



THE TMA NEWS

Editorial Comment

Hi fellow TMA members,

Here is the 2018 Spring / Summer issue of the TMA newsletter. It has been an long winter, a few bikes are out already this year, here's hoping for a good spring.

If you have articles/pictures to publish in the next issue of the newsletter or on the Web Page you can give them to me at one of the rides or events, for our Fall issue.

Classified Ads for the Web can be sent anytime. Please forward me your comments, or news information that you may have. This can be given to me on a Club event or emailed to me at lynnenns@yahoo.com .

Check out the TMA web site at <http://www.touringmotorcycleassociation.com/> or call the ride line at 338-7689.

Remember keep the rubber side down,

Lynn

President's Message

Hello All,

Our next annual general meeting is on Tuesday April 24th, 2018 7:00 PM at the Marion Hotel. It will be held in the large room in the basement.

It would be great to have a good turnout, for this is where you all have the opportunity to vote on your next Executive, Club events, and the ride format!

Our membership is slowly starting to grow, however we should still be spreading the word about our great Club!

This completes 2 Years as President, I have enjoyed the past Years, and also very much appreciate the great people in the club, and all the help from our executive.

Best wishes to all of you for a safe and fun riding season in 2018!

Your President,
Paul Jarrow

EVENT COORDINATOR NEWS

TMA Members,

Again this year we will be looking for volunteers for The Breast Cancer Pledge Ride please contact me at zilkowsk@mymts.net or call 204-895-1512 to help out.

The Pledge Ride is on June 3th 2018 (<http://www.breastcancerpledgeride.com/>) at Assiniboia Downs.

The other event we will be working with is The MS Biking To The Viking, this year it will be held on August 25th and 26th 2018. The new format seemed to work well last year. We will be looking for volunteers again so again please contact me and I will add your name to the volunteers list.

PS: The AGM would be a good time to let me know if your volunteering

Bruce Zilkowsky
Events Coordinator

MESSAGE FROM THE RIDE CAPTAIN

Hi:

Amazingly enough it seems as though spring has finally arrived, I know I'm looking forward to getting my bike on the road this weekend (should be able to stop the preseason twitching !!!) Hope everyone had a good off season and I know I'm looking forward to the new ridding season.

Club rides start up on May 1st.

Bruce Zilkowsky
Ride Captain

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER

Mumbo Jumbo from the treasurer.

If we compare our finances with last year at this time:

Our income is up 39.00:

We received three more membership

We collected 6.00 less from 50/50 draws

Our income is 1,419.50 as against 1,380.50

Our expenses are up 1,040.53:

We had less expenses at our windup.

Our total expenses are 2,334.73 as against 1,294.20.

In total we had a loss of 915.23

One big moneymaking 50/50 draw is yet to come

We made a donation of 500.00 to the Breast Cancer Pledge Ride and 500.00 to the Multiple Sclerosis Society

Our Corporate registration has been submitted.
All will be right with the world.

Respectfully submitted;

Elliott

MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR NEWS

The annual membership fee is unchanged at \$25.00. Exact change or a cheque would definitely be appreciated.

Last season we enjoyed riding with almost all of our membership returning.

Membership Coordinator
Gayle

Web sites – FYI

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

(Our new TMA website)

<http://manitoba.northernstarsrider.ca/>

(Star Riders)

<http://www.gl1800.org/> (Gold Wing Site)

<http://www.venturerider.org/>(Yamaha Venture site)

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

(Gold wing Magazine)

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*This space is available for members to use. Just email ads to lynnens@yahoo.com .

Shop Talk



Keeping Your Helmet Fresh Between Washes

Keep the funk out of your lid without throwing your whole liner in the wash!

When you spend some serious dough on your helmet, you want to take good care of it **CONSISTENTLY**. Waiting too long to clean your lid will let that bacteria sit and soak in more than it has to making it more difficult once you finally do get around to it. So what do you do when you're on the go and realize how stinky your helmet is? Spray some of this foam in there and let it do its thing, then air dry for a little while you eat lunch. By the time

you're done, your helmet will be smelling great and a much nicer environment to stuff your head into. This is not a replacement for more in depth cleanings, but a great option to help keep things nice and fresh in between.

The Motorex Active Foam Helmet Cleaner.

New Products



The 2018 Gold Wing Is Lighter, More Compact, and Sportier Than Ever

For more than 40 years, the [Honda](#) Gold Wing has been a hyper-functional icon of long-distance luxury touring. Couch-like comfort, huge storage capacity, and long distances between gas stops were features that riders came to love and expect from the GL. Redesigning such an important motorcycle was no easy task, but Honda set to it with three main goals: to build a lighter weight, more compact, and more technologically advanced motorcycle than any on the market. To achieve this, Honda completely redesigned the flat-6 engine, introduced what it's calling Double Wishbone front suspension, added a huge array of infotainment features, and even offers an automatic seven-speed Dual Clutch Transmission. These changes and the sportier new look and feel are meant to both attract a new generation of riders to the Gold Wing while satisfying the Wing's core, albeit aging, demographic with a lighter, easier-to-handle luxury touring bike.

Nor'wester Destinations

With the lousy exchange rate on US \$ you may want to ride Canadian this year. Here is the Nor'wester to consider. Distance: 1168 km. It's the ride from Kenora to Thunder Bay and back.



Connecting the Lake Superior Circle Tour to the rest of western Canada is the role of the Nor'Wester. It features a loop so you don't have to double back if coming from the west. (Northern Route 555 km, 344 miles & Southern Route 613 km, 380 miles)

If you are traveling to or from Thunder Bay from Kenora there are two different routes you can take. The Northern Route takes riders to or from the head of Lake Superior in Thunder Bay Ontario in the most efficient way possible along Highway 17. From here, you can begin the epic Lake Superior Circle Tour or enjoy some of the scenic rides that are offered in the local area.

The Southern route takes riders south on Highway 71 towards Fort Frances and then heads east along Highway 11. The ride may take a little longer to Thunder Bay with this route, but it is worth it for the more scenic views along the way including many lakes and pure Canadian shield landscapes.

Thunder Bay Rides the Routes to do;

Waterfall & Scenic Lookouts

Distance: 115 km, 71 miles

Combine viewing the epic Kakabeka Falls with several must do lookouts around the city. Thunder Bay has a very dramatic setting that is best explored

by bike. Often called the "Niagara Falls of the North", Kakabeka Falls is a dramatic 40 meter (130 feet) waterfall located in a provincial park along the Trans Canada Highway. This route takes you on a short ride out to the falls, and then brings you back into Fort William and then crosses the Kam River into the Fort William First Nations Reserve to visit two great scenic stops, Mount McKay Scenic Lookout and Chippewa Park. Be forewarned that you must travel up some gravel roads to Mount McKay but the view of the city it provides is unforgettable. Chippewa Park is another great stop to take in the view of Lake Superior.

Ride the Giant

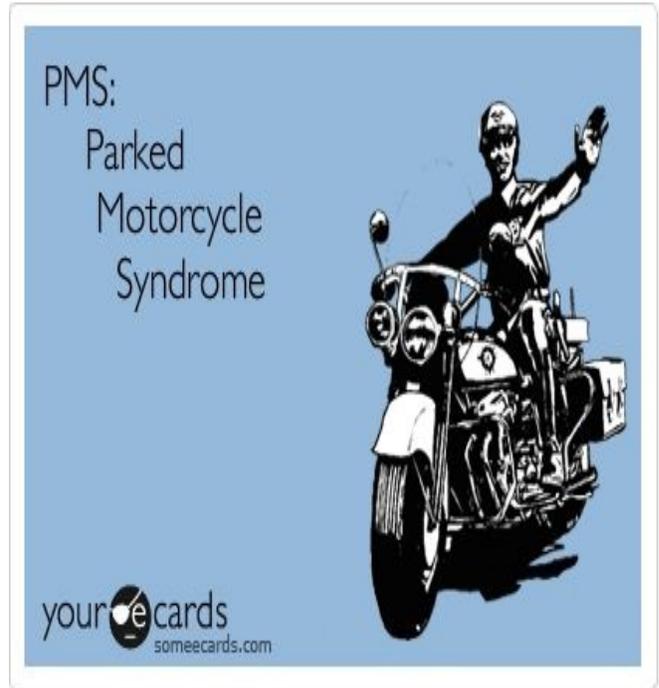
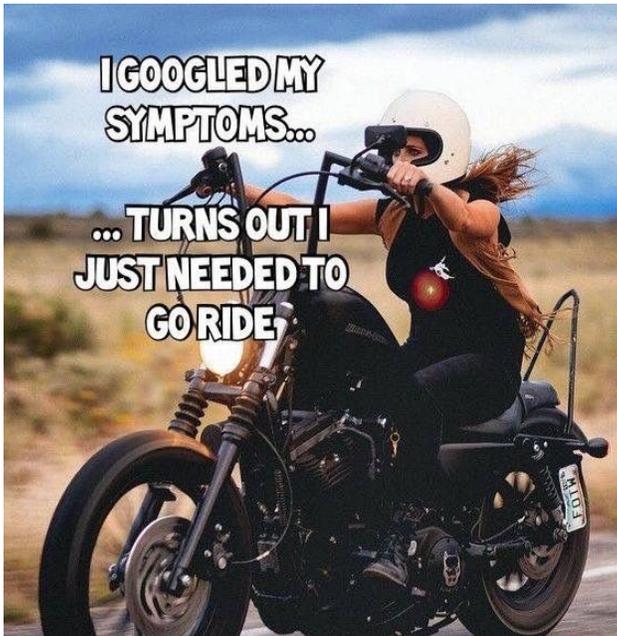
Distance: 175 km, 109 miles

The Giant as its known is a massive peninsula that provides the backdrop within the City of Thunder Bay. This twisty ride to Silver Islet and back is a must do...just watch for deer.

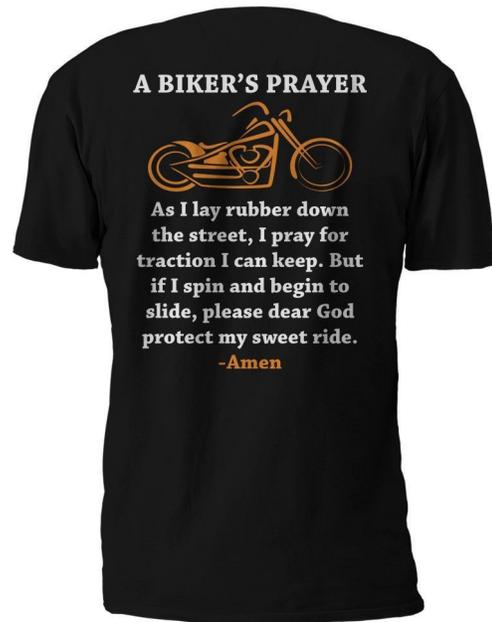
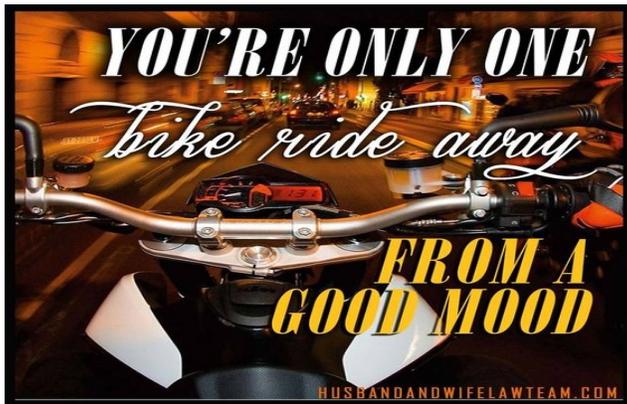
This motorcycle route will take you from Thunder Bay to the beautiful and scenic Sleeping Giant Provincial Park, considered one of Canada's top natural attractions. When you get there, stop and enjoy the views of Lake Superior that this unique park has to offer. This down and back road features some twisty sections that carve beneath the park's forest canopy. But be forewarned that deer like to come out and stare at all of the motorcycle eye-candy that passes by. Simply give them a little toot of the horn and a wave. On second thought not a good choice to take a hand off the bars.

There are some great lookouts while on the Sleeping Giant, but be warned that access to them is by gravel roads. If you and your bike can handle it, they are more than worth the effort to get there and polishing the chrome afterwards.

MOTORCYCLE HUMOUR



Its April, time to ride?



Calendar of TMA Events

**April 24th - Annual General Meeting
at 7:00 PM at the Marion Hotel.**

May 1 – Niverville – leaving Richmond West

**May 5 - CMMG Safety Ride -
11am @ legislature**

May 8 – Selkirk - leaving Rivertree North Main

May 15 – Oakbank- leaving Richmond West

May 22 – Stonewall – leaving Rivertree North Main

**May 26 - Manitoba Ride for Dad -
leave 10am Earls Polo Park**

www.ridefordad.ca/manitoba/

**May 27 - TMA Memorial ride -
Sandilands picnic**

May 29 – Steinbach - leaving Richmond West

**Jun 3 - Breast Cancer Poker Run -
8:30 to 11:30 @ Assiniboia Downs**

Jun 5 – Gimli - leaving Rivertree North Main

**Jun 9 - Autism Awareness ride - 10am
@St. Amant Center**

**Jun 10 - Sadie Grimm ride - 10am
@Headingly sport shop going**

to Wpg Beach www.eventbrite.ca

Jun 12 – Portage - leaving Richmond West

Jun 17 - Grand Beach Sunday ride

Jun 19 – Stonewall- leaving Rivertree North Main

Jun 26 - Grunthal - leaving Richmond West

Jul 1 - Lac du bonnet Sunday ride

Jul 3 - Beausejour – leaving Rivertree North Main

Jul 10 - Steinbach leaving Richmond West

Jul 15 - Kenora Sunday ride

Jul 17 – Gimli - leaving Rivertree North Main

Jul 24 – Portage - leaving Richmond West

Jul 31 — Beausejour - leaving Rivertree North Main

Aug 7 – Steinbach leaving Richmond West

Aug 12 - Hecla Sunday ride

Aug 14 - Gimli - leaving Rivertree North Main

Aug 21 – Grunthal - leaving Richmond West

Aug 25th & 26th - Gimli MS Bike

Aug 28 – Stonewall - leaving Rivertree North Main

Sept 4 – Morris - leaving Richmond West

Sep 9 - Whiteshell Sunday ride

Sept 11 – Selkirk - Rivertree North Main

Sept 18 – Niverville - leaving Richmond West

Sept 22 - TMA Wind Up Party - TBA

Sept 25 – Oakbank - Rivertree North Main

Oct. – Tuesday rides are casual weather permitting from Rivertree North Main

* Tuesday rides from May to Oct. @ 6:30 PM.

* leaving Rivertree is from Rivertree Landing at North Main street beside Co-op.

* leaving Richmond West is MacDonald's Lot at Pembina Hwy and Dalhousie – one block North of the Perimeter Hiway

Rally Planner

Jun 04- Jun 09 2018	Americade	Lake George, NY, USA
Aug 28- Sep 01 2018	Wing Ding 40	Knoxville, TN, USA
Aug 03- Aug 12 2018	Sturgis Motorcycle Rally 78th	Sturgis, SD, USA
Mar 8- Mar 17 2019	Daytona Bike Week	Daytona Beach, FL, USA