

Hello all Chapter WA-A Apes,

As it stands now, Garry Alexander got promoted to GWRRA WA District Director after Reggie Porter stepped down. This means that he isn't the very temporary Chapter WA-A Chapter Director anymore. And it means that we have no Chapter Director.

This also means that is probably the last post Chapter Meeting email that I will be sending out. Garry Alexander and volunteers will be busy with the WA District Rally through the end of July. Once that is all over he will start the paperwork for the decommissioning of Chapter WA-A. Depending on how long that process lasts we may or may not have an August meeting. As for the July meeting, Garry has asked me to run that meeting and I said I would.

One last idea.

I'm willing to be Chapter Director again under one condition. And I call it, "**The One and Done Deal**."

We ask for at least twelve volunteers to run ONE Monthly Meeting. JUST the meeting and NOTHING else.

You will NEVER be asked to be Chapter Director. You will NEVER be asked to do emails or the website or Ride Coordinator or Educator or ANYTHING else. Just run one meeting and then you are done.

Who can run the monthly meeting?

I talked to Garry Alexander after the meeting and this is what he said.

He said I can ask for volunteers to run the meetings to reduce the load on me. They DO NOT have to own or ride a GoldWing. They don't technically have to be a member of our chapter but I would prefer that. But here me out.

If we could get twelve people to agree, just like with the dinner socials, to be in charge of one meeting a year. Not the emails nor newsletter nor the website or classes or meetings or anything else that you don't want to deal with. Just be responsible for one monthly meeting and then you would be done.

You would NOT have to actually talk the "whole" time. You could get a guest speaker to talk about something. You would announce the speaker and any guests we have from other chapters/organizations, let them speak (visitors and guest speaker) and announce any events that are coming up that following month and you are done. Period. Done. Exclamation Point Done.

I would take care of making sure people get signed in in the sign in book. I would take care of getting 50/50 and the marble game raffle tickets sold and the numbers drawn and called out at the end of the meeting. And I would announce who is in charge of the next months meeting. I would then send out an after meeting email like this and our weekly emails telling people where our socials are going to be.

So what do you say? Be positive or negative about this but I would appreciate ANY feedback. Note that I'll pay a LOT more attention to the non negative feedback.

Again, nobody would be asked to be Chapter Director. You would just be in charge of one meeting and then you would be done. It would keep Chapter WA-A going for another year.

If not, I will be running the July meeting as the District Rally will be held the same weekend as our meeting. Once the District Rally is over then Garry Alexander will start the paperwork for decommissioning Chapter WA-A and depending on how quickly GWRRA processes it, we may no longer be a Chapter by the time that the August meeting will have/would have come around.

If ... when, Chapter WA-A is decommissioned you can "join" another chapter. Technically you aren't a "member" of any chapter but a member of GWRRA. So you are free to do whatever you want. But then that has always been the case.

However, I would like to continue getting together for Wednesday Night socials. And for those that haven't been coming to the socials because you don't want to feel pressured (and I don't blame you) to be a Chapter Director, once the chapter devolves you won't have to worry about that anymore and we can just get back together like we used to.

At that point we will not be able to use the email list that I'm using now but I will have to wipe out my email list and start over from a clean slate. And please **DO NOT** reply to this email saying you want to be on that list. I cannot make a list of people based on me sending out an email using the email addresses.

It will be your responsibility to contact me or someone else in the chapter after Chapter WA-A is no more.

Bill Olson