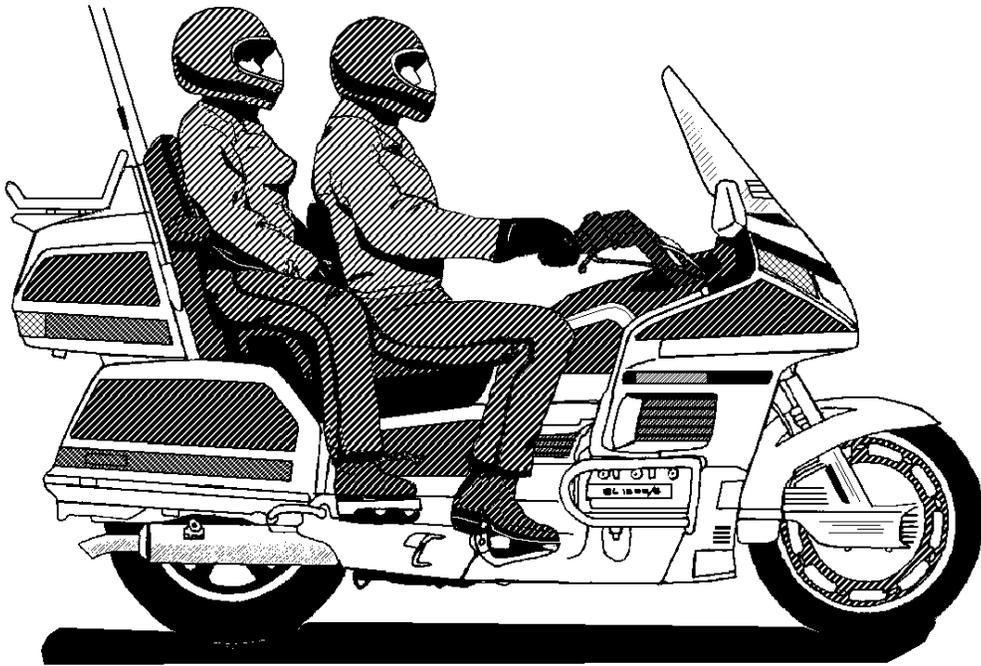


SECTION B



LET'S RIDE!



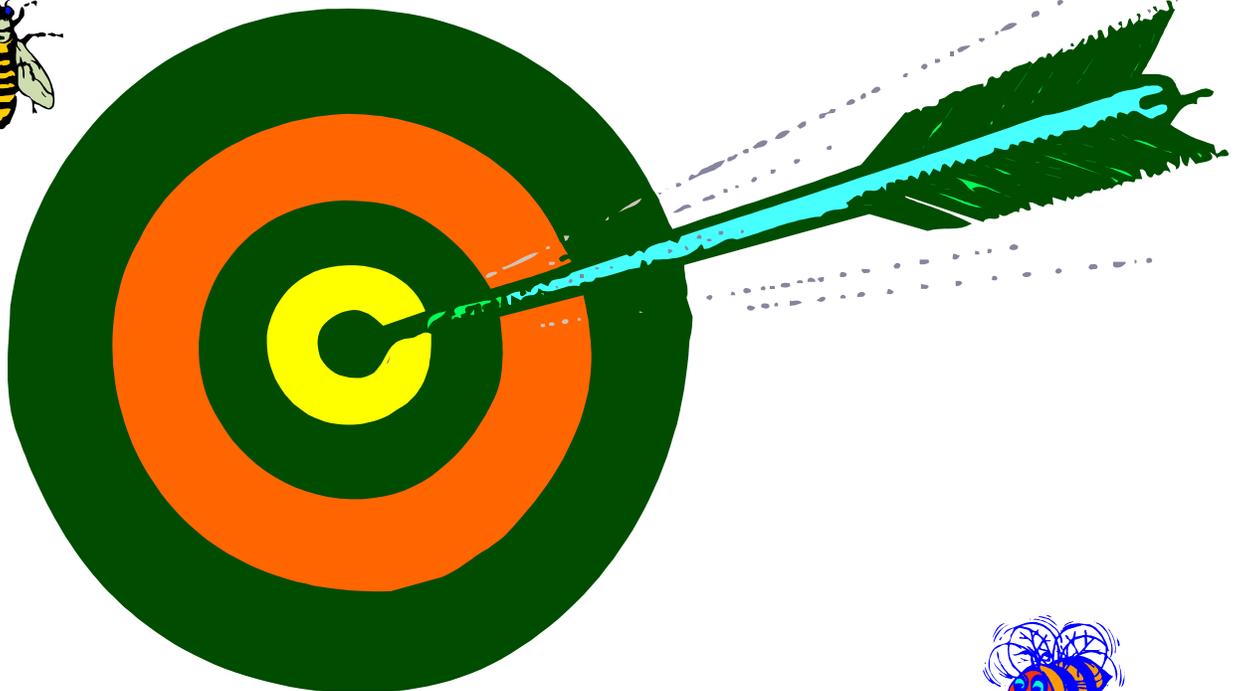
BUG RUN



You'll enjoy this variation of the popular Poker Run that Ohio Chapter X2 sponsors. A "Bug Run" is just like a Poker Run in that you ride a pre-determined course, but there are no poker hands played. Instead, a target is placed somewhere on the front of the motorcycle, and the object is to have as many bugs hit the target as possible during the ride. You may participate in the run without a target; but by purchasing a target, you become eligible for awards, which are presented at the end of the day. By purchasing targets, you're also helping to put funds into the Chapter's treasury!!

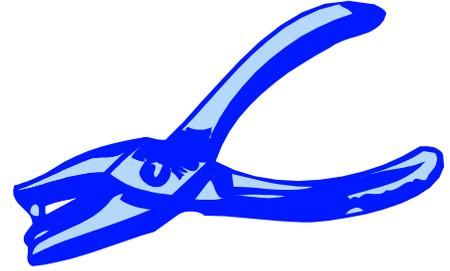
Here are the rules:

- You may purchase as many targets as you like and place them anywhere on your bike (safely out of your line of vision, of course!).
- You may only turn in your "BEST"(most bug covered) target.
- There are extra point areas on the target to be used as a tiebreaker.
- BE SAFE AND HAVE FUN!



PUNCH RIDE

This version of the Poker Ride, contributed by Allyson Cohen Maryland Chapter D, is done without playing cards. You will need copies of the grid (see below), hole punchers, and index cards.



The object of this ride is to have everyone get an index card when they sign up and have it punched. Along the way, just ask them to allow you to place a hole punch in their business. Or you can just have someone at the checkpoint with a hole puncher. You decide how many hole punches by the length of the ride. The holes should be randomly punched on the index card.

At the final checkpoint, they get their last hole punched, and then you lay their card over the grid and tally their score. Since no one will know why they are punching the index card, there is no way to try to pick your score. You can give a prize for the highest and the lowest scores.

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FRILLS AND SKILLS (or is it Skills and Frills?)

Maryland Chapter K says to sharpen your riding skills or just enjoy the ride. Get ready for field events! Take a ride to warm up your group riding skills, then stop in a park to play bike games. Chapter K charges for this event and gives event bars (first 50 registrants) and certificates, and hot dogs are available. They also have a 50/50.

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MYSTERY RIDE

This is another ride contributed by Allyson Cohen, and is a good ride to put on with other Chapters. A committee picks a destination for the ride to end, such as a State Park for a picnic or just someplace for dinner or dessert, and the destination is kept a secret (thus the name "Mystery Ride"). The riders are divided into groups. Each group is given different directions to finding the ending point. You can give them their directions in sections; once they get to the first point, they get directions to the next point, and so on. Or make it a real challenge by only giving them clues. If you are worried they will get lost as sometimes happens, you can give them a sealed envelope with the final destination in it.



CARNIVAL RUN

Here's another of Allyson Cohen's variations of the Poker Run. As you decide on checkpoints, look for safe areas for riders to get off their bikes and play some "carnival games." Each game has points according to its level of difficulty. At the end of the run, the person with the highest total points wins. In case of a tie, you can pick the winner out of a hat or do a play-off. Some examples of simple games you may want to use:

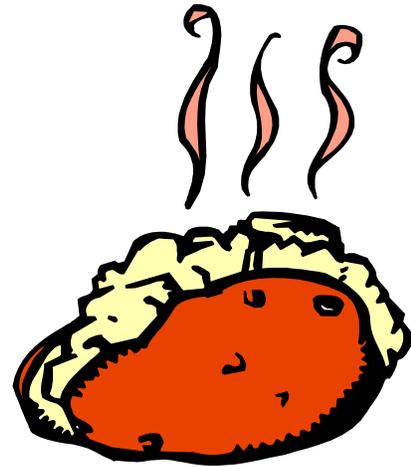
1. **Balloon pop:** Place balloons on a wooden board and have riders try to pop with darts. Each balloon has a point value. Each person gets three darts.
2. **Bottle bowling:** Set up three bottles and have them roll a ball to knock them down. Put sand in the bottles to make them difficult to knock down, and use a light ball.
3. **Water balloon toss:** A water-filled balloon is tossed back and forth between two people on a team. Each time it is caught, the distance between the two people is increased. Points are given at each distance.
4. **Lawn darts:** Set the rings at different distances for different point values.

To add to the carnival atmosphere, you could have clowns at the checkpoints, and for people who bring their children, you could have them do some simple face painting.



HOT POTATO

Indiana has the Hot Potato, New York has the Rotten Apple Award, and your District can have the same fun they're having on a reverse of the traditional "traveling plaque"! Here's how Indiana set theirs up, so have fun and start traveling to meet new friends!



The INDIANA HOT POTATO is the reverse of the traveling plaque. Chapters are encouraged to get rid of it as quickly as possible! The HOT POTATO may be delivered to any organized Chapter event. It is intended to encourage visitation and participation with other Chapters within the District of Indiana. It is the responsibility of the receiving Chapter Director to notify the District Public Relations Coordinator immediately that they have been presented the HOT POTATO.

The log sheet to verify the route of travel and cumulative mileage must be completed by the delivering Chapter and presented with the HOT POTATO. Cumulative mileage will be the number of people times the number of miles ridden to deliver.

A minimum of 4 Chapter participants is required to deliver the HOT POTATO. There will be no minimum mileage, but the general rule is, "The farther away you deliver it the longer it will take for you to get back. A HOT POTATO cannot be delivered to either of the last two Chapters that had it. If the HOT POTATO has not moved in 21 days after a Chapter receives it, it will become fair game for any other Chapter to pick up. This can be done by as few as 3 Members of another Chapter at any Chapter function. Mileage to pick up and deliver both counts. The Chapter that has to pick it up will get an extra entry in the drawing at the District Rally. The number of days a Chapter has possession will be counted and totaled. At the end of the journey, the lower the number, the higher the score you will receive.

Motorcycles will be the only forms of transportation from April 1 through October 31. A drawing will be held at the next Indiana District Rally from the Chapters caught with the HOT POTATO during the year (one entry for each possession), and the Winning Chapter will have permanent custody of that year's HOT POTATO. That Chapter is also responsible for making and starting the new one ASAP.

NOTE: The HOT POTATO and the TRAVELING TROPHY can be used together for more fun. Example: If a Chapter has the HOT POTATO and another Chapter has the TRAVELING TROPHY, take the HOT POTATO (with ten people) to the other Chapter, leave the HOT POTATO, and take the TRAVELING TROPHY back to your Chapter.

WINGS ON PARADE



Pick a date for your annual Motorcycle Show and turn it into a parade. Virginia Chapter I does just that. They set up the motorcycle show from 10:00 a.m., complete with People's Choice Awards.

Then at 1:00 p.m. they line up for a parade around town. The route is only about five miles, but it is great Public Relations! What a way to start the riding season or to kick-off Motorcycle Awareness Month!

TOYS FOR TOTS

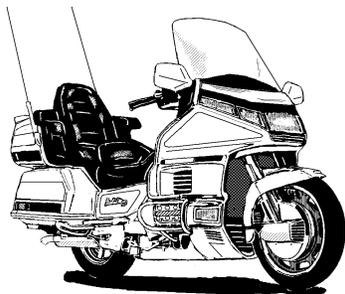
New York Chapter G sponsors "Toys for Tots" ride in July, with the help of a local radio station.

The route they use is a 200 mile escorted run. The route includes a lap at Watkins Glen International Raceway, a parade on Runway 24 at the Elmira Corning Airport in front of thousands of people, and the best seats for fireworks.

There is a printed route and schedule so riders can join in anywhere. All they have to do is show up with a new, unwrapped toy. This type of event can be put on anytime of the year, it's never too early to think of those less fortunate.



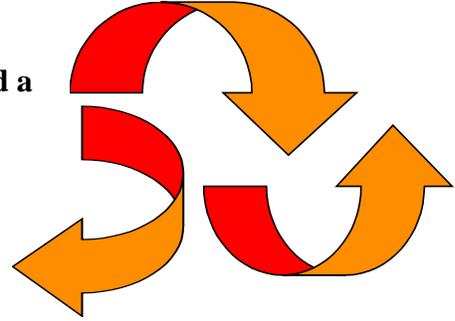
ANNUAL RIDING SEASON KICK-OFF PITCH-IN



Every year around early April (this is seasonal, of course), Chapters in Region D have a pitch-in (polish all the bikes) to celebrate the beginning of riding season, ending with a ride to a popular spot in town to show off the newly polished bike and enthusiastic riders and co-riders.

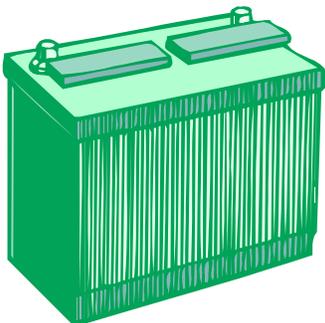
CRAZY RIDE

The object of this ride is to give everyone a chance to lead a ride. The ride leader goes for about ½ hour until the group gets away from familiar territory. Then at a safe place the leader goes to the rear of the group and the 2nd person in line leads the ride. Each person takes a turn leading the ride for 15 minutes and then rotates to the back of the group. The only rules are that the new leader has to make at least 2 turns. Be sure to pack your lunch and drinks because you never know where you'll end up on this ride.



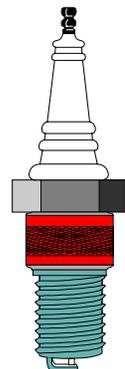
TOY RUN

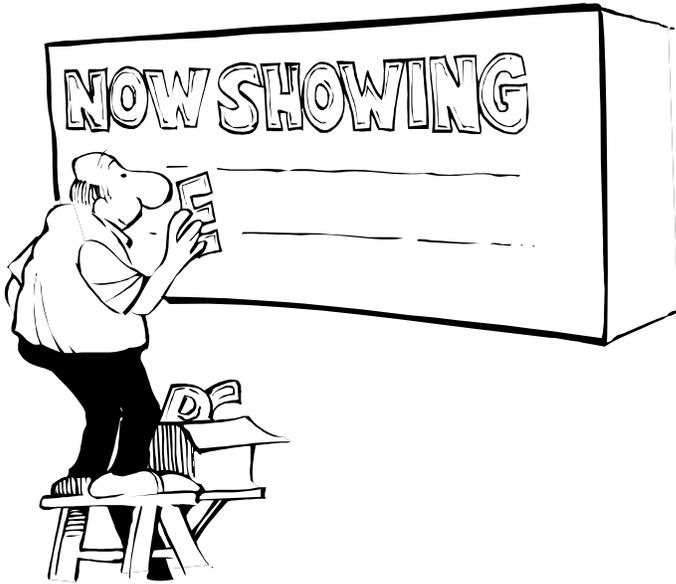
A local EMS unit is chosen for an annual “Toy Run”. The Chapter members donate small stuffed animals, each placed in plastic bags with a Chapter business card. Local businesses, such as K-Mart or Wal-Mart are contacted for the donation of animals or for a discount on the price. Then at a pre-arranged time, the animals are delivered to the EMS station on behalf of GWRRA and the local Chapter. The stuffed animals are given to children who have to ride to the hospital in an ambulance and are scared. Be sure to get a write-up in the local newspaper and call the local radio station, because this is a good PR event.



CHROME DAY

Before riding season begins in the spring, Chapter members get together at one house with a large garage. This is a day for changing oil, adding accessories, solving wiring problems, putting on hitches, etc. You can have a carry-in or order pizza for lunch.





DRIVE-IN RIDE

Hook your cargo trailer up to your bike and pack it with food, radio, lawn chairs and blankets and head for the drive-in. Line up your bikes and set up your lawn chairs in front and enjoy the show and company. Ohio Chapter A2 wears their pajamas to the drive-in. Check with the management of the drive-in before your arrival to make certain that they are ready for you.

CASINO RIDE

Ride to a local casino, win enough money to buy a new Gold Wing, eat, and ride some more, stop at Dairy Queen and then head home.



PICK-A-CARD RIDE

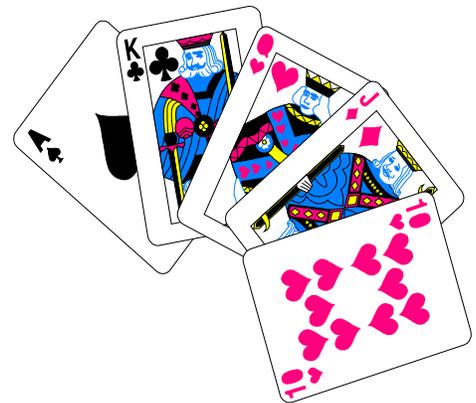
Each driver picks a card out of a deck. Each card designates the number of miles they must lead. A black card means they must make a left turn at the beginning of their ride and a red card means a right turn. All face cards equal 10 miles and aces equal 11 miles.

For example:

Black Ace = Right turn, then lead 11 miles

Red 8 = Left turn, then lead 8 miles

Black Queen = Right turn, then lead 10 miles



HAYRIDE/ COOKOUT

Have a Chapter hayride, complete with ghost stories and throwing hay at each other. Build a big bonfire and cook hotdogs on sticks. Have everyone bring a covered dish to share, with thermos bottles full of hot chocolate or apple cider. Smores also taste great.



POLAR BEAR RIDE

Ohio Chapter F has an annual Polar Bear Ride every January 1st. Since the weather can be quite cold in Ohio, if the roads are wet or slippery or if it is snowing, an alternate date is chosen.

Everyone meets at a predetermined location, where they sign up for the ride and receive a year hanger bar for their Polar Bear Ride Pin. They

ride for about 20 miles and then have dinner together. This has become a big event with over 100 bikes and receives television news coverage. What a great way to start the New Year.

PUMPKIN RUN

Ohio Chapter A2 has someone in the Chapter go to a local park earlier in the day and hide plastic pumpkins. Each pumpkin has a different prize in it and whoever finds the most pumpkins also wins a prize.





CHRISTMAS LIGHTS DISPLAY

If it's too cold to see Christmas lights on your motorcycle, have the members double up in cars. Neighborhoods will decorate with lights. Parks also put on great displays. After you have seen the lights, go somewhere to have hot chocolate and dessert.

COVERED BRIDGE RIDE

Plan a ride visiting covered bridges. Have a member research the history of bridges, prepare the ride and tell the group a little about each bridge. Pack a brown bag lunch and find a pull-off or park near one of the bridges to eat your lunch.



LOCAL PARADES

If you are entering into a theme parade, decorate your bikes with flags, lights, banners, etc. Check with the organizer to make sure you don't get placed behind horses or walkers because they go slow and it is hard to ride your bike behind them. Spectators love to see motorcycles and it is a great public relations event for GWRRA.

FALL COLOR RIDE

Plan a one or two day fall color ride around the time when the fall leaves are the most colorful in the area that you are visiting. The fallen leaves are real slippery on the roads.





FLEA MARKET TRIP

Hook your trailers up to your bikes to bring back your purchases. Go to large flea markets and find things that you just can't live without. Be sure not to bring any fleas home with you.

ALL DAY RIDE/COOKOUT

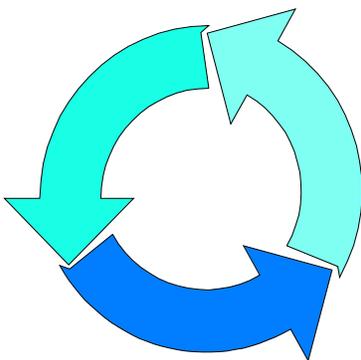
Plan an all day ride that ends up at a park where you can cook your meal. Have members bring dishes to share.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING @ NURSING HOME



visit each person, giving handshakes and hugs.

Ohio Chapter T2 has adopted a nursing home that they visit for Christmas. Two members dress as Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus and they all ride on their motorcycles to the nursing home. When they arrive, the residents are taken into the dining room where the Chapter members sing Christmas carols. After singing, they give presents to each of the residents while Mr. & Mrs. Claus walk around and



PARKING LOT PRACTICE

The Chapter Educator can set up a parking lot practice course in a mall parking lot after checking with mall security. The course can include figure eights, cone weave, tight circle, slow ride and others. The course can be laid out for beginner to intermediate riders and is great practice before going to a rally to get practice for On-Bike Games.

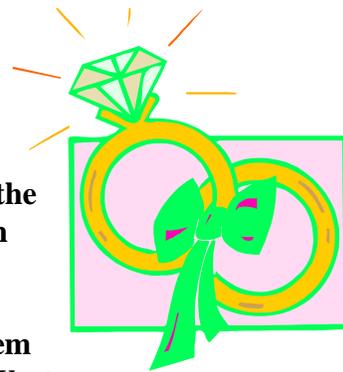


GROCERY STORE RIDE

Jim & Evelyn Hicks from Virginia Chapter K have a great variation from the standard picnic ride where everyone brings their own food. They go on a ride and when it gets close to mealtime, the entire group stops at a grocery store and buys all the goodies for the picnic. They share in the cost of the food and don't have to worry about keeping anything cold while they are riding.

THE QUEST FOR DIAMONDS

Seven members of Chapter X2 of Ohio planned an 8 day, 2100-mile "Quest for Diamonds" ride. The diamonds are the colored stones that you glue on maps after you have ridden your motorcycle in that state.



The "Quest for Diamonds", which started in Ohio took them through New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, Virginia, West Virginia, Michigan, Maine, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, D.C. and Ontario. One member planned the routes and only went through ONE major metropolitan area (Boston).

PEBBLE RUN



Plan a ride through your county for about an hour, unless you stop for some reason like to eat ice cream. Chapter X2 of Ohio planned stops along the route for participants to collect specially marked pebbles. The rider and co-rider both participate in the collection of the pebbles for a nominal fee of \$5.00 each. The last bike went out at 12:00pm and had to be back by 2:00pm. The person closest to a predetermined weight of pebbles got 25% of the total. This is also a great fundraiser for the Chapter.