



GWRRA OREGON DISTRICT NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2017



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3rd. Saturday
Breakfast 7:45Am
Meeting at 8:30AM

Salem, Elk Lodge
2336 Turner Road S.E.
Salem, Oregon

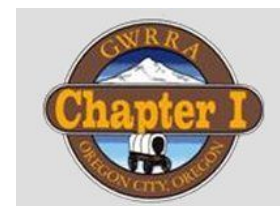
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4th. Saturday **NEW TIME!**
Breakfast at 900A
Meeting at 10:00AM

Pheasant Restaurant
149 East Main Street
Hermiston, Oregon

<http://www.gwrraoregonh.com/>



2nd. Saturday **New Meeting Place!**
Breakfast at 8:00A
Meeting at 8:30AM

Wichita Bar & Grill
19140 Molalla Ave.
Oregon City, Oregon

<http://www.gwrraoregoni.org/>

A WORD ON SAFETY FROM GRAHAM MUNSELL

How Are You Riding These Days

A new m/c statistics study conducted by Virginia Tech for the Motorcycle Safety /Foundation (MSF) has provided some reminders and of course some new insight for things that need more study.

One hundred motorcyclists (21 – 79) were monitored by 5 cameras, a GPS unit and data loggers each to capture details of the riding and any events that occurred. This provided current information, not information collected from memory or crash sites. The total 366,667 miles recorded yielded data on 30 crashes and 122 near-crash events by the riders.

A constant remains it seems, we are doing ourselves in at intersections, right hand turns and hitting another vehicle from behind.

Aggressive riding increases our risk factor by 18 while distracted riding increases it by a factor of 9. Combined they increase our risk factor by 30!

Please go take a look at the study. There are 20 pages in the report with much for each of you to learn about our wonderful pastime!

I first read of this study in an article by Lance Oliver, TeamZilla Managing Editor, in the publication "revzilla." <http://www.revzilla.com/common-tread/what-virginia-tech-learned-about-how-and-why-we-crash-our-motorcycles>

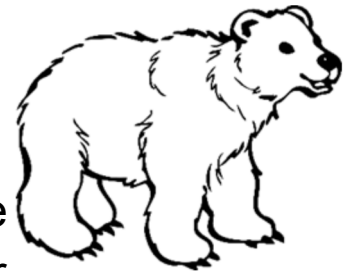
The study is at https://www.msf-usa.org/downloads/msf100_2016/Risk_Factors_From_MSF_100_Study_Paper.pdf

This is great food for thought as we prepare for the upcoming riding season to prepare yourself for the challenges of riding.

Graham K. Munsell, Oregon District Educator



Happy New Year Goldwingers 2017



David and I hope everyone had a nice holiday with your family and friends. Now, it is time to get our bikes out for a ride (as weather allows), some of us are getting ready for the Polar Bear Ride on Jan 1., hope to see a good turnout. But, weather might make it a short ride.

Here are Oregon's events for January

- 1 Polar Bear Ride OR G Frink's home @ 1pm
- 8 OR G Birthday 2pm Abby's Pizza Keizer (Jan 21 OR-G Birthday)
- 14 Chapter I Breakfast Gathering
- 21 Chapter G Breakfast Gathering
- 28 Chapter H Breakfast Gathering

Now, we are starting a new year. David and I are looking to fill several positions for the district. Terry Huffman is the Asst. District Director and will oversee the Oregon Rally, but we need a Rider Educator and Membership Enhancement just to name a few positions needed. It takes all of us to make Oregon District run well.

I would like to thank everyone for all the hard work last year and we are looking forward to see everyone at a gathering or on the ride.

David and Shirley
Oregon DD



Trent's Talk

Well, 2016 is now in the history books. There were some high points and some low points along the way.

One of the high points for Debbie and I was attending our first Wing Ding. WOW! What a blast. We saw some old friends and made some new friends, we attended training classes, participated in the Amazing Team Challenge for Trikes, and throughout the whole event, we could see what a wonderful organization we belong to.

One of the low points for us was on the trip to and from Wing Ding. We had tire problems with the toy hauler, dropped a drive line on the truck, blew the truck's motor, and a deer who wanted to commit suicide by having Debbie hit it with her trike, which resulted in the trike being totaled.

We are hoping to have many high points and no low points in 2017.

With the start of the new year, we have a few staff changes. Fred and Terri Sheppard are stepping down as the Assistant Chapter Directors, Carol Dean has stepped down from Membership Enhancement and Curt Frink has stepped down as the Ride Coordinator. I want to thank each of them for volunteering to fill these important positions which help keep the Chapter going.

With the opening of these positions, Dan Burgess has volunteered to be the Ride Coordinator. We are still looking for volunteers to fill the vacant positions of Assistant Director and Membership Enhancement. If you would like to fill one of these positions, please let us know.

Chapter G starts 2017 with our Polar Bear Ride on January 1st. We meet at Curt and Jan Frink's house and the ride starts at 1:00. Please show up early so the ride can start on time. The ride ends at Curt and Jan's house. After the ride, we will warm up while having a potluck. After the potluck, we will have a short planning meeting.

On January 8th, our Chapter Birthday Party will be held at Abby's Pizza in Keizer. We will start setting up at 1:00 and the Party will start at 2:00.

On January 21st, we have our Chapter Gathering at Lakeside Village's Community Center. Lakeside Village is located at 3110 Turner Road, Salem Oregon 97302. There will not be breakfast served before the gathering. We will have coffee tea, and juice available to drink.

See the January Happenings and any fliers in this newsletter for additional information of what's happening in January.

Debbie and I want to wish each of you a Happy and Safe New Year.

~Trent



Happy New Year Friends !

**I'm writing this from sunny Benson, AZ.
Still riding so ha-ha.**

Looking forward to 2017 our Chapter has some fun rides planned for this year. Starting with the ride to Las Vegas in May, then the Shiners Ride in June and the Casino run in September.

2016 was a riding year for Marlis and I. We put over 16k miles on our Wing. We rode the Four Corners with Loren and Della, it was a great ride with good friends.

**John Patrick
Chapter H-CD**





Chapter Directors Corner:

Happy New Year!!

The past has come and gone. It's time to let 2016 go and embrace 2017 for the strength and growth of our chapter.

We celebrated the holidays with a great Christmas Party that we had in December, and we gathered about 200# of food for the H.O.P.E. project in our own backyard of Oregon City. We had a great turn-out and had lots of good food and fun!

Welcome to the new year of 2017. First up, is the Polar Bear Ride put on each year by Chapter G. This year we were invited to attend and as an incentive Cindy and I have provided 2 special gifts for Chapter I members only that are attending.

Chapter G is celebrating their 35th birthday on January 8th at Abby's Pizza in Keizer.

Our next Breakfast Gathering is on January 14th.

Coming up in March is the Annual Blarney Ride. This is a Service Project that we do in conjunction with the H.O.P.E. program to donate food items and cash for the service they provide to the community. See the attached flyer in this newsletter.

Also this is Chapter I's 30th Birthday in May. Would you like to head up our celebration? Contact Alan or Cindy with your ideas.

We have a busy summer this year so look ahead at our Calendar in this newsletter for 2017. Keep an eye on Wing World magazine for the celebrations nationwide of GWRRA this 40th year.

Here's to hoping you all had a great Holiday and New Years.



Till next month! Ride safe and keep the rubberside down!

Alan & Cindy

Blarney Run 2017

Saturday, March 18, 2017



Cost: \$5.00 per person (Cash Please)

**ALL BIKES, TRIKES &
4-WHEELS WELCOME**

**OREGON CITY METHODIST CHURCH
18955 S. SOUTH END RD.
OREGON CITY, OREGON 97045**

COME EARLY FOR HOT COFFEE AND DONUTS!

**First Bike out: 10:30 am Last Bike out: 11:00am
Last Bike in at 12:30pm**

ENJOY HOT IRISH STEW AFTER THE RIDE!!

**This is a canned food drive to benefit
H.O.P.E. — Helping Other People Eat**

**A local Oregon City food bank that is offered at
5 different churches in the area!**

ALL CANS MUST HAVE LABELS!

**GWRRRA Chapter I Oregon City
Contact: cmdraz57@gmail.com
Cindy Neuburger**





JANUARY 2017



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Polar Bear Ride 1pm Frink's Home	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Chapter G Birthday Party Abbey's Pizza Parlor	9	10	11	12	13	14 Chapter I Gathering
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Chapter G Gathering Lakeside Village
22	23	24	25 Meet at the Restaurant Annette's. West Salem 6:30PM	26	27	28 Chapter H Gathering
29	30	31				