

Greg & Janet Beeck

From: jeff harvey [9digits@gmail.com]
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To: Steven Harvey
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Welcome to the February 13th edition of the Chapter A cAPeRs. Well, by my bikes on-board weather station, it was 49f and dry..with many periods of smiles...followed by increased heart rate. We certainly hope you were able to get out this weekend. Yvonne and I had the opportunity, grabbed our Gerbings (didn't employ mine), donned our helmets and explored the back roads of Enumclaw, Vesie, and East Auburn. There is a terrific grid of lazy country roads...all in great shape with very little traffic. Other than the occasional blast of, shall we say, "organic bovine methane aroma" the short two hour circumnavigation was fantastic. Fellow bikers were out today, seeing 3 cruisers, and bout 4 CR's. Thanks go to Mike B. for dropping me a short note on his adventure to Everett Chapter for their monthly breakfast meeting. Mike was joined on his early morning jont by Sam G and Todd Mc. Mike was fueling up down in the Kent valley and met up with Sam. As they were performing some minor electrical tinkering with Sams bike, Mike heard a call out over his CB from Todd. Mike keyed up...the communication wasn't strong but Mike heard Todd say "...I'm DOA but nothing more than that...." Mike the shepherd that is....with Sam, took off, down 212th in search of Todd. As they motored towards the KOA, Mike spotted Todd in the KOA lot...Mike and Sam pulled in...and found that Todd was suffering from a bad battery. Seem as though, Todd had to jump start the bike prior to leaving..hoping that the alternator would charge the stagnant battery...but it was not the case. The battery was toast. Not to deter this bunch..Mike with ready jumpers, started Todds bike and they departed for Everett. One more jump start at a So. Everett gas fuel up for Todd...one more after breakfast before the return home. Mike says they were a little late for breakfast, but ate anyway and the meeting was good, and that Everett appreciate the extra effort...man, there are three dedicated bikers at their best !

Mike, a special thanks to you for shooting me the info on your ride. How bout it...did anyone else have an opportunity to mount up this weekend ? I know that Tim B would have been out, if it weren't for gremlins settling into his nasal passages...hope your feeling better Tim.

Last Week:

Social meeting place...Emerald Thai at 222nd and Pac Hwy So.

Food was fantastic. Good choice Greg and Janet.

In socializing mode for the evening was Chris and Patty, Janet and Greg, Angela, Mike and Pen, Ric and Robin, Jeff and Yvonne, Gary and JoAnne, and Sam and DeDe. We had some good laughs, saw some dramatic pictures of Gary and JoAnns snow packed cabin all making for good memories. While dining we also tabled the topic of the DISTRICT RALLY IN LYNDEN. The THEME for this years Washington State District Rally is "FAMILY REUNION" . Each chapter in Washington is independently...producing their own THEME T-SHIRTS WITH THEIR OWN "FAMILY REUNION" artwork. There was a general interest in participating in this activity. Some said to enlist Will and Penny, others suggested alternate would-be providers of t-shirts/artwork for the event. Please give me an "electronic" show of hands indicating what you think. Prior to putting substantial effort into doing it right I would like a majority consensus on the matter. If there is anyone who would like to spearhead this project...please let me know.

Next week:

Social Feb 13th , meeting place...McGraths Fish House 1911 S. 320th in Federal Way 6pm

Feb 16th: GWTA Green Freeze #2 from Hinshaws Auburn MC at 9am...we had a few APES at the first one and it was a good trip. Meet us on the 16th for the second installment...destination unknown.

Following week:

Week of Feb 20th Social: Red Robin at 227th and Marine View Drive DesMoines

Thursday Feb 21st: Road Captains Course my house 6:30pm 22615 SE 263rd Pl. Maple Valley WA
PLEASE RESPOND IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND...THIS WILL BE AN INFORMATIVE MEETING.
The chances are very good that you will someday soon be called upon to be a group leader or tail gunner of a group. Consider this scenario...(and it WILL happen);

*A large single group of 7 bikes heads out for a ride. Prior to starting, both a lead bike and a tail gunner are selected...you are in position #3 or #4. While traveling down a busy road with little or no shoulders or turn off possibilities, the traffic light ahead turns red...leaving you in **position #1** (it also turns the **bike ahead of you**...(getting smaller and smaller in the distance)...into the **tail gunner** of his group. In that scenario, you would have had a good chance of either being a lead bike or tail gunner of a group....wouldn't it be great to know exactly what to do? This is what we are talking about...being prepared. Please come join us.*

Saturday Feb 23rd is our Chapter A Monthly Gathering at RMC's Full Throttle Cafe. 9am PLUS the 2nd installment of the Road Captains Course it will be the ROAD portion..putting into practical application, the techniques we learned on the 21st at my house.

Off in the distance:

March 8th is First Aid Refresher Course..more details coming on this. If you need your first aid cert. or need a refresher course..mark your calendar for this day.

March 9th is the South Shore Mall show in Abderdeen

March 15th is the 3rd and final GWTA Green Freeze at Hinshaws Honda MC in Auburn at 9am

March 15th and 16th is Chapter E Surf Watch in Ocean Shores

Take the time do perform your routine maintenance on your best friend...then go outside in the garage and work on your Gold Wing. Don't forget Valentines day for your sweetie.

Please reply on the t-shirt issue

Please rsvp for the Road Captains Course

Get out and take a ride. (send me a short note when you return).

Be safe.

Roll On!

Jeff and Yvonne

ps, I will forward you another "Tims Treat" on a separate e-mail.

