WARRIOR ANGEL RIDERS NEWSLETTER MARCH 2022

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Letter From The Editor

Hello Angels, and welcome to our Newsletter!

I wanted to take a minute to introduce myself. I am our Newsletter Editor, Cammie AKA "Boots". I am so excited for riding season this year, who is with me!!! Just a reminder that I can't put together this newsletter with out each of you! If you have anything you would like to contribute our deadline for submission is the 20th of each month.

If you are a new member of the group and I haven't reached out to you yet, please feel free to reach out to me! I am working on it but don't wait on me!

I'm always Looking for ride pics (group and individual), new members to highlight, Birthdays to announce, Motorcycle Memes and new events to add in! (I'm sure there's stuff I'm missing, these are just some examples)

I look forward to riding with you ladies this year, keep it rubber side down always!



Cammie "Boots" editorcammie.war@yahoo.com

Director's Thoughts

Hello Ladies

Did you miss our February meeting? Gloria, "Fireball", did a fantastic job hosting our meeting. Our guest speaker Dee Lewis, with Foxes and Firearms, answered everyone's questions they may have had about gun laws and our rights. Blink posed a question that stumped her and now has her doing some research. Way to go Blink! We appreciated her taking the time to join us.

Spring is almost here! That means warmer weather, which means we are riding! Before heading out, be sure to inspect your bike. As Jessie says, T-CLOCS!

We have an exciting year planned and thrilled you are joining us on our new adventure! We will have a new Secretary who will be elected at our March meeting. We have a new Membership Officer who has some great ideas and cannot wait to share them. We have a new Wing Mileage Officer. Look for some new challenges and recognition. Our new Social Media/Event Planner is burning up the airwaves.

If you have any ideas, suggestions, comments please send them to our email! This is your group and without you, we could not do what we do.

Looking forward to a thrilling 2022 year!

Lilyann "Pixel"
Director
Warrior Angel Riders

Hello my sisters,

It is with great sadness that I now have to say goodbye; I think the hardest part of this move is leaving my sisters and friends behind. Finding WAR was the greatest gift; you are all such a fierce, strong and loving group of women. I hope as the group grows you continue to support and nurture one another.

There have been so many awesome rides and memories that I will get to take with me that I will never forget, and I am so thankful for each one. And even though I know I will find new peeps to ride with, they will never ever compare to my WAR sisters.

If any of you come to the Florida area, please don't hesitate to visit and/or stay with me. I'll have several guest rooms ready as I anticipate lots and lots of company (HINT, HINT).

With much love, Geneva





And we will all miss you very much Geneva, this isn't goodbye, but see you later!!

Who we are



W.A.R. is a group of dedicated and talented women who love to get together, have fun, and ride. We are a very diverse group 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 the 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.

OUR 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!

Our Meetings

Meetings are held monthly at Black Bear Diner in Lakewood. Socialization 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 W.A.R. run their own meetings and sponsor activities that ladies can participate in.

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*

Let's Meet the Players!



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February Meeting Recap



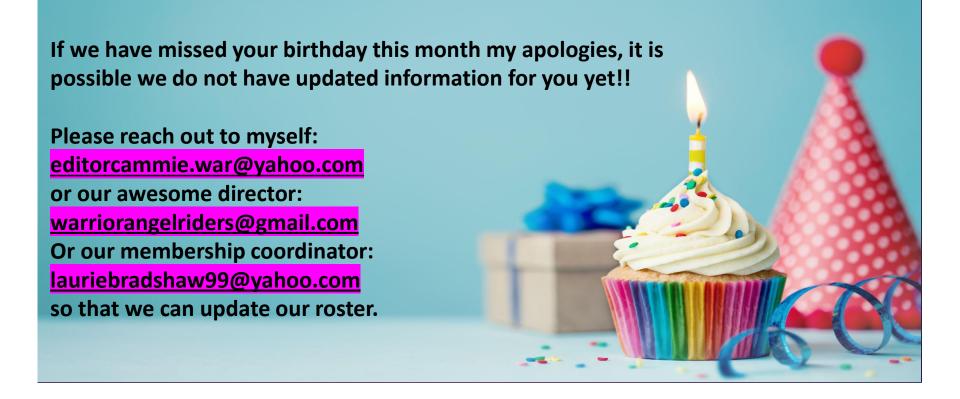
We had an awesome guest speaker at our meeting, Dee from Foxes and Firearms. Giving us a little bit of info on gun laws and where to find classes. If you are interested in learning more, please visit www.foxesandfirearms.com.

Other Meeting Pics



W.A.R. Birthdays!

Debi Butler 2/15 (missed info for FEB bday)
Kathleen Perrigo 3/5
Cammie Wood "BOOTS" 3/7
Becky Lougheed 3/17



Help Wanted!!! This is the Help HUB

We are a diverse group, and we all bring something to the table, and we cannot do many of the things we do in W.A.R. without all of you!! What talents do you bring to the table that you would like to share? We are always looking for extra help. Here are a few places we are looking to add in support:

- Road Captains
- Sweeps

We need a new Secretary! Ask Lily for details on how you can throw your hat in the ring!

Upcoming Events:

5/7 Int'l Female Ride day – need lots of bodies for this one, Several leads and sweeps for small groups of riders, at least 4 bodies to tend W.A.R.s many tables at the event, registration tables ETC, Ask Lily where you can be of assistance!

If you feel you have some time and would like to help, please reach out to our AWESOME director at warrirorangelriders@gmail.com

Stay tuned here for more upcoming events to be added in!!





Spring has sprung, days are longer and it's getting darker later. The likelihood of riding at night is being minimized. GOOD TIMES INDEED!

The summer, with its long days and bright sunshine is almost enough to make a person forget how important the lighting system on their vehicle can be. "Why would I be worried about my lighting if I am not riding in the dark?" This is a legitimate question you might ask. The simple truth is, on a motorcycle you actually become less visible in the bright sunshine.

At night, there is a good chance your lights will be easily recognized by an oncoming vehicle. Disappearing in the daylight is why auto makers added daytime running lights to cars. It is why motorcycles headlights are ALWAYS ON as an industry standard. How can I be MORE visible?

The Simple answer is, LEDs.

Light bulbs are old technology. It is a piece of metal, sealed in an inert gas so when electricity passes through the metal, it is a controlled burn, glowing near white hot, thus creating light. This requires a large current flow (amps). As time passes, the metal deteriorates and eventually the bulb burns out. CONVERSELY, an LED, (Light Emitting Diode) is a modern semiconductor that when electricity is applied, light is emitted. Thus, the name. It requires stable voltage and very little current (amps).

The ultimate goal with installing LEDs, is more light and greater visibility (the ability to see and be seen). The unintended consequence is less wear on the electrical system. Can I install LEDs and be done? For headlights, fog lights and road lights, yes. For turn signals, there is more to it. For a turn signal to flash properly the system must have a certain amount of current flow.

LEDs for turn signals can work, but it will require a load compensator of some sort to allow the flasher to function properly. This may require a voltage stabilizer. However, some LED bulbs have compensators built onto them. This will require some research, so be sure to do your research.

Wing Sister Mentorship Program

We are excited to announce our Mentorship Program known as 'Wing Sisters'.

Goal: The Wing Sister Program will serve as an opportunity for new riders to overcome barriers by building camaraderie with fellow motorcyclists in W.A.R. and pair riders together to foster safe motorcycle riding practices. We want to show new riders how fun riding can be and how to feel safe on the road; <u>we will</u> not be teaching ladies how to ride.

At this time, we have 9 amazing Wing Sisters ready to Mentor new riders; they will share their love of riding and adventure, as well as being a *cheerleader*, *consultant*, and *counselor* for new riders beginning their journey. We have begun outreach to local motorcycle shops, Motorcycle Safety Classes, and other locations to reach new riders. We have a few brochure displays in key locations to reach potential new lady riders. If you would like a brochure rack for a location that you feel has good visibility to new riders let us know. We have extra brochures if you need a few. Stop by Eagle Leather and take what you need; they are located on the counter by the backdoor. We will be refilling the brochure rack regularly.



Wing Sisters mentorship program – pt. 2

What will a Mentor do for a new rider?

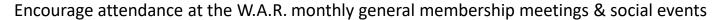
Call to check riding progress

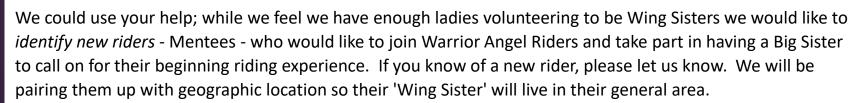
Advice on safety gear

Go on rides with a mentee – escorting them home if needed

Counsel to seek additional Safety Training

Bike purchase conferring





NOW the most exciting part of this program: Elaine 'Earhart' Smith has agreed to be the facilitator. We are thrilled she has agreed to run this program and we welcome her to the Leadership Team. Elaine can be reached at mentor.warriorangelriders@gmail.com.

Let us all reach out to new and beginner riders in our area and welcome them to the incredible world of riding motorcycles and the amazing camaraderie of Warrior Angel Riders.

Charlie 'Angel' Houmes – Advisor Elaine 'Earhart' Smith - Mentorship Facilitator



Wing Mileage Program

Hello Ladies! My name is Laurie Ross, and I've volunteered to track the Wing Mileage program. Now is the time to sign up for the program! How do I do this, you ask? The quickest way is to go to WAR's web page, and click the tab at the top, "Comings and Goings", then click "Wing Mileage Program." Please review the Program Guidelines. When you've finished reading the guidelines, you'll see the form. Want your mileage to count? Then I need to know the year, make, model and license plate along with photos of your odometer and license plate of each bike you're registering. Every three months (or thereabouts), you'll send me an email at war.wingmileage@gmail.com, with your updated miles. The updated emails will also need to include the same information as when you registered, along with your name.

I'm currently going through the emails that were sent by those enrolled in the program from last year and those folks that just signed up. In addition to the patch, you should have received when you first enrolled (if you didn't get one let me know), there are small rocker patches for miles achieved 5000, 10000, and 20000. If you achieved one of these goals, then I will get you a rocker patch. Your patience is appreciated. Currently, the program is designed to track your mileage on a yearly basis. This is your program! If you have suggestions on how to improve things, feel free to contact me at war.wingmileage@gmail.com.







Hello my name is Connie Scapes. I have lived in the Pacific Northwest since 1975. I have lived on Whidbey Island, in Tacoma and now in Eatonville. All my life I have been active in outdoor activities, backpacking and tournament archery when I was younger. Then I moved into camping and motorcycling. It has been a great adventure. I hope to have more with all of you.

Hello Everyone! I'm Jennifer Case.

I haven't been riding since last summer; and I had the opportunity to go to Korea last year. Here are a few pictures of my more recent adventures.

I have a news for everyone about a trip to Europe.
A 6 days ride and total 8 days travel to 5 counties (riding package). If you are interested, please let me know.





My name is Marissa Williams. I'm originally from Southern California but I've lived in the NW for over 20 years now. I started riding about a year ago and I currently have Can-Am. I am looking forward to building great friendships with you ladies.

Hey y'all! My name is Tymme McCracken and I reside in the Olympia area. I am excited to be joining WAR and am grateful for the warm welcome I have received thus far. After about 4 years of waiting, I am thrilled for this to be the year I start riding and hopefully buy my first bike. I am eager to learn from more experienced riders, to get involved/support/help wherever I can, and to build friendships within this group. Thank you!"



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Upcoming Events Part 1:

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

- 3/8/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM March Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- ❖ 3/20/2022 12:00PM to 4:00PM − 2nd Annual Motorcycle First Responder Safety Course @American Legion, Kent WA
- ❖ 3/20/2022-9/22/2022 3rd Annual Spring/Summer Challenge Ride
- 4/5/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM April Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- ❖ 5/7/2022 INT'L Female Ride Day W/Jet City Harley Davidson, Renton WA (more info TBA)
- 5/10/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM May Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- 6/7/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM June Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- 6/20/2022 31st Annual Ride your Motorcycle to work day!
- ❖ 6/23/2022 6/27/2022 8:00AM Annual CO-ED 5 day ride Lolo Pass Via Enterprise OR KSU 8AM @Nisqually Bar & Grill

Please see Event info in Meetup App for complete details on any events listed here.

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Upcoming Events Part 2:

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

- $7/4/2022 4^{TH}$ of July Parade (more info TBA)
- 7/5/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM July Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- ♦ 8/6/2022 W.A.R. 5th Anniversary Ride (More info TBA)
- 8/9/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM August Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- 9/6/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM September Meet N
 Greet @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- 10/4/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM October Meet N Greet
 @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- ❖ 10/16/2022 Challenge Ride Luncheon (More info TBA)
- 10/29/2022 Trunk or Treat (More info TBA)
- 11/8/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM November Meet N Greet @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- 12/6/2022 7:30PM to 9:00PM December Meet N
 Greet @Black Bear Diner, Lakewood WA
- ❖ 12/21/2022 White Elephant Dinner (More info TBA)

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Jessie Hosted a ride on 2/12





Motorcycle Memes





"My buddies will be here soon.

Can I sit on your bike and act like

it's mine?"

