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GWRRR COLORADO CHAPTER J, REGION F.

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We are at the middle of summer and the riding season. Weather here in Colorado on the Front Range has been very good to us. Our last dinner ride allowed us to skirt a rain storm to Duke's Steak House in Castle Rock and enjoy an evening together. The food was great and the ride was fun. Our next dinner ride is on Wednesday, August 11 and will be hosted by Rich and Nancy on their beautiful trike. So come to Rosie's parking lot at 6:15 PM and join us for dinner.

Coming up next month, the chapter is going to have a Rider Ed training class on "Team Riding" and get people signed up in the Rider Education Program. So here is your chance to brush up your knowledge skills or learn new techniques on riding as a group. The class will be held at 7:00 PM (about 2 – 2 ½ hours) at the Fire House on Sept 1. This is for both riders and co-riders. So bring a friend. It will be fun and there is no cost.

We are quickly coming up to the Colorado District Convention (aka rally) being held on August 27-28 in Salida, CO. There will be fun rides, training classes (i.e. CPR & First Aid), cookie contest (so bring your favorite cookies), bike show (to include the light show) and of course concessionaires. If you can't come down for the whole time it is still an easy day's ride to come and just visit. There are great restaurants in the local area. Be sure to bring your chapter vest so you can get new pins or bars for it. Camping is available at the Fairgrounds or hotels are located within a short distance from the convention site. If you want to know more about GWRRR and how it runs, District will be providing training that will teach you everything you ever wanted to know. It is also a great way to meet new people and our District Staff. Go to the our Chapter's Web Page (<http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/gwrra-co-ch/>) or District's Web Page (<http://www.coloradogwrra.com/index.htm>) for more information. Chapter J is coordinating the Light Show again this year and we can use your help so please come and get involved. Of course there will be an ice cream social again afterwards.

Our Hummer of the Summer was a great hit. The weather in Estes Park was perfect. There was lots of food

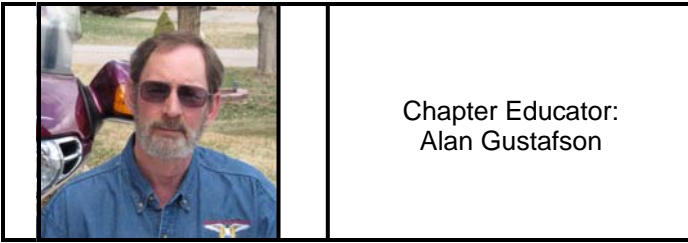
to include our famous ¼ pound hot dogs. Numerous door prize baskets were provided and several people were very interested in winning one. There were fun activities to include horse shoes and getting a paddle boat for out on the lake. If you missed it, be sure to look for us again next year at the end of July. I want to give a big thanks to everyone that helped to make it a successful event.

The Chapter ride this month is will be a drop-in ride that I hope will allow people to come down to Salida and check out the convention. You should meet at 7:45 AM and leave from Rosie's at 8 AM so you have enough time to enjoy yourself. Come earlier if you want to have breakfast.

We are still putting together our gift basket for the District Rally's Couple of the Year (COY) and Individual of the Year (IOY) Fund Raiser Program. The theme is patriotic so if you have anything you would like to donate bring it to the next meeting or call one of the staff members. Remember, the Chapter will receive some of the raised funds back to recognize our own Chapter COY/IOY.

The chapter still has several staff openings to fill, including Assistant Chapter Director, Assistant Rider Educator, Phone Tree Coordinator and a Chapter Store Manager (sales pins, shirts, patches, vests and etc. that we provide for the chapter and visitors). If you have any interest please talk to me. Some positions like Rider Educator have some requirements while others like Phone Tree Coordinator only require someone willing to give up some of their time to help with phone calls as necessary.

Again, I hope to see all of you for the Mystery Dinner Ride. It's always a great time and good food.



Motorcycling and dealing with outside influences.

When riding, are we aware of influences and do they increase risk, or change our enjoyment? We all can recognize emotions and fatigue as an influence that may lead to distractions and aggressive behavior. Boredom and physical discomfort such as; hunger, sunburn, dehydration, can be distracting on long trips and influence our riding behavior.

Some days the traffic flows smoothly and not so on other days. Aggressive drivers keep us mentally alert and aware of high risk situations. When traffic flows smoothly we tend to let our guard down and get lulled into a false sense of security. Tailgaters increase our risk and influence our actions. The best way to deal with a tailgater is to slow down and increase the space cushion ahead. This encourages them to pass and provides them with a space to pull into when they do pass. Yes, let the bad win.

Peer pressure on a group ride can influence how we ride and even what type of personal protective gear we wear. It is easy for us to do something that would not be considered safe or smart, depending on the type of group we are riding with. If we pay attention to other groups there will be similarity in the type of gear they wear. No one wants to appear to be the odd ball in a group.

Can the type of motorcycle we ride influence the way we ride? A super sport bike or a chopper may tempt us to ride faster than we should. Cruisers and touring motorcycles tend to be more for a relaxed style of riding. Motorcycles influence a rider's attitude.

Perceptions and fear play an important part in our safety. How do we perceive our riding ability? Are we as good of a rider as we think we are? Do we ride within our limit? Can we swerve, brake and corner with a high degree of skill? We all are concerned about our safety and some fear helps keep us safe. However excessive fear clouds good judgment. Fear and anxiety can cause a rider to freeze or fixate on what they fear and lead to higher risk.

Last but not least, alcohol can influence our riding behavior. Mental skills and vision are affected well before our control skills. I won't go into all of statistics. We all know the dangers of drinking and riding and how it can increase our risk.

These are some of the influences that affect us when riding and if we are aware of them we can take the proper steps to deal with them.

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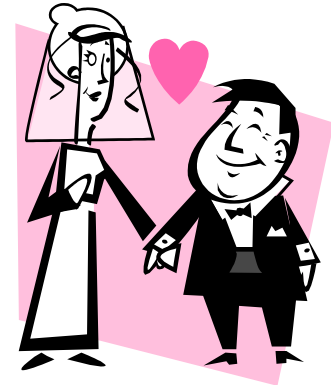
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

08/08 David Kleinheksel
08/12 Peggy Dauarte
08/22 Bob Keller
08/23 Doug King
09/03 Clark Smith



Happy Anniversary

08/24 David Kleinheksel
08/30 Karl & Laurie German

To all we may have missed, Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary.
Please update your data.

August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Chapter L Meets	3	4 Chapter J Staff Meeting	5 Chapter A Meets	6	7 Chapter B, I, N Meets
8	9	10	11 Chapter J Dinner Ride	12	13	14 Chapter E Meets
15 Chapter G Meeting	16	17	18	19	20 Chapter C Meeting	21 Chapter Q Meeting
22	23	24	25 Chapter J Meeting 7:00 PM	26	27 District Rally Salida, CO	28 District Rally Salida, CO
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September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Chapter J Staff Meeting	2 Chapter A Meets	3	4 Chapter B, I, N Meets
5	6 Chapter L Meets	7	8 Chapter J Dinner Ride	9	10	11 Chapter E Meets
12	13	14	15	16	17 Chapter C Meeting	18 Chapter Q Meeting
19 Chapter G Meeting	20	21	22 Chapter J Meeting 7:00 PM	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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(12 Qt's) \$55.00 (plus
tax)- 10-40 or 20-50

Case of HP4 synthetic (12
Qt's) \$85.00 (plus tax) -
10-40 or 20-50

Complete set of tires for a
GL1500 \$350.00 + tax
Dunlop Elite III
GL1800 \$375.00 + tax
Dunlop D250, Elite III, Bridgestone
Mounted & balanced-\$80.00
Valve Stems Extra

Case of GL1500/GL1800
oil Filters (10) \$80.00
+ tax

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Price on Tires only till August 31, 2010

Aurora Honda will match any current advertised price for parts and accessories with proof of advertisement. Offer ends August 31. Sales tax not included

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 Meeting 6:00pm
 3rd Friday

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 2nd Saturday

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 Breakfast 8:00 am, Meeting 9:00 am
 2nd Saturday

