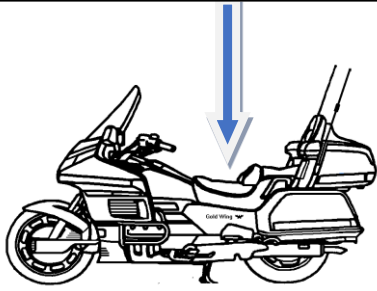


From the Director's Chair



June, 2019

Since May was Motorcycle Awareness month, I'm going to take a slight liberty and carry that theme into June. I'm quite sure that if I polled each and every Member of Chapter N, and Members of other chapters as well, I could put together quite a lengthy list of safety concerns, and pet peeves that drive each of us up the wall. Following are some of the things that and make me wish I had a big dart gun on the front of my trike so that I could "reward" all those bad drivers for their lack of concern for safety and for the other drivers and riders who are sharing "their" road.

1. Turning without using their turn signals.
2. Turning a corner and crossing 2 to 3 lanes of traffic, rather than turning into the first immediate lane of traffic, and then moving to the next an adjacent lane as appropriate.
The requirement to stay in your lane until a turn is completed is actually a Minnesota law.
3. Talking or texting on cell phones.
4. Weaving in and out of traffic at high speed.
5. Winning the race to the next stop light or stop sign.
6. Tailgating.
7. Failure to turn on one's headlights at dusk or during bad weather, when visibility is limited.
8. Not checking to see if anyone is in their blind spot.
9. Displaying an attitude that it is "their" road and they can do whatever they want.
10. Not even trying to stay within the posted speed limit

Please be prepared to share some of the items on your list at the next breakfast meeting . . . and while we are on the subject, let's make sure we aren't guilty of any of the poor driving or riding behaviors that might be on someone else's list!

Until then, stay safe when you're on two, three and four wheels!

Bruce Carlson
Director – Chapter N

June Events:

6/1/2019 – Regular monthly breakfast and meeting – 9:00 a.m. Apple Valley American Legion

6/13/2019 – Thursday Dinner Social – 6:30 p.m. The End Zone – 10491 E. 260th Street, Elko New Market Mn. 55020

6/20 to 6/23/2019 - Chapter D Mystery Ride (218-343-5536 for more information)

6/22/2019 – Ride to New Germany – depart new Central Ride Point at 12:30 p.m.

6/29 and 6/30 – Overnight ride to Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin – Depart East ride point at 9:00 a.m.