Washington State Chapter January, 2002

Happy New Year!!!

Exciting New Year

It's shaping up to be a fine year ahead of us. There was a lot of excitement at the Christmas party and a lot of good ideas came up for the coming year. Many new ride suggestions, new ride leaders, new bikes and a new approach to the club. I can't wait!

At the Christmas party, there were a total of 14 people that showed up, including Tim and Heather, Alan B, Mark and Christy, Jim H, Dean, Bryan and Marisa, Bob, Marv, and Cary. I want to thank all that brought food – it was the perfect amount with minimal leftovers. After watching Las Vegas Extremes I and II, I initiated a discussion on next years schedule.

We're going to throw some new rides at you this year. Most expressed an interest in doing more 2-3 day rides during the season, while skipping breakfast on day rides to hitting the roads a little sooner. Also, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, you'll see a lot more activity, virtually every weekend.

If that isn't enough for you, I-90 Riders head out on Sundays and for dinner rides on the first Wednesday of every month. More info www.I-90Motorsports.com

Here's how to read the new schedule. First, you'll see the date, followed by the destination and time for the activity. Notice that most of the one day rides no longer include a breakfast. Eat on your own time and come fully fueled and ready to ride. Also notice that meeting locations vary and each location's address is only listed once, you'll have to find it. This was done to save space and to get the entire schedule on one sheet of paper, front and back. When in doubt on a departure location, look back through the schedule, you'll find it somewhere. Multi-day rides all have a point of contact that will be responsible for doing some planning ahead of time.

Those that are interested in Laguna, you may contact Jim Holzberger or myself for more information. There may be departures for this trip as early as July 4 and returns as late as July 21. The races are July 12-14.

2002 Racing Schedules

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4-5	Pacific Raceway - New Racer Clinic				
8-9	Spokane Raceway Park				
22-23	Pacific Raceway				
20-21	Pacific Raceway				
10-11	Pacific Raceway - New Racer Clinic				
-Sept 1	Spokane Raceway Park				
28-29	Pacific Raceway				
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Oregon Motorcycle Road Racing Association

April	19-21	Portland International Raceway
May	17-19	Portland International Raceway
June	30	Portland International Raceway
July	20-21	Portland International Raceway
August	17-18	Portland International Raceway
Sept	2-3	PIR – Reg Pridmore CLASS
Sept	6-8	Portland International Raceway - FUSA
October19-20		Portland International Raceway

Savvy Shopping By Marv Travis

If you have an AMA VISA card, it may save you some dough at the dealerships. There is no annual fee for the card, other than the AMA membership fee.

When you make purchases on the card at participating motorcycle dealerships and providers, you receive a 3% credit on your monthly statement. This is not a credit toward future purchases, but an immediate 3% reduction in the statement amount. Both Eastside Motorsports and Aurora Suzuki are participants, as I suspect, are many others.

Additionally, most dealerships give you a discount <u>at the counter</u> for being an AMA member, usually 10-15%!

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E-mail Updates

This is absolutely the best way for you to get information about club rides, last minute updates, and to stay connected. I've been using e-mail to distribute Newsletters (NL's) and other time-sensitive information. Most of you like that aspect. VERY rarely do I use it for other purposes. I don't aspire to be on anyone's junk mail list or to be auto-deleted.

Every time I send something out, I get a few that bounce back. Most often, this means either you have either cancelled or changed your account or some larger company bought up your ISP.

Please, inform me when you change accounts so that I can continue to offer you this service. It keeps me from printing, folding, stamping, and mailing unnecessary copies. This saves the HSTA a huge expense and my personal time (oh yeah, I'm not the Editor anymore), it'll save MARK some time. It also lets you know about events before they happen, not after.

If you are currently not getting NL's by e-mail, and would like to, shoot me a note. My e-mail address:

hytry.d@portseattle.org

Current members will also be receiving an updated list of contacts so I would like it to be accurate. For those that need a deadline, use <u>1/31/02</u>.

Do it NOW, don't wait! Those that want to continue to get hard-copies, don't need to do a thing.

Events At-A-Glance

January							February						
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28		

January 12 – <u>Claim Jumper</u> – 12 noon LUNCH 5901 S 180th Street Tukwila, WA 98188 (206) 575-3918 www.claimjumper.com

January 12 - <u>SyKart Indoor Kart Racing</u> – 1:30pm 17450 W Valley Hwy Tukwila, WA 98188 (425) 251-5060 www.sykart.com

February $9 - \underline{SyKart} - 12$ noon (no group lunch)

March 9 – SyKart – 12 noon (no group lunch)

April 13 – <u>Snoqualmie Valley</u> – 11 Lunch, 12 noon Ride Denny's (Kennydale) 4750 Lake Washington Blvd. Renton, WA 98056

Directions: Exit 7 off I-405

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