



REP – CANADA

INFO BULLETIN #2

GWRRA Rider Courses – Costs and Disposition of Funds

Those GWRRA Members in Canada interested in the Rider Education Program have probably read – or should have read – REP – Canada Info *Bulletin #1* (to view visit www.vwh.ca/rider-ed-canada/) which discussed, among other issues, the cost of GWRRA Seminars / Rider Courses. This Bulletin indicated that any excess revenues from courses were to be deposited into respective Rider Education financial accounts.

- **Cost of Rider Courses**

It would be our preference that GWRRA Rider Courses, including the Advanced Rider Course, the Trailing Course and the Trike Riders Course, be offered without cost to the Member. However, realistically, everyone would agree that there are associated administrative costs for paper, printing, completion cards and other incidentals, there may be parking lot costs, and there is the cost of purchasing cones (pylons), first aid kits, fire extinguishers, etc. Accordingly, each participating rider is charged a **minimum \$20 fee** each course for the aforementioned items.

Recognizing that these activities represent the primary means of fund-raising for the Rider Education Program, however, subject to prior approval by the District or Regional Rider Educator or Director, course participants **may** be charged up to a **maximum of \$35** per course, including the previously noted \$20 minimum. This course fee, if charged, can be used to help defray **receipted** costs associated with transporting and accommodating GWRRA Rider Course Instructors.

As noted in Info *Bulletin #1*, GWRRA Rider Course Instructors are **not** paid for presenting rider safety courses except, if requested, reimbursement for receipted travel and accommodations costs associated with attending and presenting the course(s).

- **Disposition of Excess Revenue from Rider Courses**

While the final authority rests with the Regional Director, we suggest that any excess revenues over and above legitimate course costs should be deposited into a specific Rider Education account of the Region, District or Chapter, depending on who organizes or sponsors the event. Where a Rider Education account does not exist, these funds should be specifically earmarked as “RE Funds” in Operations accounts. These funds would be used to purchase REP Level patches and other Rider Education materials in future.

Should anyone have any questions or concerns in respect of this matter, please contact your Chapter, District or Regional Director or your respective Rider Education Officer