



**“A Hand for the Downed Rider”**

# The Helping Rider

A.I.M VANCOUVER

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## On the Road again and that grin... Priceless!



I just happened to be in Merritt staying with relatives that live right across the street from where West, his wife Robyn and kids. I was not really feeling well that day so was being a bit lazy in the bed. Then I heard that sound.....it was his new bike being delivered to his home by Kamloops Harley Davidson.

There was West and his buddy with grins from ear to ear. As an amputee rider I remembered back to the first day I got on my bike and how exciting it was. I was feeling that excited for West.

West was super excited and I could see very quickly that he had overcome his feelings of getting back on a bike after he lost part of his leg due to a drunk driver last year. West took off down the road, turned around and came back to where I was standing with Jamie. The expression on his face said it all.....

Welcome back my friend! All of your AIM buddies wish you well and we can't wait to see you on the road again soon.

By Marcia Thomson

Motorcycle Awareness Month is May and for those interested in the **MLA Ride on May 5**, please check with BCCOM at [www.bccom-bc.com/](http://www.bccom-bc.com/) or call 604-580-0111.

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Riding Season is well under way and lots will be happening this summer. See **Calendar of Events** on page 10 and the one at [www.aimvancouver.com/calendar/](http://www.aimvancouver.com/calendar/) is updated regularly so drop by .....Ride safe!

## Vancouver Motorcycle show door staff (Aim members)

*This is the first year AIM Vancouver has worked the door for the Vancouver Motorcycle show. With the help of AIM Directors and new Members, raising funds for Aim was a blast. A big thank you to Nanette Jacques, Manager of the Vancouver Motorcycle Show and all those who helped out with the long hours it was well worth it.*

Karen Weinstein  
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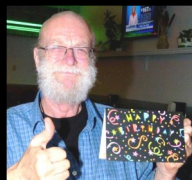
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Last year we assisted 23 riders. Two thirds were from the Lower Mainland, the other third from the rest of the province. Although almost every make of motorcycle was represented.

A statistic which concerns us most is 1/3 were single vehicle accidents (SVA), two hitting deer and two off road. The others involved collision. The problem with SVAs is that the rider is only eligible for Part 7 benefits (limited to \$ 150,000) with no recourse to a "tort" claim (there is no one to sue). This is really tough if they are rendered paraplegic or quadriplegic as their funding runs out quickly.

Almost 1/3 of our injured riders last year were relegated to using a wheelchair for the rest of their life and 1/10 were amputees.

The rest had multiple but serious injuries resulting in some form of permanent disability.

A statistic which we find very alarming is that approximately 1/4 of our riders did not carry collision insurance: most said they couldn't afford it. This was especially problematic for those with fancy touring models that were worth \$ 30,000 or more as they were mostly totaled and they lost everything. When you take out insurance this spring, consider the possibility of a deer running out in front of you with you ending up totaling your bike.

**Can you afford not to buy collision coverage?**

Gary Richardson, Visitation Director

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*Editors' Note: This is a continuation of Gary's trip. If you have not read the first part, and do not have a hard copy, the link is [www.aimvancouver.com/news/2010/2010-winter.pdf](http://www.aimvancouver.com/news/2010/2010-winter.pdf)*

In the first instalment, Visitations Director Gary Richardson outlined the various difficulties he had using a manual wheelchair. He met with Paul Cuane, founder of CIVIL RIGHTS NOW!, and they travelled together from Burnaby to the Davidson Pitt Stop Restaurant on the Fraser Highway in Surrey for lunch. They used both the Skytrain and bus systems. We pick up the story near the end of the first leg of their journey. (The quotes are from Joe South's song "Walk A Mile In My Shoes".)

**The Trip (continued):**

We got off at the 162<sup>nd</sup> Street bus stop on Fraser Highway which is about one block from the Davidson Pitt Stop Restaurant. We crossed the Fraser Highway and I was almost hit by a truck. Because of the low height of the wheelchair I felt I was invisible to drivers; Paul had warned me about this. Motorcyclists know it is important to make eye contact with oncoming drivers before turning left in an intersection and this was even more important for me due to my low visibility in the wheelchair. As before, my arms became tired and sore before I had gone the one block to the restaurant.

*And yet we spend the day throwing stones at one another  
'Cause I don't think or wear my hair the same way you do  
Well I may be common people but I'm your brother  
And when you strike out and try to hurt me it's a-hurtin' you.*

**Finally We Eat**

After an awesome meal we headed back home. The return trip on the bus was uneventful and the Skytrain presented the usual challenge. Once again I had to rely on the good graces of a stranger to help me onto the Skytrain. As we neared Paul's place I had to hold the wheelchair back on the downhill slope. This was hard on my hands and they were very sore. When we arrived at Paul's place I still had to go down to the end of the block and wheel back up on the street (dangerous) to my pickup to put the chair in the back and again I felt insecure because I might not be seen by drivers. All of this was tiring and I felt exhausted. When I finally stood up out of the wheelchair I felt like a free man.

**The Trip**

Our trip took 1-3/4 hours each way and totaled five hours including the lunch – an excursion that would have taken less than two hours by car. Clearly, everything takes a lot longer when using a wheelchair and requires planning, foresight and patience.

*There are people on reservations and out in the ghettos  
And brother there but for the grace of God go you and I  
If I only had the wings of a little angel  
Don't you know I'd fly to the top of the mountain, and then I'd cry.*

**Lessons Learned**

Did I learn what it was like to Only partially. I encountered my travels that don't exist in the couldn't just "go there" but had and allow extra time. I was de-help of others. Everybody was and was looking down on me. Although it was not unnerving, it was demeaning. I felt helpless and at the mercy of others.

*I encountered many barriers in my travels that don't exist in the walking world*

use a wheelchair? many barriers in walking world. I to plan my trip pendent on the taller than me

My back was sore from the prolonged sitting and my hands were sore and dirty from pushing the wheels. Wheeling the chair was demanding and tiring. Doors, curbs and inclines were especially problematic. The chair would "wheelie" or tip back every time I moved forward. The slightest uphill slope in the sidewalk made for hard work in the chair whereas I wouldn't notice it when walking. Coming down a slight slope was worse than going up as I had to hold the chair back to keep it from running away on me. The only way I could do that was to hang onto the grab-rails on the wheels and I started to burn the palms of my hands. Opening doors was also difficult and I learned to look for the automatic opening button.

While it was fun for the first few minutes, using the wheelchair fast became tedious and challenging. To me it was both a blessing and a curse, allowing me some mobility while at the same time I was continually restricted by obstacles and barriers, thus limiting my mobility.

**Shoe Size**

Joe South sang about walking in another's shoes. I tried wearing Paul's shoes but could not fill them. Using a wheelchair was very demanding. I have a much better appreciation of what Paul and other wheelchair users go through every day however at the end of the journey I was able to return to my walking life and that they cannot do. I certainly better appreciate the challenges they face every day.

*Walk a mile in my shoes, walk a mile in my shoes  
And before you abuse, criticize and accuse  
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- Gary Richardson

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Blessings, Rob and Donna George

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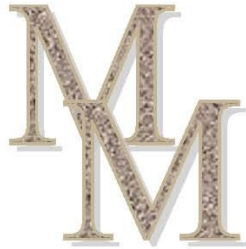
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Thank you, Smokey

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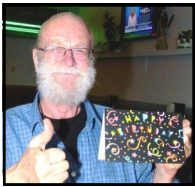
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## Tassels – A Growing In Crowd Movement

Fads come and fads go but a recent movement promises to stay with us forever. Rigid frames, kickstarts and Earle's front ends are now passe. In an all out effort to out "oldschool" each other,

bikers have borrowed from their youth to bring into vogue the latest rage: colored "streamers" or tassels for their handgrips. Especially popular with the Starbucks crowd, these can be seen on the bikes lined up in front of the restaurant every Sunday morning before a ride begins. These tassels are usually 1/4 inch wide strips of brightly colored plastic, roughly 12 inches long, hanging off the end of both hand grips.

You remember when you were a kid you had these tacked onto the ends of your bicycle handlebars and they flew, their shifting colors resplendent in the wind, when you rode your bicycle fast. This has now been adapted to motorcycles and the movement is growing fast. But, if you want to be in with the biker "in crowd", you have to follow the rules. There is nothing worse than using the wrong colored tassels. You will be "outed" immediately as a poser and shunned by any and all true old school bikers. The following guidelines will help you be accepted by the in crowd.

The first rule is that the colors should match the color of your bike. You can either go for colors which are complementary to the colors of your bike indicating you are a harmonious cooperative type, or you can go for contrasting colors making a statement that you are hard to get along with.

For an ecological statement you can use earth tones which includes browns and greens. If you have a wild multi-colored paint job such as those you often see on sport bikes, then anything goes because everything will clash and/or complement the bike. The ultimate statement is made by black leather tassels on a bike painted all flat black preferably a rigid shovel for that mean look.

An added effect would be tassels on your black leather jacket as well. Note that the tassels on your jacket should also be black leather – colored plastic ones would not go well with the black leather and this would give a mixed message to the other bikers, potentially confusing them.

Attaching these tassels to the handgrip is extremely complicated and should not be attempted at home. This should be done by a professional at a certified motorcycle shop or dealership.

Gary Richardson

Well its that time of the year where you go from 4 wheels to two, You are now, what maybe a 4th of the size, a dot, almost invisible and need to ride defensively, making sure that you do not ride in blind spots of the vehicles close to you, be ing visible to on coming left hand turners. Making sure the people you ride with can see you in their mirrors and you see them at all times.

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Chris

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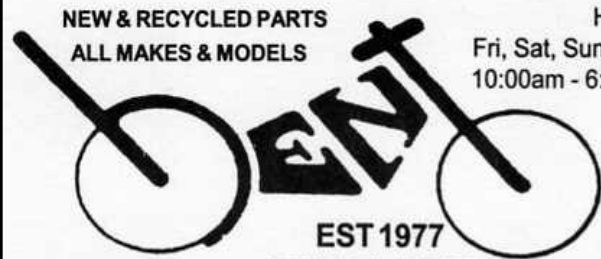
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## What is the main ingredient of WD-40 ?

Before you read to the end, does anybody know what the main ingredient of WD-40 is? Don't lie and don't cheat. WD-40. Who knew?

I had a neighbor who bought a new pickup. I got up very early one Sunday morning and saw that someone had spray painted red all around the sides of this beige truck (for some unknown reason). I went over, woke him up, and told him the bad news. He was very upset and was trying to figure out what to do.... Probably nothing until Monday morning, since nothing was open.

Another neighbor came out and told him to get his WD-40 and clean it off. It removed the unwanted paint beautifully and did not harm his paint job that was on the truck. I'm impressed! WD-40 - who knew?

Water Displacement #40'. The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and de greaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Rocket Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find a 'water displacement' compound.. They were successful with the fortieth formulation, thus WD-40.

The convert Company bought it in bulk to protect their atlas missile parts. Ken East (one of the original founders) says there is nothing in WD-40 that would hurt you... When you read the 'shower door' part, try it. It's the first thing that has ever cleaned that spotty shower door. If yours is plastic, it works just as well as glass. It's a miracle! Then try it on your stove top .... Viola! It's now shinier than it's ever been. You'll be amazed.

WD-40 uses:

1. Protects silver from tarnishing.
2. Removes road tar and grime from cars.
3. Cleans and lubricates guitar strings.
4. Gives floors that 'just-waxed' sheen without making them slippery.
- 5.. Keeps flies off cows.
6. Restores and cleans chalkboards.
7. Removes lipstick stains.
8. Loosens stubborn zippers.
9. Untangles jewelry chains.
10. Removes stains from stainless steel sinks.
11. Removes dirt and grime from the barbecue grill.
12. Keeps ceramic/terra cotta garden pots from oxidizing.
13. Removes tomato stains from clothing.
14. Keeps glass shower doors free of water spots.
15. Camouflages scratches in ceramic and marble floors.
16. Keeps scissors working smoothly.
17. Lubricates noisy door hinges on vehicles and doors in homes.
18. It removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor! Use WD-40 for those nasty tar and scuff marks on flooring. It doesn't seem to harm the finish and you won't have to scrub nearly as hard to get them off. Just remember to open some windows if you have a lot of marks.
19. Bug guts will eat away the finish on your car if not removed quickly! Use WD-40!
20. Gives a children's playground gym slide a shine for a super fast slide.
21. Lubricates gear shift and mower deck lever for ease of handling on riding mowers...
22. Rids kids rocking chairs and swings of squeaky noises..
23. Lubricates tracks in sticking home windows and makes them easier to open..

## A.I.M. name and Logo - Trademark

2010 was an educational year for the A.I.M. volunteers. We would like to say, Special thanks too. Jim McNeney of McNeney & McNeney for his financial, moral support, clearing the path towards the trademarking of the A.I.M. name and Logo. The Board of directors and volunteers of A.I.M. from 1983 onward for their diligence with all the A.I.M. correspondence, articles, minutes, pictures, paraphernalia, newsletters, newspaper articles and posters. To the volunteers, members and board of directors of all the current A.I.M. chapters: Vancouver Island (V.I.A.I.M.), A.I.M. Northern, and A.I.M. Interior. And to Randolf Richardson, A.I.M. Webmaster for all the support. Thanks you from all of us!

24. Spraying an umbrella stem makes it easier to open and close.
  25. Restores and cleans padded leather dashboards in vehicles, as well as vinyl bumpers.
  26. Restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles.
  27. Lubricates and stops squeaks in electric fans
  28. Lubricates wheel sprockets on tricycles, wagons, and bicycles for easy handling.
  29. Lubricates fan belts on washers and dryers and keeps them running smoothly.
  30. Keeps rust from forming on saws and saw blades, and other tools.
  31. Removes splattered grease on stove.
  32. Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging.
  33. Lubricates prosthetic limbs.
  34. Keeps pigeons off the balcony (they hate the smell).
  35. Removes all traces of duct tape.
  36. Folks even spray it on their arms, hands, and knees to relieve arthritis pain.
  37. Florida 's favorite use is: 'cleans and removes love bugs from grills and bumpers.'
  38. The favorite use in the state of New York , WD-40 protects the Statue of Liberty from the elements.
  39. WD-40 attracts fish. Spray a little on live bait or lures and you will be catching the big one in no time. Also, it's a lot cheaper than the chemical attractants that are made for just that purpose. Keep in mind though, using some chemical laced baits or lures for fishing are not allowed in some states.
  40. Use it for fire ant bites. It takes the sting away immediately and stops the itch.
  41. WD-40 is great for removing crayon from walls. Spray on the mark and wipe with a clean rag.
  42. Also, if you've discovered that your teenage daughter has washed and dried a tube of lipstick with a load of laundry, saturate the lipstick spots with WD-40 and rewash. Presto! The lipstick is gone!
  43. If you sprayed WD-40 on the distributor cap, it would displace the moisture and allow the car to start.
- And the main ingredient is? ANSWER ON PAGE 10

*Editors note: This was received via email so we do not know whom the original author was, but I did some searching and found 2000+ uses of WD-40 at*  
[http://www.wd40.com/files/pdf/wd-40\\_2042538679.pdf](http://www.wd40.com/files/pdf/wd-40_2042538679.pdf)  
<http://www.wd40.com/uses-tips/>

**A year ago I had a crash**

A year ago I had a crash  
That ended my biking freedom in a  
flash  
My leg was damaged  
My nerves were smashed  
Beyond repair below the knee  
I lost feeling down to the toes you see

No more will I feel pain  
I often wonder if it will return again  
As it once had been  
To feel the icy winter wind  
And dampness of the rain yet again

But I know with my heart and brain  
Things will never be the same again  
For my left leg may be strong again  
To walk on the beach and have fun  
However, I have to once more  
Seek out how to walk and run

I lie awake at night sometimes thinking  
It isn't fair not knowing  
If my leg is or isn't there  
But I am luckier than most  
I still have two even if one is all but a  
ghost

Written by Andy-John Catton 2007



**57<sup>th</sup> Annual Routledge Run**  
**Street and Dual Sport Motorcycle Ride**  
**July 1 - 3, 2011**

**Road Ride:**  
A spectacular Saturday with a route thru Aspen Grove, Kelowna, Rock Creek, Osoyoos and along the famous Old Hedley Road. Suitable for riders of any level on any type of bike.

**Dual Sport Options:**  
**Hard Route:** A challenging day that will include the famous Whipsaw Trail, the Coquihalla Canyon and the Tulameen area. Good knobby tires will be required!  
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Explore the spectacular Okanagan Similkameen region of southern British Columbia on your road bike or dual-sport/adventurer while enjoying the hospitality and camaraderie of the Greater Vancouver Motorcycle Club.

Our base this year will be:  
**The Princeton Castle Resort**  
375 Rainbow Lake Road  
just off the  
Princeton-Summerland Rd.  
Princeton is a 3 hour ride from Surrey.

Leave the lower mainland or the 'Loops on Friday July 1 on a guided/charted route (Road, EZ-DS, Hard-DS) at your leisure to the Princeton Castle Resort.

**Pre-Registration Required: Cut-off June 1, 2011**  
Cost \$150 per Person

Includes: Friday BBQ dinner, Saturday breakfast, sack lunch and catered dinner. Sunday breakfast. Two nights deluxe accommodations to early registrants. Rustic accommodations/tent sites/rv sites once capacity reached. Route sheets. Event souvenirs. Prizes. Saturday night movie under the stars.

Event Organizers:  
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Doug Frederickson 604-626-2084 doug@minutemansurrey.com

**More info and Entry Forms available at:**  
**www.gvmc.ca AND www.dualsportbc.com**  
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From Page 9 .....WD-40 , What is the basic Ingredient ?  
Answer: FISH OIL.



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## Calendar of Events,

### APRIL

**April 10, 2011** *Harley-Davidson Test Our Metal Demo Day* at Trev Deeley's  
604-291-2453 www.trevdeeley.com

**April 16, 2011** *8<sup>th</sup> Annual Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet & Bike Show*,  
Mount Vernon, Washington USA @ Skagit County Fairgrounds open to public  
8 AM – 3 PM, Free admission. www.washingtonvintagemotorcyclists.org/  
Events.html or call Mark, says 9am -3 pm @ 360-223-3190

**April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011** *26<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic & Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet & Show  
N Shine*. South Delta Rec Center, 1720 56<sup>th</sup> St, Tsawassen, BC. Info Hotline  
604-299-0020 and www.classicbikeswapmeet.ca

**April 21, 2011** *AIM General Meeting* at 7:00 PM, Davidson's Pitt Stop Restaurant,  
16225 Fraser Hwy., Surrey, B.C., Canada - All are welcome, rain or shine! -  
604.580.0111

**April 30, 2011** *April 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Motorcycle Show'n Shine at  
Donegal's Irish House*. 12054 96<sup>th</sup> Ave, Surrey, BC. Registration from 9 am –  
noon. More info at [www.donegalspub.com/](http://www.donegalspub.com/)

### MAY

**May 1, 2011** *5th Annual GVMC Spring Fun Ride* (Road Ride) Contact  
Dwight Harris (604) 466-8812 #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey B.C

**May 15-17, 2011** *Pah! 10<sup>th</sup> Rockies Deaf Bikers Anniverserary Celebrating  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Camp weekend*, Hazelmere RV Park & Campground. Surrey BC.  
Contact Dave Johnson at [DJ1963@telus.net](mailto:DJ1963@telus.net) for Registration forms or  
[rd bikers@hotmail.com](mailto:rd bikers@hotmail.com) for more info. See poster.

**May 15, 2011** *G.V.M.C. Gord Heppler Memorial Run @ GVMC Club  
House*, Unit 307 – 9785 192<sup>nd</sup> Surrey, BC. Cars welcome. More info @  
[www.gvmc.ca](http://www.gvmc.ca) or call Jackie Heppler at 604-888-8251. All proceeds go to BC  
Children's Hospital.

**May 19, 2011** *AIM General Meeting* at 7:00 PM, Davidson's Pitt Stop  
Restaurant, 16225 Fraser Hwy., Surrey, B.C., Canada - All are welcome, rain or  
shine! - 604.580.0112

**May 29, 2011** *Ride to Live* – Fundraiser for Prostate Cancer leaves from  
Trev Deeley's <http://www.vancouver.ridetolive.ca/>

### JUNE

**June 5, 2011** *Westcoast Motorcycle Ride to Live, Fight Prostate Cancer...  
Vancouver Island* [www.ridetolive.ca](http://www.ridetolive.ca)

**June 11, 2011** *Trev Deeley Motorcycles Show & Shine*. Ask for Chris at  
604-291-2453 [www.trevdeeley.com](http://www.trevdeeley.com)

**June 16, 2011** *AIM General Meeting* at 7:00 PM, Davidson's Pitt Stop  
Restaurant, 16225 Fraser Hwy., Surrey, B.C., Canada - All are welcome, rain or  
shine! - 604.580.0112

**June 19, 2011** *62nd Annual GVMC Piston Run* - (Cross Country/Off Road)  
Contact Wally Klammer (604) 594-5918 starts at the Chipmunk Creek /Foley  
Creek area.

### JULY

**July 1-3, 2011** *Toad Rock* 3 nights camping, Live music, 2865 Toad Rock  
Road on Highway 31+ Nelson BC, Toll Free: 1-877-229-5448  
[www.toadrockcampground.com/index.php](http://www.toadrockcampground.com/index.php)

**July 1-3, 2011** - *57th Annual GVMC Routledge Run* (Road Ride/Dualsport)  
Contact Mark Gray (604) 671-6934 #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey B.C

**July 7-10 2011** *Merritt Mountain Music Festival* more info at <http://www.mountainfest.com/>

**July 13-17, 2011** *1<sup>st</sup> Annual Sturgis North Motorcycle Rally & Music Festival,  
Salmon Arm BC* more at [http://sturgisnorth.com/salmon\\_arm/](http://sturgisnorth.com/salmon_arm/)

**July 14-17, 2011** *Great Canadian Bike Rally, Children's Charity*, Merritt BC.  
Music, Camping, Entertainment, Bike Games, Poker Runs and much more. The  
first IMBBA Sanctioned and Judged show in Western Canada announces  
\$10,000 in cash and prize. See more at <http://greatcanadianbikerally.com/>

**July 15-17, 2011** *July Hot Nights Car & Bike Show 'n Shine & Swap Meet*.

100 mile House, BC., more info <http://www.hotjulynights.ca/>

**July 16-17, 2011** *CMDRA- Canadian Motorcycle Drag Racing Association*,  
Ashcroft, BC [www.cmdra.com/](http://www.cmdra.com/)

**July 17, 2011** *Burn Camp Ride* – Motorcycles & Hotrod Cars welcome  
604-291-2453 [www.trevdeeley.com](http://www.trevdeeley.com)

**July 21, 2011** *AIM General Meeting* at 7:00 PM, Davidson's Pitt Stop Restaurant,  
16225 Fraser Hwy., Surrey, B.C. - All are welcome, rain or shine! -  
604.580.0112

**July 29-Aug 1, 2011** *23rd Annual Boogie Bash @* Rock Creek, BC. Live music,  
Vendors, Camping on Lawns, Bleachers, Showers, Kettle River, and lots more  
[aimsec@shaw.ca](mailto:aimsec@shaw.ca)

### AUGUST

**August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011** *AIM's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Show n Shine at GF Strong Rehabilitation  
Center*, 4255 Laurel St, Vancouver BC. Rain or Shine. Music, Food, Everyone  
is welcome. The Clients appreciate your attendance as it makes their day.

**August 18, 2011** *AIM General Meeting* at 7:00 PM, Davidson's Pitt Stop  
Restaurant, 16225 Fraser Hwy., Surrey, B.C. - All are welcome, rain or shine! -  
604.580.0112

**Aug 20-21, 2011** *CMDRA- Canadian Motorcycle Drag Racing Association*,  
Mission, BC [www.cmdra.com/](http://www.cmdra.com/)

**August 20-21 2011** *81<sup>st</sup> Annual GVMC Caribou Trails Run* - (Road Ride)  
Contact Jim Brooke (604) 930-8464 #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey B.C

### SEPTEMBER

**Sep. 18, 2011** *Harley-Davidson Test Our Metal Demo Day* at Trev Deeley's  
604-291-2453 [www.trevdeeley.com](http://www.trevdeeley.com)

### OCTOBER

**October 9, 2011** - *8th Annual GVMC Pioneer Run* (Road Ride) Contact Bob  
Vickers (604) 888-9405 #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey B.C

### NOVEMBER

**November 11, 2011**- *GVMC Remembrance Day Fall Crib Tournament* -  
Contact Ron Serne (604 514-2216 #307 - 9785 192nd Street, Surrey B.C

## CMDRA 2011 National Series

<http://www.cmdra.com/>

### DATE TRACK LOCATION

June 11-12 Castrol Raceway Edmonton, AB  
June 18-19 Grand Bend Motorplex Grand Bend, ON  
July 2-3 North Central Motorsports Park Prince George, B.C.  
July 16-17 Sturgis North Nitro Nationals -Eagle Motorplex Ashcroft, B.C.  
August 6-7 MHDRA Drag Strip Medicine Hat, AB  
August 20-21 Mission Raceway Park Mission, B.C.  
September 10-11 Castrol Raceway Edmonton, AB

## CMDRA 2011 Eastern Divisional Series

### DATE TRACK LOCATION

May 21-22 \*\* Toronto Motorsports Park Cayuga, ON  
June 18-19 Grand Bend Motorplex Grand Bend, ON  
July 16-17 Grand Bend Motorplex Grand Bend, ON  
July 31 Napierville Raceway Napierville, PQ  
August 6-7 Toronto Motorsports Park Cayuga, ON  
September 10-11 Castrol Raceway Edmonton, AB

**PLEASE Ride SAFELY!!!**



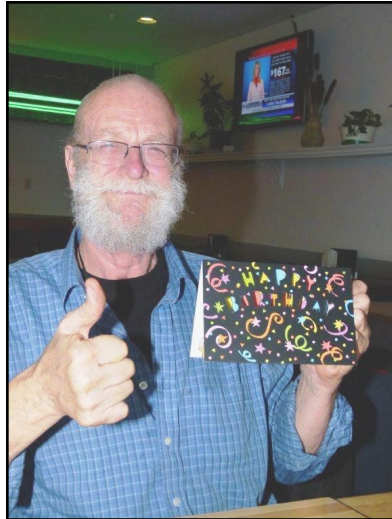
Above from Left, Bob Hamilton (New Membership Director) behind the table, Dave Munro, President and Gary Richardson, Visitation director . The good looking dude with the black vest, no one is telling me lol

**Photos by Joe Pyringer**

Below from the left, wearing red shirt, Bob Hamilton (New Membership Director) behind the table, Greg Swallow (Past Membership Director,) and Dave Munro. Forefront, hopefully 2 new members signing up.



To the left....Vancouver Motorcycle Show at the Tradex is one of our favorite events. The volunteers get to spend 4 days talking, answering questions, meeting new people and seeing those we have not seen for a while, so it is a great time. Thanks to all that renewed or joined for the first time! Your support is greatly appreciated!!!!



*Left, Meet Gary Richardson, Visitation Director, Prankster, and Story Teller just to name a few. (Ask him about the alligator and chainsaw) The guys got together on short notice (some were out of town including myself) and had dinner with Gary' on his Birthday. Below from the left bottom , Bob Hamilton, Gary and Paul Hounslow. Behind is Dave Munro and Joe Pyringer*

*Chris*



**Merseyside Fire Dept England showing off their Fire Motorcycles loaded with two twenty five litre water tanks and thirty meters of hose! (Yeah, I know the tank says fire on it!)**

**More at [news.discovery.com/tech/motorcycle-fights-fires.html](http://news.discovery.com/tech/motorcycle-fights-fires.html)**

Photo courtesy Tony Thomas

Smokey