

The Toronto Wing's



Kickstand



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- Web site:** <http://www.torontowings.com>
(check regularly for meetings and changes)



Ramblings from *the Editor(s)*

Happy Valentines day this month to everyone. Kevin and Pat have been busy organizing the trip to Geneva Park this month with Johnny Cash as the big hit at Casino Rama. Don't forget to take pictures and write a short article.

Another January Bike Show has come and gone. The Region J Rider Education event information is here and you can still attend.

Even Wiarion Willy says we are going to have an early spring so we should be out riding early again this year. Rose is stilling looking for an 1800 (which she does not need) and is resisting the temptation of buy on impulse! Finally Paul has us all organizing different rides for the season. All we need now is for the snow to disappear again. See you on the road pretty soon!





“Kuddos to”

*Our Ride
Captain*

*“Destination
anywhere”*



Paul Cuddy

Paul is an exciting addition to have joined our TO group last year. He has ridden in the past and has now stepped forward to assist with our leadership by assuming the role of Ride Captain.

He has posted all the possible riding events on our Toronto Wings website calendar. At our January meeting he presented his *“destination anywhere”* ride idea organized by TO wings members. The pressure of course was off to “lead a ride” as it really takes some expertise in this area and many of us feel not comfortable doing this. He got a great response and it is wonderful to see everyone contributing to our organization.

Something else you probably don’t know about Paul’s hidden talent. Paul does our final screening of the Kickstand newsletter as well as being an active contributor.

I look forward to getting the new membership list for people who signed up at the December bike show. If Paul is any reflection of what is to come we have an exciting time ahead of us.

Thanks everyone. It’s our quality not quantity that is what Toronto Wings is all about.



**Groundhog Warton Willie
Fails To See Shadow,
Predicts Early Spring**



Saturday February 2, 2008
CityNews.ca Staff

It looks like we might soon say goodbye to the snow and welcome spring, if you believe a rodent.

It's Groundhog Day and Warton Willie (above), the country's most famous weather prognosticating furry friend, failed to see his shadow when roused from his slumber Saturday morning.

Folklore has it that if a groundhog sees his shadow on Groundhog Day, he'll flee to his burrow, heralding six more weeks of winter. If he doesn't, it means an early spring. The origins of the tradition aren't clear, but it's likely related to the fact that Groundhog Day falls midway between the start of winter and the beginning of spring. An early spring was also predicted by Canada's other famous groundhog, Nova Scotia's Shubenacadie Sam. But Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil disagreed. He saw his shadow.

***Editor's note:
2 out of 3 ain't bad and I'm putting my money
on the Canadian rodents! I plan to be out there
early.***

***Buy a Gold Wing
GL 1800***

by Linda



As you all know Rose has been toying with the idea of buying an 1800 Gold Wing.

I can't help it if she doesn't know how to ride her current 1500 Gold Wing and eats my dust when we take off. (Boy am I going to get an ear full when she reads this).

She has been scouring the internet after I have gone to bed for the past few months (and she thinks I don't know what she is doing). It has been an interesting process to watch.

I thought for sure she would give in to the "want vs. need" desire at the January Bike show....



She went back to look at this bike 4 x's and took 15 photos. Then in her underbody inspection and feeling of the exhaust she was shocked to find the exhaust was not all chrome like her 1500. She had run her hand along the underside to feel for pits and holes when she made this "discovery".

HmmmI could see the wheels churning inside going "do I really want to switch?" She is still looking but not with the same convinced vigor! Andy Stewart told her to slow down and enjoy the scenery and forget the upgrade!

To date a cooler head has prevailed and she has not taken the plunge. But we are not

riding and there is no dust in her teeth yet. I know I'll hear her teeth grinding as she accelerates the big mean machine to catch my blue bunny. Yup...with Easter around the corner we will be out and she'll need to switch to a full face and close the visor.... the spring is looking good! I'm with you Wiarthon Willie.



Talking wing submitted by Paul

Click the link below and open:
(wait for it and turn up volume)



1800 talking Gold Wing

Jokes and Photos

submitted by
Steve Daiter



Dave works hard at the plant and spends two nights each week bowling and plays golf every Saturday.

His wife thinks he's pushing himself too hard, so for his birthday she takes him to a local strip club. The doorman at the club greets them and says, "Hey, Dave! How ya doing?"

His wife is puzzled and asks if he's been to this club before. "Oh no," says Dave. "He's on my bowling team."

When they are seated, a waitress asks Dave if he'd like his usual and brings over a Budweiser.

His wife is becoming increasingly

uncomfortable and says, "How did she know that you drink Budweiser?"

"I recognize her; she's the waitress from the golf club. I always have a Bud at the end of the 1st nine, honey.

A stripper then comes over to their table, throws her arms around Dave, starts to rub herself all over him and says, "Hi Davie. Want your usual table dance, big boy?"

Dave's wife, now furious, grabs her purse and storms out of the club.

Dave follows and spots her getting into a cab. Before she can slam the door, he jumps in beside her.

Dave tries desperately to explain how the stripper must have mistaken him for someone else, but his wife is having none of it. She is screaming at him at the top of her lungs, calling him every four letter word in the book.

The cabby turns around and says, "Geez, Dave, you picked up a real bitch this time.

Golf and Aging



A father, son and grandson went to the country club for their weekly round of golf. Just as they reached the first tee, a beautiful young blonde woman carrying her bag of clubs approached them.

She explained that the member who brought her to the club for a round of golf had an emergency that called him away and asked the trio whether she could join them.

Naturally, the guys all agreed.

Smiling, the blonde thanked them and said, "Look, fellows, I work in a topless bar as a

dancer, so nothing shocks me anymore. If any of you want to smoke cigars, have a beer, bet, swear, tell off-color stories or do anything that you normally do when playing a round together, go ahead. But, I enjoy playing golf, consider myself pretty good at it, so don't try to coach me on how to play my shots."

With that the guys agreed to relax and invited her to drive first.

All eyes were fastened on her shapely behind as she bent to place her ball on the tee. She then took her driver and hit the ball 270 yards down the middle, right in front of the green.

The father's mouth was agape. "That was beautiful," he said.

The blonde put her driver away and said, "I really didn't get into it, and I faded it a little."

After the three guys hit their drives and their second shots, the blonde took out an eight iron and lofted the ball within five feet of the hole. (She was closest to the pin.) The son said, "Damn, lady, you played that perfectly."

The blonde frowned and said, "It was a little weak, but even an easy seven would have been too much club. I've left a tricky little putt." She then tapped in the five-footer for a birdie.

Having the honors, she drove first on the second hole, knocked the heck out of the ball, and it landed nearly 300 yards away smack in the middle of the fairway.

For the rest of the round the statuesque blonde continued to amaze the guys, quietly and methodically shooting for par or less on

every hole.

When they arrived at the 18th green, the blonde was three under par, and had a very nasty 12-foot putt on an undulating green for a par.

She turned to the three guys and said, "I really want to thank you all for not acting like a bunch of chauvinists and telling me what club to use or how to play a shot, but I need this putt for a 69 and I'd really like to break 70 on this course.

If any one of you can tell me how to make par on this hole I'll take him back to my apartment, pour some 35-year-old Single Malt Strath Mill Scotch in him, fix him a steak dinner and then show him a very good time the rest of the night." The yuppie son jumped at the thought! He strolled across the green, carefully eyeing the line of the putt and finally said, "Honey, aim about 6 inches to the right of the hole and hit it firm. It will get over that little hump and break right into the cup."

The father knelt down and sighted the putt using his putter as a plumb. "Don't listen to the kid, darlin', you want to hit it softly 10 inches to the right and let it run left down that little hogback, so it falls into the cup."

The old gray-haired grandfather walked over to the blonde's ball, picked it up and handed it to her and said, "That's a gimmie, sweetheart."

The blonde smiled and said, "Your car or mine?" **OLD AGE AND TREACHERY WILL OVERCOME YOUTH AND SKILL EVERY TIME!**

Joke Submission by Rose

A man is in a horrible accident that is so bad that he loses his 'manhood'... He goes to a doctor.

"Erm..." the doc says, "I can give you a new penis, a small is \$8,000, a medium is \$11,000, and a large is \$14,000."

"I'll take a large!" the man says.

"You should really consult with your wife first." the doc says.

The man goes home and the next day he comes back in. The doc says "Hello, have you made a decision?"

"No, my wife would rather remodel the kitchen."



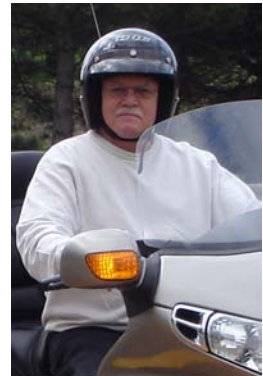
Submitted by

Bill

Something useful for

the Gold Wing

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Motorcycle skateboarding



Submitted by
Jason Choy
Ajax/Pickering



Motorcycle Bad Day

2008 New Years Resolution

3 women from Toronto Wings are going to take the "Scooter course" this spring. Way to go Pat, Jeanie and Tammy!



...kudos to you all!

Ps...Paul Cuddy got Kevin teaching his private scooter course Level 2
 ...click the wreath to see the action!



February Birthdays

Feb. 10th Biker Bill

***please confirm your birthday with Linda this month so we can update our listing for 2008

Club Meetings 7:30 start

January 17th	Bill's Home
February 21st	Tom & Joan's
March 20th	???
April	???



OK we need a break from the summer videos

by Rose

The summer flash animations are on hold - instead I hope you all like this. Click the boxes below. You will need to wait while they load and open in a new window.

Monster Bike



Confessions



Motorcycle Safety

-complete the EMO sheet and give a copy to Paul (ride captain) and carry a copy with you when we ride together this spring.

Click here **EMO info** link:

GWTA REGION J STORES

Great 2008 gifts below.
If you are interested then email Linda.

Check out the region availability
at our Toronto Wings Website

<http://www.torontowings.com>
(then click the “stores” button
on the left side of the page).



Linda Pennock ***Region J Stores***

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Logo Patch1:



10” - \$16.50,
6”-\$12.25,
4”-\$8.25

Logo Patch2:



10” - \$16.50

2008 January Bike Show Photos

The “Region J” Bike show was located in Mississauga. It was staffed by GWTA members from the various sister chapters assisting the Mississauga Chapter.



*Kuddos.... to former Mississauga CD
Andy Stewart who has organized this bike event
for as long as I have been a GWTA member
and probably even longer then that!*



GWTA Huronia Wings,
Newmarket and Toronto Wings
spoke to lots of people about
our clubs and events. In the
afternoon a new shift relieved
these workers.



This event is always a great
time to see old friends.

It is always fun to look at the vintage bikes and talk with other clubs and their riders.



Burgman trike for Linda's perusal



Rose's Favorite Logo!



Nothing like a "Guardian Angel" or the "Big Guy" watchin' out for you!

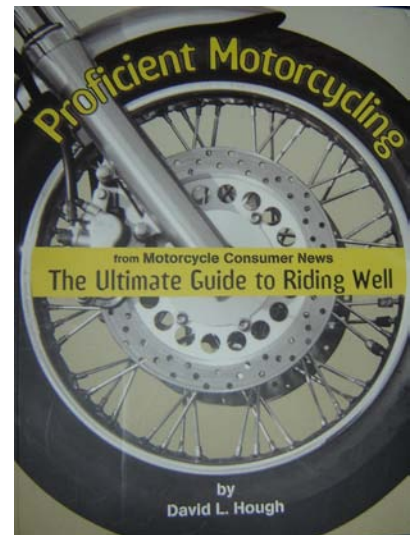




Kuddos to our Bobby Lash who has purchased this book "Proficient Motorcycling" and lent it to the TO Wings for reading:



- November: Stephen D (done)
- December: Paul C (done)
- January: Rose (semi done)
- February: Bill H
- *March:
- *April:
- *May:



*submit names to your Newsletter Editors to be added to the reading list or the book will be returned to Bob in March!



Limerick Submissions

from Sam Grzesh

A widow whose singular vice
Was to keep her late husband on ice
Sad, "It's been hard since I lost him—
I'll *never* defrost him!"
Cold comfort, but cheap at the price.

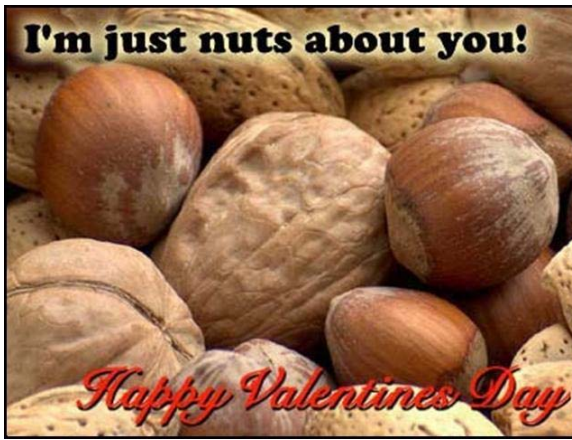
There was a young lady name Smith
Whose virtue was largely a myth.
She said, "Try as I can
I can't find a man
Who it is fun to be virtuous with."

Few humorous photo's



bike painted on the side of the smart car





Toronto Wings

Greetings



GWTA Member Education Region J



To ALL GWTA Members!

The Almost Spring Event

Come join us for a weekend with your friends in GWTA.

An evening at the movies and then morning seminars for all members, prospective members and guests.

Learn what your club has to offer, what sets us apart from other organizations.

Find out how this organization works, how your Chapter can be more fun, and how to get more out of being a member.

Information on the Rider Education programs and its benefits will also be discussed.

Ready for some fun?

There will be 50/50 draws and door prizes.

Where:

Rock Haven Hotel and Conference Center

1875 Lansdowne Street West

Peterborough, Ont. K9J 6X4 Phone: 705-742-3866 Fax: 705-742-8532

When: Saturday & Sunday, March 1, 2, 2008

Rooms:

2 Double beds	Regular rate \$ 90.00	GWTA rate	\$ 80.00 per night
1 Double bed		GWTA rate	\$ 70.00 per night

Please call the Rock Haven to book your room.

Itinerary:

Saturday:

5:30p.m. Saturday Dinner at the hotel members, guests and new arrivals.

8:00p.m. Saturday night at the movies Free

Sunday morning breakfast in the Rock Haven Dinning Room the hotel with your friends

Sunday

9:00a.m. GWTA Education and Retention Seminar Free

1:00p.m. Rider Education Seminar Free

Please contact Jim and Tania Anderson (tania.anderson@sympatico.ca) to reserve a seat for this event. All registrations must be in before February 27, 2008.

Registration is free to GWTA members and guests, only pre registrants are eligible for prizes etc.

A draw will be held at the end of the seminar for a special prize. Last minute attendees will be accepted based on availability.

Editors Note:

As many of you know I am in charge of a Gifted Athletes Program in my school board. One of my "Alumni" athletes recently contacted me. Sergei is at the University of Western Ontario in 3rd year. His email has inspired me. After getting his email, I went to the Yahoo news and was horrified at the castrations and killings. I have sat idle through Bosnia, Rwanda and the others. Our veterans who fought for peace and freedom took action. As I reflect on my new 2008 year I am motivated to acknowledge current wrongs, take action to correct these and prevent future atrocities. I cannot change the past, but like Sergei I can influence the future. Thanks for your example Sergei.

Respectfully submitted: Rose

Hello friends and family.

I just wanted to ask you for few minutes of the time and get your attention on the issue that the media don't talk enough about, the genocide in Darfur.

STAND: Students Taking Action Now-Darfur is a student led organization that is trying to get the Canadian government to do something about it and stop the 1st genocide of the 21st century.

Would you please go to this web-site: <http://www.standcanada.org/> and do few simple, but practical things.

- 1) Call 1-800-Genocide and leave a message to an MP (it is fast and easy).
- 2) Send a sample letter to your MP
- 3) If you are a student, check the divestment campaign on your campus and send a letter to your campus newspaper or administration.

Thank you for your time, Sergei V.

New rider? Experienced Rider? Former Rider? Female Rider? Motorcycle Enthusiast?

Want to meet new friends? Share places to ride to? Talk Bike Tech/Repairs?



Join us for our coffee night

Every Thursday 8:00 p.m.
Tim Horton's
4400 Dufferin Street
(In the Canadian Tire Plaza)



...unless we have a meeting
(then we won't be at Tim Horton's that Wednesday)

Meeting dates and times are posted on our website



Check us out..... and click the link

<http://www.torontowings.com/>

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