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G WOW: Twin Rose Lady Riders Chapter

www.meetup.com/Twin-Rose-Lady-Riders

Aunt Gardenia wishes everyone a Happy Spring!

Meets 2nd Sundays:

NOV - MAR: 10:30 AM brunch

APR – OCT: Check ride calendar or call for details on meeting sites or specific ride/rendezvous plans.

Welcome Prospective Members!

Would you like to ride with an enthusiastic local WOW chapter? Call any of the names above to chat, or check our web site and events calendar and drop by a meeting point. Support Guys always welcome, too!

If you'd like to continue receiving chapter news, forward \$10 (check payable to Twin Rose Lady Riders) to the Treasurer's address above. It's an annual donation toward operating expenses.

Membership Policy:

Women On Wheels® members and guests are welcome to participate with any chapter. We encourage you to join the nat'l organization, as WOW membership is required for continued chapter participation and because members are protected under our insurance plan. Application forms are available in the WOW magazine or from any chapter officer.

Hi Roses!

www.twinroseladyriders.com

It's finally the first day of spring! I've been thinking more and more about those wonderful, warm days ahead spent on our bikes! If you haven't checked out the ride schedule for the year, please do. It's pretty stout. Everything from ice cream rides to day-long rides. We are also still trying to plan a weekend away.

Our chapter meeting was wonderful this month. We had a bite to eat at Stonybrook Restaurant and then headed to HOPE Haven. By the way, Stonybrook will NOT be our new home for our winter meetings. The food was good, but it is still too noisy. So please keep looking for a new spot. Right now, the most promising location is Loxley's. They are even willing to give us our own room! We will also be back there for our anniversary party in 2020.

The tour of HOPE Haven was inspiring. Barb was so gracious. She not only showed us around and shared her vision for the space, but she fed us dessert too! It's going to be a wonderful retreat for their clients. We happily presented her with the TRLR personalized playing cards. If you're hoping to get your hands on a deck, they will be offered for sale with the t-shirt orders. Stay tuned for pricing.



The t-shirt voting was tight. It came down to one vote. Sorry it's taking a bit to get the order forms to you. Our go-to printer (Custom Ink) is requiring a minimum order of 48. I'm assuming it's because our Woodchuck is so colorful. I think we've found an alternative vendor.

The big discussion at the chapter meeting was for the TRLR Meet-n-Greet! Renegade Classics in York has graciously offered their parking lot on June 1 for our event. We want to encourage female riders stop and visit in hopes of recruiting them for WOW and TRLR. Flyers will be printed to help you spread the word.

We're soon going to be on our two wheels. Make sure maintenance on your motorcycle is done so you're ready to ride when the weather is.

Hope to see you April 14!

Natalie

Happy Birthday

CharlieApril 6 BernieApril 8 KimApril 10

Roses, if your birthday has been missed send it (mo/day) to suespittle@comcast.net





We enjoyed Barb, Ed & Carol's grand tour of the soon-to-be-fantastic HOPE Haven.

"A vacation from cancer"





March Brain Teaser:

If the answer to the question "What do you call a laughing motorcycle?" was a Yamahahaha, then who is the Yamaha's cousin?

ANSWER CAN BE FOUND SOMEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE.



On the porch, L-R front row: Barb, Nat, Paws, Trish; back row: Kathy R, Crystal, Sue S, Sigi, Pat, Sue K

Mystery Rose

This month's Mystery Rose is a company Controller who loves Classic Country music, especially when her son sings it. She also adores her big dog. Her mom got her interested in riding 20 years ago on a 450 Knighthawk and she took to the sport (and the chapter) right away. Tidbit: She has yet to be named Rose of the Year! Hmmm. Now on a much bigger bike, she considers every ride to be memorable from fun Ride-Ins to challenging terrain and terrifying weather. She's into exploring and camping in the mountains with family & friends and has a thing for bears...real and stuffed. And her first name? — well, that's a story in itself.

Can you guess who she is?

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MINUTES *Twin Rose Lady Riders*

March 10, 2019 – Second Sunday Brunch, Stonybrook Restaurant – Tour & Chapter Meeting, HOPE Haven

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nat, Pat, Paws, Crystal, Kathy R, Trish, Sigi, Sue K, Sue S Everyone at brunch also went to HOPE (plus John S.) *NOTE: Stonybrook is a decent diner but, just like all the others on Sundays, they are short on parking and long on noise.*

Sue S and John led a little caravan of carpoolers down to Stewartstown where Barb, Ed, and Carol welcomed us to the Haven. They had put out a yummy spread of dessert treats and drinks for us. Barb gave us a tour of the huge property, home, and offices under construction. We were all in awe of the project and proud to support it in our small way.

Nat presented the 2 decks of **TRLR playing cards** to Barb.

Nat reported that the **Treasurer** has paid all current bills. Contact Lynn for our exact balance.

Nat reminded everyone going to **WY in July** to share travel plans. She cannot attend so PA State Ambassador Dawn H will represent the chapter.

Nat encouraged everyone to enter the WOW Mileage Contest.

HOPE banquet, Thurs, May 2

TRLR is paying for half of our tickets – up to 8 people. Give Lynn cash or check for \$30 (made out to Twin Rose Lady Riders) by April 14 latest. Hopefully we will have a table of 8 for this fun evening. Contact Lynn 2324martin@comcast.net for her mailing address or give her your money at the April 14 ride. NOTE: Please choose BEEF, CHICKEN, or VEGETARIAN.

MAWMR, June 20-23

Kathy R moved, Paws seconded – Since not enough time to raise much money for HOPE thru monthly 50/50s, we will gather individual donations of any amount and, if necessary, supplement from the Treasury. Nat reminded us that we could also get donations using PayPal, which she has set up.

Int'l Female Ride Day, May 4

Dawn H is working on organizing a multi-chapter ride. Please invite any female friends along, too.

NEW BUSINESS:

Need Nov-Mar location for indoor meetings/brunch:

-Loxley's, Centerville, 11AM earliest, separate room, order from menu

-Old Country Buffet, West York, must pay \$9-10 at door Contact Nat with other ideas.

Chapter "Fun T-shirt" contest result:

#10 with helmet-wearing groundhog; shirt fabric color to be determined. Not into groundhogs? Nat will also be reordering our blue official WOW tees.

Paws requested a **big TRLR rocker**. Nat will ask Lynn if we have any "in stock" for sale.

Rides:

- Nat encouraged us to support other club rides; especially the Infamous Ryders event on May 18

Sue S said her April 14 ride will be an easy route to knock off rust, and will stop for lunch in Dover at Johnny's Eatery.
Kathy R said her June 9 ice cream ride will go into MD (helmets needed) and will possibly rendezvous south of York.

Meet & Greet Day, June 1 – to promote WOW and our chapter to female riders.

Committee formed: Paws, Kathy R, Trish, Dawn H, Nat – Renegade Classics (off 30 in East York) will allow us to use their lot. We must advertise the event – at dealerships and online. Sue S will come up with a flyer as soon as details are ironed out. Would be perfect to have flyers done by May 11 Women's Carnival Ride!

– Paws will be in charge of music and pop-up canopy. We will have TRLR brochures/patches on hand. Possible Renegade discounts to all female riders that day? Possible ride from there after the event? Contact committee with ideas.

Kathy R asked for 8 1/2x11 flyers to distribute instead of the half size ones (for Meet & Greet and Ride for HOPE). Paws asked if we have 501C3 info to help in getting food donations for any event. We don't. HOPE does.

It was suggested that we buy an annual \$125 **Small Games of Chance** license so we could have raffles all year long. Sue S reminded the group that, even though we love HOPE, we are a riding organization, not a service club. Any increase in the amount of fundraising per year would have to be put before the whole chapter for a vote.

OPEN FORUM:

It was mentioned that 1st Capital H-D has expressed interest in a newsletter ad and/or possibly becoming a WOW PA State Dealership. Kathy R will follow up on that.

Ride for HOPE: The Haven driveway would be unsafe for a poker run stop so we discussed other options with Barb re setting up a table of HOPE info that day. Giving her a space at the clubhouse would maximize exposure for her.

Nat adjourned the meeting at 3 PM.

– Sue S, Secretary

March Brain Teaser Answer: Sue Zuki



Nat rode 35 miles after work on chilly March 11. Cold but happy, she posted her beginning mileage on the WOW website. Have you?

Please note Nat and Lynn's new email addresses -just for TRLR correspondence!

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> Classified ads are free for members. Non-members – \$5/mo. or \$10/3 mo.

Roses: Do you know anyone who might like to buy an ad?



March MYSTERY ROSE: Audrey Dawn



Riding Motorcycles on Gravel

Read the Road:

This is probably the single most important thing you can do to raise your confidence on gravel. Simply put, you're looking for parts of the road where the gravel has been pushed clear and you can ride on the hard-packed dirt underneath.

Most often these will be in the shallow of the road. What's a shallow? Good question. Over time, paths get made in the road where car's tires push the gravel out to the sides of the road. These are the shallows.

Shallows are the gravel road's sweet spot. You want to ride these as much as possible. If you take the chance to stop and look at the shallows, it actually contains very little gravel and just consists of a hard packed dirt-like asphalt. *So read the road and stick to the shallows whenever you can*.

Easy on Everything:

Why do gravel roads make bikers nervous? For the same reason bikers get nervous when they get caught in the rain. Less traction.

With less traction you want to go easy on everything including turning, braking, accelerating, and your overall speed. Sudden movements require more traction to execute. If you try a sudden movement on a surface with less traction, like wet asphalt or gravel, the bike is probably going to lose traction and not do what you want.

Don't jerk the handlebars to make a sudden turn. Don't "panic jam" the brakes to slow down. Don't roll your throttle back like you're blasting off the line (unless you're trying to throw gravel out from behind you to hit your buddy in the head).

Moderate your speed and go easy on everything.

The Motorcycle knows best:

If "Reading the Road" is the single best thing you can do to raise your confidence on gravel, then realizing that "your motorcycle knows best" is the single best way to increase your enjoyment when riding a gravel road.

Your motorcycle is going to wiggle on a gravel road. It's going to feel like its sliding all over the place. Your front tire is going to jerk about. Let it. Your bike knows best.

Awareness that your motorcycle is going to do this will help you form the appropriate behaviour. The natural tendency for most riders is to try and control every movement on gravel — don't.

Just relax, keep a firm grip on the handlebars and **use a light touch when controlling the motorcycle. Allow the bike to move under you.** The law of science that states *a body in motion tends to stay in motion* definitely applies in this instance.

Keep your head up and your focus on where you are trying to go. The bike will wiggle its way to where you want. This rule probably takes the most getting used to, especially for those of you with heavier bikes.

Be confident in yourself, and you and your motorcycle will be fine.

Twin Rose Lady Riders 2019 Calendar of Events Watch for Updates!

Please arrive fueled and ready to ride. KSU = Kick Stands Up FOO = First One Out

Apr 14	First TRLR Ride of the Year, FOO Sue S	KEEP THESE DATES IN MIND, TOO!	
	MEET: BAM!, East York at Mt Zion exit of 30 TIME: KSU 11:00	Apr 28	Riders' Rally for Autism, YMC
cir (n	A 50-mile, 1.5 hr cruise to the west of York County, circling back for lunch in Dover at Johnny's Eatery (next door to Sarah's Creamery). Then a 30-min ride back to East York. Nothing challenging – just a	May 2	Thurs., Voices for HOPE Banquet York Outdoor Country Club, \$30 (contact Nat or Lynn for tix by 4/14)
	pleasant route to knock the rust off.	May 11	Women's Carnival Ride, FOO Kathy R
	RSVP by April 10 to suespittle@comcast.net to get a general head count so Eatery can seat us.	May 11	ProRider Ladies Only Class, \$200 Freedom Biker Church, York
May 4	Int'l Female Ride Day - IFRD 2019 Plan to meet other WOW Chapters for Saturday fun! FOO Dawn H, details TC	May 11	WOW Capitol Cruisers' Ride To Support H.O.P.E; Reg. 9:30-11; \$15 Chesapeake Cycles, Annapolis, MD
May 12 June 1	TRLR Mothers' Day Ride, FOO Audrey Dawn TRLR Saturday "Women Riders Meet & Greet"	May 18	York Infamous Ryders, \$10; reg 11:30 650 Edgar St, York; KSU at noon
ounc 1	to promote WOW [®] and our chapter. Renegade Classics, 11-2 Start promoting it to your female riding friends!	May 18	Full Moon Ride (for ice cream!) 1st Capital H-D, 7-9PM
June 9	TRLR Ice Cream Ride into MD, FOO Kathy R	May 19	Four Club Round Robin, FOO Dawn H
Jun 20-22		June 22	Marietta Legion Suicide Awareness Ride
Jul 9-11	WOW [®] Ride-In [™] , Casper, WY Making plans?	July 21	York MC Margaret Moul Ride, FOO Sue S
July 14	TRLR 3B's Ice Cream Ride, for those not riding to Wyoming, FOO Nat	Aug 10	Service Canine Benefit Ride
Aug 11	TRLR Ride to the Akron Gnomes, FOO Dawn H	Oct 12	5 Club Charity Ride
Sept 8	Crabby Ride to MD, FOO Lynn	Oct 13	BSA Benefit Ride for Camps, \$25 Led ride, Camp Bashore, Jonestown
Sept 22	pt 22 Day Ride to 9/11 Flight 93 Memorial, FOO Dawn H	Nov 2	YCHDOA Toy Run
Oct 6	TRLR Ride For H.O.P.E	Dec 15	York MC Mehring Memorial Toy Run
Oct 13	TRLR Fall Ride, FOO Pat NOTE: Your Ride Committee is having some difficulties coordinating		





the Titusville Cabooses Motel Weekend. Stay tuned.