



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

The Meeting: The meeting began at 7:10 PM with 27 members and guests present. Doc read a thank you from the Red Knights for our support of their 2009 Poker Run where they were able to donate approximately \$1200 to the Burn Center in Boston. We also received a thank you from the American Legion for the canned goods and monetary donation we made for Thanksgiving. For those who want Chapter logo flags, let Doc know quickly for the order is about to go out. Dave Odess came to the Ride Schedule meeting and presented the chapter with a plaque for being the second highest chapter in collections for 2009. Let's try to do better this year. It won't be easy, but remember that it's all for the kids. Also this year's Ride For Kids will have a VERY early leave time since we will have to be there in time to register and the distance is at least 20 minutes further. Doc read a letter from Tyler Medeiros, a Boy Scout who is going for Eagle Scout in the town of Dighton. He is seeking donations for a project to refurbish hydrants in that town with new paint, reflective tape, etc. The club offered to donate \$100 for his worthy cause. As of now, we will be keeping Wednesday night as our Ice Cream ride night. There has been some discussion on this matter. Whenever there is a meeting, we will do a short ride for Ice Cream. Ann Salisbury passed out flyers pertaining to the RI-B Breakfast Buffet to be held on April 25th and also flyers for the New England District Rally on July 22-24 in Gorham, NH. The meeting concluded at 8:20 with Mike Gazard winning the 50/50.

Director's Comments

From the "Director's Chair"...

I hope the holiday season was enjoyable for all of you and yours! My thanks to those that were able to attend the ride schedule meeting. Through your efforts we are set to have an excellent and exciting ride season! If you have not seen the new ride schedule yet, please let me or Dave Chenard know and we'll forward it to you. Keep in mind that the ride schedule may be subject to change but everyone will be notified as changes occur.

My thanks to those that raised donations for the Ride for Kids. Through your efforts we as a chapter raised the second highest total and received a plaque from Dave Odess, chapter member and representative of the R.f.K.'s thanking us for our efforts. The plaques from both last year and this year will be displayed at the American Legion (as they are our sponsors) for members and friends of the Legion to see what we do to support the community. I look forward to even greater efforts raising funds for them this year.....

On behalf of Tyler Medeiros I wish to thank you for your generous donation to help fund his Eagle Scout project. He was surprised and appreciative of our support, and I'm sure he will do a great job helping the citizens of Dighton and completing his project so he can obtain the rank of Eagle Scout.

As of this newsletter, the chapter bike flags have not only been ordered, but have already been received! They look super, and I'll have them on hand for those that ordered them at our February meeting.....

I look forward to an exciting year ahead. There are many terrific rides, events and other things planned throughout the year. I hope to meet and greet many of our members we haven't seen in a while and some we haven't met at all yet! We are only successful through the efforts of all of our members, and with any luck we'll have our best year ever!!!!

Doc..... ☺

Chapter F- Rider Educator: Allan Nunes

Allan's tips this month pertain to the "Invisible Motorcyclist". "I never saw him" is the usual statement following a collision between a car and a bike. Lacks of attention by way of cell phones, unruly children, etc. are the major cause but some responsibility also belongs to the motorcyclist. Dark clothing (black leather jacket), dark helmet, dark bike all tend to blend in with the background. Try to be conspicuous. Wear something bright and ALWAYS have your headlight(s) on. Also many motorcyclists are not skilled in emergency maneuvers. Motorcycling is a skill. It takes PRACTICE! Therefore, position your bike so it can be seen and identified. Wear bright colors, consider a brightly colored bike, and lastly PRACTICE your emergency maneuvers.

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.

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G 2000 100% Cotton Tee in maroon.

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Birthdays - Member Birthdays this month: February: Allan Nunes, Joyce White and Debbie Kocak
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 warmer weather.

Sunday Breakfast will begin on November 15th 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 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, February 10th @ 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

Walmart Job Interview

Jennifer, a manager at Wal-Mart, had the task of hiring someone to fill a job opening.

After sorting through a stack of resumes she found four people who were equally qualified. Jennifer decided to call the four in and ask them just one question. Their answer would determine which of them would get the job.

The day came and as the four sat around the conference room table, Jennifer asked, 'What is the fastest thing you know of?'

The first man replied, 'A THOUGHT.' It just pops into your head. There's no warning.

'That's very good!' replied Jennifer. 'And, now you sir?', she asked the second man.

'Hmmm..... let me see 'A blink! It comes and goes and you don't know that it ever happened. A BLINK is the fastest thing I know of.'

'Excellent!' said Jennifer. 'The blink of an eye. That's a very popular cliché for speed.' She then turned to the third man, who was contemplating his reply.

'Well, out at my dad's ranch, you step out of the house and on the wall there's a light switch. When you flip that switch, way out across the pasture the light on the barn comes on in less than an instant. 'Yup, TURNING ON A LIGHT is the fastest thing I can think of.

Jennifer was very impressed with the third answer and thought she had found her man. 'It's hard to beat the speed of light,' she said.

Turning to BUBBA, the fourth and final man, Jennifer posed the same question.

Old Bubba replied, 'After hearing the previous three answers, it's obvious to me that the fastest thing known is DIARRHEA.'

'WHAT!?' said Jennifer, stunned by the response.

'Oh sure', said BUBBA. 'You see, the other day I wasn't feeling so good, and I ran for the bathroom, but before I could THINK, BLINK, or TURN ON THE LIGHT, I had already messed my pants.'

BUBBA is now the new greeter at a Wal-Mart near you!

Happy Trails!!



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Ride & Event List - Chapter F- MA for 2010 (Tentative)

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Rides begin at 9 AM unless otherwise noted

March 27 th	Saturday- Annual Chapter D-MA Dance. Springfield, MA
April 18 th	MA "F" Breakfast – Last one - Old Country Buffet Dartmouth, MA
April 25 th	RI "B"-Annual Kickoff Breakfast
May 2 nd	Gillette Castle-Ct.
May 8 th	Saturday - Venco Wings Open House - Loudon NH
May 9 th	Mother's Day – Open Date
May 16 th	Mass "B" Mystery Ride
May 23 rd	Left turn only ride-Destination to be determined later
May 30 th	Memorial Day Weekend-Open Date
June 6 th	Bud Brewrey/Clysdale tour – Merrimack NH
June 7-12	Americade – Lake George NY
June 13 th	Frisbee Golf – Barre, Ma
June 20 th	Father's Day - All Chapters Picnic-Pulaski Park
June 27 th	Short Ride & PM Bike Blessing
June 30-July 3 rd	Wing Ding – Des Moines, Iowa
July 4 th	July fourth weekend – Open Date
July 11 th	Heritage Museum/Mount Greylock – No. Adams, Ma.
July 18 th	High Flying BBQ – Newport, RI
July 22-24 th	New England District Rally – Gorham NH
July 25 th	Castle in the Clouds – Moultonborough, NH
August 1st	Mass Chapter "F" Memorial Poker Run
August 8 th	Open
August 15 th	Ride For Kids – Fiskdale, Ma. - Very Early Leave Reg-8:00-9:45
August 22 nd	Kittery/Kennebunk, Me.
August 29 th	Mass Chapter "A" Poker Run - Beverly
September 5 th	Labor Day weekend - Open Date
September 12 th	NH "E" Hobo Stew – Keene NH
September 19 th	Ringe/Manodnock NH
September 23-25	Wings over the Smokies – N. Carolina
September 26 th	Mass Chapter "W" BBQ
October 3 rd	Corn Maze – NH, MA or CT – Destination to be announced
October 10 th	Columbus Weekend – Open Date
October 17 th	Mystic Pizza II – Stonington CT followed by Clyde's Apple Steam Press
October 24 th	Sub Base – Groton, CT.
October 31 st	Life Saving Museum – Hull, MA.
November 28 th	Putnam Ct. Christmas Parade

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