

May was a “short” month for Chapter C in relation to activities. We had all scheduled activities completed by the 16th of the month. That doesn’t mean we didn’t have a productive month just that we didn’t waste time doing it.

As per usual, we started the month off with our supper ride on the 2nd with 4 “bikes” and 8 people simply because there were no two wheel machines on the ride (three trikes and a sidecar). Al & Sandy Davis let them to Wayne and Larry’s in Lawrence. Brenda and I were unable to make the ride since we had to go to Austin.

In Austin, TX we kid-sat the grandkids for a week, some way or other both of us *and* all the kids managed to survive the event. I know that I, for one, am way too old for all the noise that 3 kids (8, 5, and 2 1/2 years old) can make. The trip was a good one other than we rode in the rain from the rest area on 135 between Newton and Wichita all the way to the Texas state line. The weather cooperated the next day on into Austin. Then, on the way back from Austin to Lawton, OK to visit friends, the wind raised its ugly head. Riding 350 miles with a quartering headwind in 40 MPH wind isn’t my idea of fun, but we made it safe and sound, which is the important thing.

Our extend ride was on the 13th to Marilyn’s in Osage City led by Bill and Margaret Hanson with 6 people and 3 bikes (again all with 3 wheels). After a leisure old fashioned breakfast, we headed out on a short relaxing ride. It was probably only about 75 miles of wondering south of Topeka and ending up back at the Kwik Shop but it worked out well allowing everybody to be back home early in the afternoon to do as they wished.

Our monthly meeting was held on the 16th at Perkins with 10 people in attendance. It appeared that whatever bronchial ailment that is going around hit several of the chapter members leading to the small attendance.

We started the meeting off with a spirited discussion of people that, as we determined, either want to intentionally scare us or even possibly cause an accident. Bill asked me to relate an incident I had told him about on our ride from Lawton to Manhattan where a pickup with 5 men in it was passing us on the turnpike in Oklahoma and when they got beside of us just drifted/cut over a bit toward our lane causing a quick reaction on my part. After they passed us the 3 in the backseat turned and laughed at us leading me to believe it was intentional not

to mention dangerous. That led to several people talking about different situations similar for them over the years. The main point of the discussion was always be alert and that's whether on a bike or in a car because just about anything can happen at any time.

Our supper ride in June will be on the 6th to Poncho's, being led by John & Teresa Gull. We will meet as usual at the Kwik Shop at 6:00 pm. Our extended ride will be the District spring ride to Lucas on the 10th. Bill will send an email asking to RSVP either yes or no so we can plan on meeting places along the route before linking up with the folks from down south in Salina or also make alternate plans for those that want a shorter ride. A follow-up email will be sent out after receiving the RSVPs for alternate plans if needed.

The dates for the district rally were discussed again with some options in Hutchinson for things to do while there. In addition, Wing Ding was also discussed with me making an attempt to explain the parking-fee-situation at the Gaylord center.

With that we did the 50/50 drawing and as seems to be the norm lately Ken Felch won the large one and Rod Williams the small one. I'm not sure how many months in a row those two have walked away with the money but it's been a lot for sure.

Birthdays:

1 Teresa Gull

15 Sandy Davis

28 John Gull

Don & Brenda Williams

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