

DIRECTOR'S NEWSLETTER

MAY, 2010



What a wonderful month is May. It comes quickly, then it slips away. It's time for getting ready, as we will soon we'll be greeting longer, warmer, summer days.

When you think about the month of May, do thoughts of Mother's Day and Memorial Day come to mind? There is a lot more to the Month of May. Did you know that Wisconsin became the 30th state, May 29, 1848, and the first official Memorial Day was May 30, 1868. May also brings us:

Better Sleep Month (I could use more of this)
Mental Health Awareness Month (I'd rather not say)
Older Americans Month (I can so relate to this)
Physical Fitness & Sports Month (not so much to this)

Remember, May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month! As warmer weather brings motorcycles to highways, it's important that motorists and motorcycles are looking out for each other. With an increasing number of motorcyclists on the roads, we encourage drivers to share the road to make sure everyone Arrives Alive. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. For riders, that means ride responsibly. For everyone else on the road, stay alert and don't let dangerous distractions divert your attention from the road.

Our mileage contest will officially began at the Spring Safety Fair. Beginning and ending miles for the contest must be read by either the Chapter Directors or the Chapter Educators. Beginning miles can be read now and ending miles will be read at the September Social, however if you are not able to attend in September, you will need to contact one of the chapter officers mentioned to arrange to have your miles read. Also, please remember that you must attend four chapter events to qualify for the contest. For every 1000 miles ridden, you will receive one raffle ticket, so the more miles you ride the more tickets you will receive. Tickets will be drawn at the October Social. You do not need to be present to win. Please contact Tom Ballmann (920)-452-4779 or tomballmann@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions.

The theme for the 2010 Chapter G Circle Tour is "Wet and Wonderful Wisconsin". Participants in the 2010 circle tour may visit any or all towns on the tour and answer the question about something found in each town. The entry fee for each person entering the contest (rider and/or co-rider) is \$10. Please visit the TOURS section on our web site for the links to the rules & entry form, listing of the cities to visit, and questions to be answered.

If you haven't already signed up for the First-Aid / CPR Course (MFA Course) being held at Franciscan Villa on July 24, there is still time to do so. The cost of the course is \$20.00 per person and you will need to prepay at the June Social. As the Chapter is covering the cost for the course, once you attend the class, your check will be returned. Please contact Bob Schattschneider at (414) 764-6077 for more information.

Tom & Kenlee Ballmann

Chapter Directors

Reserve your date for ERC and TRC courses now!!!

2010 GWRRA WISCONSIN ERC SUITES AND TRIKE CLASSES

Class Location: Starlight Club/The Office Sports Bar, W2091 Cty Rd JJ, Kaukauna, WI 54130

Directions: Hwy 41 to Hwy 55. West on Hwy 55 for one to two miles to Starlight Club/The Office Sports Bar (on left, turn corner and enter parking lot). Lunch can be purchased on site.

Class Time: Classes start at 8:30 a.m. Be ready to ride. Come early to fill out more paperwork and get your motorcycle checked. Classes finish by mid-afternoon.

Cost: \$35.00 per Rider, \$10.00 per Co-rider, non-refundable.

ERC Class Dates:

Sunday, May 2, 2010

Saturday May 15, 2010

Sunday, May 16, 2010

Saturday, June 5, 2010

Sunday, June 6, 2010

Saturday, July 17, 2010

Sunday, July 18, 2010

Saturday, September 18, 2010

Trike Class Dates:

Saturday, May 1, 2010

Sunday, September 19, 2010

Refer to the [ERC Page](#) for more information.

Upcoming events for Other Chapters & District:

May 21-22 - Dust Off in Glenbeulah , WI

June 5 - Chapter P's Summerfest - Wisconsin River Cruises Rhinelander, WI (lodging ** Sold Out **)

June 6 - Chapter F's Fundraiser - Bushnell Park Burlington, WI

June 12 - Chapter H's Southwest Day - St. Paul Church Madison, WI

Fri. & Sat. Jun. 25 & 26: Wisconsin District Rally, Wisconsin Dells, WI

Pre-register by June 11. Link to registration form can be found on our events page. Assistance is needed for Off-Bike games on Friday 9:00-11:30 & 1:00-3:00, and on Saturday 9:00-11:30. If you are interested in helping with the Off Bike games please call Marge Hempe 920-753-2185 and let her know when you can help.

Assistance is needed with Security on Saturday 8:00-3:00. If you are interested in helping with Security on Saturday please call Wayne Tepe 715-845-2420 and let him know that you can help.

July 23-24 - Chapter I's Ice Cream Social - At Vetesnik's Motors, Richland Center

August 14 - Chapter M's Corn Roast - Meadowbrook Park Pavilion, Village of Howard , Green Bay

Jun. 30 - Jul. 3: Wing Ding, Des Moines, IA

Jerry Hempe: Is starting to plan the trip around Lake Superior on August 7th. This will be a week long trip around the lake. He would like to see who is interested and whether they would camp or hotel it. Please let Jerry know if you are interested.

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

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