



# GWRRA MA Chapter "F"

- NEW BEDFORD - FALL RIVER - TAUNTON AREA -

All chapter "F's" get-togethers are NON-SMOKING Thank You!

Get-togethers are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at American Legion Hall on RT 79 - Berkley, MA at 7:00 PM

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\*\*\* Note change of meeting night to Dec 5 at 6 PM for Christmas Party \*\*\*  
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## The Meeting:

The meeting began at 7 PM with 21 members present. Doc mentioned that zip-up sweatshirts and hooded sweatshirts could be purchased at Abracadabra as long as there is a minimum of 12 ordered in any style. See doc for ordering. The memorial Poker run for 2010 will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup> with the start and end point being at our meeting location of the American Legion in Berkley. The tentative date for the all chapters picnic is for June 20<sup>th</sup>. There may be a possible change for this since it is on Father's Day. Doc passed around two different samples of our chapter logo that can be used as flags. One of the samples has a circle around the logo and the other without the circle. The consensus of those present chose the one without the circle. A sheet was passed around for those who wish to order one either for flagpole mount or antenna mount. Recruitment ideas are needed. If you have any ideas for recruiting new members such as word of mouth, business cards, flyers, mall shows, etc., let Doc know what your ideas are. **The annual Christmas party will be held on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM, which is a Saturday evening.** This is a Potluck supper and meeting combined. Let Doc know if you're planning to attend and what you will be bringing in the way of food. Also, if you want to share with the gift giving, bring a gift for male if you wish to receive a gift for a male or bring a gift labeled female if you wish to receive a gift for a female. A monetary limit for gifts is \$10. Don't go overboard. The meeting concluded at 8:40 PM with Ernie Dube winning the 50/50.

## Director's Comments

From the "Director's Chair"...

An excellent turnout once again! It was truly special to have Cindy Arruda attend the meeting. She wanted to express her appreciation and love to all of the members that showed her and her family so much love and support through difficult and trying times. As she put it, "I wanted to be around happy, smiling faces," and we were thrilled to have her. ☺

Congratulations go out to Dave Chenard and Mike Bartnowski for their individual efforts in raising donations of more than \$1000 each to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's "Ride for Kids." They each received plaques for their efforts from the foundation.

My thanks to each and every one of you that donated food items to the American Legion so that they could deliver food to those less fortunate for Thanksgiving. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the Legion and most certainly the recipients of your kindness.

Winter breakfast gatherings have commenced for the off-season. Breakfast will occur on the Sunday after each monthly chapter meeting (with the exception of the December meeting/ Christmas Party as it's being held on a Saturday.

On that note, I hope to see all of you at this year's Christmas Party. The party will take place on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion at 6:00PM. Please bring a food item for our potluck dinner, and if you'd like to participate in the gift exchange (you are under no obligation) please keep in mind the following:

**If you'd like to receive a "guy gift," bring a "guy gift." If you'd like to receive a "gal gift," bring a "gal gift."**

Also to be fair to all, please try to limit the value of your gift to about \$10.00.

Don't forget we'll be planning our next season's ride schedule just after the first of the year. Start thinking of places you'd like to travel to next year. Let's see if we can't come up with some new and exciting adventures! ☺

On behalf of myself, Robin, and the entire Alvarez family, I wish to extend our sincerest wishes that you have a healthy, safe, and Happy Thanksgiving... ☺

Doc... ☺

### **Chapter F- Rider Educator: Allan Nunes**

Allan's safety tip for this month is to watch out for pine needles and pinecones while riding. Also to be very attentive to the fact that deer and other small animals will be out there. If you intend to ride at this time of year, remember to dress warm, preferably in layers or use electrified clothing. Nothing can ruin a nice ride more than freezing and sapping your attentiveness while on the road.

### **Chapter Store:**

Our MA Chapter F patches and decals are available for purchase. The cost of the patches is \$2.00 and the decals are \$1.00. The Chapter appreciates your continued support by purchasing these items. The large black and gold GWRRA logo patch is \$12.00, and the smaller version is \$6.00. The large Chapter and State rockers are \$6.00 each, and the smaller State and Chapter rocker versions are \$4.00 each. GWRRA patches and rockers as well as the MA Chapter F patches and rockers can be sewn on at most Tailor/Cleaner shops in the phone book.

NOTE: The older red or black "helmet" type patches are no longer available for purchase. The new "star" style patch is what is available and is the GWRRA patch of choice. The memorial patches are still available, and can be purchased for \$3.75 each. The Chapter F-MA pins are also available and cost \$4.50 each. Year bars are \$2.50 See our Chapter sales rep Mike Bartnowski for all of your GWRRA and Chapter F needs! "Abra Cadabra Embroidery & Screen Printing" is doing the shirts and such and Bruce Wargat is handling the orders.

#### **K-321 by Port Authority, 6.3 Ounce Mock Turtleneck in maroon.**

S-XL \$23.95      2XL \$24.95

#### **G 2400 100% Ultra Cotton Turtleneck in maroon.**

S-XL \$17.50      2XL \$19.50

#### **G 9000 Crewneck Sweatshirt in maroon.**

S-XL \$23.95      2XL \$26.95

#### **G 2800 Ultra Cotton Jersey Polo in maroon.**

S-XL \$18.95      2XL \$21.95

#### **G 2000 100% Cotton Tee in maroon.**

S-XL \$14.95      2XL \$16.95

**Birthdays** - Member Birthdays this month: December: Bob Souza, Sandy Sisk, Rhonda Stiles, Bella Woodall, Bob Pacheco, Rich Coffill, Dave Gomes, Leon Overlock, Christine Sylvia, Theresa Torrey & Kathy Overlock

**Best Wishes and Many More!**

**Note from Editor:** Please let me know if I miss you on your birthday month so you can be recognized.

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### **Ride List - Chapter F- MA for 2009**

Rides Start @Dunkin Donuts 128 Myricks St. in Berkley, Exit 10 E. from Rt. 140

Full Tank of Gas, Empty Bladder. Bring us a smile for a Happy Day!

There will be some changes here. Unless noted all rides start at 9:00 AM (Bold) confirmed Read Newsletter  
If people want to ride on an Open Date. They can arrange amongst themselves. Some of us can ride on holidays.

### **Dinner Rides – Thursday Eves. At 6:30 Sharp - Allan Nunes Leads**

*Dinner rides are over for the year.*

### **Ice Cream or Coffee Rides 2009 - Wednesday Eves at 6:30 PM Sharp**

*Wednesday night Ice Cream rides are over for the year. Lets look forward to next year.*

### **Sunday Breakfast will begin on November 15<sup>th</sup> at the Country Buffet in Dartmouth!**

Saturday Nites - Plymouth, MA- Park in front of Isaac's Restaurant along the harbor.

All Bikes Lights Nite – Every Weekend Thru the Summer – Gather and Swap Lies 6PM -9:30PM??

Waterside @ Isaacs Restaurant. Come at will. Usually weather permitting. May thru October. Coffee Ride 9:30PM

Notes:

- 1: Wednesday will be our designated evening ride night for Coffee/Ice Cream. Temperature determines which we go for. 2nd Thursday Chapter meets. Ride after?
  - 2: The THIRD Thursday evening rides for a dinner will be once a month. Destination names have not been determined for all places. Al Nunes – Safety Educator will select these. He does these rides. Rain Date the following week.
  - 3: Wednesday night Rides will start at 6:30 PM.
  - 4: October rides that are non-reciprocal start at 10AM. Unless predetermined times. November Sunday rides locally start at 11AM dependent on temps for the season.
- More Updates to follow at a later date. Please direct all inquiries to me first (Ride Coordinator) for any revisions. The list is not final. Read the Newsletter or Chapter Website monthly for updates and links to where we are going on the calendar.
- 5: The Ride Coordinator reserves all rights to move rides in this list should the need be called upon.

**Hello Members:**

All you're Newsletters at this time are sent out in a MS Document format. If you are having any trouble opening this information in the MS Word format you may visit the Chapter F-Ma website to read it at: [www.gwrramachapterf.org](http://www.gwrramachapterf.org) If you think you would like to participate in the Newsletter, come on and feed us articles for the coming letters. If you are not getting or you are having trouble with a newsletter, tell us. We really don't know. Check the pictures from the past years while you are there. Please update any changes to your email. Send the new one to the News Editor or the Chapter Director.

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## **Directions to the next Get-Together:**

Our Smoke Free Gatherings will start at 7:00PM on the Second non-holiday Thursday of the month. If there is a holiday, we move it up to the next week.

**The next meeting is Saturday, December 5 @ 6 PM @ The American Legion Hall - RT 79 in Berkley, MA.**

**From Rt. 195 East or West.** Take RT 24 North in Fall River to Padelford St. Berkely Off ramp 7miles. Take right turn East on Padelford St. to Rt. 79. Go about 2 miles. At the Rt.79 stop sign, take a right turn near the White church. American Legion Hall is on the right side a short distance from the corner.

**Coming in from Rt 24 N. or S:** Take Rt 140 E. Run past the Silver City Galleria toward New Bedford and get off at Rt 79 South and go about ½ mile past the blinking Yellow light and then the White church. American Legion Hall is on the right side of the street a short distance from Rt. 140.

**From New Bedford:** Take Rt 140 North to Rt. 79 South and same as above.

***Bring a friend.***

**>>>> ALL MAKE BIKES WELCOME HERE <<<<**

**MA - F needs U! Talk to us!**

We could also use the services of: Road Captains, Activities Coordinator, Welcome and Recording Secretary.

**For Sale: Motorcycle Related**

None at this time.

Let the News Editor know when you have sold your property. We do not want to advertise SOLD items. This is a member free perk. An after Sale minimal donation would always be welcome though. (Ed).

## ***Humor or the Month***

### **A man forgot to buy turkey for Thanksgiving**

It's the day before Thanksgiving, and the butcher is just locking up when a man begins pounding on the front door.

"Please let me in," says the man desperately. "I forgot to buy a turkey, and my wife will kill me if I don't come home with one."

"Okay," says the butcher. "Let me see what I have left." He goes into the freezer and discovers that there's only one scrawny turkey left. He brings it out to show the man.

"That's one is too skinny. What else you got?" says the man.

The butcher takes the bird back into the freezer and waits a few minutes and brings the same turkey back out to the man.

"Oh, no," says the man, "That one doesn't look any better. You better give me both of them!"

***Happy Trails!!***

