



G2 Roadrunner NEWS

**GWRRRA Region H "South Central Texas District
Chapter G2 Greenville, TX**

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From the CD

Greetings Road Runners. September was a hot month but it is getting cooler. Many thanks to all the people who participated in the chapter events that were held. Make sure you check the calendar on the Chapter Website so you do not miss any events you may want to participate in. Remember if there is any place or event coming up drop a line to our ride coordinators to get the word put out. I received the following email and thought I would pass it along to all who are interested.

Easy Rider Trikes is an authorized Motor Trike dealer located just off the Square in McKinney TX. Although our focus is on Harleys and Goldwings, there is a Motor Trike conversion kit for most makes and models. One of the main reasons we decided to go with the Motor Trike conversion, in addition to their awesome engineering and craftsmanship, is their independent rear suspension. Check it out on our website, www.easyridetrikes.com, or on the Motor Trike website, www.motortrike.com. We generally maintain four or five trikes on our showroom floor for sale. Or we can convert your present bike in about 3 ½ weeks or can help you find one to convert. Trikes are our only business. Give us a call, check our website, or just come by for a visit just a half block east of the McKinney Square at 203 N Chestnut at Virginia.

Taking the elements out of riding.

Easy Rider Trikes 972-562-2298

I also received the email for the Arkansas newsletter. It is available at www.ARGWRA.ORG.

Look Learn and live has just posted the minutes of their meeting on the 18th of September 2014. They are attached and interesting reading.

TEXAS MOTORCYCLE SAFETY COALITION (TMSC)

MEMORANDUM

TO: TMSC, Board, Standing Committee Members

Meeting Minutes

FROM: Samantha Atchison, TTI

SUBJECT: Notes from meeting held September 18, 2014

Place: Meeting was held from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI), Gibb Gilchrist Building, Room 102/103, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Present: Chris Beireis, Donald Brown, Romona Cook, Daniel Jeffries, Cindy Kovar, Curt Liles, Maurice Maness, Keith Rovell, Kris Thurmond, Richard Wells, Jude Schexnyder, Catherine Duress, Melissa Walden, Jim Stanford, Christie Havemann, Sam Haynes, Sam Atchison, Laura Higgins

Summary: The following summarizes the results of the meeting.

Jude Schexnyder, the TMSC Chair, led with opening remarks.

Jude spoke about the current Legislative topics. It was mentioned that it's important to have representatives from every organization present to pass legislative bills. Jude reported on his meeting with legislators and senators. The focus of their meeting was the goal to reinstate General Revenue 501 back into the scene for motorcycle safety education and awareness. A hard-copy of the executive summary was provided to the present members. The goals listed in the executive summary included: 1) Return finance of motorcycle safety to GR501; 2) Return the strategy of the motorcycle safety unit back to DPS; and 3) Include GR501 money into TxDOT's traffic safety division, so outreach events can be funded. Funding of motorcycle safety and awareness was discussed at length. Types of motorcycle safety advertising (putting a face to motorcyclists) was also discussed at length.

Laura Higgins and Sam Haynes gave the Gear Survey Presentation. The outreach project, run by Mike Manser, will start in October, and its intent is to figure out motivations behind wearing safety gear. Laura presented the survey to the attendees. The survey is on Survey Monkey. The link to the survey will be sent out, and it will also be given at motorcycle dealerships and events. The survey period is October to December of 2014. The survey assesses what riders are wearing now, their current attitudes and what will be the best outreach practices. Attendees were asked to make comments on their copy, and Laura took comments during the meeting. The comments were as follows:

- **Age demographics page:** change the ages to standard 20s, 30s, etc, instead of age ranges.
- **Percentages of types of rides:** change to pre-defined fields instead of blanks. Also, add category of "more than 500 miles at a time."
- **Take out the style on the helmet** in the injury category.
- **Current gear use:** Ask which types of helmet
- **Reasons you wear a helmet:** Add "the law" or "It's required in the state I'm riding through."
- **Crashes severity:** Clarify to "most severe" accident or "most recent" accident; maybe ask how many crashes the rider has had
- **Add: How long have you had your license? Which courses have you taken? (The types of courses will be emailed to Sam.)**
- **Reasons you choose to wear other equipment:** Add "risk" as an option, or "not as important based on risk" or "shorter trips."
- **Simplify the questions that ask about reasons you don't wear equipment:** Just ask "why?"

- **What would encourage you to wear your helmet more often?:** Add “the law”
- **Why you choose certain gear?:** Add “ventilation/heat protection”
- **Last page of survey (media):** Add “magazines,” “forums,” “TxDOT”

An email will be sent when the survey is complete. If anyone present would like to take the survey before it goes live, contact Laura Higgins. Also, any further comments / questions / edits should be emailed to Laura Higgins.

Melissa led the discussion on outreach and events TTI will be attending next year. Coalition members were encouraged to volunteer for events online at looklearnlive.org.

Melissa then discussed the TMSC bylaws. The bylaws allow for very little flexibility and the TMSC has drifted away from the requirements of the bylaws. It was suggested to edit the bylaws so they correctly reflect the current organization and change the bylaws to procedures. Melissa will edit the bylaws and send them out to members to proofread. No changes will be made until approval is received from members. Discussion of the procedures will take place at the next meeting.

Melissa will send the list of top 15 events to the TMSC, the list of ordered public information and outreach materials and the revised bylaws. If members cannot attend the next meeting, they will be asked to email their procedure suggestions/comments/concerns to Melissa.

All for this month. Hope to see you at the meeting.

From the Chapter Educator.

The Weekend of 6,7 and 8 September I spent in Florence Texas at the DPS Tactical Training Site. While there I took the Advance Rider Course, The Advance Bike Bonding Course, The ATV Course and the BRC 2 Recertification Course. I had a good time at all the courses especially the ATV course. As most of you know MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation) and revised the Basic Rider course. In the course there is a discussion of the next steps you can take in your training opportunities. The Suite of courses recommended now are as follows:

- **Basic Bike Bonding Course:** This 4-5 hour course is all riding and helps you handle a motorcycle better. It improves basic maneuvering skills and helps you understand more about how a motorcycle handles. You may use a training motorcycle or you own motorcycle.
- **Basic Rider Course 2.** Uses many of the same exercises you experienced during the BRC course but on your own motorcycle. This 4-5 hour course has no formal class room time. Discussions are held between riding exercises. Exercise speeds are a bit higher. There is more braking and cornering practice. The course helps you handle your motorcycle better, which means you improve your steering and braking so your responses become more automatic.
- **Street Rider Course.** In the SRC you ride your motorcycle on the street under the supervision of a Rider Coach. There is an SRC 1 and an SRC2. SRC 1 is for newly licensed riders who would like their first venture out onto the street to have supervision. SRC 2 is for riders with extensive experience who wish to add finesse to their riding strategies. After brushing up on the fundamentals with some range exercises you move to the street with a few other riders. Several routes are used starting with a simple residential area and progressing to more complex situations. Stops are made along each route to discuss experiences and improves strategies.

(To be continued next month) Ride Safe.

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Hi Everyone,

The GWRRA Chapter Cruise is offering another cruise that departs on Saturday, 24 January, 2015 for 5 days. The cruise will depart from Port Canaveral, Fl. I've attached a flyer with all the specifics. What a great way to have some fun in January. Talk to your Chapter friends and see if they would like to go also and make a group trip out of it.

The Cruise Agency that's helping with this are also GWRRA members and always try to find our membership the best deals. If you have any questions, please contact Deanna Cisson at (386) 299-7535 and she'll do her best to answer your questions, provide you some traveling tips, and get your reservation booked. You need to hurry though as a \$100.00 deposit is needed NLT 15 October, 2014.



Puns for the Educated Mind

How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.

Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!

A cartoonist was found dead in his home. Details are sketchy.

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

They told me I had Type-A blood, but it was a Type-O.

I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.

Jokes about German sausages are the wurst.

I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

When chemists die, apparently they barium.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.

I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

When you get a bladder infection you know urine trouble.

Broken pencils are pretty much pointless.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

I dropped out of the Communism class because of lousy Marx.

All the toilets in New York's police stations have been stolen. As of now, it appears the police have nothing to go on.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Velcro - what a rip off!

Do you know this woman?

A judge was interviewing a woman regarding her pending divorce. He asked, "What are the grounds for your divorce?"

She replied, "About four acres and a nice little home in the middle of the property with a stream running by."

"No," he said, "I mean what is the foundation of this case?"

"It is made of concrete, brick, and mortar," she responded.

"I mean," he continued, "what are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town, and so do my husband's parents."

He said, "Do you have a real grudge?"

"No," she replied, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," the judge tried again, "is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. We don't necessarily like the music, but the answer to your question is yes."

"Ma'am, does your husband ever beat you up?"

"Yes," she responded, "about twice a week he gets up earlier than I do."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asked, "Lady, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," she replied. "I've never wanted a divorce. My husband does.

He said he can't communicate with me."

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 CH. R RALLY
5	6	7 G2 MONTHLY MTG. EAT/6PM MTG/7PM	8	9 Z2 DINNER RIDE	10	11
12 RIDE FOR KIDS	13 Columbus Day	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Z2 BOWLING ALLEN LANES 5PM
26 TEDDY BEAR RIDE IKEA IN FRISCO	27	28	29	30 Z2 CHAPTER MTG. EAT 6PM/MTG7PM	31 Halloween	