

Chapter A E-Mail
March 22, 2010

Good News Paul Edwards came home today. I talked with Paul Saturday and he was doing great. He has quite a story to tell when he gets out and about. Welcome home Paul from you Chapter A family.

Gary Beard will not be at the gathering or Maintenance Day on March 27th. If you need oil filters or air filters e-mail him jgbeard@comcast.net and he will have them at the social this Wednesday 24th.

Last E-mail I sent out Mike Briese's ride schedule keep checking on the bulletin board.

Wednesday 17th Social at IHOP 15 Apes attended. Mike and Dee Blangy had a special gift drawing and everyone got ice cream. Also two 50/50 were drawn. Tim and Angela Bowman won both.

Saturday 20th Mike led a group to Chapter E's gathering. See Ride Report below.

Sunday 21st Mike Briese, Todd McLain, Bill Holt, Don Hatley and I attended Chapter I's gathering. We started out with wet streets and no rain. About five miles, from our destination in Olympia it started to rain. It was a fun gathering with Todd taking home two prizes. No money this time. When we left the sun was partially out. I turned off at Hwy 512 and hit a little rain around Auburn.

Maintenance day is fast approaching, March 27 after the Gathering. If you are going to attend let me know. We will have hotdogs, hamburgers, baked beans, soft drinks and chips etc. Bring your favorite potluck dish. **Location is; Don and Tina Hatley's 29902 20th Ave. S. Federal Way, 98003.**

Upcoming Events:

March 24 – Social Azteca, 153 SW 157 St, Burien

March 26 - 28 – Chapter E Surf Watch Ocean Shores

March 27 – Chapter A Gathering/Maintenance Day

March 31 – Social Vince's, Federal Way

April 2 – Chapter Q Auction

April 3 – Chapters M & R Multi-Chapter Gathering (Prosser) – See bulletin board for info on ride over.

April 10 – Chapter C Spring Fever Fun Run (They say they have a lot of great prizes).

April 16 – 18 Rider Ed Bremerton

April 17 – Chapter A visitation to Chapter P, Longview

April 18 – Chapter N Brown Bag, Spokane

Ride Report:

It was a chilly start from my house this morning, only 30 degrees but the skies were relatively clear with the promise of a clear and warm day.

At the meeting spot this morning when I arrived was Don Hatley and Dave Borel. Shortly there after Sue Johnson pulled in and Bill Holt made it right at 7:45 am.

As we were getting ready to pull out of the parking lot at 7:46 am and head for the public street, Todd and Rosa pulled in and were immediately ready to travel.

The short ride to Bellevue was quick and without incident. We had a really great visit with WA-E this morning. When we arrived we found two booths open and ready for us. Lucky too because those were the only seats left in the meeting room. Shortly after we had ordered our meals, Chapter WA-I arrived and had to search for seating space. Several folks kind of crowded together to make room.

After breakfast there were the normal gathering topics and light hearted discussions followed by the 50/50 drawings.

David Borel, our newest chapter participant as of today, not only won the free registration for the upcoming District Rally but ALSO won the 50/50 money.

Congratulations Dave and welcome to Chapter A.

Following the visit to WA-E, we headed south on I-5. Destination Wingman Enterprises, Portland Oregon. What an absolutely PERFECT day for a ride. It got as high as 72 degrees in Portland today and the traffic was very tame, almost subdued.

We dropped a few dollars on Wingman and then headed out for lunch at Bill's Steak House. Good food and lots of laughs were the fare for the afternoon.

Following lunch, we headed northbound through some of the finest weather I have seen so far this year. What a great kick off for the first day of Spring. If today was any indication of how Spring and Summer will be, we are in for a fabulous riding year.

don't forget, tomorrow, Sunday the 21st, we are all visiting WA-I in Olympia. Be at the Federal Way Truck Scales before 7:15 am. Helmet time is 7:15 am.

See you there. MikeB

If you have something for the weekly email, send it to me by Monday of each week.

Sam & Doreen