

Blue Grass Wings

Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge



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Couple of the Year

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March 2013

Wing It with Mike and Dedre

How is Chapter C doing these days? Are you ready for some FUN? Well, warm weather is right around the corner and as for Dedre and me, it cannot get here soon enough. As I write this article, our bike is in shop getting some much needed upgrades. As we have advised many of you in past discussions, be prepared for problems with your older bikes due to ethanol fuel. I am having to replace our float bowl gasket due to seepage. Currently, we treat the fuel with Star Tron Fuel Additive. The previous owner did not treat the fuel. So after that and replacing vacuum and water lines that were original and a few other items of concern, we are going to be ready for kick stands up! Remember that routine maintenance is essential to safe riding. Take care of your ride and it will take care of you!!

We have been busy visiting other chapter gatherings and having a good time socializing. Dedre and Bill Mucha, along with Rick Broadway from Chapter H, assisted Jeannie McKenzie with Life Skills Leadership Training at Chapter T in Paintsville. Eight participants will receive their bars. Great Job to all that participated.

Randy Coy led a ride Saturday the 16th to some beautiful back roads on a really nice day. I hope that other chapter participants can join them on future rides. We are looking forward to seeing everyone on the 26th and getting into our riding season. Good health to all and see you soon!!

Don't forget about our rider education class after the gathering!!

A special note on Cliff and Sandy. They are both home now recovering. Yeah!!! Roger Early was injured in Lexington from a motor vehicle accident. He is home, sore and thankful he wasn't on his bike. Our prayers and best wishes are extended to them!!

Roger has a few words!

I have made some modifications to the ride schedule. Our Lincoln Homestead ride originally scheduled for 3/2 was moved to 4/20. It was too cold for a ride on 3/2 so I re-arranged the schedule as follows:

March 16 – Elk Creek Winery

April 6 – Kentucky Derby Museum

April 20 – Lincoln Homestead State Park

May 4 – Kentucky Derby Ride

May 11 – Hot Brown Ride (<http://gwrraky.com/Doc/HBRide%2005.13.pdf>)

June 8 – Route to be announced

June 22 – Route to be announced

We continue to enjoy the food and fun at the dinners. Please come out and join in the fun. Here are the upcoming dinners (we eat at 6:00):

March 18 – Jalapenos on South Broadway

April 11 – Joe Bologna’s on Maxwell

April 29 – Zaxby’s on Leestown Road

May 13 – Billy’s Barbeque on Cochran Road

June 3 – Shamrock’s Bar and Grill on Hartland Parkway

June 17 – Wallace Station on Old Frankfort Pike

For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at <http://www.gwrrakyc.org/events.php> If you click on one of the tabs in the upper right corner of the calendar, you can see different views. For example, if you click on the Agenda tab, it will change to a list rather than a calendar view. In any of the views, please click on one of the events to get more information including a map to the location. If you problems getting information from the calendar, please let me know.



Words of Wisdom from the “GOO”

Why Should I Take A GWRRRA Rider Course?



Nine times out of ten the answer is “I’ve been riding for years and I don’t need to take a class.” Or I have ridden 000,000 of miles and “what can they teach me?” Persuading a person with a negative attitude about GWRRRA Rider Training is like the old saying **“talking to a brick wall.”** Is it possible to be so skilled and have all the knowledge to avoid an accident? Well, if one does not ride very far or often, then it may be possible. But personally I didn’t hardly get out of town when I totaled a bike and was lucky enough to walk away from it.

Can we in GWRRRA Kentucky remember a single riding season that someone we knew did not have a bad accident, a close call or a near miss due to another motorist’s driving behavior or other causes? If you ride around our Commonwealth or like some in our Chapter that have or will be taking trips out west, or to Canada or even better yet Alaska; we expose ourselves to many different riding situations and environments. We have to be prepared to respond to these riding changes with the proper reaction and on occasions do it within a split second. A GWRRRA ERC / TRC Rider Course and Rider Ed seminars helps prepare you both mentally and physically to execute the kinds of maneuvers called for by a unexpected actions or situations.

In other extra curricular activities we are involved in such as sports (golf-bowling-fishing-softball), music (handbells-piano-choir) or similar endeavors, they all have two things in common: **TRAINING and PRACTICE**. Taking some of the many Rider Educational Seminars and practicing motorcycle riding maneuvers on a closed course under supervision will help you in being a better Gold Wing rider or co-rider.

Rick Andreen, our District Educator, has undertaken a program to increase the number of GWRRA road course sessions to be taught in our District. When the opportunity presents itself to take a GWRRA ERC (2-wheel) or TRC (trike) riding course; make the time necessary to take and complete these courses. You will be a **better- safer** rider both solo and in group riding.

Ride Safely

"Goo"



Your Couple of the Year 2013

Can you believe that it's March already? We've been traveling some, but in four wheels, not on two wheels. We visited Chapter A at their new place in Louisville. The Shoney's has a separate room with a divider, so it's a great place for a gathering. We also went to Chapter S on Sunday. Both chapters had new faces like we had at our meeting, so hopefully things are looking up for all chapters!



We have also joined the dinner rides that Roger has planned. It's nice to enjoy each other's company and get to know one another. It's more laid back than dinner at our meeting nights, so I've really enjoyed them. Thanks Roger for coming up with different places and menus for us to try! We haven't been on the rides yet, but will go as soon as the schedules permit. I was disappointed to have to miss the Buffalo Trace/Rebecca Ruth ride!

No other chapters came to our last meeting, so we got to hold on to the traveling plaque for another month! I don't think we'll be so lucky this month because Chapter S is going to try to come.

We hope to see you at one of our planned dinners, rides, or our next meeting on March 26 at Rooster's!

Mike and Dedre VanHoose

Chapter C 2012 & 2013 Couple of the Year



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) is the world's largest single-marque social organization for owners and riders of Honda Gold Wing/Valkyrie motorcycles -- and some would say, the world's largest family. Dedicated to our motto, Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge, GWRRA members enjoy the freedom of belonging to a not-for-profit, non-religious and non-political organization. Founded in 1977, GWRRA has grown to more than 72,000 U.S., Canadian and international Members in 53 foreign countries in just 35 years. Over 800 active Chapters are managed by 4,000 volunteer leaders working with members to foster safe, enjoyable riding while also working to improve the public image of motorcycling.

Birthdays

Russ Bell	April 24
Lena Campbell	April 14
Esther Coy	April 8
Michael VanHoose	April 5
Brenda Wise # 2	April 16
Brenda Wise # 1	April 11



Anniversaries

Ryan and Rita King	April 7
Rita and Norvel Glascock	April 14



Roast Beef/Swiss Cheese Appetizers



24 small dinner rolls
1 lb roast beef
3/4 lb swiss cheese
2 sticks butter
1 Tbl poppy seeds
1 Tbl Worcestershire sauce
1 Tbl dry mustard
4 Tbl dried onion

Make sandwiches with roast beef and swiss cheese. Melt butter and add remaining ingredients. Pour over sandwiches and bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Serve warm.

THE 2013 CONVENTION SCHEDULE



"Spring Fling"

Tennessee District Convention
Camp Jordan Arena, East Ridge, Tennessee
25 - 27 April, 2013



DOWN HOME RALLY 2013
THE WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
SUMMERSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA
13 - 15 June 2013



THE GWRRA NATIONAL OFFICE PRESENTS

WING DING 35

TD Convention Center, Greenville, South Carolina
3 - 6 July 2013

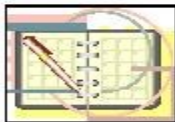


THE BLAST

THE KENTUCKY DISTRICT PRESENTS
8 - 10 August, 2013
Frankfort Convention Center
Frankfort, Kentucky



The North Carolina District Presents
WINGS OVER NORTH CAROLINA
26 - 28 September, 2013
CADARRUS ARENA & EVENTS CENTER



RALLY IN THE VALLEY
THE VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
10 - 12 October, 2013
THE SALEM CIVIC CENTER
SALEM, VIRGINIA



Don't forget about the [Kentucky District Ride In](#) on May 17th and 18th in Elizabethtown.
A special dinner is available for \$10.00 by reservation. Registration forms on www.gwrraky.com

