



North Shore Chapter

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A Word From the Newsletter Editor:

Hello All!

It's hard to believe we've already reached the end of July, and sadly, we only have a few rides left on our schedule. (Page 3) We've had a very active season, with several rides and events, but it certainly isn't over yet! Ogunquit is right around the corner, and the Fall Foliage state event will be right behind it. We still have at least one month of warm riding weather, before we need to start adding layers. And, even after we start adding layers, we still have a few short rides left on our schedule, so don't put your bikes away too early.

This newsletter includes information on the upcoming rides and events, as well as a few different write-ups on the national ride-in.

Please enjoy the newsletter, and as always, send any comments and/or suggestions to ns_newsletter@prodigy.net.

Upcoming North Shore Chapter Rides/Events:

August 8th* - North Shore Meeting - New Chapter Logo

August 12th - Dinner Ride TBD. Departing BankNorth at 6pm.

August 15th - North Shore Rolling Dinner - 3 stops finishing with a cookout in Merrimac MA. Departing BankNorth at 10am.

August 24th - Dinner Ride TBD. Departing BankNorth at 6pm

September 10th-12th - Ogunquit/Wells North Shore Weekend

* All meetings take place at the Majestic Dragon (route 1, Ipswich) unless otherwise noted. Social hour begins at 5pm, the meeting business begins at 6pm.

** All rides, unless otherwise noted, depart BankNorth parking lot, in Rowly MA, at the intersection of route 1 and route 133.

Chapter Classifieds:

I'm selling my old, beloved Vulcan. It's a red and beige 2000 VN800B (Classic) with lots of accessories- hard bags, driver's backrest, sissy bar with luggage rack, floorboards, front and rear fender guards, windshield bag, and LOUD pipes. It has 20,500 miles. The chain and front tire are new this season. The back tire has 9,000 miles on it. All the accessories (except the National Cycle hard bags) are genuine Kawasaki fire and steel. I love this bike but it was time for something new. I'd like my bike to get a good new home so I'm willing to take \$3500 firm from a fellow WOWER. Ride safe, [Roxanne Pagliuca](mailto:roxannepagliuca@hotmail.com) roxannep76@hotmail.com

Web Pages of Interest:

North Shore WOW webpage is located at: <http://www.nswow.org/>

Women on Wheels® National web page is located at: <http://www.womenonwheels.org/>

A Trip to West Virginia - Submitted by Susan Poublon

Nine of us from the North Shore Chapter decided to attend this year's National WOW Ride-in taking place in West Virginia. (Sue, Lisa, Gail, David, Pam, Joanne, Cyma, Mary and Kathi) For some of our group, it was the first motorcycle trip of such length. For others, it was a different style trip than we were used to. For all of us, it was our first National WOW Ride-in. I can only speak for myself, but I sincerely hope that everyone who attended had as good a time as I did. The camaraderie that you feel when you attend an event, with hundreds of other women motorcyclists, is not something that I can put into words.

When we arrived in West Virginia on Sunday, we were immediately greeted by women who were staying at the same resort as us. The first woman we met was a woman named Alexx from Georgia, and before we were even checked into the hotel, we already had dinner plans with Alexx. While checking in, we ran into another WOW member, who came out to welcome us. As we rode over to our condo, we were enthusiastically greeted by our neighbors, a condo full of Michigan WOW members. As we walked into our condo, we were amazed at how many friends we'd made in our first 10 minutes.

We spent Monday recovering from our previous week of riding, doing laundry and checking out the area. The rally was due to start on Tuesday, and we planned on registering first thing in the morning. When Tuesday arrived, we had an early breakfast, and made our way over to the hosting hotel to register for the event. As we were pulling into the parking lot, we recognized the group of 5 behind us, and finally got to greet our fellow North Shore members in person, as we parked our bikes. We registered for seminars and picked up our goody bags, and also bumped into other Massachusetts members who got an early start. We spent our day sight seeing, and quickly learned that West Virginia is a beautiful area and a great location for a ride-in! That evening, we had invited the rest of the North Shore clan over to our condo for a Taco and Margarita party. (I'll skip the part of the story where they all got lost trying to find our condo, one mile down the road from their hotel) It was great to sit around and share road warrior stories, with everyone having something to add.

Wednesday I took off before the rest of the group, to attend a Chapter Director meeting. It was an interesting experience, with an open agenda, having directors ask questions, and mostly directors answering the questions, sharing opinions and experiences. Although it wasn't what I expected, there was plenty to learn while listening to other directors discussing problems and success stories. After the meeting, I met up with the rest of my crew. We attended the WOW bike show in the parking lot, and then went for a ride to do more sight seeing. The WOW hoedown was scheduled for Wednesday night, so we got back to the condo to clean up and prepare for the big event. While there, we enjoyed a BBQ, socialized with North Shore members as well as other Massachusetts members, and then sat back and watched Gail and Joanne square dance until their feet hurt. A good time was had by all!

Thursday was our final day, and we planned on making the most of it. We attended a maintenance seminar, and went for another ride, to get our final glimpse of the area. Thursday night we arrived back at the hosting hotel to attend the final banquet. The other North Shore members were not attending the banquet, but met us there beforehand to have a state picture taken in the parking lot out front. The food at the banquet was delicious, and we watched many different awards being handed out, including one of the mileage awards given to our very own Gail Riley! We couldn't have been prouder! After the banquet, we drove back to the other North Shore Wower's hotel to say goodbye and wish them a safe ride home!

All of us got an early start the next day, and somewhere in the late morning, we parted with David and Gail, as they headed East towards Maryland, and Lisa and I headed towards home. Amazingly, we ran into the other North Shore Wowers at our first rest stop. We talked and parted ways, as we were on different schedules. Later that night, as we checked into our hotel, we got in touch with the other North Shore Wowers and planned to meet them in the morning, to make the final leg of our trip together! We rode from Pennsylvania to Chelmsford together, and everyone said their goodbyes at the rest area on 495.

Not surprisingly, I've already heard conversations about members attending the Idaho ride-in, which some are considering at this point. I'll personally wait until the following year, when the ride-in is back on the East Coast, and yes, I'll plan to attend! I considered it a wonderful experience, for lots of reasons. I'd say it was vacation time well spent!

REMAINING North Shore 2004 Riding Schedule:

Day	Date	Ride/Event	Place	Contact/Phone
Thursday	8/12	Weekly Dinner Ride		
Saturday	8/15	Rolling Dinner—Three Stops	Boxford, Atkinson NH and Merrimac MA	swimming
Thursday	8/24	Weekly Dinner Ride		
Fri-Sun	9/10-9/12	Ogunquit/Wells Weekend-2nd Annual		
Fri-Sun	10/2-10/4	Fall Foliage Tour (State)		
Sunday	10/10	Lobster Dinner Ride	"Seabrook, NH"	

Information on Hotels: Please remember that if you plan to attend any of our overnight trips, it will be your responsibility to reserve your hotel room.

NORTH SHORE WEEKEND OGUNQUIT WEEK-END: Majestic Regency Ogunquit/Wells September 10th through September 12th.

Located on route 1 on the Ogunquit/Wells town line.

Choose from oversized kings, queens doubles and 2 bedroom efficiency units. All units include individual climate control, telephones, color/cable television, full baths and in-room coffee.

Reservations: 1-888-442-9601

http://www.majesticregency.com/mr_welcome.html

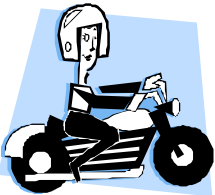
1 or 2 night stays are welcome. A North Shore WOW cookout will be held on Saturday Night. For those who plan to attend, \$5 per head will provide all the food. Everyone is responsible for their own alcohol and/or soda.

FALL FOLIAGE: Grand Summit Resort Bartlett NH October 1st - 3rd.

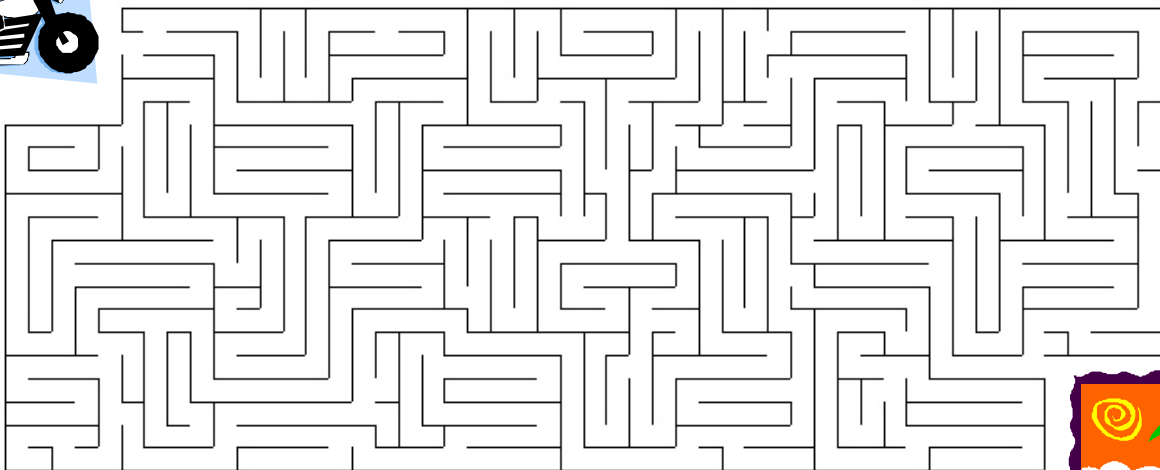
<http://www.attitash.com/summer02>

RESERVATIONS: 1-888-554-1900

- Must be made by September 1, 2004 - reservations made after this date are subject to availability
- Please identify your affiliation with Women on Wheels®
- 50% of total reserved stay or total charge for one night stay will be required upon booking
- Please inquire about cancellation policy when booking your reservation
- For more information see Page 5



A Cute Little Maze to Fill Space in the Newsletter:



ROAD TRIP

THE PLAN: PART 1 - Submitted by Joanne Johnston

A lot of planning went into our trip to the West Virginia ride-in. This contributed to our safety and good time. Packing alone was a project. The climate varied from 50 -80 degrees with thunder storms frequently predicted. The packing list was carefully considered and talked about. Several conversations and meetings with our group that was riding together, resulted in the base packing list below. This is for reference only and individual needs will vary.

Next, the bikes needed to be inspected for a safety check and any needed repairs and/or services due. Tighten bolts if you have a Harley. Check air pressure, pack and go, well- not yet...

It helps to discuss how any situation that comes up may be handled, i.e. & what if someone breaks down, how many stops need to be made, which route to take, when to eat, where to sleep, get gas, how to handle tolls and construction. What is the policy when you want to do something and the rest of the group has other ideas.

It's a good idea to iron this out before the trip begins. Agree to disagree and then the majority rules or be prepared to be very independent. Discussing all of this can help avert any possible problems that could arise and good pre planning assures a smoother trip.

It also helps to remember, it takes longer than you think and the locals know best, get to know them.

Coming Soon: The Trip - Part 2

MOTORCYCLE PACKING LIST:

CRUSH HAT	CAMERA
DEW RAG	COMPASS
TURTLE WARMER	VISIBILITY VEST
POLARTEC GLOVES	BUG SPRAY
SUNGLASSES	EAR PLUGS
HELMET HAT	COOL NECK WRAP
TIE DOWNS/TWISTIES	LIP BALM
BUNGIES	SUN SCREEN
EMERGENCY ROAD RED LIGHT	HAND SANITIZER
RAIN GEAR	EYE DROPS
GAS RAG	KICK STAND PLATE
OWNERS MANUAL	WRIST BAND
1ST AID KIT	3 DAYS OF CLOTHING
EMERGENCY WHISTLE	TOLIETRIES
TIRE GAUAGE BIKE LOCKING SAFE SPOT	WALKING SHOES
MATCHES	CELL PHONE
TISSUES TOOLS & REGISTRATION	TWO WAY RADIO
SUN GLASSES	EYEGASSES
SPARE READING GLASSES	GLOVES
FLASH LIGHT	WALLET
BACK UP EAR PLUGS	SPARE KEY
CLEAR NIGHT RIDING GLASSES	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$
BATTERIES	PHONE CARD
BACK SUPPORT	I.D. AND MEDICAL CARDS
CABLE LOCK	FAVORITE MASCOT (I.E. SAFETY MONKEY)
POWER BARS/ ROAD SNACKS	WATER
BANDANA	

WOMEN ON WHEELS® FALL FOLIAGE TOUR 2004

Hosted by North Shore Chapter

WHEN: Friday October 1-Sunday, October 3, 2004. Check-in/check-out times of 4:30PM and 10:30AM, respectively.

WHERE: The Grand Summit Hotel and Conference Center at Attitash Bear Peak. Route 302 Bartlett, New Hampshire. Conveniently accessed from Rt. 93 or Rt. 16.

RATES: Single/double occupancy: \$109.00 per room, per night. Rates are subject to the 8% state room and meal tax and a 4% housekeeping fee.

ROOM TYPES:

- Standard-(max 4 people)-two queen beds, no kitchen facilities,1 bath
- Studio Deluxe-(max 4 people)-one queen size wall bed and one queen size pull-out sofa, kitchen, 1 bath
- Suite upgrades are available at an additional \$40.00 per upgrade

Each room has television/VCR/radio/CD player.

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AMENITIES: On premises include fitness center, outdoor heated pool, hot tubs, steam room, sauna, masseuse, restaurant, cafe, and bar.

DIRECTIONS: For directions, please go to: <http://www.attitash.com/summer02/directions.html> or call 1-888-554-1900.

For further information about The Grand Summit you can reach their web site at www.attitash.com and click on Grand Summit Hotel. For more information about events in the Mount Washington Valley go to mountwashingtonvalley.org.

A Women on Wheels® social will be held Saturday evening from 5:00PM to 7:00PM in the Crown Club.

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