

# WARRIOR ANGEL RIDERS NEWSLETTER

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**DECEMBER 2020**

# Words from the Board

As we look forward to the New Year, we finally can say goodbye to “2020”. I realize this year has been a challenge for us, but we have accomplished so much!

We applied and received our non-profit business license with the State of Washington. Our logo is officially Trademarked. Under the IRS, we are a Non-Profit 501 C.3 Organization. We hosted our first Weekend Getaway at the Beach, and during Super Bowl! We had two coed weekend getaways, Crater Lake and Forks. Plus, we continued to ride throughout the year, held our monthly meetings, even tried virtual game night!

December continues to be busy. Charlie “Angel” introduced her program, “Winged Sisters”. A mentorship program for our winged sisters who needs/wants someone to provide support, be a cheerleader, someone to just be there. We put up our Christmas tree for the second year at Eagle Leather. Introducing a charity to raise funds for “Injured Female Rescue Rider Fund”. A charity to raise monies to help a sister in need to get home and/or her bike.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for everything you have done to support W.A.R. Without you we would not be who we are today. I look forward to an exciting 2021! Plan to join us in January for our first Meet and Greet of the year. We will discuss upcoming events and rides. We have so much to look forward to.

February is our Country Sweetheart Hoedown; in March we will return for our 2nd Annual Meet at the Beach; July we are planning to attend Pendleton Bike Week; and so much more!

Till then, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Lilyann “Pixel” Lear, Director  
Warrior Angel Riders

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# Who we are:

**Warrior** – is a woman whose strength has endured. Several of our gals are breast cancer survivors. Sadly, a few had to lay to rest their child, a spouse or a loved one. Something no one should ever have to experience alone. As women, we ALL fight our battles, support each other, struggle to survive and find the courage to live.

**Angel** – is a woman who looks after family, friends, co-workers, strangers. She is a loving and caring person who will make your day brighter just being there. She shows compassion; protecting and guiding, who is selfless.

**Riders** – as women riders, there is nothing more empowering than climbing onto your own bike and taking to the open road.

## OUR COLOR CHOICE TO REPRESENT US: Purple and White.

**Purple** is associated with royalty. It symbolizes power, nobility, luxury, and ambition. It conveys wealth and extravagance. Purple is associated with wisdom, dignity, independence, creativity, mystery, and magic.

**White**, an inherently positive color, is associated with purity, virginity, innocence, light, goodness, safety, brilliance, illumination, understanding, cleanliness, faith, beginnings, sterility, spirituality, possibility, humility, sincerity, protection, softness, and perfection.

We believe in pursuing to be the BEST as women, through every aspect of life.

**\*Beauty\* \*Empowerment\* \*Strength\* \*Trust\***

# Who we are cont.



WAR is a group of dedicated and talented women who love to get together, have fun, and ride. We are a very diverse group of women coming from different backgrounds who pull together to make our events successful and fun. This is where lasting friendships and memories are made.

If you have any questions about Ladies of W.A.R. or want to know when we have our meetings and events, please feel free to call Lilyann @253-325-2405 or email at [warriorangelriders@gmail.com](mailto:warriorangelriders@gmail.com).

## History

In 2017, we were on a group ride with some experienced riders; the ride started at a respectful pace until we hit the backroads. The guys love the twisty roads and took off!

Understandably. And yes, there are gals who enjoy the spirited ride too. However, several gals were not at the same riding level and felt uncomfortable being pushed to ride faster than their guardian angel can fly.

Later several of us ladies got together for lunch, talked about the ride and asked ourselves, “what can we do to make sure we are riding within our group’s level, leaving no rider behind”. We discussed offering to be a mentor, helping to develop our riding skills, offering tips from our own riding experiences.

**“Warrior Angel Riders (W.A.R.)” was born!**

## W.A.R. Meetings

Meetings held monthly. Socialization @ Elmer’s in Tacoma begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. You can simply attend the meeting or choose to eat and enjoy a beverage. The members of WAR run their own meetings and sponsor activities that ladies can participate in.

## W.A.R. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

**January 2021: TBD**  
**February 2021: 2-2**  
**March 2021: 3-9**

# Featured Rider

I Started riding dirt bikes at the age of 5, learning how to ride a motorcycle before a bicycle. As a kid my parents used to ride dirt bikes with my brother and I, we spent our time riding on logging trails. We also used to camp and ride all weekend at poker runs.

I stopped riding after I got married at 21 for a while, and then I bought a pink scooter in April of 2013; followed by a HD Sportster in October of that same year. It Felt so good to be riding again!!! After that I spent some time butting heads with my kid about riding; but he finally came around and we've been on some rides together, including a long weekend of camping and riding!

My favorite ride of the year was my cross- country trip; I loved getting up everyday and just riding. I miss it!!! I love to lead people on rides, my favorite part is sharing all of my favorite places, beautiful sceneries and amazing roads. Sometimes it's not about the destination, it's just about the road.

Some people might not know I love wearing cardigans and I might cry seeing beautiful places, and I'm a 3rd generation Puyallup Viking.



**Tracy "Switchback" Cutler**

## Pat “Mi Vida Loca” Heckard



Welcome newest ladies of W.A.R.

# Upcoming Events:

**ATTENTION: Due to COVID-19 virus situation please check that any event you plan to attend is still occurring. Thank you.**

- ▶ 1/1/2021 – Co-Ed New Years day ride
- ▶ 1/16/2021 – 8AM-12PM – W.A.R. on the Range with Foxes and Firearms @ Marksman Gun Range
- ▶ 2/28/2021 – 1PM-3PM – Calimoto & Cardo Class made simple @ Lilyann's
- ▶ 3/5-3/7/2021 – 5PM Fri – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meet at the Beach @ Pacific Beach/Ocean Shores
- ▶ 3-20/2021-9/22/2021 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual N'usual to Pekuliar Ride
- ▶ 5/1/2021 – 9AM International Female Ride Day
- ▶ 6/21/2021 – National Ride to Work Day
- ▶ 7/4/2021 – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade @ Steilacoom, WA
- ▶ 7/8/2021-7/11/2021 – Hell's Canyon Ride – Baker City, OR
- ▶ 7/15/2021 – Pendleton Bike Rally @ Pendleton, OR
- ▶ 7/23/2021 – 4PM – HOG Wild Bike Rally @ Ocean Shores, WA
- ▶ 8/7/2021 – 9AM – W.A.R. Anniversary Ride
- ▶ 9/26/2021 – 9AM – 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oyster Run @ Anacortes, WA

# Last Months Rides/Events



Foxes and Firearms 11/7





Bouquets for the holiday party

# Ocean Shores Ride





# Riding Tips from Shawanna

If there are road hazards, then why ride a motorcycle?

If you aren't the proud owner of a motorcycle yet, you've probably asked this question many times over. The simple answer is because there is nothing like it.

Those of you first-time riders probably have visions of cloudless skies and smooth pavement dancing in your heads. Unfortunately, these perfect riding conditions may be hard to come by for bikers who live near dangerous roads or in places that experience severe weather. In any case, it's important that all riders, new and seasoned, be equipped with the proper motorcycle safety tips so we can all navigate the roads safely and seamlessly.



How safe are motorcycles?

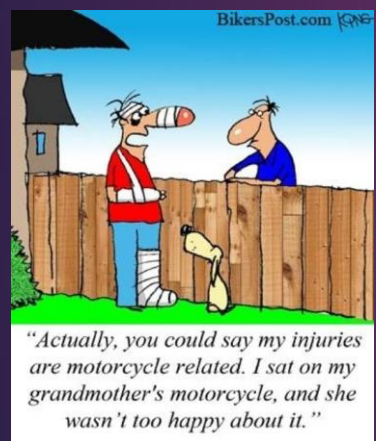
The short answer is: only as safe as the rider. For any new rider who might be reading this, know that a motorcycle is as safe as the person controlling it.

Let me offer some advice for new motorcycle riders: for the love of all that is good in this world, take a motorcycle safety course. I promise it'll be well worth your time and money. You'll learn how to ride a motorcycle the safe and law-abiding way, methods of staying safe on the road during the rainy season, how to avoid animals on the road, and more.

Sure, hazards on the road are inevitable, but the key is being able to anticipate danger before it strikes, which is why learning about dangerous road conditions before you take your bike out for the first time is so important.

Likewise, if you're a first-timer, it's always a good idea to consult some longtime riders in your area for new rider tips, even after you've taken a motorcycle safety course. And for those of you longtimers, be sure to set the example and brush up on your motorcycle safety every now and then!

<https://brainbucket.rumbleon.com/motorcycle-safety-road-hazards>



# Motorcycle Humor!

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