



GWRRRA

Kickoff Meeting
Roswell
Saturday
7 June 08, 12 Noon
Golden Corral
2624 N. Main
575-622-5102

Chapter R →

News Letter

District: New Mexico

Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge

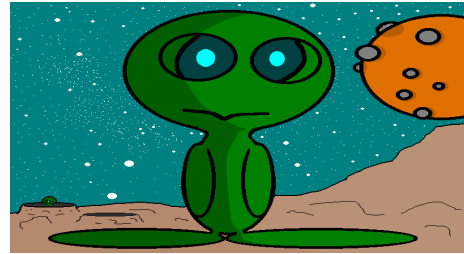


May 2008

Saturday, June 7, 2008,
12:00 Noon

**Everyone kick the tires,
light the fire & come on
to the Golden Corral in
Roswell for our:
Chapter R**

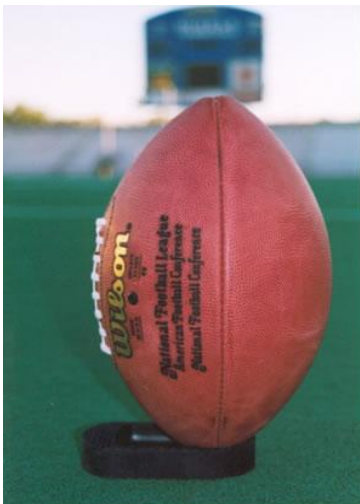
Plan on joining in on:
Chapter R's



Celebration of



Kickoff MEETING



Our
Kickoff Meeting

All GWRRRA chapters in New Mexico are invited to attend this meeting in June. The Region F Director, Neil Zack, sends his congrats!!!

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR:

Our gathering on June 7, 2008 is our chapter's "Kickoff Meeting," the day everyone who has worked so hard to achieve is looking for. As you know, we were presented our Charter by Region F Director, Neil Zack, at the district meeting on March 30th in Las Lunas. Thanks to the effort of everyone, we are off to a good start with more folks wanting to join and with the continued input and efforts of you, our members. I can see Chapter R being one of the best chapters in the state. Our Kickoff Meeting is the final results. The work is done so all that's left is to "LET THE FUN BEGIN."

Ride Safe:
Jim and Pauline

Minutes of May 3rd Meeting:

We had five members from Roswell and six from Carlsbad attending. The 50/50 was won by Art Waltrip, a new attendee and potential new member from Roswell. We all enjoyed meeting Art. We all gave Ken & Terry Ryder's new white pearl 2008 Gold Wing a real close inspection ---- it passed with flying colors. We discussed a lunch ride to Lincoln, NM that was to take place on May 10th. Due to several conflicts of our members this ride did not take place. A new lunch ride is scheduled – see activity area. We all enjoyed the pizza and salad bar at the Pizza Inn. Jim along with some other folks had some conflicts resulting in their absence. Pauline made it down but had to return early to get back to work herself.

New Members:

We enjoyed having Art Waltrip from Roswell join us in Carlsbad. He was riding an older Gold Wing that we enjoyed seeing.

The Remaining >>> Chapter R Gatherings for 2008:

(All gatherings are the first Saturday of each month. Time is at 12:00 noon.)

ROSWELL

Golden Corral
2624 N. Main
575-622-5102

June 7th

September 6th

December 6th

ARTESIA

Pecos Diamond Steak House

601 S. First Street

575-746-4545

July 5th

October 4th

CARLSBAD

Pizza Inn

1210 W. Pierce

575-887-5049

August 2nd

November 1st

Below are the open positions still remaining in the Chapter & their descriptions:

Activity / Ride Coordinator:

Instructs, informs and assist the road captains, group leaders and other participants in the group rides. Coordinates and plans monthly activities as suggested by the membership.

Phone Tree Coordinator: (one for Roswell & Artesia)

Sets up and maintains a phone tree among the members. If we need to get in contact with everyone in a hurry the Director can ask the Phone Tree Coordinator to call his/her list.

Special Events Coordinator:

Direct the planning and implementation of special events such as poker runs, fun runs, etc.

Your Chapter Staff: (area code: 575)

Chapter Director – Jim Richards 627-7692
Assist. Chapter Dir. – Ken Ryder 302-1019
Secretary/Treasure – Mark Boyd 622-7483
Chapter Educator – Henry Grimm 734-5883
News Letter Editor – Bob Sherman 420-3789
Activity/Ride Coord. – Open _____
Phone Tree Coordinator
Roswell – Open _____
Artesia – Open _____
Carlsbad – Terry Ryder 302-1019
Special Events Coord. – Open _____
Ways & Mns C. – Pauline Richards 627-7692

Email or call me with suggestions for the News Letter. rksherman@cablone.net
575-420-3789 Thanks, Bob Sherman



Keeping the Shiny Side Up :
Continuing the listings of the “**Hurt Study**” findings:

Reference: “Motorcycle Accident Cause Factors and Identification of Countermeasures, Vol. 1, Technical Report, Hurt, H.H., Ouellet, J.V., and Thom, D.R., Traffic Safety Center, University of Southern California, Contract No. DOT HS-5-01160, January 1981 (final report).

Summary of findings: (findings 19 to 25 out of 53)

* Motorcycle riders between the ages of 16 and 24 are significantly overrepresented in accidents; motorcycle riders between the ages of 30 and 50 are significantly underrepresented. Although the majority of the accident-involved motorcycle riders are male (96%), the female motorcycle riders are significantly overrepresented in the accident data.
* Craftsmen, laborers, and students comprise most of the accident-involved

motorcycle riders. Out of this group, professionals, sales workers, and craftsmen are underrepresented and laborers, students and unemployed are overrepresented in the accidents.
* Motorcycle riders with previous recent traffic citations and accidents are overrepresented in the accident data.
* The motorcycle riders involved in accidents are essentially without training; 92% were self-taught or learned from family or friends. Motorcycle rider training experience reduces accident involvement and is related to reduced injuries in the event of accidents.
* More than half of the accident-involved motorcycle riders had less than 5 months experience on the accident motorcycle, although the total street riding experience was almost 3 years. Motorcycle riders with dirt bike experience are significantly underrepresented in the accident data.
* Lack of attention to the driving task is a common factor for the motorcyclist in an accident.
* Almost half of the fatal accidents show alcohol involvement.

Always looking for inputs on MC safety.
Bob Sherman rksherman@cablone.net

Caution – Caution – Caution - Caution



SCHOOL’S OUT !!!

May 23rd is the last day of school in Roswell. Other towns will also be out by then or getting out the following week. Please be careful of the students as they start their summer vacation. They know to stop, look and listen before crossing streets but often do not.

Upcoming Events:

National: (Some of the Major MC Events)

June:

Americade, June 2-7, Lake George, New York. The largest U.S. touring rally.

www.tourexpo.com

(Note: Our Ken & Terry Ryder are in route to Americade now)

The 11th Annual Mother Road

Ride/Rally, June 14-21, Chicago to Los Angeles. Get your kicks on Route 66.

www.hhjm.com/rally

Honda Hoot, June 18-21 Knoxville, TN

The 15th Anniversary all-brand rally offers self-guided tours, a huge vendor expo, fireworks show, demo rides, Ride for Kids charity event, poker run, street parties and more. Wyona Judd will perform a special private concert at the Civic Coliseum as part of the Hoot's closing ceremonies.

www.hondahoot.com

JULY:

Wing Ding 30, July 3-6 Greenville, SC. The Gold Wing Road Riders Association national rally returns to Greenville for poker runs, guided tours, seminars, door prizes, vendors, drill teams, field events, Honda demo rides (and trike demos), a bike show, talent show, light parade and grand parade, fireworks and grand prize Gold Wing.

www.gwrra.org & www.wing-ding.org

Gold Rush XXI, July 14-17, Billings MT. The national event of the Gold Wing Touring Association.

www.gwta.org

National Ride to Work Day – July 16th

Local Area:

Roswell:

June:

7 June: GWRRA ride planned after Kickoff Meeting:

A local Roswell area ride of approximately one hour will leave Golden Coral shortly after the 7 June meeting is over. So come with a full tank of gas ready to ride.

14 June: GWRRA ride to Lincoln for lunch:

Ride to Lincoln, NM for lunch at the Wortley Hotel; shopping in Ruidoso; ice cream at Mickey D's. Meet at West Second Street and Sycamore Avenue at the Town and Country in Roswell at 10:15 AM. Must make reservations at the Wortley Hotel prior to going. If going, call: Pauline Richards @ (575) 627-7692.

28 June GWRRA ride to the Omni Theater in Alamogordo at the Space Museum:

Everyone meet at McDonalds in Artesia at 8:30 AM. We will leave from there no later than 9:00 AM. Be sure your gas tank is full. We will take State Route 82 West through Hope, Mayhill and Cloudcroft to Alamogordo. This route is a nice 2.5 hour ride with straights and curves. We can stop in Cloudcroft for lunch or wait for Alamogordo. This will be up to the group. The Imax Theater has a tour rate of \$6.25 per person which includes a tour of the Space Museum as well as the theater. There will be three shows: Alien Adventure, Blue Planet and Dolphins. Specific times for the shows are not scheduled yet but shows start every hour. The route home will be through Ruidoso with an ice cream stop.

Artesia, Carlsbad, Hobbs,

Lovington: (no rides reported to me)

There may be other MC activities going on in Carlsbad, Artesia, Hobbs & Lovington. If you know of some activity in July, August, etc. please bring the info to our next meeting so I can include it in June's news letter or email me.
Thanks, Bob Sherman