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## STAR Touring and Riding Northwest Cascades – Chapter #154

**Purpose:** January Monthly Chapter Meeting  
**Date/Time:** Saturday, January 2, 2010 beginning at 8:30 AM  
**Location:** Bob's Burger & Brew, Burlington, WA

1. Opening
  - a. Welcome to all
  - b. Introduce new faces; [Lyle M](#), [Sue G](#)
  - c. Birthdays
    - i. [Dec 31 – Wendy, Kem](#)
    - ii. [Jan 1 - Andrea](#)
    - iii. [Jan 2 – Robert S](#)
  - d. Attendance – [32 Danny, Lenny, Frank, Don, Robert D, John F, Wendy, John G, Patrick, Deliece, Tom G, Sue, Perry, Roy, Audrey, Jackie, Kevin, Steve, Jim, Andrea, Laurie, Robert S, Kem, Sherrie, Bruce, Debbie, Jerry, Sandy, Zach, Bobby, Karen, Lyle](#)
  - e. Ride waivers for 2010, motorcycle endorsement required; [completed](#)
  - f. No more full names in print or on our web site, [ID security](#)
  - g. See Jim for 50/50 tickets
  - h. Member Photos of [Tom, Deliece, Kem, Sherrie, Lyle](#)
  - i. Member or Bike Photos – want a new one? [Check your photo on the web site and decide for yourself](#)
2. Officer Introductions
  - a. President – John G
  - b. Vice President – Lenny
  - c. Treasurer – Jim P
  - d. Secretary – Jackie
  - e. Sergeant At Arms – Roy
  - f. Ladies Of STAR – Laurie
  - g. STAR Vets – Steve
  - h. Web Master – Kevin
  - i. Benevolence Officer – Gloria
  - j. Road Captains – Jon A, Lenny
  - k. Tail Gunners – Jim, Kevin, Jerry, Jim
  - l. State Directors – Richard and Barb
3. Mission Statement for STAR Touring And Riding  
To pursue, promote and protect the interests of motorcyclists; to develop better and more enthusiastic relations between the general public, the media and the operators and riders of motorcycles; to encourage rider participation in events; to promote motorcycle safety and camaraderie among members; to promote organized events; and in general, perform them in a lawful manner.
4. News since last meeting
  - a. Gloria update

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- i. Gloria is now at Victoria General #605 in Victoria, BC
    - ii. in a room so visiting hours are from 3pm to 8pm except for family
  - b. Cycle World International Motorcycle Show, December 11-13
    - i. Attended by Lenny, Steve, Karen Bobby
    - ii. Cool custom Stratoliner and 1300
  - c. Monroe Chapter #428, pot luck and pirate gift exchange, Sat 12/26/09
5. Break (10 minutes)
6. Treasurer – Jim Poore
  - a. Account balance \$789.71 before 50/50 and patch sales
  - b. 50/50 collected \$84
  - c. 50/50 winner Zach wins \$42
  - d. Donation decision for current chapter fund balance
    - i. Kevin made a motion that the chapter should keep \$250 for flowers, balloons, cards and incidentals; donate the remaining balance to Roy and Gloria
    - ii. Chapter members seconded the motion and voted unanimously to accept.
    - iii. John G to follow up with email to authorize Jim (Treasurer) to send a check to Roy.
7. News for this meeting
  - a. Vote in new members; Deliese Guinn is now a chapter member
  - b. Rocker and chapter patch order
    - i. Chapter patch \$6 – Robert D, Tom, Deliece
    - ii. BC Chapter #5103 patches – 14 requested, 5 left, \$10 each, Bruce (2), Perry (1), John F (2); all funds collected
    - iii. Take orders for Large and Small rockers – VP Lenny, STAR Vets Steve, LOS Rep Laurie, 1 Lg 1 Sm rocker Robert D
  - c. Safety Spot
    - i. All members (riders and passengers) should review our Guide to Group Riding on the web page, Safety Corner
    - ii. Don asked about stopping at stop signs. John G spoke with WA State Patrol. Each bike must stop at each stop sign. We may pull up and stop in pairs, but the bike to the left will initiate the roll off. We must put our foot down at a minimum.
  - d. Ride ideas collected so far - Lenny
  - e. Rate The Ride concept – Lenny/Jackie
    - i. Members discussed options for Rate the Ride.
    - ii. John G asked for a vote to see who would complete a short survey to provide feedback for Rate the Ride. A majority indicated yes.
    - iii. Ideas suggested included email with form attached, send your own email to President, build some kind of form for our web page, and utilize the member forum with a new discussion item for each ride.
    - iv. Kevin indicated that we should not open our web page to collect Rate the Ride feedback since we would get a lot of SPAM and unwanted comments.

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- v. Kevin suggested that we could initiate a new discussion item in our Chapter Forum following each ride.
  - vi. John G reminded all members that they will need to create a username and password for the member forum and connect to it in order to share feedback for Rate the Ride. Slightly fewer members indicated that they would use the forum and respond.
8. Future Chapter #154 events
- a. February 6, Saturday – Chapter Meeting at Bob’s Burger & Brew from 8:30 AM to 10 AM;
    - i. Charter Reading and Signing, bring STAR card, reading glasses
    - ii. Bring ride ideas
  - b. March 6, Saturday - Chapter Meeting at Bob’s Burger & Brew from 8:30 AM to 10 AM
    - i. build ride schedule
    - ii. ride TBD based on weather
    - iii. plan on a very long meeting
  - c. March 27, Saturday – Hot Dog roast at Robert and Laurie’s fire pit
  - d. April 25, Sunday – Lime Run for Make A Wish (flyer)
  - e. June 5, Saturday - Chapter Meeting at Bob’s Burger & Brew from 8:30 AM to 10 AM
    - i. Breeze through meeting info and leave by 9:30
    - ii. Ride - Monroe Chapter #428 Poker Run
  - f. June TBD, Saturday – Bike to Battle Cancer
    - i. Start with registration at SPS
    - ii. Ride to hospitals in Bellingham, Sedro-Woolley, Mount Vernon
    - iii. Return to SPS for BBQ hosted by STAR Chapter #154
    - iv. Casey Henson to help with media coverage and American Cancer Society
    - v. All funds to go to American Cancer Society
  - g. July 31, Saturday – Multi Chapter Ride
    - i. Meet in Renton at RMC by 10 AM
    - ii. Socialize, group photo, 50/50, snack food
    - iii. Local ride for 4 hours with scenic stops
    - iv. Return for BBQ and 50/50 draw
    - v. Depart around 6 pm
    - vi. Daylight to 8:45 pm
    - vii. John G to invite all BC and WA chapter
  - h. August 20, Friday and 21, Saturday – NW STAR-BQ in Prosser, WA
    - i. Hosted by Chapter #409
    - ii. Bike games by Spokane, #174
    - iii. Ride over on Thursday, return on Sunday
9. Future events of interest
- a. July 20 – 23, STAR DAYS in Chattanooga, TN
    - i. Don and Andrea plan to attend
    - ii. Send photos to Don for chapter scrap book
10. News from members

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- a. TBD date Jim Schermerhorn Poker Run
  - i. Sherrie and Wendy volunteered for check point #5 plus registration
  - ii. Kevin has developed the route