



## **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 [2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday](#) of each month at American Legion Hall on RT 79 - Berkley, MA at 7:00 PM

### **The Meeting:**

This was a short meeting due to the fact that we were also having a Christmas party. The meeting began approximately at 6:15 PM with 37 members and guests present. Doc spoke of the District meeting where it looks like the main agenda for 2010 will be recruitment. We are going to try to get as many new members as possible for this New Year. We will be looking for a Membership Enhancement Coordinator to see what can be done about getting new members to join. There will be a ride schedule meeting held on January 5, 2010 at 7 PM to be held at the Legion Hall in Berkley. All are invited, so bring your ideas of places you would like to go. We will fill in the dates around other chapter events and hopefully get better weather in 2010 to get more rides in. The winter Sunday breakfast for this month of December will be on the 13<sup>th</sup> at the Country Buffet in Dartmouth at 9 AM. Chapter flags are being ordered for both antenna and flagpole. Doc has already collected enough to keep the cost down to \$12.95. If you want to order, get in touch with Doc ASAP. Doc also has prices for shirts, sweatshirts, etc., so if you would like to place an order, do so quickly. Ernie Dube brought in the results of the mileage contest. Gerome Vardaro had the most mileage of the people who participated and Dave Chenard had the lowest. Hopefully, next year will bring dryer weather for more riding. The meetings concluded early with Dave Chenard winning the 50/50 We then began to enjoy the meal and festivities of the evening. From all of us to all of you, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

### **Director's Comments**

From the "Director's Chair"...

Hard to imagine once again that another year has come and gone! There have been many happy times and some sad times along the way, but we must forever "keep moving forward".....

We had a great turnout for the annual Christmas party and fun was had by all in attendance! My thanks to Roger Chartier (an unexpected, pleasant surprise) for providing us with musical entertainment for the evening. Congratulations to Gerome Vardaro for winning the chapter "Saddle Sores" contest with the most mileage for 2009. Dave Chenard, as it turns out, was the "Featherweight" winner. I can't imagine how that's possible, considering he led many of the rides this season.....☺

My thanks to all of you for your continuing dedication and support of MA Chapter F and GWRRA. Particular thanks from Robin and I go out to all of our chapter staff for another great job this year! We continue to evolve into the **best chapter of GWRRA** thanks to your efforts..... In addition to the current staff we are in need of a Membership Enhancement Coordinator this coming year. Each and every member of MA Chapter F should take pride knowing that because of all of you our chapter is # 1 (in my humble, *slightly jaded* opinion, of course)! You are the best!!!! ☺

The monthly Sunday breakfast gatherings have begun. Meeting place is the Country Buffet in Dartmouth at 9:00AM. Looking forward to seeing all of you there..... ☺

We will be meeting on the first Tuesday of the New Year to organize our ride schedule. This year we will be meeting at the American Legion rather than D&D given the number of members that show up. Please bring your thoughts and ideas for new and exciting rides for the upcoming calendar..... ☺

Lastly, on behalf of Robin, myself and the entire Alvarez family, I want to wish each and every one of you and your families a very **Merry Christmas** and a **healthy, happy and safe holiday season!!!!** ☺  
Doc... ☺

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

Alan's tips this month are too long to put here. See tips online at <http://www.gwrramachapterf.org/>

### **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

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S-XL \$14.95      2XL \$16.95

**Birthdays** - Member Birthdays this month: January: Jerry Bergeron, Russ Connell, Robin Cardin, Robert Demoranville and Joanne Horsman.

**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 at 9 AM!

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.

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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 Wednesday, January 13th @ 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*

#### **Requesting a three day pass**

**An Israeli soldier who just enlisted asked the Commanding Officer for a 3-day pass.**

**The CO says "Are you crazy? You just join the Israeli army, and you already want a 3-day pass? You must do something spectacular for that recognition!"**

**So the soldier comes back a day later in an Arab tank!**

**The CO was so impressed, he asked "How did you do it?"**

**"Well, I jumped in a tank, and went toward the border with the Arabs. I approached the border, and saw an Arab tank. I put my white flag up; the Arab tank put his white flag up. I said to the Arab soldier,**

**"Do you want to get a three-day pass? So we exchanged tanks!"**

*Happy Trails!!*

