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## September 2021

Happy September Chapter C,

Wing Ding is done, the Kentucky Blast is done. Alabama is the next rally in our territory set for September 30 – October 2 in Eufaula, Alabama. Word is they have a really good time down there.

After the Blast, we had Chapters A and G visit with us last month and we were so happy to have a big group together again. Chapter K won the Traveling Plaque again. They are having their official kickoff as a chapter on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in Henderson, KY We will be riding down for that event and hope that many of you can join us. It would be nice to have a large contingency show up. We will leave from the Versailles Kroger parking lot at 10 am and head west.

Chapter C has been tasked with creating rides for next years Blast. I have a couple of routes, but if you have any ideas feel free to share them. I want to thank everyone that came out to this year's Blast. Chapter C had a total of 15 folks participating.

Wing Ding 2022 will be in Shreveport, Louisiana. Should any of you need that information, more will follow in the coming months.

Chapter, Dedre and I really appreciate everything y'all do for the chapter. We have a wonderful group of people!!

Mike and Dedre VanHoose  
Chapter Directors



Greetings Chapter C!

I have a HUGE thank you to the many that responded to my “please help!” when I sent the call for help with the Blast!! Frank, Lynn, Julie, Randy, Alan, Earl, Allan, Tim, Roger, and I worked Chapter C’s shift on Friday afternoon. Then in true Chapter C fashion – went to lunch together!!!



We have a fun event coming up that I hope you will join us for. It will potentially mean missing church, but I hope you will consider going anyway. Kentucky’s newest Chapter – Chapter K is finally going to have its Chapter kick-off. All the chapters are encouraged to come and support the new chapter. We will be leaving from Versailles Kroger at 10am on Sunday, September 19 to drive to Henderson, KY. They also won the traveling plaque, so we will be in the running to capture it if we go.

Save the date! We will attempt a Christmas dinner for 2021. The tentative date is Thursday, December 2 at 6:30pm. Stay tuned for the location! We will also have our gift exchange, but may change things up a bit. We’re having a team meeting this week, so will be finalizing the details before our next gathering.

Some more dates to mark on your calendar: 2022 Ride-In – June 3-5, and the 2022 Kentucky Blast has been moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend in August. It will also be Friday – Sunday, August 26-28. It will return to Lawrenceburg, so will be in our backyard again! We will be looking for members to lead rides in addition to working our shift.

Looking forward to seeing YOU on Saturday, September 18 at our next gathering!

Dedre VanHoose

Chapter C Membership Enhancement Coordinator



District Newsletter:

If you are curious about what is happening in our Kentucky District, please check out the District Newsletters. They can be found at <http://www.gwrraky.com/newsletters-page/>.



## Chapter C Ride Coordinator

In August we rode with the Baptist Bikers on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We had a trip to see the Blue Angels in Owensboro, KY on August 14-15. The Kentucky District Blast was August 19-21, in Lawrenceburg. And we had a dinner ride to Don Pedro's on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

In September we are doing a ride with the Baptist Bikers to support the Winchester Children's Home on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Our chapter meeting is on the 18<sup>th</sup> at Roosters in Lexington. Weather permitting, we will have a ride after the meeting. We have a dinner ride scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup>, location to be announced.

A few of us are attending a 4-day ride in West Virginia starting the 29<sup>th</sup>. I will provide the highlights in the October newsletter. If anyone is interested in joining us in West Virginia, the event is at the Canaan Valley Resort near Davis, WV. Please contact me for more information. We will be riding in on the 29<sup>th</sup> and departing October 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is a great opportunity to see the fall colors in the West Virginia mountains.

October is going to be prime for fall colors. I'm looking forward to having some good rides to see the leaves change in October.

Ride Safe.

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For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at:

<http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>.

If you want to see photos from our past events, check out the following page:

<http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/photos/>



## Ride with Baptist Bikers —Submitted by Michael VanHoose

September 4<sup>th</sup> ride with the Baptist Bikers benefit ride for the Sunrise Children's Home in Winchester. Great ride with great friends. We enjoyed a wonderful lunch courtesy of the Ephesus Baptist Church outside of Winchester. 42 bikes attended, and you would not believe the amount of food the church prepared for the riders. And we got a t-shirt!



## Blue Angels Ride —Submitted by Michael VanHoose

Blue Angels ride to Owensboro with dinner at the Farmers Feed Mill in Leitchfield, KY. Great food with great friends.



# Sena 50S Settings to Help with Wind Noise—Submitted by Roger Early

In the May Newsletter, I provided some of my first impressions of the Sena 50S headset and the Sena Freewire. I have been on a few more rides with these devices and thought I would pass along some settings I found that might help with one of the issues that I have encountered. The issue is wind noise with the Mesh Intercom system. When we are using the Mesh system, basically everyone that is connected has an open microphone. The problem we have had on a few rides is the open microphone picks up and transmits wind noise to everyone on the Mesh network. I prefer to listen to music while riding and the wind noise that is sent out on the Mesh Intercom causes the Sena to reduce the volume of the music because it detects that someone is broadcasting on the Mesh Intercom system.

I did not report this issue in my first article because the temperature was lower and everyone kept their face shield closed so we did not experience the issue. I prefer to ride with my face shield off in warmer weather and on a few solo rides, I turned on the Mesh Intercom to see if the wind noise was an issue. I could tell the wind noise was a problem because my music volume was reduced as I rode.

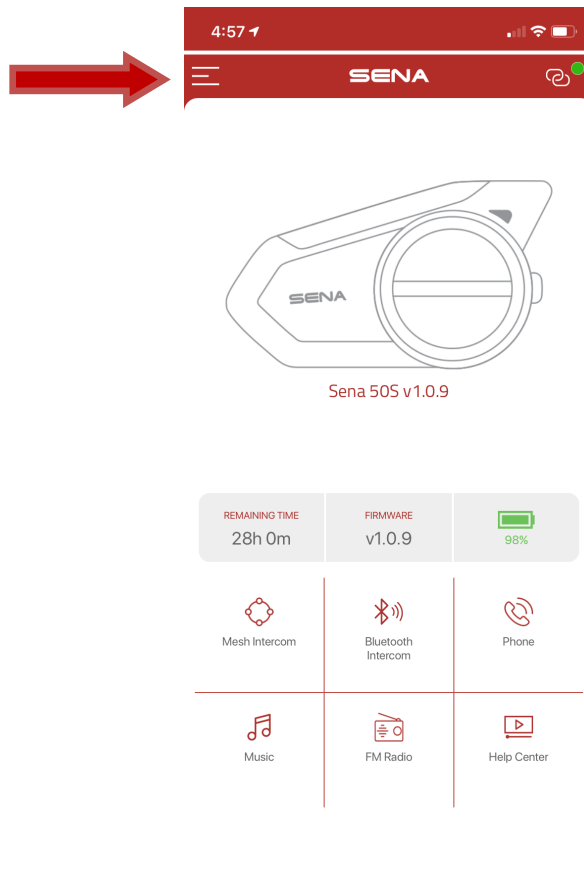
On the first group ride where we experienced this issue, we instructed everyone except the Road Captain and the Tail Gunner to mute their microphones unless they needed to talk to the group. This works only if everyone mutes and if the Road Captain and Tail Gunner aren't broadcasting their wind noise.

I have found some settings that will hopefully help with this issue. Basically, there are three settings that can be adjusted to reduce the impact of wind noise.

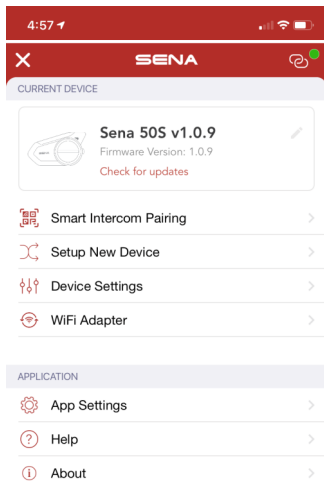
1. A setting to adjust the sensitivity of the microphone so it will hopefully ignore the wind noise.
2. A setting to adjust the sensitivity of the system that reduces the volume of the music and other audio like GPS directions. You can also turn this system off so the volume will not be reduced.
3. Finally, there is a setting to control how much the volume is adjusted.

I have played with these settings on some of my solo rides. I turn the Mesh Intercom on to test when the music volume is reduced. They seem to make a difference but won't completely eliminate the problem.

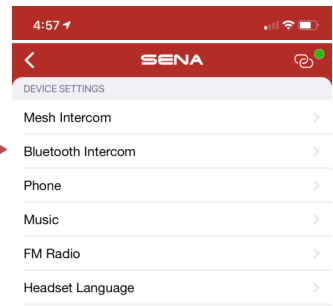
You can change the settings using the Sena 50 Utility that you can download to your phone. Once the utility is started and the phone is connected to the 50S, click on the three horizontal lines in the upper left corner to launch the menu.



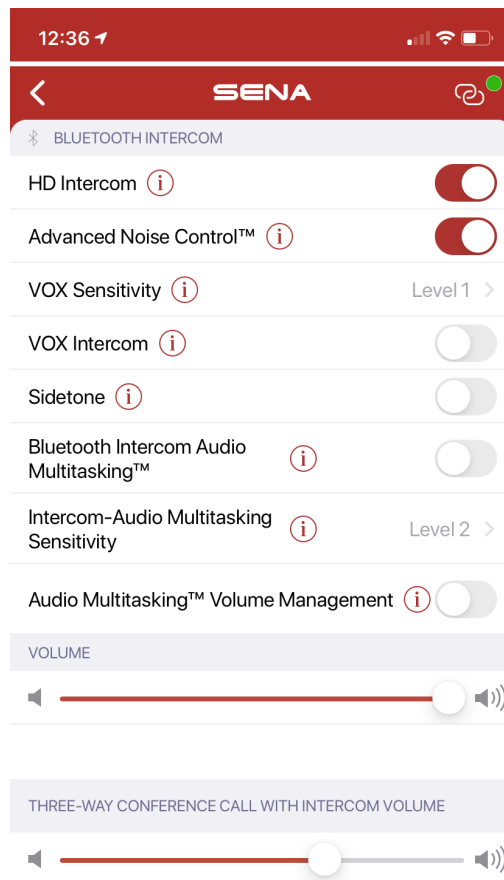
Click on Device Settings



Click on Bluetooth Intercom



Use this setting to reduce the sensitivity of the microphone. It will hopefully cause it to ignore some levels of wind noise. I set mine to 1.



Use these settings to control whether the system will reduce the volume and also control how much the volume is lowered. If you enable the first one, the volume will not be lowered at all. I have not tried this setting because when I turn it on, the volume was turned up real high.



Use this setting to control the sensitivity of the system that reduces the volume of music and other audio when someone is talking on the Mesh Intercom. I set mine to 2.



Note: You can click on the **i** symbol in Sena 50 app to get a brief description of the settings. You will need to adjust the settings to meet your needs so you can still hear your music and also hear what is being said on the Mesh Intercom System.

## District Educator—Richard Artmayer

On any given day, each of us has a need or a want to accomplish any number of tasks. Some are simple, and some more complex. Some tasks can be completed only with our hands, while others require using certain objects to reach the intended goal. We call the objects we use to complete the task “tools”.

By definition, a tool is a device or implement that is used to extend a person’s ability to modify the features of the surrounding environment. If you are like me, when someone says “tool”, you think of a hammer or screwdriver, or some other examples of a tangible object that you control and manipulate to affect the desired outcome. Perhaps your life experience has you thinking of power equipment like lawn mowers and weed eaters. Maybe you have used specialized tools in your career, like a transit level used by a surveyor to measure property.

Not all tools are solid objects. I work for a company that builds radio remote controls for industrial equipment. My job is to design the control layout and machine interface. I use tools for this, but they are all on the computer, and are otherwise known as application software. One of the tools I use allows me to accurately arrange all the required switches, buttons, and levers in a way that is safe, convenient, and comfortable to use. Another software tool allows me to calculate the price of the equipment by adding the cost of the components I used in the design.

Most of the tools I have ever used have come with an instruction manual, and all of them have required practice to use effectively and efficiently. I have even gone to school to learn to use many of the tools I have operated in my lifetime. These manuals and classes are necessary due to the complexity of the design of the tool.

Our motorcycles are tools. We use them to travel from one place to another faster than we could travel by walking. They allow us to carry additional equipment and supplies we could not otherwise include on our journey. They supply us with entertainment and information during the trip. And they are complex. The first-generation Honda GL1800 contains more than 20,000 different part numbers, more part numbers than the same year Honda Accord automobile. Every motorcycle comes with an owner’s manual. These documents provide basic requirements for maintenance and operation. But additional classes are recommended to become proficient and effective in their operation.

GWRRRA has a long and varied list of tools you can use, many at no cost, to learn about and become more proficient in the operation of your motorcycle. Some even come with manuals you can reference in the future. And each includes an instructor to assist with absorbing the information they offer. Participation in the Levels Program yields yet another tool you can use. The Rider Education Data Base could be thought of as a “toolbox” to track your status and review the list of “tools” you have learned to use. Not currently participating? Contact your friendly District Educator to get enrolled and start filling your toolbox.

Richard Artmayer

KY District Educator



## 4 Month Trial Membership to GWRRA

If you know of someone who is interested in joining GWRRA, there is a program that allows them to get a 4 month trial membership for free. The membership includes:

- Rescue Motorcycle Towing of 35 miles
- 4 months subscription to Wing World magazine
- Opportunity to participate in a chapter

An application for the trial membership can be found at:

[http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GB\\_TrialMembership-4months.pdf](http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GB_TrialMembership-4months.pdf)

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### Attention Facebook Users:

Jim Springate has created a Facebook group for our chapter. It is another way to communicate with chapter members. If you use a Facebook application, search for "Bluegrass Goldwing Riders". You can also use the following link to get to the group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1036597176793894>

The Kentucky District also has a Facebook group. Search for "GWRRA OF KENTUCKY MEMBER'S PAGE" or use the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/328362664780>



**Birthdays**

Roy Campbell Jr. 9/20  
Frank Hardy 9/21  
Earl Broome 9/23  
Rhonda Mason 10/1  
Peggy Prang 10/11

**Anniversaries**

Randy & Linda Hyde 9/29  
Garry & Denise Harris 9/30  
Mike & Dedre VanHoose 10/10

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## Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets get 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 Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Road #7, Louisville. They eat @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



**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 @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



**Chapter G** Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at American Legion Post 4, 8385 US Hwy 42, Florence. Eat @ 6:00pm, meet @ 7:00pm.



**Chapter H** Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at the UK Shelby County Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville, KY 40065. Meet @ 7:00pm.



**Chapter K** Meet on the 3rd of the month at the Golden Corral, 1320 North Green Street, Henderson, KY. Eat @ 4:00pm, meet @ 5:00pm.



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



**Chapter T** Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY. Meet @ 6:00pm.



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

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