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Current Whereabouts of Barbara Dunn

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| A bank account has been set up to help deal with the mounting medical debt. If you would like to contribute, you may contribute directly to Wells Fargo Bank Account No. | 8989263341 or mail checks or money orders to The Barb Dunn Fund, c/o Mark Morrison, Brink & Sadler, 5127 112 th Street SW., Lakewood, WA 98499 Cards, letters and | flowers can be sent to Barbara Dunn, c/o Sunridge Rehabilitation Center, 1111 W. Pine Avenue, Room 401, Meridian, ID 83642 or Barbara Dunn, P.O. Box 942, Eagle, ID 83616. |
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From the Assistant to the Assistant Chapter Director

I guess as the assistant to the assistant to the Chp director it's my job to do another article. So here goes. As most of you know our Chp is growing. The web site has brought some members to us, word of mouth, and friends that you've finally convinced that this is what you might like to do. Do you carry the GREEN tri folds in your bike/trike and other transportation? Do you have any of the Chp. business cards in your wallet or purse? I can talk to just about anyone on a lot of different subjects, if I find someone that's interested in motorcycling then that's a real easy topic for me. I've ridden a variety of models and can tell you something about all of them. Good and Bad

I do enjoy the GWTA feel of things. Even though it's a "Goldwing" affiliation it doesn't matter where you put your hinney, on what kind of scooter lets go out have a good time and enjoy the company and the ride you're on. If you do own and ride a different make, model or what have you, expect a slight kidding every once in a while JUST BECAUSE. But then again you can give it right back on a variety of subjects. (Don't give if you can't receive.) Our chapter Director Donnie Willis and his wife Joan own and ride a Kawasaki Voyager, try to beat that bike for gas mileage. But we all know there's a hidden gas tank on it somewhere. There are some of our members that can't decide which bike to ride so they have more then one. Good for them I don't have the room for to many toys. Another member had a Goldwing a Harley and a Shadow he was ready for any type riding. And if one broke down he fired up the other and rode on. Our newest members John and Jane haven't yet decided which kind to buy they are leaning towards the 1800 VTX but who knows. Family prodding got them to attend our last meeting; they joined before the meeting was over. Glad to have you and your family amongst us. GWTA has been good to all of us it brought motorcyclist together to do what we like to do best RIDE, then someone added the word Eat then it was back to RIDE. The argument continues do we RIDE TO EAT OR EAT TO RIDE?

Short article, it was due yesterday. Becky's, my lovely wife, the editor and she's waiting patiently (ever see Becky waiting).

Be Wise Be Careful Mike

BIRTHDAYS &

ANNIVERSARIES

- Ron Ackermann June 8th
- Joe Housley June 8th
- Al Wilds June 15th
- Larry Jordanger June 26th

MOSQUITO TIME



“When all else fails, get a Frog

Ok, mosquitoes.

Prepare to be repelled !!!

Use Bounce Fabric Softener Sheets. . Best thing ever used in Louisiana....just wipe on & go...Great for Babies

Bob, a fisherman, takes one vitamin B-1 tablet a day April through October. He said it works. He was right.

If you eat bananas, the

mosquitoes like you, something about the banana oil as your body processes it.

Plant marigolds around the yard, the flowers give off a smell that bugs do not like.

“Tough guy” Marines who spend a great deal of time “camping out” say that the very best mosquito repellent you can use is Avon Skin-So-Soft bath oil mixed about half and half with alcohol.

One of the best natural insect repellants that I’ve discovered is made from the clear real vanilla. This is the pure Vanilla that is sold in Mexico. It works great for mosquitoes and ticks, don’t know about other insects.

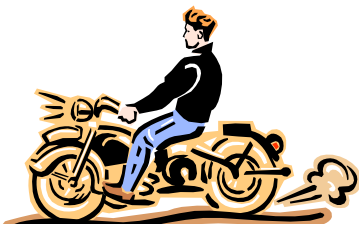
This one is going to floor you, but one of the best insect repellents someone found (who works in the woods everyday) is Vick’s Vaporub.



It’s Election Time Again

Donnie Willis would like everyone to know he’ll be stepping down as Chapter Director in November.

Have you thought of throwing your hat in the ring and volunteering for this or maybe another position in the Chapter? Remember it’s your Chapter get in and support it the best way you know how.



Memorable Memorial Day Ride

A planned ride to Eastern Oregon, by way of Eastern Washington. A very lazy 3 days were planned. 4 bikes, 3 with trailers left Puyallup under cloudy sky’s on Saturday May 29th. Snow

level was down to the 4000 feet and yes our fearless leader decided Chinook Pass was the route we would take. Chinook Pass? Low snow level? If nothing else we know we’re going to get

mighty wet and cold. The higher we went, the sky actually started looking better. In my infinite wisdom, I keyed the mike and said we might get lucky and stay dry. As soon as we

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passed the Cayuse Pass, Chinook Pass Y it started to get ugly. The temperature dropped drastically, it started to drizzle, so much for staying dry. Don't look, but I think that's snow along side the road. Don't look but there's snow on the road. I told you not to look. By the time we got over the top we were riding in about 3-4 inches of the white stuff. Not only was the snow on the road, but the wonderful fog that surrounds this pass street level. Visibility? What's that? Second gears, steady hand on the throttle, turns on all your candles, rely on the ever helpful pucker power and over the top we went.

Whistling Jacks was the next stop for breakfast and at least two gallons of coffee for warmth along with the wonderful meals they prepare. One the road again thru Yakima to Highway 97. Going thru Goldendale, we stopped at the observatory, but it was closed. Who wants to look at stars in the middle of the afternoon anyway? Back into Goldendale, wait where's Hiway 142 go? Only one way to find out. A right turn and a hearty Hi-Ho and away we go. What a great road, twisties that come back on themselves, straight stretches along the river, great scenery, a new and wonderful road that takes you back to Hiway 14 along the Columbia River. Heading east along Hiway 14, we had a couple that had never been to the Washington version of Stonehenge, so that's a must stop, pictures and more pictures. Finally back on the road, going west on Hiway 14 to Biggs Junction and our first night layover. After checking in, my first goal was to clean the bike and trailer (they have warm water for washing vehicles there). After the rest of the group was checked in and settled they decided to clean their bikes too. So we had a bike wash. Now it's time to do what we do best EAT. Across the street is a diner/truck stop. We'll forget about this place next time. Not the best service, not the best food, but the company was excellent. Barbara in her infinite wisdom brought her Mexican Train Game, so off to her room to play the train game. Neither Audie nor Beckie had ever played train before, so let's get started and show them the treachery of the game,

after some snacks and a few drinks, we all decided to call it a night. The game was never finished, so no winner was ever declared.

Sunday morning brought on a little better weather. Stopping at the gas station, the attendant was asked about a good restaurant. He said the best in the area was the RUFUS Diner, 5 miles east of Biggs Junction on the Oregon side. He was right, excellent service, more than you could want to eat and very low prices. This will be put in the memory banks for the next trip this way. No real plans, I suggested the old Hiway 197 thru Dufur, Friend and Maupin. After Maupin Audie suggested the other road from Maupin to Shaniko, so off we went exploring again. Yes, I paid homage to the chrome gods on a few of the corners. Ever notice the difference sound certain chrome makes as it's removed from the bike via asphalt. Floorboards, mud flaps, tailpipes all have their own distinctive sound. Shaniko, OR, now there is a town to be from. 25 residence and I would almost say by the looks of some of them, they all must be related in some way. After walking around, getting our noses in all the shops and leaving money in others it's back on the road again. Wait, a tricycle race? I asked if I could join in and was told I need a trike. I told them I would be right back. I talked Barb out her keys and went back to the race. They let me do the course, but then I was told I lost because it was a slow race. Darn 5 year olds anyway, they always change the rules. The large town of Antelop is our next stop only 8 miles down the road. I'm going to stop writing about this trip, between Shaniko and Antelop is where Barb into her accident. It will be a Memorial Day Ride this is very memorable tome and I know of a few others as well

Be Wise, Be Careful

Mike

On the lighter side. . . .

THE THINGS THAT KEEP US YOUNG.

“Granny” was a marvel to everyone she knew. She celebrated her 105th birthday with family and neighbors of many years. After she blew out the candles on her cake, one of her great-grandchildren asked her the secret of her longevity.

“A good mental attitude does wonders for the soul,” she said. “And my four boyfriends keep me pretty active.”

“Boyfriends?!?” gasped the youngsters.

“That’s right, I eat breakfast every morning with Will Power. In the afternoon, I take a long walk through the park with Arthur Itis.

Charley Horse likes to drop by around dinnertime. Then I spend the rest of the evening with Ben Gay.”

“Forgiving and not forgetting. . . is not forgiving.”

What kind of Chocolate are you????

If you were buying a candy and you had your choice of the following, which would you choose? Baby Ruth, Three Musketeers, Butterfinger, Snickers, Hershey’s, Almond Joy, Clark Bar, Reese’s Peanut Butter Cups, Energy Bar or Chocolate Coated Raisins.

Ok, now that you have made your choice, this is what research says about you.

Baby Ruth: Sweet, loving, cuddly. You love all warm fuzzy items. A little nutty. Sometimes you need an ice cream cone at the end of the day.

Three Musketeers: You are adventurous, love new ideas, and are a champion of underdogs and a slayer of dragons. When tempers flare up, you whip out your saber.

Butterfinger: Smooth, sexy and articulate with your hands, you are an excellent after-dinner speaker and a good teacher. But don’t try to walk and chew gum at the same time.

Snickers: Fun-loving, sassy, humorous. Everyone enjoys being around you, but you are a practical joker, however, you are a friend for life.

Hershey’s: Romantic, warm, loving. You care about other people and can be counted on in a pinch. You tend to melt.

Almond Joy: Sexy, always ready to give and receive, very energetic, and really likes to get into life. The opposite sex is always attracted to you.

Clark Bar: You like sports, whether baseball, football, basketball or soccer.

If you could, you would like to participate, but enjoy watching sports. You don’t like to give up the remote control.

Reese’s Peanut Butter Cups: You are a very fun loving person, who likes to laugh. You are fun to be with. People like to hang out with you. You are a very warm hearted person.

Energy Bar: Life is passing you by. Get a life! Go eat a plum.

Chocolate Covered Raisins: You go to the bathroom often.

GENERAL MEETING NOTES - JUNE 27, 2004

Donnie Willis led the meeting. Barb Dunn, assistant Chapter Director is still in the hospital unable to attend meetings.

Mike Wilcox updated us on Barb's condition. Last weekend, Mike and Becky went to Bend to see Barb. She finally woke up on Thursday and spoke to her daughter and said that her knee hurt. Ed will come home Monday night and if Barb is moved to Boise to live with her daughter, Lisa, then he will spend the weekends in Boise with her. He will keep the house since they had just moved into it before Barb's accident. If Barb is moved to Boise, Mike will let us know her new address and phone #. Bud and Connie Brown will be going to Boise in July so they will stop and see her while they are there.

Mark Morrison has set up a bank account for Barb, Ed and Barb's family at Wells Fargo bank for donations. For now it is in Mark's name and he will add Becky Wilcox's name to the account since it takes 2 names on the account to make any withdrawals from the account. The chapter has started sending in recipes to make a recipe book to sell to raise money for Barb. We will sell the cookbooks at Winthrop and to the other chapters. More recipes are needed. Send them to Becky Wilcox.

Donnie announced that we had our 2 standard visitors, Bill and Connie O'Rourke, and 2 new visitors, John and Jane Gronau. Birthdays are Larry Jordanger, Mike Storment and Diana Thompson-Cooper, who has the same birthday at Mike Storment.

Becky Wilcox will send out the newsletter this month, but it will look a bit different since Barb was the one who did it and the format is on Barb's computer.

Mike Wilcox announced that the after meeting ride would be the route we used for the Teddy Bear Tour and after the ride, we will go to Donnie and Joan Willis' house to count and sort the teddy bears that we received. Used bears now can be used. The fire department has a special group that will clean the animals and sends them overseas.

Thursday, we are leaving for Winthrop. We will be leaving Walmart by the Supermall at 8:00 a.m. We will stop in Cle Elem for breakfast and on from there. A second group will leave Friday for Winthrop. Their departure time and location will be announced. Mike still needs more people to fill 50/50 spots since some people had signed up and now are not able to go.

The Gold Rush tickets need to be given to Mike and Becky by Wednesday, the 30th of June, or taken to state in Winthrop this weekend.

Chapter P needs to contribute 3 adult and 1 child door prizes for State. We will use some of those left over from the Teddy Bear Tour.

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Donnie has checked into CPR classes for the chapter in due to Barb's accident. Luckily, Becky Wilcox had taken CPR class and was able to give Barb CPR after her accident because the ambulance would not get there for ½ hour or more. The American Red Cross, various fire departments and other agencies do offer classes.

Art Alton, one of our newer members, has formatted the cookbook and put the recipes that were sent him onto a disc. Becky will print the recipes for us.

Three motorcycle related shops want to do a benefit ride for Barb. They are Eagle Leather, Taber's Motorcycle shop and Crazy Larry's. The chapter voted and it was passed to put on the ride. It will be August 7th. Mike Wilcox is working out the ride route. The starting point will be Fred Meyers in Puyallup and end at Taber's in Gorst. We have plenty of door prizes left from the Teddy Bear Tour. Sandy Stewart said that the Guide Dog Run was donated 2 each 1 week condo rentals any where in the U.S. They gave away only one rental, so she will make sure it is ok to donate it as the grand prize for our ride. It will be \$15.00 for the rider and \$10.00 for the passenger. We will have a 50/50 and mileage guess. More details will be worked out later.

STP is July 17th & 18th. We are escorting the bicyclists from Rainier, Oregon to Scappoose, Oregon on both days. We will not be working the Longview Bridge this year since Chapter V has it. Marlin Parbs, who was to be the focal for the bridge, will not be able to attend, so he has arranged for Kevin Roach to be the new focal and organize the crossing of the Longview Bridge with Chapter V's volunteers. For volunteers from Chapter P, Dick Meier, Mark and Debbie Morrison, John and Jo Hunt, Donnie and Joan Willis and Robin Ricketts have signed up. Joan Willis, along with John and Jo Hunt will stay at the Rainier base with the CB and the cell phone so they can call 911 or call for a Subaru aid car when necessary. The rest will be riding the route. Motel rooms are available at the Village Inn Motel in St. Helens. Rooms are \$48.60 (including tax) for a queen sized bed, or \$56.16 for a double room with 2 full sized beds. It is \$3.00 for each extra person. If you want to make your own reservation, the phone # is 503/397-1490.

The Thursday socials for most of the year are at one place each month and then we move to another place. Since the weather is nice the chapter voted to move the social each week. Someone will volunteer to lead a ride to wherever we are going to eat. Mike Wilcox will lead the social/ride for July 8th. We will meet at Fred Meyers in Puyallup at 6:00 and off for dinner. It will be posted each week on the phone tree what, when and where. Robin Ricketts will lead the one on July 15th, Bud Brown will lead the one on July 22nd and Bob Duvall will lead the one on July 29th.

Roger is asking how many people are interested in the Labor Day ride to Rattlesnake Canyon that he is leading. He will be leaving Saturday and staying the night in Clarkston, Washington. Sunday we will ride to Rattlesnake Canyon and on to Enterprise, Oregon and then stay the night in Baker City. Monday, we will ride all the way back home. He will not be making hotel reservations, so you will need to contact

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him for names of the hotels suggested in each stop.

To be grandfathered in on the trike endorsement without taking the test or the trike course, it needs to be done before the end of June.

New officers need to be elected in November, so we need volunteers for these positions.

Sam and Sandy Stewart had t-shirts leftover from the Guide Dog Run. They are \$15.00 each or 2 for \$20.00. Contact them if you are interested in purchasing t-shirts.

Chapter P Club Pride Chip bag has \$40.00 and today's winner is Debbie Morrison.

The 50/50 was \$33.00 and was won by Connie O'Rourke.

July's general meeting will be at Mike and Becky's house since the Eagle's Club is closed on that Sunday.

The Teddy Bear Tour received over 400 teddy bears and \$614.00.

Your Colors are Important

All Chapter P members' names will be put into a container. The person whose name is drawn must be wearing their chapter P shirt or jacket, with the chapter P logo on it. Every time the pot is won...we will begin with \$20.00. Each meeting \$5.00 will be added to the pot if the person whose name is drawn is not present, or is not in chapter colors.

**Color Winner for June was
Debbie Morrison \$40.00**

TIRE INFLATION AND SAFETY

As the world leader in motorcycle tires, Dunlop continues to be concerned about the lack of attention paid by many cyclists to proper use and maintenance of their tires, particularly when fitted to motorcycles intended for touring.

Dunlop technical personnel have attended touring rallies all over North America to collect vital data and give instructional seminars.

What we have observed at these rallies alarms us; many touring riders are not following proper tire maintenance procedures.

The requirements for proper tire usage are not complicated, but they do require consistent attention.

Owners and operators of motorcycles should closely monitor vehicle loadings to insure they are within the maximum loads and corresponding inflation pressures for their tires. This basic load and pressure information is clearly stamped on the tire sidewalls.

The tire does not support the load the air pressure does. The manufacturer's ratings for the maximum load and inflation pressure are critical tire design elements. If not observed, the handling and performance of your motorcycle will be greatly affected.

We have checked inflation pressures at several touring rallies and found a high percentage of rear tires to be under inflated. In addition, weight checks of the rear axles of these motorcycles indicated a number of tires were loaded beyond maximum capacity.

Our inspections have not been limited to those cycles fitted with Dunlop tires; the situation exists for all brands of tires.

Regardless of the make of tire, this is a serious problem. Riders of motorcycles with significantly under inflated and overloaded tires will experience handling and steering difficulty. In addition, this abuse will result in disappointing premature tire wear and may cause catastrophic tire failure.

The addition of accessories, cargo and dual riding to touring motorcycles aggravates the problems of overloading and under inflation. The excessive flexing that results from under inflation or overload causes buildup of internal heat, fatigue, cracking and eventual carcass breakup resulting in complete failure. A consequence of such failure may be an accident with serious personal injury or death.

The appearance of stress cracks in the tread grooves is one indicator of overload and/or under inflation. If you find evidence of tread groove cracking, you should remove and replace the tire immediately. This damage is permanent and non-repairable.

Our inspection of tires of various style and manufacture at rallies and our subsequent testing have confirmed that under inflation (and/or excessive load) caused tread groove cracking and can result in more serious damage within the tire body. Uneven wear may also accompany under inflated use. Failure to heed these visual warnings can result in tire failure or blowout.

The use of trailers can also contribute to tire damage and touring motorcycle instability. Although most motorcycle manufacturers recommend against their use, a percentage of the motorcycles we have inspected were so equipped. The trailer tongue weight added to an already heavily laden motorcycle can fail a rear tire. The percentage of overloaded motorcycle rear tires found during our inspection would have been higher if trailer tongue weight had been considered. The forces of rapid acceleration and deceleration may also multiply the effects of trailer tongue weight.

To get the maximum safe use out of your tires and maximum touring enjoyment you should:

1. Properly maintain all aspects of your vehicle in accordance with manufacturer's recommendation. Read and reread your motorcycle owner's manual.
2. Never exceed the loading and accessories restriction found in your motorcycle owner's manual, or the maximum load displayed on the tire sidewalls. Know your loaded vehicle weight!
- 3.) Check air pressure at frequent, regular intervals, particularly just before and during long trips. Always use an accurate tire gauge and check pressures only when the tires are cold (i.e., wait one hour after running). We have found many cheap gauges to be off more than 5 psi, so be sure to use a top quality gauge and preferable one that retains the pressure reading until reset!
- 4.) Inspect your tires as often as possible. Look for irregular wear, any signs of cracking in the sidewalls and tread, blisters, knots, cuts or punctures. Immediately remove and replace damaged tires.

If in doubt, ask your motorcycle tire dealer to check your loading, inflation and tires. Remember, your tires stand between you and a serious accident.

For any dual riding or fully loaded use, 40 psi must be maintained in all Dunlop rear tires fitted to touring motorcycles.

In addition to following these recommendation, notice what your tires are telling you while you're riding. If your steering response is slow or mushy, or if cornering and braking response is heavy, there's a good chance your tires are under inflated. Vibration or wobble may signal that actual tire damage has occurred and failure is imminent.

If you conscientiously follow our recommendations, you will enjoy better, longer and safer tire performance and many, many miles of touring pleasure.