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Good day Chapter C!

It looks like we can finally all get together and ride again. Roger is riding again, I have a new alternator, and I get to acknowledge new members that have ventured into our ranks. Welcome Dennis and Sheri North! They ride a 2006 White GL 1800 with a Towpac kit added on. They have been with us to other chapters and also on rides these past few weeks.

It have been a privilege to be a part of such a wonderful chapter with wonderful members. You folks have pulled Dedre and I thru some tough times knowing we can depend on you to pull the slack when we have not been available. Many, many thanks!!

We have made a couple of rides lately, ate some good food, had some great social time, and learned a lot about each other and or new members. Neil and Karen Brown even made it out on a ride with us. We had not seen them for quite some time. Neil and Karen, great to see you again!

We have a new district director, new treasurer, several other new district officers coming up at the KY Blast. Please come out and support your district rally and help make it a success.



From our Ride Coordinator — Roger Early

I am happy to report that my leg is healed and as of 6/12 I was cleared to ride again. At my appointment on 6/12 after the doctor examined my leg, he said it was healing well and I could stop wearing my leg brace for some of my daily activities. When I asked about riding again he just told me that I had to send him the video of Karen chasing me up the road with her rolling pin in hand as I rode off. He probably sees a lot of accident injuries and is not a big fan of the sport.

My bike was ready on 6/13 so Karen took me to Heritage Honda in Maysville to pick it up. They are one of our Chapter sponsors and they did a great job on my bike. I am hoping I never experience another bike accident again and I am grateful that this one was not any worse than it was. I feel extremely fortunate to be riding again.

I was able to participate in the ride to the Kentucky Fudge Company after our last Chapter gathering and we had a great time. We also had a Dinner Ride to Jerry's in Paris on 6/19. We had a great turnout for that ride and the food was fantastic.

Here is part of the group that participated in the Dinner Ride to Jerry's.



Our theme for the 2017 Kentucky Blast:

WE SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

We had to cancel our ride to Bucky Bees BBQ in Cave City that was planned for 7/1. The forecast called for widespread storms but we did not get much rain in Lexington. I kept checking the radar and I did see a storm in the area that we would have ridden through so I think it was a good decision.

Mike pulled together a ride through the Red River Gorge on 7/2 and had a good turnout. It was a great day for riding and I think everyone had a good time. I had a family gathering and could not attend.

The events that are coming up include:

July 10 – Dinner at The Kentucky Depot in Stanford

July 15 – Ride to Stanton through the Daniel Boone National Forest

July 22 – Woodford County Ride for Life

July 29 – Ride to Jane's Saddlebag

August 10 – Dinner at DaVinci's Pizza in Frankfort (We're grateful to have them as one of our Sponsors)

August 18 and 19 – Kentucky District Convention, The Blast, in Cave City

August 29 to September 2 – Wing Ding in Grapevine, Texas

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/>

Gathering Date Change

For the month of August only, our gathering will be held on the 4th Sunday, August 27. We will eat at 1:00 and meet at 2:00, with a short ride to follow.

This is due to the KY Blast being held August 18-19 during our normally scheduled gathering time.

Please change your calendars and come join us!



Hello Fellow Wingers,

07/10/17

July, can you believe it? Happy birthday to our nation and hope your July celebrations are going as planned. This month not only brings good weather but sometimes heat and heavy thunderstorms so be prepared for anything on your rides.

July is a busy month for me due to working for Toyota as we have our yearly shutdown for model change. Production workers for the most part get a week off but when you work in maintenance as I do you pretty much have to work the shutdown week to get equipment ready for building our 2018 models. This month I am working 3 weeks of afternoons and one week of dayshift so that usually keeps me from attending any chapter visits. Also this year I am leading the 1st half of the shutdown week (I am working 10 days straight) which will also keep me from attending our July chapter meeting.

Speaking of riding this month I want to remind everyone to remember to do your safety checks before each ride as you could have picked up a nail in your tire during your last ride. One thing I did this month was add some running lights to my bike that are always on. I replaced the turn courtesy lights that came on when turning to light up the turn at night with LED running lights that are on full time. I had several of my HID lights burn out, one headlight and a side light so I switched back to the standard headlight and side light. I think with the LED running lights it still keeps me pretty visible to other motorist.

Good weather and good riding and hopefully Alice and I will see you either on a ride or the August chapter meeting.

Quote: **Why is it, you never see a motorcycle outside of a Psychiatrist's office!**

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

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5 Bad Habits a Seasoned Motorcyclist Can Develop And How They Can Be Fixed

We as Goldwing riders sometimes develop bad riding habits over the years. We will be discussing five of these habits and how we can work toward their remedy.

#1 We sometimes don't look far enough down the road. At highway speed we are traveling over a hundred feet per second. If you only look one second ahead you have only one second to react to anything that pops up in the road. We sometimes get caught in a bubble by only looking at the things directly surrounding us. The fix for this is to look at least 12 seconds ahead. This allows us time to react to any emergency we might have.

#2 We often forget to check our proper foot placement on the pegs. Many riders ride with their toes or heels on the peg. The remedy for this common mistake is to always ride with the balls of the feet on the pegs. This will keep your feet from hitting the pavement when cornering your Goldwing.

#3 We often believe that we are better motorcyclists than we really are. This often happens when we have been fortunate enough to have a lot of saddle time without an accident. Remedy??? Never stop learning about motorcycles and riding safety!! We should continue to take courses to improve our riding skills regardless of how long we have been riding. Practice as much as you can on your own. Learning never gets completed - it is an ongoing progress.

#4 Often times we don't look into curves when riding. There is a simple fix for this - LOOK before you lean into a curve!! LOOK!!!! Remember your Goldwing goes where you look. When approaching a curve - go slow, look, press, and roll.

#5 The last common fallacy we face is riding beyond the limits of our skills. We should be ever aware of the limits of our motorcycles and the limits of our traction. Always leave traction in reserve. We can fix this by always riding with more riding skill and traction than you actually need for the riding mission ahead.

Riding our Goldwings is an exciting and fun adventure. Always ride safe to continue your enjoyment of Goldwing adventures.

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2017 CONVENTION/RALLY SCHEDULE



April 20 – 22, 2017
Tennessee Spring Fling
Ramada Inn, Pigeon Forge, TN



June 9 – 10, 2017
Kentucky Ride In
Elizabethtown Crossroad Campgrounds, Elizabethtown, KY



July 6 – 8, 2017
Virginia Rally in the Valley
Holiday Inn, Tanglewood, VA



July 2017
West Virginia Down Home Event
TBA



August 18 – 19, 2017
Kentucky Blast
Cave City Convention Center, Cave City, KY



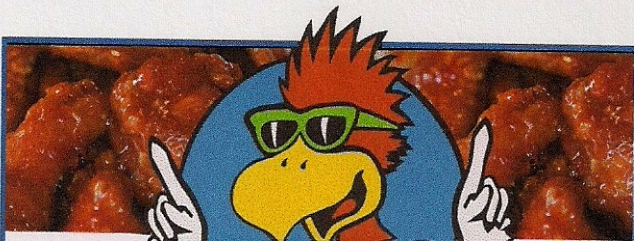
August 29 – September 2, 2017
Wing Ding 39
Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center, Grapevine, TX



September 28 – 30, 2017
North Carolina Wings Over The Smokies
Haywood County Fairgrounds, Waynesville, NC



November 2 – 4, 2017
Region N Fall Finale
Holiday Inn, Johnson City, TN



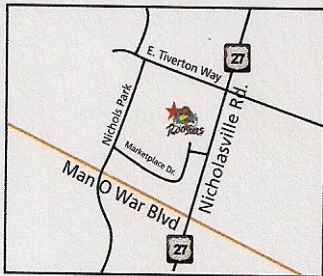
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For the last opportunity this season, Chapter C has the Traveling Plaque and it will be available at our next gathering. We can expect a good turnout from other chapters that want the points and a better chance at winning the plaque for their chapter. I am very proud to say that Chapter C has kept that honor the last 5 years. Competition is stiff this year, so every point counts. Thanks Chapter C for all the times you rode with us to give us that shot at winning this challenge again for 2017.



Birthdays	
Randy Coy	July 1
Connie Jones	July 6
Jeff Sullivan	Aug 11
Anniversaries	
Russ and Sam Bell	July 21
Alan and Shea Ernest	Aug 19
Dennis and Terri Grimmatt	Aug 25
If we missed anyone, we apologize. Please get with Darrell or Alice to update your records with us.	

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Please join Mike and I for the Woodford County Ride for Life on Saturday, July 22. This ride benefits the American Cancer Society. The donation is \$25 and co-rider is \$10. Kickstands up at 10am at Falling Springs, 275 Beasley Rd in Versailles. Lunch will follow the ride. There will be 50/25/25 ticket sales and door prizes. All of us know someone who has been touched by cancer, so come ride for a worthy cause.

Eight of us went to Chapter A this past Saturday to capture the traveling plaque. We were successful, so expect some company at our Saturday gathering! We appreciate everyone who travels with us for visitation and to capture the plaque!

We received an email from TN-T in Knoxville that they have the Region Traveling Plaque. It will be available at their meeting on Saturday, July 22. The attempt takes at least 5 members (with Goldwing ID cards). Mike and I are committed to the Ride for Life that day, but I thought I would mention it in case someone wants to get a group together to go.

The Blast will have a couple of new modules (formerly known as seminars), so check them out and let us know what you think of the new format. Alan will also be teaching the Co-Riders course, which is needed for the Levels program. Don't know what I'm talking about? Ask Alan!

We hope to see you soon at the gathering or a ride!



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 2nd Saturday of the month at Mark's Feed Store at 6501 Bardstown Road in Louisville. They eat at 11:30 and meet at 12:30.



Chapter C Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters. This is at the intersection of Nicholasville Road and Man O War in front of Walmart. Eat @ 11:00 AM and meet @ 12:00.



Chapter G Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Hot Spot, 6415 Dixie Highway Florence, KY 41041 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm



Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at the UK Shelby County Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville, KY 40065 Meet @ 6:30 pm



Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Shoney's, 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701. Eat @ 4:00 PM, Meet @ 5:00

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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 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 visit them all sometime.