



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 Thursday](#) of each month at American Legion Hall on RT 79 - Berkley, MA at 7:00 PM

The Meeting:

The meeting began 7:10 pm with 27 members present. We welcomed District Directors, George & Gale Mayo to our meeting this evening and also a new member, Dan Smith. We've received many kudos' from District, etc for the new website. Thank you Roger, you've seemed to have made a hit. There will be a District picnic on Saturday, June 13th at Purgatory Chasm in Sutton. (Editors note: This was last Saturday and it turned out to be a beautiful day for a picnic. All who attended had a good time) June 20th was to be an event for Chapter M, which has been cancelled. There will still be a ride to be determined at the start location. The All Chapter Picnic will be held on June 28 at Pulaski Park followed by a ride to Hank's Dairy bar in Plainfield, Ct. The start time is at 9 am at Dunkin Donuts and 9:30 at the rest area on Rt. 195 westbound in Swansea. Don't forget to bring a lunch. Our own event, which is due on July 26th is just around the corner. We need door prizes, etc. for this event. Don't forget to bring some at the next meeting. Doc thanked everyone for the cards, etc. wishing good will to his son who is recuperating from his stay in the hospital. Doc then reiterated his ordeal in trying to get a transponder for fast-pass for his trip to Americade. It seems like Murphy's Law was totally in effect. He finally got everything straightened out on a stop in Auburn, Mass. on the way to New York after conversing with them way too many times. The meeting ended at 9 pm with Gerome Vardaro winning the 50/50.

Director's Comments

From the "*Director's Chair*"...

Let me start this month's comment by correcting an oversight last month. In congratulating those members of the chapter that attended the ERC sponsored by the MSF I failed to mention Wayne Baker. Wayne did not attend the same class that I went to so I somehow managed to miss him. Sorry Wayne, but congrats on making the commitment by attending the program!

It was a pleasant surprise this month to welcome our District Directors, George and Gale Mayo to our monthly meeting. Good fun was had by all, and I'm sure they enjoyed themselves. George reminded us that the New England Rally was just around the corner, and that we need Massachusetts members that are attending to assist with the 50/50 raffle at the rally. I will be sending out e-mails soliciting volunteers to help out.

We welcomed another new member, Dan Smith at this month's meeting. Dan can't wait to join us on our rides and events this season. Our best wishes go out to Carol Dube, who had a minor medical procedure recently, as well as Larry and Rhonda Stiles' son, who also went through a surgical procedure not so long ago. Our thoughts and prayers will be with Rhonda Porawski who is scheduled for surgery on June 18th. My thanks again to everyone that sent well wishes for my son Russell who is still on the mend but doing well. ☺

Our "All Chapters Picnic" is set for June 28th at Pulaski Park. This event is a great time to meet up with members from all over the Region, and it serves our chapter to raise money for the Ride for Kids (August 16th). Bob Pacheco will lead us on a fun-filled ride to Hank's Dairy Bar after the picnic. Please make every effort to attend! ☺

Please keep in mind that our own chapter event is not to far away. As is the case each year, we will need volunteers to help out on the day of the event as well as members to volunteer to prepare and donate food items. I also ask you to do what you can to donate or procure items for donation to the Chinese Auction, door prizes, etc. Please let us know what you can do to help out. Our success depends on everyone to pitch in and help out! Please do what you can to pre-register for the event, and promote early registration to anyone and everyone you know that will be attending! ☺

A great time was had by all that attended Americade! Several of us rode up together, but some rode up at various times throughout the week, and most of us met up with each other at some point or another and shared some good cheer! The weather was perfect all week long and there was much riding and things to see and do. Robin and I were "first-timers" and had a blast, and I like to think we had something to do with bringing all the sunshine (as we certainly packed everything else we could think of in our trailer!)... We are already looking forward to going next year! ☺

For those that haven't had the opportunity to check out our new web site @ www.gwrramachapterf.org, please do so when you have a moment. The site has expanded to include many new features, helpful information and many new links. Take a moment and check out the ride schedule, and keep in mind that ride season is in full swing. Let's get out there and have a great ride season and meet and greet all of our friends, new and old, and have some good ol' fashioned **FUN!**

Take care, Ride Safe, and Keep the Rubber on the Road!

Doc

Chapter F- Rider Educator: Allan Nunes

Allan's tip for this month is to pay special attention to the roadway at tollbooths. This is where cars and trucks drop all the oil and create a slippery mess. Try to stay to the left and keep your right foot off the ground so it doesn't get into the oil dropped in the center of the lane.

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.

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S-XL \$14.95 2XL \$16.95

Birthdays - Member Birthdays this month: July: Ernie Dube, Larry Santos, Debra Mattos, Dan Rapoza and Wayne Tripp **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

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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

Thursday, July 18th at Mermaids in Fairhaven, Ma. Meet at DD in Berkley or at Mermaids.

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

Wednesday night rides will begin on April 29 and all Wednesdays thereafter until fall. Weather permitting

Sunday Breakfast- Are over until November. The Time to ride is NOW!

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 The State Directors Site is now up but will not be doing Newsletters for our Chapter at this time, because we post them on our own site now. 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 Thursday July 9th @ 7 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

2005 Honda VTX1300R. The color is "magenta". I bought her in 2006, and have only driven her 1,092 miles!! Price is \$8900 OBRO. You are getting a truly super bike, so please, serious inquiries only. For more information, please contact Bob Alvarez @ (781) 608-7721

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

Really Stupid People

Police in Wichita, Kansas, arrested a 22-year-old man at an airport hotel after he tried to pass two (counterfeit) \$16 bills.

A company trying to continue its five-year perfect safety record showed its workers a film aimed at encouraging the use of safety goggles on the job. According to Industrial Machinery News, the film's depiction of gory industrial accidents was so graphic that twenty-five workers suffered minor injuries in their rush to leave the screening room. Thirteen others fainted, and one man required seven stitches after he cut his head falling off a chair while watching the film.

A bus carrying five passengers was hit by a car in St. Louis, but by the time police arrived on the scene, fourteen pedestrians had boarded the bus and had begun to complain of whiplash injuries and back pain.

Swedish business consultant Ulf af Trolle labored 13 years on a book about Swedish economic solutions. He took the 250-page manuscript to be copied, only to have it reduced to 50,000 strips of paper in seconds when a worker confused the copier with the shredder.

A convict broke out of jail in Washington D.C., then a few days later accompanied his girlfriend to her trial for robbery. At lunch, he went out for a sandwich. She needed to see him, and thus had him paged. Police officers recognized his name and arrested him as he returned to the courthouse in a car he had stolen over the lunch hour.

When two service station attendants in Ionia, Michigan, refused to hand over the cash to an intoxicated robber, the man threatened to call the police. They still refused, so the robber called the police and was arrested.

A Los Angeles man who later said he was "tired of walking," stole a steamroller and led police on a 5 mph chase until an officer stepped aboard and brought the vehicle to a stop.

Happy Trails!!



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- March 28th Saturday- Annual Chapter D-MA Dance. Springfield, MA
- April 5th MA "F" Breakfast – (Last one) - Old Country Buffet Dartmouth, MA
- April 26th RI "B"-Annual Kickoff Breakfast
- May 3rd Cape Cod Shore Ride Choice of picnic or restaurant dinner at noon
- May 9th Saturday - Venco Wings Open House - Loudon NH
- May 10th Mother's Day – Open Date
- May 17th Mass "B" Mystery Ride
- May 24th Memorial Day Weekend – Open
- May 31st Open date due to Americade starting
- June 1-6 Americade – Lake George NY
- June 7th Left Turn Ride – Everyone leads
- June 13th Saturday – District picnic-Purgatory Chasm-Sutton, Ma.
- June 14th America's Stonehenge Salem NH \$9.50 admission
- June 18th Thursday - Mt. Washington Ride with Ernie
- June 20 Open date Original cancelled. There will still be a ride.
- June 21 Father's Day – Hampton Beach Sandcastle sculpture competition
- June 28th All Chapter Picnic-Pulaski Park
- July 2-4 Wing Ding – Tulsa Oklahoma
- July 5th July fourth weekend – Open Date
- July 12th Life Saving Museum – Hull Mass. Also Jerusalem Rd.
- July 16-18 New England District Rally – Rhode Island
- July 19th Mt. Greylock N. Adams, Ma – **Early Leave**
- July 26th Mass "F" Poker Run
- August 2nd Mass Chapter A event –More to come on this.
- August 9th Chapter Picnic at Dick & Cindy Arruda's with an early ride
- August 16th Ride For Kids – Oxford, Mass - **Early Leave**
- August 20-22 Pa. Rally
- August 23rd Wolf Hollow – Ipswich, Mass
- August 29th Saturday – Mass District Ride-In Barre Falls Dam, Hubbardston
- August 30th Frisbee Golf – Barre, Mass.
- September 6th Labor Day weekend - Open Date
- September 13th NH "E" Hobo Stew – Keene NH
- September 20th Mass W Chicken BBQ
- September 24-26 Wings over the Smokies – N. Carolina
- September 27th Kittery Trading Post & Kennebunkport Me.
- October 4th Quabbin Reservoir Picnic
- October 11th Columbus Weekend – Open Date
- October 18th Connecticut Corn Maze (Location to be announced)
- October 25th Groton Sub Base
- November 29th Putnam Ct. Christmas Parade

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