

Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge



Chapter I Monthly Gathering

When 1st Saturday 8:30 am Coffee, 9:00 am Meeting

Location Holy Cross Lutheran Church 4125 Constitution Ave Colorado Springs, CO 80909

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~ From the Director's Desk ~

Spring is one of my favorite times of the year. Everything starts to come alive and get busy. There are a lot of Gold Wing activities that are springing up too. It's going to be a great year for rides and events for all of us.

The all chapter GWRRA Bowling Fun day is scheduled for March 10th. This is the 6th annual running of this fun event with our good friends from across all Colorado chapters. Contact Mike and Dorie by March 6th so they can make sure we have enough lanes for everyone. See the flyer attached to this newsletter.

Training opportunities usually run during the winter months, but there are still several opportunities in March and April. The Colorado District Training Event is March 24th at the Fay Myers Motorcycle Clubhouse. This looks like it will be fun and informative with subjects like "Motorcycling for the Mature Rider" and "When You're Hot, You're Hot." In April, there will be an Advanced Rider Course (ARC) for those that need to renew your training for the levels program. Be sure to check out the flyers attached to this newsletter for more information.

In May, we have "A Hoot in the Ute" to bring all the chapters from the Region together for a great time in Midway Utah. There were be a lot of great rides, great friends to spend time with and many planned activities. Some of the events include fly fishing, off road adventures, train rides and even carousel rides. If that wasn't enough to get you out there, how does a \$1,000 cash Grand prize sounds!?! Be sure to sign up!

There are so many other great activities in the works as a result of all the great people in the chapter that volunteer to take the lead. Vince would like to sponsor a Maintenance day this year. Bonnie volunteered to be our liaison supporting the District Rally. Nancy and Gary are looking for a great place to have our Christmas party. Please be sure to give your support and assistance to these folks help make this years's events great!

Finally, we have other areas that we could use some help. We need to find someone or someones interested in being our Newsletter Editor. This is an important part of our chapter, and it is also a fun way to contribute. Also, we need contributors to write articles for the Newsletter. It's your thoughts in the form of an article that will make the newsletter more interesting. We also need some help in other areas of the chapter that include Community Services, Historian, and Motorist Awareness Coordinator.



This year is looking to be another great year for Chapter-I, and we look forward to having fun with all of you as we have some amazing times together.

We love being part of Chapter-I!!

See you on the road this year, Steve & Jacque



Springs Wings

~ Thoughts from the Back Seat ~

Wow! Is it March already? As I stood in our front yard this week, the hopeful signs of spring were all around me. Our snow is finally starting to melt and there is less ice in our pond, (though, we sure need the moisture.)

There are little patches of green poking their heads up everywhere after their long winter's nap. Yes, Spring is coming!

I will be absolutely sure Spring is OFFICIALLY here when the birds start singing, (one of my favorite things!)

I LOVE Spring, it is most definitely my favorite time of the year! It sets my heart and mind toward warmer outdoor fun. How fun is planting and working in the yard, (playing in the dirt), hiking, bicycling, going for walks, RIDING YOUR MOTORCYCLE, or simply sitting on your patio enjoying the sunshine and a nice glass of ice tea.

I find myself outside a lot during this time of year. There is such a wonderful feeling of peacefulness and contentment simply being in the midst of nature, surrounded by all the beauty and awesomeness that God has created. It is humbling too...I am most insignificant in comparison!



As we all look forward to warmer days ahead, I hope that each of you are able to carve out special time each week to be OUTSIDE! May you have lots of opportunities to enjoy, be enriched and have LOADS of FUN doing ALL the things you love the best!

Jacque Callicott Chapter I Director





Don & Jackie Lacasse Assistant Chapter Directors





Chapter-I 2018 Couple of the Year Don & Jackie Lacasse

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Celebrations, Events & Fun!

March 10th - All GWRRA Bowling Fund Day March 11th - Daylight Savings Time Begins March 15th - Chapter-I Staff Meeting March 17th - Kansas Summit March 17th - St Patrick's Day March 24th - CO District Training Event March 24th - Wyoming Chapter B Birthday Party April 10-18th - 40 To Phoenix (leave COS 4/12) April 28th - ARC Training May 25-27 - A Hoot in the Ute July 14th - Chapter-I Picnic September 13-15 - Colorado District Rally Refer also to the Colorado District Calendar for other dates/events

Welcome Old and New Friends Vince Giesegh Heather – Bruce and Mel's daughter Martin Bannon – has a GL1500 for sale Paul and Margie Parker







Daylight savings time motivates me to get out on the bikes. Yes, bikes! It's the time of year for me to get out the Gold Wing as well as my bicycle. The extra light at night allows for a better commute home on the bicycle without needing a lot of safety lights and reflectors (although they are still important). There are a lot of similarities between how I prepare to ride the bicycle and how I prepare to ride the Gold Wing.

I'm aware of what the weather forecast is for the day and week. March tends to be one of the snowiest months of the year. Taking the bike out in the morning when there is blue skies and enticing crispness in the air is great. However, that can change dramatically by afternoon to include snow and ice. I've not been caught off guard so far because I try to pay attention to the weather forecast. Naturally, in Colorado you have four seasons... sometimes in the same day.

ATGATT Steve Callicott, Chapter-I Director





What you wear is very important. The golden rule is to wear layers. There are a lot of days were the temperature can swing 30 or even 40 degree between the morning and afternoon, so you have to dress for this change. We all know ATGATT when it comes to the motorcycle, and the same is true for the bicycle. Helmets, gloves, good shoes/boots, sunglasses and you'll especially want the best saddle protection available.

You'll want to have all the right tools on the bike. For the motorcycle, along with the wrenches, screwdrivers, etc you'll want to carry a fire extinguisher and first aid kit. On the bicycle, I usually carry some of the same types of tools along with a spare tube, patch kit and a pump. For both bikes, I always bring the most important tool...my cell phone to call for help!

Another very important similarity is to ride defensively. The "other" folks out on the road are not usually looking for us. It is up to us riders to be looking out for them. This is true on the road and the bike trail. On the bicycle, there are joggers that are tuned out not paying attention to what's going on around them...just like some of the same folks in their cars. Their music is on full volume to where they can't hear you. On the trail, I ring my bell, and if I don't get an acknowledgement from the jogger, I may have to come to a full stop. Over the years of riding my bicycle, I've had joggers unaware that I'm approaching and turn right into me. It's probably the same joggers that are driving their cars that we need to watch for.

Riding sane is important for any bike as well. One year I decided to see how fast I could ride to work on my bicycle. I ride through the Air Force Academy on the dirt trail that has a lot of ups and downs and sharp turns. My goal was to average over 20 mph for my 20 mile ride to work. As I got faster and faster, I was making it to work in less than 55 minutes...most days. There were several days I didn't. On one of those days, I dug my front tire into the soft gravel and flipped over the handle bars landing on my bike with the bike above me, my shoes still clipped to the pedals and me still holding onto the handle bars. No real injuries to me or the bike fortunately. The lesson, ride sanely, enjoy the ride and keep the bike under you instead of over you.



Enjoy your bikes, and I hope to see you out there.





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Goodbye to Dan & Tiffany From all of Us at Chapter T

We hope to see you in Montrose soon!

...to here!







"6th ANNUAL"

Bowling will cost \$20.00 for 3 games per person. But, AMF Belleview is offering us to down load their website to get a good deal. It's as easy as 1,2,3. 1. Go to AMF.COM/PINSIDERS 2. Put in your email address. 3. They will send you emails. Print, bring with you and have some FUN with Friends. Especially I coupon for \$1.19 a game, should be the second set of discounts you get.

> We told you it was as easy as 1,2,3 Big discounts come in small emails.

For those that are coming to have fun please email Dorie and Mike at goldwinger2@hotmail.com , we need to let the bowling alley know how many lanes we are needing. Please sign up by March 6th, 2014

Saturday, March 10th



GWRRA UNIVERSITY Colorado District Training Event



When: March 24th, 2018, 8:30am-4:30pm

Where: Fay Myers Motorcycle Clubhouse

9700 E Arapahoe Rd

Greenwood Village, CO 80112

This seminar day is open to ALL GWRRA members. Come and join the fun!

THE FOLLOWING RIDER EDUCATION CLASSES WILL BE PRESENTED:

- 8:30 am Motorcycling for the Mature Rider
- 9:30 am Riding with a New and/or Inexperienced Riders
- 10:30 am Riding Mountains, Hills and Curves
- 1:00 pm Helmet Facts or Fiction
- 2:30pm When You're Hot, You're Hot

Lunch break from 11:30-1:00, please provide your own lunch.

CONTACT: DISTRICT EDUCATOR EARL EDWARDS TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT AND/OR ASK QUESTIONS:

edwards_1500@hotmail.com or 719-459-2426

♦BRING YOUR GWRRA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER WITH YOU TO THE EVENT-THANK YOU♦

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> Ride Coordinator (Russ Schaeffer) 570-527-8351 Register online at: <u>http://40tophoenix.org/</u> Planning to leave Colorado Springs on April 12







ADVANCED RIDER COURSE (ARC)(1up or 2up)

WHEN:	Saturday, April 28, 2018
	7:30am – 11:30am (classroom @ Werner's)
WHERE:	3420 W. Edgemore Pl Sheridan, CO 80110
WHEN:	12:30 – until done (approx 5pm) (on the range)
WHERE:	JeffCo TransportationTraining Center
	Parking Lot North of JeffCo Stadium
	SE corner of Kipling and 6 th Avenue
COST:	\$35/bike MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE
	checks payable to CO District
	We can have a maximum of 12 bikes
RSVP:	Michael & Dorie Werner
	goldwinger2@hotmail.com
	303-795-6059
	303-434-5242 (Mike's cell)

****RSVP no later than Saturday, April 14^{th****}













Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday 1	Friday 2	Saturday 3 <u>Chapter-I Meeting</u> Monthly Birthday Dinner Ride
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For Latest Calendar updates Visit http://springswings.org/flyers/CO-I Calendar.pdf





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What is this?



Janet and I have been riding two up on Gold Wings since May of 2013.

The I-Mute transformed our biking world in 2014 after meeting Mark Davis properly for the first time at Wing Ding in Madison, Wisconsin. He lives in our neck of the woods and seemed like a nice chap so when he asked if we would like to try his new system we said why not? Now we can't imagine riding without it. To have the ability to just open a channel when you want to talk and not have all the wind noise and other noises (like your partner sneezing or singing) is a wonderful thing. We have over 60,000 miles on our I-Mute so far and have had no issues at all, a great testament to its durability and simplicity.

We have been using the Cordless Headset for about two years now, I think we were asked if we would like to become testers as we were already involved with the I-Mute and ride almost every week. We probably have 45,000 miles (Including a few Iron Butts) on various revisions of the Cordless Headset as it has evolved. Marks determination to put the very best product out there has certainly paid off. If you see him ask him how the FCC testing went, he is understandably very proud of their observations.

Having recently completed a 29 1/2 hour 2000 Mile Iron Butt on the latest version I can certainly attest to the superb continuous battery life. They were still going strong, so no issues for riders concerned with losing communications or music at the end of a long day or twol Sound and volume quality are way better than anything else I have tried and the sheer convenience of not having to plug in and then unplug to get off the bike is great, especially for those of us that sometimes forget and either end up having to stop to plug in or end up pulling the lower cord out of its connector when getting off.

Janet regularly had connection issues on her top of the line corded headset from a major manufacturer, I seemed to be replacing the lower cords frequently and it drove her nuts. Those issues have disappeared with the Cordless Headset and so now a happy Janet!

I also love the fact that the gas tank is no longer being chaffed by the cord, I can be a little OCD and the scuff marks used to really bug me.

Both the Freedom Cordless Headset and I-Mute have made for a much more pleasant riding experience on our already amazing Gold Wing, Try them for yourself and experience the convenience these Freedom products can bring to your biking life, you won't regret it!

Gary and Janet Longhurst

We have been using the Freedom Cordless Headset and I-Mute for almost 2 years now and I can personally say that these products are amazing!!!

Gone are the days of fighting tangled communications wires and spending more to replace an upper or lower cord every year.

Battery life is phenomenal and is more than enough to put in a very long day's worth of riding. The clarity is like being home and on the phone. No static, and when using the I-Mute system with the Cordless Headset, no wind noise pick up that can be heard.

Truly awesome products and we cannot believe it took Mark working on this for 13 years to come up with two products that are going to change the way a lot of people think about person-to-person, and bike-to-bike communications.

Keith and Teresa Morrison

"It's really very simple, that is the best I have ever heard the music and absolutely the best we have heard each other on the intercom and no cord!"

Karry Davis

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Want the ability to move freely and keep all the functionality of your communication system?

Cut the Cord!



Tired of the constant wind noise in your speakers?





The Freedom Cordless Headset is a wireless helmet headset system.

- Fully supports Honda audio system, intercom, and CB.
- No more cord flopping around in the wind.
- No more forgetting to unplug the cord.
- No more cord to fail or pins to bend.
- Adds individual volume controls to the rider and passenger.
- 2 isolated audio inputs. Rider and passenger can listen to their own music. Radar detector and/or GPS only annoys the rider.
- 36+ hour runtime for multiple days of riding without charging.
- Battery charged by USB or 12vdc source.
- 3.5mm stereo jack can be used for earphones or music player.
- Proprietary radio protocol.
- Plug and play installation.



Cordless Headset

I-Mute

Bundles

- Rider/Primary: \$375
- Passenger/Secondary: \$325
- Two-up Bundle: \$675

Basic: **\$125**

Volume Control: \$140

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- Rider Bundle:
 - Rider Cordless Headset
 - I-Mute Volume Control

\$500

- Ultimate Bundle:
 - A Rider Cordless Headset
 - ◊ Passenger Cordless Headset
 - I-Mute Basic

\$750



Steedom I-Mute

The Freedom I-Mute is a true Intercom and CB Push-To-Talk system.

- Both the rider and passenger have a 3way switch.
- Push the switch in one direction and enable the microphones on the intercom.
- Push the switch in the other direction, enable the microphones and key the CB radio.
- Release the switch and the microphones are disabled. This eliminates the wind noise coming through the intercom.
- Both microphones are enabled when either switch is pushed.
- Both microphones are disabled when both switches are released.
- Optionally, the passenger can have a helmet speaker volume control.
- Works with or without Freedom Cordless Headset.
- Plug and play installation.

