



ROGUE VALLEY WINGS

NEWS LETTER

MAY 1, 2007



HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

CLARENCE & VICKIE HANCOCK



Clarence and Vickie moved from Woodland CA. area. They were active members of Chapter V- Northern California. They have 40 years of riding experience and have been married for 40 years. They ride a beautiful 2001 yellow 1800 Gold Wing. There is a Winged Dragon painted on their bike. Clarence retired from Target in February of this year. Vickie is still a working woman.

FIRST AID/CPR/AED TRAINING

First I want to thank Scott and Cindy for traveling the length of the State of Oregon to administer the First Aid/CPR/AED training for chapter's A and M. I also wish to thank all those who attended including Randi Kobernik (our State Treasurer) and helped to make this an enjoyable and fun class. It's always great to get together and especially for such a worth while cause.

I haven't done the paper work yet but many of our Co-riders will now advance to level 4 Safety qualification. Also, those riders who attended, will be able to qualify for level 4 at our State Rally by enrolling in our on bike safety class.

It's really great to see so many members take an active part in the Safety program and really makes me feel that my time is well spent. This proves to be as much or more of an education for me as it is for everyone else.

One of my safety films starts out with the trainer saying that for 1 year he learned to ride and for 19 more he continued to make the same mistakes. I know it has been an education for me since I accepted the position of State Safety Director and only hope that others have gained as much information as I have.

After the Safety Training, 23 of us enjoyed a great meatloaf dinner at the Cottage Café in Rogue River where we conducted our State Staff meeting and planning session for our State rally. A lot of work and effort is going into making this a fun weekend so really hope everyone is planning to attend. (Just wait until you see me do the Hula, NOT.) But just wait until you see swivel hips Betty. We're really looking forward to a great time with lots to laugh about.

Wishing Safe Rides to everyone, Don

ANOTHER GREAT WEEKEND FOR MOST OF US

Friday morning, 4-27-07, Ken, Betty, Clarence, Vickie, Judy and I met up at the foot of the Depot Street Bridge and headed south to Redding, Ca. to join in the Fallen Riders Memorial Ride. It was a great morning for riding and the breakfast at Grandma's Place in Yreka just topped it off. On the way down something hit me on the left kneecap and when I looked down I discovered it was my chrome louvered vent. Ken and Betty were behind me and Ken said it shattered in a million pieces. We arrived at the Super 8 motel and checked-in. After a brief rest we rode over to the Sun Dial Bridge and walked across it just like tourists. After that we found our way back to the Motel. When we returned we met Chuck and Linda Thomas in the lobby. Vickie suggested dinner at a Chinese Restaurant called the Grand Buffet. Wow, what a banquet. They had just about anything and everything you could imagine. Even Betty ate more than I've ever seen her eat before. We all left over stuffed.

When we returned to the motel we met with Don and Rose Wagy who also brought Don's brother and sister-in law. Then Johnny and Lou Collins arrived with Lou's Nephew, his wife and friends.

Saturday morning some of us guys met early and rode to Denny's for breakfast while others chose to eat at the Motel. We then rode over to Lee's Honda where we met with lots of old friends.

Judy was running around taking lots of pictures, as usual, and tripped over a cement curb almost knocking down a Harley that surely would have caused a domino effect. Her shoulder has a large bruise and the palms of her hands were scraped. Scott Peabody responded code 3 and determined that it wasn't life threatening and Judy would live long enough for me to sock her between the eyes. That is just what I did at the next rest stop. While spinning the wheel for a poker card I let fly and my hand came back and socked Judy between the eyes. This poor lady was getting beat to death. As you'll see further on, that was not the end of her bad luck.

We enjoyed a great ride through the countryside and the Rose Wagy was thrilled to find that lunch was hamburgers. Someone asked her how they were and, being an authority on hamburgers, she said it was good.

We left before the closing ceremony and it's a good thing we did. We stopped for gas about 8 miles south of Weed and I sold the girl behind the counter 10 raffle tickets for the drawing at National. Just after we left Chuck and Linda's bike started acting up and died. The battery was dead. Well, you'll

never believe it, but, Clarence and Vickie carried a spare battery. That got us 14 miles South of Yreka and it died again. We decided it was the alternator and due to the time decided the best thing to do was call a tow truck to Yreka and they could get a room for the night. I returned Sunday morning with a trailer and after we enjoyed breakfast at Grandma's once again (my favorite meal). We

towed the bike to our house where I had an extra alternator and after a short time had them back on the road.

Now, for the rest of the story, Judy got up Monday Morning very sick with stomach flu and is still sick today, Tuesday. This poor old gal is being put through the wringer. I'm not sure if I should shoot her or just trade her in for a younger model? Well, after almost 45 years she is more than just my right arm so guess I'll have to keep her around for at least a few more years.

Even with all of Judy's mishaps and the Thomas bike breakdown we never stopped laughing. You'll have to ask someone who was there about the truck driver who came to our rescue. He invited Betty up to his truck cab and Betty's legs turned to stone. She was cemented in place.

Riding season is here and we hope for more people to join us in the near future. I hope most are planning to attend out State Rally on the 25th, 26th, 27th & 28th of this month.

Wishing Everyone a Safe Ride, Don



JUDY UNDER
THE SUNDIAL BRIDGE

IT REALLY
DOES TELL TIME.

Do to Marty having by-pass surgery we will not have the minutes in this month's news letter. They will be put in next month. Sorry but thing's are full at the Warren's with Doctor's and healing.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May:

2--business meeting at Balloy's

5-6--

Motor cycle Swap Meet

19--

Meeting at Hart's Restaurant

26-28

Oregon State Rally - Corvallis

27--

Memorial Day Run

JUNE:

16==

Rogue Valley Wing's Meeting

22-24--

North/South Visit/jet boat ride

29-1--

Washington State Rally
Woodland, Washington

Check our web site for more information or for up
updates on any event's not listed

Have a great month

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

GRANDMA'S HOUSE 3 BEAN SALAD

1CAN GREEN BEANS

1CAN KIDNEY BEANS

1CAN YELLOW WAX BEANS

1/2 RED ONION, CHOPPED

1 CUP CHOPPED CELERY

1CUP SUGAR

1 CUP APPLE CIDER VINEGAR

DRAIN ALL BEANS AND MIX IN ONION AND
CELERY. DISSOLVE THE SUGAR INTO THE
VINEGAR AND POUR OVER BEANS.

REFRIGERATE FOR 2 HOURS OR OVERNIGHT

SERVE AND ENJOY

RECIPE BY : GRANDMA'S HOUSE RESTURANT

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT OUR STATE RALLY.
REMEMBER TO GET YOUR REGISTRATION IN
BEFORE THE 10TH OF MAY. WE WILL BE DOING
ALOT OF FUN THING'S.

