

MN-O Social February 27, 2020

The following is a recap of the discussions we had during our social.

Please read the following while you are waiting for the meeting to start.

- 1) 50/50 which is absolutely, positively optional. And now – is a self service feature. There should be enough change in the bucket but if not – let Bill know. *The chapter gained \$27 from the January social along with \$27 from the February social.*
- 2) A couple guests are here today. *Bob and Renae Hicks attended our gathering this month.*
- 3) Zoom call (will be discussed)
see below
- 4) See the list of GWRRA courses and if you are interested in any, let me know (via email). Once there is enough interest in a particular course, I will work to get it scheduled. And please let me know about all the courses that you would like to attend. The last column in the list is “May be taken consecutively for Levels”. So this only applies if you are interested in keeping your levels current. (this is a separate sheet on the table)
- 5) Something to do while you’re waiting for the meeting to start.
Do you see a young gal, old woman or both in the picture below?
- 6) Any questions on the above ... or whatever you want to talk about!
- 7) 50/50 drawing
- 8) Remind Bill to reserve the room for whatever month is next in line**
- 9) Adjourn



The following are mostly just the topics that were discussed after the semi-official adjournment.

- Extra riding does not necessary equate to better riding. We all still need to take safety courses to improve our skills.
- Co-riders will feel the lean more than the rider. One story involved a co-rider that intentionally counter-balanced until she was told that action could cause an accident.
- Then we started talking about food:
 - o <https://www.sugarandspicemn.com/>
 - o <https://wahlburgers.com/maplegrove>
 - o <https://www.nadiacakes.com/>
 - o MadHatters. Sandy has already called, but they are not ready to take reservations for the date we have picked – April 18. More details to follow.
 - o When and where is the March dinner?
- Crazy Horse Volksmarch; who's going? Earl will probably be leaving late Friday or early Saturday and climb on Sunday.
- Earl and Sandy mentioned a place to visit and I think this is it .. but I'm not sure: <https://www.thehenryford.org/>
- Banff & Jasper
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eFE6bwY7f28> just a random video I found on youtube.
- Highway 1, top to bottom
- Death Valley (a few interesting stories about this place)
- The Wonderland Hotel

If you couldn't attend, you missed some really great stories! Hope to see you at the next social!

Following is the list of “Approved” Rider Courses for use in the GWRRA Levels Program. If the course is listed as “No” in the “May be taken consecutively for Levels” column, it may be used in the levels, but the next rider course must be a course listed as “Yes”. The courses listed with a “No” are essentially “Track Day” or “Parking Lot Practice” type courses and must be alternated with a more traditional course that covers all the topics of safer riding.

A rider may also combine the MSF “Street Strategies eCourse” with one of this. Co-Riders may of course also take the “Co-Rider” Seminar.

2-UP	Co-Rider participating in a Rider Course (GWRRA)	Yes
3WBRC	Trike Rider Course (MSF)	Yes
ARC	Advanced Rider Course – GWRRA	Yes
ARC-R	Advanced Rider Course Recert (GWRRA)	No
AZ-SE	Arizona Drill Team Skill Enhancement	NO
BBBRC	Basic Bike Bonding Course (MSF)	No
BRC	Beginner Rider Course (MSF)	Yes
BRC-2	MSF License Waiver	No
BRC-2SP	Basic Rider Course 2 Skills Practice	NO
BRCGRP	Basic Rider Course – Small Group	No
CMSP	California Motorcyclist Safety Program	Yes
CSC	Canadian Safety Council	Yes
ESCS	Evergreen Safety Council – Sidecar	Yes
ESCT	Evergreen Safety Council – Trike	Yes
MORE	Ohio State Program	Yes
MSFARC	MSF Advanced Rider Course	Yes
OHPSR	Oklahoma Highway Patrol Safe Riders	No
RLAP	Ride Like a Pro (Jerry Palladino)	No
SPCW	Streetmasters Precision Cornering Workshop	No
SRC	Sidecar Rider Course (GWRRA)	Yes
SSKLS	John Delvecchio's Street Skills	No
STAR	Idaho State Program	Yes
STRR	MSF Street Rider Course	No
TC	Two Wheel Trailering Course (GWRRA)	Yes
TC-ARC	Total Control Advanced Rider Clinic (Lee Parks)	Yes
TC-INT	Total Control Intermediate Rider Clinic	Yes
TRC	Trike Rider Course (GWRRA)	Yes
TRC-R	Trike Rider Course Recert (GWRRA)	No
TTRC	Tike w/ Trailer Rider Course (GWRRA)	Yes
VRC	Vanguard Rider Course (GWRRA)	Yes

Zoom Call notes (from Bob Hicks)

How to schedule an event –

Joy went through the process,

- Chapter Director (CD) looks at the training their Chapter needs (meets with staff if needed)
- CD coordinates with Trainer to present class / module – there are only 7 classes still in Rider Ed
- CD contacts (email works the best) the Eric Purdy District University Coordinator (DUC)
- Eric reviews and looks to see if there are other Trainers that may need classes to stay current
 - May suggest another Trainer
 - Eric completes the University page work (online) and the Event shows up in Groupworks
- Promote the Training for other members that may want to attend

Read Insight Magazine – if you have not been reading the Insight online, take a look and peruse the newsletter. There is a lot of interesting information, articles are from a variety of authors.

Recruitment – I mentioned a new email I received from National – recruit 3 households and get 1 year free membership – see attached. (Bill sent out the email already)

Shiny Side Up Practice – Available on the Ride Ed – select Ride Excellence, then [Shiny Side Up page](#). Keep in mind this practice when dusting up on the Chapter Members Riding Skills in the Spring. The Practice is to be run at the Chapter (or District Level) with no coaching. If the members want more formal training, look into an ARC (2 wheel) or TRC (Tike).

Wing Ding, Springfield, MO –

Going to WD 42? Come and join the District on Saturday Morning from 9 to 11:30 to assist in the On Site Registration. It is a good way to meet to people and help new members.

At Wing Ding, there will be a Chapter Directors meeting – tentative scheduled for Thursday Afternoon (look for times on the schedule). We will try to sit in the same area with our Director Assistant – someone coined it Beeman’s Brigade”.

Chapter Web sites – for Chapter Director

To inform folks about our Events (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinners), ensure that your Chapter Web Calendar has a time and location (minimum). Since all the Chapter integrate with , and show up on, the District Calendar – with the exception of Chapter R who places all the items on the District Calendar.

IMS – International Motorcycle Show Minneapolis

Thanks to Scott who coordinated the Informational booth. Scott summarized the details of the Show. We had a distinguished visitor from Vancouver attending. One note was there was not much being 'bought' at the show, mostly just literature – folks walking around with empty bags.

There were two that signed, but ~40, or more, passed out the "Four Months Free" to folks as well as passing out almost 100 new Wing World Magazine to folks at the Show. Brian contacted all the potential folks and the new members from the IMS contacts.

Calendar

Mid-Winter Meltdown – District Event

This Saturday, Feb 29th. This event is hosted by Mark Privette and open to all Chapters and other like minded folks. See Flyer at On the District web page under [Rally/Events](#).

Spring Training and Fun Day – March 21st at Dehn's Country Manor in Maple Grove, MN.

We took a sharp right on training by presenting module (3 are contemplated at this time) that are not commonly provided or have not been provided in a while. We are still making the Flyer, but look for the Flyer and District web page for the Flyer.

A FUN TIME!

District / Chapter Spring Conference – April 25th at the Comfort Suites and Conference Center in Worthington, MN.

Make reservation as this will be the draft for the MN-ND District Rally.

MN-ND District Rally – July 17th – 18th – Comfort Suites and Conference Center, Worthington, MN.

We cannot expect folks to get excited about the District Rally, if they do not know what is going on. We will not be keeping it a secret – there will be Flyers and info disseminated in the next couple of months.

The final Agenda for the Rally will be out in March; any further changes will be done at the Rally.