



## Seattle Wings Chapter WA-A

Periodic News Letter  
August 2024



Haines Junction to Watson Lake in British Columbia  
Photography by Newsletter Editor 2024

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Have you checked out the **Chapter "A" Website** lately?  
Our Webmaster works on it almost daily, Check it out!



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# Greetings from the Chapter Director



**Hellooooo my friends,**

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the August meeting. It will be my first in person meeting since taking on the Chapter Director position in May.

*Where have I been since May you ask?*

This year we drove our Tesla 12,000 miles, 23 states in 97 days. (our 3<sup>rd</sup> year)  
WA, OR, CA, AZ, NM, TX, OK, MO, KY, WV, VA,  
MD, NC, SC, PA, OH, IN, IL, WI, MN, ND, MT, and ID.

And one week later we rode our 1989 Goldwing 1500 Seattle to Alaska 5,500 miles in 21 days.

**British Columbia:** Chilliwack, Williams Lake, Chetwynd, Fort Nelson, Watson Lake, Haines Junction, and Lillooet.

**Alaska:** Tok, Fairbanks, Denali Park, Anchorage, Homer, and Palmer.

Meanwhile there is still room .....

**GWTA WA district “After Labor Day CampOut”** Sept 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>.

Please be sure to mention that you are with a Goldwing Chapter and your Chapter Director name. Squaw Rock 509-658-2800.

Cheers,

*Jocelyn Piechowiak*

GWTA WA A Chapter Director

[jocelpiechowiak@hotmail.com](mailto:jocelpiechowiak@hotmail.com)

206-249-6310



Our 1989 Goldwing 1500..... 139,827 miles now

Website: [gwta.org](http://gwta.org)



## Chapter Treasurer



Charlie and Ann Butters



**Future Ride Coordinator(s)**

## Chapter "A" Stores:



Joe Leon

Come see Joe at the meetings!  
He might just have that perfect sticker,  
patch, shirt or hat for you.

## 50/50 Drawing



Dianna Hemmi



## **Riding and Wrenching. It's what I do and have done since 1969 when I bought my first Honda, a 1966 Honda 305 cc Super Hawk.**

Since our last meeting, I personally have not done a lot of riding but I've been doing some wrenching. The summer is winding down and organized rides have been few and far between. We didn't have a ride after our last meeting but there were several motorcycles parked outside. I think everyone had someplace to be so we just went our separate ways.



During the first couple of weeks in August I was busy with some preventive maintenance and ride preparation for the 38th Annual Buzzard Butt Buster ride. Todd, Meredith and myself had signed up for this ride about ten months ago. It's usually about 1000 miles over a four-day period of riding. This year was no different. Our destinations were the Sleep Inn in Kelso, WA, Comfort Inn in Ellensburg, WA and the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort & Hotel in Worley, ID for the banquet.

There is no set route, you just have to make the destinations by about 5:00 pm on the scheduled evenings. Since the Sleep Inn in Kelso was so close to home, none of our group stayed the night but we did have a ride of about 250 miles set up and then met the required check in time at the motel.

The following day, we all met at Mary's Corner on Hwy 12 and Jackson Hwy at about 9:30 in the morning to start the ride to Ellensburg. Below, we are stopped at a rest stop on the road to Packwood.



We clocked about 230 miles as we found our way to the Comfort Inn. The next day on the agenda was a 244-mile ride to the casino and banquet in Worley, ID. Did I mention it was Mindy, Jesse & Eva, Todd & Meredith, Todd and Lisa and myself on the ride and then we met up with Pat and Ruth at the casino in Worley, ID on the night of the banquet.





At the banquet there was a 50/50 drawing of about \$450 and Jesse won that. And there was a Bug Target contest too. The first-place prize for the bug target winner was \$75 and I won that. I had the target mounted on the very nose of the fairing on my GL1800. Turned out to be the perfect spot.



Bright and early Sunday morning Todd & Meredith and myself were on our way home. About 400 miles or so later and we were having dinner at our respective dining room tables.

**Mike Briese**  
WA-A Webmaster



Join Us on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of Every Month for our monthly meeting.

**Next Meetings are Aug 24<sup>th</sup> and Sept 28th, 2024.**

Breakfast starting at **9:00am** with meeting following at **10:00am**.

**Rainbow Cafe** Restaurant.

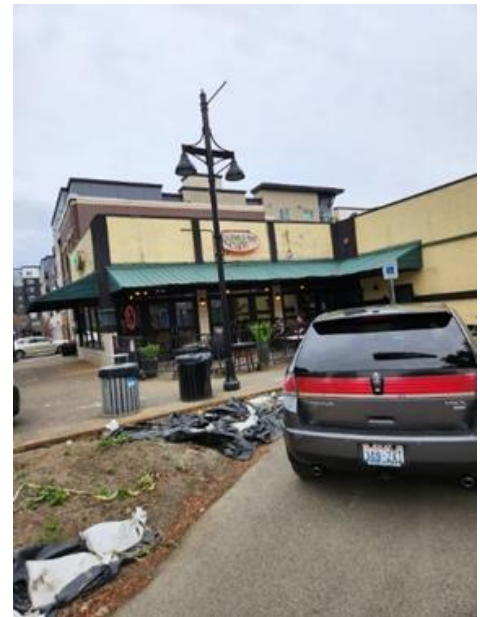
112 E. Main St.  
Auburn, WA. 98002  
(253) 833-1880

Weather Permitting Rides after the meeting.

***Hope to see you there!***



Front Entrance to Rainbow Cafe



Rear entrance to Rainbow Cafe

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**The Famous WA "A" 5 Aces Ride.....AUGUST 31st, 2024!**

At Chapter "A" we've noticed that 4 months each year have an additional 5th Saturday.

We at Chapter "A" honor those extra Saturdays with an "Ice Cream Ride" aka The Famous WA "A" 5 Aces Ride. **The Chapter is buying!!**

Suggestions for destinations are welcome.





## Goldwing Preventative Maintenance



Dennis Murphy

This month I decided on going to the breakfast meeting for Chapter C in Everett. I wasn't sure about going but I talked myself into it. It had been a year since I had gone there and while I had a great time last time, I wasn't sure if my shoulder could take the ride.

I'm glad I went.

There were 5 bikes and riders that went for a ride over Stevens Pass, Blewett Pass and then over Snoqualmie.

We left the meeting in Everett and took back roads to Hwy 2. Stopped at a rest area for a bit and ended up in Peshastin at the Big Y Cafe.

I had a warm piece of Pecan pie and of course ice cream. All of us filled up our bellies and then headed out for more ice cream in Cle Elum at the Dairy Queen.

Can't really have too much can you?

We headed west over Snoqualmie Pass and then everyone headed home. All total, I put about 325 miles on my Wing. My shoulder felt fine.

It was a great ride and I would like to thank Walt for leading this it. It's always fun to go on roads that you've never been on.

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Please remember to do your **T-CLOCS** inspection before you ride too.

The **T** is for Tires and Wheels.

The **C** is for Controls.

The **L** is for Lights and Electrics.

The **O** is for Oil and Other Fluids.

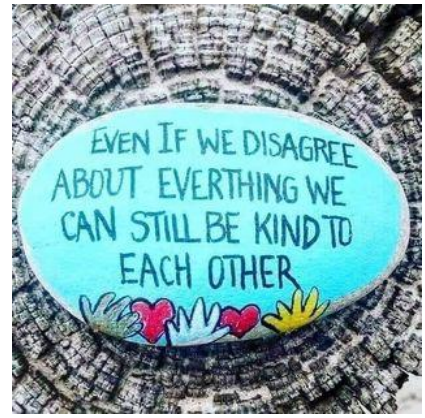
The **C** is for Chassis.

The **S** is for Stands, center and side





## Sunshine Committee



We love to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries.  
And when asked we send out Get Well and Sympathy cards.  
Cheers,

*Jocelyn and Michael Piechowiak*

### **AUGUST CELEBRATIONS!**

#### ***Birthdays:***

**5th Claudia Rossignol**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sam Martin**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Patty Alfonso**

**26<sup>th</sup> Veronica Lowe**

#### ***Anniversaries:***

**3<sup>rd</sup> Gary & Joanne Beard**

**8<sup>th</sup> Charlie & Ann Butters**

**14<sup>th</sup> Chris & Patty Johnson**

**16<sup>th</sup> Rick & Robin Pradel**



Not on our list? Use the form in this newsletter to be added.



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## **WA“A” Activities**

**“Chapter “A” has been enjoying FUN since September 1980.**

### ***Upcoming events***

Be sure to check our website <https://www.gwta-waa.com> for details on the big events in 2024.

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#### **August 2024**

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.

2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.

4th Saturday – August 24th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

5<sup>th</sup> Saturday – August 31st. 5 Aces Ice Cream Ride. Details TBD at the August monthly meeting.

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#### **September 2024**

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.

2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.

4th Saturday – September 28th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

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#### **October 2024**

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.

2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.

4th Saturday – October 26th. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

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#### **November 2024**

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.

2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.

4th Saturday – November 23rd. Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

5<sup>th</sup> Saturday – November 30<sup>th</sup>. 5 Aces Ice Cream Ride. Details TBD

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#### **November 2024**

1st Saturday – Visit Chapter Q in Centralia, WA.

2nd Saturday – Visit Chapter C in Everett, WA.

4th Saturday – December 28<sup>th</sup>, Monthly GWTA-WA-A Breakfast Chapter Meeting.

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# **GWTA WA Chapter "A" Seattle Wings**

## **Newsletter and Phone Tree Information Request**

*The following request is for the purpose of gathering current information on the Chapter "A" roster. It will assist in the accuracy and correct mailing of the Chapter Newsletter to our members and followers. It will also assist us in the timely communication of impromptu rides and any changes in planned rides or events via the Chapter "A" Phone Tree and/or email.*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Significant Other (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Former GWRRA State and Chapter? Circle Yes or No . If yes, State \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

GWTA Member and Status: Circle Yes or No . If yes, State \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

NOTE: *The Following will be only used for Phone Tree/Administrative only.*

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:**

Would you like to receive?

1. Birthday Cards and be noted at the monthly meeting/in the newsletter during your birthday month?

If yes, Month/Date \_\_\_\_\_

Significant other (optional) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Month/Date \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Anniversary Cards and be noted at the monthly meeting/in the newsletter during your anniversary month? If yes, Month/Date/(and Year?) \_\_\_\_\_

3. We send out Get Well and Sympathy Cards. Is this okay? \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form in person or by email to either the CD or any board member.

*Thank You* for Joining us in our Destination of Friendship.



# WASHINGTON CHAPTER GATHERINGS

| <u><b>GWTA Chapter</b></u>                 | <u><b>Group Name</b></u>     | <u><b>Chapter Director</b></u>   | <u><b>Meeting Date/ Time</b></u>  | <u><b>Location</b></u>   |
|--|------------------------------|--|---|--|
| WA-A                                       | Seattle Wings<br>Mascot: Ape | Jocelyn Piechowiak<br>Phone (206) 249-6310<br>ACD: Open Position           | 4th Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 9:00 AM<br>Meeting @ 10:00 AM                         | Rainbow Cafe<br>112 E. Main St.<br>Auburn, WA 98002                                    |
| WA-C                                       | Evergreen Wings              | Howie Dickerman<br>(206)571-3273<br>ACD: Mike Zmiarovich                   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 08:00AM<br>Meeting @ 09:00AM              | Evergreen Lanes<br>5111 Claremont Way<br>Everett, WA 98203                             |
| WA-F                                       | Fun & Friendship<br>Riders   | Gary & Vonda Brest<br>(206)852-2625<br>ACD: Lisa Alberts<br>(253) 350-4594 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 8:00AM<br>Meeting @ 9:00AM                | (Currently Inactive)   |
| WA-Q                                       | The Q Crew                   | Steve Henson<br>(360)489-5275  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 8:00AM<br>Meeting @ 9:00AM                | Centerville Café<br>111 N. Tower Ave.<br>Centralia, WA 98532<br><b>Call to Confirm</b> |
| WA-U                                       | Okanogan Valley<br>Wings     | Teri Mitschelen<br>(509)429-1751<br>ACD: Mel Caylor<br>(509)322-2546       | 3rd Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 8:00AM<br>Meeting @ 9:00AM                            | Status Unknown   |
| <u><b>GWRRA Chapter</b></u>                | <u><b>Group Name</b></u>     | <u><b>Chapter Director</b></u>   | <u><b>Meeting Date/ Time</b></u>  | <u><b>Location</b></u>   |
| WA-L (High Desert<br>Riders) (Independent) | Kennewick<br>Looney Tunes    | Gary Dumas<br>Phone: (509) 551-6133<br>ACD: Tom Denny<br>(509) 582-8779    | 2nd Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 8:00 AM<br>Gathering @ 9:00 AM                        | Sterling's Restaurant<br>2500 Queens gate Drive<br>Richland, WA 99352                  |
| WA-N (Independent)                         | Spokane<br>Wing Nuts         | Don & Hope Sundahl<br>Phone: (509)993-5501                                 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday Social 6pm<br>November to April.<br>Location TBD          | TBD – Call ahead.<br>Spokane, WA   |
| WA-P (Independent)                         | Kalama                       | Rose & Bruce Hibbs<br>Rose (360)609-4648<br>Bruce (360)606-6643            | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday<br>Social at 11am.<br>Weather permitting<br>Call ahead. | Columbian Inn Rest.<br>698 N Frontage Road<br>Kalama, WA 98625<br>360-673-7600         |
| WA-R (Independent)                         | Walla Walla<br>Road Runner   | Pat & Von Webb<br>Phone (509) 438-3906<br>ACD:                             | 1st Saturday<br>Breakfast @ 9:00AM<br>Gathering @ 10:00 AM<br>(Winter Hours)      | Clarette's Restaurant<br>15 S Touchet St.<br>Walla Walla, WA<br>99362                  |

This list is subject to change.

Please contact the Chapter you wish to visit before going.

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**Find out what is going on in other GWTA chapters' neck of the woods:**

**[GWTA - Motorcycle Touring Association](https://www.facebook.com/groups/51175813698)**

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/51175813698> currently 2.2K following.**

# Gold Wing Touring Association 2024 Calendar of Events

*Destination Friendship  
Established 1987  
"All Bikes Welcome"*

Be sure to check websites:  
<https://www.gwta-waa.com> or <https://www.gwta.org> for details on the events.

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## September 2024

Sep 6~9 GWTA Washington District's week after Labor Day Campout at Squaw Rock Resort.  
<https://squawrockrvresortandcampground.com/> Be sure to let them know you are part of our group.

Sep 22 Annual Oyster Run in Anacortes, WA

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## October 2024

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## November 2024

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## December 2024

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## **VISITING OUR GWTA CHAPTERS:**

### **Chapter Q in Centralia, The Q Crew**

Monthly breakfast meeting at Centerville Café, 111 N. Tower Ave, Centralia, WA 98531, (360) 736-5159.  
We meet at the McDonald's on South Tacoma Way and Hwy 512 for a 7:00 am kick stands up.  
8:00 am Eat - 9:00 am Meet (**Changes on occasion, please call Chapter Director Steve Henson to verify**).

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### **Opportunities to Volunteer your time as an individual.**

**These events are NOT sponsored by or affiliated with GWTA.**

**September 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>** Bike MS fundraiser at Deception Pass in Mt. Vernon, WA.

Needs volunteer motorcycle riders.

Contact Amulya Param, Volunteer Engagement Specialist, National MS Society  
[amulya.param@nmss.org](mailto:amulya.param@nmss.org)



# **GWTA WA-C Evergreen Wings**

Join them for their monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday breakfast meeting  
Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett, Washington.  
8:00 am Eat, 9:00 am Meet. A ride normally follows the meeting.

We meet at the Kent Chevron across from the McDonald's Restaurant  
on 84th and 212th Streets in Kent, WA. 7:00 am kick stands up departure

## **2024 Calendar**

Fri Aug 02 Aug 04 Three-day Men's Ride to BC (Whistler, Hope)  
9am depart from Smokey Point Rest Area

Sat Aug 10 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett

Sat Aug 10 Three Pass Blast (Hwy 2, 97, 90) w/Walt leave from breakfast meeting

Sat Aug 17 Ride to Artist Point (Mt Baker Hwy) w/Walt 9am depart from Smokey Point Rest Area

Tue Aug 20 6:30 Dinner at Emory's on Silver Lake 11830 19th Ave SE, Everett

Sat Aug 24 Aug 25 Overnight Ride to Government Camp, OR 9am depart from Mariner Park & Ride

Sat Aug 24 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn  
8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Aug 31 Chapter A Ice Cream Ride details TBD

Fri Sep 06 Sep 09 GWTA Campout weekend Squaw Rock RV Resort & Campground, Naches WA

Sat Sep 14 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett

Sat Sep 14 Ride to Leavenworth w/Justin leave from breakfast meeting

Sun Sep 22 Oyster Run Anacortes WA

Sat Sep 28 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Oct 12 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett

Sat Oct 12 Ride to Windy Ridge w/DJ (near Mt St Helens)

Tue Oct 22 6:30 Dinner at McMenamin's Bothell 18607 Bothell Way NE, Bothell

Sat Oct 26 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn 8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Nov 09 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett

Sun Nov 17 2pm Planning Meeting then go out to eat Everett Powersports - upstairs meeting room

Sat Nov 23 Visit Chapter A Mtg, Rainbow Café, Auburn  
8am Mariner Park & Ride, 13132 4th Ave, Everett

Sat Nov 30 Chapter A Ice Cream Ride details TBD

Sat Dec 14 8am Breakfast Meeting Evergreen Lanes, 5111 Claremont Way, Everett

Sun Dec 15 6pm Christmas Party at Village Taphouse & Grill 1204 3rd St, Marysville

EVERYTHING ON THIS CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE...

questions/comments/changes...contact [howiedickerman@outlook.com](mailto:howiedickerman@outlook.com)



# GOLDWING TREASURES

Buy / Sell / Donate Motorcycles and/or Parts

Ads will be listed for six (6) months or until transaction completion!

**For GWRRA and GWTA Members Ads Free!**

*Got something to buy, sell, or trade? Got something on your wish list?*

*Got something you wish to donate or give away?*

## **FOR SALE:**

Hello Goldwing members

I wish to sell my  
**'09 Gold Wing: GL 1800**

Bruce Smith  
858-336-1300



At 75 years old, my riding sunset has arrived.

I am a former CA F member (San Diego), now living near you in Gig Harbor.

Although not ridden in 2 yrs, it's a good machine with a few bells.

**'09 Gold Wing: GL 1800/** Audio-Nav-GPS / CB radio, backrest, highway pegs.

46K: mostly easy, dry, open road SoCal, AZ, NV riding. No wet weather WA riding.

Original owner. VIN: 1HFSC47L19A801167

VIN inquiry will reveal clean history: no accidents, theft, nor any other issues.

Serviced and w/receipts.

Always garaged.

Good tire tread.



Left box has cigarette lighter for USB cell phone charging  
 Saddle bags and trunk carpets  
 Saddles, trunk, and trunk rack travel bags (4 total)  
 Battery Tender Plus trickle charger  
 Portable air pump w cigarette lighter plug  
 Motorcycle cover for touring trips  
 Butler cup holder



Auto Trader suggests \$10K and 9K. KBB suggests \$11K.  
 I think \$10K is a fair no haggle price.

Kindly pass the word.

Bruce Smith

858-336-1300



## **ALSO FOR SALE:**

Riding gear from Bruce Smith. 858-336-1300

Olympia Winter Touring (longer length) jacket WITH liner.  
Purchase \$350. Will **sell for \$85.**

Men's size Large



Women's size Medium. They cost same as men's.  
Will sell as above for same price.



Tourmaster Intake Series 2 / Summer/Spring mesh WITH liner.  
Purchase \$180 / will **sell for \$45.**

Men's XL ... as I noted they are sized smaller.



Women's BiLT / Med mesh summer/spring jacket.  
Purchased \$160 / will **sell for \$40.**





Ladies Wilson's leather motorcycle jacket. Large, also sized a bit small. Purchase \$175. Will **sell for \$40**. Nice jacket ...like new.



Hot weather evaporation vests (worn under mesh jackets) @\$40 ... along with evaporation neck scarfs (\$15). The second set is in the zip baggie. The baggie is used to pour water into and let soak before donning it under your jacket.

**Vest/scarf set @ 25% =sell for \$10** (actual \$13.50). Running the searing hot Mojave Desert, they were not too bad actually.



THE END



FOR SALE



Hello. I am looking to sell my 1988 Dynastic Blue Goldwing 1500 motorcycle that was converted to a trike later in life. My husband Ray Jorgensen kept all the parts of the motorcycle that were removed for the trike conversion.

My husband Ray and I were members of the GWTA and GWRRA many years ago. Ray has passed and I no longer ride so pardon any dust in the pictures.





**Seeking \$8K for the Trike and loose parts. Or Best Offer.**

Carmi Jorgensen  
[crjmt@peoplepc.com](mailto:crjmt@peoplepc.com)



**FOR SALE**

2017 Slingshot 5 speed with less than 3,000 miles.  
Located in Washington State. Call for Pricing.



Contact Mike White at 360-340-2588  
or Bijou White at 360-620-1536  
or email at [babyblue370@gmail.com](mailto:babyblue370@gmail.com).



## DID YOU KNOW?



--Don Hatley, original member



# Thanks for Reading our Newsletters!

Got an Article, Story, Funny or Buy/Sell/Give Ad?

Be sure to submit by midnight of the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in that month's newsletter.

Send your comments, questions, and submittals to Newsletter Editor Jocelyn Piechowiak.

[jocelynpiechowiak@hotmail.com](mailto:jocelynpiechowiak@hotmail.com)

Call or Text 206-249-6310.

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