



March Newsletter

Chapter BC-A



Important Notice:

Effective today, March 1st we will **NO LONGER** be meeting at McDonalds for EWMA events and rides. Our official meeting place for all EWMA Chapter BC-A group rides and sanctioned events will originate from the A&W, 8605 Glenlyon Pkwy.

WhatsApp is available for all members who wish to organize their own rides or just meet for coffee. Please contact me if you wish to be added to

Roadside Assistance

Did you know that EWMA now offers Roadside Assistance.

[Click Here to Login](#)

Go to member resources then benefits

Monthly Breakfast Meeting

Join us March 16th at 8:00 a.m. at Rickys, 100 Schoolhouse St, Coquitlam

New WhatsApp for Couples

The new riding season is almost here. For more information.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Group Riding

Are you ready for the next group ride, a refresher.

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We monitor CB Channel 33

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

Find us on: **facebook**

TUESDAY'S
Meet @ 5:00 pm at the Glenlyon A&W. Ride @ 7:00 pm.



THURSDAYS
Meet @ 7:00 pm via Zoom. A fun quick hour of fun.



SATURDAY'S
Meet @ 9:00am Glenlyon A@W. ride at 10am



SUNDAY'S
Meet @ 9:00am Glenlyon A@W. ride at 10am



Ride for Pie (PI) to Boston Bar

The much anticipated ride for Pi is coming up on March 14th (3,14) is Pi day, the day that the mathematical constant is celebrated . We added an "E" and turned it into a culinary extravaganza (well not exactly) . We will be riding to Boston Bar for a scenic and exhilarating ride and a fabulous lunch and of course Pie. Details later this month.

Boston Bar, a little history

The name dates from the time of the [Fraser Canyon Gold Rush](#) (1858–1861). A "bar" is a gold-bearing sandbar or sandy riverbank, and the one slightly down river and opposite today's town was populated heavily by Americans, who were known in the parlance of the [Chinook Jargon](#) as "Boston men" or simply "Bostons". A settlement developed on the east bank of the river to the north of the confluence with Anderson River. This was later moved to the present site with the construction of [Canadian Northern Pacific Railway](#).^{[2][3]}

The original [Nlaka'pamuctsin](#) (Thompson Salish) name of Boston Bar was rendered in English-style spelling as **Quayome**, which appears commonly on frontier-era maps and in diaries and newspapers of the day. The name originally referred to the other side of the river from today's town, but came into use for the present site after the original was renamed [North Bend](#) by the [Canadian Pacific Railway](#).

In June 2011, Boston Bar briefly unofficially changed its name to "Vancouver Bar", in an effort to support the nearby [Vancouver Canucks](#) hockey team of the [NHL](#) in the [2011 Stanley Cup Finals](#) as they took on the [Boston Bruins](#). This followed Canadian restaurant chain [Boston Pizza](#) unofficially changing their name to "Vancouver Pizza" during the same round of the playoffs.^[4]

Your Chapter Team



Bill Morrill
Chapter Director



Chuck Taylor
Ride Coordinator



Patrick Frampton
Ride Coordinator



Neils Jensen
Treasurer



Jim and Janet Cross
Couples Rides

2024 Scheduled Couples Rides

Special thanks to Jim and Janet Cross for spearheading the couples rides.

May 26 – ride details yet to be determined. It will be a short ride to some special place in the Lower Mainland

June 23 – Mystery Ride – The only person who knows is the organizer. Details to be released at the start of the ride.

July 20 – Nakusp – This ride will take place as part of the Region Ride-In and will be an option as one of the guided rides.

Aug 10 – Drive In Movie Ride – This will take place, weather permitting. An evening ride out to the Twilight Drive-In, the last remaining drive-in theater in the Lower Mainland that will be closing permanently at the end of the season.

Sept 14-15 – Weekend “Totem Ride” – resurrected from our old GWRRA days, a weekend ride over to Vancouver Island, up the coast to Comox with a ferry ride back to Powell River where we will spend the night, then a ride back down the Sunshine Coast.

Please note, all rides are subject to change based on the whims of Mother Nature or BC Ferries.

Please register for these rides on the website:

[Click Here to Register](#)

Whatsapp for Couples

WhatsApp for Couples was started so that you can get together with other couples, and ride when you want and where you want. The Chapter has scheduled 5 destination specific rides for this year, however many of you have indicated you want to ride more.

So here you go feel free to plan away. Use it to find out who's going to ride on the weekend, perhaps a plan a weekend away. The intent is to get everyone together and riding.

Many couple don't like early starts, so schedule a ride later at your leisure. Some of the best ride are those impromptu, destination unknown rides.

To be added to this group just text or email me you cell number, and I'll add you to the group.

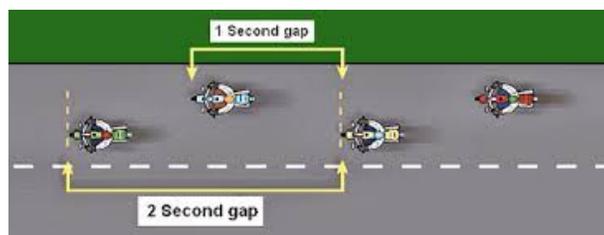
Getting ready for a new riding season, a quick refresher:

Group riding on motorcycles requires careful coordination and adherence to safety practices to ensure a smooth and secure experience for all participants. Here are some best practices:

Pre-Ride Meeting: Before we ride, all riders will gather for a pre-ride meeting. We will discuss the route, any potential hazards, hand signals, and formations.

Ride Leader and Tail: Depending on the how many rider attend, we will break into group of 6 -7 riders as needed. Lead Rider will set the pace and signal direction changes. We will assign a tail rider for the back of the group to ensure no one gets left behind.

Formation: Maintain a staggered formation while riding, allowing adequate space between bikes. This formation provides better visibility and reaction time. Do not ride side by side.



Gap will increase as speed increases

Communication: We communicate primarily via CB Radio (channel 33), many rider also use Sena 50S mesh as well. Signals for hazards, turns, and stops should be clearly understood by all riders.

Speed and Distance: Your Lead will set a pace comfortable for everyone in the group. Always ride your ride.



Respect Traffic Laws: Follow all traffic laws and regulations. This includes speed limits, signaling, and lane changes.

Visibility: Wear high-visibility gear and keep headlights on at all times, even during the day. This increases visibility to other motorists.

Be Predictable: Make smooth and predictable movements. Avoid sudden lane changes or erratic riding behavior.

Ride Defensively: Assume other drivers may not see you and be prepared to react to unexpected situations. Scan the road ahead for potential hazards.

Fuel and Rest Stops: We plan regular stops for fuel, rest, and hydration.

Emergency Preparedness: Carry a basic toolkit, first aid kit, and emergency contact information.

Stay Focused: Avoid distractions such as using mobile phones or engaging in lengthy conversations while riding.

Know Your Limits: Ride within your skill level and comfort zone. Don't feel pressured to keep up with faster riders if it compromises your safety.

Preparing your motorcycle for the start of the riding season is crucial for ensuring safety and optimal performance. Here's a checklist of maintenance tasks you should consider:

Check Fluids:

Engine Oil: Change the oil and replace the oil filter if necessary. Ensure the oil level is within the recommended range.

Coolant: Check the coolant level and top it up if needed. Consider flushing and replacing the coolant if it's old.

Brake Fluid: Inspect the brake fluid level and condition. Replace it if it's discoloured or contaminated.

Clutch Fluid: Check the clutch fluid level and condition. Replace it if necessary.

Inspect Brakes:

Brake Pads: Check the brake pads for wear. Replace them if they are worn down.

Brake Rotors: Inspect the brake rotors for signs of wear, warping, or damage.

Brake Lines: Check brake lines for any signs of leaks, cracks, or damage.

Tire Maintenance:

Tire Pressure: Check tire pressure and adjust it according to manufacturer specifications. Inspect tires for any signs of wear, cuts, or punctures.

Tread Depth: Measure tire tread depth and replace tires if they are worn beyond the recommended limit.

Wheel Alignment: Ensure wheels are aligned properly for optimal handling and tire wear.

Check Controls and Cables:

Throttle: Ensure the throttle operates smoothly without sticking.

Clutch: Check clutch operation and adjust cable tension if necessary.

Brakes: Test brake lever/pedal action and adjust as needed.

Lights and Signals: Test all lights, turn signals, and indicators to ensure they are working properly.

Electrical System:

Battery: Check the battery condition and charge. Clean the terminals and connectors if corroded.

Spark Plugs: Inspect spark plugs and replace them if they are worn or fouled.

Wiring: Inspect wiring harnesses for any signs of damage or wear.

Fuel System:

Fuel Tank: Check the fuel tank for rust or corrosion. Clean or replace the fuel filter if necessary.

Fuel Lines: Inspect fuel lines for leaks, cracks, or damage.

Clean and Detail:

Wash the motorcycle thoroughly and wax or polish the paintwork.

Clean and lubricate control cables, levers, and pivot points.

Apply protectant to rubber seals and plastic components to prevent drying and cracking.

Safety Check:

Test ride the motorcycle in a safe area to ensure everything is functioning properly before hitting the road.

Regular maintenance and inspections are essential for keeping your motorcycle in top condition and ensuring a safe and enjoyable riding experience. If you're unsure about performing any maintenance tasks yourself, consider taking your motorcycle to a professional mechanic for servicing.

Suspension and Steering:

Forks: Check fork seals for leaks and inspect fork oil level.

Shock Absorbers: Inspect shock absorbers for leaks, damage, or signs of wear.

Steering Head Bearings: Check steering head bearings for smooth operation and adjust if needed.

Chain and Sprockets:

Chain Tension: Check chain tension and adjust if necessary. Lubricate the chain.

Sprockets: Inspect sprockets for wear and replace them if they are worn out.

Monthly 50/50 winner



Congratulations to Iian Edmonds

Iian's attendance at our monthly breakfast meeting paid for his breakfast and then some.

Join us on the third Saturday each month and you could be a winner as well.

See you soon

Ricky's Country Restaurant, 100 Schoolhouse St, Coquitlam

Whatsapp

Have you signed up yet. We currently have 44 members on the group app and 24 couples on the couples group.

Whatsapp is fluid and we communicate in real time. It's great for planning rides, meeting for coffee or to find out who is riding in your area if you want to go for a quick ride.

Contact me if you want to be added to either of the groups



Louisiana Road Riders District Rally ~ Ride in!!

April 18th – 20th 2024

◇ **Holiday Inn Express & Suites** ◇
 (Host Hotel) Phone Number: 318.232.1230
 1312 Hospitality Street RUSTON LA
 Nightly Rate \$129.00

Ask for special rate: "Eagle Wings La Road Riders"

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

International Ride-In

June 21 – 22, 2024

Fairgrounds Park, 700 S Railroad Ave., Loveland, Colorado



FRI
NIGHT
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EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Friends for Fun, Safety & Riding

Rides → Rides → Rides

ONLINE REGISTRATION: EWMA-world.org/ride-in



SAT
NIGHT
BBQ







MONTANA DISTRICT RALLY

If you have never visited Montana, here is a great chance to see it. The EWMA Montana District Rally is being held in Laurel, Montana this year, just a short distance from two of the best motorcycle roads in the US – Beartooth Pass and Chief Joseph Highway.

Please find attached the registration form and schedule of events for this rally. Host hotel information will be coming shortly. Giselle and I had the pleasure of attending their rally last summer in Dillon, Montana. It was a lot of fun and we made lots of new friends. We expect this will be just as fun.

Don't forget, just a week before (July 19-21) is our own Western Canada Region Ride-In in beautiful Nakusp, BC. Here is the link to register:

<https://wcregion.ca/nakusp-ride-in-july-19-21-2024/>

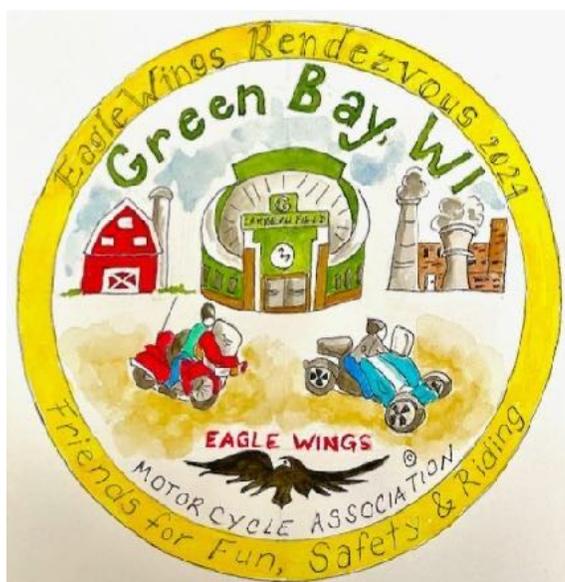
Thank you all for being members and supporting our great organization.

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David Ward

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association, VP Operations - Canada



Eagle Wings Rendezvous 2nd Annual Rally

This biggest event of the year. Riders from all across North America will gather in Green Bay August 29 - 31st.

Yes there are members from this chapter riding down for the event.

[Click here for more information](#)



JULY 19-21, 2024
EWMA
REGION H
RIDE-IN

 **Nakusp, BC**

Situated on the shores of pristine Upper Arrow Lake, Nakusp is central to some of the best motorcycle touring roads in British Columbia. Join us for some fun, camaraderie, and fantastic riding and scenery.

To register, go to <https://wcregion.ca/nakusp-ride-in-july-19-21-2024/>

Host Hotel

Selkirk Inn
 210 6 Ave NW,
 Nakusp
 250-265-3666

Camping

**Nakusp Municipal
 Campground**
 250-265-1061

50/50 draw

**Guided / Unguided
 rides**

**Saturday evening
 BBQ hosted by
 Nakusp Rotary**

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BIKE MAINTENANCE DAY

Taylormotive Service Ltd. is the first I-Car Gold & Aluminum Class™ certified professional collision repair shop in North Vancouver.



174 Pemberton Avenue
North Vancouver
Saturday April 6th



Once a year Chuck is kind enough to open up his premises. So that we have the opportunity to done some routine maintenance.

Need to change your oil? Have a burnt out bulb? Bring your parts and tools to Chucks place. It's warm and dry. There is usually someone they're with an extra wrench or two if you forget something. Some of our members are a wealth of information, and can usually help you out with some minor repair's .

Donuts and Muffins will be provided, and you'll most likely find a pot of coffee.

We Zoom Every Thursday Night at 7:00 pm

Join the fun





Sunday,
March 10,
**SPRING
FORWARD**

St Patricks Day

Sunday
March 17th

