

Bob Merriman Memorial Washington Governor's Run
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Hi everyone. Just a quick note about this year's Governor's Run. In case you didn't know, it is our 25th this year. We are going all out this year and plan on having the best run we have ever had. The highlights of the run this year are our Grand Prizes. This year we are giving away not **ONE** but **TWO** motorcycles. One will be a new Honda Goldwing and the other is a new Harley Davidson Electra Glide Standard. We also have a new Bushtec Turbo +2 trailer to give away. As it has been in the past, you do **NOT** need to be present to win any of the Grand Prizes. All for the low sum of \$25 per registration. You can register more than once as well. We also have a lot of other prizes and a silent auction going on both days. This year, we also have a 25th Anniversary commemorative coin.

We plan on having a huge Show and Shine (better than last year I'm told) on Saturday. Anybody who puts their bike in the Show and Shine will be eligible to win some prizes. Last year's top prize was a set of 4 car/truck tires valued up to \$2500. We are still working on the prizes for this year. There will also be trophies given out for the winners of the various classes.

Also on tap will be new Bike Games for Saturday. GWRRA Chapter G did a fantastic job last year and told me that this year will be even better with more fun and more challenges. Again, anybody that participates in the bike games will be eligible to win some prizes.

You have to be registered for the event to participate in the Show and Shine and the Bike Games.

Saturday will also have some great entertainment. We are still working on the entertainment. GWRRA Chapter O is putting on a great dinner of pulled pork, baked beans, salad, corn on the cob, and dessert for only \$8.

Sunday is the actual run itself. We have church services starting at 7:15am presented by the Washington State CMA Director. If you have never had the opportunity to hear Ralph, please come. He packs a great message in a short period of time. Starting at 8:05am just after a quick opening with a color guard and the National Anthem, the ride coordinators promise me a wonderful ride throughout the area. After getting your ride cards punched, you can take the opportunity to have your bike blessed by the CMA right outside the front door of the Pavilion. We will also have two non-motorcycle drill teams performing for us on Sunday afternoon. Then we will have motorcycle drill teams right after that. The GWTA Northwest Wings have confirmed they will be there. Still working on the Cossacks.

One final highlight. The vendor area in the Pavilion will be open this year! No charge to come see the vendors!

If you would like to volunteer to help us put on the run, we can always use extra help. We will give you a 25th Anniversary hat.

If you need further information and registration forms, you can go to www.governorsrun.net or contact me at mikew@wavecable.com or call me at 360.340.2588.