

Greetings from Key Pen!!!

We had to move our June meeting up a week in order to de-conflict schedules, paid off though, as we had **great attendance and added four "New" memberships!!!!**

That's a wrap, just like that, **another successful annual chapter ride on June 1st is now in the books and well represented with Star Lake, Tacoma, SKCC, North Kitsap** in attendance and the prospective coordinator for Bellingham also came down to support and rode with. Additionally, the following motorcycle organizations also were in attendance with their continued support ABATE and the chapter... **VAVMC, VFW, CMA, CVI, Band of Brothers, CVMA**. What a great day it turned out to be. Mother Nature had a very kind heart and certainly blessed us!

Because we are an organization with an emphasis on Safety (even moreso, now than ever) it goes without saying and sharing, unfortunately there was one close call as we attempted to... the particular stretch of road was a "T" intersection in a mild "S" curve stretch...perfect timing as the group turned left, wait for it...you guessed it, a cage (lifted 4x4 pickup) traveling a high rate of speed, and selfishly giving "Zero" F***'s about Motorcycles, almost took out a couple riders, which as we all know, pushed a button of one rider, setting him into a selfish reactive mode, illegally passing the truck with gestures (we've all been there..) thereby putting not only himself, but more importantly the rest of the group in grave danger. His actions had the potential of triggering the driver, who (as we've seen in the news before) could have snapped and used his rig to wipe out some bikes! Reminder, the moment we decide to ride our Scoots, we are at a disadvantage! Make sure ride briefs "Ride your Ride" includes "leave the Ego behind"! Physics 101...800 lb vs 8,000 lb.

Thank You to everyone who came out and rode with us, especially to the businesses who continue to support....**Hi-Tide B&G, Valley Tavern, Fat Smitty's, Model "T", and Empire Pizza**. If ever you're out and the opportunity presents itself, they are all highly recommended and obviously "Biker Friendly". ..show em some love! All donated to our event.



Now we shift gears and prepare for Spring Opener #47 and look forward to seeing you all there! Get those last minute Tatoo's!

God Bless and Stay Safe!

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