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Wing It With Mike and Dedre

At the time of this writing, we have completed another Blast, had a couple of other rides and have endured more than an average amount of rain. While riding is our number one priority, that has not been the case. BAH HUMBUG!

We noted that more than a few of our participants had the HID headlights installed on their bikes at the Blast. If you haven't seen these lights, check them out. They turn night into day. We all know we need to improve night time safety for our bikes, and believe me, these lights do the job.

What a pleasure it was to see the crowd we had at our last gathering, 43 people were on hand and we saw Chapter A go home with the Traveling Plaque again.

As for the Traveling Plaque, Chapter C—CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE! We again won the visitation award for Kentucky as well as the Traveling Plaque award for the 2013—2014 visitation season. Thanks to all of you for your being the reason we achieved this mark. Not to mention we received 2 \$100.00 checks from our district for those awards. Thanks again!

BJ and Carolyn Stapleton we replaced us as the new District Couple of the Year; congratulations to them! To finish our term Dedre and I will be traveling to North Carolina next month and competing in October at Virginia's rally for Region Couple of the Year. Please come out and root for us!

Roger has been doing a great job on rides with more to come. Dedre and I hope to see you out on these rides and burning up the roadways with your chapter. Thanks for all you do Chapter C, and thanks for allowing Dedre and I the opportunity to work for you.





RIDER EDUCATION



We made a plug for these earlier, but I wanted to bring it up again. Brother GOO brought attention to these every time you saw his bike on the road or talked with him about lighting. I am talking about the HID headlights. We had the low beams installed at Wing Ding, and what a difference. Coming home I never used the high beam lights and noticed that during the daytime our lights lit up the road signs, even in daylight. WOW! The visible difference is night and day. If you ride any at night or intend too, you need to look into buying these for your bike. All of us that ride know of the concerns involved with night riding and these are one tool, while a tad bit expensive, it's worth the money you spend for your and your co-riders safety. The added illumination brings you a whole new world of visibility while the added daylight advantage is obvious. Please give these lights a consideration when your out looking for new chrome or other articles for your bike.

Thank you Chapter C for all you do!!



Birthdays

Alice Sellers Sept. 01
 Donna Toon Sept. 08
 Rick Wise Sept. 14
 Roy Campbell Sept. 20
 Donna Fint Sept. 21

Anniversaries

Danny and Martha Samples Sept. 01
 Mitchell Young Sept. 14
 Roger and Karen Early Sept. 5

Please join us as we celebrate these wonderful people and their special occasions. May they have many more!

If we have missed anyone, our apologies. Please let us know!



Membership Enhancement



We welcomed a new guest turned member into the GWRRA at our last gathering. Kurt Schmidt joined us and congratulations on his membership.

Perry Geertz sold his Goldwing Trike and now has a chrome Harley Davidson, and I do mean chrome. This thing will put your eyes out. Nice bike Perry!

Many seminars on Membership Enhancement are now available for our participants. Many of them came out of the Leadership Training division and others have and are being created to supplement this area. Please feel free to request any of the multitude of seminars available from the Goldwing University. All three programs are now under one roof. We will be introducing new information in the future about the direction GWRRA is going and on the development of the GWRRA University Training.

Our July gathering at Roosters. We had a total of 43 people show up including three other chapters competing for the last chance to win the Traveling Plaque. Chapter A, S and G were present with us and to no real surprise Chapter A took home the plaque.

The Blast kicked off a new season for the Traveling Plaque. Chapter Y is starting it off on Sept. 6 in Mayfield. Please join us as we travel down west to win the plaque and bring it home. They will eat at noon and meet at 1:00. Dedre and I will leave Versailles at 8:00 am and 4 wheel down if anyone wants to ride with us.



KY-C MONTHLY GATHERING INFO

Don't forget our gathering place !!!!

The Bluegrass Wings gather the 4th Tuesday of every month at Roosters Restaurant at 124 Marketplace Drive, Lexington, KY. We eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. Let's get together and have some FUN!!



Ride Events

Web page www.kybluegrasswings.org



Our Co-Rider's choice ride on 7/26 was a lot of fun. We enjoyed the ride to Berea which included a ride on the Valley View Ferry. When we arrived in Berea we parked right in front of a fudge and ice cream store so the day started well until we found out the store was closed. We shopped for a while in the Artisan Village and as we returned to the bikes, we discovered the store was now open so we enjoyed some ice cream and fudge. Next we rode to an Amish store to have lunch. After having dessert and lunch (in that order) we then rode to the College Square for more shopping. After what I thought was the end of our shopping, we rode to Kentucky Motorsports and Outdoors to look around their shop. I enjoyed that last part of shopping the best but did not make any purchases. It was fun to look at the new bikes and the collection of older bikes they have in the store. We finished the day with another ride on the Valley View Ferry. It was a great day, our Co-Riders picked a fun destination but I am certain they went well beyond the 60 minute shopping limit.

We also had a ride to Jane's Saddlebag on 8/2. We had a fun ride on all the curves on KY-227. We enjoyed their Woolly Mammoth Burger and then looked around the farm for a while. They were very hospitable and even took some pictures of our group to add to their Facebook page. We were trying to dodge some rainstorms on the way home so we deviated from our planned route. We were using the magic of GPS to get us back home and it directed us to a road that caused us to ride across a narrow creek bed. I was a little concerned the creek bed might be slippery but we all made it across and found our way home. We got rained on a little in Stamping Ground and then saw lightning and rain headed our way as we got back to Lexington. I pulled in the garage with about 10 minutes to spare before more rain came.

We had dinner rode to Gibby's in Frankfort on 8/5. The food was great and we had a nice ride back through Millville.

The list of our upcoming rides and dinners is below. Please come out and join us.

August 23 – Ride to Cynthiana for the [Cynthiana Rod Run](#)

September 6 – Ride through the Daniel Boone National Forest

September 11 – Dinner ride to Wallace Station

September 20 – Ride to Portsmouth, Ohio to see the [Murals on the Floodwall](#).

October 4 – Ride to the Apple Festival in Paintsville

October 14 – Dinner ride to Darlin' Jean's Cobbler Café in Midway

October 18 - Ride to Creekside Restaurant in Campbellsville

November 1 – Ride to Our Best Restaurant in Smithfield

November 4 – Dinner at Bellacino's in Brannon Crossing Shopping Center

November 15 – Ride to the Whistle Stop Restaurant in Glendale

I will send out an email a few days prior to each ride or dinner to provide more details.

For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>. The calendar also includes the various Chapter Meetings and the Region Events. If you have any questions or corrections, please let me know.

If you want to see some of the photos from our past events, check out the following page: <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/photos/>



ON-SITE CLASSES AVAILABLE

*Thanks for stopping in!
Check Out Some Of Our Great Events*

Dogs & Discounts

Thursday Night Bike Night:

Every Thursday 5pm-6pm with FREE food and parts discounts throughout the store.

Off Road Ride / Demo Day:

We will be holding an Off Road ride at Wildcat Off Road Park the first weekend of October. Arctic Cat will be bringing out a few ATV and Side X Sides to take for a spin. We will provide a FREE lunch also, so mark your calendar this will be an event you do not want to miss!

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Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets got out and VISIT our fellow chapters. Here is a list of when and where they meet. It's FUN to make new Friends.



Chapter A Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Shoney's just off I-65 and Fern Valley Road in Louisville. They eat at 5:30 and meet at 6:30.



Chapter C Meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at Roosters. This is at the intersection of Nicholasville Road and Man O War in front of Walmart. Eat @ 6:00 PM and meet @ 7:00.



Chapter G Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Holiday Inn 7905 Freedom Way Florence, KY 41042 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm



Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at Stratton Community Center 215 Washington St. Shelbyville, KY 40065 Meet @ 6:30pm



Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Golden Coral U.S. 31 W. Elizabethtown, KY Eat @ 4:00 PM, Meet @ 5:00



Chapter T Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY Eat @ 6:00 PM, Meet @ 7:00



Chapter W Meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Frischs in London off Highway 192. Eat at 6, meet at 7.



Chapter Y Meet on the 1st Thursday at Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th St. Mayfield, KY 42066 Eat @ 6:00, Meet @ 7:00

Look at the Chapter Gathering days as we will try and to visit them all at sometime.

The Kentucky Blast Recap

The Kentucky Blast has come and gone, but what a great time! Mike already told you the big news—winning the Visitation Program AND the Traveling Plaque! What he didn't say, was that this was the third year in a row for Chapter C to win both! I guess we like to socialize! The visitation program is when three or more of us participate at another chapter's gathering or event, a region event or Wing Ding. There is a form that we complete, have the event head sign, and submit. So if three or more of you do something without us, please take a form with you! The traveling plaque is chasing after that piece of wood that is the shape of KY. Again, it takes a minimum of three people to visit a KY chapter to try to capture the plaque. Tickets are distributed to each chapter that qualifies with three and an extra ticket is given to the chapter with the most participants. A ticket is drawn and the winning chapter goes home with the plaque. Chapter Y won the plaque from the Blast, so we will be heading to western Kentucky to try to bring it home. Thankfully they changed their meeting from a Thursday night to Saturday, September 6. Eat at noon, meet at 1:00. We would appreciate others to go along with us!

Chapter C also participated in the Chapter Challenge and tied for third place. You'll have to look at the pictures on the web page to see what fun we had with the plank walk, the balloon pop and digging for potatoes!

There are a bunch of us going to the North Carolina convention in Cherokee, NC September 25—27. Make sure we know who so we can count your nose for the visitation form! The number of points we get is based on mileage, the number of people and what kind of event it is.



ON THE GUIDED RIDE FOR THE BLAST, WE HAD SO MANY BIKES WE BROKE OUT INTO TWO GROUPS. THIS IS THE LATER GROUP BOARDING THE VALLEY VIEW FERRY FOR A RIDE ACROSS THE KENTUCKY RIVER.

THE 2014 CONVENTION SCHEDULE

SPRING FLING
TENNESSEE DISTRICT CONVENTION
CAMP JORDAN ARENA, EAST RIDGE TENNESSEE
April 24—26, 2014

SUCCESS!

DOWN HOME RALLY
THE WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
SUMMERSVILLE CONFERENCE CENTER
SUMMERSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA
June 12—14, 2014

THE GWRRA NATIONAL OFFICE PRESENTS
WING DING 36
ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER—MADISON WISCONSIN
July 2—5, 2014

THE BLAST
THE KENTUCKY DISTRICT CONVENTION
FRANKFORT CONVENTION CENTER
FRANKFORT KENTUCKY
August 14—16, 2014

WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES
THE NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CONVENTION
ACQUONI EXPO CENTER
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA
September 25—27, 2014

RALLY IN THE VALLEY
THE VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
"Looney Tunes in the Valley"
HOLIDAY INN—TANGLEWOOD—ROANOKE, VA
October 9—11, 2014