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Jurassic Riders News

Jurassic Riders Motorcycle Club

Special Interest Articles:

- Please provide feedback
- Member list available
- Riding season is approaching!



Our First Publication

The main purpose of this newsletter is to provide information to fellow motorcyclists regarding the club's activities as well as current and future events. Our aim is to provide a periodic summary of things occurring in Canada's beautiful Okanagan and items of interest to motorcycle and Maxi-Scooter adventurers.

We welcome input from not only club members but also others interested in riding the roads while pursuing their dreams and fresh air flowing across faces.

Do you have an idea or suggestion to include in this newsletter? If so, contact

the editor for consideration. Perhaps you have photographs taken on a recent trip with accompanying pertinent information regarding participants, location and dates would be welcomed for possible publication.

This newsletter will certainly evolve as we grow and it is hoped that others may find it of interest as well. Feel free to drop us a line.

Hopefully we will publish our newsletter from November to April on a monthly basis. It has been suggested that this change to a one pager on a weekly basis during the riding season May to October.

What do you think?

Who Are We?

The term "Jurassic Riders" was chosen for our newsletter was chosen for the simple reason it rolls off the tongue easily and is also a catchy nickname describing our age profile because we laugh at ourselves. See "Jurassic Riders" further on for additional information.

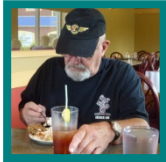
These enthusiasts meet weekly for social friendship events such as scenic highway rides and always include a least one daily meal in the activity. Members operate motorcycles and MAXI scooters riding safely in groups to sightsee, meet others and tour places and businesses of

interest.

Some rides may be a short trip while others are longer duration, sometimes involving overnight stays along the way. Always interesting! Riders observe all the local laws and practice safe riding so that risks are minimized. So many places to go and see!

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*Jim Wilson at
Summerland Treats.*



Jurassic Riders

Jurassic Riders are a unique group organization, NOT having any club rules or constitution, bylaws or operating regulations and NO elections and officers. No dues either! We have male and female riders too.

The club was formed in 2005 and was mainly comprised of Burgman motorcycles. As the years rolled on many graduated to Harley's but was certainly not restricted to hogs. Metric transportation is included too as someone must surely carry repair tools for the former. Readers unfamiliar with the Burgman can use the following web-link:

<http://moto.suzuki.ca/Product%20Lines/Scooters/Categories/Scooters>

Thursday is our normal riding day to allow members to have weekends free for other activities. Often smaller groups may organize additional rides on other days to facilitate flexibility in member's schedules. This is encouraged for the simple reason of promoting the sport of motorcycling and the Okanagan valley so others may enjoy it too.

Most rides are mid-week when traffic is less and activity opportunities are readily available.

Some riders may choose to bring a partner or friend as a passenger. Each rider covers their own expenses and is to have their "ride" in safe operating condition. All machines must be capable of maximum highway speeds for safety.

During riding season we assemble at a pre-designated place and usually have breakfast before beginning the day's journey. It is not unusual to log over 300 km. on our rides and of course lunch is enjoyed at known good restaurants.

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If you are interested in joining us please contact Ted Fitzpatrick at tfitz@shaw.ca

or Jim Garrett at jtg_3@telus.net .



Ride for Dad.

Ride for Dad 2014

Please consider supporting the annual Ride for Dad. Join us for a fun-filled day of riding with a lunch, poker run, prizes, and much more while helping to raise monies for Prostate Cancer Awareness and Research for our local community.

We will be celebrating our 5th

anniversary ride in 2014, so please come out and enjoy the day with us and help our cause!

This year's ride is **June 8th, 2014; 10am-5PM** beginning at Banner Recreation Products - 819 McCurdy Place Kelowna, BC.



Ride Safe

Twelve motorcycles in the group? Eight? Three? SAFETY PRACTICES will determine whether smaller riding numbers together is safest. Sometimes ten bikes riding together is too many for keeping spacing, speed pace or passing opportunities.

Three riding "teams" may be best. The person in charge will signal numbers and spacing thus providing safe passage for all, including cars and trucks travelling the road. Always KNOW where the next fuelling place or rest pullout is, so all riders may safely rejoin enroute. A few minutes highway separation allows maximum safety and will earn respect from others.

We are not racing each other. Some riders are speedier while others like to "smell the roses". In the end we all wish to enjoy a good ride and feel non-threatened. Hand signals?

Next Weekly Luncheon

During winter months the Jurassic Riders meet weekly at lunch for camaraderie and social exchange. Wives/partners are encouraged to participate as well so come along and join us!

If you know a good restaurant with good ambiance and reasonable prices speak up and the loudest usually gets the vote.

For this to be a useful newsletter, luncheon suggestions needs to be determined for the entire upcoming month. This means thinking ahead.

Perhaps we could consider meeting regularly at three different restaurants in the central Okanagan during a month plus one new one thereby making it easier for members to more or less

Next, establish how much time and money you can spend on your newsletter. These factors will help determine how frequently you publish your newsletter at least quarterly so that it's considered a consistent source of information. Your customers or employees will look forward to its arrival.

Your headline is an important part of the newsletter and should be considered carefully.

In a few words, it should accurately represent the contents of the story and draw readers into the story.



Suzuki Burgman.

know ahead of time where we congregate each week.

I suggest a northern, central, and southern location to be fair to all. The fourth eatery could be chosen through consensus if such a phenomenon exists.

Now do not bring up the matter of what happens in a month containing five Thursdays. This does not happen until May 2014 and the riding season should be upon us if we are lucky. Members are responsible for individual sun dances.

During riding season we normally assemble at a pre-designated location and decide then do we breakfast first or ride a bit and then stop to refuel our tummies? Do not forget lunch follows while out for the day, usually returning around 3 or 4 PM.



January 30th, 2014 Luncheon



We anticipate the publication of our first newsletter early February and it is only fitting we fill you in about our last feast.

We assembled at Zias' Stonehouse Restaurant in Summerland for our luncheon. This unique establishment is located at 14015 Rosedale Ave, Summerland, BC, V0H 1Z0 (250) 494-1105.

Prices are very reasonable and the choices are varied. They also have a gluten and lactose free menu. I was surprised at the prices, very reasonable. The quality and presentation was excellent accompanied by good service.

Designated as an architectural heritage

site, this beautiful house was built by Alfredo Biagioni in 1916. He took five years to build it, digging the basement by hand and using his horse, Nelly, to haul it away. He personally selected the stones from the Garnet Valley. The walls are eighteen inches thick which keep it cool in the summer and cozy in the winter.

The locals believe this house to be haunted...

Further information is at the web link:

www.ziasstonehouse.com .



We need another story here?

Examples of possible headlines include Product Wins Industry Award, New Product Can Save You Time, Membership Drive Exceeds Goals, and New Office Opens Near You.

One benefit of using your newsletter as a promotional tool is that you can reuse content from other marketing materials, such as press releases, market studies, and reports. These are the basics of a Newsletter.

While your main goal of distributing a

newsletter might be to sell your product or service, the key to a successful newsletter is making it useful to your readers.

A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer.



“To catch the reader’s attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”



How Far is 47,000 Kilometers?

Each year at the annual Jurassic Riders Christmas gathering one member is awarded a special sparkling dessert.

This award is for a member promoting motorcycling by increasing his odometer reading by adding kilometers on his beast during bike season. 2013's winner was Peter Borzyszkowski who added over 47,000 kilometers to his Burgman 650 exploring the pavement as far away as Texas, more than once.

We will attempt to have Peter provide some details of his trips but so far all he can say is "bloody far"!



*Peter Borzyszkowski
each morning,
"Where are we going
today?"*

Letters to the Editor

What do you wish to see in this section?

It could be an article on motorcycling that has caught the eye of a member or a personal story discussing a recent ride. I only titled it Letters to the Editor to challenge you. Maybe you have an idea to make the club better; had a close call or wish to suggest an overnighter or maybe even a long trip and are looking for company.

Jim Wilson has a cross Canada trip on his bucket list. Would others be interested?

Ted Fitzpatrick reminded us about an adventure to the Rally in the Gorge, August 28th to September 1st at Hood River Oregon. There website is currently under construction with only a few weblinks working but some

information can be found at this link:

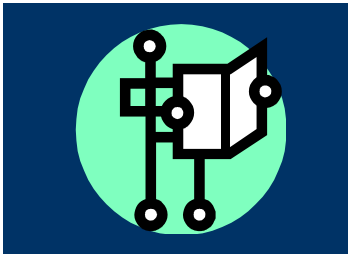
http://www.soundrider.com/Rally/plan_your_trip.aspx

I would like to publish the newsletter on the first of each winter month which means all input from members should be forwarded by the 25th of the previous month to provide enough time to assemble all your valuable input. Pass along good quality photos if you have any.

Note I have not setup the fictitious email address to the editor as yet but this could be done if it interferes with my default email address (volume emails).



*"Come on, I dare
you to participate."*



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side down!*

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.jurassicriders.com

Chuckles' Corner



The question of the year!!!!??

We are always hearing about how the OLD AGE PENSION is going to run out of money.

How come we never hear about Welfare running out of money?

What's interesting, the first group "worked for" their money ... the second didn't !!

Useful Websites

Want a list of organized rides in Canada? Download a PDF document listing all by province from:

www.loveinmotion.ca/motorcycle-tour-schedule.pdf

Okanagan Ride for Dad website:

http://support.pcf.ca/site/TR?fr_id=1117&pg=entry

Sound rider at:

<http://store.mm411.com/>

Who knows of others?

About Our Organization...

In future, in JURASSIC RIDERS NEWS we will hear reports from members, happenings, proposals for things to do and go, clean jokes, places to eat and or buy things, bike/scooter news and changes in riding membership and

personal items. Let's circulate ideas? Riding will start before we know it (except for Peter B. who's at it almost daily.) Need a phone list?

Email Bilko at bilko22@telus.net .

