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Finally, we have riding weather! And with that comes the season we have been hoping for. Chapter B-1 is now a reality and open for business. Their kick-off was wonderful and a parking lot full of Goldwings. They had over 120 people show up including members from Tennessee. Congratulations B-1 on a great start!

We have enjoyed some country roads, ice cream, great social times, and friends. Our goal is to provide you an opportunity to enjoy the substance of what the GWRRA is about. There are so many venues to participate in, district conventions, region conventions, other chapter gatherings, chasing after the Traveling Plaque– Couple of the Year Mascot– Wandering Plaque and taking the time to enjoy the sights along the way to these venues. How much more could there be? How about free education? Our university courses provide you the ability to become the best rider and co-rider you can, and along the way learn more about developing yourself. We all strive to be better, all it takes is the energy to participate.

For Dedre and I, this has proven to be an adventure we are glad to be a part of. We enjoy the friendships that have given us happiness and good times. Thanks to Chapter C and all the folks we have become acquainted with our time here has truly been wonderful.

Upcoming, we have many challenges to enjoy. We hope you take this trip with us and let's have FUN together!!



Summer Riding

In our great and beautiful state of Kentucky we have had some extreme changes of weather over the last several months. We have experienced subzero temperatures in January and February, the second highest rainfall on record for April, and 10 to 15 degrees higher than normal temperatures so far in the month of May!!!!

The summer months are upon us and with that comes many great rides on our motorcycles – some planned and some impromptu!! It is an opportune time to talk about hot weather riding. It is imperative that during our summer excursions we stay fully hydrated while riding our beautiful wings. We can become dehydrated very quickly with the combination of perspiration and the wind evaporating that perspiration. You can have a very serious medical condition before you realize it. Being aware of the possibility of that happening and doing what needs to be done to prevent it from happening will alleviate the fear of getting dehydrated.

There are several symptoms of dehydration that every rider needs to be cognizant of during these hot summer riding months. Confusion is one of the first symptoms to appear and being confused is not something you want to mix with two or three wheel riding. The other symptoms are dizziness, nausea, feeling of extreme fatigue, headache, muscle cramps, pale skin, profuse sweating, a rapid heartbeat, and dark urine are other symptoms that are indicative of dehydration.

These symptoms come on quickly with dehydration and there are some important steps to remember if you notice any of them and feel that you may be dehydrated. Stop as soon as possible and put a wet towel around your neck and head. The wet towel will help restore your normal body temperature. Move to a shady area or into an air conditioned area if possible. Drink plenty of water and remove any tight or unnecessary clothing. Take a cool shower or bath if your surroundings allow or use fans or icepacks.

We all ride our Goldwings for fun, safety, and knowledge. Please remember these important tips about dehydration and add to our insurance of having enjoyable Chapter C rides!!!



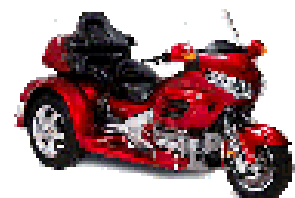
Our ride to the Beech Fork Covered Bridge included Chapters C, H, and A. It was a beautiful day to ride.

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2015 GWRRA Region N Convention Schedule

SPRING FLING

THE TENNESSEE DISTRICT CONVENTION “SOUTHERN FAMILY REUNION” CAMP JORDAN ARENA,
EAST RIDGE TENNESSEE

April 23—25, 2015

WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES

THE NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT CONVENTION
ACQUONI EXPO CENTER—CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

July 9—11, 2015

DOWN HOME RALLY

THE WEST VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
CONFERENCE CENTER—SUMMERSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

July 24—25, 2015

Blast From The Past

THE KENTUCKY DISTRICT CONVENTION
CONVENTION CENTER—FRANKFORT KENTUCKY

August 13—15, 2015

WING DING 37

“Rocket City Road Trip”

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

September 3—6, 2015

RALLY IN THE VALLEY

THE VIRGINIA DISTRICT CONVENTION
HOLIDAY INN—TANGLEWOOD—ROANOKE, VA

October 1—3, 2015 (tentative date)



From Darrell and Alice- Membership Enhancement

Hello Fellow Wingers,

05/13/15

May, What a wonderful month. It starts out with the Kentucky Derby (Greatest Horse Race in the World) just up the road in Louisville and ends with the Indianapolis 500 (Greatest Car Race in the World) just up the road a little further. When you think about it we are fortunate enough to live within a couple of hours ride time from each. Then add the fact that we are in the prettiest horse country in the USA and how could we complain.

So it is decided and we plan a road trip on the Wing and reality sets in.... Road repairs and heavy traffic. I know as bike riders we love to ride our Gold Wings but not to set in traffic for hours on them. One of the things I want to talk about is patience. When you're riding on the highway you have to be prepared for the unexpected like road repairs and slow or stopped traffic. Being prepared might mean leaving yourself extra time to travel to your destination in case you are delayed. Or leaving yourself extra time by planning several alternate routes just in case traffic gets too heavy. If you are traveling and see the road under repair signs just be very aware and alert to the road conditions and surface conditions. When new surfaces are being added the level between lanes can be dangerous if you are not expecting it when having to change lanes. Also these areas can sometimes be covered with loose asphalt and gravel so slow down.

Our Kentucky Historic Ride is just around the corner and I hope to see our members out in numbers for this one. We are heading to the western frontier of Kentucky and I have heard that people have actually crossed over and are living west of the Mississippi river. Alice and I cannot wait to see that

Quote: Only a biker knows why a dog sticks its head out the car window!

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

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Chapter C at Wallace Station



As I write this the weather has been gorgeous for the past few days. I hope it continues in the 70's for a few more weeks before heading into summer. We've had a busy month! We had a great turnout last gathering due to the Region N Wandering Plaque. I was hoping to keep it in Kentucky to get a few more KY Chapters listed, but at least it has four and Chapter C on it twice! TN Z came to claim it and took it back to TN with them. I just checked the Region N website and Chapter C has the Wandering Plaque now.....only it's TN C! It's available this Saturday at Roan Mountain, but we won't be able to go due to the Ride-In followed by our Chapter gathering on Sunday. We do have the Kentucky Traveling Plaque though!

Bring some extra cash or your checkbook on Sunday. We will have the KY District cookbooks for sale for \$10. There are a lot of good recipes! We also have the grand prize (\$400) tickets for sale for \$1 each. The drawing will be at the Blast - need not be present to win. If you know a friend that would be interested in purchasing them you can sell them too.

Mike and I have full plates right now so if you don't see me on some of the rides, don't worry, Mike's mom sold her house in Paintsville and will be moving to Versailles. Soon after that Ben will be graduating from high school and going off to Cincinnati to work for the summer. There are no dull moments for the next month or so!

Remember - our May Gathering is Sunday, May 17th. Eat at 1:00 and meet at 2:00. See you there!

Dedre VanHoose

Our April gathering included our neighbors from Tennessee. Great food and even greater friends!





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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From our Ride Coordinator and Webmaster– Roger Early

Having the Region N Wandering Plaque at our April Meeting bought out several people from Chapter A and Chapter H to the meeting. They were not able to capture the plaque but they did join us for our ride to the Beech Fork Covered Bridge. We had a group of 12 bikes on the ride and had a great time with all of the curves on US-62. We spent a few minutes at the bridge and then some of the group headed back to Shelbyville, some headed to Bloomfield and unfortunately I had to head back to Lexington to get to a church function. Randy took over the lead for the ride and I appreciate his help.

We cancelled the Derby Day ride so we could have a group attend the kickoff of the new chapter in Bowling Green , Chapter B-1, I was not able to attend that ride but I understand a couple of folks rode and others went by car. I'm sure a good time was had by all.

On May, 7 we had a great meal at Wallace Station and then took a short ride to the DQ in Frankfort. We took some back roads to enjoy the scenery. An added bonus was the smell of all of the honeysuckle bushes that were blooming. It was a great night.

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

May 15 and 16 – Kentucky Ride In

May 17 – Ride to DQ in Harrodsburg (hopefully other chapters will join us)

May 23 – Kentucky Historical Ride

June 6 – Ride to Creekside Restaurant in Campbellsville

June 11 – Dinner Ride to Madison Garden in Richmond

June 13 – Cruise for Kids

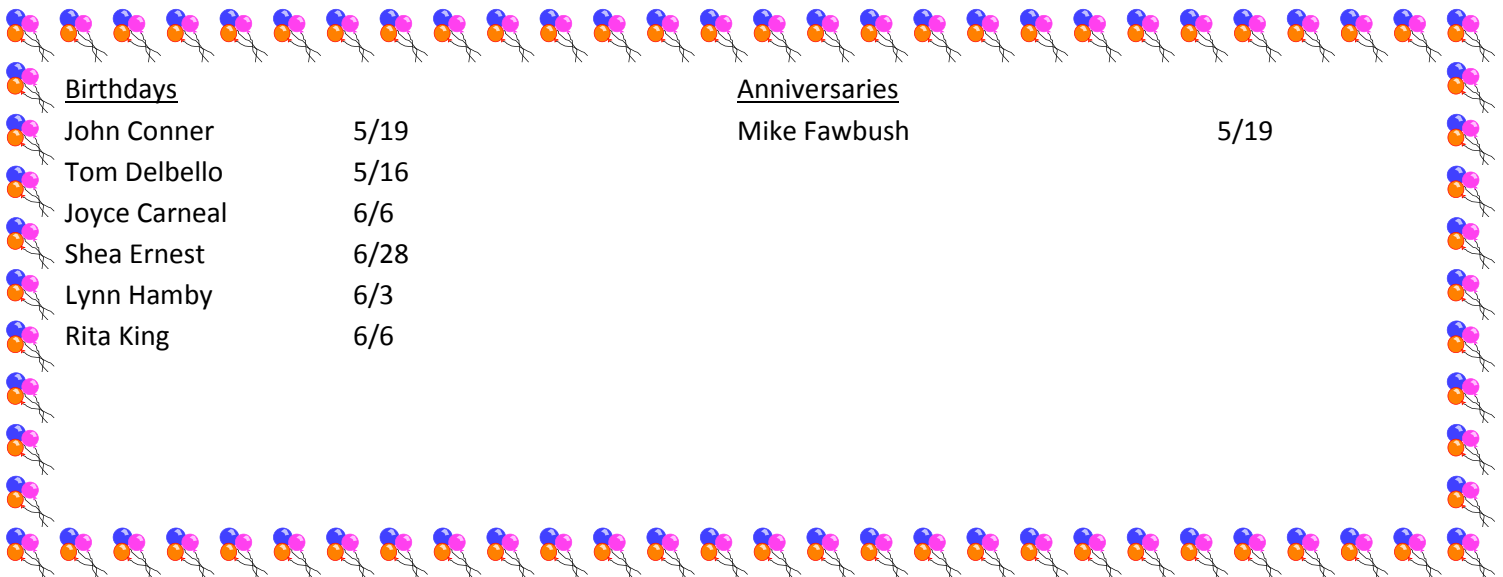
June 20 – Chapter Ride (TBD)

July 7 – Dinner Ride to Gibby's in Frankfort

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/>



<u>Birthdays</u>		<u>Anniversaries</u>	
John Conner	5/19	Mike Fawbush	5/19
Tom Delbello	5/16		
Joyce Carneal	6/6		
Shea Ernest	6/28		
Lynn Hamby	6/3		
Rita King	6/6		



GOO'S TOOL BOX

TECHRON- *"Geritol"* for Gold Wings

I am showing my age by mentioning "Geritol" which back in the mid 50's was an elixir that was advertised on TV as a cure all for everything with an alcohol content of around 14%. You saw as many commercials (live not recorded) during the evening TV shows as you do now for the various cures for erectile dysfunction and leaky bladders on the 6:30 evening news.

The advent of 10% ethanol gasoline fuel presents various problems for our late model highly computer controlled fuel delivery systems in our trusty GL1500 and GL1800. The older 4 cylinder models (GL 1000-1100-1200) are a little more forgiving than the 6 cylinder models.

Though we put "STA-Bil" fuel stabilizers in our tanks during the winter months to protect our Wing's fuel system, its effectiveness is diminished by the ethanol content in the fuel. To aid in the spring cleaning of our fuel systems enter the elixir **"TECHRON"** in that little black bottle setting on the shelves of all auto parts stores.

Stu Oltman (Senior Technical Editor -"Wing World") has been recommending this fuel system additive since the earlier days of the 6 cylinder models. One bottle treats 12 gallons of fuel so it is perfect for 2 treatments. However to achieve the maximum bang for the buck (\$), it should be used when you will consume a full tank of gas during a ride. I did my first treatment on my trip to the "Moonshine Lunch Run". The second was done after 2 fill-ups on a recent ride to Waynesville NC. If you are going on the "Memorial Day" weekend ride it would be a perfect time for treatment

1. Do 1 or 2 fill-ups and then treatment #2.

NOTICE: If you have a CSC trike conversion kit between model years 2007 and 2011 and your drive shaft has been welded within 24 to 30K miles since the weld; get your check book handy.

