# Washington State Chapter November-December, 2000

# Happy Holidays!

### Y2K Re-Cap

Awesome year! Awesome, awesome, awesome!
Racked up monster miles again and had a blast
doing it. I remember back to Bryce doing his year 'round
da country and on his final leg, crashing in California on
his way home – Dean and I ended up going out with a
bang too on St Helens.

At the start of the year – we broke in the year with a quick shot towards Mt Baker, Granite Falls (what a fiasco), and then Leavenworth. Just when the going got good, the good reached out and touched us. After getting only a warning from the kind WSP, that was the last time of dealing with Johnny Law for the year. It was a good thing to get that out of the way early.

One ride after another worked on developing style, smoothness, knowledge of roads, and camaraderie. Gotta love the group of guys we ride with!

There were situations that we came across that shot the pucker factor up to at least 9, like when we were finishing up the Lake Cavanaugh loop, and came into a corner marked at 20 when it should've been marked 10 or 15! Everyone fought hard to stay up, and luckily not one person gave up the fight, albeit everyone crossed the centerline.

The best of the best was encountered on the longer rides. My first ride towards Laguna was the most memorable of this year. I still can't say Northern California without cracking a smile. The Oregon Outing was a HUGE success and therefore I have planned two such events this year – Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends. Plan on riding 1500-2000 miles in 4-days on each trip.

The season was capped by a fantastic turnout for Dinner at Olive Garden. The food and service was impeccable. We issued many awards (see 2000 Club Awards, this newsletter) that covered the events of the year. Everyone took their beatings in stride.

Can't wait to get my bike back together and start riding again, but until then, we'll try racing go-karts during the winter! (see HSTA 2001 Schedule) See you at the show!

### 2000 Club Awards

- Alan Heng Felony Evasion Award for being most likely to appear on World's Wildest Police Chases!
- Bob Kramer "Other White Meat" Award for first dealing with the Pig Farmer, and then dealing with the Keystone Cops of Pendleton, Oregon.
- Bryan Bailey Binford 2000 Award for going the extra mile to fixing Dean's bike after the accident on Mt St Helens.
- Cary Perkins Poncho Villa Award for numerous occurrences in which he tempted the Rain Gods and paid the price!
- Dan Hytry Mr. Miyagi Award "Ride motorcycle on left. Safe. Ride motorcycle on right. Safe. Ride down the middle, and 'squish', just like grape."
- Dawn Hytry First Lady Award just because I love her so much!
- Dean Girard "I'm Feeling Very Olympic Today" Award – for scoring 9.0, 9.5, 8.5, 9.0, 9.0 on his dismount.
- Donald Grabrick Pilot of the Year Award for learning how to master the GSX-R600 in less than a season and keeping up with Bryan on Mt St Helens.
- Jeff and Jean Cahill the Shel Silverstein, Where the Sidewalk Ends Award for exploring the roads around Neah Bay with less than optimal results!
- Jim Holzberger Nothing Ventured, Nothing Gained Award – for finding the most AWESOME roads through Oregon and California. Including some that weren't on the map, were covered with gravel, and were washed out!

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## 2000 Club Awards con't

Jim Masterman – "He Who Dies with the Most Toys, Still Dies" Award – for managing his time between all his toys: Fun-Mover, race, street and dirt bike, dual sport, quads, and paragliding!

Larry Mayer – Go! Go! Gadget Award – for having a Digi-Trickmeter and keeping the highly accurate and somewhat entertaining statistics of our club rides.

Destination: Mt Baker Time on Bike: 5h 45min Miles: 326.4 Average Speed: 56.8mph Top Speed: TOO FAST!

Mark Grabrick – Pink Panties Award – for going from making almost every ride, to only showing up for one club ride this year!

Mat McDanold – Rand McNally Award – for successfully leading the group to Mt St Helens, even though he also found 300+ stoplights along the way!

Russell Gienau – "Real TV" Affiliate Award – for always being on the spot and producing quality footage of our clubs mishaps.

## 2000 - Christmas Party!!!

Bryan and Marisa Bailey will be hosting our HSTA Christmas Party this year. Same layout as in the past − Potluck. Bring a favorite dish, pictures, and some good stories. Directions (sorry no map) →

### Events At-A-Glance

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December 1-3 – <u>International Motorcycle Show</u>
Stadium Exhibition Center, Seattle **Fri** 5pm-10pm, **Sat** 10am-9pm, **Sun** 10am-5pm

www.motorcycleshows.com/se.cfm

December 16 - HSTA Christmas Party - 7pm to ????

## Driving Directions to the Baileys

Bryan & Marisa Bailey 4710 Morris Ave S Renton, WA 98055 RSVP (425) 204-6080

- Make your way to SR-167 and take the SW 180th St. exit, one mile south of Renton.
- Head EAST, uphill on 180<sup>th</sup>.
- Turn RIGHT on Talbot Road.
- Go about a ¼ mile to the Talbot Park development on the left. Use the 2<sup>nd</sup> entrance, turning left on 47<sup>th</sup> St.
- Go uphill, house on SE corner of the development.

www.geocities.com/MotorCity/Garage/4714/