

SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

Chapter A, Seattle

The cAPErs

Our next door neighbor, a relatively novice MC rider was on his way home, SB on 405 nearing the Maple Valley exit when he noticed brake lights activating far ahead. Seizing the opportunity to get ahead of a dozen cagers, he quickly glanced over his shoulder for a hole in the lane to the left and by the time he looked back forward the traffic had stopped. Damage was minimal to what it could have been, bike totaled and 27 stitches to re-attach his nose to his face.

RELAX. TAKE YOUR TIME. PROTECT YOURSELF AT ALL TIMES. ENJOY THE RIDE.

LAST WEEK AT A GLANCE

Wed social held at the Asian buffet in Kent across from K-Mart. Over a dozen in attendance for some great all-you-can-eat. Join us for a social or two or four each month...too cool or wet for your Wing?...bring your cage.

STAY SAFE, STAY HEALTHY

FUTURE

Septembers socials were picked by the magnificent Johnsons. Thanks for some great spots....now for the final September social...we are heading to the lake.....

Sept 24th The Johnsons Home..potluck for side dishes, they will supply the chicken. Bring your favorite side dish, hot or cold, salad or dessert or snack, ice cream, cookies, fruit or veggies...FOOD AND FUN BY THE LAKE. Come have dinner with us on Wednesday.

SOCIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER ARE FURNISHED BY CHANZE AND BENNY BETCH

Mark your calendars for these YUMMY choices:

Oct 1: Apogee Pub and Restaurant, 14125 SE 171st Way

Fairwood shopping center behind QFC and Safeway

Oct 8: Plum Delicious 3212 NE Sunset Blvd Renton.

Oct 15: Longhorn BBQ- Auburn 635 C St. (beside Hwy 18)

Oct 22: Jimmy Mac Renton 225 SW 7th (by WalMart)

Oct 29: Lemon Leaf 101 SW 41st Renton

Good mix of eateries, please mark your calendars and join us in making some memories.

SOCIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WILL BE FURNISHED BY GARY AND JOANNE BEARD

To be announced.

SOCIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER WILL BE FURNISHED BY LES AND STEPHANIE GREER

To be announced.

SOCIAL LOCATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY WILL BE FURNISHED BY KENNY AND ANN URBAN

To be announced.

THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR VOLUNTEERING TO MAKE SCRUMPTIOUS CHOICES ON YOUR GIVEN MONTH.

Mystery Ride: JULY 11th is the Mystery Ride Event. The following MR functions will need to be covered by the entire APE group. Please volunteer for a post so that we don't have to "volunteer" you: (this is a ChAPEter event...everyone needs to pitch in and help out if it's going to be successful).

Prize Coordinator; someone to help organize the gathering of prizes, goodies, gift certs, grand prize, set up "hunting grounds", monitor the prize intake etc etc.

Advertising Coordinator; someone in charge of a group of people for the purpose of canvassing local business, MC related businesses, area GWRRA chapters, GWTA chapters, MC related groups, sport shops, handing out flyers, bulletins, generally spreading the word of our Mystery Ride 2009 to maximize participation. Etc etc.

Check point leads; responsible for managing your checkpoint crew, assuring safety, hosting games, being a cheerleader etc etc.

Registration and Check-in posts; we need people to organize the smooth flow of participants both at registration and check-in. Someone who can take care of the many details of moving (hopefully) masses of people through the lines quickly and efficiently with a friendly smile.

Silent Auction lead; someone who can work with the prize coordinator to receive prizes, produce our auction sheets and administer the efficient execution of the silent auction at the closing ceremony.. The silent auction is our single largest contributor of funds for this event.

The MYSTERY RIDE activities will need to begin NOW...starting with the gathering and accumulation donations and prizes. We are asking each of you to think about the geographical area around where you live and where you work. Approach your employer, (Boeing employees may be exempt from this) if they are willing to make a donation or contribution towards this event. Please start now, so that we are not in “panic mode” directly before the event.

I have had a few early volunteers for the above tasks. I will be speaking with you individually about your participation in the MR. I would like to get all jobs filled by the end of the year.

FUTURE EVENTS

SEPTEMBER CHAPTER A “GATHERING OF THE *APEs*”

**Same APE time....Same APE place.
Weather permitting, shine up those Wings
and we will get a new, updated picture in
front of RMC for the website.**

**This will be the last month of the year
that the meeting will be at 8am.
Beginning in **OCTOBER**, the Gathering
of the **APEs** will be at 9:00am**

SEPTEMBER 28TH IS THE ANACORTES OYSTER RUN. LETS GET A BIG GROUP ORGANIZED TO ATTEND THIS FUN EVENT. We are probably going to be having breakfast at the Elks Club...please let me know if you are planning on attending. With our usual large group we should have 2 ride leaders and 2 tail gunners. Lets do some advanced planning on this. Early helmet time for this one.

DO YOU PLAN ON RIDING TO THIS EVENT WITH THE APES? Please let me know by return e-mail. UPDATE!!

There has been a flurry of interest in the run on the 28th. We approaching “parade level” with over 14 bikes planning to attend. If you have NOT sent me a note of your intention to join us, please do so. The ETA for departure from RMC is 7:30AM. As in years past, we will leave RMC, drive directly to the Bellevue center-lane HOV (exit/entrance) to pick up a group (this will be a “stop and go” maneuver). Then drive directly to the Smokey Point rest stop to pick another group. (We will have a short comfort stop at this rest stop) We will require possibly 3 group leaders and 3 tail gunners. Join us for some major fun to Anacortes.

October 25th is Chapter Q Halloween Dance, check the website for details and registration forms. Costume suggestions?

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I would like to start a new feature of the cAPErs. In future publications, cAPErs will feature an APE family member. We know you love ice cream and have a passion for our sport...after all you own a Gold Wing. Dig deeper and tell us more about the person behind the windshield, under the armour, and filling your boots. I will be sending you a “Profile of an APE” form to fill out and return. We look forward to learning more about you.

PROFILE OF AN APE

NAME Raymon Dayne Cooper

GENERAL AREA WHERE YOU LIVE ? Yelm Wa

HOW LONG THERE? 18 Yrs

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP? LasVegas Nv

FAMILY DETAILS YOU CARE TO SHARE ?, i.e. kids/where
area they live,

grandkids/quantity/ages_____

Wife Gail, Son Douglas 26 and STILL at home..

Daughter Daliena 24 SAME!!!!

WHERE DO/DID YOU WORK...WHAT DO/DID YOU DO ? 1

USAF crew chief on F4 Phantom, Torrojan Spain.

2 Under ground coal miner, Huntington Utah.

3 Dryer tender, Elma Plywood

4 Mill worker, Simpson plywood, Shelton Wa

5 Welder fabricator installer, family business, Cooper's Custom
Ornamental Iron

6 Self employed truck driver leased to Optimus Transportation.

SPECIAL HOBBIES, SKILLS OR INTERESTS ? (other than riding
your Wing)? Play 12 string guitar and sing..

Fly remote control aircraft..

FAVORITE MEAL? Steak & eggs or crab

FAVORITE SATURDAY RIDE ON YOUR WING? _
101 loop

FAVORITE WEEKEND TRIP ON YOUR WING? _____
Wenatchee apple blossom

YOUR FAVORITE AFTER MARKET ITEM ON YOUR WING,
AND WHY?
_tulsa windshield, cuts down the wind..

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER OF GWRRA?_2
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HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A PARTICIPANT OF
CHAPTER A? _1mo_____

WHAT OTHER CHAPTERS HAVE YOU BEEN AN ACTIVE
MEMBER OF? _C M A Olympia light riders
Les Ride LasVegas

WHAT IS YOUR BEST GOLDWING MEMORY, AND WHY?
_Test road the 86 gl1500 at the C M A state rally
In Wenatchee in 87. it belonged to the regional director
It was like someone had pushed us down the road without
A motor after being on our gl1000..

We meet every Wednesday...when we can. We try to make all of the Chapter A monthly meetings...but we usually sit at the same table...and mostly we visit with the same familiar acquaintances. When we participate in a group ride, only at the lunch break do we take a few moments to visit with our fellow Wingers.....it's no wonder that no one really knows *who we really are as individuals*. You may not have realized it...but *we are a family*. We share an exciting, healthy and wonderful common interest that brings us together week after week, month after month, and for some...year after year. Please share with us, a few personal details of who *you* are. **You** are a unique individual and we want to learn more about **you**. Your profile will be compiled and shared in a future "cAPers" issue.

DO YOUR TCLOCS BEFORE EVERY RIDE

Stay cool, ride safe

Roll On!

Jeff and Yvonne