



May 1st, 2022 HAPPY MAY DAY!!!!

MAN!!!! What a difference a year makes. Last year we were all riding like crazy but this year you can barely get the bikes out of the garage. Cold. Snow. Rain. Wind and for some of us Work! What else can be thrown at us to keep us off the bikes? Wait I take that back. I DON'T WANT TO KNOW!!! LOL

It can all be a little depressing when you think about it. I mean, it's what we do. Ride the country side. Right? I guess we will grin and bear it as much as we can. What else can we do? But seriously, if this weather is affecting you in a negative manner be sure to talk to someone. Get together with other members and have coffee, lunch or dinner. And if necessary, seek out help through your Dr or Clinic.

On different note. If you attended the last Chapter meeting you will know that we now have Chapter Brochures. These can be used to hand to potential members or anyone interested in finding out more about the Chapter. These are not cheap but worth having available.

At the April 30th meeting we also discussed the opportunity of having some literature about the GWRRA and its continued safety education, distributed in the Minnesota Federation of Safety Motorcycle classes.

Lois and I appreciate the turn outs we have had at the recent Chapter Meetings. It gives us good guidance when working in our position. Don't be afraid to give us ideas. If we can, we will fit them into or activities.

Well, that's about it for now.
Have a great month of May.

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See Joy Mattson's Newsletter on next page.



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If April showers bring May flowers, what do May flowers bring? Hopefully, the start of more consecutive days of warmer, sunny weather and Spring Training! I would consider our first every "Safety Weekend" a success. We had 14 Members that registered for the Advanced Rider Course and a few that signed up for the MFA. Thank you to those that participated!

We've been trying to work on getting Members current in the Levels program again. I know there are many of you that still need a Medic First Aid Course (CPR/First Aid) before the Grace Period ends on June 30, 2022. What I'm running into is that, with venues opening more, I'm having a hard time finding venues that have openings on weekends. Plus, being down to one Instructor, we're somewhat limited to what day(s) we can hold the courses.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month! With the motorcycle becoming an increasingly popular means of transportation for many, there is a growing need amongst drivers, motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians to be educated. In 2012, Governor Mark Dayton officially proclaimed May as Motorcycle Awareness Month. States around the nation use this month to educate motorists on recognizing motorcyclists, as well as to encourage motorcyclists to be careful on the road.

As you know, motorcyclists work in many different professions. We know doctors, dentists, lawyers, construction workers and so on. Riders come not only from different professions, but from different age groups and preferences. There are those that ride leisurely, those that ride fast and furious, and in-between riders of both two and three wheels. Any way you look at it, there are a lot of motorcyclists out there!

So, in closing, please take the time to watch for the motorcyclists out there. Our favorite saying:
Look left, look right, then look left again. You might be surprised what you see with a second look!

Till next time, ride safe and ride often!

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