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JULY, 2001

Great Fun Run - Great Campout!!!

Bob Davies Memorial Fun run took place on June 3. Courtesy of Mike Bruce at Carter Honda, registration was set up inside Carter Honda next to Granville Island. Mike was a most gracious host, allowing riders to drool over the new bikes on display.

By the closing of registration at 9:30, some 35 riders and co-riders had registered. Included were a party of 5 from California who had contacted us some three months ago for information on the run so that they could tie it in with their holidays. They very much enjoyed the ride, the scenery, and the hospitality of everyone there.

The ride took participants on a direct route to Port Moody. From there the route ran up above Port Moody and thence to Port Coquitlam, over the Pitt River, on a circuitous route to Stave Lake and the dam (where it turned out the road was closed, necessitating a detour) and along the mountains north of Mission and Hatzic. The run ended at Nielsen Park in Hatzic.

fter food, prizes and awards it was off to Karen's Krome and Ken and Karen's open house. I'm informed that a few bucks were dropped on chrome and electrical additions to bikes.

Many thanks to Rick and Heather, Derek and Gail, John Plant, Norm Monro, Herb Broerken, Gary and Marlene Robins, Ian and Kathy McAlpine, and my better half Margaret for their assistance. Another great ride.

The weekend of June 8 through 10 was our 11th annual Vedder River Campout. 28 campers spent Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday morning at Vedder. Bruce and Sandi McMahill brought 4 members of WA-E up with them.

It is absolutely remarkable that the second weekend of June can be so consistently wet. Rain was certainly the feature of the weekend. Save for two or three hours on Saturday afternoon and Sunday after about 10 am, it rained — not just a drizzle but rain!!!! Umbrellas were a treasured commodity, guarded closely by those who had brought them with them.

The rain did not dampen the fun. Campfires, admittedly not up to last year's three pit monster, were great. Hot dog Friday was or-

ganized by Derek and Gail Watson. The dogs were of excellent quality, perhaps except for those that I managed to burn. Marshmallow roasting uncovered a number of techniques not widely recognized by many.

On Saturday many of us drove over to O'Connor RV in Chilliwack to look things over. O'Connor were kind enough to donate three door prizes to Derek. Saturday evening was campfire time again.

Sunday breakfast saw another 17 people join us. Chapter BC-C came in numbers for this great annual feast. The rain let up a bit as breakfast concluded. After breakfast we drew for the leather jacket and motorcycle model with Herb Broerken taking home the jacket and Joan Dunmall grabbing the model.

Thanks to Pat Pierce for leading the food organizing and particularly for the Saturday potato salad. Thanks also to Ron and Gloria Maki, Rick and Heather McIvor, Chris Maki, Jordan and Carol McRae, Derek and Gail Watson, and all others who helped out.

One other note on the campout. Next year it will have a new name – Precipitation Celebration. Hopefully that will dry out the weather.

And so we wind our way into deeper summer. On June 22 Chris Maki and Don Smith will lead another Longest Day ride to points unknown (to them as well). On July 21 Margaret and I will be hosting our Backyard Barbecue and swim. August will see us braving the heights of Mt. Baker. Don't forget the August long weekend Region rally in Kamloops.

We are still trying to organize a meeting in Squamish and are hopeful we'll be able to do it in August or September.

Stay safe and enjoy the summer.

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For sale (3)

1997 10.5 foot Okanogan camper, has queen sized bed, sleeps four, fridge, stove, oven, shower, toilet, asking price \$12,500 firm, \$21,000 new call: 250-768-9597 Kelowna.

Very clean 1981 Wing in the \$3,000 range.(no. as above)

For sale (1)

BC-G has two riders getting out of biking due to health reasons.

Their bikes are a 1994 Suzuki Intruder 17,000 Km asking \$5,500 O.B.O.includes soft saddle bags.

#2 is a 1983 wineberry Aspencade (GL1100) plus cargo trailer. asking \$3,500 O.B.O.

Contact: Linda Matheson 250-579-9477



BIRTHDAYS

July		Augus	t
6th	Pat Armstrong	3rd	Carol McRae
8th	Tracie Smith	11th	Chris Maki
12th	Joan Maki	18th	Ian McAlpine
17th	Henry Bahn		Rick McIvor
21st	Barb Dueck	28th	Hanne Hoogstins
22nd	Jordan McRae		

ANNIVERSARIES

July	10th	Dale & Wendy Campbell
	26th	Amanda & Kelly Irvine
August	6th	Bruce & Manon Eburne
	10th	Gloria & Ron Maki
	20th	Chris & Joan Maki
	22nd	Gilbert & Julie Brennenstuhl

CHAPTER INFORMATION

Our June Newsletter is finally on our web page at the address below.

Ralph & Joan Young

Chapter Directors GWRRA BC-K web site http://www.ogopogo.com/bck/

Please note that we have now returned to our 8am Saturday morning breakfast time. Starting May long weekend ending-September long weekend will be the changeover dates from now on.

BC-V

Don't forget the button game, your Breakfast could be paid for by DG's Restaurant.

We have a SPECIAL MEMORIAL page for all Island members. Just go to the main page and click on the picture.

Chapter BC-V is holding the Month of June as a memorial to remember our dear friends who departed the world ahead of us. After our breakfast meeting on June 10th we will take a ME-MORIAL RIDE for our dear friends. We wish that all Motorcycle Groups in British Columbia would treat the month of June in this way. And in your own group in your own way remember your friends.

Please forward any comments about our web site to: grizzly1@telus.net

Don't forget BC-V's Pic's of the Month
Get to them from the Main Photo Page on the Web Page

Ride Safe – Grizzly GWRRA/105668/Webmaster/http://gwrra.bcv.8m.com

Hi All,

I'm sure you all will join Kathy & I and welcome Ken Thornton to the position of CD for BC-C Fraser Valley. Ken is taking over as Bruce Dunmal has stepped down after two and a half years of doing the job of CD. Ken has been the ACD for BC-C for a while, he is also a former District Director so he knows what is required in the position and should be a great asset to the chapter and our organization.

Please don't forget the BC-H Kick Off is coming up June 16th & 17th in Dawson Creek. We hope some of you will be able to venture up that way and support the start up of a new chapter. We who have been through this know what it was like and how a little help goes a long ways. BC-H presented a very successful Toy Run last fall and a Mall Show this spring. Way to go Ken Guay and Company. We will see you next weekend.

Take care all

Kirk & Kathy Elliott GWRRA BC District Directors

RALPH DAY

(passed away June 5/01)

GWRRA District BC lost a true friend with the passing of Ralph Day. Ralph succumbed to cancer after a long and courageous battle. We extend sincere condolences to Ralph's family and to his many friend in GWRRA."

Hi:

This little note is to inform everyone that my E-mail address has changed.... it is now...... whaggerty@vwh.ca You may still reach me at the old e-mail addy for at least another

month.. but after that you will have to use the new one, which is working now. The reason for this change is that I now have my own domain called wwh.ca and will be hosting and moving all the web sites that I currently look after to this address.... BC-P will be

located at...www.vwh.ca/bc-p ercinfo will become.... www.vwh.ca/erc-canada and the district site will be

www.vwh.ca/bc-district

for the time being when you go to the old URL's you will be redirected to the new sites. Please bookmark them for your convenience. It will be a few days while I get the bugs out and the forms and guest books and site counters going but for all inftetents and purposes they are up now...... have a good one... Ride

Bill and Viola Haggerty We're beyond "Hope" here in Keremeos, But not beyond reach.... at: GWRRA District site; http://www.vwh.ca/BCDistrict GWRRA BC-P Web site; http://www.vwh.ca/bc-p GWRRA ERC Info site; http://www.vwh.ca/erc-canada Voice: (250)499-0153 Fax: ICQ UIN; 3834749

REWARDS & RECOGNITION PROGRAM - GWRRA

Hello Everyone.

I am very pleased to present to you Phase II of our recognition/ reward program. The reward program is indeed a reward. As you will see in looking through this information, those that want to recruit and get something of value in return, will be rewarded. I really can't think of a more generous program then this one and I truly hope that we will all get behind this program and talk it up for the coming year. This reward program can be tied in with our 25th Anniversary, our goals and many other ideas in the coming months.

Coupled with the recent recognition program, we sincerely hope that all officers and members will truly realize how much their efforts are appreciated and encouraged, past, present and future.

Between now and the first of July, we need to get this in the hands of" ALL" officers (DD's, CD's), our staffs, our rider ed people, everyone, especially the Members. This information needs to be requested in all newsletters and should be passed out and discussed at all staff meetings.

Please review the attached information and if you have any questions, please let me know.

With best wishes for this program and its success.

Mike ********

Jim Carey Senior Region Director The Great Northwest Region J http://www.ogopogo.com/gwrraj

See page 4 for "Rewards" information and details.



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REWARDS PROGRAM

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The Rewards Program is a limited-time offer specifically designed to encourage recruiting efforts by the Association's most effective recruiters—it's own Members. While on-going efforts are always needed to replace Members lost through the natural process of attrition, this limited-time program is designed to swell our numbers just in time for GWRRA's Silver Anniversary Year.

For the period of July 1,2001 through July 31,2002, each Member who recruits three new "memberships" will receive one year's membership free.

The numbers calculated for the Rewards are based on "memberships," not individual Members. Therefore, if you recruit one new family membership for GWRRA, regardless of the numbers of names in that family membership, you get credit in the Rewards Program for just one membership recruited.

Additional family members continue to count in GWRRA's new Recognition Program for qualification to Hall of Honor and Hall of Fame. (See July 2001 Wing World for complete details of the Recognition Program).

The Rewards Program promotion limits to three the number of free years of membership (generated by a total of nine recruits during the promotion).

On achievement of three, six or nine new membership recruitment's during the specified promotional period, the Member will be sent a letter of congratulations with a tear-off coupon the Member must send in to redeem his or her free renewal (or equivalent for Life Members, see below*).

Rewards Program coupons will have an expiration date equal to one year from the date of issue. Coupons must be received by the Home Office to be redeemed. Coupons are non-transferable and have no cash value.

Membership recruited during special events such as mall shows, rallies, motorcycle shows, etc. qualify for the promotion.

Free year's membership may be applied towards consecutive years necessary for life membership.

"Join Now—Pay Later" applications may be utilized for recruiting efforts; however, dues must be paid by the cut-off date of July 31, 2002, to qualify for the promotion.

Friend-Finders are reminded of the importance of placing both your own (recruiter's) name and membership number and the new Member's phone number on every application. In the event of a dispute as to who recruited whom, the newly recruited Member will be asked to specify to whom Rewards Program credit is to be given.

GWRRA's Member Services department at Home Office maintains the number of recruits a Member has as a part of each Member's File in our database. For inquiries about your status in the Find-A-Friend program or to verify information, call toll-free (800) 843-9460 during Home Office working hours (see page 3). In Arizona, CALL (623) 581-2500. Inquiries and verifications are also welcomed by e-mail customerservice@gwrra.org.

Life Members will receive equivalent value in GWRRA Wearhouse merchandise and/or may apply its value towards Wing Ding registration.

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If you can lend a hand, please contact Barry Irvine or anyone on the Chapter Committee. I love motorcycles, and I love riding. Like many of you what first drew me to bikes was not just the experience of riding, but the feeling that I'd become part of a special community - a brotherhood, really. Nothing calms me more than a long ride down the interstate, waving to the members of my beloved clan. Except when I pass Harley guys. I hate Harley guys. Hate, hate, hate. When they pass me on the highway, you know what I do? I don't wave. With their little tassel handlebars and the studded luggage and the half helmets - God, they drive me crazy.

You know who else I hate? BMW guys. Oh, do I hate those guys. I don' wave at them either. They think they're so great, sitting all upright, with their 180-degree German engines. God, I hate them. They're almost as bad as those old bastards on their touring motorcycles. You know what I call those bikes? "Two wheeled couches!" Get it? Because they're so big. They drive around like they have got all day. Appreciate the scenery somewhere else, Grandpa, and while your at it, I'm not waving to you.

Ducati guys - I don't wave at them either. Why they don't spend a little more money on their bikes? "You can have it in any colour as long as it is red." Aren't you cool! Like they even know what a desmo-whatever engine is, anyway. Try finding the battery, you Italian-wannabe racers! I never, ever wave at those guys.

Suzuki guys aren't much better, which is why I never wave at them, either. They always have those stupid helmets sitting on the top of their stupid heads, and God forbid they should ever wear any safety gear. They make me so mad. Sometimes they'll speed by and look over at me and you know what I do? I don't wave I just keep going.

Please, don't get me started on Kawasaki guys. Ninjas? What are you, twelve years old? Team Green my ass. I never wave at Kawasaki guys.

I ride a Honda, and I'll only wave at Honda guys, but even then, I'll never wave at a guy in full leathers. Never, never, never. Yeah like you're going to get your knee down on the New York Thruway. Nice crotch, by the way. Guys in full leathers will never get a wave from me, and by the way, neither will the guys in two piece leathers. And I'll tell you who else I'm not waving at - those guys with the helmets with loud paint jobs. Four pounds of paint on a two pound helmet - like I'm going to wave back at that! I'll also never wave at someone with a mirrored visor. Or helmet stickers. Or racing gloves. Or hiking boots.

MAYBE....!

Maybe God wanted us to meet he wrong people before meeting the right one so that when we finally meet the right person we will know how to be grateful for that gift.

Maybe when the door of happiness closes, another opens, but often times we look so long at the closed door that we don't see the one which has been opened for us.

Maybe the best kind of friend is the kind you can sit on a porch and swing with, never say a word, and then walk away feeling like it was the best conversation you've ever had.

Maybe it is true that we don't know what we have until we lose it, but it is also true that we don't know what we have been missing until it arrives.

Giving someone all your love is never an assurance that they will love you back. Don't expect love in return; just wait for it to grow in their heart; but if it does not, be content it grew in yours.

It takes only a minute to get a crush on someone, an hour to like someone, and a day to love someone, but it takes a lifetime to forget someone.

Don't go for looks; they can deceive. Don't go for wealth; even that fades away. Go for someone who makes you smile because it takes only a smile to make a dark day seem bright. Find the one that makes your heart smile.

There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real.

Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough hope to make you happy.

Always put yourself in others, shoes. If you feel that it hurts you, it probably hurts the other person too.

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes along their way.

Happiness lies for those who cry, those who hurt, those who have searched, and those who have tried, for only they can appreciate the importance of people who have touched their lives.

Love begins with a smile, grows with a kiss and ends with a tear.

The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past, you can't go on well in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches.

When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Life your life so that when you die, you are the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying!

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CB#33 ABC Restaurant @ 9:15am

2350 Boundary at Lougheed Hwy.

BC-B Campbell River/Courtney 3rd Sunday

Ernie & Halina Lambert 250-923-4871

CB#33 Popsies Log Grill @ 9:00am

1120 Ironwood St.

Every Tuesday @ Tim Hortons

Coffee @ 7:00pm.

3rd Monday BC-C Chilliwack/Fraser Valley

Bruce & Joan Dunmall 604-703-0498

Cross Roads Family Restaurant @ 6:30pm 1821 Sumas Way, Abbotsford. 852-1614

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1st Wednesday BC-D Surrey

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Wayne & Louise Manuel 604 584-1452

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Friday 7pm.

1st Tuesday BC-G Kamloops

Ron & Penny Marshall 250-573-4037

CB#33 Brass Kettle @ 7:00pm.1485 West T.C.H.

Coffee: West Rock Bakery, Thurs. 7:00

2nd Wednesday BC-H Dawson Creek

Ken & Marion Guay 250-782-2959

CB#33 Hart of the North Café @ 7:30

Apr.-Oct. Coffee & Ride Wed. 7:30

Every Saturday BC-K Kelowna

Ralph & Joan Young, 250-766-1390

CB#33 The Specialty Bakery, 833 Finns Rd..

Kelowna. Every Saturday Breakfast

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2nd Monday **BC-P** Prince George

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CB#33 Fortune Palace @ 6:00pm Peden Hill.

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2nd Sunday **BC-V** Victoria

Garry & Monique Shrive 250-380-4624

CB#33 DG's Rest. @ 9:00am

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Deadline for articles to go in the newsletter is one week prior to the monthly meeting.

Meryl Davies.

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