



“A”WESOME NEWS

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From the Chapter Director



Goldwing Road Riders Association has always promoted “**safety through education**”. GWRRR Rider Education, working with MSF and other motorcycle safety programs, is committed to excellence in motorcycle safety.

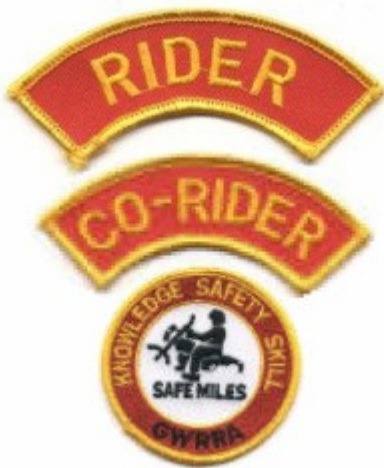
Through commitment, education, and application, GWRRR members can reduce our “incident” rate significantly. On a recent ride, we had an “incident”. The purpose of this article is not to go into the details of the “incident” but to bring to light WHAT happened after the “incident”. NH-A has NEVER practiced MOTORCYCLE CRASH SCENE RESPONSE like the fire drills we practiced in elementary school, but the unthinkable DOES HAPPEN. And SOMEWHERE from listening to our Ride Educators and attending seminars, it was there, ingrained in our minds, when we had to respond! It was wonderful to see the response spring to action: The Ride Captain took the riders in front of the “incident” to a safe parking place. Two members took spots at the front and back of the “incident” to direct traffic. A member equipped with a first aid kit from their bike administered first aid. Two other members shut off the bike and righted it. Other members talked and reassured the rider to make sure they stayed calm. Thankfully, there was no need to call for emergency help and all were fine and were able to continue the ride home. As Chapter Directors, we were proud to see how NH-A members jumped into action, without direction, to secure the scene and insure the safety of everyone that afternoon.

NH-A is very proud to have two members in our chapter that are Ride Educators: Dick Bernier, NH/VT District Educator and NH-A Chapter Educator and Doug Melanson, NH-A Assistant Chapter Educator. Each month, they present seminars and videos and discuss topics to promote motorcycle safety. There are additional seminars and riding classes that are offered throughout the year at rallies and at special classes but the **TRUTH** is that you don't have to go any further than your monthly chapter gathering to get training. And remember that every GWRRA Chapter has an education portion at their monthly get-together...so NH has 3 other chapters and VT has 2 chapters...and there are plenty of neighboring chapters and districts. There is a **WEALTH** of GWRRA education out there!

So keep attending your monthly chapter gathering and we urge you to visit other GWRRA monthly chapter gatherings as well...not only are they **FUN**...but you will **LEARN** something too! And it will be there when you need it the most.

Warm Wing Wishes,

David & Bonnie Bolster



Please join us this Friday Oct. 21 at the Gathering by wearing ANY animal print (hats, ties and clothes),

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CHAPTER GATHERING

September 23, 2016

Our September Get Together was held a week later than usual due to the VT-A Wells Ogunquit weekend. There were 43 attendees. We had 3 visitors from NH-G and NH-E came with a GANG of 8, so they captured the VT/NH District flag. A special welcome to Liz & Pat Paszko who also joined the fun for the evening.

Scott Smith talked about the Sebege Lake Ride that he and his wife, Cheryl "road-captained". The ride included 5 chapters, 28 bikes and 48 riders. It was a BIGGIE. Great Ride, Great time. Chapter Directors, Bonnie and David Bolster reviewed our Mt. Washington Brunch ride and the camping weekend at Cold Springs Campground. Chapter participation on all the events has been great!

Everyone who completed the GRANITE STATE puzzle in the monthly newsletter was given a FORTUNE COOKIE in honor on Fortune Cookie Day that was celebrated 9/13. Each person was asked to read their fortune and add "on your Goldwing" to the end of the phrase. "You are the controller of your destiny...on your Goldwing." Plenty of funny fortunes were read!

Our Assistant Chapter Educator, Doug Melanson talked about safe driving techniques during the rain, also known as "RIDING IN THE WET" as the English driver in video kept referring to it as. After the presentation, Doug was presented with this Chapter Team/Educator rockers and pin. We are proud to have Doug as part of the NH-A Education Team.

NH/VT District MEC, Carole Sheehan presented Lynne and Chris Christensen with their District Couple of the Year Rockers. District Director, Ed Heath attended the gathering and was there to present outgoing ACD's Scott and Cheryl Smith with a certificate of appreciation for their 4 years of service as NH-A officers. Ed also presented Lynne and Chris Christensen, NH-A newly appointed ACD'S with their Chapter Team/Assist. Directors rockers and pins. It's a very busy evening...lots of congrats and excitement. SO...how to end such a great night? Dessert was strawberry shortcake! The winner of the Rider's Pool was David Bolster. Leanne and Frank Clayton won the 50/50 jackpot totaling \$94.00

Our next chapter gathering is scheduled for Friday, October 21st. Don't miss the fun.





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Play this puzzle online at : <http://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/830/>



“A”WESOME MEMBER PROFILE



**Scott and Cheryl
Smith**



Where are you from? I grew up in Saugus Mass. And Cheryl grew up in Cambridge Mass.

How did you meet? At McDonalds in Somerville Mass. I would go there and get breakfast in the morning.

How long have you been married? 31 years.

How many children and what are their names? Chris still lives at home and is currently looking to buy his first house and Kim lives in Derry NH.

What are your occupations? Cheryl works in Member Services at Hanscom AFB and I work at Bonnell Ford in Winchester Mass. as a Wholesale Parts Rep/Salesman.

What brought you to New Hampshire? We had always dreamed of moving to New Hampshire and buying a home here to raise our family.

How long have you been riding motorcycles? Since I was 15 and Cheryl is planning to get her license within a year.

What led you to GWRRA? When I bought my wing, I was told about GWRRA, but did not join until several years later, after I met Dave and Bonnie at Americade.

What was your first motorcycle? A 1972 Honda XL 250 stroke endure.

What are your hobbies/interests? I love to go on cruises and love the Caribbean. I enjoy camping, music, swimming, snowmobiling and of course riding my wing. Cheryl loves camping, Disney and riding on the wing with me. Cheryl just recently bought a Can-Am Spider and is looking forward to get her license.

Any pets, what type and names? We have had many. The most recent ones we adopted are a cat named Aurora and a dog named Rex.

Ever held any positions in GWRRA? We have been Assistant Chapter Directors for NH-A

Have you had any GWRRA Training? We have both gone thru OCP Training, Road Captain Training and Advanced Rider Training.



OCTOBER



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9 NH-G Gathering 8 am to eat 9 am meeting	10	11	12	13	14	15
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Glenn's Points to Ponder

HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE A CIVIL WAR?

IF ONE SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMER DROWNS,
.....DO THE REST DROWN TOO?



New Definition of the Month:

ECLIPSE: What an English barber does for a living

Maybe you knew this & Maybe Not

Did you know the saying "God willing and the creek don't rise" was in reference to the Creek Indians and not a body of water? It was written by Benjamin Hawkins in the late 18th century. He was a politician and Indian diplomat. While in the south, Hawkins was requested by the President of the U.S. to return to Washington. In his response, he was said to write, "God willing and the Creek don't rise." Because he capitalized the word "Creek" he was referring to the Creek Indian Tribe and not a body of water.....Now you know.."THE REST OF THE STORY"

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From the Assistant Chapter Educator:

September 23, 2016



Tips for Riding in the Rain

If you're like most riders, you avoid riding in the rain, but sometimes, it just can't be avoided. Sometimes you have to be somewhere at a certain time and the weather just won't cooperate. Other times the rain comes at a most inopportune and inconvenient time. Then there's always that passing shower that just pops up during the course of a ride on an otherwise glorious day.

There are also times when storms come up that can be dangerous, such as a heavy or severe thunderstorm, hail, high winds, etc. When these conditions are encountered, the best option is to find a safe, and hopefully dry, place to pull off the road and wait for the storm to pass. Most of the time, however, rain doesn't have to dampen the enjoyment of riding. With a little knowledge and preparation, riding in the rain can be reasonably safe, and even fun.

Stay Comfortable and Dry

You want to stay dry so you can be comfortable and avoid the distractions associated with the discomfort of being wet. Investing in good, waterproof rain gear can be the difference between enduring a ride in the rain and enjoying the ride. Supplementing your usual gear with a waterproof shell or liner is a good way to go, with the shell (outerwear worn over riding clothes and sometimes even over other outer riding gear) typically being more effective than liners which can sometimes be prone to leakage. Look for rain gear that packs small, fits snug but not too tight, easily adjusts for a snug fit over a variety of other clothes and layers, and is reasonably easy to put on and take off. Waterproof boots or gators are also a must, as are waterproof, gauntlet style gloves, especially when it's cold.



Keep a Clear Face Shield

Without windshield wipers, keeping a clear face shield is challenging. To clear your shield, you can turn your head left and right at speed to push the water away, or you can wipe it away with your glove. Some gloves have a finger squeegee which can be helpful. Treating your face shield

with a water-shedding product can also be helpful; however, be aware that some products are meant for glass only and can harm a plastic face shield, so read the label carefully before using anything on your face shield.



Fogging is another problem that comes with riding in the rain, especially when it's cold. A breath guard that deflects your exhaled breath down has been proven to be very effective, but you have to breathe through your mouth, you can't talk, and they can be uncomfortable and inconvenient.

There are also a number of anti-fog products available that can be applied to your face shield, but results can vary significantly.

Another option that has been shown to be very effective is a Pinlock visor insert. The Pinlock visor insert is made out of a material that contains moisture absorbing properties. The inner part of the Pinlock is lined with a silicon bead that creates a double-glazed window type of effect when the Pinlock visor insert is attached to the helmet visor. The pocket of air that is trapped in between the visor and the insert acts as an insulator for the inside temperatures in the helmet. Efficient absorption properties combined with the double-glazed like feature make the Pinlock visor insert an effective anti-fog solution.



Before buying any anti-fog treatment product, you may want to check to see if your helmet maker has an anti-fog shield or Pinlock shield insert option as these often outperform applied treatments.

Be Seen





Being seen by others is just as important as being able to see, especially in reduced visibility conditions. Rain gear with bright, high visibility colors along with reflective piping and decals will help you stand out on those gloomy days. Also make sure all your lights are working properly. (You did a full T-CLOCS safety inspection before you left for your ride, right?) Signal your intentions early before you slow down so you don't get rear-ended. See and be seen by adjusting your lane position to create the best line of sight for both you and your motorcycle.

Ride Smooth and Ride Smart

Be smooth when riding on wet roads. It is very important to remember that traction is reduced in wet conditions. Reduce your lean angle when cornering and keep your arms relaxed. By bracing your legs and lower torso against the pegs and gas tank, your arms and upper body will be more relaxed going into a turn, which reduces the force on the front tire needed to counteract upper body tension.

Slow down and increase your following distance to give yourself more time and space to respond to hazards and to minimize the risk of hydroplaning. Remember that traction is reduced not only by the water on a wet road, but also from accumulated road grime, grease and oil that the water will raise from the road surface. A steady rain will eventually wash the slime away, but this takes time. The road is likely to be especially slick just after the rain starts, especially if it hasn't rained for many days. Also remember that most road goop settles in the middle of the traffic lane, so use extra caution and be gentle when accelerating or breaking in that area of the road. Road paint, tar snakes, railroad tracks, steel-grate bridges and construction plates become extremely slick when wet, so slow way down, stay as upright as possible and avoid breaking and accelerating when crossing over them. Additionally, keep an eye out for low spots in the road where water can puddle and hide debris.



Sources:

Ken Condon, Motorcyclist Magazine, "5 Tips for Riding in the Rain"

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[YouTube: ROADCRAFT School of Motorcycling - Lesson: How to Ride a Motorcycle in the Rain or on Wet Roads](#)

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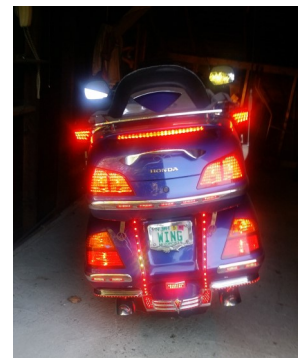
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8. You ask for soft high fibre candy only.
7. When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over.
6. People say...'Great Boris Karloff Mask,'...And you're not wearing a mask.
5. When the door opens you yell, 'Trick or...' And you can't remember the rest.
4. By the end of the night, you have a bag full of restraining orders.
3. You have to carefully choose a costume that doesn't dislodge your hairpiece.
2. You're the only Power Ranger in the neighbourhood with a walker.



And the number one reason Seniors should not go Trick Or Treating...

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1. *You have to keep going home to pee.*

This was found in a Newsletter from Nov. 2012. Thank you Bonnie for finding this.



SEE YOU ON THE OTHER SIDE