

Springs Wings Colorado Springs Chapter I

Harder's Happenings

We are excited about the new Officer appointments this month. Along with those changes we have reviewed the ways our chapter communicates with each other. We are making changes to some of those processes so that all of us can spend more time on our bikes rather than on the computer. After all, that's why all of us are in the chapter.

We currently have several forums for communicating. The first one is our monthly meetings that are a great source for new info and a good time to socialize. Then we have our chapter calendar that contains all planned rides and events for the year. The phone tree is a nice resource for pickup rides and important/emergency notices. This newsletter is an invaluable tool. It is full of important info that Linda includes to make sure everyone knows what's going on and when. Treat duty at the meetings, motorcycle parts and pieces for sale, other chapter events and rally information is all included. You will find most of what you need to know in this newsletter. All of these forums are great sources of information.

The final forum in which we communicate is via e-mails. We send out "broadcast" messages from you to all other chapter members that include dinner ride info, camping info and ride info. And occasionally we have info from District that needs to go out as well. Then there are those dreaded "Weekly Reminders" that contain info about events taking place within the next two weeks along with important future dates. These reminders are going away. When you think about all the different info forums and the info they contain, there is no need for the reminders. Every bit of info in the reminders has already been talked about, e-mailed or is in the newsletter.

The key to being informed is to write things down when first announced. Bring your calendars to the chapter meetings and take notes. Jot down info from e-mails received or print them out, whether or not you've decided to attend a particular ride/event. By jotting things down in advance if you do decide to go you will have all of the info and you can avoid running around at the last minute trying to find out where and what time people are leaving or meeting.

Another forum that will be changing will be the format of the chapter calendar. We have looked at other chapter's calendars and really like Chapter L's format. Their calendar is a wealth of info that includes member info (names, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses) along with emergency contacts. It is also half the size as ours and is easily carried in your trunk. In order to have your info in the calendar, we will be passing out an info form for you to complete and sign.

As an officer with GWRRA, we are required to sign a Confidentiality Statement agreeing that we won't share your info with anyone not even other chapter members, without your permission. Therefore, by having you sign the info form you are agreeing that we can publish your info in our chapter calendars. We will have these forms available at the picnic in August and all chapter meetings through December. Compiling all of this info will be quite an undertaking and that's why we are starting now. The planned outcome of having all of this info available to other chapter members is so you can communicate with each other without having to go through your chapter directors.

Another area that we need to tackle is the signup sheet at the meetings. Please list all requested info. In reviewing this sheet with our membership listing we find that several of you who come to all rides, events and meetings are not on the membership list that we receive from GWRRA. In order for us to cor-

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rect these omissions we need your GWRRA membership number with dates so that we can send them your info. If it is not an omission and you aren't a member, please join our group. You already know what a great time we have riding, learning and socializing. So why not become an official member of GWRRA as well as Chapter I?

As summer begins to wind down, please start thinking about rides for next year. Our calendar/riding planning session is immediately following the November chapter meeting. Let's get those thoughts and ideas researched and have them ready to present to the group. We are always looking for interesting ideas and with a chapter of this size it shouldn't be hard to do.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the annual picnic in August. This year's venue has changed and we will be taking over Dirty Woman Creek Park in Monument on August 2. We always have a great time and the food is wonderful. Everyone brings a potluck dish and we do what we do best ...EAT!!!

Please feel free to give us your feedback regarding the changes being made. We always welcome new ideas and hope that these communication changes will streamline most of our communication needs. We hope our chapter continues to grow and that everyone participates in the planning of rides, events and activities.

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge,

Tom & Monica Harder Chapter I Directors

Need Leathers ??

During the meeting last month Jeannie mentioned a website she found that has quality leathers, yet inexpensive in cost.

Plus, free shipping this month.

www.leathermotorcyclejacketandapparel.com

Meeker Sheep Dog Trials Trip



Sheep Dog Trials in Meeker, Colorado will be help September 3-7. We are planning to leave sometime Friday the 5th. We will travel to Rifle, check into the motel, have dinner, etc.

If you are interested in making this journey with us, the Buckskin Inn Motel will take your reservation. Call 970-625-1741, press 0 for the front desk. The area around Meeker is oil country so we would suggest you make your reservation soon (many rooms are permanent guests - workers).

More info to follow, or see us at the picnic in August. Website: www.meekersheepdog.com

Marsha & Ron

Meeker Sheep Dog Trial Highlights and Schedule

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday

Pancake breakfast at Trial Site, 7 a.m.

Bagpiper Hugh Thackaberry

Demonstrations in Vending Area

Spinning, weaving, saddlemaking Stockdog handling demonstration, Noon

Saturday

Semi-final Round, 7 a.m., 30 dogs

War Dog Demonstration, Noon

Lion Club BBQ, Courthouse lawn

Rio Blanco Masons Car & Truck Show, Courthouse, Noon

Free outdoor concert, Jon Chandler & the Wichitones, Courthouse lawn

Jackpot Trial (speed trial) Rio Blanco County Fairgrounds

Sunday

Opening Ceremony, 8:15 a.m.

Final Round, 12 dogs

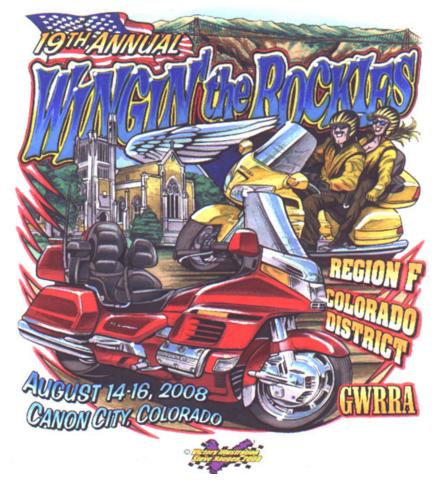
Rio Blanco Woolgrowers Lamb Barbeque Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado, Noon

Award Ceremony after Final Run

FREE—Horse drawn shuttle & Meeker Shuttle Running all day Friday thru Sunday from downtown Meeker locations to/from/ the trial site.

2008 Region F & Colorado State Rally

2008 - Colorado District & Region F Rally will be held in Cañon City, CO. at the Abbey
When - August 14th, 15th & 16th, 2008
The Host Facility is The Abbey
The Host Hotel is the Quality Inn (Cañon Inn) 719-275-8676



LODGING AT THE ABBEY: There are several areas that have rooms for rent.

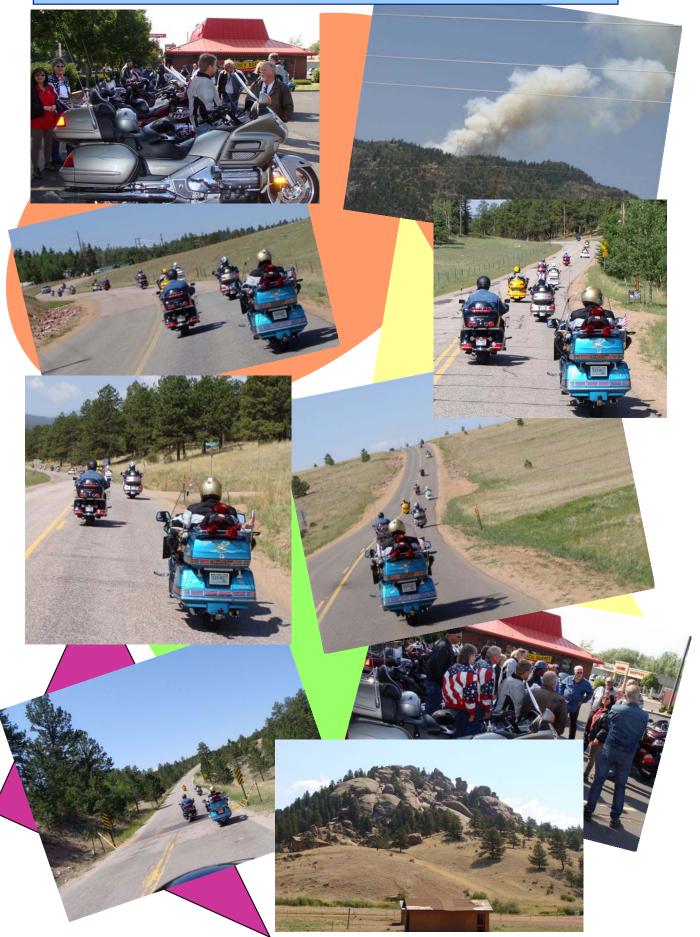
GUEST HOUSE LODGE: This facility is great for a chapter or large group to rent. It rents for \$300.00 per night for up to 10 people. Each additional guest is \$8.00 per night plus 8.4% tax. This would require a 2 night minimum. We would like a 1 night deposit of \$300.00 and it would not be refundable after the 1st of June 2008.

HEDLEY DORMS: This facility has several rooms both for singles and for doubles. A single room is \$30 per night per person, \$20 per night per person for doubles.

MONASTERY ROOMS: This facility also has several rooms both for singles, doubles and triples. A single room is \$30 per night per person, \$20 per night per person for doubles and triples. One unit is available as a family unit that sleeps five.

CONTACT: Sherry Burgener for more information. If you are interested in any of the rooms please put the information on the back of your registration form or email me at sburgener@aol.com. I will contact you with the available information for rental of these units.

Canon City Ride



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Events



July 14—Ken Kerbs
July 23—Butch Shelley
July 24—Debbie Hutchins
July 28—Pat Pittman
July 30—Bill Schraven
August 5—Chris Ward
August 7—Rod Klock
August 16—Laura Edwards
August 16—Debbie Wyman

July 22 Dinner Ride

Hosted by Dean & Joann Hauser

6:00

Meet at the Garden of the Gods Visitor's and nature Center 1805 N. 30th Street at Gateway Rd

6:15

Leave and ride through Garden of the Gods

6:45

Arrive at Amanda's Fonda Restaurant 3625 W. Colorado Ave.

RSVP to Joann or Dean at 579-9369 or email Jhauser3@yahoo.com

August Dinner Ride

will be hosted by George Davis

ANNIVERSARIES

July 15—Earl & Laura Edwards

July 17—Ray & Bea McClellan

July 18—Ken & Delores Kerbs

July 28—Chris & Sandie Erskine

July 15—Paul & Jeannie Bondurant



August 2

Annual Chapter I picnic 10 am - 2 pm

Dirty Woman Creek Park

Monument



Upcoming Rallies

Wyoming—August 14-16, Powell, WY

California—August 28 - 31, Bakersfield, CA

New Mexico - September 26 - 28, Farmington, NM

Kansas—September 26-28, Abilene KS Fairgrounds

Oklahoma—"Hallo Wing 2" Oct. 20-22, Muskogee Civic Center, Muskogee, OK Monster Mash Bash Dance—Thursday, Oct. 9 at 7 pm

Arizona—October 2426, London Bridge Resort, Lake Havasu, AZ



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Liver and Cheese

Three handsome male dogs are walking down the street when they see a beautiful, enticing, female Poodle. The three male dos fall all over themselves in an effort to be the one to reach her first.

The males are speechless before her beauty; slobbering on themselves and hoping for just a glance from her in return.

Aware of her charms and her obvious effect on the three suitors, she decides to be kind and tells, the, "The first one who can use the words 'liver' and 'cheese' together in an imaginative, intelligent sentence can to out with me."

The sturdy, muscular black Lab speaks up quickly and says, "I love liver and cheese."

"Oh, how childish," said the Poodle. "That shows no imagination or intelligence whatsoever."

She turns to the tall, shiny Golden Retriever and says "How ell can you do?"

"Um, I HATE liver and cheese," blurts the Golden Retriever.

"My, my," said the Poodle. "I guess it's hopeless. That's just as dumb as the Lab's sentence."

She then turns to the last of the three dogs and says, "How about you, little guy?"

The last of the three, tiny in stature but big in fame and finesse, is the Taco Bell Chihuahua.

He gives her a smile, a sly wink, turns to the Golden Retriever and the Lab and says,

"Liver alone. Cheese mine."



CAUTION—Snow on the Road

Well, I've heard a lot of different warnings from ride leaders in the past, but "snow in the road ahead" was definitely a first for me. Cliff Childs called out the warning as we were riding over Independence Pass on a bright, crisp Saturday morning in June. Sure enough, coming around the bend, a considerable pile of snow greeted us and needed to be maneuvered around. Luckily there were no vehicles coming up the pass as Myra and Cliff Childs, Don Cruzan and Cathy Luce, and Chris and I traveled down the narrow, twisty road.

We'd spent the night before camping in Buena Vista then set out for a nice ride that would take us up over the pass and down into Aspen. The temps were pretty chilly that night and in the morning it was the same. But after a hearty breakfast we headed out into a very sunny day with bright blue skies – perfect riding weather.

My inner compass was not operating on all cylinders and I was thinking Aspen was about a two hour ride away so I whined that I only wanted to go to Aspen and back. Cliff, ever the diplomat, kindly suggested that we ride to Aspen and then see how we felt. Well, much to my embarrassment, Aspen was only 44 miles away so I was agreeable to travel further.

We stopped for a Kodak moment at the top of the snowy pass – along with many, many other vehicles. We watched a kite snowboarder traverse the summit as the winds pulled on his kite allowing him to sail back and forth across the slope. An amazing sight to watch, but the cold temps got to us and we got back on the bikes to head for warmer territory.

Along the way, and after the snow in the road warning, Cliff warned us of some significant water runoff in the road up ahead. Well, the Childs made it through without a problem and then our bike went through without a hitch. But just as Don and Cathy were rolling across the small river of water, another car passed in the opposite direction completely soaking their bike. Grrrrrrr

Aspen was delightfully warm. None of us wanted to stop so we just enjoyed the scenery as we cruised through town. The wine festival was happening and the streets were busy with cars and people. We decided our next stop would be in Glenwood Springs where we could stretch our legs. A sign was seen for a DQ, which sounded wonderful – if only we could find the darn place. Luckily Chris was able to Google the restaurant, then add it to his GPS and we were soon sitting down and enjoying a delicious cold one. I get a little annoyed with all his techno gadgetry at times, but when it comes to finding a DQ, I really can't complain too much.

From Glenwood Springs we headed through the beautiful canyon and down the highway to Minturn. That little town was hopping and it's sure growing. We pretty much had the road to ourselves from Minturn on and enjoyed the very green hillsides and snow-runoff waterfalls along the way. Colorado in any season is beautiful, and this day was no exception.

Our travels took us through Leadville and then back to our campground in Buena Vista. The Childs' took a much deserved nap upon our return – their little cabin had a most uncomfortable bed so they'd not slept much the night before. Chris and I sure appreciated the wine and cheese that Cathy and Don shared and we passed the time until our delicious dinner at the Coyote Cantina. Because some of us had prior plans for Sunday, we got an early start the next morning and headed home.

I'd not been over Independence Pass for many years, so it was really great to do that again – especially with such a nice group of friends. I noticed a number of wonderful looking campgrounds along the way, and I'm anxious to do some more camping back in that area. While we didn't make it to the All Chapter Meeting, I have to admit I was happy that we had the opportunity for such a wonderful day's ride.



Happy Trails, Sandie



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For Sale

'93 GL1500 SE, original owners and as you can see nearly all items available from Kuryakn at the time is installed on the bike. There are lots of items not visible: Headlight modulator, 4X4 Firefly brake light modulator, Startron (isolates trailer wiring from Motorcycle) All reflectors on the trunk and saddlebags have been replaced with lights, Progressive fork springs, progressive magnumatic air shocks on the rear suspension, two sets of air horns, light bars on the trunk and saddlebags (running and brake lights) two sets of driving lights, 12 disk CD player (brand new), too many other items installed to list here. Wing has always been garaged and has never been down!! We are asking \$12,000 or best offer. Email us at rdnoah@pcisys.net or call at 719-633-0345.











A REDNECK LOVE POEM

SUSIE LEE DONE FELL IN LOVE, SHE PLANNED TO MARRY JOE. SHE WAS SO HAPPY 'BOUT IT ALL, SHE TOLD HER PAPPY SO.

PAPPY TOLD HER, SUSIE GAL, YOU'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER. I'D JUST AS SOON YO' MA DON'T KNOW, BUT JOE IS YO' HALF BROTHER.

SO SUSIE PUT ASIDE HER JOE AND PLANNED TO MARRY WILL. BUT AFTER TELLING PAPPY THIS, HE SAID, 'THERE'S TROUBLE STILL.'

YOU CAN'T MARRY WILL, MY GAL, AND PLEASE DON'T TELL YO' MOTHER. BUT WILL AND JOE, AND SEVERAL MO' I KNOW IS YO' HALF BROTHER.

BUT MAMA KNEW AND SAID, MY CHILD, JUST DO WHAT MAKES YO' HAPPY. MARRY WILL OR MARRY JOE; YOU AIN'T NO KIN TO PAPPY.

Leery of Road Rage?

Beware of stickers By: Shankar Vedantam

Three horrors await Americans who get behind the wheel of a car for a family road trip this summer: the spiraling price of gas, the usual choruses of "Are we there yet?" - and the road rage of fellow drivers.

Divine intervention might be needed for the first two problems, but science has discovered a solution for the third.

Watch out for cars with bumper stickers.

That's the surprising conclusion of a recent study by Colorado State University social psychologist William Szlemko. Drivers of cars with bumper stickers, window decals, personalized license plates and other "territorial markers" not only get mad when someone cuts in their lane or is slow to respond to a changed traffic light, but they are far more likely than those who do not personalize their cars to use their vehicles to express rage — by honking, tailgating and other aggressive behavior.

It does not seem to matter whether the messages on the stickers are about peace and love — "Visualize World Peace," "My Kid Is an Honor Student" — or are angry and in your face — "Don't Mess With Texas," "My Kid Beat Up Your Honor Student."

Aggressive driving might be responsible for up to two-thirds of U.S. traffic accidents that involve injuries.

People who personalize their cars acknowledge they are aggressive drivers, but usually do not realize they are reporting much higher levels of aggression than people whose cars do not have visible markers, Szlemko and his colleagues found.

Drivers who do not personalize their cars get angry, too, but they don't act out their anger, Szlemko and his colleagues concluded in a paper they recently published in the Journal of Applied Social Psychology.

Those drivers fume, mentally call the other driver a jerk and move on.

"The more markers a car has, the more aggressively the person tends to drive when provoked," Szlemko said. "Just the presence of territory markers predicts the tendency to be an aggressive driver."

The key to the phenomenon apparently lies in the idea of territoriality. Drivers with road rage tend to think of public streets and highways as "my street" and "my lane" — in other words, they think they own the road.

Why would bumper stickers predict which people are likely to view public roads as private property?

Social scientists such as Szlemko say people carry around three kinds of territorial spaces in their heads. One is personal territory such as a home or a bedroom. The second kind involves space that is temporarily yours — an office cubicle or a gym locker. The third kind is public territory: park benches, walking trails — and roads.

Previous research has shown that these different territorial spaces evoke distinct emotional responses. People are willing to physically defend private territory in ways they would never do with public territory. And people personalize private territory with various kinds of markers — in their homes, for example, they hang paintings, alter the decor and carry out renovations.

"Territoriality is hard-wired into our ancestors from tens of thousands of years ago," said Paul Bell, a co-author of the study at Colorado State. "Animals are territorial because it had survival value. If you could keep others away from your hunting groups, you had more game to spear. ... It becomes part of the biology."

Drivers who individualize their cars using bumper stickers, window decals and personalized license plates see their cars in the same way they see their homes and bedrooms — as deeply personal space, or primary territory, the researchers hypothesized.

Unlike any environment our evolutionary ancestors might have confronted, driving a car simultaneously places people in both private territory (their cars) and public territory (the road). Drivers who personalize their cars with stickers and other markers of private territory, the researchers argued, forget that they are in public territory because the immediate cues surrounding them tell them that they are in a deeply private space.

"If you are in a vehicle that you identify as a primary territory, you would defend that against other people whom you perceive as being disrespectful of your space," Bell said. "What you ignore is that you are on a public roadway — you lose sight of the fact you are in a public area and you don't own the road."

In an experiment not yet published, Szlemko conducted tests of road rage in traffic. He (cont.)

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had a researcher sit in a car in a left turn lane. When the light turned green, the researcher stayed still, blocking the car behind.

Another researcher, meanwhile, examined whether the blocked car had bumper stickers and other markers of territoriality. The experimental question was how long it would take for the driver of the blocked car to honk in frustration.

Drivers of cars with decals, bumper stickers, and personalized license plates honked at the offending vehicle nearly two seconds faster than drivers of cars without any territorial markers, Szlemko said.

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Dates to Remember

July 19-20—Chapter C Campout

July 26—Chapter J Hummer of the Summer, Estes Park

July 29-Sept 1—Black Hills Ride with the Noahs & Childs'

Sept 5-7—Meeker Sheep Dog Trials with the Currys

Sept 20-21—Chile & Frijoles Festival in Pueblo

Sept 27-28—Colorado Color Ride

Recipe of the Month

Since several of our chapter members are diabetic or would like to improve their health, I decided to start including a specialty recipe each month. If you have a recipe you would like to share, please send it to Lshelley@animail.net.

SPLENDA® and Spice Cookies

6 tbsp vegetable shortening 2
6 tbsp margarine 3
1 cup SPLENDA® Granular 1
1 large egg 1

1/4 cup molasses

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour 3/4 tsp ground ginger 1 tsp ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp ground cloves

Mix together shortening, margarine, SPLENDA®, egg and molas-

Sift together and stir in dry ingredients.

Mix thoroughly.

Chill dough in refrigerator until firm, about 2 hours.

Form into 16 balls.

Place on cookie sheet and pat down gently with fork.

Bake for 10 to 12 minutes at 350°F. Do Not over bake. Cookies will look chewy when they come out but they become crisp.

Makes 16 cookies.

Nutrients Per Serving:

Serving Size 1.1 ounces (32 g)

Calories 160, Carbohydrates 16 g, Protein 2 g, Dietary Fiber 1 g, Total Fat 10 g, Saturated Fat 2 g, Cholesterol 15 mg, Sodium 260 mg

Dietary Exchanges: 1 carbohydrate, 2 fat

Wisdom

For all of us who are married, were married, wish you were married or wish you weren't married, this is something to smile about the next time you see a bottle of wine:

Sally was driving home from one of her business trips in Northern Arizona when she saw an elderly Navajo woman walking on the side of the road.

As the trip was a long and quiet one, she stopped the car and asked the Navajo woman if she would like a ride. With a silent nod of thanks, the woman got into the car.

Resuming the journey, Sally tried in vain to make a bit of small talk with the Navajo woman. The old woman just sat silently, looking intently at everything she saw, studying every little detail, until she noticed a brown bag on the seat next to Sally.

'What in bag?' asked the old woman.

Sally looked down at the brown bag and said, 'It's a bottle of wine. I got it for my husband.'

The Navajo woman was silent for another moment or two.

Then speaking with the quiet wisdom of an elder, she said:
"Good trade....."



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Chapter I Annual Picnic / August meeting

August 2

Dirty Woman Creek Park Monument, CO 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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