



# **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 the second Wednesday of the month \*\*\*  
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## **The Meeting:**

The meeting began at 7:15 PM with 28 members present. We welcomed new members, Rich & Irene Coffill and Jim Charrettes' wife Joan. We were also pleased to have our District Directors, George & Gale Mayo, with us for this meeting. Memorial patches for Dick Arruda are in and can be purchased from Mike Bartnowski. After discussions about the date for our poker run, it was decided that due to the fact that it would conflict with the New England District Rally, it would be changed to August 1<sup>st</sup> and for 2010, it will have a change of location which will be at our meeting place of the American Legion in Berkley. We discussed the possibility of having a poker run committee but decided against it since we all chip in and get things done whatever they may be. We decided that WE ARE the committee. Roger Chartier asked if we would like him to supply music for our poker run and everyone said that it would be great. Doc thanked all of us who showed up for the Red Knights poker run. Our chapter made an excellent showing to help them with their charity of the burn unit of the Shriners Children's Hospital in Boston. A good job can be given to those who have passed the road captain safety course. See Doc's comments on this subject. Please remember to bring non-perishable items for donation to the American Legion to the next meeting if you haven't already done so. We do this yearly for those who are less fortunate. Our Christmas party/meeting for December will be held on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM this year. If you chose to bring a gift, please limit it to around \$10. This is also a "Pot-Luck" supper so let us know what you plan to bring so we don't have too much of the same type of items. See more about this in the director's comments. The last Thursday night dinner ride will be on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>. Which is at Mermaids in Fairhaven. Doc told us about his misfortune of getting on a flat tire after a Wednesday night "Ice Cream" ride. Thanks to Bob Pacheco, who carries a patch kit, it was fixed and filled. This is something that we all should carry, just in case. Forewarned is forearmed. If you plan on attending the Putnam, Ct. Dazzle Light parade, it has a \$10 registration fee, make checks payable to **Town of Putnam Parade Fund** and should be sent to Phil Soder, 102 Jennie Lane, Warwick, RI 02889 no later than Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. Phil will be mailing then out on Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. The meeting ended at 9 PM with Allan Nunes winning the 50/50.

## Director's Comments

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

This month we welcomed new members *Rich* and *Irene Coffill*, met *Joan Charrette* (Jim's better half) and had the unexpected pleasure of having our District Directors, *George & Gale Mayo* on hand.... It is unfortunately very rapidly becoming "that time of year," but for those that continue to ride, I ask that you *exercise the due caution* when traveling the highways and byways! There are many added dangers such as fallen leaves, pine needles and pine cones, frost or black ice as well as deer and other wild animals on the run (as it's also

“that time of the year” as well). Watch out for the “*hunted*” as well as the “*hunters*.” Above all else, **BE SAFE!!!!**  
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The most significant topic of discussion was next year’s poker run which will be a memorial ride in honor of ***Dick Arruda***. Due to the need to change our event date to accommodate the New England Rally in coming years, we decided that we would hold the poker run on August 1, 2010. I’m also pleased to announce that the event will begin and end at the American Legion. Details will follow in the upcoming months.....

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Chapter F members ***Ray Kirchdorfer, Ron & Robin Cardin, Gerome Vardaro, Tom White*** and ***Mark Abdelnour*** for successfully completing the road captain safety course. It speaks volumes of these members of our chapter to make the time and effort to attend this training program. We now have a well-balanced group that can lead or take the tail end of our organized rides in addition to those members of the chapter already trained as such. Job well done! ☺

I’d also like to congratulate ***Bunny Kirchdorfer*** who now serves as the chapter’s official photographer. Make sure when you see her at any ride or event snapping pictures to “smile for the ***Bunny!***”

A reminder that ***NH-A*** is sponsoring their second annual “***Extravaganza Weekend***” on November 6, 7, & 8<sup>th</sup>. I have previously forwarded the flyer with all of the relevant information for anyone that would enjoy a fun and exciting weekend getaway.....

If you haven’t completed a chapter worksheet, please do so at your earliest convenience so we can update our records. Worksheets are available on our chapter web site and once completed should be forwarded to ***Dave Chenard***.

We are asking for and accepting non-perishable food item donations to give to the American Legion in support of their efforts to feed those less fortunate for the Thanksgiving holiday. If you would like to give any foodstuffs, you can stop by the Legion most anytime between now and our next meeting, bring donations to the meeting, or contact me and I’ll make arrangements to get your donations to the Legion. As in years past we also presented the Legion with a monetary donation to help those in need. I thank you for any help you can afford to offer! ☺

This year’s Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00PM (*hard to believe we’re already discussing this subject!*). We’ll be discussing the particulars at our next meeting, but keep in mind that if you plan on attending and would like to participate in the gift exchange remember this: If you would like to receive a “guy” gift, bring a “guy” gift. If you’d like to receive a “gal” gift, bring a “gal” gift. I must also ask that you keep the price of your gift in the \$10 or so range (nothing too extravagant!)

Lastly, I ask that all members of Chapter F check your membership expirations and insure your memberships are up to date. GW informs everyone prior to the expiration of their membership, and it is the responsibility of each member to maintain their membership status whether you have an individual or family plan.

*Take care and be Safe!*

Doc..... ☺

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

Allan’s safety tip for this month is to be very careful when there are leaves, pine needles and other debris on the road. This is very slippery. Also be watchful of black ice if you ride when the temperature gets down there. Also be careful around dusk and dawn for deer and other animals that might cross your path without looking. Use your eyes to scan ahead and both sides of the roadway. It is also a good idea to have liners to keep our hands warm when it gets cold.

### **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

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

S-XL \$14.95      2XL \$16.95

***Birthdays*** - Member Birthdays this month: November: Doris Nunes, Mike Kocak, John Mattos, Karen Weider, Denise King, Roger Chartier and Larry Stiles

**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**

Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Mermaids in Fairhaven

## 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 Wednesday, November 11th @ 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**

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***

### **Uncovering a scam**

The Senate is investigating deceptive sweepstakes practices. These companies target the elderly and make them think they will receive a bunch of money, but in reality they never see any of it.

The most popular of these scams is called Social Security.

***Happy Trails!!***



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

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