
CA2S SHARK BYTES

January 2011



Chapter CA2S Silicon Valley Wings



Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Region F / California District

**Next
Chapter Meeting
Saturday, Jan. 15
Hometown Buffet @
McCarthy Ranch, Milpitas
Breakfast @ 8 AM
Meeting @ 8:45 AM**

Happy New Year !!

Bring your ride ideas to the annual ride planning meeting Jan 30.

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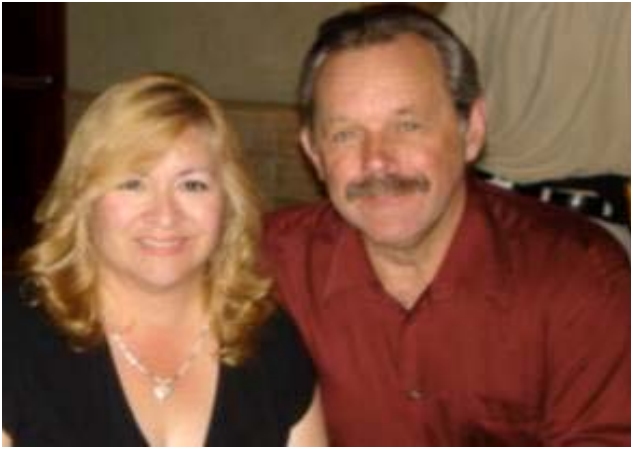
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Chapter Director's Message



Happy New Year to everyone. I suppose we all made it through the holidays in one piece and with our sanity intact. 2010 was a great year with lots of surprises, hopes and dreams. Now we have a clean slate and really have the opportunity to make 2011 even better. With that in mind, I invite all of you to our annual calendar planning meeting to be held on Sunday January 30th at Kathy's house. We encourage you to attend and bring with you some new ideas for the riding year. Maybe you have been wanting to go to that "special" place of yours, now is the chance to show it off. This year we would like to see a few more rides where the destination is more than just a restaurant but an activity, like the Renaissance Fair ride that Verdi led last year. So, put your thinking caps on and come prepared to present your favorite ride for consideration.

The Officers Conference will be in Bakersfield on January 15th and 16th. Irene and I will be there along with Doug, Kathy and Lennie. This happens to be the same weekend as our chapter meeting so Jim Carr has graciously volunteered to lead the meeting in our absence. So, as a thank you gift, I have proclaimed him exempt from receiving the WingNut this month. Hope everyone has a lot of fun while we buckle down for some "learnin" from the powers that be. We promise to come back a little more "edjumacated" than we were last year.

We are currently without an "official" Chapter Educator, since the rules have been changed slightly and Mike Melby has been deemed ineligible until he receives his level 2 status. The good news is that he has offered to continue as "interim" CE until either he gets his level 2 status or someone else comes along that will fill the position. We thank Mike for making that generous offer.

We want to thank each and every one of you for making last year very special and look forward to seeing what can be accomplished in this new year. Hope to see you all out there on a ride or two, at a chapter meeting or one of our special events.

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CA2S News

It's a Brand New Year!

I want to remind everyone that the Yearly Ride Planning Meeting is going to be on Jan 30 (check online Calendar for details). We need some ride ideas. Short or long, (relatively) straight or winding rides can all be good ones. A ride to Alice's can start out going south on CA-9.... I would like to see a better turnout than some of the rides last year. It seemed like all of the large turnout rides were ones I could not make. We will have dates by then for neighboring chapter events along with confirmation of Ride for Kids (Oct. 2 likely) and maybe have dates for the International Bike Show in San Mateo. We have not had many Eastern Sierra rides lately (Virg led a bunch of these in the past). A couple of old favorites that are nice have been Tony's BBQ in Tomales Bay or Running Iron in Carmel Valley. Hopefully, I sparked a few ideas..... Now, get out those maps (or Google versions) and come armed with some ideas.

Enjoy,
Douglas Loyd

Our thoughts and prayers continue for Sue Midkiff. She continues to struggle with her cancer. The chemo treatments are not being effective enough. She had surgery Wednesday the 15th to clean out scar tissue that had closed off the small intestine. The surgery was successful, but she is weak and "It wasn't easy on her". They will follow up when the Oncologists return from vacation. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. She needs all that she can get. With lots of hope, Virg

Verdi got the wingnut this month for meticulously monitoring her tire tread depth.



ACD Report *Kathy Moudry*

Happy New Year to All.

I hope you all had a Very Merry Christmas. The weather has been nice enough to get some local motorcycle riding in between the rain drops however I must admit unfortunately our Annual New Year's Day Ride had to be cancelled due to rain and boy did I watch enough Football to last a life time. Please let there be sunshine next New Year's Day.

I will be attending GWRRA's Officer's Meeting coming up in Bakersfield, Ca. in the middle of January. This will be a new experience for me especially with temps below 102 degrees as it has been for some of our September Rallies.

Don't forget the "Annual Planning Meeting" January 30th 2011 to be held at my house in Santa Clara. Check your e-mails for directions. The meeting will begin at 10:00am and will last until we have the calendar filled.

Best of Luck with your New Year's Resolutions and hope to see you all on the next ride..

Sincerely,
Kath Moudry
ACD/CA2S

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Greetings GWRRA-CA,

Well, here we go again, heading out on some new adventures. As we start the New Year, I want to take some time to thank some of our Officers that are stepping down to let some new blood into the game.

In no particular order other than alphabetically, I'd like to acknowledge the following for doing everything they could as Chapter Directors to ensure we were taken care of throughout the year. Next time you see them, please be sure to thank them for their service as Volunteer Leaders of GWRRA. A huge thank you goes out to: Ed & Kay Carrol - CA1F, Larry & Sheree Tegel - CA1M, Roberta & Dave Lawrence - CA1Q, Tom & Vicki Lorenz - CA1R, Larry & Debbie Starke - CA1Z, Pat Riley - CA2J, Mike & Ruth Burke - CA2N, Alan & Shirley Jarumay - CA2Q, Rodney & Anita Brooks - CAC. I'm sure if you ask any of them, they will all tell you they loved the entire time they served, and are sorry to be stepping down, but looking forward to a change of pace.

As Chapter Director's they were required to take the Oath of Office for which they all took very seriously. One of the lines in that Oath that is appropriate here is the

one that reads: *"To provide a succession of leadership for my office"*. They have done an incredible job ensuring they have provided for the health of their chapters. Please join me in welcoming our newest California Chapter Directors in the same order as above: Dana & Carol Rowley - CA1F, Steve & Sandy Damico - CA1M, Pat & Ellen O'Donnell - CA1Q, Cathy & George Diaz- CA1R, John & Linda Boman - CA1Z, Alex & Marcy Ageev - CA2J, Lee Spencer & Barbara Smith - CA2N, Steve & Jacque Foster - CA2Q, and last but surely not least, Rick & Marilyn Kaspar - CAC. These changes along with the other new Officers (Treasurer's & Membership Enhancement Coordinators) take effect January 1, 2011 to coincide with the tax year.

The rest of you can help make their jobs a lot easier by offering to help with the little things that need done on a daily basis. Help pass out the 50/50 prizes, sell some tickets, "BUY" some tickets, pour a cup of coffee, but most importantly, just be there (meetings, rides, dinner's, and fundraisers). Please don't forget to ask if there's anything you can do to help. That's what keeps our chapters strong. Remember, the Chapter you help, may be your own.

Bill & Rene Johnson
GWRRA - CA District Directors
"Hang on - we're going for a ride"

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Call Virg Midkiff

San Jose, California

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Dunlop D250F Radial front tire for sale \$115: Pulled off 2010 Wing at 91 miles.

Contact Douglas ddloyd@cwnet.com

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February 2011

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Steps in the Rider Education Program

by Michael Melby

Now that you've enrolled in the Rider Education Program (REP), also known as the Levels Program, you may be wondering where to go with it. At Level 1 the main requirement is that you commit to safe riding, and at each of the first three levels you attest to completing 5000 miles of safe riding. That's 5000 miles at each level. Incidentally, you use the REP form to claim credit for additional increments of 5000 miles.

So, you're at Level 1. Now what? With the new year about to begin, this is a good time to start looking for the rider training course that will qualify you for Level 2. Levels 2 and 3 are all about education, rider training for Level 2 and CPR/first aid for Level 3. The rider training course can be an Experienced Rider Course (ERC) offered by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. Also acceptable is the Advanced Rider Course (ARC) offered at most GWRRA rallies. The Streetmasters Motorcycle Workshop is also acceptable for Level 2. In my opinion, attending a GWRRA-sponsored ARC is the most convenient and reasonably priced. You can find them at Wing Ding and at the District Rally (another reason to attend the District Rally). The down side is that you "lose" a day at the rally because you're in class. If you're alert you may notice an occasional ARC offered by someone in a California chapter. This may involve some travel, but is a great way to meet GWRRA members around the state.

You co-riders are included in the Rider Education Program. You don't need a motorcycle license endorsement, nor will you be required to pilot a machine. There are co-rider seminars for you to attend, typically offered at GWRRA rallies. And after completing the CPR and first aid training (plus 5000 miles at Level 2), you qualify for Level 3.

One thing to bear in mind is that all these certifications have expiration dates. To maintain your status in the REP you must periodically complete a new rider training course or CPR training or first aid training.

Mike is acting as temporary, interim, stopgap, assistant-to-the-assistant chapter educator until The Honorable Bob can convince a warm body to fill the position. I'll try my best to answer any questions you may have about rider education or the Levels Program.



"40 to Phoenix"



**Start 2011 off with our 2nd Annual Coast to Coast International Ride!
Visit the GWRRA International Headquarters in Beautiful Phoenix, Arizona!**

**Riders will depart from Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina, on Friday, March 11, 2011, at 7 AM
Come meet us for a pre-ride brief/dinner March 10, 2011, from 6-8 PM at Carolina BBQ; 2703 North College Road, Wilmington, NC**

**Overnight stop points are: Dandridge, TN; Memphis, TN; El Reno, OK; Albuquerque, NM; Phoenix, AZ; San Diego, CA;
with an excursion to Ensenada, Mexico; See web site for up-to-date information;**

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OUR REGULAR MEETING PLACES

Monthly Meetings—The third Saturday of each month. The meeting starts promptly at 8:45 AM, and is usually over by 10:45 AM. **Hometown Buffet, 212 Ranch Dr. (408) 935-0893 “McCarthy Ranch Shopping Center”, Milpitas.** Business meeting, Safety Talk, 50/50 raffle, General camaraderie. Any rider of Honda Gold Wing and Valkyrie motorcycles, or anyone who just loves to ride.

TGIF – *Beginning Jan 2009, these rides have been suspended for awhile.*

Rides going NorthEast - Mervyn's parking lot on E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas (hwy 237 & 680)

Rides North to SF - Mercado Theater Santa Clara on Frontage Rd. off Great America Parkway. This is the meeting place for rides that take us North along Hwys 101 or 85 (San Francisco, Marin, Eureka).

Rides South - Holiday Inn at Bernal Rd and 101 South.

Disclaimer: Please note *all meetings are subject to change*, both in location and times to meet. If you are interested in a ride or event and have questions, please call or email any staff member noted in the newsletter or on the web. <http://www.ca2s.org>.

California Chapter Meetings and Locations

Meeting Date & Time	Chapter	Meeting Location
1st Saturday 9:14 AM Breakfast 8:30 AM	Ca1A	Greenhouse Cafe, 1169 Commerce Ctr Dr., Lancaster
3 rd Saturday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1C	Burger Time, 78365 Varner Road, Palm Desert
4th Sunday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00AM	Ca1D	Elks Lodge, 8108 E. Alondra Blvd., Paramount
3 rd Sunday 8:15 AM Breakfast 7:30 AM	Ca1E	Hometown Buffet, Foothill Blvd & Spruce Ave, Rancho Cucamonga
2nd Saturday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1F	Broken Yolk Café, 1851 Garnet Ave., San Diego
1st Sunday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1I	Covina Bowl, 1060 W. San Bernardino Rd., Covina
Last Saturday, 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:30 AM	Ca1K	Lulu's Café, 16900 Roscoe Blvd., Van Nuys
2nd Saturday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1L	IHOP Restaurant, 212 Madonna Rd, San Luis Obispo
2nd Sunday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1M	Elks Club, 2055 Elks Drive, San Bernardino
3rd Saturday 8:30 AM Breakfast 7:30 AM	Ca1N	Grandma BB's, 539 Vista Bella, Oceanside
2nd Sunday 8:00 AM Breakfast 7:30AM	Ca1Q	Hof's Hut, 7005 Knott Ave., Buena Park
1st Sunday 8:00 AM Breakfast 7:00 AM	Ca1R	Knowlwoods Restaurant, 14952 Sand Canyon, Irvine
3rd Saturday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1S	Carrow's Restaurant, 2401 Harbor Blvd, Ventura
4 th Sunday 8:00 AM Breakfast 7:30 AM	Ca1V	Mawell's, 17772 Wika Rd, Apple Valley
1st Sunday 8:30 AM	Ca1Y	Bakers Square, 936 North H St, Lompoc
1st Saturday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca1Z	Home Town Buffet, 40390 Margarita Rd., Temecula
1st Saturday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca2A	Neilson's Restaurant, 137 S. M St., Tulare
3rd Sunday 8:45 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	CaC	Denny's Restaurant, 7900 Collegetown Dr, Sacramento
2nd Saturday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:30AM	Ca2J	Hometown Buffet, 2050 Diamond Blvd., Concord
4th Sunday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca2K	Jack & Linda's Country Café , 2390 N Texas St, Fairfield
2nd Saturday 9:00 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca2N	Pine Rest & Lounge, 19601 Hess Ave, Sonora
3rd Saturday 8:30 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca2Q	Athen's Burger Rest, 6999 Dublin Blvd, Dublin
1st Saturday 10:00 AM Breakfast 9:00 AM	Ca2R	Sang's Café, 131 Main St, Salinas
3rd Saturday 8:45 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM	Ca2S	Hometown Buffet, 212 Ranch Dr. "McCarthy Ranch Shopping Center", Milpitas
1st Saturday 9:30 AM Breakfast 8:30 AM	Ca2W	Brooks Ranch, 4131 S Chestnut Ave, Fresno