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# **MARCH 2018**



NH-A Website www.gwrranha.org Chapter NH-A meets monthly, (except December) <u>Wingate Hall, Bethany Chapel</u> 54 Newbury Road, Manchester, NH 03103 at 7:00 PM on the third Friday of the month.





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### DIRECTOR'S NOTE



Well gang, March is here and about 30 days or so riding should be in full swing. It is also time for us to get out the Lucky Charms, Four Leaf Clovers, Leprechauns, Corned Beef and Cabbage. YUMMY. Don't forget

March II<sup>th</sup> is Daylight Saving Time and remember to set your clocks ahead one hour. Now is the time to prep the bikes for the riding season. If you didn't change your oil when you put your bike away, be sure to do that in preparation for the riding season. Also, do your T-Clocks Remember that Garage Day is being inspections. generously sponsored by NH-G on May 12th @9:00AM. If you need something done or you need help with, that might be the day to tackle that job. Our March Gathering will be held at Nault's Honda in Manchester on the 16<sup>th</sup>. George is suppling pizza for dinner and we need you to RSVP to us by next Thurs. 3/15. This way we can give him a head count so he can purchase enough pizza. They will go over all the specifications and details of the new 2018 GL1800. Please watch for the EVENT ALERT. On Saturday Chapter T is having a gathering at 945AM at the American Legion in Epping with a Garmin Base Camp and Honda Trip planner for those that have a Garmin GPS or an onboard navigation. So get those GPS's out and let's get ready to Rumble (I mean ready to RIDE). We hope everyone stays safe.

Stay Warm

Chris & Lynne

# FEBRUARY GATHERING

Thank you for the NH-A members that attended. Also, a thank you to Ron and Susie Black, NH-E Chapter Directors and NH/VT Assistant District Directors and to David and Bonnie Bolster NH/VT District Directors.

For those that did the puzzles in the newsletter received boxes of conversation hearts.

Congratulations to Susan Luhrs for finding her member ID # in the newsletter.

When you find your member ID # in the newsletter, you win a \$5.00 gift card to Dunkin Donuts or to Subway. You also have a chance to win a free ticket to the Christmas Party. The winning name will be drawn in November.

Julie Bernier was the lucky winner of the 50/50. Thank you for filling in as our treasurer.

We had Valentine's, decorated mini cupcakes for a treat.

Please check Team up for future rides and events. We are looking forward to doing another Membership enhancement at Nault's in Manchester and Wyndham. This will take place in early June. Date and details to follow.

There will be a Medic First Aid/CPR class on Sat. March 24th at Bank's Chevrolet in Concord. I have sent out an e-mail about it and it is also on The Team Up Calendar.

PLEASE NOTE: March's Gathering, Fri. 3/16, will be held at Nault's Honda on 420 Second St. Manchester, NH.

They will be providing pizza for us. Please RSVP so we know how many will be attending. More information to follow.

They will be going over the new 1800 bike. We will still have the 50/50 and discuss a few things.

Thank you Doug Melanson for arranging this. What a great opportunity.

# CONTRA DANCING

Contra Dance is a Folk Dance made up of long lines of couples. It has mixed origins from English Country Dance, Scottish, French dance styles in the 17th century. It is sometimes decribed as New England folk dance or Appalachian folk dance.

We want to thank NH-A member, Russ Marotta for introducing it to us. He plays in the band every fourth Friday of the month. This is held at the Milford Town Hall.

Six NH-A members attended the dance on Fri. Feb. 16th. It was lots of fun and you definitely get your steps in for the day. Thank you to Karina Ibarra, Doug Melanson, Julie Bernier, Mike and Pam Sullivan for joining me in this new adventure. Remember the spaghetti scene from Lady and The Tramp?? Well, five lucky couples got to experience that memorable scene while listening to the song, Bella Notte.

Thank you to Dick and Julie Bernier, Mike and Pam Sullivan, John and Liz Paszko, Ron and Susie Black, David and Bonnie Bolster, for participating.

The winners were David and Bonnie Bolster, who won chocolate covered strawberries and everyone else received a small box of chocolates.













# Harry & Cheryl Krehbiel

Where are you from?

Cheryl is from Rhode Island and Harry is from White Plains, NY

How did you meet?

After college Harry moved to Acton, Massachusetts where he met Cheryl living in the same apartment building.

How long have you been married?

We have been married 35 wonderful years. It just keeps getting better.

How many children, first names, where do they live?

We have two children. Harry is 31 living in Nashua and Tara is 28 living in Cambridge, MA.

Any pets? What type and names?

We are happily pet free!

### What are your occupations?

Retired in 2017. Cheryl is in the process of getting her real estate license. Harry is in the process of selling his camera collection.

What brought you to New Hampshire?

After living for a short while in Somerville, MA, and having many terrible experiences, Harry moved to New Hampshire in 1981. Cheryl moved here when we decided to get married. We feel we were meant to be in New Hampshire.

# Do you have any Hobbies/interests?

Cheryl is a NASCAR fan, working at NHMS and a member of the NASCAR Fan council. She loves gardening and is a great cook. Harry loves motorcycling, skiing, and photography. We both are collectors: Cheryl collects paperweights and snuff bottles, Harry collects photography related items and odd-ball thermometers.

How long have you been riding motorcycles?

Since 2004. Harry said one day "What am I afraid of?", took a class and now rides as often as possible year-round. Cheryl prefers to take in the view from the back seat.

What was your first motorcycle?

A Kawasaki Vulcan 800 with straight pipes.

### What led you to GWRRA?

Cheryl was working at NHMS for the September races 2015. I was touring the area on my Goldwing and stopped at the Dunkin' Donuts at exit 20 off US93. Ran into Carole and John Sheehan, from what I now know is NH-G. They gave me a flyer and I signed up shortly after. Glenn Daniels gave me a call not long after that and invited me to NH-Awesome!

What are your fondest GWRRA memories?

Going on two of the hottest rides of my life with the nicest people.

Have you held any positions in GWRRA? (when).

No.

Glenn's Points to Ponder





Friendship - is when people know all about you... but still like you anyway



# Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch!

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# **New Definition of the Month:**

# PASTEURIZE: Too far to see

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# Maybe you knew this & Maybe Not

If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

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# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

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# **NH-A RIDE CALENDAR**

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# **"RIDE BABY RIDE"**



<b>Ride Date</b>	Ride Name / Destination	Ride Planner	Ride Captain	Comments
21-Apr	21-Apr lce Out / Mice Out Ride	Julie Bernier	Julie Bernier	
22-Apr	22-Apr ITCP - Wilton, NY	N/A	N/A	Doug & Bruce Attending
29-Apr	29-Apr MA-C Breakfast	Chris Christensen Chris Christensen	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	
6-May	6-May McAuliffe-Shepard Discover Center	Chris Christensen Doug Melanson	Doug Melanson	
12-May	12-May Blessing of Bikes & NH-G Garage Day	<b>Bonnie Bolster</b>	<b>Bonnie Bolster</b>	
19-May	19-May ARC - Sturbridge MA (5/19-5/20)	N/A	N/A	Any coordination to ride together will be ad-hoc
2-Jun	2-Jun Join NH-G Ride to Veterans Cemetery	Chris Christensen Chris Christensen	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	
3-Jun	3-Jun Join Relay for Life Ride	Chris Christensen Chris Christensen	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	
16-Jun	16-Jun Dam Ride	<b>Bonnie Bolster</b>	<b>Bonnie Bolster</b>	
24-Jun	24-Jun Mt. Washington Brunch Cruise	Glenn Daniels	TBD	
Jul-7	7-Jul Bug Run	Chris Christensen Chris Christensen	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	
14-Jul	14-Jul North Conway Overnight	Paul Morrissette	Paul Morrissette	
21-Jul	21-Jul Castle In The Clouds	Doug Melanson	Doug Melanson	
26-Jul	26-Jul New England Districts Rally (7/26-7/29)	N/A	N/A	Any coordination to ride together will be ad-hoc
4-Aug	4-Aug Mt. Kearsarge & Beech Hill Ice Cream	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	<b>Chris Christensen</b>	
11-Aug	11-Aug NH Boat Museum & Wright Museum of WW II	Bruce Luhrs	Dick Bernier	
25-Aug	25-Aug Wing Ding (8/28-9/1)	TBD	TBD	May travel to Wing Ding in 2 groups
14-Sep	14-Sep VT-A Wells-Ogunquit Getaway (8/14-8/16)	N/A	N/A	Any coordination to ride together will be ad-hoc
22-Sep	22-Sep Ocean Ride (Newburyport-Plumb Island-Rockport)	Vince Laposta	Jim Gumtow	
13-Oct	13-Oct TRC (pending confirmation)	N/A	N/A	Any coordination to ride together will be ad-hoc
20-Oct	20-Oct Fall For Fun	Berniers	N/A	

# **DOUG MELANSON**



# Chapter Ride Coordinator District University Coordinator

# Guidelines for Planning a Ride

By the time this newsletter comes out, we will have probably already had our ride planning meeting and will have many great rides to look forward to. As a reminder, our ride and events calendar can always be found on our NH-VT Distract calendar at <u>https://teamup.com/kse27df9a959f1084</u>. Check it frequently, so you'll never miss a ride or other fun event.

Thanks to all who participated in the ride planning, and to everyone who will be planning and leading these fun rides.

To help us prepare for our rides, I thought I would focus on the steps needed to plan and lead a successful ride. To that end, I've put together some "guidelines" that I follow. This month, we'll focus on the planning aspects, and next month we'll shift our focus to leading the ride.

It's never too early to start planning your ride. Start planning early so you're not scrambling at the last minute. There are several planning aids you can use to plan your route. Honda Trip Planner, HD Ride Planner, Google Maps, Bing Maps and Garmin Base Camp are a few of the more common tools used for ride planning. My personal favorite is Base Camp, which is a free download from Garmin and works with most Garmin GPS devices. I also use Bing Maps or Google Maps as a supplement to Base Camp to see aerial views of the route I'm planning using Base Camp.

When planning, include frequent stops for breaks and fuel. Most people find riding most comfortable when stopping every 60-90 minutes to rest and stretch. Breaks don't have to be long; 10-20 minutes is usually sufficient. Fuel stops should be planned around the bike with the least fuel capacity and range. Fuel stops every 100-125 miles typically works for most riders, and combining fuel stops with rest breaks is always a good approach.

After planning your ride, you will want to do a number of test rides. How many test rides will depend on how many adjustments you want or need to make to the planned route. Why is this important? Road conditions cannot be determined from the planning software. Potholes, road repairs, other construction obstacles, especially difficult or dangerous intersections, etc.; these can only be discovered by riding the route in advance so you can make any necessary adjustments that will result in a better, safer, more fun ride.

If you plan your ride weeks in advance, you'll have opportunities to take these test rides. You may even work out the perfect route many weeks or even months ahead of the scheduled ride. That's ideal, but I think it's a best practice is to make one last test ride as close to the ride date as possible, perhaps within the week ahead. Why? We cannot predict unexpected changes to road conditions that often result from road repairs and other construction projects that could necessitate a change to the planned route. Not doing this late test ride could have you dealing with poor road conditions and/or unknown detours that might have otherwise been avoided. Of course, you could still get surprised on the day of the ride, but the closer to the actual ride date that you can have a final test ride, the better your chances are of avoiding these situations.

Once your ride planning is done, you'll want to communicate the ride details to the chapter. The best way to do that is to prepare an Event Alert and send it to our chapter directors for distribution. I target getting this to Chris and Lynne 5-7 days ahead of the ride date, and they typically send out the event alert emails 3-4 days ahead of the ride.

Information to include in the Event Alert should consist of:

- Ride Name and Date
- Ride Captain Name
- Meeting Location and Address
- Meeting Time
- Planned Ride Meeting Time (typically 15-20 minutes prior to planned departure time)
- Kick Stands Up (KSU) Time
- Directions to the meeting location
- Ride Plan summary a summary of highlights and expected leg mileage and times along the route, including planned stops
- Ride Plan Details I typically include a detailed list of turn-by-turn directions generated by Base Camp
- If planning was done with a software tool that generates a .gpx file, such as Base Camp, save it from the tool and attach it to the event alert. This will enable riders with GPS devices that can read .gpx files to load the ride onto their devices.

If you need an example of an Event Alert, I can provide a sample from past rides that I've planned which you can use as a template. Let me know; I'll be happy to send one along to you.

And remember, if ride planning is new to you, we are lucky to have several experienced ride captains in our chapter, most of whom I am sure will be willing to help you with your ride planning. Don't hesitate to call on us for help. I know, I for one, would be very happy to help any new ride captain with planning and leading a ride.

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