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RIDING SEASON IS FINALLY HERE

Judging by the turnout of bikes and riders for our first weather-permitted Chapter ride on 22 April 07, a lot of members were waiting for this weather. 19 bikes is a good turnout for our first ride, which Janet and I had to miss due to family commitments. We hope to join many of you on future rides for this year.

May is the month that we start thinking about one of the biggest Charity Rides the NCR puts on. I'm speaking of course about the Motorcycle Ride for Dad, which is now in its seventh year. This year the ride will be held on 26 May 07 and will depart at 9:00 am from the Coca Cola Distribution Centre at 3070 Hawthorne Road (next to Princess Auto) which is the same location as last year.

THE MOTORCYCLE RIDE FOR DAD

The first ride began in Ottawa in 2000. Garry Janz, along with the support of the Ottawa Police Association, the Ottawa Regional Cancer Centre Foundation and a handful of volunteers, organized that first Ride. Since then, the Ride has been raising money for prostate cancer research and education. Men, women and children rally each year to support the Ride in staggering numbers. This year will be even more exciting as new Ride for Dad Chapters continue to join the fight against prostate cancer in other Canadian cities. The Captain's Club is designed to recognize and honour those riders who consistently participate in the Motorcycle Ride for Dad and, each year, collect hundreds of dollars in pledges for prostate cancer research and education.

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The Captain's Club Recognition Levels

BRONZE - accumulated pledges of \$1,000 or more

SILVER - accumulated pledges of \$2,500 or more

GOLD - accumulated pledges of \$5,000 or more

DIAMOND - accumulated pledges of \$10,000 or more

Several members of our Chapter are now honoured to find themselves in most levels of the Captains Club. Dennis Jackson and Wayne Kadoski are at the Diamond Level. Gerry Lecavalier and Ken Erickson are at the Silver Level. Eric Lecavalier, Ray Komendat, Doug Wright and John Bowser are at the Bronze Level. Many, many more members have contributed to this great charity over the years and their names will be added as they progress through the different levels. My apologies go to members which I may have missed. So, as you can see Ottawa Valley Wings has in the past and will continue to advance this great cause with maximum participation by many of its members. I remain in awe of these special people who have gone the extra mile to support this Ride and others such as Arthur

Smith who volunteer their time to assist with the administration of this great charity.

Bravo Zulu to all those members who have in the past and still continue to support this Ride.

☺☺ *Keith*

APRIL WING NIGHT

As you may know the April wing night was held at Lapointes Restaurant in Bells Corners. Well, I can tell you now I was a little worried about my selection but thank goodness our members came out and showed me I need not have been concerned. We had 29 members order dinners and enjoy the wonderful dishes that Lapointes has to offer. I think John had a most interesting dinner and Toni left no doubt in his bowl that the food was good. Carol W. won the fantastic 50/50 draw and she took home a whopping \$50.00. Every one had fun and the service was great.



I'm in the Money!

MAY MEET & GREET

The evening was beautiful, we could not have ordered

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nicer weather for the first Meet and Greet for 2007, and we had 15 bikes turn up. Everyone enjoyed chatting and meeting new people plus showing of their bikes for the Tim Horton's clients. We said welcome to Rory & Patsy and Shaun who came out to their first chapter event and we hope they had a good time and hope to see them at more events. The 50/50 draw was won by Rainer; a nice \$37.50. We also drew for RnB Foods jar of BIG BANG Barbeque sauce that went to Bruce Morrison. Irene is to join Bruce shortly so hope she will enjoy a tasty supper made by Bruce. John Bunker traveled from Perth to take part in the evening one and a half hour ride to spend time with his fellow members. Thanks, John, that's great! By the way, I'm still interested in having someone take notes of how far members come to attend the Meet & Greet and Wing nights so as to give the winner some badge of honor for the traveling time. I thought it might be interesting and fun.

MAY WING NIGHT

Well, Members, another evening to meet with fellow riders, chat, have fun and enjoy some wonderful food. We are trying something a little

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different and hope you will come to check it out.

Swan on the Rideau
2730 River Road, (at the Kars Bridge)

DATE: Tues 29th May

TIME: 7. P.M.

Phone: 613 692-4550

We will have our own private upstairs area which is very cozy and has a nice view. Dinner will be a little different and the cost is \$12.00 each but drinks are extra. George and Georgia guarantee you will enjoy the food as they have many groups that gather at their restaurant and all have positive feedback. The food will be a social buffet with different types of finger food, vegetables with dip and salads. More details will go out the week before the event.

ADVANCED RIDER COURSE



All the Gear, All the Time!

On Saturday May 5, 2007 Keith and I dropped in to observe the members who were participants on the course. It was a very windy day, but the sun was

shining brightly. We watched the experienced instructors put the riders through their paces and left knowing that they would be safer on the roads and highways with this new knowledge or, as in most cases, refreshed knowledge. Ron Lemieux was hailed as the Bunny Hop expert in jumping the 4 x 4. I'm sure that any passenger in this part of the course would be holding a sore butt or neck; we can see why it's a one up course only.



This had better not damage the bike.

JOKE CORNER

A cardiologist died and was given an elaborate funeral. A huge heart covered in flowers stood behind the casket during the service. Following the eulogy, the heart opened, and the casket rolled inside.

The heart then closed, sealing the doctor in the beautiful heart forever.

At that point, one of the mourners burst into

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laughter. When all eyes stared at him, he said, "I'm sorry, I was just thinking of my own funeral.... I'm a gynecologist." That's when the proctologist fainted.

Thanks to Paul Taylor.

JOKES AND STUFF

After just reading this joke we think it's time to say a few words on the practice of sharing jokes and other bits and pieces. GWRRA have guidelines for e-mail protocol which include no Politics and/or Religion. We ask members to respect their Fellow Chapter Members with a simple question. Would they like or want to receive any e-mails in the nature of jokes, etc? Please do this before sending out e-mails to other members as we still have members out there on dial-up and some e-mails which are not important are taking up valuable time to down load. We appreciate your co-operation in making e-mailing a joy not a pain. Yes there are members who like to get the odd joke, but others are just too busy to bother. Remember that members also have family and non biking friends who may be sending stuff too so sometimes it gets a bit overwhelming. We have had the newsletter put into

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PDF so that we, your directors, also do not give members a pain by having long downloads. In talking about jokes we would like to express to members if we have offended any one with our Joke corner we sincerely apologize.

GWRRRA REGION K RENDEZVOUS 2007

The Rendezvous 2007, Region "K" – Central Canada GWRRRA 30th Anniversary Rally will take place on August 3 – 5th in St Thomas, Ontario. Please check out the [region web site](#). We have registration forms if you need them.

2nd ANNUAL OTTAWA VALLEY BIKE SHOW

The 2nd Annual Ottawa Valley Bike show is coming June 2nd and 3rd.

MOTHERS DAY RIDE

Well, Mothers Day weather was cool, but no rain so our small group of four bikes, six people headed out to the Sarasota Trailer Factory which is in Frankville, just past Jasper heading south. Our guide for the tour was already working away; no sense wasting the time waiting for us; you know idle hands and all that. Murray, accompanied by his little poodle Teddybear, did a great job explaining

and showing the different things the company is into. Looking for a kayak or lamp posts for the front entrance? Look no further, they make them there. We are welcome to come back some other time to visit with a bigger group if anyone is interested. Check out the web site at:

www.sarasotatrailers.com

Just before the tour ended guess who found us?? After the tour three bikes headed to the waterfront in Brockville for a snack, and a very hasty trip home on the big Hwy. Hey, not my first choice.

BIRTH AND ANNIVERSARY DATES

To our newest members send in your dates to patandpaultaylor@rogers.com

For June we send our greetings to:

Christine Dufresne for her Birthday on the 2nd of June.

We have Anniversaries for Deb & Andy Campbell on the 2nd and Connie & Roch Dorion on the 9th.

Just a couple more birthdays for June, we have Marc Dorion on the 22nd and James Scobie on the 23rd.

WING DING

This year's event is held in Billings, Montana and your itinerary should be finalized by now in order

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to get the rooms you want. The organizers will be holding an appreciation to the Chapters event this year because of the 30th anniversary. Our chapter needs to have one of our members who will be attending Wing Ding to represent us at the event. If you are attending and would consider this please let us know, and thank you in advance.

TECH DAY

Our Annual Tech Day was finally held on 12 May at Ray and Nicole's home two weeks later than originally scheduled. A special thanks to Ray for the use of his facilities, tools and general knowledge and to Nicole who had to put up with a bunch of bikers tramping through her house. Ken E. did a great job at the BBQ.



Cheri needs a few good men on the job

NEXT NEWSLETTER

Coming in our next Newsletter:

-More Ride Reports

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**-Feedback from Swan on
the Rideau**
-More Fun Stuff
Don't miss it