

Heartland Wings

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September Dinner Rides

Come Ride, Eat, and Play With the A-Team

Meet at the NW or SW spot @ 6 PM.

[NW: Cubby's @ 680 & Irvington | SW: Dept. of Roads @ 108th & I]

9/2 Business Meeting
Millard Library 6:45 PM
13214 Westwood Lane
Omaha, NE

9/9 Rustic Inn (NW)
116 S 14th St
Fort Calhoun, NE
402 468-5565

9/16 Gridiron (SW)
419 E Sharp St
Glenwood, IA
712 800-1122

9/23 O J's Cafe (NW)
9201 N 30th St
Omaha, NE
402 451-3266

9/30 Millard Roadhouse (SW)
13325 Millard Ave
Omaha, NE
402 892-9292

Saturday 9AM @ Dillon Brothers coffee and Destination
Friendship
Sundays 9AM @ Golden Corral, 1511 Gregg Road West,
Bellevue – Emergency Breakfast

Upcoming GWTA Events

Illinois – Golden Wheels Campout - Sept 18 – 20
Kamper Kompanion 18388 E. Frontage Road
Litchfield, IL 62056 217-324-4747

Chapter A Applefest Ride
Woodbine, IA – Sept 26th
Details TBA



Chapter Directors' Words of Wisdom

It's hard to believe that Labor Day is almost here. This has been the coolest, wettest summer I can remember. The 90 degree weather is finally here; too late for kids to go swimming, too hot for band camp, but great for motorcycle riding. There are still lots of things to do this summer, so if you have any ideas, let me or Julie Sullivan know and we will get the word out. Greg and Monica Bumpus are going to the Woodbine Applefest on September 26th. Time to be determined. Jim and I have gone to Applefest before and it is a good time. Something for everyone. And pie.

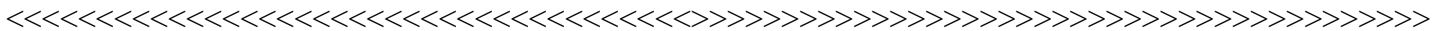
We have had some informal discussions about changing our Wednesday dinner rides. At the September meeting, please bring your ideas and suggestions about ways we could do dinner rides differently. Some suggestions include Wednesday dinners every other week with a Saturday ride, or going for a ride only on Wednesday, maybe stopping for dessert only. I think everyone is open to trying new things, so let's have a free and open exchange at the meeting.

We have had several member-led rides this summer, but let's try to schedule some more before the riding season is over. I have a friend who says "No one can do everything, but everyone can do something." In motorcycle terms, I translate this to "No one can ride every time, but everyone can ride sometime." So let's all get out there and ride, sometime.

Ride safe-



Jim and Karen Durand



Facebook..in real life...

This is for those of our older generation who do not really comprehend why Facebook exists.

Presently, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles.

Therefore, every day I go down on the street and tell the passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel, what I have done the night before and what I will do [tomorrow](#) night. Then I give them pictures of my family, my dog and me gardening and spending time in my pool.

I also listen to their conversations and I tell them I love them.

And it works.

I already have 3 persons following me: 2 police officers and a psychiatrist.

Celebrations

Birthdays

9/9 Monica Bumpus

9/18 Dan Dolan

Anniversaries

9/7 Julie & Michael Sullivan

9/8 Evelyn & Terry Dunaway

9/20 Monica & Greg Bumpus

9/24 Deb & Dale Sieper

Two Chapter A members won awards at Gold Rush's bike show.

1st GL1800 Custom – Dan Dolan, NE-A



(Dan also 2nd place in the Illumination show)

1st Non GL 750 cc and over –Carol Brush NE-A



**Accepting for
Carol is
Mike Brush.
(No picture)**



STAYIN' SAFE OVERCOMING THE FEAR OF SNAKES

Who knew the incidence of ophidiophobia would be so high among motorcyclists? Yet nearly every rider I've worked with through the years has expressed a distinct and sometimes paralyzing fear of snakes. Especially black snakes; the spe-

cies commonly found stretched across the pavement of twisty back roads, lying in wait for unsuspecting motorcyclists. But are these tar snakes in fact a serious threat to riders? The straight answer to that question is...it depends. For the most part, tar snakes on the road are relatively harmless, especially those that are thin, few in number and surrounded by traction-rich pavement. Although a rider may feel momentary uneasiness as the bike's tires squirm slightly on the tar strip surface, traction and a more direct feel will quickly return once the rubber finds clean pavement. This unfamiliar movement of the motorcycle is generally more disconcerting to the rider than it is dangerous, provided the rider remains calm.

Granted, tar snakes can become threats in certain conditions. If the rider sees more black tar than tarmac, there will certainly be less traction available. When tar is cold and damp, such as early morning in spring or fall, it can become hard and slick. Hot summer sun can make tar snakes squishy, although they still provide moderate traction. In each of these scenarios, it's best to stay loose, keep a light touch on the handlebars and look up the road to where you want to go (looking ahead adds a sense of stability). Make subtle steering and throttle inputs, avoid extreme lean angles and just glide through. With a little caution and smoothness riders can avoid being bitten ... and maybe even become expert snake handlers. **Eric Trow**

Rider – July 205

Advice for Seniors

Many of us over 60, especially those WAAAAAY over 60, may be confused about how we should present ourselves in public.

We're unsure about the kind of image we are projecting and whether or not we are correct as we try to conform to current fashions.

And for those of you receiving this who are nowhere near 60 yet, keep reading anyway -- U WILL be there!

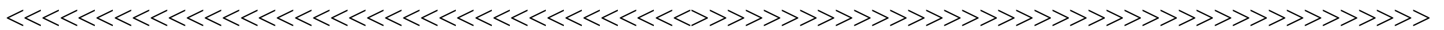
Despite what you may have seen on the streets, the following combinations DO NOT go together and should be avoided!!!

1. A nose ring and bifocals
2. Spiked hair and bald spots
3. A pierced tongue and dentures
4. Miniskirts and support hose
5. Ankle bracelets and corn pads
6. Speedos and cellulite
7. A belly button ring and a gall bladder surgery scar
8. Unbuttoned disco shirts and a heart monitor
9. Midriff shirts and a midriff bulge
10. Pierced nipples that hang below the waist
11. Bikinis and liver spots
12. Short shorts and varicose veins
13. In-line skates and a walker

And the ultimate 'Bad Taste' in fashion:

14. A thong and Depends

Please keep these basic guidelines foremost in your mind when you are out in public



MOTORCYCLE RECALLS FROM MC Consumer NEWS (Apr - Sept 2015)				
BRAND	MODEL/YEAR	COMPONENT	NHTSA ID#	MCC NEWS ISSUE
BMW	Too many to list	Final Drive	TBD	May-15
BMW	Numerous produced from 11/2003 - 4/2011	Rear wheel flange	TBD	June-15
Brammo	2013-14 Empulse/Empulse R	Powertrain	15V053000	April-15
Ducati	2010-2014 Multistrada 1200	Throttle	RCL-15-001	July-15
Ducati	2014 1199 Penigal, Superleggera	Suspension	RCL-15-002	August-15
Harley Davidson	LED Turn Signal Accessory for Dyna/Softails	Exterior Lighting	15E011000	May-15
Harley Davidson	2014-2015 Electra Glide, Street Glide, Road Glide & Road King	Powertrain - Clutch	HD 0165	July-15
Harley Davidson	2015 XG500 & XG750	Exterior Lighting - Visibility	HD 0650	July-15
Honda	2014 brs1000s	Suspension	JQ3	July-15
Husqvarna	2015 FE350S & 2015 FE501S	Suspension	15V055000	April-15
Indian	2015 Scout	Hydraulic Service Brakes	15V142000	May-15
Kawasaki	2009-13 Concours 14 Police	Electrical System	15V117000	May-15
KTM	Assoc with 15V055000 recall	Suspension	15V055000	April-15
Ohlins	Front forks for motocross bikes	Front Forks	15-740	September-15
Perf Machines	Five spoke motorcycle wheels	Wheels	15E052000	September-15
Piaggio/Vespa		Fuel System	15V066000	April-15
Suomy	Apex S1R EX	Helmet	15E006000	May-15
Suzuki	Backrest Accessory Hardware - 2006-15 Boulevard	Seat	15E053000	September-15
Triumph	2014-2015 Daytona 675R & Speed Triple R	Suspension	SB524	July-15
Yamaha	Multiple 2015 models	Powertrain		July-15

BMW's Concept 101

REVEALED AT THE 2015 *Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este* in Lake Como, Italy, the new BMW "Concept 101" caused a sensation. Penned at BMW Designworks in California and converted into the real thing by Roland Sands Design, it incorporates a wealth of special billet components, like the clutch and timing chain covers and even the wheels.

Utilizing the current 1649cc six-cylinder engine for power, the bike has to be the ultimate in high-performance custom baggers.

Obviously created with the US market in mind, it's so big, it makes virtually every other custom bike look diminutive.

With an engine capacity of 1649cc, it displaces almost exactly 101 cubic inches, making sense of the name.

The unusual 21" front wheel sets the style, with lines that sweep back and down to the rear tail light cluster and the triple side exits of the extended mufflers. The finish is a combination of brushed aluminum, carbon, and real wood used tastefully on the fairing and gas tank sides.

Altogether, it's an incredible machine and a credit to everyone involved in its creation. Now we can but wait and see if it progresses to production.

—Doug Jackson



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Visit www.wheeljockey.com

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A Helmet With Options

The Schuberth MI open-face helmet can be customized into 4,200 different configurations and includes built-in speakers and a boomless microphone ready for the Bluetooth Schuberth Rider Communication System. The lightweight helmet features a breathable seamless lining and comes with an integrated sun shield and a rear vent. The aerodynamic, optical face shield is Pinlock Anti-fog ready and features HiMaxVision technology. The MI will be available this spring in sizes XS-SM, with seven shell colors, two liner linings, five visors, five sun visors, six different country flag stickers and two helmet options (visor or peak).
Call (800) 215-0993 or visit schuberthusa.com

Golden Liners

Our Master's Select Trunk and Saddlebag Liners for Honda Gold Wings maximize space and keep everything you need easy to access and organized. Select Trunk and Saddlebag Liners have an 840-denier UV-resistant nylon exterior with a 210 denier gray nylon interior. Trunk liners (\$69.99) have a three-piece modular design and quick-disconnect clips connect each module together and allow for multiple packing and storage configurations. Saddlebag liners (\$95.99) have dual zipper entry for easy access and are specifically shaped to optimize storage and fitment. Both liners come in black and are made to fit the (2007-14) Honda Gold Wing GL1800.
Visit tourmaster.com

AEROSTICH KANETSU WARM BIB

A heated vest or jacket provides the most warmth in the least amount of packing space. The Kanetsu Warm Bib takes 840,000 to the extreme, since it only covers your front torso and neck, and can be rolled into a small self-closing bag. It's not the thing for daily motorcycle or snowings when you need a little extra warmth without bulk. Its fleece-lined collar features around the neck with hook-and-loop, and nicely seals the gap at your neck collar.

A long-reach zipper with a flap is provided to bring a convenient power source close to the rider. The SAE plug hangs inside your jacket and connects to a separate power wire with a signed surge protector switch. Our power packs come with the QuickConnect connector, although there are options for BMW and SAE-style wiring.

The Bib uses 30 watts of 12V amps and comes in regular and tall sizes. QWV, the Kanetsu outer fabric, and a comfy micro-fleece inner layer cover the heating element. The garment is hand-washable with mild detergent. Its advertisement is reusable but it seems rugged enough to survive hard use.

The Down-Sea Windstopper layer does its job as a windbreaker on its own. Instead of bulky layers that you would need to haul around with you, the bib does a smart-works job that saves a quarter or another third of the weight of the traditional heated bib. It's a great gift for you.

(800) 222-1994 or www.aerostich.com

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