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The ride was too short for my standard ride report so here's the revised version.

We sat through a mind (and ass) numbing hour+ of the do's and don'ts followed by the ride around base and onto the flight line. After the "parade" Gramps, Casper and I went on a short trip around lake Ogawara and called it a day. Bling, Huckleberry, and prospect Joe went and did something else that from what I understand turned into a little adventure. I let them tell their own story.

Ride Notes:

1. Huckleberry; move furniture or ride before it rains? PUHLEASE!
1. Everyone was more interested in hanging-out outside the theatre looking at bikes and shooting the breeze than they were at getting through the briefing (DUH!)
2. The day started out sunny and semi-warm but in standard Misawa fare got cold and cloudy as the day went on--it eventually rained of course.
3. Thunder (the other club) really showed their ass on the base ride blowing past the ride leader and pissing off a lot of people. (I was laughing so hard in my helmet I had tears)
4. Gramps needs to dress warmer for Misawa spring rides. (Isn't he gonna retire here?)
5. Spring was in the air, literally. Farmers were putting down fertilizer and dragging mud onto all the good roads. Gramps would drive over the mud throwing it all over the rider behind him (ME!)
6. I hope it was mud.
7. Casper and Gramps both had gas bad...oops, bad gas. Gramps fixed his with some Heet, Casper fixed his with some off base gas.
8. When I was coming in the gate Huckleberry was headed out on his bike and when I got to my house the Koushin's truck was missing a wheel but had gained a jack. Hmmm. I meant to give a hand when they returned but they didn't knock on my door and their loud pipes woke me up only when they were leaving. Sorry fellas!
9. On the serious side, make sure to layer with high quality clothes. I use skiing gear underneath and good 'ol motorcycle leather on the outside. I stayed pretty comfortable. Also, the roads through the farm really are treacherous with the planting that's going on. Keep it sane and enjoy the rides.

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'98 Suzuki Bandit GSF1200S
Maroon (the fast color!)
Krazy Ed 2" mod with jetted carbs
K&N Filter
Hole Shot Slip-on
Hole Shot 5* Timing Advance
Dyno'd 120 rwhp
GSXR Rear shock
Progressive fork springs
Dunlop Qualifiers
Galfer steel braided Brake lines
Vortex front and rear C5 gold sprockets

RK GB530SXO X-RING Chain
Corbin Gunfighter & Lady seat
Pro Gel Grips
Garmin Etrex Vista GPS
RAM mount for GPS
Joe Rocket magnetic Tank Bag
Nelson Rigg Deluxe Saddle bags
Endless Smiles!