

Washington State Chapter May, 2001

STARreview by Fred Ziglar

I know that the STARreview situation has been on all your minds and also know that this is the subject of many questions and gripes that you have been hearing from the membership. We on the Executive Committee have been aware of the problem for some time and have been working hard to find a solution.

STARreview Editor is the most time consuming volunteer position in the HSTA. In the past we have relied on the considerable efforts of one hard working member to take charge of getting the STARreview to all of us and to get it to us in a timely manner. This is no easy task, but I have seen 3 different editors, Mike Morris, John Castagna, and Chuck Drew each tackle this job and each has done a great job. Each, however, reached a point that many volunteers reach, the point of burnout.

Sooner or later, our real jobs, or our family situations, or other factors in our real lives can interfere with our volunteer commitments. When that happens, we all know what takes precedence. Such is the case with the STARreview. Real life job complications of our Editor interfered, regular publication of our magazine has stopped and we have all been upset, since this is a very important benefit of HSTA membership.

As I said, the EC has been aware of the problem for quite some time. A comparatively easy solution would be to find one person to become the next STARreview Editor and we would all be content until that person reaches the point that they could not keep up and we would be back in the same situation. Our goal, instead has been to reorganize this process, divide it among several people, so that when real life commitments again require one persons exclusive attention, others can pick up the slack and the publication process continues. As time passes, if any person in this group decides to drop out, others can be brought on board, without interruption of the process. The hope is that this plan will leave us with a permanent solution, rather than a temporary one.

I am happy to inform you that a group of volunteers has been formed to begin the reorganization. Bill Ganger, of Ohio is chairman of this group and will

be Managing Editor until the final makeup of the group is decided. Bill has recruited many fine volunteers, primarily from the Ohio membership, to get this process started. I am sure you will recognize many of the names from past volunteer efforts. Members such as Bryan Dunlap, Bruce Eckman, Tosh Konya, Sean Maher, Bill Thalgott, Ginny LaPoint, Eric Pincus, Alan Wilson, Jon Campbell and even our former President Moose Parish have volunteered to work on the new STARreview. As this group meets and organizes the tasks involved in the publication process, we will no doubt see a request for help with specific tasks from the rest of the membership. In talking to former STARreview Editor Mike Morris, at T13 I was excited to hear that Mike is willing to be a contributing Editor. I am sure we will all enjoy reading Mike's irreverent wit again.

We should see another STARreview in May and then the new version at STAR 01. We look forward to that and look forward to hearing more from the new STARreview staff. Thanks to all that have volunteered to help with this process.

In closing, I would like to recognize the fine work that Chuck Drew has done for us for several years. Chuck brought a new level of professionalism to the STARreview. Other job related circumstances began to interfere with his volunteer commitments to the HSTA. Chuck had hoped that this was only a temporary setback and he would soon be able to devote the time and energy that he has in the past. Unfortunately, Chuck's job complications have continued to increase to the point that he is not able to continue as STARreview Editor. Thank you, Chuck, for all your hard work and best of luck to you.

I hope this helps you answer some of the questions about STARreview. Thanks for your patience.

April 14th Ride by Jim Holzberger

About a dozen of us met for breakfast at the usual Denny's on this beautiful brisk Saturday. Six of us had braved the frost and actually ridden. After breakfast, Mark Grabrick (he's 3 for 3 this year) led us to Issaquah via Cougar Mtn. and then on to Fall City via backroads. From there we worked our way north through

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Snoqualmie Valley. We attempted to find Paradise Lake Rd. and the little roller coaster that Marv had introduced us to last month - alas our memories failed us.

We ended up in Totem Lake at the Cowboy for lunch. Mark provided the entertainment by straddling a coin-op hobby horse. After lunch I headed to SIR, the others for a lap on the IoM.

May 25-28 Oregon Outing V

Pendleton will be our base camp for Friday night, and Saturday morning. If you aren't planning on riding on Friday, catch us in the morning on Saturday. We'll ride a couple of days, and come home Monday. Figure on doing about 1500 miles over this weekend.

Places to stay (in Pendleton, Oregon) are:

Super 8, 601 SE Nye Avenue
(541) 276-8881, Price is Medium
Dan and Dawn Hytry will be booked here.

Best Western, 400 SE Nye Avenue
(541) 276-2135, Price is Medium-high

Red Lion Hotel, 304 SE Nye Avenue
(541) 276-6111, Price is no object (High)

We'll meet for dinner Friday at 8pm or
for breakfast Saturday at 8am at the:

Shari's, 319 SE Nye Avenue
Close proximity to all of the above.

Events At-A-Glance

May							June						
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May 12 – **Petosa's in Monroe** – 8 am Breakfast
Club Meeting / Ride to Granite Falls + Lake Cavanaugh

May 25-28 – **Oregon Outing V** – Northeast, Oregon
May 25 – **Shari's in Puyallup** – 7 am Breakfast
10904 Canyon Rd E, Puyallup
Contact: Dan Hytry 206-612-2821

June 1-3 – **WeSTAR** – Yosemite near Bass Lake
John Button 925-736-2670, jhbutton@best.com

June 9 – **Denny's in Kenndale** – 8 am Breakfast
Club Meeting / Ride to Leavenworth

June 23 – **Mitzel's in South Everett** – 8 am Breakfast
Club Meeting / Ride to Mt Baker

June 24-27 – **STAR** – State College, Pennsylvania