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**Chapter
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From the Chapter Director



Hope everyone is doing well and enjoying the summer. Looks like it's going to be another really hot week so please be careful doing outside activities as the heat index will be over 100! Steve and I went to Versailles Sunday to Mike Vanhoose's Celebration of Life representing Chapter Y. Mike was a formerly Chapter C Chapter Director and currently on the State Staff and a longtime member of G.W.R.R.A. & KY Road Riders Mike will truly be missed as He was a great guy.

We had 9 go on our ride last Saturday, riding to Union City to Hops and Barley for lunch and then up to Columbus to Beards and Roses for HOMEADE ICE CREAM. Gold Wingers always have to have ice cream and if you haven't been there you have to make the trip. Their burgers and pizza are great too.

Steve and Jennie, Richard, Rita & I will be attending the 2024 KY Blast in Danville August 15th-17th and there's still time to register and go enjoy a great weekend and I have a few rooms left!

Hope to see you at the gathering Thursday night!!!

Hope to see You Tuesday night.

Dan and Rita
Chapter Y C/D's
KY Assistant State Director

View From The Saddle



Where did the summer go? It's hard to believe it's August already and The Blast will be here soon. I hope you can attend the event this year which is scheduled for August 15-17 in Danville, KY. Rick and Leah and the State Staff do an outstanding job on The Blast. I think we'll be there but it's a little up in the air. My old Assistant Chapter Director back in Nebraska is planning a 4 Corners Ride and has asked me if I'd like to go along for the SE portion of the ride. The problem is I would get home the day before The Blast and I'm not sure I'll be ready for another ride.

Here's the deal: on my friend's ride he has to travel from his home in Cheyenne, WY to California to begin the ride. From there he rides to Key West, Florida and then to Maine and then back across the Northern Tier of states to Washington. Pretty ambitious ride. But here's "The Rest of The Story", as Paul Harvey used to say. He has to do it in 21 days. AND he intends to hit all 48 states in the process! This guy is a true Road Warrior so I think he'll do it, if the weather, etc. cooperates.

The plan, so far, is for me to meet him in Conway, AR on August 10. I'll ride there the day before and spend the night. Then we ride on to Jackson, MS for the night. The next day is the one that has me concerned. We ride from Jackson, MS to Tampa, FL for a total of 700 miles! Jennie and I rode 680 miles home from Grapevine, TX after a Wing Ding but I've never done 700 miles in a day. To be honest, I'm not looking forward to that day.

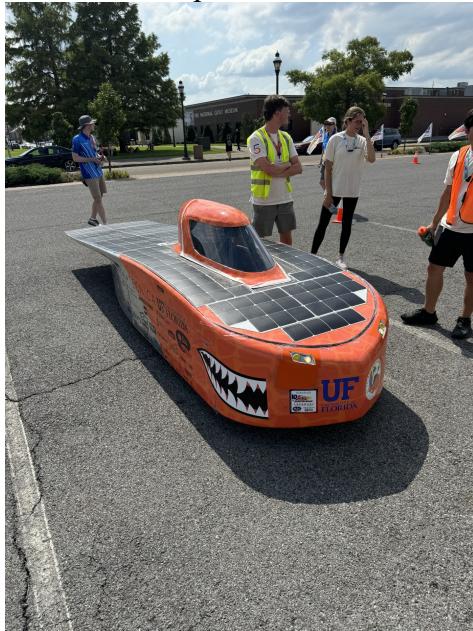
From Tampa, Steve (yes, his name is Steve, too) will head for Key West, FL. I didn't really want another super long day of over 600 miles...in the Florida heat...in a tourist area...during hurricane season...in August. So I'll leave Tampa and head to my daughter's house in Port Orange, FL. That will be 150 miles and will give me some rest time before Steve comes thru the next day. After Key West Steve rides back north to Fort Lauderdale for the night.

From Port Orange we'll continue north to Greenville, SC which will be less than 500 miles and we'll spend the night there. The next morning we travel towards Knoxville where we'll split up and I'll head for home as he continues on his quest. It looks like I'll rack up over 2,000 miles on the trip. That's assuming I can keep up with him and that crazy pace. There won't be time for sightseeing or anything but putting miles behind us. The only fun part will be spending time with an old friend I haven't ridden with in many years. We're hoping our Bluetooth headsets will pair so we can talk on the way. If not, I'll be watching his tail light for hours at a time and visiting with him when we make stops. Sound like fun?

Wish me luck! I hope to see you at The Blast.

Steve Knode

After our ride to Beards and Roses I went to Paducah to see the Solar Car race. The cars stopped in Paducah on their way from Nashville, TN to Casper, WY.



I visited with the crew racing this blue car. Very interesting. This 2 passenger car weighs 700 pounds. That's less than my Wing! It can sustain a speed of 70 mph on the flat but averages 40-45 mph.

Rider Education Report



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Group riding is different from solo riding because not only is each rider responsible for their own safety, they also have a responsibility for interacting safely with the other riders in the group. In the past, sharing information between riders was easily accomplished with the CB radio. The CB radio is a great tool, but only one person at a time can convey information. Newer communication tools using Bluetooth technology can link riders together instantly in a type of "party line." But in either case, every rider must have the equipment on board to share information. As Wing'd Rider grows and adds new members riding all brands and styles of motorcycles, keeping everyone informed requires a universal tool. Common hand signals can be used by everyone at any time and is the fastest way to relay important information to keep everyone safe.



Speed Up Inexperienced groups will benefit most from this signal. Experienced groups rely more on body language. Use it to tell the rest of the group to match your pace by increasing their speed. Extend your arm and swing your palm in an upward direction to give the signal.



Slow Down This signal is useful because motorcycles generate intense engine-braking forces, which do not activate the rear-facing brake light. Extend your arm and swing your palm down toward the road to tell everyone in the group to slow down.



Follow Me Used to announce a new, often self-appointed group leader. Also used to segment a large group into a smaller group. Make the signal by extending your arm forward at the shoulder with your palm facing outward.



You Lead/Come AKA the "YOU! Follow me!" signal. It has 2 distinct parts. Start by pulling up alongside the rider you want to follow or lead. In one motion, point to their bike and then swing your arm forward. Repeat this motion until the other rider understands.



Road Hazard This is a "2 in 1" signal. The signal is different depending on whether the hazard is to the right or the left. If the hazard is on the left, point with your left arm. Point with your right foot if the hazard is on the right.

Richard Artmayer

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