

"A Hand for the Downed Rider"

# The Helping Rider

A.I.M VANCOUVER

122 ~ Spring ~ 2015



### May IS Motorcycle **Awareness Month!**

#### 24TH ANNUAL MLA RIDE (BCCOM)

8am - 3pm. The MLA Ride is a motorcycle ride to the Legislature Buildings put on by the B.C. Coalition of Motorcyclists.

Riders attending this ride will arrive at the Leaislature at NOON to take the MLA's and their staff for a short group ride on their lunch hour so that they can experience the thrill of motorcycling firsthand.

This ride enables our members to discuss issues concerning motorcycling in B.C. with their MLA and is also the big kick off to help promote May as Motorcycle Awareness Month.

This is a very important message for the motorcycling community to remind drivers to look twice because a lot more motorcycles are back on the road starting May 1st. 604-580-0111 or www.bccom-bc.com

See Poster page 3

#### "HELPING INJURED RIDERS SINCE 1983"

Serving over 250,000 on-and-off road motorcyclists throughout the province, A.I.M. is a benevolent, non-profit society registered under the provincial Societies Act and holding a Federal Charitable Tax Number. A.I.M. is committed to assisting injured motorcyclists by providing legal assistance, knowledge of rights, assistance with emotional support as well as regular hospital visits and helping with aspects of recovery not covered by other agencies. It is operated solely by volunteers and relies on memberships and donations for funding.

Ride like you are Invisible, Ride Defensively!



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Events, posters, and other information presented within this Newsletter are, to the best of our knowledge, true and accurate; although we make a genuine effort to provide accurate information about third party events, you are ultimately responsible for verifying the Information to rule out the possibility of errors, omissions, and unexpected changes or cancellations. -Thank you!

Rider went down??? Call us at 604-580-0112 with full name and hospital if you know it.

#### Safety Tips from

https://canadasafetycouncil.org/traffic-safety/ motorcycle-safety-spring

### Here are eight tips to get you to your destination safely.

- Take professional rider training. There is no substitute for a skilled rider with a proper safety attitude.
- Wear an approved motorcycle helmet and fasten it properly. Most crashes happen at speeds around 50km/h and helmets are very effective at preventing head injuries at those speeds.
- Wear highly visible clothing (especially at night) and make sure that your headlight is functioning properly. Always wear protective clothing and protective gear.
- Communicate with drivers in other vehicles by using proper signals, lane positions and brake lights. Try to establish eye contact with the other drivers whenever possible.
- Keep an adequate space cushion when following, being followed, sharing your lane, passing other vehicles or being passed. Slow down and respect the hazards of speed according to road and weather conditions. Many single vehicle motorcycle collisions occur from speeding and losing control in a curve or in a situation of unpredictable vehicle behaviour.
- Scan your course of travel 12 to 15 seconds ahead so you can identify and avoid potential hazards. Predict what you might do if a dangerous situation presents itself. This gives you time to mentally prepare a safe outcome. You can also practice evasive maneuvers under supervision in secluded areas, to develop instinctive reactions.

24<sup>nd</sup> Annual

**British Columbia Coalition of Motorcyclists** 



The Annual Motorcycle Ride to the Capital Legislature Buildings in Victoria, B.C.

### 24<sup>th</sup> Annual MLA Ride April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

BCCOM's Annual Ride to the Legislature in Victoria to take the MLA's and staff for a ride on their lunch hour.

This is a chance to speak directly with your individual Member of the Legislative Assembly on motorcycling and safety issues that affect you and your family. It is also the big kickoff to promote May as Motorcycle Awareness Month!

 VANCOUVER: Riders assemble at Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal for 9:00am sailing.
VICTORIA: Assembly Point: Mayfair Mall Blanshard St., Victoria @ 11:00am

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Remain alert, keep hydrated and pace your-

self. Your motorcycle driving is directly related to your physical and mental state. Also, always look twice before advancing through intersections. It may save you from a collision with "red-light runners" or "left turners".

Limit the distance of your trip. A distance of 300 to 500 km/day will let you enjoy the trip and stop for much needed breaks.

**Taking someone along for a ride?** Make sure that you are an experienced driver, that you know your motorcycle and its limitations and that you have developed your risk awareness skills. Your passenger must wear a helmet and protective gear. Your passenger must also understand what is expected of him or her while riding with you, such as leaning the same amount and in the same direction as the rider. Passengers should also keep their feet on the foot pegs at all times and hold onto the rider with a hand on each side of the rider's waist.

**Riding with a Group?** Keep the group small; three to five riders per group is easier to manage. Larger groups may cause other road users to take unnecessary chances. Most group riding is done in a "staggered" pattern. This formation recommends specific rider positions and distance between riders, making the group highly visible and safe. The most experienced drivers would lead and take the last position. There must be a clear understanding of the route with planned stops. There should also be a couple hand gestures to allow for communication for warnings or changes in formation. Remember to ride consistently at a safe pace and never allow yourself to ride beyond your level of competence or comfort.

Don't become a statistic; take matters into your own hands. The reality is that it is ultimately up to you, the rider, to take every precaution to avoid collisions and falls. *Ride Safe and keep positive!* 

## If you know of a downed rider that would like a visit from A.I.M, please let us know by calling us at 604.580.0112



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#### The Right To Ride

In our riding travels we continually meet those who frown on our mode of transportation. These "naysayers" try to enact legislation to restrict our riding freedom. Some of them are downright ridiculous.

For example, electric bicycles are illegal in New York City. Texas won't allow the Slingshot to be classified as a motorcycle so it can't be sold there. And several states will not allow Chinese scooters, although that may not

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be a bad thing considering the quality and lack of parts availability.

Many cities have attempted to ban motorcycles altogether but, fortunately, without success. However, some have been able to establish "No Go" zones within the city. Peoples' primary complaints are second "noise" and first "danger". I think that in a lot of cases it is just plain envy.

Gary Richardson

#### About AIM from Dave

a lot.

It is a benevolent Society that help the injured motorcyclist and their families where it can. Everyone sees the physical damage but what they do not see is the brain injuries or depression from an accident. The latter are the ones that can take the most time; understanding and patience more so if the brain injury is not identified. We try to get them to socialize as much as possible as that can help them come out of their shell.

It does not matter what type of injury they had from the accident, anyone can go into a depression with life altering effects. When someone loses a limb, it is something others can see and deal with. But for that person, they are thinking that they are not a whole person for a mate and the social status is even worse. A man does not have the same peer pressure as a female does to look good.

It is much simpler for the others to understand the loss of a body part and think that is the problem but a lot of the time they will go into a depression and have a hard time to come out of it. Sometimes it can take years to come out of depression, sometimes never but you have to try. We are not professional counselors so what we try to do if possible, is bring them out and put them in an environment where they can laugh and have a good time while doing something useful.

Since AIM has no time limit on helping injured riders or their families, we have helped people from 20 years past. Some have asked for small things like lock fixed on their door, another get their vehicle back on the road and, covered the extra day rental as the back injury from a motorcycle accident got irritated while moving.

The bottom line is we try to help as much as we can and since we prefer not to discuss a person's mental state or old injuries sometimes it takes explaining why we do what we do for a person that looks physically fit. Anyone that asks AIM for help is taken seriously and thankfully some of the long time directors/volunteers remember and what they went through.

We have people ask "What does AIM do?" and my usual answer is, I don't know, depends on the person needs but yet I could go on and on what AIM has done over the 30+ years as we have done All directors, members, non-members who volunteered past and present should all be proud. AIM is recognised in many hospitals and rehab centers by several staff in different departments, a massive accomplishment. AIM is also recognized by a good portion of the businesses community who deals with medical products for hospitals and the patients. AIM has come a long way, up and down like a roller coaster. Sometimes it gets very frustrating, pestering people to sign up for memberships or to donate, but then you see someone in the crowd that AIM helped several years ago who is now doing well it makes it all worth while.

Just on a side note which makes it even better is when someone is told the worst case scenario, they will not walk again or they have serious head injury only to see them beat the odds of the original assessment. Shows us, never give up as positive attitude is everything.

Dave Munro, President





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#### Working for your Freedom to Ride

For decades the **British Columbia Coalition of Motorcyclists** has been successfully fending off attempts to restrict the rights of motorcyclists. Among their notable achievements are fighting unfair tickets, acceptance of motorcycles in H.O.V. lanes, assured loading on BC Ferries, designated motorcycle parking in various municipalities, had May designated as Motorcycle Awareness Month, fought and won against NO GO zones for motorcycles in Vancouver, successfully lobbied against No-Fault insurance, achieved two insurance rollbacks, established a road hazard reporting system, helped establish and maintain off-road riding areas and helped set guidelines for U-Built motorcycles.

Working hand-in-hand, *BCCOM* and *AIM* support each other in many causes. Originally, in 1983, the *Association for Injured Motorcyclists* was formed under the BC Society Act to assist downed riders in their recovery. It became apparent that motorcyclists had other problems dealing with the law, the insurance



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system and regarding their rights that could not be covered under AIMs mandate. For example, being a registered Society, AIM could not lobby. As a result, in 1985, and out of some of the current AIM membership, BCCOM was formed to deal with what is essentially an attack on motorcyclists' rights. It was able to lobby for riders' rights and fight the good fight.

**BCCOM** has been able to stave off inroads to riders' rights and secure benefits as well. They have been able to keep us riding free on the roads with the least amount of hassle.

Long term Executive Director, Adele Tompkins stepped down a couple of years ago to retire in the sunny south. Ernie Dau took over the reigns with the assistance of Tara Borgstrom and a new era was ushered in, meeting new challenges to riders' rights.

AIM and BCCOM are working closely on various projects an example being We will be helping each other out with other events throughout the year.

BCCOM had an important meeting on April 9, 2015 at the Justice Institute of B.C., New Westminster location. Items raised included transferable plates, lane filtering, handicap stickers for motorcycles (SPARC) and a Q & A period.

BCCOM relies on membership fees for funding so support them by joining up. You can contact them on their web site: www.bccombc.com or phone: 604-580-0111; toll free 1-877-580-0111.

A salute to our fellow association: May You Continue Working For Our Freedom To Ride! Thanks!! Gary Richardson, Visitation Director



#### Understanding Independent Medical Examinations

In personal injury litigation a large part of the evidence is the medical evidence. That evidence generally can take three forms:

The records of treating practitioners;

The opinions of treating practitioners;

The opinions of experts who are hired specifically to provide their opinion in the case.

The third is something that unless you have been involved in personal injury litigation you will likely have had no experience with. In personal injury litigation, ultimately a judge will be deciding the nature and extent of injury caused by the event causing the injury, as well as the prognosis and care requirements. A judge cannot do that without the assistance of opinions from experts. Treating practitioner's are an integral part to this but more often than not an outside expert will also be retained to provide an opinion.

When the expert is hired by the plaintiff or the person putting forward the claim, they are hired because in the context of the treatment of the injuries it may not have been necessary for the family doctor to refer you on to a specialist. This may be because further evaluation and analysis of the nature and extent of the injury simply is not indicated or it may be because that further evaluation and analysis will not change the course of treatment. It may however assist in providing a judge with a better understanding of the nature and extent of injury so in the context of the legal case the opinion may be sought. When an opinion like this is obtained by our office we are doing so to help solely with the legal case. The purpose of the opinion will be to provide a diagnosis of the injuries suffered, an opinion with respect to prognosis for recovery and an opinion with respect to what care requirements are going to be needed. That opinion then helps quantify the amount of damages that will be necessary to as much as is possible through money return the plaintiff to the position he or she would have been in if they had not been injured.

The defense also will often seek an independent medical examination. The purpose of their examination is again to provide an opinion on diagnosis, nature and extent of injury, prognosis and care requirements. A defense medical examination is generally the only way that the defense has of getting medical evidence with respect to nature and extent of injury.

When you attend an independent medical examination, whether it is one requested by plaintiff's counsel or the defense, it is much



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www.rosekeith.bc.ca Find us on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/Rose.Keith.Law.Corporation different than seeing a treating practitioner. In advance of the examination the doctor will have been provided with all of the treating practitioner's records. They also will have been provided with a brief summary of the circumstances that led to the injury. During the course of the examination the doctor will spend the bulk of their time talking to you, finding out what your symptoms have been, how they have impacted you and getting a thorough history. The examination that is conducted will be similar to what you would expect if the doctor were a treating practitioner. After the examination the doctor will provide a thorough written report to whoever has requested the examination. Typically if we have requested the examination we will share the resulting report with your treating practitioners in the hopes that in addition to helping with your legal case the report may help with treatment of your injuries.

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#### There Is Always Something New

Well folks, once again the Motorcycle Show Vancouver held at Tradex in Abbotsford has come and gone. It is always exciting to see the new models and the new aftermarket items on display.

At the A.I.M. booth we were able to introduce more riders to our cause and, of course, sell memberships. We had a special with the British Columbia Coalition of Motorcyclists (BCCOM) that we would reduce our \$ 25 membership fee by \$5 if you already had a BCCOM membership and they were doing the same if you had an A.I.M. membership.

There were a lot of goodies on display and I especially enjoyed some of the radical new models. Although there were a lot of mid-size entries in the 300cc to 600cc range from all the manufacturers which make nice "starter bikes" others were outrageous and showing the way of the future.

BRP has a new three cylinder Can-Am three wheel Spyder with increased horsepower and more computerized electronics. BMW displayed their fabulous S1000RR with 199 hp (146 kW) which is blowing the competition out of the water (imagine going for a leisurely Sunday ride on that thing!).

Victory showed off their Magnum and KTM their 1290 Super Adventure bike. Yamaha paraded their full line-up highlighting the new FZ-07, a 689 parallel twin, also an excellent entry bike.

Taking up a large space at the Tradex venue was the full gamut of Honda models. I thought Honda showed low class when Darth Vader arrived and parked his bike in the Honda booth because they immediately put it up on a revolving dias and called it the Honda NM4. If he finds out they are in big trouble. Nonetheless, that bike is a mean looking sucker and comes with a dual clutch transmission. Don't argue with that!

Triumph showed their retro Bonneville and their Tiger 800, Victory their Magnum, Suzuki their V-Strom 650X and a new GW250F entry bike along with MV Augusta's 110 hp Turismo Veloce Lusso (try saying that in one breath) which is basically a touring bike with variable riding modes.

Ducati introduced their cool looking scrambler amid stiff competition from KTM, Husaberg, Husqvarna, Suzuki, Yamaha, Honda, Kawasaki, BMW and Aprilia. Also present were quads from Arctic Cat, Cam-Am. Jpmda. Lawasalo. Polaris, Suzuki and Yamaha.

Not to be forgotten were scooters by Honda, Piaggio, Suzuki, Vespa and Yamaha. My favorite is the Suzuki Burgman because I own one among other bikes and find it completely reliable and, with humungous storage under the seat, a great grocery-getter. Besides, these little suckers are fun for tooling around the neighbourhood.

I was looking forward to seeing the Kawasaki Ninja H2R superbike with 300 supercharged horsepower but unfortunately missed it. Talk about a psychotic testosterone ride; the road is your dragstrip. That goes right off the scale! Apparently it is for racing only with a drag-style stretched swingarm. A 180 hp model is available to the public. Reminds me of the day many years ago when I got my Norton.

An oddity was the Polaris Slingshot, an open-air side-by-side two seater with two wheels up front. Hardly qualifying as a motorcycle and expensive to boot. Each to his own. Kinda hard to lean that thing.

Moto Guzzi showed their basic line-up of touring machines and Indian exhibited their new Roadmaster touring machine along with their new Scout ~ a really sharp looking machine.

Last but not least, Harley-Davidson had their Project Rushmore line-up and their CVO offerings as well as their entry level bikes. I was most interested in their trike which is compact and very stylish. I notice they are now mixing bias ply tires with radial tires on one model so, despite previous admonitions, I guess suddenly it now is okay to mix these tires. Funny the myths that abound over the years. The big Harley surprise was the exhibition of their electric bike - the Livewire. Amazing, a company built on nostalgia being a forerunner in the newest technology. Way to go Harley. A great looking bike. Hope they keep the exhaust sound.

After-market venders were also well represented although after market motorcycle shops were absent which is a shame as custom bikes add a flair to the event and that was missing and disappointing.

All-in-all it was a show that did not disappoint and there was something for everyone. See you 'all next year.

Gary Richardson, Visitation Director

A.I.M. has paired-up with U of BE (University of Belated Experience) to study motorcycle crash results and their effect on motorcyclists.

#### The following:

- improper lane positioning - substandard helmets - protection provided by shorts, tank tops, sandals & no gloves - lack of attention to surroundings - worn-out tires - lack of motorcycle maintenance - speeding through intersections - drinking and riding - ignoring left-hand turners

#### **May Provide you with**

- residence at a hospital - tubes inserted into you - multi-needles injected into you every day - lots of pain and medications - someone to wipe you off after using the bedpan - worry about your motorcycle - many months of recovery and cancelled plans - possible permanent disability - visits from an AIM Volunteer - a motorcycle magazine to read as you while away your time in hospital - you get to see your loved one stressed out trying to carry the workload you used to share, juggling work and visits, looking after the kids by themself, trying to manage without your paycheck, and dealing with

your insurance claim, lawyers and police

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#### **Calendar Of Events**

#### Updated @ www.aimvancouver.com/calendar/

#### April 2015

April 25, 2015 - *Mount Vernon Auto and Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet - Saturday at the Skagit County Fairgrounds* in Mount Vernon, WA. in conjunction with the North Cascades Street Rod Club's Annual Antique Car and Truck Swap Meet. Mark Cattarin at 360-223-3190 for information (9 AM to 3 PM). E-mail: <u>marcuscc@comcast.net.</u>

April 26, 2015 - 29th Annual Classic & Vintage M/C Swap Meet & Show n Shine - <u>NEW LOCATION</u>!! (Used to be held in Tssawwassen) Sunday @ Agriplex Building on the Cloverdale Fairgrounds, 17798 -62nd Ave., Surrey, BC. Info line: 604-299-0020 or (cell: 604-313-4394) or www.ClassicBikeSwapMeet.com or twitter: @cbsm\_ca. or info@classicbikeswapmeet.com.

April 30, 2015 - *24TH ANNUAL MLA RIDE (BCCOM)* - 8am - 3pm. The MLA Ride is a motorcycle ride to the Legislature Buildings put on by the B.C. Coalition of Motorcyclists. 604-580-0111 www.bccom-bc.com

#### May 2015 -

May 3, 2015 - 23rd Annual GVMC Ride For The Kids (Formerly Gord Heppler Memorial Run) - @ GVMC Clubhouse. 9am pancake/sausage breakfast \$5. Ride @ 10am; cars welcome. \$ 20 per person. Silent auction, draws, barbeque, etc. Ron Benderski - 604-535-4860; rbenderski@shaw.ca;

www.gvmc.ca/calender/view\_event.asp?event\_id=1317

May 21, 2015 - AIM MONTHLY MEETING - Every third Thursday @ 7:00 pm at the ABC Restaurant, 101 - 15373 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC. 604-580-0112 www.aimvancouver.com

May 24, 2015 - *Wounded Warriors Charity Ride* - 9am @ GVMC Clubhouse, #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey, B.C. \$20:00 per person. Signup includes a Continental Breakfast at the Clubhouse ending with a dinner by donation at the Vedder Legion in Chilliwack. Contact Jim Sloat at (604)888-8152 or email to gvmc.<u>ca@shaw.ca</u>. (604)888-8152 Contact Email: gvmc.<u>ca@shaw.ca</u>

May 28, 2015 - *GF Strong Recreation Resource Fair* - 3 - 5:30 pm @ GF Strong Gymnasium, 4255 Laurel St., Vancouver, BC. For details, contact: Shannon Gibney @ (604)737-6468 or shannon.gibney@vch.ca June 2015 \_\_\_\_\_\_

June 6 - 7, 2015 - *CMDRA Drag Racing: Harley-Davidson Badland Nationals - Medicine Hat, Alberta*. Toll Free: 1.877.580.9008; Email: info@cmdra.com

June 15 - 21, 2015 - *Marymount 3rd Annual Motorcycle Week -@* Marymount @ 325 152nd ST E., Tacoma, WA 98445. Indoor exhibit, touring, cruising, Vintage Trials, Seattle Cossacks M/C Stunt Performance, M/C soccer. <u>www.lemaymarymount.org/marymount-motorcycle-</u> week/.

June 18, 2015 - *AIM MONTHLY MEETING* - Every third Thursday @ 7:00 pm at the ABC Restaurant, 101 - 15373 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC. 604-580-0112; www.aimvancouver.com

June 20 - 21, 2015 - *CMDRA Drag Racing: Pacific Coast Nationals - Mission, BC*. Toll Free: 1.877.580.9008; Email: <u>info@cmdra.com</u>

June 27, 2015 - *Whalley's Corner Community Festival* - 10am @ King George Blvd and 108th Ave., Surrey, BC. Car & Bike Show.

June 28, 2015 - *Gospel Riders 3rd Annual Car & Bike Show* - Sunday @ 2665 Runnel Drive, Coquitlam, BC. Reg: 9:30-11:30. Show 12:00 -4:00 pm. Food, Vendors, Custom Bikes & Cars. carandbikeshow.coq@gmail.com

#### July 2015 -

July 4 -5, 2015 - *First Annual Vintage Motorcycle CANYON RUN*-Starts 9am @ Hwy 1 Exit 104 Cultus Lake; finishes 8pm @ Hwy 1 Exit 104 Cultus Lake. Through Hope, Fraser Canyon, Cache Creek, Spences Bridge. Camping, entertainment at Sky Blue Resort, Pavillion Lake, BC. wolfpaws@shaw.ca; 778-223-5918 or 778-953-2207.

July 12, 2015 - Sasquatch Inn's 10th Annual Show N Shine - 46001 Lougheed Hwy, Harrison Mills, BC. Prizes & donations to Zajac Ranch. Nancy: 604-556-6542 or email: <u>shownshine@sasquatchinn.ca</u> or www.sasquatchinn.ca or www.facebook.com/SasquatchInn. July 16 - 19, 2015 - 26th Annual Summer Stomp & Burnout - Thur -

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July 16, 2015 - *AIM MONTHLY MEETING* - Every third Thursday @ 7:00 pm at the ABC Restaurant, 101 - 15373 Fraser Highway, Surrey, BC. 604-580-0112; www.aimvancouver.com

July 24 - 25, 2015 - *Ride Into History* (The Salvation Army Gateway of Hope) - Fort Langley National Historic Site - Orchard, 23433 Mavis Ave., Langley, BC. Bring your vintage car and/or bike. Family oriented. Pancake breakfast, scenic ride, poker run, picnic lunch, give-aways, t-shirt, entertainment... 604-514-7375; rideintohistory.ca

July 25 - 26, 2015 - *CMDRA Drag Racing: Edmonton Oil City Nationals - Edmonton, Alberta.* Toll Free: 1.877.580.9008 <u>info@cmdra.com</u> July 25, 2015 - *Tsunami Hawgs 1st Annual Bike Fest* - Saturday, all day @ Port Alberni, BC. Show N Shine, Swap meet, Chili Cook-off, entertainment, food, vendors... Family Oriented. Benefits to Port Alberni Shelter Society. Cindy: 250\*-731-7623 of <u>sevennten@shaw.ca</u> or www.tsunamihawgs.ca.

July 31, 2015 to August 2, 2015 – 27<sup>th</sup> Annual BOOGIE BASH -A.I.M. Interior @ Rock Creek, BC Fairgrounds. Rides, Show n' Shine, Bike Games, Bands, Dancing. Camping on lawns, bleachers, paved road, wade in the river, showers on site. Concessions, Vendors No minors - no dogs - no ATVs. More at

www.aiminteriorbc.org/boogiebash/index.html and click on Faqfor volunteering and entrance fee reimbursement © *AND Bring your* 

*A.I.M. MEMBERSHIP card for a entrance Discount* July 31, 2015 to August 2, 2015 - *Wounded Warriors Weekend Charity Ride* - @ Chilliwack, BC. Veterans, RCMP, fire fighters, first responders and Corrections Officers. Fishing, golf, ATV outings, gun range, water park, outdoor concert, dog & pony show, etc. www.woundedwarriorsweekend.org/#!chilliwack-2015/c1liw

#### August 2015

August 1 - 2, 2015 - *30th Anniversary 24 Hour Dirt Rider Marathon* & *6 Hour Party* - Fraser Valley Dirt Riders. 12 km north of Hope on Hwy #1: turn left at BC Nickelmine Road. Race 24 hours, noon-to-noon. Free camping, concession. Sarah: 604-365-1114; Sarah.W@shaw.ca.

August 7 - 9, 2015 - 7th Annual Cumberland Motorcycle Roundup -Three days in downtown Cumberland, Vancouver Island, BC. Reserve ferry crossing spots directly through "Cumberland Motorcycle Roundup". Show & Shine, Poker Run, Bike Games, Beer Gardens .... Proceeds to "Kids With Cancer" and local charities. 250-702-7181 www.cumberlandmotorcycleroundup.com/; 250-336-8746 /

August 9, 2015 - 15th ANNUAL A.I.M. GF STRONG RIDE-IN

*SHOW-N-SHINE* - 9am - 2pm @ GF Strong Rehabilitation Centre, 4255 Laurel St., Vancouver, BC. Modified bikes, Burgers & dogs (free for residents), pop, coffee. Live music, paint-on tattoos, family event. Meet interesting people. Support downed riders and residents at GF Strong. Proceeds to an item needed by all residents at the Centre. 604-580-0112; info@aimvancouver.com; www.aimvancouver.com.





#### PICTURES FROM DANCE MAR 21, 2015

OVERALL DANCE WENT WELL, GOOD PEOPLE AND GREAT MUSIC BY TRAUMA.

FOOD AND SERVICE WAS GOOD AS ALWAYS

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR THE DATE OF THE NEXT DANCE NOVEMBER 2015

ABOVE BOB, AIM' S MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR ENJOYING THE LOVELY COMPANY

RIGHT -> ERNIE (LEFT) AND ROCKY MANNING THE BAR

BELOW GREG, BOB, DAVE W AFTER SETUP





ON A SIDE NOTE: PEOPLE SEEM TO STILL HAVE THIS IDEA THAT DANCES ARE LINKED TO DRINKING ALCOHOL.

THIS IS NOT SO NOR HAS NOT BEEN FOR A LONG TIME.

THERE ARE MANY OF US THAT ALSO PREFER NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WHICH ARE AVAILABLE: BOTTLE WATER, COFFEE, POP, JUICE, ETC.

DANCES ARE RARE YET A GOOD PLACE TO WIND DOWN, LISTEN TO AWESOME BANDS, SOCIALIZE WITH PEOPLE WE DO NOT SEE A LOT, LAUGH, DANCE AND EN-JOY- HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE NEXT ONE!