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Ride your Dream
in 2013!

February
Dinner Ride

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Officer's Speak

Submitted by: Brian Boberick,
Secretary

We all know the riding season is just around the corner so now is the optimal time to begin prepping your Iron Horse while the weather is sketchy enough that you are not being called to take her out for a ride.

If you are not of the "Do it Yourself" personality, this time of year is usually a great time to seek out "Dealer Service Specials" offered by so many of our club sponsors who themselves find their service departments wanting for more to do – Fluid changes (engine oil, transmissions, final drives, hydraulic clutch and brake fluid, anti-freeze, etc.), tires, brake pads, batteries, valve inspections – the list can be lengthy.

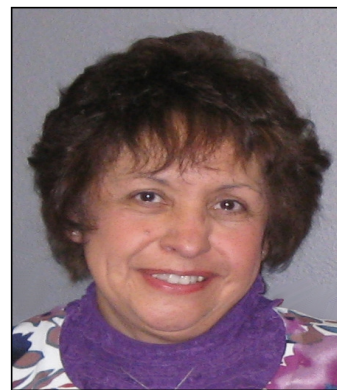
Maybe you have avoided "self-service" but want to become more self-sufficient, at least on the routine stuff.

This is the time of year when you have more free time to learn and perform some services yourself. If you are not mechanically intuitive, maybe ask a friend who to tutor you on some stuff. Get on your computer and "Google" the service – these days there are so many You Tube videos that almost anything you can think of is available in video tutorial.

Some of us have been doing much of our own maintenance for years but still an issue may arise that we haven't tackled before (at least on our current model bike) and so we have apprehensions as well. Personally, I recently discovered I had a blown fork seal on my BMW K1200LT. Now I had changed a few fork seals on my old 1500 Goldwing and yes, it was a PITA, **but** (with shop rates approaching \$100/hr these days, almost every possible service can pinch you in the wallet) the money saved and the personal
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Persons of fun we should know:

GLORIA MESSIER
Member #: 669



Next Meeting: Thursday, Mar. 14, 2013
6:30 p.m. POT LUCK + RIDEBOOKS tonight!
Fay Myers Motorcycle World
9700 E. Arapahoe Road.

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Minutes

RMVTA Meeting

February 14, 2013

Submitted by: Gloria "Mini G" Messier (filling in for Brian Boberick, Secretary)

President Floyd Thorne called the meeting to order at 7:10PM.

Visitors – Bob Brown – Thank you to Mike and Tina Turner for giving Bob the RMVTA information and website. Bob complimented the website. He rides an 1100 Honda Shadow and has been riding for seven years.

Officer's Reports

Secretary: Motion made by Steve Benko to approve minutes as published in the Newsletter. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Checking: \$962.33, Savings: \$1,179.50, Total: \$2,141.83

Debbie reported that the following sponsors have sent their checks:
Sun, Victory, Faye Myers, Aurora Honda, and Life Harmony.

Committee Reports

Activities: Waiting for Bernie to let us know if he can chair this committee.

Awards: Awards were given out at the MAP party in January. Richard and Gloria were unable to attend so their awards were given to them at tonight's meeting. Thank you to the Club from Richard and Gloria. Love our gift!

Finance: Steve and Floyd to create a new budget. Richard will send Floyd his copy of the budget he created last year.

Historical: Floyd still collecting stuff

Membership: Bob Brown wrote out his check and become a member tonight.
WELCOME BOB!

Member Relations: Steve announced he has a new granddaughter. Condolences to Steve on the loss of his mother.

Bernie announced that Eileen is doing better following her knee replacement.

Richard announced he also has a new granddaughter.

Newsletter: Is getting out

Webmaster/Website: Paul reported on number of hits.

Rides: There are still open dates for rides and dinner rides.

Old Business

Everyone needs to get their ride information submitted to Floyd.

New Business

Ride book will be out at the March Meeting. Review of the rides will be done after the POTLUCK dinner. A sign-up sheet will be emailed before the next meeting.

Floyd announced he has a disk on "Colorado Back Country Routes" if anyone would like to borrow it. He states there is some pretty amazing scenery on the route.

Bill talked about the 3 Flags Ride. Fee \$260 for a 4 day ride. He has sign-up sheets for anyone who would like to participate in this ride. He also gave a short history of the 3 Flags Ride.

50/50 Drawing

Total \$45.00

Club: \$20.00

Third Place: \$5.00 Gloria

Second Place: \$9.00 Debbie

First Place: \$11.00 Bernie

Meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.



Spring Polar Bear Ride

Submitted by: Tom "Dagwood" Shumaker

Here it is time to start the riding season, where does the time go? I just reviewed the 10 day forecast, and right now it doesn't look too promising for the weekend of 3-9 & 3-10.

But, that may change, we'll wait and see. We will meet at Gunther Toody's at I-25 & 104th, 1 block west of I-25 on the north side, Sunday 3-10-2013 at 7:30 AM for breakfast. The ride will depart at 9:00AM. The proposed route and length will vary depending on the weather conditions. Please fuel before departure. I will have my cell phone turned on, so if you are running a little late, please call 303-562-8582 so we don't leave anyone behind. This ride will not go if the roads are snowy, icy, or if it's currently snowing.

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2013 Board of Directors

Submitted by: Debbie Maynard, Treasurer

Paul and I have been busy finalizing the *Ride your Dream in 2013* ride book. Many thanks to the ride captains who came up with some excellent suggestions and thanks to those who have worked behind the scenes on this project. Floyd Thorne compiled all of the rides that came in, put together maps and gathered pictures. I served as copyeditor and proofreader and sent the pages to Stan Stotz and Tina Turner for a second set of eyes, made more revisions and okayed it for Paul to start putting it into final pages ready for publishing. Special thanks to Bill Gillespie for serving as our printing expert. I hope you all can make it to the March 14 meeting when we unveil the final product - it should be a fun and interesting ride season!

As I was proofing, I noticed that we needed to update the listing for the Board of Directors but I could not find any record of who we nominated in the *Venture Voice*. Luckily, I took some notes that evening and still had it in my pile of papers; so for historical records, here is what transpired at the meeting on November 8, 2012:

We needed to replace three Board positions: George Barrett had one year left but after being 'sworn in' as president, he can no longer serve; Gloria Messier and Richard Knudson have completed their two-year assignments. As past president, Floyd Thorne takes over as Board Chair and Ron Nardiello has one year left. We were able to strong-arm a few volunteers for the remaining positions: Linda Thorne was voted in for the remainder of George's assignment (one year); and Bill Gillespie and Lisa McGee were voted in for two-year assignments.



The following people have BIRTHDAYS in March & April:

Kathy Bowker	Mar. 17
Tim Kah	Mar. 23
Joyce Hindman	Apr. 5



ANNIVERSARYS:

Tom and Brenda Shumaker	Mar. 24
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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!



Officer's Speak (cont.)

satisfaction made it worthwhile to me, at least. Anyway, I had not done a fork seal change on a BMW before and so I "Googled" it which led me to a series of discussions the first of which was almost frightening – the BMW shop charges 4 hours of labor in large part because the service procedure calls for stripping much of body plastic off to gain access to the top of the fork legs. That amounts to a significant service total of nearly \$500 which is why BMW has come to mean "Bring More Wampum" or "Bring My Wallet". Searching a little deeper led me to a discussion-string which included photos one gentleman took of his "do it yourself" project. Farther down the string was a suggestion that allowed me to perform this service without the time-consuming effort of stripping the plastic. As a result, my leaky fork seal was replaced in under two hours at a cost of less than \$50 (the replacement seal and new fork oil).

Now you might ask why I have broached the topic of "self-service" maintenance. Quite simply, I believe it is in your best interest to know as much about the operation of your motorcycle as can be reasonably learned because I believe that, more often than not, mechanical failures happen on the road, far from home. Seldom do they occur in the convenience of your own garage. Some failures are somewhat catastrophic and there is no option but an expensive tow service to a shop that can get you back on the road. Other failures are less disruptive if you know how to handle them – such things as flat tires, blown fuses, burned-out head lights, clogged fuel filters and failed fuel pumps (the list is not complete) and while they may set you back a few hours or a day on an extended bike trip, they by no means need to end your trip altogether. As an example, on a 4-day weekend ride this past summer, I experienced a clogged fuel filter which, of course, caused my motorcycle to quit running and strand me on the side of the road. Fortunately, I was not riding alone and so my riding partner was able to ride into town and pick up a universal filter. In about an hours time we were up and running and continuing on our journey. Unfortunately, a couple of hundred miles down the road in Green River, Utah, the fuel pump also failed (most likely a bad pump led to the clogged filter or the clogged filter led to the pumps failure, we don't know). As the fuel filter and the pump reside together inside the gas tank of the BMW, we knew what it took to get to the pump. A call to the nearest BMW dealer (in Grand Junction) turned up little help as the \$300+ fuel pump was out of stock. Fortunately, Green River has a NAPA store and we were able to find a Honda Acura pump that could be made to work for a mere \$100 and it is still supplying the fuel to the engine today.

I tell you all this because it proves that a bit of knowledge and self-service/self-serving perseverance can salvage what might otherwise be a disaster of a road trip. So I encourage you to learn as much as you can about your particular bike and learn how to do some of these required services and parts replacement procedures as is reasonable – it just might prevent a memorably good trip from becoming "the trip from hell".

BTW, please refrain from the easy "why don't you get a Gold-wing" comments that I know you are thinking.



HAPPY EASTER!!!!



Amazing frozen lemons.....All it is.....is a frozen lemon

Many professionals in restaurants and eateries are using or consuming the entire lemon and nothing is wasted.
How can you use the whole lemon without waste?

Simple.. place the washed lemon in the freezer section of your refrigerator. Once the lemon is frozen, get your grater, and shred the whole lemon (no need to peel it) and sprinkle it on top of your foods.

Sprinkle it to your vegetable salad, ice cream, soup, cereals, noodles, spaghetti sauce, rice, sushi, fish dishes, whisky, wine.... the list is endless.

All of the foods will unexpectedly have a wonderful taste, something that you may have never tasted before.
Most likely, you only think of lemon juice and vitamin C. Not anymore.

Now that you've learned this lemon secret, you can use lemon even in instant cup noodles.
What's the major advantage of using the whole lemon other than preventing waste and adding new taste to your dishes?

Well, you see lemon peels contain as much as 5 to 10 times more vitamins than the lemon juice itself.
And yes, that's what you've been wasting.

But from now on, by following this simple procedure of freezing the whole lemon, then grating it on top of your dishes, you can consume all of those nutrients and get even healthier.

It's also good that lemon peels are health rejuvenators in eradicating toxic elements in the body.

So place your washed lemon in your freezer, and then grate it on your meal every day. It is a key to make your foods tastier and you get to live healthier and longer! That's the lemon secret! Better late than never, right? The surprising benefits of lemon!
Lemon (Citrus) is a miraculous product to kill cancer cells. It is 10,000 times stronger than chemotherapy.

Why do we not know about that? Because there are laboratories interested in making a synthetic version that will bring them huge profits.

You can now help a friend in need by letting him/her know that lemon juice is beneficial in preventing the disease. Its taste is pleasant and it does not produce the horrific effects of chemotherapy.

How many people will die while this closely guarded secret is kept, so as not to jeopardize the beneficial multimillionaires large corporations?

As you know, the lemon tree is known for its varieties of lemons and limes.

You can eat the fruit in different ways: you can eat the pulp, juice press, prepare drinks, sorbets, pastries, etc... It is credited with many virtues, but the most interesting is the effect it produces on cysts and tumors.

This plant is a proven remedy against cancers of all types. Some say it is very useful in all variants of cancer. It is considered also as an anti microbial spectrum against bacterial infections and fungi, effective against internal parasites and worms, it regulates blood pressure which is too high and an antidepressant, combats stress and nervous disorders.

The source of this information is fascinating: it comes from one of the largest drug manufacturers in the world, says that after more than 20 laboratory tests since 1970, the extracts revealed that It destroys the malignant cells in 12 cancers, including colon, breast, prostate, lung and pancreas...

The compounds of this tree showed 10,000 times better than the product Adriamycin, a drug normally used chemotherapeutic in the world, slowing the growth of cancer cells.

And what is even more astonishing: this type of therapy with lemon extract only destroys malignant cancer cells and it does not affect healthy cells.

So, give those lemons a good wash, freeze them and grate them. Your whole body will love you for it!!!!



Our meeting on Thursday 3/14:

**POTLUCK and Ridebooks will
be available starting at 6:30pm.**

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