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Unfortunately, our riding season is quickly coming to an end. We have gone from nice weather and temperatures to down right chilly. Dedre and I rode to the Region N Fall Finale a couple of weeks ago. It was a good ride, but by the time we made the Virginia state line, Dedre nudged me and said she was officially a popsicle. The rally was a great venue, compact and quaint with some vendors but a great time. You missed it if you weren't there. Thanks Jeff for going along! WE have made several rides thanks to Roger and had a great time. Chapter visitation is going great, but we would appreciate seeing a few more of your chapter with us. The traveling plaque has eluded us again, but we will prevail!

Remember to winterize your bike; clean it up real nice before putting it up in hibernation. Change your oil to prevent toxic build up in your engine, and do a good look over. This is also a good time to do those smaller maintenance jobs you put off during ride season.

Remember to turn in your mileage by the end of November, officially the 30th to Mike. Please do your best to make our November gathering. We will discussing our next Couple of the Year and go over the Christmas party. All we have left for this year is to come out and have a great time with your chapter!

Mike and Dedre VanHoose



From our Ride Coordinator — Roger Early

I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy some of the warm October and early November weather. I have been riding to work as much as possible and usually do not take the most direct route home. Unfortunately, our weather is getting cooler and that usually means fewer opportunities to ride.

We had a fun ride to Mammy's Kitchen in Bardstown after our last chapter gathering. I always enjoy riding on US-62. We had a great time and some great weather for the ride. Of course the desserts at Mammy's were an added bonus.

We had a District Team meeting in Cave City on 10/22. Even though the forecast was calling for cooler temperatures, I was really looking forward to the riding to Cave City. Unfortunately, while checking the tires, I found a nail in the rear tire. I thought about just leaving it in and taking the chance that it wasn't too deep but after my experience with the flat tire in July, I decided it was better to remove the nail and if the tire lost air then at least I would be safe and the bike would be in the garage. It looked like a finishing nail and was not very long. I checked for an air leak but did not see any evidence of a leak. I still decided not to ride to Cave City so I went in the car with Mike, Dedre and Ben. I rode the bike around Lexington on Sunday and kept checking the air pressure. I continue to check the tire and it seems to be doing fine so it looks like I could have ridden to Cave City but it was probably wise to not take the chance until I could monitor the air pressure after putting some miles on the tire.

We had a ride to the Whistle Stop Restaurant on 10/29. I was not able to participate in that ride. I hope everyone had a great time.

Our next ride will be after our Chapter Gathering on 11/19. I am calling it a Mystery Ride mainly because I want to see what kind of weather we will be having. Hopefully we'll have a nice fall day.

Even though we do not have any more scheduled rides, I am hoping that if the weather is nice we can just send out some notes and get some rides organized.

I will be working on our 2017 Ride Calendar over the next few months. If you have suggestions for a destination, please let me know.

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/>



Jeannie McKenzie of KY Chapter T was awarded her Senior University Trainer certification. Jeannie is also being promoted to Assistant District Trainer for Kentucky

Does anyone have an idea where this lighthouse is located?

***Tis the season. Are you ready for all that FUN?
As we reach into the Christmas season, that is only 40 days from today, please remember the reason for this holiday. Our prayers go out to our Goldwing chapter for safety and good health. Have a great winter!***





4129 Lexington Road

Paris, KY

Please join us as we
welcome our newest



As Goldwing riders we all want to have a fun and safe ride. Our association offers us a number of courses to assist us in being a safe rider. If anyone in Chapter KYC would like to have any training courses, please contact me and we will do our best to make arrangements for that course to be provided to you. Our goal is to do all we can to assist our fellow Goldwing members to get the optimum enjoyment out of their rides.

Avoid being rear-ended!!

Safety Tips

Always check and recheck rear view mirrors for traffic behind you when coming to a stop. With traffic behind you, let off and on your brakes four times and attract the attention of the driver of your intentions to stop.

If stopping behind traffic, leave enough room to quickly maneuver away if needed.

Never stop in the center of the lane. This is the most slippery section of the highway due to the oil from cars.

Never put your Goldwing in neutral. Keep your motorcycle in first gear with the clutch engaged just in case you need to speed away.

If a vehicle is approaching you from the rear - pump your brakes to flash your brake lights.

If the vehicle approaching your from behind doesn't appear to be stopping, accelerate around the vehicle in front of you to safety.

Always ride safe by being visible to other drivers. Wear colors that stand out and are easy to see and position your motorcycle so your lights are visible to other drivers.

Stay alert and ride safe!!!!

Alan Ernest, Chapter C Educator

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The calendar says that Thanksgiving is next week! How did that happen?!?!? I think our extended summer has confused me!

Of course if next week is Thanksgiving, then that means our Christmas party is just around the corner! Please join us on Thursday, December 1 at 6:30pm. I'll be asking for a nose count at our next gathering, but send me an email if you can't be at the gathering—dedrej2@aol.com. I need to update the restaurant a few days before. Also, the Christmas party is in place of our regular gathering, so we won't be getting together for our normal third Saturday gathering.

Mike has added some pictures from the Region N Fall Finale. We had a great time and already have details for next year. Glenda is looking for a logo with a pirate theme. Send your idea to Glenda by 2/1/17 and you could win 2 registrations and a Tshirt with your design. John and Beth Flaherty, our current Kentucky District Couple of the Year will be in the selection process for Region Couple of the Year, so plan to go and support them!

Speaking of Couple of the Year, it's time to choose Chapter C's Couple for 2017. Come to the November gathering and help us make this important decision! We will take nominations from our members as usual, so be thinking about the possibilities.

We now have both summer mesh and twill hats for sale! They are both khaki with a navy bill and have the Chapter C logo embroidered on it. The hats are \$9.00. We will have them at the November gathering and at upcoming events.



Birthdays

Doug Coy 12/12
Karen Early 12/14
Jim Gilchrist 12/27
Benjamin Smith 12/29
Roy Taulbee 12/13

Anniversaries

Randy and Denise Coy 12/21
Jim Gilchrist 12/02

Save the Date!

Bluegrass Wings

Christmas Party

Thursday,

December 1

6:30pm

The Chop House

2640 Richmond Rd.

Lexington, KY

We have the private room in

the back of the restaurant.

Look forward to a night of

fun, good friends, good food

and Dirty Santa!

(bring a gift valued at \$15-

\$20 and let the stealing

begin!)



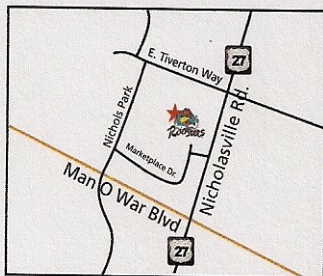
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Hello Fellow Wingers,

11/14/16

Wow, November in Kentucky already, where has the year gone? We are starting to think about our Christmas shopping and knowing some of the GWRRR ladies like I do, you have your Christmas shopping done already. Sometimes our GWRRR group really reminds me of my days in scouting as the scout motto was “Always be prepared”. How does that remind me of that? Well take a look around our group when we are on the road and you see that each rider and co-rider have packed things that allow us to be prepared for most problems we might encounter on a trip.

Well this coming year Alice and I will be venturing in to something we have never done before and that is to pull a trailer with our motorcycle when we travel on longer trips. I do not know what to expect or how the motorcycle will feel so I would like to use my fellow GWRRR members to help me be as prepared as possible to this new adventure. We have several members in our chapter that have years of experience pulling a trailer behind their motorcycle so don't be afraid to offer me any advice you can as far as packing, pulling, stopping, turning and parking this new trunk we have behind our motorcycle.

All I can do now is read about it and I found several long articles and a couple of short ones to reference. The following is one I found short with a few highlights and I want to share with you:

How To Safely Tow A Trailer

Tip #201 from the pages of The Total Motorcycling Manual

By Mark Lindemann September 13, 2013

Who says you can't take it with you? If you've jammed your saddlebags to the bursting point and still need to pack more gear, there's only one way to go: a trailer. They're popular accessories for long-distance touring riders, especially if they're traveling two-up and camping, but you should keep a few hints in mind.

USE ENOUGH BIKE It makes no sense to try to pull a giant trailer with a Vespa. Pick a bike that has enough power for the job—1000cc or more.

FILL YOUR TIRES The trailer puts additional load on both bike tires, especially the rear. Inflate them properly, on the upper end of your bike's GVWR.

HITCH IT RIGHT Your bike needs to lean into turns, but the trailer doesn't lean. You'll need a hitch that lets the trailer both turn and swivel—think about how a U-joint works.

FIND YOUR PLACE Trailers are almost always wider than a bike, so you'll need to ride closer to the center of the lane than you would without a trailer. You'll also be riding closer to the center-of-the-lane oil slick you'll find on most roads, so exercise caution.

STOP THAT THING Trailers increase a bike's weight and stopping distance. They also want to overrun the bike when stopping unless equipped with their own separate trailer brakes. Ride with caution, brake early, and allow yourself plenty of stopping room.

FIND PARKING Your motorcycle-and-trailer rig is much longer than your bike alone, so you need to scout out an appropriate parking spot. Find one that will let you pull straight out when leaving. Bikes are agile; towing trailers, not so much.

Hope to see all of you at the November chapter meeting at Roosters so we can talk about something that has never happened in any of our lifetimes until this year (can you guess at what is might be) and maybe get to enjoy a nice desert ride after the meeting. And again I want to remind you to invite that neighbor or friend that has a bike to come to our chapter meeting and see what fun we have.

Quote: When life throws you a curve, lean into it and roll the throttle back!

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

Bluegrass Wings Chapter C

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These are the 4 couples that competed for the distinction of Region N Couple of the Year. What an honor to be among this or any other group! They are from left to right:

Willy and Rosalie Boyles, Ervin and Denise Blake, Len and Mikki Costanzo, and Corky and Allison Lee. Our new Region N Couple of the Year and Region MEPC's are Ervin and Denise Blake!! Congratulations to all the couples on an excellent selection process!

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 B-1 Meet on the 4th Sunday at Ryan's Steakhouse at 1921 Mel Browning Street, Bowling Green, KY 23104. Eat at 4:00 pm and meet at 5:00 PM.



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 Golden Corral, 4770 Houston Road Florence, KY 41042 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 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 Frisch's 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 visit them all sometime.