

MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

WOW!! What a winter we have had. We haven't seen this much snow in many years, and makes me appreciate my snowblower even more. Snowblowers are a must if you have a driveway in this country. I have read that shoveling snow is not the best for our back and men always work till the job is done, creating a situation for heart problems. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

Elaine and I spent several weeks in Arizona visiting with relatives and friends and seeing the beauty and history of that western state. On two Saturdays we had the pleasure of visiting two different GWRRA chapter breakfast socials. What nice people they were, accepting visitors and extending riding invitations as well. No, we did not win a 50-50 this year. I hope that Chapter Q is as welcoming as the Arizona chapters. Elaine and her sister heard that a group from Chapter AZ-R were going to ride in a local parade and suggested that we join them, as we had trailered our trike down there. I declined and was justified because the drill team was the attraction for the parade. And I don't think they wanted a trike in their midst.

Next on the schedule for Chapter Q is the Intermediate Riders Course, previously known as the ERC held on May 4 and 5. Same class, just new name. We have mentioned this important class before and encourage you to attend. Please check with Bob Frazee for openings.

On May 19 we hold our annual fund raiser, the Round Up. Please put this on your calendar for this is the only time of the year we raise money for Chapter Q. You will be fed and entertained and have the chance to win wonderful prizes, after you buy raffle tickets, of course. Last year Osseo Motor Sports brought three new series Gold Wings for demo rides. Hopefully we can encourage them to come again.

As you get ready for the new riding season, start thinking of places you would like to ride to on our Wednesday rides and places to go to eat at our Saturday dinners, or activities we could attend. We would like to have input from you and this will be made easy by just dropping a note in the "Suggestion Jar" on the table at our monthly social. You may drop us a line by email, text or phone also.

Is your bike or trike ready for the riding season? Now is a great time to get those new tires or a new battery. Safety chrome is always a good thing to install, the machine runs so much better afterwards. Preventive maintenance is the best way to keep out of trouble. Follow the T-CLOCK method and you will forestall any future problems when you ride.

Ride Safe and stay healthy,

Dave and Elaine Harder
Chapter Q Directors