



GWRRA CHAPTER AB-L NEWSLETTER

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It has been a while since we have had a newsletter. Everyone has been busy with the holidays and work. As you probably noticed I have acquired the newsletter editor position again. I would like to thank Paul for all the work he has done on the Web page and the newsletter. He will continue with the Web page as his time is at a premium with work and other activities. Thanks again Paul!

Breakfast & Coffee

We've been having our get togethers the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. We have been meeting at Humpty's on Scenic Drive across from AMA at 9:00 A.M. These are only friendly get-togethers for friendship and B.S. Rally business is conducted at separate meetings. Speaking of rally business... anyone who would like to be involved with the rally is invited to contact me because at this time we have a very small group organizing it.

Riding Season

Soon it will be time to take the cover off of the Wing and get it ready for the 2007 riding season. It's a good time to do the spring safety inspection. Let's look at what we have to do to get ready.

Taking the bike out of storage

ESTIMATED TIME: 1 afternoon

- Remove the cover.
- Remove any large locks you might have used to secure the bike.
- Make sure the tire pressures are set properly for normal use.

- If the bike is up on stands, carefully lower the bike off the stands.
- Wash the bike.
- Install the clean, well-charged battery.
- If your bike has a fuel petcock, turn the fuel system on. If your fuel petcock has settings like ON/RES/PRI, set it to "PRI" for about 20 seconds, then switch it to "ON." If your petcock has settings like ON/RES/OFF, set it to "ON." If your bike has a fuel pump, make sure the kill switch is set to "RUN."
- Remove any plastic/rubber covers that you put on the air box intakes, exhaust pipes, and air box drain.
- Move the bike to a well-ventilated area and start it... let it run it for 20 minutes or long enough for the fan to come on twice. (Be careful about the build-up of poisonous carbon monoxide fumes in enclosed spaces.)
- If applicable, turn the fuel system off.
- Have a factory trained mechanic perform a full tune-up.
- Before burning that full tank that you stored your bike with...
 - If you stored the bike for more than two months, do an oil change. "What, again?!" you say? Yeah, it's probably a good idea. The cheap oil you stored the bike with probably absorbed a bunch of icky combustion byproducts that the pre-storage oil change didn't remove. Hey, that's why you used cheap stuff -- you're getting rid of it. Feel free to use \$9/qt synthetic ambrosia this time, or whatever motor oil makes you feel best. You do not need to change the filter this time, but do make sure you recycle the old oil properly. .
- Enjoy the start of another season of riding!

Proposed Rides for 2007

May 13 - Mother's Day run for ice cream at Taber Dairy Queen

May 21 - Day run and lunch in Waterton

May 26 - St. Mary's, Montana for lunch

June 2 - Poker Run same as last year

June 9 - Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump

June 17 - Potluck Picnic at Park Lake

June 29- July 1st - REGION "J" RALLY @ UNIV. OF LETHBRIDGE

July 4-7- WING DING @ BILLINGS, MONTANA

July 14 - Kalispell run via Going to the Sun Road (overnight or day run)

July 22 - Meet with Medicine Hat/Brooks Chapter for breakfast in Brooks and short trip

July 28 - Run to Great Falls, Montana (possible overnighter)

August 4-5 - Radium Hot Springs, Banff, Yellowhead Pass

August 11- Fort Macleod, Blue Trail, Waterton

August 18 -Cardston Remington Carriage Centre & Barbecue in Magrath @ Rick & Cory's

August 25 – Poker run (to be discussed)

Any other great ideas for runs and activities, please feel free to share them.

Region “J” Rally Reminder

If you plan on taking one of the rally courses, register as soon as possible. There is a max number that can be accommodated for some of them. It is first paid that will be registered in the courses that have a maximum limit. Here is the link to the form to register:

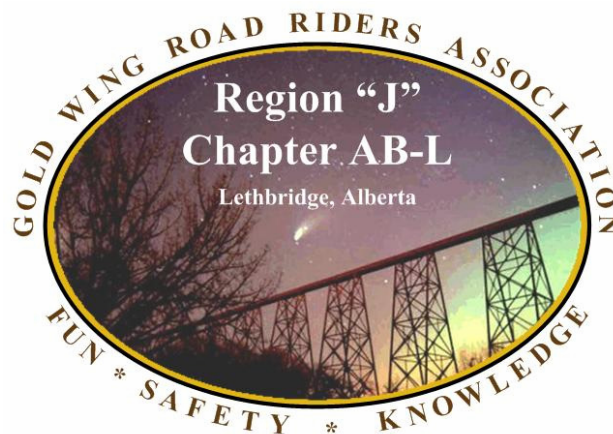
<http://gwrra-lethbridge.org/>

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Cheers

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