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Lamb's DFW Honda Freedom Riders Motorcycle Club

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This has been a very fast and fun year. I can't believe that it's August already and time for me to step aside as someone else takes over the "hand-bars" of the club.

There are a number of people I want to thank for their service. Most especially my wonderful wife **Rose Ann**, who has to put up with my C___, and the officers for this year **Steve Wedgeworth, Lisa Hurt, David Cothren** and **James Weaver**. There are others who have volunteered to organize rides; **Steve Ray, George Crow, David Hurt, Ken Frazer, JJ Jean, Doug Slusher, Dave Musgraves, Leland Rawlinson**, and others I am sure I have left out. The key thing here is no club can survive without the input and valuable assistance of a number of people.

As I step aside as President of the club, I will continue to publish the newsletter, maintain the web site, and lead at least one ride per month. I challenge all of you that are capable of organizing and leading rides to step up and put your bid in to lead a ride occasionally. If we can get you to lead one ride every couple of months, the burden isn't placed on a small group and we can learn new destinations.

The election of officers will be held at the August meeting, Thursday the 19th at Spring Creek. Under the bylaws of our club, nominations and the election are held on the same night. Be there to support candidates that will be nominated, or place your name in nomination for an office. Getting more involved in any organization is the best

thing you can do to enhance your membership experience and to guarantee that YOUR club continues to run the way you want it.

In the meantime, Ride Often and Ride Safe!!!

Lt. Dan

MEETING MINUTES

7-15-2004

by Lisa Hurt

The meeting was called to order by **Dan McDonald**.

The standing rides were discussed with a reminder that Sonic Bike Night was the following evening.

It was noted that **Kevin Vardaman** is to have surgery on the 22nd. (Editor's note: Kevin's surgery was successful and he is recuperating well. Hope to see you back on the bike soon!)

It was reported that we have been having great turnouts for the Saturday and Thursday rides. The milder weather has helped make for some great rides.

A report on the new dinner ride "hosts" was made. Couples or individuals sign up to host a Thursday night dinner ride then choose the restaurant or make arrangements. The host does not necessarily have to lead the ride to the restaurant if they don't want. It has been met with enthusiasm and great success. A sign up sheet is available from Dan if you want to participate.

The Patriotic Poker Run is being held in Corinth this Saturday the 17th.

A group led by **Mitch Mitchell** is leaving from the Roanoke Whataburger.

The trip to Mena Arkansas has been set for October 8-10. A group will leave on Friday and there will probably be another group on Saturday. Reservations should be made soon.

The elections next month were announced with a reminder that nomi-

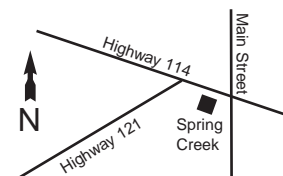
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August 2004 Meeting

Thursday August 19, 7:00 pm
at **Spring Creek Barbeque**
315 Highway 114 West @ Main, Grapevine
(817) 416-6250



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Meeting Minutes - Continued

nations and election will be on the same night. Give some thought to who you wish to elect or if you want to volunteer for a position.

Dave Cothren presented the Treasurer's report indicating that we have \$566.56 in the treasury. A 50/50 drawing was held with **Steve Ray**, **Troy Rice** and **Frank Brzozowski** winners.

NEW MEMBERS

I would like to welcome our new member for the past month, **Benny Vaughn** from Irving. Everyone is looking forward to meeting you personally.

How to Pack for a Trip (Like a prom queen)

Ken Foster

As a former wing owner, I was quite spoiled with all the room the scooter allowed for hauling ones amenities around the country with ones self. My particular situation was different than most as my spouse has a health disorder that keeps her from riding with me so I had (and still do) the entire bike to myself to cram all my goodies in. You other guys have to pack a single wing for two people. I know that a lot of you can actually do this on a regular basis. I actually know people that ship extra clothes to their destination hotel and ship their dirty laundry and crap they bought at whatever rally they attended back home. I think that is pretty clever since I now have two small leather saddlebags and a small tail bag to put my stuff in these days. I would proba-

bly do the same if I were staying out for more than say, 5 days and know my destination. Here is a packing list from my "Gold Wing Days" and a much-abbreviated list for the "cruiser" crowd. Keep in mind, I actually used to pack like this and currently pack my cruiser this way (except the undies part). I know people who go on road trips with nothing more than a toothbrush!

Gold Wing List

Pants - 1 pair for each day out plus 1 pair extra for Rain

Shirts - 1 t-shirt for each day out plus 3 extra for "funky days", 2 dress shirts (cause you never know if ya gotta be formal)

Undies - 10 pair "you just can't have enough"

Socks - 10 pair (remember rain?)

Toiletries - Razor, toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, bikini wax, (hubba, hubba,) Shaving cream and TURBO POWDER (gold bond) Trust me on that one.

Shoes - Comfy riding shoes, going to dinner shoes, flip flops, rain covers for riding shoes

Spandex shorts - Wear these under your jeans on a hot day in lieu of undies and you will smile!

Liquor - Box "o" wine and or scotch, bourbon, whisky and if you go to Oklahoma, BEER as they only sell 3.2 beer.

Cigars - Gotta have cee-gars and something to light them with.

Cork Screw/ Beer opener - For wine emergencies and imported beer without twist top.

Bag of Dirty tricks - Surprise your friends!

Rain Gear - Torn seams and full of holes the more the better!

Warm gloves/ thin gloves/ jacket - For going to Big Bend in summer!

Tools - Just a tool kit will do. We don't need no stinking flat repair kit as we are bulletproof!

Motorcycle Safety Foundation Courses

HRCA (\$39.95/year) reimburses up to \$75 of the cost of a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) course each year for HRCA members. Reimbursement forms can be picked up at DFW Honda.

Available courses by City

Arlington - Texas R.I.D.E.R (817) 246-4016 - Harold Patterson Sports Center - www.texasrider.com

Bedford - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - Super 8 Motel & Pennington Field

Burleson - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 Burleson High School, 100 NW John Jones Rd - www.aplusrider.com

Carrollton - Rider Course Center (972) 317-6322 or 1-888-317-6322 - Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD Stadium

Fort Worth - Moto-Ed (817) 239-6686 - American Ironhorse Motorcycle Company, 4600 Blue Mound Rd. www.moto-ed.com

Garland - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - South Garland High School

Irving - Brookhaven College (972) 860-4715 or Texas R.I.D.E.R. (817) 246-4016 - American Honda Training Center, 4529 Royal Lane, Irving - www.texasrider.com

Lancaster - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 - Cedar Valley College, Lancaster, Tx. - www.aplusrider.com

McKinney - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-7807 - Spring Creek Mall, Highway 5 & Spring Creek in Plano.

Thought for the Month

It's a sure sign of summer if the chair gets up when you do. *Walter Winchell*

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Safety Priority #1 - Continued

Phone/ Credit cards - Gotta have this for acquiring chrome and calling to raise your credit limit especially if you are having artwork applied! Oh, yeah, emergencies too.

Cruiser List

Pants - 2 pair- Bask in your own funk.

Shirts - 5 shirts- t-shirts, black or gray, gotta have roadhouse or bike brand on them, extra style points for really offensive language on your shirt(s).

Undies - 3 pair- here's the formula, 1-day right side out, next day inside out day-3, fresh pair. Repeat as necessary.

Socks - 3 pair- see "undies" for formula on how to make em last.

Toiletries - Toothbrush, toothpaste, TURBO POWDER.

Shoes - Comfy riding shoes, Flip-Flops.

Spandex shorts - Wear these under your jeans on a hot day in lieu of undies and you will smile!.

Cigars - Gotta have ceegars and something to light them with.

Cork Screw/ Beer opener - For wine emergencies and imported beer without twist top.

Bag of Dirty tricks - Won't fit, You will be forced to improvise during trip

Rain Gear - Sorry, you will have to "Blow dry" and if you bring along some soap, You can do laundry while wearing it!

Warm gloves/ thin gloves/ jacket - Sorry, Won't fit either, If ya want gloves, you will need to wear them. Roll up a long sleeve shirt in case you pass though Colorado!

Tools - Crescent wrench, pliers, Phillips and common screwdriver, and Phone number to towing service, Chase truck if on Harley.

Liquor - No room for wine or beer. *Dedicate 1 saddlebag for the

"hard stuff "and cigars.

Bathing suit - For hanging at the pool with liquor and ceegers with offensive black t-shirt and flip-flops.

There you go, a packing list for the real pro! You will notice that I left out the trailer on the Goldwing list to carry lawn chairs and all the wife's stuff. I also left out the spare body jewelry and Vaseline for nursing new tattoos on the cruiser list. But hey, this is just a list of suggestions, I can't think of everything!

Two Doggs

More Country Wisdom

1. No one is listening until you make a mistake.

2. Never test the depth of water with both feet.

3. It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

4. If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.

5. If you tell the truth you don't have to remember what you said.

6. If you lend someone \$20.00 and you never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

7. Never mess up an apology with an excuse.

8. Give a man a fish and he'll eat for a day. Teach him how to fish and he'll sit in a boat and drink all day.

CLUB LOGO SHIRTS

Club logo shirts are available and orders are being accepted by **Ken Frazer**. There are two styles of shirts, long sleeve and short sleeve denim and golf style short sleeve. The golf style shirts are available in Tan, Black, Yellow, and Royal Blue. The total costs are \$26 for the denim shirts and \$24 for the golf type, including tax. Contact **Ken** at (972) 393-0776 or apparel@dfwfreedomriders.org to order. Orders are to be pre-paid and we will not stock any shirts.

THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS



2	Cheryl Francis
2	Steve Ricker
5	James Weaver
6	Marti Waldrop
7	Doug Slusher
7	Jorge Varona
10	Nanc Christopherson
11	Bob Mann
13	Bill Fultz
13	Mike Sexton
17	Keith Goolsbee
20	Kristin Hurt
23	Benny Vaughn
25	Steve Ray
29	Carl Lee

Do You Know Someone Who Has Been Under the Weather?

If you hear of anyone in the club who has lost a loved one, is ill, had surgery, or recuperating from surgery, please let one of the officers know so we can forward the information to **Sheila Wedgeworth** and **Rose Ann McDonald**, who have volunteered to keep in touch with those who may be out of touch.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hope for the Highway

Robert E. Lee, an ex flat tracker and a member of Hope for the Highway will be giving away hamburgers and hot dogs at DFW Honda on August 21, 2004. He is not coming to preach, but he will have some bibles to give away if you need and or want one.

Arizona Trip

Doug Slusher is arranging a trip to the Sedona Arizona area on September 11-19. If you are interested in going, contact Doug at (817) 656-2749. The phone number listed in last month's newsletter was incorrect.

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Full Moon Rides

The August Full Moon Ride will be on Saturday the 28th and will leave from the Chevron / McDonalds in Grapevine at 9pm.

As with all of the standing rides, inclement weather will override any "optional" activities.

Southlake Department of Public Safety Police Motorcycle Rodeo.

Southlake DPS will be hosting the 2nd Annual Southlake Showdown Police Motorcycle Rodeo on October 2 - October 3, 2004 at Southlake Town Square. All proceeds from this event benefit Special Olympics Texas. For more information regarding registration, sponsorship, or membership to this event, contact Angelique York at (817) 251-9181 or log onto www.myeventcentral.com/eventdetails.asp?id=111

Sonic Bike Nights

The mild weather on July 18th meant a great turnout for Sonic Bike Night. There were 17 bikes and almost 30 people enjoying the mild summer weather and each other's company. Grady has installed cooling misters under the awning at the Sonic for help on hot days.

Sonic Bike Nights are the third Friday evening each month. Normally, they are the night after the meeting, but occasionally will be the week before. Mark your calendar or check our monthly calendar for exact dates.

Mena Arkansas

October 8-10, 2004

It's been a while, but we're gonna head for the Arkansas Hills in October. Mena is always a favorite biker destination, with great roads.

We will be leaving on Friday, October 8th and returning on Sunday the 10th. As always with our three day trips, a second group will probably leave on Saturday for those that can't take Friday off. We are always flexible and allow for those that can't go for the full time.

There are 15 rooms blocked for Friday the 8th and Saturday the 9th. They will hold the rooms until September 8th. The Hotel is the Sun Country Inn, Mena, AR. The phone number is **479-394-7477** or for reservations only, the number is **877-394-7477**. The rooms are under DFW Freedom Riders or they can mention **George Crow's** name and DFW. The cost is \$70.00 per night, tax included. It is very clean, new, great paved and flat parking lot and is just about a block away from Wal-Mart on the north side of town.

This should be a fun trip, so make your reservations soon. If you have any questions, contact Dan McDonald or George Crow, gecjec@texoma.net

South Padre Anyone?

Anyone interested in attending the South Padre Island Bike Fest Rally October 14-17th, contact **Ralph Tucker** at 817-896-1508.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

2003 Honda Shadow 750 equipped with windshield, driving lights, engine case guards, and a passenger backrest, only 64 miles. Asking \$6,800.00

Robert Christopherson 817-514-9084
robertc26@charter.net 08/04

Shoei RF-700 large full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$125.00
HJC M90 medium full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$125.00
Robert Christopherson 817-514-9084
robertc26@charter.net 08/04

#1 **Honda Valkyrie leather bags** and hardware for sale. Removed from 1998 Valkyrie in perfect condition asking \$100.00 for complete set.
#2 **Dunlop tires** removed from 1998 Valkyrie with only 500 miles on tires in perfect shape make offer.
#3 **Factory seat front and rear** with passenger backrest complete make offer also from 1998 Valkyrie. Contact **George Hicks** at 972-355-4803 or e-mail at ghickstex@earthlink.net 2001 07/04

EZ Hauler motorcycle trailer. Trailer cranks down to ground level so a heavy bike can be loaded, then cranks back up and locks into place. 2000lb capacity. Asking \$1495. Call or e-mail **George Crow**, gcrow@aiscn.com, or gecjec@texoma.net, or call anytime at 903-271-3768. 06/04

Like new Honda EU-1000 generator (little red one) Used very little. VERY QUIET, perfect for camping. asking \$550.00 Ken Foster 817-291-7915 08/04

1995 Kwik Kamp Bellaire trailer, White on White, 2 body covers, 2 cooler covers, A/C duct, New longer Tongue, Dexter axle, new 5.60 x 8 tires including spare, always garaged & covered. Excellent condition, \$2,000.00 Larry Oswald 972-291-4905
pbear43@sbcglobal.net 08/04

To add or remove items for sale or trade, contact Dan McDonald by e-mail at newsletter@dfwfreedomriders.org, or by phone (817) 284-2251. Items will be removed after two months, unless renewed.

BE THERE - DO THAT

SHORT LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 21 - Free Hot Dogs & Hamburg-ers DFW Honda

Aug 28 - Full Moon Ride

Oct 2-3 - Southlake M/C Rodeo

Oct 8-10 - Mena Arkansas Trip

2004 RALLY SCHEDULE

Date	City	Event	For Information
Aug 9-15	Sturgis, SD	Strugis Bike Week	www.rally.sturgis.sd.us
Sep 3-6	Ignacio, CO	Four Corners	www.fourcornersrally.com
Sep 15-19	Ruidoso, NM	Golden Aspen	www.motorcyclerrally.com/
Oct 21-24	Daytona Beach, FL	Biketoberfest	www.biketoberfest.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

Monthly Calendar of Events

Standing Rides

Thursday Dinner Run, except 3rd Thursdays.
Leaves from DFW Honda in Grapevine at 7:00pm

Saturday Ride - Saturday Morning. Leaves from Lamb's DFW Honda at 10:00am from October through May, then from the Grapevine Chevron McDonald's at 8:00 am from June through September.

Full Moon Rides - Friday or Saturday closest to the Full Moon, April through October. Leaves from the Grapevine Chevron at 9:00pm.

The Saturday and Thursday rides are opportunities to get together and ride from a common starting point. An officer or group leader is normally present, but if one is not available, then form a group and enjoy the ride.

Rides scheduled to leave during times when DFW Honda is open will leave from there. The phone number is metro (817) 421-4663.

Unless otherwise noted, other rides leave from the Chevron/McDonalds on the corner of Highway 114 and Main Street in Grapevine.

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CB CHANNEL 39**



Sonic Bike Nights



CCFW & Southern Cruisers - 2nd Friday - 7:00-8:30 pm Hurst Sonic - 1308 Precinct Line Road

Lambs DFW Freedom Riders - 3rd Friday - 7-9 pm Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Hwy

GWRRA U-2 - 4th Friday - 7-9 pm Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Hwy

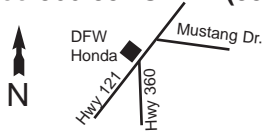
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	4	5 7:00PM DINNER RUN	6	7 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE
8	9	10	11	12 7:00PM DINNER RUN	13 7:00PM - CCFW & SOUTHERN CRUISE- RS BIKE NIGHT - PRECINCT LINE ROAD IN HURST	14 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE
STURGIS BIKE WEEK - STURGIS, SD						
15	16	17	18	19 7:00PM DFWFR MEETING	20 7:00PM - DFWFR GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	21 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE 9:00AM GWRRA U-2 MEETING
STURGIS BIKE WEEK						
22	23	24	25 7:00PM GWTA CHAPTER B MEETING	26 7:00PM DINNER RUN	27 7:00PM - GWRRA U2 GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	28 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FULL MOON RIDE
HOPE FOR THE HIGHWAY ROBERT E LEE AT DFW HONDA						
29	30	31	1	2 7:00PM DINNER RUN	3	4 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE
FOUR CORNERS RALLY - IGNACIO, CO						
5	6	7 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	8	9 7:00PM DINNER RUN	10 7:00PM - CCFW & SOUTHERN CRUISE- RS BIKE NIGHT - PRECINCT LINE ROAD IN HURST	11 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE
FOUR CORNERS RALLY - IGNACIO, CO						

Year Calendar - Go to www.dfwfreedomriders.org and click on the Newsletter link. There is a downloadable calendar in PDF form for the remainder of the year.



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 or Toll Free 866-83HONDA (834-6632)



Chapter #364

Rider's Club of America™

Motorcycle Association Monthly Meetings

Lamb's DFW Freedom Riders • 3rd Thursday - 7 pm
 Spring Creek BBQ - Hwy 114 & Main - Grapevine
CMA Fishermen • 1st Tuesday - 7 pm
 (not a dinner meeting) Vandergriff Community Ctr.
GWRRA U-2 • 3rd Saturday - 9 am meeting
 (8:30 buffet) Golden Corral - Hwy 26 @ Loop 820
GWTA B - Last Wednesday - 8 pm (7 pm Dinner)
 Logan's Road House, 820 & Pipeline Rd.

<p>Parts & Accessory Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Parts & Accessory Purchase</p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to purchase. Coupon expires end of August 2004.</small></p>	<p>Service Parts Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Service Related Parts <small>Does Not Apply to Labor</small></p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to service. Coupon expires end of August 2004.</small></p>
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Coupons cannot be combined with any other coupon or offer.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER MOTORCYCLE GROUPS, CONTACT

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Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA)
 JJ Jean - jjean99999@aol.com - (972) 255-4525

Gold Wing Touring Association (GWTA)
 Bill Fultz - reddog13@sbcglobal.net - (817) 283-5622

Christian Motorcycle Association (CMA)
 David Hurt - 1800wingrider@sbcglobal.net (817) 281-4545



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Meeting Location

This month's meeting will be at Spring Creek BBQ in Grapevine at Highway 114 and Main St.