

# GWRRA Chapter D DULUTH, MINNESOTA



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## From the Director



### Things are opening up By Dave Fure

First of all, we hope all of you are safe and well. As we close out May and dive into summer, we are seeing different areas of the country opening up in different ways and at different paces. The Twin Ports are no different, with Wisconsin relaxing restrictions a little faster than Minnesota.

Chapter D is no different. We're planning our first ride to be Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We're expecting it to be a short ride (approximately 140 miles) so that we won't have to stop for gas or comfort breaks. About half way we'll stop at a picnic area for lunch. We're currently thinking Skiboo Lookout. It should give us space to social distance and there are restrooms available. Everyone will need to bring their own lunch. I'll be sending details on the meet point and time. As things are constantly changing, we may need to alter our plans.

We know that everyone has their own unique circumstance, and some may not feel comfortable joining in the ride. We completely understand. Each of us will need to navigate these waters in our own way and at our own pace. As much as we'd love to see everyone, your health is the most important thing to us.

In other news, the MN-ND District Rally has been cancelled this year. However, there is a "District Ride-In" in September. See details below. Next year's MN-ND District Rally will be in Winona, MN on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Details are also below.

Wing Ding for this year is cancelled. Next year's Wing Ding was announced. It will be in Springfield, MO from June 29, 2021 through July 3, 2021.

Jim Rivord had a great zoom call in which he gave some tips and tricks for using Base Camp. Base Camp is an app you can use to plan rides and trips. The zoom call was recorded and uploaded to YouTube. You can watch the presentation here: <https://youtu.be/omkIHxcTWtg>

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## Where to Find Us

Chapter D Web Site  
<http://www.gwr-ra-mnd.org/>

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[www.facebook.com/GWRRA.MN.D/](http://www.facebook.com/GWRRA.MN.D/)

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## MN - ND District Ride In

**Worthington, MN on  
September 18 – 20, 2020**

Come and join us a District Ride around the Worthington area.

Stay **Friday night** for a refreshing ride starting on Saturday morning or come on Saturday morning for the Ride.

Stay around Saturday night for some meeting and greeting with our friends we have not seen for a long while. We can hang out in the breakfast area (hopefully things will be sorted out by then) or there is also a patio with chairs to enjoy the great outdoors if we need more space.

By then, restaurants will be serving inside – we have our crossed fingers on that one.

The best is the Cost - just the price of the hotel room.

We are planning on a free picnic dinner on Friday night\*

The hotel is the same as we were using for the 2020 MN-ND District Rally before we had to cancel.

**Comfort Suites & Conference Center**  
1447 Prairie Drive,  
Worthington, MN 56187  
(507) 295-9185



Press #2 when reserving a room.

Use "**Goldwing Road Riders Association**" code for a reduced hotel rate.

All rooms \$105.00 + tax - (Breakfast included)

*Bob & Renae Hicks*

MN - ND District Directors  
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\* Depending on the circumstances

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## \*\*Rally Activities\*\*

### Thursday Evening

- Early Bird Packet Pick Up
- Early Bird Feast

### Friday

- Registration
- Guided / Self-Guided Rides
- Selfie 50/50 Ride
- Seminars / Classes
- Tickets for Door Prizes & Raffles
- Vendors & Pin Strippers
- Opening Ceremonies

### Saturday

- Registration
- COY/IOY Selection & Celebration
- Masters Celebration
- Seminars / Classes
- Tickets for Door Prizes & Raffles
- Vendors & Pin Strippers
- Mississippi Boat Rides
- Selfie 50/50 Ride
- Hot Dog Feed – free to all participants
- Bean Bag Baseball

*All schedule items subject to change*

For more Rally information, contact

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## Accommodations

The Host Hotel



## Riverport

CONFERENCE & EVENT CENTER

### Riverport Inn & Conference Center

900 Bruski Drive  
 Winona, MN 55987  
 Ph: (507) 452-0606

Pets allowed for additional fee

When reserving a room, use

**"MN ND Rally 2021" \***

block for a reduced hotel rate.

Standard Double Queen \$94.99  
 Standard King \$104.99  
 Double Queen Mini Suite \$104.99  
 (Breakfast included)

\*check with hotel for other restrictions



## MINNESOTA - NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT RALLY

"ROLLIN' ON  
THE RIVER"

July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>  
2021



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## District Safety Message

### Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor

By Joy Mattson

I hope everyone is holding up during this crazy time of uncertainty. Your health, both mental and physical, are two of the most important things. I hope you are safe and healthy. For those on the front lines, whether Nurse, Doctor, Lab Tech, First Responder, Janitorial, Housekeeping; the list goes on... thank you for your dedication!

Many of you have likely heard of a fairly new position created at Chapter Level, the Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor. It's a mouthful so many refer to it as the CSEA. Below is the position description and a link to the page. It would be great to see more CSEA's in the Chapters so please let me know if you or someone you know is interested. I'm more than happy to help any way I can.



### CHAPTER SKILL ENHANCEMENT ADVISOR (from the Officer's Handbook)

<http://gwrro.org/oconnect/index.html>

The role of Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (CSEA) is to proactively support Member/Participant by providing them with information they can consider on ways to become skilled, prepared, and safer riders and co-riders.

#### Encouraged Responsibilities

- Serve as an example by being actively engaged in the Levels Program.
- Monthly, or as often as possible and weather permitting based on Members interest, put on an on-bike skills day with skill practice, bike games for riders and co-riders.
- Team with the Chapter Ride Coordinator to promote the importance of best riding practices at chapter gatherings, rides, and events.
- Utilize the quarterly Chapter Levels Report provided by the District Educator to support the Members and assist them in achieving milestones and earning recognition.
- Communicate directly with the District Educator to advocate for classes and courses to serve any chapter participant with an interest in progressing in the levels program, becoming a more proficient rider, and being better prepared to respond to emergency situations.

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## **Qualifications and Skills**

The Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor:

- is not an officer; and the position is not mandatory.
- has a basic knowledge of the GWRRA Rider Education Program
- is appointed by the Chapter Director
- is interviewed by the District Educator
- completes a Confidentiality Agreement
- is a current Level II Rider or Co-Rider
- receives guidance and support from the District Educator
- communicates with the District Educator directly, keeping the Chapter Director in the loop to assure the needs of the chapter participants are met. Remember, the Chapter Skill Enhancement Adviser is an active participant on the Chapter staff and primary direction comes from the Chapter Director.
- does not have access to the RE database and relies on the District Educator for the information.

Goal: To provide the membership with the basic support needed to participate meaningfully and successfully in the GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level.

Thank you for all you do. Be safe out there when riding!

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## Michelle's Menu

### Cookie Cheesecake Bites

1. Using an electric mixer, beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth.
2. Reduce mixer speed to low and gradually add heavy cream. Increase speed to high and beat until thick and stiff, about 2 minutes.
3. Roughly break 8 sandwich cookies. Fold into cream cheese mixture. Place remaining sandwich cookies in bottom of nonstick mini cheesecake pan with removable bottoms.
4. Divide cream mixture among cups, tapping pan to set mixture around cookies. Top with mini sandwich cookies and refrigerate until firm, at least 3 hours and up to 1 day.

### Ingredients

12 oz. cream cheese (1½ pkgs.) at room temp  
3 Tbsp. sugar  
1-cup heavy cream, cold  
20 chocolate sandwich cookies (Oreo)  
Mini chocolate sandwich cookies for topping

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## Upcoming Events

Date/Time	Event	Destination
June 13th 10:30 AM	First Ride of the summer!	Meet Point to be determined. Bring your own Picnic lunch. Destination: Skiboo lookout

## Your Chapter Team

### Chapter Director

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### Assistant Director

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### Chapter Treasurer

Dale and Jan Seafolk

### Chapter MEC

Brian & Michelle Marshall  
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### Chapter Baker

Michelle Marshall

### Social Assistant

Teresa Smith

### Ride Coordinator

Eric Purdy