

District News – August 2020

MN – ND District

DISTRICT CALENDAR DISTRICT CONTACTS
RALLY/EVENTS RIDER ED TRAINING



Greetings!

From:

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Any questions or comments, please let us know
– always willing to meet and talk.



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Ramblings:

We build of a tolerance for riding in our weekly trips; this usually has to do tolerance of how long we can be 'in the saddle' before we need a break. Since we have not been on any long distance rides this year, we are finding out that we need to plan our stops better.

District Mystery Ride Update



With most, if not all, of the Rallies canceled this year - Let's try a local Ride to near Cold Spring, MN!!

There is still time to let us know you will be coming to the **Mystery Ride / Picnic** on August 8th. District will provide the Picnic Lunch; we just ask for the folks to bring chairs, a sunny disposition, and a mask (now required). Most Chapters are organizing a ride to the District Picnic to arrive between noon and 12:30.

The District will provide the food and cold water; if your palette requires something different (soda, iced tea and so forth) please bring your own selection. **Desserts** are always welcome if you choose to bring them (cookies, bars, etc.).

Does anyone remember the **50/50**? We will be doing a **50/50** at the Picnic - bringing back some old time fun. Remember the **50/50** is purely voluntary. Let have a bit of normalcy in these trying times - which seems like a year ago.

We have selected a Marvelous Location - The location selected for the **Mystery Ride / Picnic** destination is N45° 26.196' W94° 30.518'), verified in Google Maps and Basecamp.

Come whether you are riding with a Chapter or arriving separately as a group or individually whether it be on 2, 3 or 4 wheels.

There is one catch, we do need an **RSVP by or on August 1st** so we can have enough food for everyone. Send **RSVP** to Q.Bob.Renae@gmail.com or **RSVP** on [Groupworks](#) or give us a phone call.

If you are riding in a group, the Ride Leader will need to provide the number in your group (ensure they know that). If coming by yourself, please let us know how many will be attending via the RSVP.

MN-ND September District Ride Inn

Since we had to cancel our 2020 District Rally, we added a one-day ride-in held on Saturday, September 19th. See the Flyer, for information and the block code for a reduced hotel rate, on the District Web site, www.mn-nd-gwrra.us, under the Rally/Events tab, then [Events](#).

If you plan on going, even if it is 50/50, please let us know. We are judging folks interest in the strange times.

We will keep everyone informed on the status if we need to relook at having the one-day Ride Inn.

New Class - GWRRA 101

Want to know more about GWRRA and its policies and procedures? The roll-

out of GWRRA 101 is just in time. The class is open to everyone - please see the announcement attached.

This workshop will give you the tools and insight to under-stand the GWRRA Handbook and workings of GWRRA. The GWRRA 101 class will “bust” the myths of long-standing assumptions within our Association and provide a better understanding of where to find the correct answers and from whom.

GWRRA [101_Rollout_All.pdf](#)

To register, go to the [GWRRADOT](#) web page

2021 MN - ND District Rally - After Wing Ding, come on up to Winona for some fabulous riding around the hills, valleys and ridges of southwest Wisconsin and southeastern Minnesota.

There are 3 ways to register; [registration form](#) is available for download or go to the online registration at [MN - ND District Rally Registration](#).

Join the **FUN** by clicking on the Flyer below:

2021 MN - ND RALLY
Rollin' on the River
GWRRA

Guided Rides
Mississippi Boat Rides
Selfie 50/50 Ride
Games
Vendors
Plus much more

July 23rd - 24th, 2021

Riverport Inn & Suites
Winona, MN
Ph: (507) 452-0606
Ask for the "MN ND Rally 2021" block rate

All District Events are listed on the [MN - ND web page](#) (under District Calendar) as well as Groupworks Event App.

- **2020 District Ride In** - September 19th at the Comfort Suites in Worthington, MN. come and stay Friday night (with a reduced rate) and be ready to ride on Saturday. See [Flyer](#) info on the [MN-ND District web page](#), under Rally/Events, then Events.

- **Fall Operations Meeting,**

October 17, 2020 - Time 9am to 2pm at Dehn's Country Manor in Maple Grove. There will be more details next year, mark your Calendars now.

Rider Education Update

District Educator Ramblings

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With all of our GW activities having been cancelled and/or put on hold, are you maybe planning a trip somewhere just to get away? We recently took a trip with friends and members of our extended GWRRA family and met up with other friends/members for a few days of “family” fun and camaraderie. A big shout out to Don and Cheri Walloch for being our tour guides and leading the group on some great roads to see the area.



And for the great choice of dinner venue on Friday night. Everything was great and our social distancing was practiced every time we stopped.

The trip took a little extra planning because of the situation in the world today.

Here are a few things you need to consider:

Hotels – are they open? If staying in a hotel with other guests, you have to be more conscious of social distancing, something we’re starting to take as normal behavior (sorry, but I still have to give/get a hug once in a while). Other guests may be even more aware of social distancing than you are because they don’t know you.

Restaurants – are they open for dine-in? We found that the majority of fast food locations are still open only for drive-thru but some will allow you to walk through

the drive-thru. Many dine in restaurants are open with limited seating, usually allowing a maximum of 6 persons per table. At least at this point.

One other note. It was hot and humid the week we traveled. Make sure, if you're traveling in the heat and humidity, that you stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water, Powerade/Gatorade, or a combination of both. Personally, I've found the combination of water and Powerade works better for me. You get the hydration from the water and the electrolytes from the other. Frequent stops in the shade also help – air conditioning, if available, is great but you may feel the heat more walking out of that AC!

Till next time, stay safe and stay cool!

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