



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION IDAHO DISTRICT CHAPTER B

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Chapter Newsletter

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UPCOMING GWRRA EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

10/05/2019	ID-B Gathering	Matt's Grill
11/02/2019	ID-B Gathering	Matt's Grill
12/07/2019	ID-B Gathering	Matt's Grill

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
<u>September Birthday</u>	<u>October Birthday</u>
16 th Sheldon Russell	5 th Rocky Davis
20 th Gary Prestella	17 Jim Stemmene
22 nd Guy Williams	26 th Joyce Stark
<u>September Anniversary</u>	<u>October Anniversary</u>
29 th Butch & Joyce Stark	8 th Sheldon & Elaine Russell

Riding in Autumn

Autumn is fast approaching, and the summer days of riding throughout the long evenings are going to be soon lost. If you live in parts of North America that don't get the pleasure of having a warm climate all year round, then it's almost time to get your bike ready for its Winter hibernation. With the season change, come new conditions for motorcycle riders to deal with. The weather is notoriously known for mocking us with random blasts of heat in the fall, but in reality, the trees are losing its leaves, temperatures are on the decline and daylight is dwindling away. We put together a few tips for motorcycle riding in autumn to keep in mind before getting out for those last rides of 2014.

Look Out For Dry or Wet Leaves

Yes the leaves are full of color and look beautiful in the Autumn season, but they are hazardous to riders once they start to fall to the ground, and potentially very dangerous. Dry leaves can pile up on the road and cover potholes or any other inconsistencies. Keep your eye on the road and try to take routes you are familiar with. Rain or morning dew will bring a different kind of hazard as they will create wet leaves causing them to make a slick pavement surface. This could make your bike slide on the road so try and avoid these kind of situations whenever you can. If you approach a pile of leaves on the road, try your best to drive slowly until you're past the obstacle.

Deer Season

Deer are prominent for being more active in the fall, whether they be searching for food or scarcely running away from hunters pushing them into new areas. More collisions with deer happen during this season so you don't want one to come in your path while riding your motorcycle. Make sure you put on your protective gear before going out for a ride, and always scan the road sides if you're cruising in any rural areas. Stay alert during dusk and dawn as these are the times of day when deer movement reaches its peak.

Leather Is Your Best Friend

The cool, crisp air is very exhilarating during the fall. Temperatures are much more enjoyable to ride in compared to the heat waves that occur in the Summer time. This is the time of year when leather truly is your best friend. Leather protects you from the wind and will keep you comfortably warm while riding.

Cold Autumn Nights

The weather is more unpredictable this time of year. It can go from chilly in the morning,

warm in the afternoon to below freezing at night. Bringing extra layers with you is something to keep in mind. Once the sun goes down, the temperature can significantly drop and you don't want to run into some unexpected mechanical problems while under dressed. You may want to bring your rain gear too because frigid rain can cause hypothermia – and no one wants that.

Frosty and Icy Surfaces

Cold autumn nights only lead to one thing – morning frost. Its important to be aware of frost on the roads in the early morning because that pavement could have a thin layer of ice above it which will force you to lose traction. Shaded areas will frost up first so its important to be knowledgeable of your surroundings while cruising.

In closing, autumn *can* be the most captivating time for riding. Traffic on the back roads has decreased, the colors are full and the air is pure. Once the leaves begin to drop, the landscapes become more open. The new settings that come with this season aren't more backbreaking compared to those of others, but you will need to be prepared for the conditions to come.



~ Larry



The September 10th gathering was held at Matt's Grill & Lodging. 10 Members and 1 guest were present. Larry acknowledged birthdays, anniversaries, discussed old, new, and ongoing business.

Members Present:

Jay Jones

Gary Prestella

Bob & Karen Cooper

Butch & Joyce Stark

David & Carol Erwin

Larry & Sheryl Fowler

Guest:

Clay Nicolsen (New Member)

- Larry: introduce our guest/new member Clay Nicolsen
- Larry: I would like to say thanks to everyone for the support while I was allowed to be your Chapter Director.
- Larry: introduced the Next year officers (CD) Bob Cooper, (ACD) N/A, (Treasure) Kris Prestella, (Riders ED) Mark Moeckli, (Ride Coordinator) N/A, (Newsletter) Larry Fowler.
- Larry: asked everyone to be thinking about a time, place, and what they would like to see for our Christmas party this year.
- Larry: Reminder everyone that we will be switching to our Morning Gathering time next month. Gathering will still be at Matt's Grill & Lodging, Time will be 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM.
- 50/50 Drawing was won by our Guest/New member Clay Nicolsen.

See you all at next Gathering on October 5th

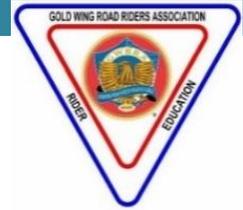
NEXT GATHERING

10/05/2019

Matt's Grill

Address: 90 2nd St, Asotin, WA 99402

at 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM



~ Mark Moeckli

Don't be dazzled by the colors—follow these fall season riding tips

October 17, 2017

From Dairyland Insurance website

Autumn is one of the best times to ride and experience the splendor of nature. There's no better way to see the fall foliage than via a motorcycle ride through fields and forests. On a bike, you're immersed in the ever-changing panorama of foliage colors—unobstructed by a car's roof and its pillars. Even a convertible places a frame in your line of vision. On a motorcycle, you glide visually unrestricted through the majesty of the trees. Fall foliage season is very symbolic for us riders. It's a yearly mile marker in our riding season. The swelter of late summer is gone, transformed into the delightful daytime warmth and cool nights of fall. The trees tell us that temperatures are about to fall, as the leaves flutter to the ground. And those fallen leaves look pretty on the ground. Who doesn't remember the childhood joy of playing or hiding in leaves? Oh, those beautiful leaves are so pretty on the trees and yet so sneaky when on the ground.

Slip and fall—but that's not all

Wet leaves on the road can be as slippery as an oil slick. Watch for them, especially in corners. Cornering uses a good measure of your tire's available traction. Wet leaves can suddenly take away the remaining traction and lead to a fall. Use caution when braking on wet leaves, as well. Wet leaves between a tire under braking loads and the road surface can cause the tire to lose traction and skid. Even with anti-lock brakes, caution is a good strategy. Wet leaves are also a hazard under your boots when stopping or maneuvering in a parking lot. Fallen leaves, even when dry, present hazards. They can cover the paint lane markings on the road, concealing the lane size and turn directions. This is particularly dangerous at night when sight distance is shorter.

Leaves piled along the side of the road can cover surface hazards like:

- **Open sewer grates**
- **Curbs**
- **Roadside rain gullies**
- **Debris**

Piles of fallen leaves can conceal many surface hazards at intersections, including:

- **Low-profile concrete dividers used for traffic calming**
- **Large, slippery preformed thermoplastic lane direction arrows and crosswalk markers**
- **Oil and antifreeze spills**
- **Broken glass and debris from previous fender benders**

Also, be sure to never park your motorcycle near piles of dry leaves. Hot exhaust pipes can cause a fire. Motorcycles that have catalytic converters are at an increased risk due to higher temperatures. And, please don't ride through piles of leaves. Remember, a youngster could be playing in them! Till next time, enjoy the foliage and beware the fallen leaves. Ride safe!

This is not an all-inclusive list. Dates and details of events may change. Review information before attending an event.

[ID-B Calendar](#)

[Other Reasons to Ride Calendar](#)

[Oregon District Event Calendar](#)

[GWRRA Event Calendar](#)

Check your WingWorld, Idaho District and Region I web sites and newsletters for other GWRRA sponsored events.

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10, 05, 2019

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8:30 AM to 9:30 AM



FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY, AND KNOWLEDGE
