



GWRRA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER VANCOUVER CHAPTER WA-X



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Remember...There will **not** be a July Chapter meeting Due to the Independence holiday weekend...

Have a safe and wonderful 4th of July!!!!



THE WHAT'S HAPPENING PAGE FOR CHAPTER WA-X

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- ◆ The Chapter X Website is up and running, with a huge shout-out to Brad from Chapter P, and our very own web Master, Larry Hibbs!! Visit us At GWRRA-wax.org and take a look around, and be proud!

*Great progress is being made on the no-zone project for WA District Rally.....We are getting our brochures printed up and our trucking company Has agreed to pay the cost of that! (also a BIG THANKS to our friend Von Vinhasa for getting the brochures ready for us!!)

Also, our Chapter banner is being manufactured at a **greatly reduced cost** To the chapter.....It pays to have friends in the Graphics Design business! (A HUGE THANKS goes out to our good friend VON VINHASA for that!)

- ◆ We need to be gathering up door prizes, no-longer-needed parts, food donations, silent auction items, and talking to potential vendors for the 2nd annual Chapter X Motorcycle Swap Meet that will take place on January 14th, 2012....IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START GETTING READY!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

TO STEVE AND DEB

PATTISON

JUNE 9TH!

GASOLINE alley

- Your editor has had first-hand experience with this one.....Always make sure to use a “parts tray” when disassembling/reassembling your machine. This will help to make sure you don’t lose any parts in the process, and will keep parts from getting damaged.
- Always use a brand-new crush washer when doing oil changes....They are inexpensive insurance policies against leaks.
- When wiring an item into your bike, it’s always a good idea to solder the joints if you are doing the bare wire to bare wire technique, and also a good idea to shrink-tube that connection...If you are using wire nuts or wire spades, put a little electrical tape at the wire-end of the terminal to prevent moisture from getting into the terminal.
- When working with electrical terminals, the use of a good “dielectric grease” is a very good thing. This “grease” conducts electricity very well, and prevents moisture intrusion as well as helps prevent corrosion. A tube of this costs a bit, but is very well worth it in the long run.
- When doing electrical work on your ride, a good multi meter can be your very best friend. When choosing a multimeter for the job, make sure to use one that has a continuity selection (ohms), and if possible, use one that has an amps selection on it, as well as volts. This can be very handy when trying to figure out voltage/ampereage drops, and just how many amps your charging system is really putting out (full-fielding an alternator/stator).
- Your editor is getting his shop ready (including a roll-on motorcycle lift with rear drop-out for doing rear tires)....I am going to take a concensus among our group, and there’s a possibility that we can do a “maintenance day” in my garage, on given dates, where everyone is welcome to come use the lift, do their own work, or have me do the work for them on their ride. Maybe even have a

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- Pot-luck dinner, swap stories, maintenance tips, and just have a good time in general.
- I will be bringing this topic up at our next meeting, looking for feedback on the subject.....

Here's hoping everyone safe, wonderful journeys, and a fantastic fourth of July!!