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### Goldwing Road Biders Association

## CHAPTER P LONGVIEW, WA NOVEMBER 2009





## OUR GATHERINGS ARE THE 3ND SAT OF THE MONTH AT, THE WORKS 1073 14<sup>T AVE</sup> LONGVIEW WA 98632 BREAKFAST BUFFET

BREAKFAST BUFFET 8:00A.M



### **CHAPTERS-INFO**

### **NOV**

APPLEBEE VET DINNER 4:30PM
CH-P STAFF MEETING 20th
CH-P GATHERING 21st
Angel tree delivery 23

### **DEC**

| Christmas parade          | 5th  |
|---------------------------|------|
| WA-CH-D FESTIRAL OF LIGHT | 12TH |
| CH-P STAFF MEETING        | 18th |
| CH-P GATHERING            | 19th |
| ANGEL TREE PICK-UP        | 30th |

JAN

WINTER RETREAT 15th&16th

Our gathering will be at the retreat.

### C.D.'s NOTES

Hi all. I hope everyone is staying warm, it has been cold lately. I think we are in for a very cold winter this year.

Reggie and I went to chapter F's mall show; I took the chopped gold wing. Because I had the only chopper, I brought the trophy home. The next morning we attended chapter A's gathering, Good food, good friends had a great time. They got a new C.D. & A. C. D. That afternoon the Peabody, Scott & Cindy meet up with us. We all were going to go to the chapter Q's Halloween dinner & dance. I'm sorry you all were not there, we had a greattt time. Reggie and I dress up as pandas. We look so good that I came in first place for costume in the singles. We cane in second for couples. We had a blast, got a little crazy, I even showed everyone there how a panda break dances' what a good time we all had, thank you chapter Q. If you have not made this you should plan for next year. O' yes Reggie won the 50/50 128 big ones. That was nice!!!!

Then came Halloween, we had 6 tricker treaters what a busy night 'Ha Ha' Hope you all had more then that.

I'd like to say thank you to those that worked and or bake for our new coffee stop we did on the 4, 5 and 6<sup>th</sup> of Nov. I think it went very will. We did 12 hr shifts per days. Instead of 24hr a day. So then we had 3 shifts of 4hr apiece. This was at Gee CREEK SOUTHBOUND.

There were five of us that went to chapter X's gathering. They had a good turn out, their guests speakers were great. Chapter X started small, but they are growing with every gathering they have had so far, GOOD FOR YOU

ALL!!!!GREAT JOB!!! to all.

For all of you Vet's out there, we say THANK YOU to you all. You will

never be forgotten by us.

Reggie and I and Judy & Jerry went to chapter Z's gathering and Brian was there too, had a good meal and it was nice to see them all.

So, see by looking at were we have been this past month, we have had a really good time. This is what it is all about, give support to all the other chapters and having fun at the sametime and good food too. We know you can't make all, but you should try to make as many as you can. Our gathering is this Sat hope to see you all there. Chuck & Reggie your C. D.

## HAPPY THANKGIVEN



## FROM YOUR STAFF



### People Watching



A great hobby of mine is watching people. Since there are so many kinds of them, I have no problem getting a bit of enjoyment out of my pastime. I bet you all do it but may not think much about it or take special trips just to enjoy this hobby.

I, on the other hand, like to combine two of the things I love to do to make one great outing. Now, you may ask, what is the second

thing I love to do? That should not be too tough to figure out as this article is in a newsletter for a motorcycle organization. So, you say, how do you combine motorcycling and people watching together, as it is not safe to watch people and ride at the same time.

I have the answer. Many days come around when I just want to get on my Wing and go for a short ride but have no where I really want to go. In this case I head for my people watching spot. Any ideas where it is? Well, it is the little community of Westport, Oregon. Many of you may say where is Westport? If you all stop and think, you probably have gone through it many times, especially if you head to the Coast on the Oregon side of the river. It is just a little ways outside of Clatskanie.

I ride to the gas station/store there and pull in and buy a cup of coffee. I then go out and sit at one of the tables they have located outside. The last time I was there was just a couple of weeks ago and they have put the tables away for the winter, so I had to settle for a seat inside. I will sit there for about 30 to 45 minutes drinking my coffee, and maybe having a bite to eat, and watch all the people coming into the store.

There is such a myriad of different types of people who stop here. Some are locals and that is easy to tell as they all know each other, the others are just people heading to or from the Coast. You get short snippets of their conversations as they go in and out of the store and have to guess at what they are really talking about. This allows you to use your imagination, if you have one, and try to come to some kind of conclusion about what they are speaking of.

I then get back on my bike and ride home, thinking how normal most of my family seems, after having seen several of the people at the store. Now do not get me wrong, not all of the people are what I would call "Not Normal" but there are enough there to make your afternoon interesting. If any of you

have a place you like to go people watch let me know, as I can always handle two places to go on a day where I have nothing better to do.

Oh, by the way, there is a great restaurant across the road from my viewing area. It is the Berry Patch Restaurant and has good food, including Buffalo Burgers and has a great variety of berry items for sale.







### CHCK PORTER RIDER-ED

I know that most of you are not riding everyday this time of the year, because of all the rain. We have had a lot of wind lately and this can cause a lot more problems, water drains are getting plugged up with leaves and such, which causes the water to back up and this can cause ice to form when the temp. drops and we can't see the black ice. Plus all the leaves that are on the roads, with then being wet they become slick too. At the crosswalks where they have painted them, when they have wet leaves on the painted part' it too become very slick. So if you ride at this time of the year beware of all that the weather can do, and keep the shinny side up.

When riding this time of year you want to make sure you have plenty of warm clothing with you. The temp can drop very fast When riding the wind chill can get you faster then you might think.







This would be so much easier if you all would send me things to be in here. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE THANK YOU, HAPPY TURKEY DAY.

PEGGIE BAUMER

To All Other Chapters

Here is the date of our, Retreat Jan 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> I am hoping you can come!!!!!We will be having our Jan gathering at Long Beach WA, we will be at OUR PLACE AT the BEACH, 1309 S OCEAN BEACH BLVD, Phone 1-800-538-5107 & 1-360-642-3793 ask for Paula Mraz, tell her that you are a GWRRA member and the chapter you are with. You may have a room for \$68.00 a night, if you have a pet you think you need to bring this is extra. If you need to get in touch with us call 1-360-578-7999 Reggie.

All chapter P members need to get in touch with Chuck and or Reggie.

We will be having a lot of funnnnn hope to see you there!!!!!!



## DID YOU KNOW!!

We had our new coffee stop at Gee Creek southbound, on the 3rd 4th, and 5<sup>th</sup> of Nov. We want to say a big thank you to, Rick, Dee & Kris, Ray & Phillis, Mel & Sam and Jerry for working it with us. A big Thank you goes out to, Phillis, and Ninell for baking with me. All and all we think it was a big hit. Our next coffee stop is March 8<sup>th</sup> thru the 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be doing 4hr shifts we only have to cover 12 hrs in a 24hr time slot, so if you can help it would be greatly appreciated.

Mon Tue Wed Thru Fri 6:00am to10:00are 6:00am to10:00am 6:00am to10:00am to10:00am to10:00am to10:00am to10:00am to2:00pm 10:00am to 2:00pm 10:00am to 2:00pm 10:00am to 2:00pm 2:00pm to 6:00pm 2:00pm to 6:00pm 2:00pm to 6:00pm 2:00pm to 6:00pm



If you can't cover a shift then maybe you can bake for it. Just let us know!!!! As time gets closer I will have sign-up sheet.

## JUMBO'S TOY RUN

Jumbo's toy run will be Sunday Nov 29th in Longview the toys will be given to Cowlitz County children cost is \$10.00 or a new toy of equal value

Begins at Twin City Glass at 1pm

Ends at the Moose Lodge on Washington Way. there will be chili, cornbread and more

Olympia toy run Sat Dec 5th
South Sound Center Lacy
opens at 10am and bikes leave at 1pm
\$10.00 single \$15.00 couple
for the Salvation Army



# Things to Remember

We have office openings in our staff, if you are interested let us know!!!!

DR JOHN BRIGGS NOV 17<sup>th</sup> DAVID BAUMER DEC 2sd DAVID WVANSKIKE DEC 3<sup>rd</sup> JERRY THOMPSON-DEC 19th



N/A



Our WEB Site - Changes Galore By Brad Kane

Our WEB site is hosted by a company called Tripod which is owned by Lycos. Lycos is a large WEB portal company that has been around for a long time. Tripod is using a software package called Trelix to allow users to create WEB sites. Trelix is cookie cutter type software where the users choose a template and then fills in the boxes to create a WEB site. This software made building WEB sites easy for everyone from a novice to an expert.

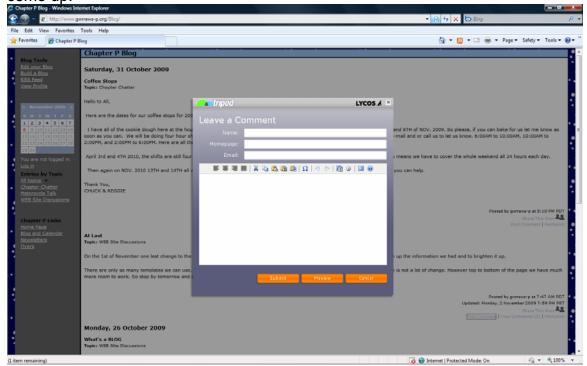
The company that owned the software package Trelix sold it to another company. Of course the new company is not as forth coming with updates to the software as the old company was. Needless to say this is going to cause problems as WEB standards change. Tripod in an effort to provide up to date software got WEBON site building software from Lycos their parent company.

Tripod has not made it mandatory to change over to the WEBON software. If you think about it though, do you want to be with a package that is going out of date or with one that is kept up to date? This is really not a hard decision to make. WEBON like Trelix is a cookie cutter software package. Little bit more complex so some training would be required for a novice. A few hours should have most up to speed on how to use the software.

So we moved the site up to WEBON. On November 1<sup>st</sup> our site came up on the new site building software. While the information has remained pretty much the same the look and feel is totally different. I think you will really like the new site with the way it looks. Also make sure you got your sound turned on. We found a Valkyrie 1800 screaming off into the distances.

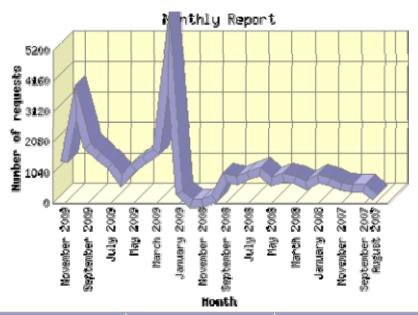
We have also started a BLOG on the WEB site. BLOG is short for WEB LOG. This a message file that you can post comments to other posting by other users. This is similar to message base software. The main difference is that the first message can only be posted by the owner of the BLOG. To start a new posting just email what you want to Reggie or my self and we will get it posted for you.

Any of the posting already on the BLOG can be replied to by simply clicking the Post Comment link. When you do you will see a reply box like this come up.



Simply put in your name, email address, (You Do Not Need A Home Page To Post A Reply), and then TAB down and enter your message. When finished click the Submit button. You are going to see a box come up letting you know that your post will not be seen till it is approved. This was done to prevent SPAMMERS from adding a bunch of messages that we really don't want to read. I get an email sent to me that there is a message to approve. I will get to it as soon as possible and then your message shows up. That's all there is to posting a message in the BLOG.

I know some of you may wonder if the money we spend is worth it to have a WEB site. So here are the WEB site usages by month since we started it.



|     | Month          | Number of requests | Number of page requests |
|-----|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.  | August 2007    | 177                | 60                      |
| 2.  | September 2007 | 500                | 440                     |
| 3.  | October 2007   | 528                | 476                     |
| 4.  | November 2007  | 537                | 460                     |
| 5.  | December 2007  | 704                | 575                     |
| 6.  | January 2008   | 832                | 704                     |
| 7.  | February 2008  | 596                | 493                     |
| 8.  | March 2008     | 784                | 663                     |
| 9.  | April 2008     | 849                | 700                     |
| 10. | May 2008       | 718                | 575                     |
| 11. | June 2008      | 1,055              | 814                     |
| 12. | July 2008      | 937                | 714                     |
| 13. | August 2008    | 763                | 582                     |
| 14. | September 2008 | 862                | 639                     |
| 15. | October 2008   | 145                | 105                     |
| 16. | November 2008  | 0                  | 0                       |
| 17. | December 2008  | 0                  | 0                       |
| 18. | January 2009   | 346                | 341                     |
| 19. | February 2009  | 5,175              | 4,411                   |
| 20. | March 2009     | 1,731              | 1,178                   |
| 21. | April 2009     | 1,468              | 974                     |

| 22. | May 2009       | 1,189 | 843   |
|-----|----------------|-------|-------|
| 23. | June 2009      | 752   | 506   |
| 24. | July 2009      | 1,267 | 797   |
| 25. | August 2009    | 1,620 | 1,003 |
| 26. | September 2009 | 1,954 | 1,272 |
| 27. | October 2009   | 3,423 | 2,407 |
| 28. | November 2009  | 1,408 | 1,223 |

A couple of quick notes on the information here. First is that the months of November and December 2008 there was no payment made so our WEB site was unavailable. A former member dropped the site on Chuck and Reggie and they spent that time trying to straighten things out. The payment issue finally got resolved late in January of 2009.

The reason February looks so busy was Chuck, Reggie, and my self spent a lot of time cleaning up the old site. However since then you can see that things are moving up slowly but surely. October 2009 is a little high because of my work on converting the WEB site to the new software.

For those of you who may not know where the WEB site is. Our WEB address is: <a href="http://www.gwrrawa-p.org">http://www.gwrrawa-p.org</a>. Please stop by and take a look. We have a great calendar program that lists all the Chapter meeting for Washington State, Most chapters you can click on their meeting times and if they have a WEB site you will go to their WEB site. Events in green are other chapter events that link back to the flyers if one is available. All of Chapter P meetings and events are in blue. If there is a flyer the calendar entry will link to it. Rolling your mouse over our events also will give you information. Check it all out if you haven't been on the site.

For those of you, who use the site and those who will start using the site, remember this is a chapter WEB site. If there are any changes you would like please let us know. It needs to reflect the chapter not just one person. Hope you all enjoy the site and let us know if you can think of anything to make it better.

### **GWRRA WA-P Events Calendar**









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| December 2009  |        |  |           |          |                                     |  |
|--|--------|--|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Sunday   | Monday | Tuesday                                      | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday                              | Saturday   |
|  |        | 1  | 2         | 3        | 4<br>• WA-Q<br>PUYALLUP<br>7:00 pm  | • WA-M<br>TOPPENISH<br>8:00 am<br>• WA-R WALLA<br>WALLA<br>8:00 am<br>• WA-X<br>VANCOUVER<br>8:30 am<br>• WA-V<br>FEDERAL WAY<br>8:30 am<br>• WA-P In<br>Christmas<br>Parade |
| 6<br>• WA-B<br>BREMERTON<br>9:00 am  | 7      | <b>8</b> • <u>WA-H</u> <u>LYNDEN</u> 6:30 pm | <b>9</b>  | 10       | 11<br>• WA-Y<br>ENUMCLAW<br>6:30 pm | • WA-C<br>EVERETT<br>8:00 am<br>• WA-L PASCO<br>8:00 am<br>• WA-D<br>Festival of<br>Lights<br>• WA-Z<br>CHEHALIS<br>5:30 pm  |
| 13<br>• <u>WA-D</u><br><u>ABERDEEN</u><br>9:30 am  | 14     | 15   | 16        | 17       | 18 • WA-P Staff Meeting 6:00 pm     | 19 • WA-P Longview 8:00 am • WA-E BELLEVUE 8:00 am   |
| 20<br>• <u>WA-N</u><br><u>SPOKANE</u><br>8:30 am<br>• <u>WA-I</u><br><u>OLYMPIA</u><br>8:30 am | 21     | 22   | 23        | 24       | 25<br>Christmas<br>Day              | 26<br>• <u>WA-O PORT</u><br><u>ORCHARD</u><br>8:00 am<br>• <u>WA-A KENT</u><br>9:00 am   |
| 27<br>• <u>WA-F</u><br><u>SPANAWAY</u><br>8:30 am  | 28     | 29   | 30        | 31       |                                     |  |

### **GWRRA WA-P Events Calendar**



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Dec

| January 2010   |                              |                                       |           |          |                                     |   |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Sunday   | Monday                       | Tuesday                               | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday                              | Saturday  |
|  |                              |                                       |           |          | New Year  • WA-Q  PUYALLUP  7:00 pm | 2 • WA-M TOPPENISH 8:00 am • WA-R WALLA WALLA 8:00 am • WA-X VANCOUVER 8:30 am • WA-Y FEDERAL WAY 8:30 am |
| 3<br>• <u>WA-B</u><br><u>BREMERTON</u><br>9:00 am                      | 4                            | 5                                     | 6         | 7        | 8<br>• WA-Y<br>ENUMCLAW<br>6:30 pm  | 9 • WA-L PASCO 8:00 am • WA-C EVERETT 8:00 am • WA-Z CHEHALIS 5:30 pm                                     |
| 10<br>• <u>WA-D</u><br><u>ABERDEEN</u><br>9:30 am                      | 11                           | 12<br>• <u>WA-H LYNDEN</u><br>6:30 pm | 13        | 14       | 15<br>• WA-P Winter<br>Retreat      | 16 • WA-E BELLEVUE 8:00 am • WA-P Winter Retreat  |
| 17 · WA-N SPOKANE 8:30 am · WA-I OLYMPIA 8:30 am • WA-P Winter Retreat | Martin<br>Luther<br>King Day | 19                                    | 20        | 21       | 22                                  | 23 • WA-O PORT ORCHARD 8:00 am • WA-A KENT 9:00 am • WA-I Casino Night 4:00 pm                            |
| 24<br>• <u>WA-F</u><br><u>SPANAWAY</u><br>8:30 am                      | 25                           | 26                                    | 27        | 28       | 29                                  | 30  |
| 31   |                              |                                       |           |          |                                     |   |



Longview

Olympia

Spokane

Kent

3rd Sunday

3rd Sunday

4th Saturday

4th Saturday

Port Orchard

4th Sunday

Tacoma

## DATES TO REM



## chapters gatherm

| <b>Meeting</b><br><b>1st Friday</b><br>Puyallup | Chapter<br>WA-Q | Contact<br>Chuck & Nancy<br>Caldara<br>253-770-4927 |
|---|-----------------|---|
| <b>1st Saturday</b><br>Federal Way              | WA-V            | Eddie & Clarine<br>Dunn<br>206-431-0961             |
| <b>1st Saturday</b><br>Toppenish                | WA-M            | Ron Hafsos<br>509-697-4415                          |
| <b>1st Saturday</b><br>Milton-Freewater         | WA-R            | John & Dee<br>Maplethorpe<br>509-382-3187           |
| <b>1st Saturday</b><br>Vancouver                | WA-X            | Dee Hall &<br>Vanora Volk<br>360-254-2343           |
| 1st Sunday<br>Bremerton                         | WA-B            | Mike & Bijou<br>White                               |
| <b>2nd Friday</b><br>Enumclaw                   | WA-Y            | 360-275-0461<br>Don & Marlene<br>Weikart            |
| 2nd Saturday<br>Everett                         | WA-C            | 206-915-8107<br>Tad & Kim<br>Olafson                |
| 2nd Saturday Pasco                              | WA-L            | 425-337-5806<br>Alex Piper<br>509-546-0846          |
| 2nd Saturday<br>Centralia                       | WA-Z            | Jesse & Eva<br>Valentine<br>360-273-0992            |
| <b>2nd Sunday</b><br>Aberdeen                   | WA-D            | Erv & Phyllis<br>Granahan<br>360-249-3463           |
| <b>2nd Tuesday</b><br>Lynden                    | WA-H            | Garry & Judy<br>Calman                              |
| <b>3rd Saturday</b><br>Bellevue                 | WA-E            | 360-739-5888 John & Barb Smith cd@gwrra-            |
| 3rd Saturday                                    | WA-P            | wae.org Charles & Reggie                            |

WA-I

WA-N

WA-A

WA-O

WA-F

**Porter** 

Deskin

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Smith 360-876-6737

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**Dale & Shirley** 

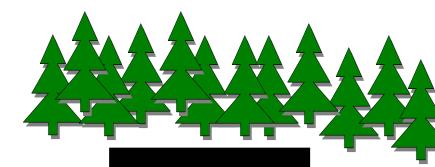
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Ken & Sandi

Jim Duncan

Doug & Donna

Dec- Christmas parade 5th Jan-15 - 17winter retreat Febmall show 26-28



2010 DISTRICT RALLIES UNDER CONSTRUCTION Dates to re member

### Washington District

"Cruising the Olympic Peninsula"

July 15th-17th Port Townsend

Oregon District

June 17th-19th Kah-Nee-Ta

Wyoming District

June 24th-26th Rock Springs

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June 30th-July 3rd DesMoines

Montana District

July 23rd-25th TBA

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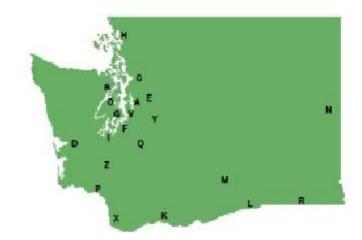
August 26th-28th Tillamook

Idaho District

September 2nd-4th Kellogg

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