

GWRRA

October 2015



Gold Wing Road Riders Association Region I - WA District



WA-E "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge"



Message from our Chapter Directors

October - The  Season

Next Chapter Meeting
October 17
Kenmore Lanes
7638 NE Bothell Way
Kenmore, WA

Wow, here we are in October, already. Unbelievable?? What happened?? We did have some really great times over the summer with some of the best riding weather that we can remember. **We set many new records for the longest stretch of 80's and 90's in Seattle history.** This has been a really great riding year, to say the least. I really missed our annual pilgrimage to Whistler this year, but as we have done that so many times, this was a good year for a break, so I am hoping to schedule that for next year. We may need to make it a little earlier in the year, as we have many that cannot take the time off, based on when we schedule that event. As we move into fall, things are starting to slow down again, so there are not as many activities as there are in the riding season. We have our Chapter Meeting coming up on the 17th, followed up by a three pass ride. I am really looking forward to this and hope that the weather is nice to us, as I really love to ride the passes and see the fall colors. The Dinner Social scheduled for the 29th will be at Best Wok in Bellevue. At the end of the month on the 30th, we have the annual Halloween Party at our house. The party starts about 6PM and I am looking forward to seeing all of you in costume for this event. I am always impressed by the amount of time people spend putting their costumes together as well as the creativity within our chapter. Can you say incredible? I surely can and **as a reminder don't leave your camera laying around, as you never know who might pick it up and take some pictures of odd things.** We have had some funny ones over the past couple of years. There are still a few District events coming up as well. This year the Leadership training in Buckley has moved to November 14th and will be an OCP training event, if you are interested in being an officer in GWRRA. If you are interested in going, head over to the District Web page and grab the flyer and sign up. Another great event that several of us have gone to in the past is the WA-Q Halloween Dance at the Poodle Dog in Fife on the 24th. It may be a good place to try out your costume prior to our chapter Halloween party. Lots of fun, music, dancing, the works.

We are also going to be planning some surprise things for the month of October for the chapter to do, so please keep checking our **'Eagle Eye' for those events.**

I know that each and every month in our newsletter, we ask if there are things that our chapter members want to do or if there is something that you think would be great to do, please let us know, so we can get the word out and see if there are other people in our Chapter E family that would like to do that. We are always game to try new stuff. Remember it is your chapter. It can be as fun, fast or slow as you want it to be.

Again, both Barb and I want to thank all of you who are part of our chapter and our lives. We truly cherish each and every one of you. We enjoy your friendship and camaraderie and truly love spending time with our CHAPTER E FAMILY.

Till next month— **Goblins and Ghouls, oh my...**

John & Barb





GWRRRA HAPPENINGS



2015 Calendar of Events

October 2015

- October 10 - Chapter E—Unofficial and Unsanctioned Beer Boogie
- October 17 - Chapter E Breakfast and Meeting at Kenmore Lanes
- October 24 - Chapter Q — Halloween Dance in Fife
- October 29 — Chapter E—Dinner Social
- October 30 — Chapter E—**Halloween Party at the Smith's**

** This calendar is subject to change.*

Check the Washington GWRRRA web site for flyers and contact information at www.gwrra-wa.org for any events you wish to participate with.



Rider Education

By John Smith—Impromptu Chapter Educator

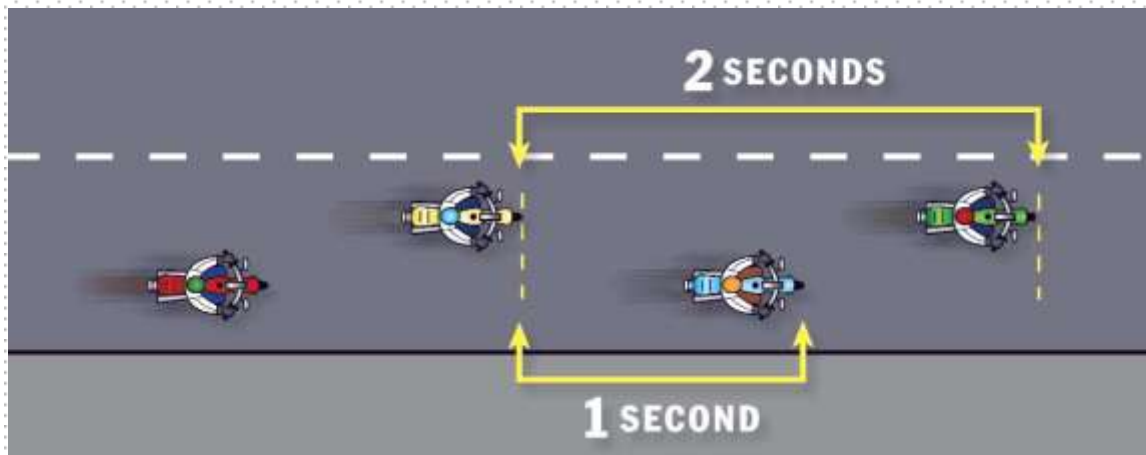


This was originally posted by Ron Peck, our former educator, and was a great article, so reposting.

Why We Need The Staggered Formation

An unfortunate thing happened a few years ago in Northern Oregon: a group of 30 riders were traveling on I-5 between Portland and Salem when they encountered stop and go traffic. At some point during the ride traffic came to a complete stop and there was a mass collision among the bikes. Twenty bikes were involved and 10 went down. It was a nice day with dry pavement, so the only **apparent reason was that they were following too closely to the cars in front and to each other, and they weren't paying close enough attention to their environment.**

As you all know, the recommended spacing of motorcycles in a group is to be 2 seconds behind the bike immediately in front of you and 1 second behind the bike diagonally in front of you. This is done to give you sufficient time to react if something happens.



This also implies that you stay in your track and don't move from side to side in the lane. The obvious exception to this is when you have to move to avoid a problem (pothole, gravel, bodies, etc.). Hopefully, these problems will be pointed out by the lead bike.

A single-file formation is preferred on a curvy road, under conditions of poor visibility or poor road surfaces, entering/leaving highways, or other situations where an increased space cushion or maneuvering room is needed. Avoid side-by-side formations, as they reduce the space cushion. If you suddenly needed to swerve to avoid a hazard, you would not have room to do so. You **don't** want handlebars to get entangled.

Periodically check the riders following in your rear view mirror. If you see a rider falling behind, slow down so they may catch up. If all the riders in the group use this technique, the group should be able to maintain a fairly steady speed without pressure to ride too fast to catch up. Large gaps between riders may tempt cars to slip inside the group on multi-lane highways, especially when they are passing on the right.

A nice tight formation might look great, but can cause problems if the unexpected happens, so be aware...



October Celebrations



Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

Karen Roberson	10
Don Hopkins	13
Jimm Burk	15
Bert Brown	17
Jim Pelican	25

Bob & Patty Spencer	4
Doug & Sandy Newbury	6
Bob & Sue Watson	13
John & Barb Smith	22
Russell & Leann Greaby	31

If we have missed any announcement, birthday or anniversary please email Leah Gray or Barb & John with dates, names and information. If you have pictures and/or stories, please attach them to your email.

©Cares & Concerns: Please remember to inform Leah Gray of any cares or concerns you June have or if you are aware of other members in need of support. If someone is ill or incapacitated or simply is in need of a friendly hug or support, please let us know. We really do want to know if you are OK or in need of anything.

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If you have pictures to add to the Chapter E Website please email John and Barb, Chapter E Webmaster@: [al-
about_98019@outlook.com](mailto:allabout_98019@outlook.com)



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Ron and Violet Urquhart

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John Smith

Cares & Concerns
Leah Gray

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Together, we can make a difference!



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When

you do act, act aggressively.

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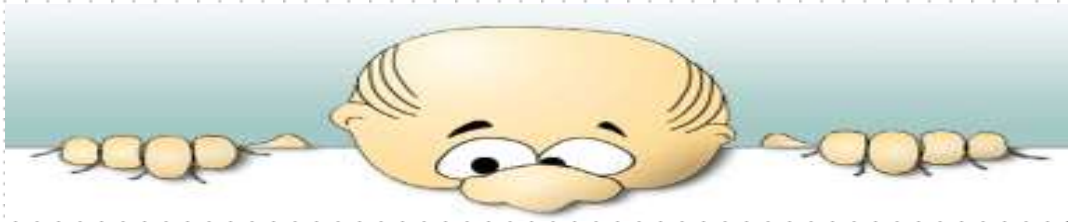
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4	5 World Teacher Day! 	6 Mad Hatter Day! 	7	8	9 Fire Prevention Day! 	10
11	12 Columbus Day! 	13	14 National Dessert Day! 	15	16 Bosses Day! 	17 WA-E Breakfast/ Meeting Kenmore Lanes—3 Pass Ride/Fall Colors
18	19 Evaluate your life day! 	20	21	22	23	24 WA-Q Halloween Dance @ Poodle Dog—Fife
25 World Pasta Day! 	26	27	28	29 Chapter E Dinner Social—TBD	30- Halloween Party at the Smith 's	31 Halloween 

GWRRA Washington District Chapter Gathering Sites

4th Saturday	8:30AM	A-Seattle	Old Country Buffet, 25630 104th Ave. SE, Kent, WA 98030
1st Saturday	8:00 AM	B-Bremerton	Bremerton Airport Diner, 8830 State Hwy 3, Bremerton, WA 98312
2nd Sunday	8:30 AM	D-Aberdeen	Duffy's Restaurant, 1605 Simpson Ave, Aberdeen, WA 98520
3rd Saturday	08:00AM	E- Bellevue	Kenmore Lanes, 7638 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98018
2nd Tuesday	6:00 PM	H-Lynden	Fairway Restaurant, 1726 Front St, Lynden, WA 98264
3rd Sunday	8:30 AM	I-Olympia	Hawks Prairie Restaurant, 8306 Quinault Dr, Lacey, WA 98516
2nd Saturday	9:00 AM	L-Kennewick	Red Lion, 2525 North 20th Ave, Pasco, WA 99301
1st Saturday	9:00 AM	M-Yakima	The Branding Iron Restaurant, 61311 Hwy 97, Toppenish, WA 98948
3rd Sunday	8:00 AM	N-Spokane	Golden Corral Restaurant, 7117 N Division, Spokane, WA 99208
4th Saturday	8:00 AM	O-Port Orchard	Bremerton Airport Diner, 8830 State Hwy 3, Bremerton, WA 98312
3rd Saturday	1:00 PM	P-Longview	Sizzler Restaurant, 936 Ocean Beach Hwy, Longview, WA 98632
1st Friday	6:00 PM	Q-Puyallup	Sizzler Restaurant, 10204 S Tacoma Way, Lakewood, WA 98499
1st Saturday	9:00 AM	R-Walla Walla	Smith's Restaurant, 1425 W. Pine St, Walla Walla, WA
1st Thursday	6:00PM	V-Auburn	Trotters Restaurant, 825 Harvey Rd, Auburn, WA 98001
1st Saturday	8:00 AM	X-Vancouver	Hometown Buffet, 7809 B NE, Vancouver, WA 98686
2nd Friday	6:30 PM	Y-Enumclaw	Krain Corner Restaurant, 39929 264th SE, Enumclaw, WA 98022
2nd Saturday	6:00 PM	Z-Centralia	Country House Restaurant, 4040 Hwy 506, Toledo, WA 98591

Some Useful Gold Wing Links



<http://www.goldwingfacts.com/>

<http://www.aboutmotorcycle.com/>

<http://www.tourkingcovers.com/shop/>

<http://www.msf-usa.org/>

<http://www.soundrider.com/>

<http://www.wingstuff.com/index.php>

<http://www.goldwing-world.com/GL1800.htm>

<http://www.gl1800riders.com/>

<http://www.tulsaenterprises.com/1800.html>

<http://www.ridelikeapro.com/>

<http://www.hondadirectlineusa.com/stores/index.asp?str=4>

http://www.motorbikes.today.com/reviews/Articles/hon_goldwing_04.htm

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Motorcycle_safety



Picture of Jimm, pimping his ride at the Oyster Run 2015. What an amazing turnout, over 30,000, yes 30,000 bikes and just as many state troopers..An amazing event for sure.

