. But please keep in mind, that this young man is also attending SFU and is in full time studies. Continues page 2

UP AND COMING

THIS MONTH

February 2012

- 01 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 04 BC-A Silent Auction
- 11 WA Dist. Rider ED Workshop
- 17 Cloverdale Races BC-D
- 18 Karen's Krome Social
- 19 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 21 BC-C Dinner Meeting

COMING HIGHLIGHTS

March 2012

- 07 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 10 Dim Sum
- 17 St.Patty's Lupper BC-D
- 18 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 20 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 31 Bike Maintenance BC-D

WEEKEND / STATUTORY HOLIDAY RIDES

If there are NOT any Lower Mainland Rides/Events on our Chapter Schedule, then you can expect a ride from the McDonalds at the Boundary Road/Lougheed Highway intersection, Vancouver. Coffee from 9.00.

Ride leaves at 10.00. Saturday, Sunday and all Statutory Holidays.



His schooling comes FIRST, riding 2nd, and all other issues fall off to the wayside somewhere..!! Welcome to our team Kyle. Oh man Kyle, you should have seen the Amsoil Display dude !!Ok OK !!! enough about lubrication! I am asking all of you to bring your ideas around finding another Membership Enhancement Coordinator. This position along with Assistant Chapter Director are positions that involve all our members too. Another month closer to Riding! YEAAAAA hoooo. For some of you, you haven't stopped riding and I still say you can find the odd day where it IS safe enough to ride. A little precaution is needed though because not all decisions to ride may be good ones. I was amused to see a few motorcyclists riding into the Trade X on days that I saw a LOT of black ice and a lot of freezing rain at times. Such a decision to ride may be that person's only mode of transportation, although by the looks of the bikes that were parked out front, I would hazard to guess that they were simply trying to prove something to someone. Remember if you ride at this time of year, watch for those NEW pot holes, because the freeze and thaw cycle has been steadily at work on the roads.

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Strange and Magnificent Motorcycles





Some sources point out that "in 1940, when Indian's skirted fenders appeared, several questioned the manhood of Spingfield's designers". It seems that aerodynamic shape of *Killinger & Freund* bikes influenced the *Indian* designers:



This streamlined torpedo is the French-made Majestic, 1929:



Speaking about "Custom War Bikes", here is one that was fashioned after World War Two style (modern concept by Kogisama):



I will be planning on attending the **WA District Ed Workshop**, **IN Buckley Wa**So hopefully I will query some of you on how it went, instead of me doing all the yakking..!
This will be my first trip down so I expect to learn a thing or two, and I should be in good company with some of you crazy Canucks,,, (please remember to leave Jerseys at home)!
My learning curve is still quite steep, so expect some erratic mouse clicks from time to time, and remember; "A rolling stone gathers no moss".. "Leaves a Trail of Busted Stuff"
I'll let a few of you to think about where I got that one!
Until next month!!
Ride well!
Rob & Terry Ellis.

Out With The Old In With The New

As some of you already know, our positions as Chapter Directors ended on January 1st and Rob Ellis is now your new Chapter Director. Well Rob held his first Chapter BC-A breakfast meeting on January 15th at ABC Country Restaurant. We had many members of both BC-A and BC-D show up despite the snowy and cold weather and by the looks of things are Chapter is in great shape. The nice thing about having different people step up to help the chapter is the differences between how they handle their jobs, and Rob really put his signature on his new role as your CD. We are in great hands and the future looks bright for Chapter BC-A. Not only do we have a new CD, but Rob has managed to get a new Ride Coordinator and Web Administrator. I know Rob will fill you all in on this nice chapter news. I would like to add a special thanks to Kathy Drozdik for all her great work on the web page. She has had a lot on her plate the last many months and she still kept our members informed through the web site, thanks Kathy. As for the chapter meeting the usual chapter chit chat kept everyone busy during breakfast, and then the meeting got underway. All the various team members gave us news from Region, District and Chapters and we had an update from Arnie Tucker on this year's group ride to the Region J Rally in Anchorage Alaska. Would you believe that the adventure group ride leaving date is less than six month's away and before you know we will be gone, Wow!

We were lucky enough to has some guest speakers at the end of the chapter part of the meeting and Graham Street & Steve McKenna, a BC-A member, put on a great slide show & video presentation for RoadCraft Motorcycle Academy. I cannot recommend more this great advanced motorcycle training group of programs for all motorcyclists. Graham and Steve and the rest of their staff are the best people to see for all your advanced motorcycle training needs. Dollar for dollar you will not find a better advanced motorcycle training facility to teach you how to be a safer more confident motorcycle rider. Check them out at the up-coming Vancouver Motorcycle show or on their web site at http://www.roadcraftacademy.com. I heard, after the meeting, many members talking about taking a course and getting a discount if three or more signed up. Rainie and I really look forward to our great adventure to Alaska and riding with some of you this year. Please remember to help Rob and his team in any way you can, as this will help your chapter live up to GWRRA's motto, Fun Safety and Knowledge. Ride safe Everyone,

Patrick & Rainie Frampton Former GWRRA Chapter BC-A Directors





Tuesday Night Rides Coffee Social (ride in season) Tim Horton's - Annacis Island





Monthly Chapter Meeting

Chapter BC-A, Vancouver

The THIRD Sunday of each Month

ABC COUNTRY RESTAURANT

Corner of Kensington & Hastings, Burnaby

6500 E. Hastings Street Burnaby, BC (604) 291-8444

Breakfast at 8:00 am Meeting at 9:30 am

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Birthdays

Teo Brideau Feb 1
Janet Tucker Feb 5
Elaine McGregor Feb 6
Joanna Sofield (Priestley) Feb 7
Ivan Armstrong Feb 15
Kathy Drozdik Feb 16

Anniversaries

Ken & Penny Hook Feb 23

Wanted
A good Kwik Kamp tent trailer or
Bunkhouse. Please contact me at

Ken Giesbrecht [mailto:kgiesb@telus.net]

SALE: 2009 GL1800 Airbag Candy Black

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Asking \$24,899 - PRICE REDUCTION
Phil: 604-715-7445 email: 5646@hotmail.com

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Paul: 250-558-5322

For Sale or Wated

SALE: Joe Rocket Ballistic 5.0 Jacket & Pants (M&F)

Both suits hardly worn due to surprise competition win of alternative gear. Male size @230lbs and 5'11" tall. Female 135lbs and 5'3" tall

Great wet weather gear and armored to boot. Paid \$725 new and asking \$350 for the complete set.



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Call Patrick at: 604 943-2527 or 604 830-7814



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Details in key contacts
All Ads will be deleted after 3 issues.



SALE: Aerostitch Darien Pants

New and unused black Darien Gore-Tex pants size 34R. Cost \$440 new, asking \$375.

Rob Beecroft. 604-271-0739

rob@imunoprecise.com

For Sale or Wanted

Full set of EBC Double H sintered brake pads for a GL1800

I bought these pads last summer and used them for 3000 km before deciding to go back to OEM pads. These are great pads with MUCH more stopping power than the OEM pads. I just found them slight too aggressive for me when I'm doing Top Gun maneuvers with the bike at full steering lock and maximum lean angle while dragging the rear brake. This would not be an issue for the average ride. I paid \$165 + TAX and would like to get \$75 for the set.

Show Chrome/Big Bike Front Fender Extension - Black

Brand new never installed. Includes instructions and all hardware. This model does have the additional support arms to make the fender and extension more rigid. \$25

WANTED: Stock GL1800 foot pegs: \$25 or trade for fender extension.

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BC District Pins	Small	\$3.00			
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GWRRA Static Cling Decal (NOT)	E – prices subject to change without notice)	\$3.00			

Victoria Days Motorcycle Rally

FRIDAY, MAY 18 – 21, 2012

WHITEWATER SLIDE & RV PARK,
1001 TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY 1, **SALMON ARM**, BC.
Rally registration and camping at Whitewater Slide & RV Park.

GWRRA VICTORIA DAYS special rates must be requested to book a room at the Best Western Motel next door to RV Park.

Rally registration form available on BC-G web-site http://www.vwh.ca/bc-g

2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 2012

- 01 New Years Day Ride 04 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 15 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 17 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 19-22 Tradex Motorcycle Show

February 2012

- 01 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 04 BC-A Silent Auction
- 11 WA Dist. Rider ED Workshop
- Cloverdale Races BC-D
- Karen's Krome Social
- 19 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 21 BC-C Dinner Meeting

March 2012

- 07 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 10 Dim Sum
- 17 St.Patty's Lupper BC-D
- 18 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 20 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 31 Bike Maintenance BC-D

April 2012

- 04 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 06 Me & Ed's Pizza BC-D
- 14 WA-C Spring Fun Run
- 15 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 15 Group Riding Course
- 17 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 21 ARC (Adv. Rider)
- 28 Mall Show BC-A, BC-D

May 2012

- 02 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 03 MLA Ride
- 05 ARC (Adv. Rider)
- Road Captain/Co-Riders
- 12 Ken Higginbottom Ride & Mileage check
- 13 GVMC-Gord Heppler Ride
- **BC-C Dinner Meeting**
- 20 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 19-21 Victoria Days
- (Salmon Arm, BC) Auto Collection Ride
- Tacoma BC-A

June 2012

- 02 Bob Davies Fun Run BC-A
- Ride for Life
- 06 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 8-9 WA-D Duck Hunt Ride Aberdeen, WA
- **BC-A Breakfast Meeting** 17
- Father's Day Ride BC-A 17
- 19 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 23 Triple D Ride BC-A
- 30-02 Kootenay Loop Ride BC-D

July 2012

- 04 BC-D Dinner Meeting 04-07 Wing Ding 34 -
- Fort Wayne IN
- 13 Start of Ride to Alaska 15 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 17 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- 18-22 CMA Rally Kitchener, Ont 19-21 Region J Rally Alaska

- 28 Cascade Loop Ride BC-A August 2012
- 01 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- 11 Whistler Zipline BC-A
- 15-18 Region I Rally Pendleton Org
- 18 ARC (advanced Rider Course)
- 19 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 21 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- Duffy Lake Loop Ride

September 2012

- 1-3 BC-D Gold Run Cache Creek
- **BC-D Dinner Meeting**
- 09 Green Heart Ride BC-C
- 16 BC-A Breakfast Meeting
- 18 BC-C Dinner Meeting
- Corn Roast & Mileage Check 22
- 25 Oyster Run Group Ride

October 2012

- 03 BC-D Dinner Meeting
- Vancouver Toy Run
- **BC-C Dinner Meeting** 16
- Joint Planning Meeting
- BC-A Breakfast Meeting¹¹
- Fraser Valley Toy Run
- BC District Meeting

November 2012

- 03 Guy Fawkes Burn BC-D
- 07 BC-D Dinner Meeting 11 Remembrance Day Ride
- BC-A
- 17 Spaghetti Dinner Gastown
- BC-D

18 BC-A Breakfast Meeting 20 BC-C Dinner Meeting 24 BC-A Christmas Dinner (Pot Luck)

December 2012

01 BC-D Christmas Dinner & Party

05 BC-D Dinner Meeting

08 Leavenworth Trip Wa. BC-D

14 BC-C Christmas Dinner Party

25 Merry Christmas

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