

GOLD NUGGETS



G.W.R.R.A.

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WOW!!! THE END OF OCTOBER ALREADY!!



As the riding season nears an end..... Hate to have to say that but the toy runs have come and gone so the end of fall must be approaching.

Back a bit to start this article. After the September meeting 9 bikes or so ventured out to Black Tusk. The weather was great... the meeting was short...all the stars were in alignment!!! The ride up was great. Now for the memory test. Fred Grosser, Wayne Thurber, Ivan Armstrong, Ed and Kathy Drozdik, myself, Brian Davis and family, Meryl Davies, Paul Wing...I hope I didn't miss anyone...took part. Along for the ride as far as the Black Tusk turnoff were Arnie and Janet Tucker who were going on to Whistler.

On the way up I led and spent a fair bit of effort making sure we uck together. Traffic was light so there were not very many ames when we had to get the group back together. Once we reached Black Tusk, as usual, Bob and Vicky Resch were superb hosts.....burgers, chips, soft drinks, salad, and Vicky's world famous beans. Man, are they good or what!!!! The weather at Black Tusk continued great for the afternoon – sunny and warm. We all rode down to the lake for the customary group shot (I have this terrible feeling I forgot someone in the group).

We left about 2:30 for the ride back. One bike left a bit early for a side ride to Whistler. A few of us left together and, by chance, we met up with Arnie and Janet Tucker as they passed Black Tusk southbound. Traffic was a lot heavier on the way back. Meryl rode back with me...I can't recall the reason she switched from Ivan's bike where she had ridden on the way up. Anyway, Meryl is great company although on thinking back she was probably wondering why the heck I was so driven to pass in the passing lanes.

I'm afraid my lack of leader training showed during the trip back. With heavier traffic it seemed that every passing lane offered an opportunity to pass some offending vehicle. Traveling in a subgroup of about 5 bikes, we assumed the back group were coming along behind. Despite unsuccessful attempts to get them by CB, I still figured they were just behind us. Meryl and I were to join up

with Ivan back at the abc to get Meryl's truck and return Ivan's helmet. Meryl and I hung around there for about 15 minutes and decided that Ivan had gone home in another direction.

Shortly after I had arrived home, Ivan called, advising that Arnie and Janet had had an accident at Britannia and that they had been taken to Squamish Hospital. Ivan, riding behind them, had not seen exactly what had happened. He had seen them pass a vehicle and end up on the right hand side of the traffic lane against the railway embankment. Ivan had helped guide traffic until the ambulance arrived. Paul Wing was also in attendance and assisted as well. Paul went to the hospital to make sure they were okay. Ivan says that he had shouted "biker down" into his CB in the hope of catching our front group but either just didn't get through to us or pressed the wrong button to transmit.

The moral of the story – make sure you take group rider training so you handle yourself correctly in situations such as this. Group riding carries with it responsibilities for the rest of the group, whether you are leading or not.

Arnie and Janet are fine but stiff. The bike is a bit dinged but not too bad. All in all — could have been worse. Thanks to Ivan and Paul for caring and helping. Special thanks to Bob Patterson from Squamish who, when notified, immediately swung into action and provided the Squamish connection. Also thanks to Ken Thornton and Chapter D for their help.

Personal matters have taken Margaret and I to Calgary twice in the last three weekends. When we purchased our first Wing in Vancouver we fondly recalled the short summers in Calgary and thought how great it was to live in Vancouver where the riding season was so much longer. The weather in Calgary this past weekend was absolutely great one day, tolerable the other. I noticed a number of bikes on the road – Harley's, early and later wings – all enjoying the late fall weather. In retrospect I'm not so sure our riding season is much longer than theirs. In fact, a late fall day on the prairies can be better than in Vancouver.

Because of trips to Calgary Margaret and I weren't able to participate in either of the toy runs. Brian Davis reports that he attended both. Claiming not to be another Ernest Hemmingway, Brian declined to send a report for the newsletter but did agree to give us a report at the meeting

Chapter Director: Barry & Margaret Irvine Phone: (604) 597-8547 Ass't Chapter Director: Rick McIvor & Heather Leslie Phone: (604) 273-7282 BCA Web Site: http://users.imag.net/~opie/ He did report that the Vancouver Toy Run seemed to be well down in numbers, perhaps due to lack of publicity that may have resulted in a lack of advertising funds for BCCOM. He also noted that there was what appeared to be almost an absence of Wings at Chilliwack. He and son Brent ended up having lunch with the Alki Angels, an experience that both he and Brent will recall fondly for many years.

To upcoming events – in December we have our Christmas potluck dinner at Unwin Hall. This is always a super event with Santa Claus attending along with songs led by Chapter A's own minstrels. We are also hoping to hold our bi-annual trip to Leavenworth to view the Christmas lighting ceremony and drop a few bucks for great presents. Make sure you sign up.

Barry and Margaret

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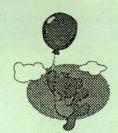
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November

18th

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REMINDER!!

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS EVENTS?



BC-A CHRISTMAS POTLUCK AND GIFT EXCHANGE. December 1st, 2000.

Good food and the "wild" gift exchange!

LEAVENWORTH BUS TRIP.

December 9th, 2000 Fun bus trip, great scenery, beautiful lights and SHOPPING!

RIDE TO SQUAMISH - M. Davies

On waking up Sunday morning, September 23rd and checking the weather it was great to see that our bout of Indian summer was continuing. I headed out the door for the Chapter A meeting looking forward to meeting people, having breakfast and planning something outdoorsy for the rest of the day. At 8:20am the room at the ABC was rather empty, but half an hour later, mucho people. The meeting went quickly as a ride had been planned up past Squamish to Bob Resch's country estate. I was delighted when Ivan Armstrong said his co-rider seat was empty and would I like to go. Five minutes later with

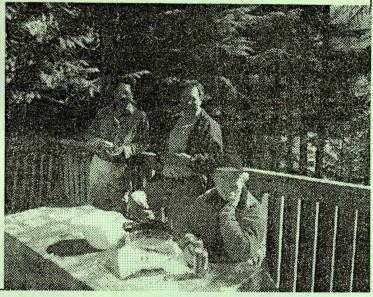


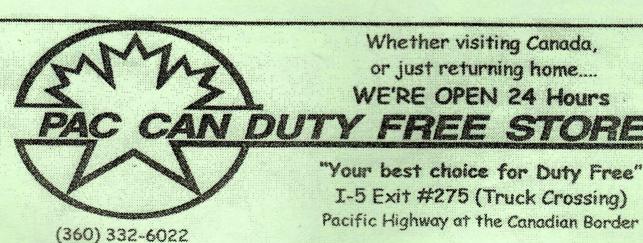
borrowed helmet, borrowed jacket and gloves I looked like a Sally Ann reject, but anything (well almost anything) for a bike ride. Eight bikes set off. There are days when everything comes together and this was one of them. A mellow, sunny fall day riding on a Wing up the sea to sky highway, water, mountains, it's a picture to put in your scrapbook of memories.

It seemed all too soon that we arrived at the Resch's place. The first thing we noticed was that Mr. Resch was wearing a rather unique helmet. Rather than try to describe it please see the very

enchanting picture of Bob and his helmet. Vicki and Bob made us all very welcome. With all that fresh air, hamburgers. pop and goodies went down very well. It was good to see new members, the Drozdiks and Paul Wing. Time passed quickly, as it does when you are having fun, eating and talking. We all rode down to the lake and Barry took photos of the bikes and people with this very impressive digital camera he had acquired. Great discussion on digital camera technology when we returned to Bob's place. It was with reluctance we left the goodies and conversation we were having on Bob's very pleasant deck.

As Ivan was hearing an unwelcome noise from his bike, it was decided I should go back on Barry's bike. I considered it part of the day's experience – ride up on an 1100 and ride home on a 1500 – as my grandson would say.... Coooool!! It was just as an exhilarating ride home, especially just before Brackendale where the view of snowcapped mountains would rival Alpine scenery. All to soon it was back to the ABC restaurant where I returned my borrowed clothes and it was back to four wheels and home. What a great day in terms of weather, riding, the Resch's hospitality and country surroundings.





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The fees are the cheapest Rally ever ~ Last year it was \$8.00 U.S. each person and that got you Grand Prize, Door Prize, Fun Run and Preregistration Drawing tickets, along with entertainment. There may also be a Dinner you would want to remember and sign up for, but all will come out in the flyer.

This just gives you an idea of what to look forward to in the spring ~

Charlene - WA-S

CPR ON YOURSELF-

Let's say it's 6:15 p.m. and you're driving home(alone of course), after an unusually hard day on the job. You're really

tired, upset and frustrated. Suddenly you start experiencing severe pain in your chest that starts to radiate out into your arm and up into your jaw. You are only about five miles from the hospital nearest your home; unfortunately you don't know if you'll be able to make it that far.

What can you do? You've been trained in CPR but the guy that taught the course neglected to tell you how to perform it on yourself.

HOW TO SURVIVE A HEART ATTACK WHEN ALONE!

(Since many people are alone when they suffer a heart attack, this article seemed in order.)

Without help, the person whose heart stops beating properly and who begins to feel faint, has only about 10 seconds left before losing consciousness. However, these victims can help themselves by coughing repeatedly and very vigorously. A deep breath should be taken before each cough, and the cough must be deep and prolonged, as when producing sputum from deep inside the chest. A breath and a cough must be repeated about every two seconds without let up until help arrives, or until the heart is felt to be beating normally again.

Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs and coughing movements squeeze the heart and keep the blood circulating. The squeezing pressure on the heart also helps it regain normal rhythm. In this way, heart attack victims can get to a hospital.

Tell as many other people as possible about this, it could save their lives!

From Health Cares, Rochester General Hospital via Chapter 240's newsletter AND THE BEAT GOE S ON ... (reprint from The Mended Hearts, Inc. publication, Heart Response)

PROFICIENT MOTORCYCLING: THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO RIDING WELL.

By David

David Hough

Those of you who have read your October edition of Wing World from cover to cover will have read the review of the above book. It comes highly recommended. David Hough writes regularly for Motorcycle Consumer News and the above book came about as an accumulation of his columns. John Plant of our chapter has purchased this book and drew it to members' attention at the September meeting. The review is on page 24.



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Please keep in mind that changes may occur in our schedule. We will make these changes in future newsletters as we are notified

" DECISIONS"

We all make decisions every day of our lives - from what to wear, eat etc.., but maybe none affect us quite as much as those we make when out on our bikes!

This has been brought home quite dramatically to me twice in the last two weeks. Once in Britannia Beach - right in front of me, and once a week later on Kingsway in Burnaby. In the first a man and his wife were thrown from their Wing when they hit an enbankment, luckily nothing was broken except a few parts of the bike, and in the second a sports bike tried to go through the side of a Jeep Cherokee in an intersection.

I won't comment on the cause of either accident except to say that when it comes to bikes we can't win! True, leather and Helmets helped in both cases but had these have been cars all would probably have walked away instead of leaving on a stretcher in the back of an ambulance!

I believe that snap decisions are best left for those times when there is no other choice, they should not be made in the course of normal events. Lane changes, turns and over-taking should all be pre-planned where possible.

Easy for me to say? Yes I hope so based on what I have just witnessed.

Happy trails, Ivan

Born to be wild!

In August 1885, a wooden bicycle power by an internal-combustion engine was patented in Germany. Gottlieb Daimler's Einspur had a one-half horsepower engine and could reach 19 kilometres an hour. (It was an advance over an English steam-powered model exhibited in 1881.) Some notes on bikes and bikers.

- Early motorbikes appealed to the young and adventurous. They had to be started with a running push. Some engines were ignited by preheating a gas-filled tube with a flame.
- The popularity of the vehicle grew after 1910. It was used in both world wars, mainly for dispatching and between the wars as a sport vehicle.
- Law-enforcement files show that most U.S. motorcycle gangs started in California in the 1940's when groups of military veterans had trouble settling down into civilian life. One of these associations, the "Pissed Off Bastards" of Bloomington, eventually became the Hell's Angels.
- In 1947, a riotous biker weekend in Hollister, California, spawned the leather-jacketed, outlaw image of riders. It also inspired the 1954 movie The Wild One, starring Marlon Brando.
- Japanese motorcycle gangs, the Bosozoku, imitate the outlaw Brando look, but they ride domestic bikes. The beat people up and violate anti-noise laws.

Courtesy of Gord Auld.



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CB#3

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CB#20

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2nd Monday

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CB#8

Fortune Palace @ 6:00pm

Peden Hill

3rd Sunday

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CB#20

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See you there!

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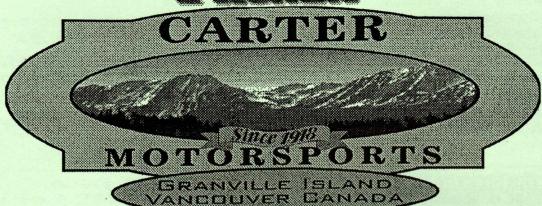
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