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From the Director



Motorcycle Awareness Month By Paul Howard

Well it is finally May. Snowbanks are gone, Dairy Queens are open and I am sure that most all of you have at least pulled your bikes out of storage and probably ridden them a little. My first ride felt fantastic!

The month of May is motorcycle awareness month. As GWRRA riders, let us remember to be good examples of ridership on the road. It is a big responsibility but if someone notices our safe way of riding and understands, it is good for everyone.

Chapter rides will be starting soon. Come join us. Remember Mother's Day and see you on the road.

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District Safety Message

District Educator – Motorcycle Awareness Month

By Joy Mattson

As I write this article, it's raining and cold. I know, at least it's not white....and we do need that rain to help remove some of the sand and gravel from the roads. Unfortunately, too much rain and it ruins the roads with mudslides! We had a beautiful sunny warm day on Monday, and I saw lots of riders out on the highway...on my way home...in my Jeep. Our bikes, as of April 19th are still in storage. It's been one thing or another on the weekends preventing us from getting them home – mainly the weather and Scott's trips to Duluth. It's been a constant every year that, once we bring the bikes home, we get that one last snow. Better hurry and get them home so it's done!!

Do you remember that May is Motorcycle Awareness Month? Our District Motorist Awareness Coordinator should be writing this article, but I'm going to do it and take the credit! A motorcycle can never be too bright or have too many lights. Wear your bright helmet, your high-vis jacket...pay attention to what's going on around you while riding. Utilize your Co-Rider – two sets of eyes are always better than one. SEE AND BE SEEN!! If your chapter has come up with an activity to make motorists more aware of motorcyclists (and vica-versa), please share your ideas. We're always looking for interesting and fun things to do. Perhaps a local establishment might allow you to host a "bike night" or "bike afternoon". Let us know and we'll get the word out in case others might want to join in!

We are looking for places to host our riding courses, both two and three wheel, once we're fully certified. We have found a couple of potential ranges and once the snow is melted and it's not raining, we can go take some measurements to see what's out there for us.

Our MN & ND District Rally is coming up very fast. Please feel free to reach out and let me know if there is something special to Rider Education you might be interested in.

Till next time, be safe, be warm. I look forward to seeing many of you out on the roads again!

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Motorcycle News

Henry Crew has become the youngest person ever to circumnavigate the globe by motorcycle riding unsupported. He did it on a Ducati Scrambler. You can see the full article here:

<https://www.motorcyclenews.com/news/2019/april/crews-circumnavigation/>



With motorcycling, it's all about having fun. Zack Courts & Ari Henning know this better than most. They built a motorcycle that can handle 5 riders. They "decided to build the first Sport Utility Cycle. Seating for four or five, room for plenty of cargo, and enough performance to haul the whole shebang up the side of a mountain."

A cop even pulled them over, not to give them a ticket, but to take their picture.

You can check out the full article here:

<https://www.revzilla.com/common-tread/building-the-sport-utility-cycle-a-motorcycle-built-for-five>



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Michelle's Menu

Brownie Cheesecake Ball

1. Beat cream cheese, butter, sugar, vanilla and 1½ cups crumbled brownies with mixer until blended.
2. Refrigerate 45 minutes or until firm.
3. Combine nuts and remaining crumbled brownies in shallow dish.
4. Shape cream cheese mixture into ball; roll in nut mixture until evenly coated.
5. Refrigerate 2 hours.
6. Serve with vanilla wafers, shortbread cookies, pretzel sticks and or strawberries.

Ingredients

1 pkg. (8 oz.) Philadelphia Cream Cheese, softened
 ¼ cup butter, softened
 ¼ cup powdered sugar
 ½ tsp. vanilla
 2 cups coarsely crumbled bite size brownies, divided
 ¼ cup finely chopped Planters pecans, toasted

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Upcoming Events

Date/Time	Event	Location
May 11th (8:45 AM)	Chapter Ride to Dr Mudspringer <i>(Destination: Dr Mudspringer Mounds View, MN)</i>	Thompson Hill Information Center
May 11th	Overnight stay in Brooklyn Center Please contact Brian Marshall for details	Dinner at Gasthof's Stay at Best Western Plus
May 18th (10:30 AM 1:00 PM)	Lunch Social Leaving from Thompson Hill @ 10:30	Zorbaz 32946 Crystal Springs Rd, Grand Rapids, MN
May 27th (10:30 AM)	Memorial Day Parade	If you want to ride with the chapter in the parade, meet us on 59 th Ave W South of Grand.
June 1st (9:45 AM)	Chapter Ride	Thompson Hill Information Center
June 15th (5:00 PM)	Dinner Social	Cedar Lodge Steakhouse 3760 County Hwy N, Solon Springs, WI
July 6th (9:45 AM)	Chapter Ride <i>(Destination: Sven & Ole's Grand Marais)</i>	!!! Change in Meet Point !!! Meet at Brighton Beach
July 20th (1:00 PM)	Dinner Social <i>(Group ride leaving from Thompson Hill @ 10:00 AM)</i>	Ely Steakhouse 216 E Sheridan St, Ely, MN

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