

AUTHOR's NOTES

- It is hoped that this package will be of significant help to someone (anyone, anywhere) conducting a motorcycle crash scene response exercise. Feedback to the author would be very much appreciated -
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- As with any attempt to realistically depict an accident scene, be aware that no matter how clearly you communicate that it is a "reenactment" or an "exercise", some members of the public may still become visibly upset when passing by, even if in a passing vehicle. It is recommended that, if possible, the exercise be out of viewing range of the uninformed public. With prior publicity, of course, the public can be encouraged to attend, as it is a wonderful publicity event for GWRRA and your local chapter(s), demonstrating our training efforts and relatively high preparedness, as motorcyclists go. If the public is aware of it, they will come...
- When selecting a narrator, it is *strongly* recommended that care is taken to consider several factors:
 - a) The narrator must be able to speak at a reasonable pace, enunciate carefully, use pauses and voice inflection to add emphasis and some drama to the narration. Remember, Part I is timed to take approximately 15-25 minutes, so the narrator *MUST* stick to the script, almost verbatim. He or she must be sensitive to how his/her voice is coming over the PA. If they can't hear or understand you, they learn nothing. Prior experience has shown that timing and effectiveness of the message are *both* significantly diminished by a narrator that goes rogue.
 - b) You are strongly encouraged to rehearse this exercise several times prior to the actual demonstration, including having several walk-throughs. Holding a rehearsal at your rally will almost certainly result in some volunteer role players not being available when you need them, having confusion among role players and the growing audience. It also will diminish the surprise and "shock and awe" effect if audience members see the rehearsal before the final exercise is held. It is only through rehearsals that you learn where the problems are, and it's much less embarrassing to only have problems in rehearsals, and not in the actual presentation.
- *There is also a Power Point presentation that can be customized and used to introduce the exercise to one's District or Chapter, to display what kind of assignments and actions might be necessary to present a well-planned exercise.*

SUGGESTIONS:

1. If it can be arranged, have one police officer, one fireman and one EMT join the Exercise Coordinator in a large classroom, and invite rally participants to join you for a (prescheduled) seminar. Many questions can be answered directly by the emergency responders, and the Exercise Coordinator can take this opportunity to make many other things clear about the exercise. The Exercise Coordinator should be prepared to lead the discussion by preparing an outline based on this experience. [Filename: 06_BRIEFING NOTES](#) can be used for this seminar. The Exercise Coordinator should confer with the above mentioned professionals prior to this debrief, to clarify what will be covered.
2. Invite the local police department to provide a 60-90 minute seminar on "accident investigation". It is almost a certainty that you will have "standing room only crowds" in attendance. Convey that visual aids are encouraged.
3. Invite a local Emergency Medical Service to provide a seminar of 60-90 minutes based on a scenario in which a motorcycle/car crash has occurred, with multiple victims suffering significant bodily injury. Provide them with a copy of appropriate portions of the contents of this CD. It would be educational to have them describe their actions upon arrival at such an accident scene, given the training the GWRRA personnel might have employed in this situation. Ask questions regarding how your chapter members would interface with them as they arrive at the scene, and what their expectations would be. Give them advance notice that their presentation might be based on their arrival at a motorcycle crash scene and many GWRRA members are trained in CPR/MFA, and that field exercises such as this are conducted occasionally around the country.