

# Gold Nuggets



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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- APRIL 8TH  
EARLY  
SPRING FUN  
RUN WA-E
- APRIL 9TH  
ROAD CAP-  
TAINS/  
CORIDERS  
COURSE.
- APRIL 22ND  
BIKE MAINTENANCE DAY
- APRIL 23RD  
TEAM RIDING  
COURSE.

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## Letter from the Directors

Is it still winter...I think it is still winter. I remember last year when we went through this much crappy weather I was just about ready to go down to the Second Narrows Bridge and see how one may possibly slip by the new jump barriers. However this year my metal is a little less tested but I am still "chomping at the bit" to get back out there and put in a couple hundred clicks. This year we are preparing for our biggest ride ever so very excited and looking at our regular schedule we have lots to warm us up for it.



Coming up in the next little while is the Early Spring Fun Run, the Road Captains Course and Maintenance Day (one of my favorites). Chapter G's Victoria Day rally in Salmon Arm in May is coming up fast and we just have to take that one in this year as our warm up ride. The Silent Auction is on the Ride Schedule but we want to find a way to combine it with something to make it worth while this year so stay tuned for the date.

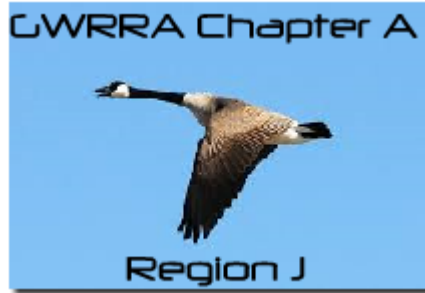
Until then,

Ride Safe  
Keiller and Tracy  
Directors  
Chapter A

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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 ranges. Riders and Co-riders are blessed with an abundance of some of the most scenic areas available to motorcycle touring enthusiasts anywhere.

## **“Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge”**

### *Message from the Editor:*



WANTED! If you are interested in taking it on or partnering with another member let us know! We would love to have a someone excited about putting together our monthly newsletter. If you love talking to people, gathering news stories or even writing a few yourself this job is for you. Contact Tracy Gowans to express your interest in this fun position.

This is your newsletter, anything you would like to contribute please send to:

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### 2017 Chapter BC A Team

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<b>Games Coordinator:</b>	Vacant (Kelly Parkes)		
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*If you are interested in holding a position on the Executive or would like to nominate someone please contact the chapter directors*

## March 2017 Region Report



"Things are under way for the Region J Rally in Fort Langley!"

*Gary and Susan  
Premech  
Region J Directors*

Hello everyone,

Things are well under way for the Region J Rally in Fort Langley, BC and our theme for this year's Rally is '**Wings At The Fort Return**'. Registration is now available on the Region J website either online or by mail and we're hoping to see a lot of you there to help support this yearly event. The list of campgrounds and hotels are listed with the Best Western Plus being our host hotel. This is

one of those times each year that we get to see old friends and meet new ones. This year we are offering both the short sleeve and long sleeve T-shirts and for a change, zipper up hoodies. Besides the logo, both the long sleeve T-shirt and hoodies will have GWRRA on one of the sleeves. Your Region J Team is close to having the agenda put together and a request for volunteers to help make the Rally a success will be out shortly.

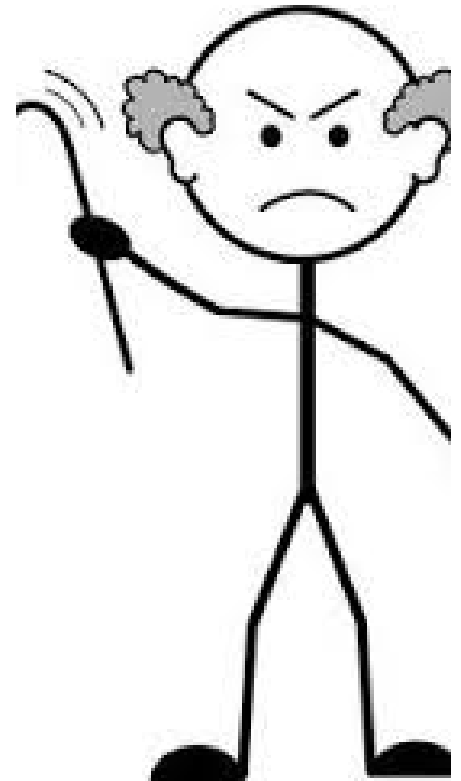
We would also like to remind everyone that this year GWRRA is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> year in business. As seen in the January issue of the Wing World, they are asking for any Chapter that are having milestone birthday/ anniversary years, to send pictures and a brief write up to [president@rwrra.org](mailto:president@rwrra.org), so you can share in the celebration. As any milestone, this year Wing Ding in Grapevine Texas, August 29<sup>th</sup> to September 2<sup>nd</sup>, will prove to be entertaining. Regions I and J have been assigned responsibility of the Light and Grand Parades this year, so if you are attending Wing Ding please let us know as we are looking for volunteers to lend a hand with these two events. Also a list of Region and District events has sent out to all the chapters so if you happen to be traveling through some of these areas when they are having their events, please join in and have FUN representing our Region and Chapters.

Until next month,

Gary and Susan Premech  
Region J Directors

## How many of us “Old Timers” can remember this trivia?

1. **When did “Little Suzie” finally wake up?**
  - a. The Movies over, it’s 2 o’clock
  - b. The Movies over it’s 3 o’clock
  - c. The Movies over it’s 4’oclock
2. **“Rock Around the Clock” was used in what movie?**
  - a. Rebel without a Cause
  - b. Blackboard Jungle
  - c. The Wild Ones
3. **What’s missing from a Rock & Roll standpoint? Earth \_\_\_\_\_**
  - a. Angel
  - b. Mother
  - c. Worm
4. **“I found my thrill”.... Where?**
  - a. Kansas City
  - b. Heartbreak Hotel
  - c. Blueberry Hill
5. **“Please turn on our magic beam \_\_\_\_\_ bring me a dream,”**
  - a. Mr. Sandman
  - b. Earth Angel
  - c. Dream Lover
6. **For which label did Elvis Presley first record?**
  - a. Rebel without a Cause
  - b. Blackboard Jungle
  - c. The Wild Ones
7. **He asked, “Why’s everybody always pickin’ on me? Who was he?”**
  - a. Bad, Bad Leroy Brown
  - b. Charlie Brown
  - c. Buster Brown
8. **In Bobby Darin’s “Mack The Knife,” the one with the knife, was named:**
  - a. Mac Health
  - b. Mac Cloud
  - c. McNamara





## Tech Report Article submitted by Kelly Parks

# RESCUEPLUS



I was out on my Pacific Coast 800 last month returning home with Gord McDonald and lost power at 33rd and Victoria in Vancouver. Gord checked the bike with a meter and the problem turned out to be electrical. The battery was not getting enough charge. I called Rescue Plus and they contacted a tow truck to come in about 1.5 hours. The truck arrived and when I saw it I knew I was in trouble. He had a regular tow truck and I thought I had a flat bed coming. He said he could put a Harley on the sling but not my

800 as there was just too much plastic. I do not think an owner of a Harley would want his ride on the sling of that truck either! I called back and said I needed a flat bed tow truck. Ok, another 1 hour wait for me for a truck to come from North Vancouver. This time the driver arrived with a flat bed and had experience towing motorcycles. The bike needed a new starter and was repaired by Wayne Manuel at his shop in Surrey. Thanks to Gord McDonald for all this help on that day. Nice that he was there. If you break down with your motorcycle BE SURE TO ORDER A FLAT BED TRUCK to come to you when you call Rescue Plus. This will SAVE YOU A LOT OF TIME!!.

Kelly Parks

Chapter A Educator



**GOLD NUGGETS**



**Events** submitted by Tracy Gowans

## Chapter C Chilliwack Pot Luck March 4th - Tacky Tourist

Keiller and I had the absolute pleasure to attend GWRRA Chapter C Chilliwack's annual "I can't ride Blah" Pot Luck with the Tacky Tourist theme. There was no shortage of great people, great food, great fun and great prizes. There was the tacky tourist photo booth with lots of themed costumes to choose from, games including the tropical tourist quest run by Angela Meyer. Lots of laughs as the teams tried to find the requested items! Can't wait to start riding! Thanks again for the invitation!

Tracy & Keiller.



### GOLD NUGGETS



Events submitted by Tracy Gowans with info provided by Chapter C  
Chapter C's "I can't Ride Winter Blah's Pot Luck - Tacky Tourist Theme

# Tacky Tropical Tourist Party

## Now Wasn't That A Party!

31 people in attendance (with 2 more joining us at the end of the evening) all dressed in bright, tropical, summery apparel. What better way to put the March Blah's in their place. There were some interesting outfits to say the least. The potluck portion of the evening was amazing as usual with a huge array of dishes presented and not one was duplicated. Just a note that we do not normally send around a sheet asking what folks are bringing but rather take a chance and just "Wing it". It always works out for us.

We had visitors from Chapter A in the form of chapter directors Keiller and Tracey. Thank you so much for making the trip from North Van to spend the evening with us. I hope that you enjoyed it as much as I did.

The room was brightly decorated to the theme of the night with posters, lights, palm trees, leis, and accessories. Thanks to all who contributed decorations and the time to decorate.

The evening was filled with lots of laughs as everyone took their turn donning even more interesting garb and accessories and having their pictures taken in our "photo booth". We made sure that we got EVERYONE to participate in this event. Thanks to Dave for getting all of the photos taken.

We had a couple of fun little games organized including the Tropical Tourist Quest run by Angela Meyer. I cannot believe how fast some of these people can move when motivated.

The end results of both games was that we were all winners! Of course we are! Check out the facebook page for more photos





## 50/50 Draw Article submitted by Tracy Gowans

### 17 Honda Fun Facts you can share

\*Originally Printed in Auto Raptor on Sept 28th 2016

In 1922 at the age of 15, Soichiro Honda left school and began working as a mechanic for Tokyo Art Shokai, an automobile servicing company. Six years later, he returned to his hometown, Tenryu, and opened his auto repair business. In 1937, Honda founded Tokai Seiki to produce piston rings for Toyota. Unfortunately, his plants were destroyed by bombings during World War II, and he sold the remains of his company to Toyota.

Honda regrouped and founded the Honda Technical Research Institute in 1946 to build and sell motorized bikes. The success of the bikes led to the formation of the Honda Motor company in 1948 - and the rest is history. Today, Honda is one of the top automobile brands in the world.

1. **Honda originally manufactured motorized bicycles.**
  - During the post-war period, Soichiro Honda and a team of twelve men created engines to attach to bikes. Honda Motor Company became the world's largest motorcycle manufacturer in 1964.
2. **Many Hondas are produced in the US.**
  - Honda is a Japanese company, but not everyone realizes that Honda has several manufacturing facilities in America.
3. **The Honda Accord was the first foreign vehicle manufactured in the U.S.**
  - The 1982 model was produced in Honda's Marysville, Ohio plant.
4. **Honda makes more than cars and motorcycles.**
  - Honda is involved in the manufacturing of other products like watercraft, ATV's, Aircraft, mountain bikes, lawn equipment, and solar cells. They even created a humanoid robot called ASIMO.
5. **Honda has its own airport.**
  - It's located in Japan near its main plant.
6. **Honda is a major exporter of soybeans.**
  - They began shipping soybeans from the U.S. to Japan in 1986 because the crop was plentiful in Ohio, Japan had a market for it, and they wanted to invest in the state they were operating in.
7. **Honda dominates the Indy 500**
  - Honda-built engines have won more Indy 500 races than any other manufacturer.
8. **Honda makes a private jet aircraft.**
  - The HA-420 Hondajet is powered by Honda engines.
9. **Honda is the largest engine manufacturer in the world.**
  - The company makes over 14 million engines a year.
10. **The Honda Gold Wing motorcycle has been in production for over 40 years.**
  - The first Gold Wing motorcycle was manufactured in 1974.
11. **The Honda Civic was Honda's answer to the 1973 oil crisis.**
  - The first Civic got 40mpg on the highway.
12. **Honda made the first four-wheel drive car.**
  - It was the 1987 Honda Prelude.
13. **Joe drove his 1997 Honda Accord over one million miles.**
  - Joe Cicero of Maine reached one million miles in 2011 on the original engine and transmission. Honda gave him a parade and a new 2012 Accord.
14. **Early Honda CR-Vs had picnic tables.**
  - From 1997 to 2006, every Honda CR-V had a folding plastic picnic table under the cargo area.
15. **The Honda Acura is the first Japanese automotive luxury brand.**
  - The first Acura was released in America in 1986
16. **The first car mass-marketed by Honda was the S600**
  - It was available as a convertible and fastback coupe.
17. **Kelley Blue Book thinks they're a good buy.**
  - In 2016, Kelley Blue Book awarded the "Best Buy of the Year " to the 2016 Honda Civic, CR-V, Pilot, and Odyssey, in their respective classes.



## GWRRA BC Drill Team Riding March 2017

Drill Team Riding,

With a view to adding something to your chapter newsletters, we are continuing this year with Drill Team Tech articles. While we share these opinions and viewpoints, these articles are not intended to provide you instruction on how to ride your motorcycle. Please seek assistance from a professional riding school, or GWRRA rider course to improve your riding skills. **Head Turns and Steering Input. Which one first?**

Ok, you see the riders **turn** at the **same time!** (Well hopefully at the same time) J How do we accomplish that? You would think that should be easy, yes? Not as easy as it looks!

You have to determine what you're doing first. Move Handle bars first? Or head turn first...OR.... "Both Head and Bars" at same time?

What happens when you turn your head and "initiate" bike lean at the same time?

Chances are good, your inner ear is not going to like what you did, and you may find it upsetting to your sense of balance.

**(Front to back: Kelly Parks, Chris Stietzer, Rob, Noel Nobrega, William Maclean, Roger Gleddie)**

The drill team rider's correct procession of movements to accomplish turns in "**Unison**" are as follows: "**Head turn**" then "**Handle bar movement**" then "**Bike leans**" and we turn.

The head turn helps every single one of us "Look" before moving anything and allows us to see each other, and/or spot our "line" so we hopefully don't overshoot a turn.

It's also easier on the inner ear if we turn our head "First" before making the bike lean. The other impressive thing you see is "Everyone" turning their heads simultaneously which makes it look like it's on purpose! Ya I guess it "IS" on purpose after all. J It looks professional as a bonus.

But many movements within a performance absolutely rely on "Timing" and correct timing from each one of us. SOOO, "**Synchronizing**" head turns will help improve the rest of our "timing" and improve the performance. Say, "Turning your head" sounds like something you would find in an ARC class isn't it? This "turning our heads" thing isn't unique to the drill team because it's really part of a solid basis of riding techniques that are taught across all platforms and riding disciplines without exception. Another advanced rider class in Washington State, (North West Motorcycle School which is actually based on Motor Officers training) teaches the procedure: "Look" "Lock" and "Lean! Meaning; turn head, then bars then lean bike.



Interested in learning more about the BCM Drill Team? Contact Rob Ellis at : [groundhog@shaw.ca](mailto:groundhog@shaw.ca)



### GOLD NUGGETS

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# GWRRA BC Drill Team Riding March 2017

So we don't "initiate" a turn trying to lean the bike using "body posture" because it's effect is somewhat "Inefficient" and "Imprecise" as a method of steering input at slower speeds. Want the bike to "**Transition**" quicker with improved accuracy while making slow speed maneuvers? Turn the handle bars with more "**authority**" while neutralizing upper body and you will observe how powerful steering input can be using the handle bars at very slow speeds.



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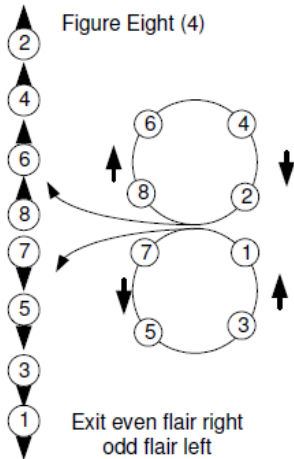


**Lean angle** can be thought of as a "**product**" of steering input, and power delivery! Using varying combinations of steering input AND power delivery changes lean angle dynamically.

Ok, so we make a "boo boo" and one line turns the wrong way! What now? We are going to add lib it now!! Next decision is how the caller is going to "re-orientate"

the "runaway line" and get the team back to whatever formation or position they need to be in. Eyes in the back of callers head he must have. So long as the lead rider of each line keeps riding and essentially waits for next command, then everything may just look like it was planned that way! Ha ha ha...We only hope!! J

If "a single" rider goes the wrong way, then it's going to be up to that rider to find his position in line/formation again. When you're new at this and you make an error with a turn, we usually just ask the rider to go to a safe spot outside of performing area and wait to see where and when to move in and re-join the team. (Sometimes we get you to "Tap Horn" if you get



out of formation)

Once a rider gains some experience riding in formations, they will eventually learn how to rejoin the team in a fairly quick and safe manner without a whole lot of wasted time, or movement. But we start slow and give you time and space to adjust with each new experience.

Until next month, "Shinny Up"

Rob Ellis  
Captain  
BCMDT





## BC- A Chapter Member Profile - John & Terry Waddington

My wife Terry and I purchased our first Gold Wing 1100 cc about 15 years ago. We found it fun to ride however we didn't know anyone to ride with. One sunny afternoon our bike was parked in the driveway and I was inside having a "rest". There was a knock at the front door. On opening the door we found 4 Gold Wings in our driveway and Ken Higgenbottom, a stranger to us then, introduced himself and asked if we would like to come for a ride. This was wonderful and the beginning of our GWRRA adventure.

As time went on we started going to the Tuesday night meetings and joined the local GWRRA Chapter A and C. We made lots of good friends and went on lots of group rides. This was a wonderful addition to our happy life.

Terry and I have ridden extensively through the Western United States, BC, Nevada, Utah and Northern California. Great riding country! We generally tried to travel through small towns and they were some of our favorite trips. One day the phone rang and Gil Gilbert asked me if I would be interested in joining the Gold Wing Precision Drill Team. I was flabbergasted and concerned about my "precision" riding skills. Never the less I met up with the BCMMDT group. They were all very patient with me and helped me to improve my riding skills. Again we travelled around the country performing and meeting new friends.

It always pleasantly amazes Terry and I how many truly nice people one meets when riding whether in a small village or a big city on our Gold Wing. We over the years exchanged our Wing for newer models. My last Gold Wing was a 2010 fully equipped comfortable ride. We have recently sold the Gold Wing as it was becoming a bit too much of an handful to maneuver.

We now have a new Bergman 650 in our garage impatiently waiting for spring.

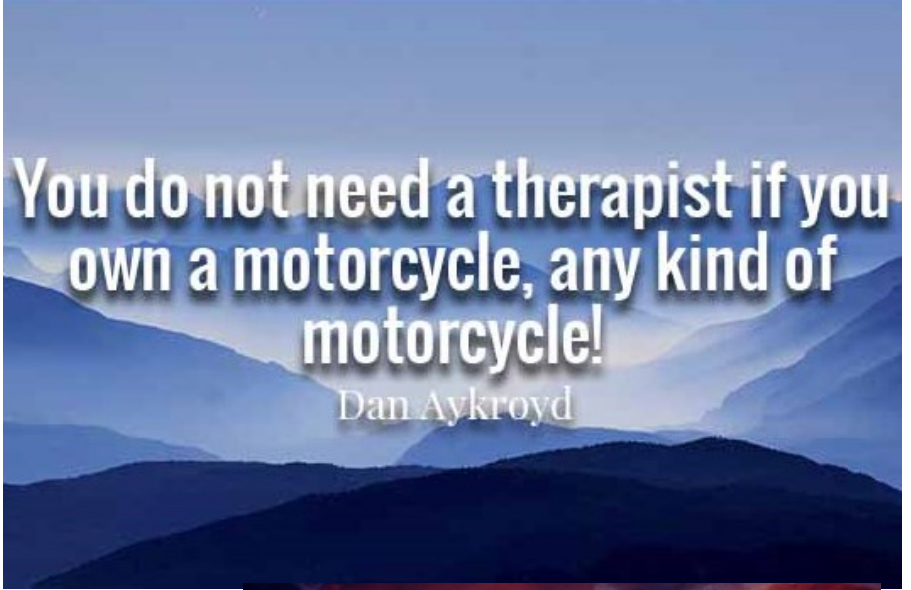
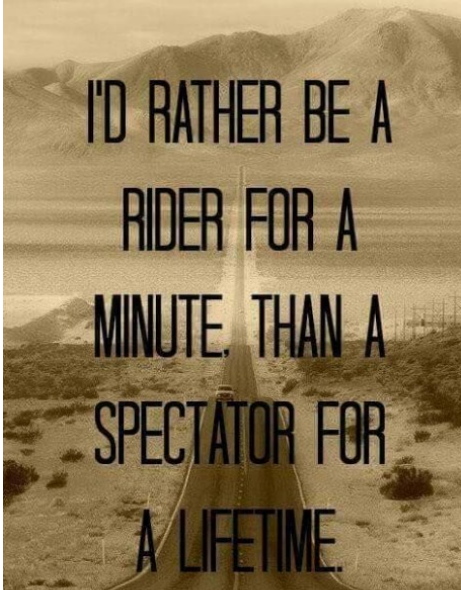
Certainly being part of the Gold Wing fraternity expanded our social lives. We have made friends all over North America and Australia.

John & Terry Waddington.





FOOD *for* THOUGHT



Dear bike,

Just a note to let you know how much I love you. You are my day spa, hair dryer, face cream, mountain mud wrap, psychologist, stress relief, grocery getter & singing practice. Thanks!



**WE RIDE**  
TO FLY. TO FEEL. TO TOUCH. TO BREATHE.  
TO LAUGH. TO SOAR. TO OVERCOME.  
TO RELAX. TO PROVE THEM WRONG.  
TO BELONG. TO FEEL STRONG. TO HEAL.  
**TO LOVE. TO BE LOVED.**  
TO COMMUNICATE WITHOUT WORDS.  
**WE RIDE TO LIVE.**  
HUSBANDANDWIFELAWTEAM.COM

I asked God for a bike,  
but I know God doesn't work that way.  
So I stole a bike  
and asked for forgiveness.  
— Emo Philips



## BC Lower Mainland

### Chapter Contacts

#### **Chapter BC-A Vanc Breakfast Meeting**

3rd Sunday of every Month (except Dec)

Check our website to confirm location

[www.gwrrabca.org](http://www.gwrrabca.org)

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

#### **Chapter BC-A Tuesday Night Coffee**

**(Rides in season)**

Wendy's—3698 Grandview Hwy, Vancouver

Coffee 6:00 PM Ride 7:00 PM

#### **Chapter BC-A Vancouver Directors**

Keiller & Tracy Gowans

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#### **Chapter BC-D Surrey Dinner Meeting**

1st Wednesday of every month

Ricky's Restaurant

152nd & Fraser Hwy, Surrey

Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

#### **Chapter BC-D Friday Night Coffee**

**(Rides in season)**

Tim Horton's—Fraser Hwy, & 166th St Surrey

Coffee 6:30 PM Ride 7:00 PM

#### **Chapter BC-D Surrey Director**

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#### **Chapter BC-C Chilliwack Dinner Meeting**

3rd Tuesday of every month (except Dec)

Characters Restaurant 8559 Young Rd. Chilliwack

Dinner 6:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM

#### **Chapter BC-C Breakfast/Ride Days Every other Sunday**

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### Upcoming Courses:

#### Skills Training Anyone?

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





### March Wedding Anniversaries

We need to update our database of member's birthday's and wedding anniversaries. Please send us an email with the month and year of your special dates so you don't get missed! Put Birthday and Anniversary dates in the title.

gwrra.gowans@gmail.com

*Barrie Irvine March 3rd*

*David Hawrish March 20th*

*Arnie & Janet Tucker March 24th*

### March Birthdays

*Kyle Gosselin March 4th*

*Rob Ellis March 7th*

*Fred Grosser March 17th*

*Peter MacGregor March 20th*

### GWRRA Anniversaries

*Mike Lycett 1984*

*Pearson & Heidi Armstrong 1992*

*Ted Dewar 2004*

*Joe LeBlanc 2006*

*David & Lynn Sparrow 2009*

*Ken Hook 2009*

*Tim Hicks 2013*

*Henry Bahn 2013*

*Keiller & Tracy Gowans 2013*

*Greg Davie 2016*



# COMING SOON!



## March 2017

1	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
4	Dist. Rider Ed Workshop (Buckley)	WA
4	I can't ride Winter Blah's Pot Luck	BC-C
12/26	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
21	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
18	St. Paddy's "Lupper"	BC-D
19	Breakfast Meeting	BC-A
19	Silent Auction	BC-A
24	Me & Ed's Pizza (April 14th)	BC-D
25	Games Night	BC-D



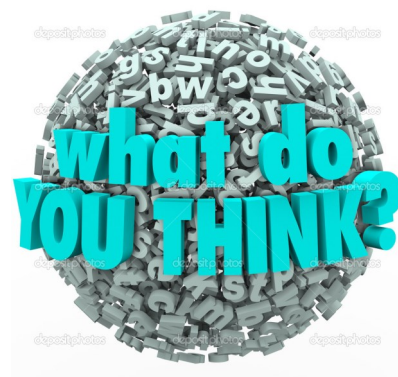
## April 2017

1	The Wacky Dinner	BC-D
9/23	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
5	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
8	Early Spring Fun Run	WA-E
9	Road Captains/Co Riders Course	BC-A/D
22	Bike Maintenance Day	BC-A
23	Breakfast Meeting (week later)	BC-A
23	Team Riding Course	
18	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
29	Mall show	BC-A/D



## May 2017

3	Dinner Meeting	BC-D
5-7	Advanced Rider Course (ARC)	
13	Memorial Ride/Ice Cream Social	BC-D
7/21	Breakfast/Ride	BC-C
21	Breakfast Meeting	BC-A
16	Dinner Meeting	BC-C
20-22	Victoria Days/Salmon Arm Rally	BC-G
28	Ride To Live/Prostate Cancer	
27	Medic First Aid (location TBA)	BC A/D



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**Stan & Lety**







# 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.

**Stay Tuned For upcoming events.**

Contact Carl Schoten [bcmdt-moto-safety@shaw.ca](mailto:bcmdt-moto-safety@shaw.ca)  
or

**604 202 7140**

*We pay for much more than your gas, so come give it a try.*



Please sign up to volunteer at our GWRRA information booth. Most shifts are 3 hours and two-three people per shift. You must be a GWRRA Member in good standing.

Sign up online at <http://signup.com/go/zLXoWe> or give Keiller a call at 604 970 0531

March 11th 2017	Saturday	Rob E, Neils J, Patrick F,	Bradner Elementary
March 18th 2017	Saturday	Dale R, Neils J, Patrick F,	Thunderbird Show Park
March 26th 2017	Sunday	Rob E, Neils J, Patrick F,	Aldergrove Regional Park
April 2nd 2017	Sunday	Neils J, Patrick F, Carl S	Aldergrove Regional Park

## **Do you have a great idea for a newsletter Article?**

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 [gwrri.gowans@gmail.com](mailto:gwrri.gowans@gmail.com) with your ideas. Deadline for articles for February's newsletter is

**April 10th 2017**

# Buy & Sell

For Sale/Want will run for 3 editions of the newsletter. Please contact the newsletter editor if you wish to extend it longer or if your item has been sold at [gwrri.gowans@gmail.com](mailto:gwrri.gowans@gmail.com) or phone Tracy Gowans 604 219 5836 Ads are free



## For Sale

**“Rubber Side Down” HALO High Visibility Jacket.**

**Like new... Size 52, 100% Waterproof**

**Large front, back and upper arm venting, all zippers are rubber sealed.**

**Full CE rated protection in arms and shoulders - All removable.**

**Removable dual density spine protector, quilted full sleeve removable liner.**

**8” rear zipper for attachment to all “Rubber Side Down” pants**

**Wide arm cinch straps to prevent billowing of jacket.**

**MSRP \$329.00 Asking \$150.000 OBO**

**Call Wayne or Louise Manuel (Membership #21362) 604 584 1452**



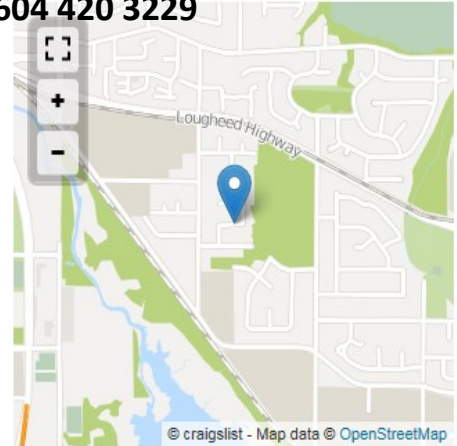
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☆ Gold Wing - \$13500

Contact Joe LeBlanc at [acadianstoo@gmail.com](mailto:acadianstoo@gmail.com)

Phone 604 420 3229



([google map](#))

2006 honda gold wing 1800

condition: **excellent**

fuel: **gas**

odometer: **132000**

title status: **clean**

transmission: **manual**

Custom Leather seat, C.B., Mike Mutes, iPod interface, Transformer Boards, Running Boards, upgraded suspension, Trailer Hitch, Mick-O-Pegs, Speed correcting module,ect.

## FOR SALE

1800 Trunk Rack, new in the box. \$60



Contact:  
Keith Thomaser  
250-523-6561  
[kthomaser@telus.net](mailto:kthomaser@telus.net)



# Buy & Sell

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## For Sale 2013 GL1800

Only 46,750 KM, Silver/Black, CB Radio, AM/FM, Set up for Sirius XM, Truck rack, Passenger arm rests and cup holder, driver cup holder, trailer hitch with vertical receiver. Also includes Packet Rack and Receiver Rack.

**New Price \$22,000 OBO**

Call Pat Williams at 604 951 9441

## NEW AD

Good condition, new rear tire, Full load, CB, Wired for Heated gear, Extra large windshield, Ultimate X custom saddle. New rear suspension last year, Tow package.

Extra set of front brake pads, rear arm rests and full shop manual.

78263 miles, (EX US Bike)

Asking: \$5000

**Patrick Austin**

Cell: 250-961-2315





# Chapter A Stores

## For Sale items:

### Patches:

	Description	Quantity on hand 2015-Mar-31	Cost	Quantity on hand 2016-Apr-4	Cost
Rocker	GWRRA BC-A Vancouver (black and gold with flags)	10	\$22.00	9	\$22.00
Rocker	The Great Northwest Region "J"	6	\$20.00	0	
Rocker	Chapter BC-A Vancouver (white, 2 Canada flags)	1	\$22.00	1	\$22.00
Round	10" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	5	\$15.00	4	\$15.00
Round	4" GWRRA (multi-colour with griffin)	8	\$5.00	7	\$5.00
Round	10" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	5	\$15.00	3*	17.50*
Round	4" GWRRA (black and gold with griffin)	2	\$5.00	5*	9.00*
Round	4" GWRRA BC-A (blue with Canada goose)	5	\$7.00	5	\$7.00

### Pins:

GWRRA BC district – large	2	\$5.00	2	\$5.00
GWRRA BC district – small	4	\$3.00	4	\$3.00
BC-A hangers?	89	\$3.00	Lots	\$3.00

### Clothing

Hats- ball	O/S	3	\$10.00	3	\$10.00
Shirt-Long Sleeve	3xl	1	\$40.00	0	0
Shirt-Long Sleeve	2xl	2	\$40.00	2	\$40.00
Shirt-long sleeve	XI-Men	1	\$40.00	1	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve	L-Ladies	1	\$40.00	1	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve sport	3xl	1	\$40.00	0	0
Shirt-short sleeve sport	2xl	2	\$40.00	2	\$40.00
Shirt-short sleeve sport	M	3	\$40.00	0	0

### Miscellaneous:

Antenna Flag		1	\$12.00	??	??
Static Cling Decal	4" Round	19	\$3.00	??	??



To purchase items from Chapter A's Stores  
contact Dave Ward at [drward@telus.net](mailto:drward@telus.net)

# Region J Rally in Langley British Columbia

## Trinity Western University

### August 4th - 6th 2017

#### **PLEASE SEE BELOW REGARDING THE CAMPING FOR THE REGION J RALLY IN FORT LANGLEY AUGUST 4/5/6**

I have now reserved all sites in 3 campgrounds for the Rally. All have been put on hold for August 4, 5 and 6, 2017 under GWRRA name. They all need individuals to call and confirm with their own credit card to guarantee site.

#### **Brae Island Regional Park (Fort Campground)**

9451 Glover Rd.  
Langley, BC  
[604-888-3678](tel:604-888-3678)

**They will now hold 30 sites, only until end of January.** People must phone and book their site ASAP. The 30 tent sites have water & electric \$40.00 per night, minimum 3 nights. The 5 RV sites are full hook-ups \$48.00 per night, minimum 3 nights

#### **Livingstone Campground**

23141 72 Ave  
Langley, BC  
[604-882-3880](tel:604-882-3880)

The 6 sites have water & electric \$36.00 per night, 2 persons, \$5.00 additional per day for extra vehicle and \$5.00 additional per day for extra persons.

#### **Hazelmere RV and Campground**

18843 8 Ave  
Surrey, BC  
[1-877-501-5007](tel:1-877-501-5007) or [604-538-1167](tel:604-538-1167)

The 4 sites have water & electric \$45.15 (includes tax) per day

#### **WE ARE STILL WAITING ON HOTEL INFORMATION.**

Gary & Susan Premech  
Region J Directors



#### **Region J Rally 2017 Trinity Western University Langley, BC August 4 to 6**

**We need a LOGO idea for this  
year's event!**

Region Directors, Gary and Susan Premech have put out a request for a LOGO design. Please forward your LOGO ideas for the Rally by February 15th to [regionjdirectors@gmail.com](mailto:regionjdirectors@gmail.com) or [gpremech@gmail.com](mailto:gpremech@gmail.com)

There will be a request for volunteers as more details come out. Please consider helping the Region Team out by volunteering to help make the Rally a success.

#### **GWRRA Head Office**

Phoenix Arizona  
Toll Free  
1-800-843-9460

Email:

[memberservices@gwrra.org](mailto:memberservices@gwrra.org)

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*Region J Rally in Langley British Columbia  
Trinity Western University  
August 4th - 6th 2017*

## Rally Hotel Lodging

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### **HOST HOTEL: Best Western Plus Gold Wing Road Riders**

5978 Glover Road **GWRRRA Reservation Number #1090**  
Langley, BC V3A 4H9  
PH: 604-530-9311

2 Queen Beds \$149.99/Night (plus taxes)

Bookings will be accepted until: June 4, 2017

Cancellations received later than 7 days prior to the scheduled check in will be charged the full amount of their stay.

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### **Sandman Hotel Langley Gold Wing Road Rider Association**

8855 202<sup>nd</sup> Street **GWRRRA Reservation Number #347758**  
Langley, BC V1M 2N9  
PH: 604-888-7263

Standard Queen (1 Queen Bed) \$139.00/night (plus taxes)

Standard Twin (2 Dbl Beds) \$139.00/night (plus taxes)

Studio Suite (1 Dbl Bed) \$154.00/night (plus taxes)

Jr. Corporate Suite (1 King) \$164.00/night (plus taxes)

Executive Queen Suite (1 Queen) \$184.00/night (plus taxes)

Bookings will be accepted until: June 5, 2017

Cancellations may be made up to 24 hours prior without penalty.

Cancellations made inside the 24 hours are non-refundable and will be charged a one night cancellation fee.

# Alphabet Ride

**We are very happy to bring forward a friendly competition riding game called the "Alphabet Ride".**

The challenge is to ride to several locations (city, town, village, etc.) using the first letter of the name.

Example "V" for Vancouver / "K" for Kamloops.

Object is to visit enough places to complete all 26 letters of the alphabet.

## The details are as follows

- Locations: British Columbia and Washington State only. This of course includes the Islands.
- Time frame: May 1, 2017 to Nov 1, 2017
  - If no one completes we will extend to next year
- Tough Letters:
  - X - We will accept a Park or a Name that contains "X"
  - Z - There is a Town that starts with "Z" Happy Hunting
- Limitations: You can only get credit for 2 Letters per ride / per day. (after all this is about getting out for several rides "13")
- Problems: If you have questions contact Chuck Taylor – Ride Co-ordinator
- How: Group rides or solo rides
- Credit: If you ride 2-up both people will get credit for the letter

## The following will be required as PROOF

\* Picture of you and your bike at location of landmark (store, post office, information center, etc.)

Forward a copy of the pic to the following address with your name(s) and membership #

[gwrri.gowans@gmail.com](mailto:gwrri.gowans@gmail.com)

A list will be made and tracked for all members participating. We will provide monthly updates of progress. Now you are say "why all of these details and rules for a fun challenge game"? Well that's because you are going to be playing for bragging rights and prizes.

## The prizes will be as follows:

A Patch or Pin will be created for your vest for all those who complete for bragging rights. On top of that, those who complete all 26 letters will have your name entered for a one year GWRRA membership.]

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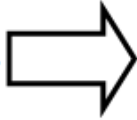


# Alphabet Ride

## GWRRRA Chapter BC-A ALPHABET RIDE 2017



Your  
Letter



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

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Rider's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**This document certifies that this rider and co-rider  
were witnessed at this location on this date.**

**RULES:**

1. Locations are in BC and Washington State only.
2. Limit of 2 letters per day.
3. Duration May 1st to Nov 1st 2017
4. Provide a photo of the rider with bike at location landmark e.g. Post Office, Store, Information Centre etc.
5. Forward copies of pics, forms to:  
[gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com](mailto:gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com)

This is a sample of the form for the Alphabet ride. Pick one up at the chapter meeting, Check the Website, or email [gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com](mailto:gwr-ra.gowans@gmail.com) to request a form be emailed out to you.

## Victoria Days 2017

Hosted By GWRRA chapter BC-G, in Beautiful Salmon Arm, BC  
May 19<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

- **New Escorted Rides on Friday**
- **Garage Sale Saturday.** Bring your motorcycle and/or camping items. The BC-G chapter will sell them for you (for a 10% commission) 9:00—11:00 am. *(For safety reasons, please no helmets more than 3 years old.)*
- **New Destination Rides on Saturday**
- **Fun Run Sunday** to benefit the **Make-A-Wish Foundation.** First motorcycle out at 9:00 a.m. Last motorcycle out at 10:00 am. All motorcycles in by 2:00 pm

For more information, please contact: Kirk Elliott: 250-374-2583 or [kandkelliott@shaw.ca](mailto:kandkelliott@shaw.ca)

### Please fill out this form below and mail to

Kirk Elliott, 251 McGill Rd, Kamloops, BC, V2C 1M2

Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Second/Co-Rider \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Prov/State \_\_\_\_\_ Postal or Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Code \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Association \_\_\_\_ Personal E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Early Registration** on or before April 30th \$20.00 per person ( ) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Registration includes: Grand Prize and Early Registration Tickets*

**On site Registration** \$25.00 Per-person x ( ) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Camping** \$20.00 per tent/ tent trailer/ RV per night x ( ) nights  
*(All Camping sites have water and power)*  
Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of rig: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fun Run Cards** @ \$5.00 each x ( ) cards \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday night Dinner;** \$20.00 each x ( ) meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday dinner guaranteed only if Prepaid by April 30

**Total Enclosed (cheques payable to GWRRA BC-G)**

**Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**White Water Slide & RV Park**  
1155 Lakeshore Drive  
[www.whitewaterslide.com](http://www.whitewaterslide.com)

*next door*

**Best Western Salmon Arm, BC**  
61 – 10th Street SW  
[www.bestwestern.com](http://www.bestwestern.com)  
Tel: 250-832-9793 -  
**Request GWRRA Rally rooms**

**Saturday morning Breakfast hosted by BC-C (Chilliwack)**

We can't guarantee the weather but we do guarantee the Fun



**GOLD RUN 2017**  
**September 2 & 3**  
**In Historic Cache Creek, BC**  
**GWRRA CHAPTER BC-D SURREY**

**REGISTRATION Saturday September 2 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Canada's Best Value Desert Inn & Suites

1069 South Trans Canada Hwy Cache Creek BC

Accommodations and food are your responsibility (2 nights in Cache Creek)

Motel and Camping have been reserved in Cache Creek, BC under GWRRA please call direct

Hotel: Canada's Best Value Desert Inn & Suites 1069 South Trans Canada Hwy

Cache Creek (250) 457-6226

Camping: Brookside Campground 1621 Trans-Canada Hwy, Cache Creek (250) 457-6633

**\*\*Early Bird Draw, Door Prizes, Fun Run & Light Ride\*\***

**\*\* Saturday night Meal & Sunday Continental Breakfast Included in the registration price\*\***

To be eligible for the preregistration Draw and the Chapter with the most in attendance registrations must be  
post marked by August 10

**PLEASE REMIT CHEQUES/MONEY ORDERS TO: GWRRA CHAPTER BC-D**

\$30.00 CDN Registration per person \*\*\* GWRRA Members discounted to \$25.00 CDN per person\*\*\*

**For more information:** V Hildebrand 604-557- 0622 email: [directorsbcd@gmail.com](mailto:directorsbcd@gmail.com)

Barry McMillan 778-574-3579 email: [bc-dtreasurer@shaw.ca](mailto:bc-dtreasurer@shaw.ca)

**Please mail form and payment to: Gold Run 7852 167A Street, Surrey, BC V4N 0L9**

RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

CO-RIDER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

PROVINCE/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL/ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Fun Run Cards @ \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \*

Signature Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature Co-Rider: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Additional Fun Run cards may be purchased on site Sunday September 3**

I/We understand this application and agree to hold harmless the GWRRA and all involved Participants of this Rally for Liabilities involved in my/our injury or loss due to participation thereof. I/We also agree to conform to the rules governing this event and to be responsible for my/our own actions while participating. I/We understand the Rally Organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to this event.

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Visit our Website at [www.gwrrabca.org](http://www.gwrrabca.org) Visit our Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/GWRRA-BC-A-Vancouver](http://www.facebook.com/GWRRA-BC-A-Vancouver) Page 27

## K. R. PARKES GOLDSMITH



#115 - 525 Seymour Street  
Vancouver, BC V6B 3H7  
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Email: studio@krparkes.com  
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- ◆ General Repairs - All Types

*Hand & Machine Engraving*  
(your designs, crests, logos)

Customer's gold and stones can be  
used for new designs

Jewellery Insurance Replacement Claims

## Monthly Chapter Meeting

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 Meeting at 9:00 am

Enjoy breakfast with new and old friends,  
or come for a cup of coffee before the meet-  
ing. 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 9.00.  
Ride leaves at 10.00. Saturday, Sunday and all



## Chapter BC - A

### Tuesday Night Rides

Coffee Social (ride in season)

\*We are trying out different locations  
in 2017. Check the website or Call  
Keiller 604 970 0531 to confirm

Coffee From 5 pm Ride Leaves between  
6:30 pm and 7 pm

