



New Hampshire CHAPTER E

Cyprus Grove Restaurant
ROUTE 119 Rindge, N.H.

MONTHLY MEETING - 8:00 A.M.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
"WHERE GOOD FRIENDS MEET"

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NH-E Director's Message



Wow, it hardly seems possible that June is almost gone already. There are so many special days, in June Americade, Flag Day, Father's Day, First Day of Summer, graduations, weddings, the list goes on and on. The month just flew by. Loretta, Paul, Margo and Bruce got to enjoy the entire week at Americade. Pat B. got to spend a few days at Lake George and many other chapter members went up for a day or two. It sure is a great place to meet other GWRRA friends, and a great place to spend lots of money, very few of us ever escape without purchasing a few trinkets for ourselves or for our bikes.,

On June 1st, two bikes rode to Wright's Chicken Farm, and six bikes went to Wolfeboro, N.H., and had a picnic lunch. The day was a mixture of sun and clouds, and frequently during the ride it looked like rain, however we managed to escape without any rain drops. We didn't think we could keep the rain away without Loretta, but we did it! Pat B brought a new co-rider, Ann Marie, we enjoyed meeting her and look forward to riding with her in the future. On June 8th, three bikes went out to western Ma. We finally

got to see Bob and Hazel and had them join us for a ride. It was wonderful to see them again, we did some catching up on what is going on in Chapter E and we had a great time

While traveling some back roads to Hoosac Tunnel we came upon the river beside the road that we saw last year. Yes ladies, you remember, the one with the sun bathers, and you guessed it they were there again. Hazel, Karen and I were wondering if we should make this our Mother's Day ride for next year, however, the weather may be too cool, and we would miss the scenic attractions. Our Father's day ride got rained out, along with Paul's ride on Sunday. The ride Paul mapped out is a great ride. Dick and I rode it with them last fall and we had an awesome time, we came across towns, we didn't know existed in Ma. They told us that Roy Bushey had originally taken them on this ride. Could this be the reason that we got rained out? Loretta said she has been working very hard to keep the dark clouds away, but she has been having some difficulty the last two Sundays.

Wing Ding is fast approaching, Hazel and Bob are the only ones from Chapter E attending. Hopefully next year we can get a group from our chapter to go, Dick and I have only attended one Wing Ding but we had a great time, and are looking forward to attending another.

The All N. E. Rally will be held July 17th through the 19th, and quite a few members from Chapter E are planning

on attending. It sounds like lots of fun and you still have time to register, so try to join your GW friends for a fun filled weekend.

Steve P.'s Mother has been ill and should be getting discharged from a Rehab facility soon. Hopefully she is on the road to recovery, and we send our get well wishes to her.

July 4th is fast approaching, we want to wish you a safe happy holiday. This is one of my favorite holidays, no presents to wrap, no turkeys to cook, just warm weather, barbecues, beaches and riding. All of you, please be careful, stay safe, enjoy yourselves, celebrate your freedom, and join us in saying, **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!!!**

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday for our monthly get together hopefully, the Sun will shine and we can do our share to help out the oil companies by enjoying a ride with our friends.

Ride Safe, Ride Often

Pat and Dick

Assistant Directors Message

The weather has been a little iffy this month but we managed to get in a few rides.

After our May meeting a group of us took a ride together to poke around in shops. We stopped in book stores, dollar stores and the place that Rick has gotten great deals on his TVs. It was a lot of fun just seeing what was out there. Also, Rod found us a new ice cream stop!

The group decided to pass up on the Southwick Zoo this time. Instead there were two options offered: Wrights Chicken Farm and Wolfeboro. The meeting place had been set up for the Best Western and at that point the group split in two. Roy lead one portion of our chapter down to Wrights. Ted lead the rest up to Stop & Shop to meet up with more bikes. We then rode to McDonalds's in Hopkington where Rod joined us as the leader. He took us up to Wolfeboro where we had a picnic lunch and wandered around the town. The multiple starting points worked out very well. The fact that everyone was in their chapter shirts turned out very helpful for the girl at Dunkin Donuts. When Steve, Ted and I walked up to the counter she said "Hi, Ted, Dick was here earlier you just missed him". It seems that Deputy Frog's reputation is very wide spread. We did catch Steve trying to steal an ice cream from an innocent child.



The ride to Gillette Castle turned into a ride to the Hoosac Tunnel due to the oppressive heat since the Castle does not have air conditioning. We had some wild life sightings during our ride. On the way to the tunnel was a beaver running down the side of the road and on the return trip was a mother duck with her little ducklings. But the sighting that caused the most excitement was the double butt sighting. We were just innocently riding down route 2 in Charlemont along the Cold River and there he was just sunning himself on a rock in the river. The sounds of delight didn't have much time to die down before we saw another one just down the river a bit. Boy, that sure took the cake. We actually discussed the possibility of making this the Mother's Day ride but

nixed it because it would be too cold for the sunbathers. Once at the tunnel (and after “inspecting” a few trees) the guys walked deep into the tunnel to cool off. It is quite amazing how cool the air is at the tunnel.



On a serious note, I would like to sincerely thank all of you who expressed concern for my safety after the train crash in Boston. I was deeply touched. Thank you.

Hope to see you Sunday,
Ted & Karen

Our 25th Anniversary Trip **By Bob and Hazel Young**

We arrived home from Arizona on May 6th. We spent the first week unpacking the fifth wheel, cleaning it and getting it closed up. The second week was spent getting ready to leave for Seattle Washington and a tour of the Pacific Northwest and California. We left on the morning of May 22nd. This trip was our gift to each other to celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary which was in October. (We also refer to this trip as our “second honeymoon”.)

Our flight left very early on Thursday morning. We arrived in Seattle, WA around 12:30 PM Pacific Time. We picked up our rental car and headed to our hotel. Our rental car was an upgrade; we were supposed to get a PT Cruiser, but there was a half price upgrade deal on a Chrysler 300, so we took it. We also rented a GPS to help us get around in a new city. (Yes, we do have a GPS, but we did not think about packing it.) We programmed in the address for the hotel and got on the road. The drive into Seattle was great. The skyline was beautiful, the mountains were awesome, and the flowers added a nice touch of color to a cloudy day. The GPS gave us great directions to our hotel, but we drove past it because we did not see it the first time, so after some “recalculating” instructions, we located it. The Alexis Hotel is located on First Street, and we actually had to park on the street in front of the hotel. There was no driveway and no place to park the car. As we pulled up, two (2) hotel employees came out to assist us. One of them informed Bob that there would be a \$30.00 a day charge to park the car, and the other took our luggage into the lobby. We were told that the car would be available any time of the day or night; all we had to do was ask. Of course, any time we asked for the car, a tip of at least \$3.00 to \$5.00 was expected! (Bob was quite calm about the fees, and we only took the car out twice!) Our hotel room was very nice; however there were no ice or soda machines in the hotel. (How were we going to enjoy an “adult beverage” without ice or soda?) If we wanted ice we were supposed to call room service and it would be brought up to our room. You know what that means—tipping again! Bob went to the bar and asked the bartender for ice, and she did fill an ice bucket for him. We had to search for a store to buy a bottle of soda.

We had a great time touring the city. Several of the places we visited were within walking distance of our hotel. We went to the Space Needle and rode the outside elevator over six hundred feet (600’) to the top. We went to the outside viewing area to look around, and the view of Seattle was breathtaking, even though the day was cloudy. We took a “Ride the Ducks” tour of the city and the waterfront. (The weather was perfect for this ride.) We strolled through the Pike Place Public Market which was quite an experience. There were vendors selling some of the most beautiful flowers I have ever seen, fresh fish, a butcher shop, chocolate, jewelry and the list goes on. Oh yes, Bob convinced me to sit on a pig to have my picture taken. (It was not live!) We wandered down to the waterfront a couple of times for some great seafood, and walked to Pioneer Square which is in a historic section of the city. We took a ride on the monorail, and had a brief

experience riding the bus. You will have to ask us about our bus ride when you see us. One of the days we took the car and drove to Gasworks Park. This park is located on the site of an old gas works; it is on a hill and has a great waterfront view of the city of Seattle.

On Monday, May 26th, we flew to Portland, Oregon to begin our tour of the Pacific Northwest and California. We spent three (3) days touring the city of Portland, and outlying areas. We went to the Rose Test Garden and to a Japanese Garden. The Japanese Garden was very serene and beautiful, but unfortunately there were very few roses in bloom at the rose garden. This was due to the fact that there had been so much rain and the weather had been abnormally cool. We also took a drive out to Mt St. Helen. We could not believe all the devastation caused when that volcano erupted. We viewed a movie that showed what happened. There were small towns

that were completely covered by volcanic ash and forests that were completely destroyed. Some of the ash is still visible in the river. We drove to Timberline Lodge which is located at the base of Mount Hood. The lodge is at a 6000 foot elevation and the mountain itself is at a height of 11,000 feet. Once again, Mother Nature provided us with clouds and fog so we could not see the top of the mountain. The Timberline Lodge is very rustic with a beautiful stone fireplace that is open on three (3) sides. It has four floors with great views when the snow is not blocking the view. I think it is a "must see" if you are ever out that way. After we left Mt Hood, we made a stop at the Bonneville Dam to see the fish ladder that is used by the salmon. We had never seen an actual fish ladder, and we even saw some fish climbing it.

On the fourth day of our tour, we headed toward Coos Bay, Oregon. This was the day that we had our first view of the Oregon Coast. There are large rocks rising up out of the ocean and the waves are crashing all around them. The coast of Maine is beautiful, but the coastline of Oregon is "Majestic". We do have pictures, but this is one of these areas that you really have to see for yourself.

The next day we headed toward Eureka, California. We had our first sighting of the Giant Redwoods! We stopped at Prairie Creek Redwoods where we took a walk through the redwood forest. We saw one tree that was over 2,700 years old! The root structure of these trees is not very deep into the ground, so eventually, they will fall. We saw several that were on the ground, and there were smaller plant life growing on the trunk. (Lots of potential firewood!) We also went to Chandelier Redwood Park which is the place where a car can be driven through a tunnel that has been hollowed out of a Giant Redwood. Our bus was too tall to go through, but we did see a couple of cars make the drive.

On the sixth day of our tour, we had our first view of the Golden Gate Bridge as we drove into San Francisco, California. What a site! We checked into the San Francisco Hilton and then we went to dinner at Neptune's on Fisherman's Wharf. We had a great view of the Pacific Ocean and the Sea Lions from our table. On Sunday, which was the last day of our trip we had a tour of the city in the morning. We went to Golden Gate Park to see an "up close and personal" view of the Golden Gate bridge. We rode through Chinatown, and took a ride up Nob Hill. In the afternoon we were on our own, so we wandered around Fisherman's Wharf and did some shopping. (No trip is complete without some shopping!) We hopped on a Cable Car for the return trip to our hotel which was located at the end of the line. We watched as the Cable Car was turned around for a return trip. The car is turned around manually. It is driven on to a turntable and then two men push on the car as it turns around.

On Monday we flew home with lots of great pictures and plenty of memories. We both enjoyed seeing a portion of this great country that we had not seen before.



Happy Birthday to:

Happy Anniversary to:

JUNE

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David Whitcomb 8th
France Roy 12th

Bruce and Margo Koch 3rd
Roy and Bev Bushey 11th
Steve & Roxanne Provencer 16th
Rocky and Lee Beliveau 28th

JULY

Bruce Koch 26th

Upcoming Events

June 29	Cyprus Grove	8:00	NH-E Breakfast & Eagle Bridge, NY for Lunch
July 3-6			WingDing, Greenville, S.C.
July 6	Horse	9:00	Trolley Museum and Bridge of Flowers [picnic lunch]
July 13	D&D	9:00	A&W, Middlebury, VT
July 17-19			All N E Rally, Rutland, Vt
July 20			Open

Chapter Educator:



Chapter Educator

Here are a few words on warm weather when it finds us SOON???

For us motorcyclist the heat can be even more dangerous than cold, since many of us just stop riding when cold temperature gets too low, but we're not equally cautious in extremely hot weather.

I will talk about the symptoms to be aware of at the get together.

See you there Paul Zamitis N H E EDUCATOR.....

The Editors:

THE EDITOR'S LAMENTS:

Yes I say laments We went to our 18th Americade and of all times to be dreary and misty in such a beautiful area of the lakes in New York, How ever we did ride everyday but Friday.

We also had a huge elegant white car stop by to see us at the motel. We thought they were looking for people other than us "Nope" it was Fred and Lisa.!!!!

They came up for the day in their limo. Far cry from their Honda and a lot more comfy considering the weather it was a good wise choice.

We did not see any other of you but know some of you did get to go to shop and no doubt spend some cash We found a couple trinkets too We only went to Warrensburg our wing is chromed out and sporting 160,000 miles on the odometer as we rode at Lake George.

Some of you may have heard that Gary & Audrey Williams have planned a visit in September as Audrey is now retired from her job to enjoy care free years of good health and do what us elders do relax and enjoy!!!!!!!!!! And take pills for whatever keeps you aging slowly.

They expressed a ride with us if they can find a wing to cruise on. So hope they can join us at the meeting and get to ride.

Speaking of age we now have a new great granddaughter #9 as of June 19th. Born in Colorado to our grand daughter Rachael and her husband Ryan. She weighed 7lbs.3oz.and 21 inches long. Her name is Regan Renee Childs. They are adding up fast that is our second addition this year. [2 great grandsons 7 great granddaughters] GIRLS RULE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! ON OUR FAMILY TREE

So hope the rains quit soon

See you out there be safe.
Loretta & Paul Zamitis

DISTRICT NOTES:

Wing Ding 30 will be held in Greenville, S.C. from July 3rd through the 6th. District B is responsible for the Grand Parade and Grand Light Show.




All N. E. Rally will be held July 17th through the 19th, it sounds like a great time, many new events, and more vendors. New Hampshire District is responsible for vendor participation this year. Volunteers are needed to help at the rally.

Chapter A is planning a Monte Carlo weekend, including a dinner on Saturday night. The date is November 7, 8 and 9th, at the Town & Country Hotel in Gorham, N.H. If you are interested in attending the room rate is \$72.00 per night call 1 800-325-4386, and mention GWRRA. This may be a wingless weekend, depending on weather.

MEMORABLE EVENTS IN CHAPTER E

Nothing Memorable Happening????????????????????

July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	 Independence Day	5
6 Trolley Museum & Bridge of Flowers (picnic) 9:00 Horse	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 A&W Middlebury VT 9:00 D&D	14	15	16	17 New England Rally Rutland VT	18 New England Rally Rutland VT	19 New England Rally Rutland VT
20 Open	21	22	23	24	25	26 Bruce Koch's Birthday
27 NH-E Breakfast 8:00 Cyprus Grove MA-F Poker Run	28	29	30	31		

August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1	2
 3 Kancamangus Highway 8:00 Stop & Shop	4	5	6	7 Wings Over The Finger Lakes	8 Wings Over The Finger Lakes	9 VT-A Picnic Ride Wings Over The Finger Lakes	
10 Open VT-A Picnic Ride	11 Steve Provencher's Birthday	12	13	14	15	16 Dick Thibaudeau's Birthday	
17 Ride For Kids 8:30 Best Western	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24 Fred's Ride / Picnic / Hobo Stew Meeting 9:00 Horse	25	26	27 Leo Goodwin's Birthday	28	29	30	
31 NH-E Breakfast 8:00 Cyprus Grove Pick Up Ride							

