



# Derby City Wing Riders

GWRRRA

Kentucky District

*"Friends for fun, Safety, and Knowledge"*



## Meet the Officers and Staff:



Chapter Directors: **Ray and Angela Taylor**

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Couple of the Year: **Kent and Karen Risen**

Individual of the Year: **Miles Finley Justice**

**Louisville KY**

**Chapter A**

**February 2022**



## Director's Track

GWRRRA promotes Safety and Fun. There is no better way of having safe fun than getting on a Motorcycle with the wind blowing in your face and enjoying all the beautiful scenery that Nature has supplied.

The most important aspect of riding as a single or with a group is **attitude**. When riding on a motorcycle, the **attitude** is always **positive**.

A positive **attitude** is what makes a GWRRRA Chapter great.

You must have a **positive attitude** to spend hours mapping out rides that are pleasurable and exciting for all riders.

You must have a **positive attitude** to spend hours creating a newsletter that is interesting and informative for all of those interested in Motorcycle riding.

You must have a **positive attitude** to take time to create puzzles and games to add additional interest to your riding.

You must have a **positive attitude** to take time to visit other chapters and enjoy making friends throughout the district and beyond.

A positive attitude is what makes Chapter “A” a great group. People are attracted to a group that has a **positive attitude** and has a lot of fun. They then want to become a part of our group.

Fun creates **attitude** and **attitude** creates fun. If **attitude** enhances Motorcycle Riding, it should also enhance other aspects of our life. 2022 should be a year when all of us endeavor to maintain a **positive attitude** in all aspects of our daily lives.

Angela and I certainly look forward to the new season of fun and the **positive attitude** of our group of riders.

See you on the road soon.

**Ray & Angela Taylor**    **Chapter Directors**

**Assistant Chapter Directors**    **Tom and Marlene White**



**“Hey, do you remember that time.....?”**

Back in the fall Kentucky Chapter A took a vacation to Niagara Falls and then rode south to Skyline Drive and the Blue Ridge Parkway. It was a fabulous trip, and we had a blast! This trip brought back so many memories to me, memories of the several times Marlene and I have made this trip, and one special memory of the very first time I made this same trip riding an old 750 along with Wes Priddy (KY Chapter S) and his cousin Mike (they were on 1100's), back around 1979-80. It rained every day (and a lot or rain) except for the day we left and the day we came home. Wes had two flat tires in the same day. A Hell's Angel guy took me miles down the interstate on the back of his bike to get one of Wes's tires fixed. I wasn't sure I was coming back (but he was a blessing

to us)! It was June and it turned very cold. We had a short snow while in New York. We did not pack winter clothes and had to buy things to keep us warm. We put bread bags between our socks and shoes to keep dry. A couple of us used socks and plastic bags for gloves. Most days we were wet. Once we got separated on the road and I was just a split second from hitting a deer on the BRP. We were camping and it was COLD, and wet but these were the good days! We were young, wet, cold, tired, and broke, but we didn't care. We were having the time of our lives! For me this has been a precious memory all these years, not just of the trip but also of the friends whom I made the trip with. Mike is no longer with us, but after 40+ years Wes and I still reminisce about that trip. Memories.....

How many times have you said "Hey, do you remember that time.....?". It's only been a few months but already I have heard some "Remembers" about the Niagara trip. We all have a catalog of memories, good ones, bad ones, special ones, weird ones, and ones that we hope to create. Memories provide us with a way to capture and store some of the most special times of our lives. Memories allow us the opportunity to re-live some of the best moments we have experienced like they just happened yesterday. Memories strengthen our sense of identity and purpose and solidify our relationships. Memories can also allow us to leave behind the present and travel thru time to a special place, a place of joy, happiness, and contentment. A quote by Kevin Arnold describes a memory so well, "Our memory is a way of holding on to the things we love, the things we are, the things we never want to lose". With that said, we should not simply wait for events to dictate memories but rather we should actively pursue things that will create happy memories. Happy memories are essential to our mental health and can add quality to a life well lived.

Here are a couple of old biker sayings that you may have heard over the years: "If you have a motorcycle, you don't need a therapist", and "No road is too long if you have good company". No doubt these sayings at the end of the day have a lot to do with building memories. Memories as they relate to people are built around relationships. You will continue to hear this from us: Here at Chapter A, we are about "Making Friends and Building Relationships". We love to ride, and we ride a lot, however, it is the friendships that have been created and the relationships that are being built that are the backbone of Chapter A!

At the end of January, a group of us from Chapter A went to the KY OPS meeting in northern KY. It was cold and snowing and there was not a motorcycle in sight but there we were wearing our AWESOME COLORED SHIRTS 😊, meeting, laughing, singing, eating, dancing, having a great weekend and making many great memories. Why did we all want to go? It was because of the relationships we have built with each other. While we all wanted to support the district, what we really enjoyed was being together. Not only do we enjoy being with Chapter A, but we also enjoy the friendships and the relationships we are building with other Chapters. Being a member of the GWRRA and riding with KY Chapter A is a great experience. As I have continued

to say, it is a new day at Chapter A, and we would so much like you to come visit and ride with us as we continue to grow. So, polish-up those boots and see if that ride jacket still fits and come be with us. If you are younger, riding on two wheels, love the rain and snow and camp everywhere you go, or if you are a little older now like me, riding on three wheels, don't much like to get wet, now do your camping in the Hilton and like to be in bed before the rooster crows come be with us. You will fit right in, and we will do our best to make you feel welcome. **We want you!** Join with us and let's build new memories together! Soon you will be saying: "Hey, do you remember that time we were with Chapter A and .....

## **Ride Coordinator    Don Price**



We are now into a new year and looking forward to those warm weather riding days to enjoy one of our great passions. Riding our motorcycle across the countryside with close friends and visiting new destinations. What could be better? Winning the lottery but that is a different discussion. In order to enjoy those future warm weather days with no rain we need to address motorcycle maintenance. For some of you your bike may have been sitting for 3-5 months in storage in your garage waiting for the day to take the cover off and fire it up. For others you never and get your bike out and give it a good once over.

Check the following for damage from corrosion and replace when needed:

- Brake and throttle cables
- Brake lines
- Oil lines



- Rims and spokes if applicable
- Frame corrosion
- Check all light bulbs to see if they are in working order
- Check and replace fluids if needed (Oil, gas, coolant)
- Check condition of tires for dry rot
- Check for loose bolts from previous vibration and tighten them
- Check condition of wheel and neck bearings for proper endplay

Take the bike out for a short ride and make sure everything is working properly and the bike feels good. If you find things that concern you and you don't do your own maintenance, then give your mechanic a call and try to schedule a time where he can get your bike in and out. You want to be ready for that next warm day to take advantage of it.

## **Assistant Ride Coordinator    Kent Risen**



I'm sure you are looking forward to rides as much as I am! Don has some great rides planned this year and is working hard to add other requested rides. If you have any suggestions for rides, please contact Don or myself.

Thanks,

Kent Risen

Wishing everyone a very happy Valentine's Day!!

## Membership Enhancement



Dean Miller



Chapter A is already off to a great start this year and its only February! It goes without saying that whether we're at our monthly meetings or out on a fabulous ride somewhere that there is a genuine camaraderie among the members of this chapter. Now that alone is reason enough to belong, but did you know that as a GWRRA member there's even more? Check it out and tell a friend (or five\*):

- **Gold Book** -The [Gold Book](#) is our annual Service Directory that has 30,000+ Members. Find out more by becoming a part of our GWRRA family.
- **Wing World Magazine**- steadily growing circulation exceeding 41,000+ copies directly mailed each month to our members. Read more...at [Wing World](#).
- **Wing World App**- Is available on 1,400+ android devices in the [Google Play](#) store and also on the [iTunes App Store](#) for the iPad and iPhone devices.
- **Text Alerts**- Stay up to date with GWRRA, *Wing Ding* and *Wing World Magazine*. Simply text "GWRRA" "Wing Ding" or "Wing World" to 555-888 to receive up to date news, events and special offers!
- **Find-A-Friend\*** - For every five new memberships (households) recruited from our [Find-A-Friend](#) Program, you will receive a Gift Certificate with the equivalent value of a Family Membership.
- **Rider Education** - Our World Class [Rider Educational Program](#) has many avenues to educate both our motorcycle community and the general driving public.
- **GWRRA Apparel Store** - Enjoy high quality apparel and merchandise from our [online store](#)
- **Rescue Plus**- Visit [www.roadridersrescue.com](http://www.roadridersrescue.com) for plan details





## Chapter Visits:

Chapter A rode East to visit Chapter C in Lexington at their new meeting location on Saturday January 15<sup>th</sup>. It was their first meeting of the new year and Chapter's S and G were also present. Chapter A had the most members present again so we got an extra chance at capturing the traveling plaque **BUT**..... Chapter S was the lucky ticket holder and won back the plaque. However, all the Chapters had a go tiodme and that's what matters right?!! Congrats Chapter S!! We will be coming for it February 20<sup>th</sup> in Elizabethtown!!!







On Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup>, Chapter A drove North to attend Chapter G's meeting in Florence, Ky. Always a fun time with G!!





## **Chapter A Past Rides:**



### **From the Editor's desk Karen Risen**



Well, we've made it through some cold and wet winter weather so far. Each month I wonder if there will be enough "stuff" to include in the Newsletter, especially now without a lot of rides, but each month I am pleasantly surprised. Let me know if there is anything more you want to see in your

Newsletter, and I will try to make it happen. I am looking forward to Spring!!!

**KY DistrictNewsletter:**<http://www.gwrraky.com/newsletters-page/>

## **Future Rides**

You can find more information for future rides on the Kentucky District's Website: <http://www.gwrraky.com> or the Kentucky District's Facebook page: **GWRRA of Kentucky Member's Page** and on the GWRRA National website: <http://www.gwra.org>.

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*Chapter A held a planning meeting Friday February 12, 2022 to discuss and plan upcoming rides for the year. Stay tuned for more info coming soon.....*

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**Kentucky District Ride-In June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th 2022.** Hosted by Chapter A in Bardstown Ky!! Don Price, our ride Coordinator already has nine rides planned to include Breakfast rides, Attraction rides, and Lunch rides to choose from. We are excited for this upcoming event and hope you can join us. More Info coming soon.....

## **Kentucky Blast District Rally August 26<sup>th</sup>-28th 2022**

American Legion Post 34, 725 W Broadway St  
Lawrenceburg, KY 40342



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## News and Announcements:

*Chapter A attended the Kentucky District Ops meeting. We learned a lot and had loads of fun!! Thanks to the Kentucky District for all their hard work!!!*





*The Couples and Individuals of the Year were introduced!*



*Along with the New Mascot!*



*And a ticket was drawn to see which Chapter Couple got to take home the Little Bear.....*



*Congratulations to the 2022 Couples of the Year:*

|           |                       |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Chapter A | Kent & Karen Risen    |
| Chapter C | Mike & Dedre VanHoose |
| Chapter G | John & Mary Icher     |
| Chapter K | Greg & Marilyn Leslie |
| Chapter S | David & Phyllis Rock  |
| Chapter Y | Glen & May Cote       |

*And the 2022 Individuals of the Year:*

|           |               |
|-----------|---------------|
| Chapter A | Miles Justice |
| Chapter C | Frank Hardy   |
| Chapter G | Steve Poat    |
| Chapter S | Judy Wilson   |
| Chapter Y | Sherry Myers  |



Also, the Couples will be selling \$2 chances to win a Blackstone 22" Griddle. (I like to call it The Griddle of the Year!) Buy yours soon from your Chapter Couple to help support the COY Program!! Drawing will be held at Closing Ceremony of 2022 Ky Blast!!



And then there was the







*It takes concentration and focus to “Get your Jiggy On!”*  
*Great job everyone! So much Fun!!*







**Rick and Leah  
Cridlin**

Kentucky District  
Directors

### **KY Ops Meeting 50/50 Winners:**

**1<sup>st</sup> \$62 Dan Bondurant 2<sup>nd</sup> \$37 Leah Cridlin 3<sup>rd</sup> \$24 Kent Risen**

**Congrats to Chapter G for winning  
Newsletter of the Year Award for 2021!**

### **Upcoming Kentucky District Events:**



**GWRRA101 Workshop to be held March 26, 2022, stay  
tuned for details from our great Kentucky District!!**

**Watch Chapter A Derby City Wing Rider's Facebook page or  
check <https://chaptera.org> for weekly dinner, movie, and upcoming  
weekend rides!!!**



*GWRRA has begun allowing Chapter Visits again! All Chapters are invited to visit and attend Chapter A's meetings the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at Roosters 10430 Shelbyville Rd in Louisville KY. We meet at 11am to socialize and lunch at Noon. Hope to see you there!!*

## ***Chapter A Monthly Meet!!***

*2nd Saturday every Month Roosters 10430  
Shelbyville Rd Louisville, KY 40223 11am  
Meeting begins at Noon.*



*Chapter A met this month on Saturday February 12th. It was the second meeting of the New Year. There were approximately 23 people in attendance including Rick Cridlin and Rick Artmeyer from District Staff (Chapter G) and Roxie and Dave Wilkinson (Chapter S) Ky District Couple of the Year!*

*Congrats to Dean and Lora for “officially” entering the Levels Program!!*



*Chapter A would like to  
Welcome New Members: Debi  
Baldwin and Tony Johnson!!!*



**Chip Game Winner:** *Danny Drane had the winning ticket but did not draw the winning chip. \$479 up for grabs next month!!*

**50/50 Winners:**

*1<sup>st</sup> place winner Rick Artmayer \$35*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Place Winner Dave Wilkinson \$25*



**Thanks to all who played!!**

**Birthdays:**

**Happy Birthday!**



*Danny Drane  
Miles Finley Justice  
Mike Falone*

*February 5th  
February 17th  
February 28th*

**Anniversaries**







## **District Rider Education Director** Rider Education Report by **Richard Artmayer, KY District Educator**

Have you ever purchased a product that indicated “some assembly required”, like a small table or computer desk? How was your experience with putting it together? Most of these items include some sort of instruction manual, a materials list, and maybe even a list of tools required (usually a considerably basic list) to help you through the process. Reading the manual through before starting the assembly is always recommended so you can prepare and be

informed for what is required.

Usually the first page (or pages) is dedicated to the warnings and dangers associated with use of the product. I was once told that for every warning message listed in the manual, or on a sticker on the product, there has been some legal action taken against the manufacturer. These warnings are usually considered “common sense” by many people but are still important to know. And repetition is a terrific way to learn.

Some manuals are nothing but pictures; two-dimensional likenesses of the parts with arrows indicating how the items are to be put together. Other manuals may include some words or sentences about the assembly, while still others go into complete detail and give advance warning about an otherwise unforeseen hurdle to help you bring the parts together smoothly. The best instruction sets in my opinion use pictures and words and offer links to videos so one can see the actual assembly performed.

After finishing your project and admiring your accomplishment, have you ever wondered what the author of the manual was thinking? What were the thought process behind the document that was produced for you and everyone else who would buy the product? Did they build the item themselves before (or during) the writing of the manual? Was your success in assembly based on the instructions or on your experience?

Operating a motorcycle is similar in many ways I think to assembling furniture. There are many steps involved in a successful ride. And while the motorcycle comes with an owner’s manual and maybe a list of basic accessories, the bike is only the tool we use to assemble the successful ride. There is no manual for your commute to work, or the ride to dinner. And even though we may take the same path for each of these rides over and over, each experience can be new and different, because so many variables exist that can change from day to day.

Assembling a good ride will only be as successful as the experience we bring with us.

As members of GWRRA we are fortunate to have a reliable source of information and others' experience in the Rider Education Program. The classes, seminars, and on-bike training opportunities often come with documents that include both pictures and words, and sometimes even links to videos we can watch. They will provide the opportunity to learn the skills and knowledge to help you "write the manual" for your next ride.

**Richard Artmayer**  
**KY District Educator**



## **Chapter A's Couple of the Year: Kent and Karen Risen**



Hello everyone,

Well, we made it thru January without a "ride" on two wheels anyway! I know our bike was in many pieces in the garage while the air filter was being changed and a long cable was being run to add a second GPS and repair an electrical ground on the bike (Kent can tell you what that means in our new

monthly "Garage Talk" area of the Newsletter). As Couple of the Year Kent and I are learning our roles and look forward to meeting the other couples and singles of the Year and having FUN!! And we got to do just that at the Kentucky District Ops meeting this month where we learned a lot and had a great time!!!



## District Couple of the Year:



**Dave and Roxie  
Wilkinson**

District MEPC and 2019-  
2020 District Couple of the  
Year

The Couple of the Year Program has been greatly improved for the year 2022!

Let us re-introduce Lisa and Allen Merritt as the returning KY District Couple of the year Program Coordinators! Thank you, Thank you for saying 'YES' They always did a super great job in the past and after a couple of years of "retirement" they have agreed to come back and do it for another year!

If any of you need information about the District Couple of the Year Program you'll be able to find it on the KY District website or from Lisa Merritt at [merritt1569@gmail.com](mailto:merritt1569@gmail.com) or from Allen at 270-647-0205. ALL the 2022 Couples have received their packets with the pertinent information.

The 2022 Couple of the Year MASCOT began it's life with Chapter K in Henderson. You can try to "adopt: "Smokey" Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, eat at 12pm central time, meet at 1:00pm central time at Golden Corral in Henderson (address is: 1320 North Green Street)

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## **GWRRA National Membership Enhancement:**

### **Bob & Karla Greer** **Assistant Director, Membership Enhancement**

#### **Couple of the Year** **"From Chapter To International"**



The GWRRA Couple of the Year Program is spelled out in the April 2021 Officer's Handbook on pages 101 – 115. You can find a copy of this newest Officer's Handbook on the GWRRA MEP Couple of the Year webpage.

A very large percentage of GWRRA leaders have been a Couple of the Year at some level along their GWRRA journey. The Couple of the Year program starts in the Chapter. Every Chapter has a deserving couple that can be named the Chapter Couple of the Year. This deserving couple should not be asked if they want to be the Chapter Couple of the Year. They have already earned the title for what they have done. The Chapter Director has final say in who is named as the Chapter Couple of the Year. The Chapter Director can ask around or even appoint a small committee to gather information, but the Chapter Director appoints the Chapter Couple of the Year. In the business world around us, managers do not ask who wants to be the "Employee of the Month or Year"; they just make an announcement, give them a special parking spot, a plaque or certificate and maybe some money. The GWRRA Chapter Couple of the Year selection is no different. Once the Chapter Couple of the Year is selected, that couple becomes a part of the Chapter Team. The Chapter Couple of the Year should get special recognition at Chapter Gatherings. The Chapter Couple of the Year should be given an opportunity to talk at Chapter Gatherings. When a visiting Chapter, District or International Couple of the Year visits your Chapter or District event, they should get special recognition. This is a big deal for them and for GWRRA.

Early in the calendar year is the time to select your Chapter Couple of the Year. A lot of Chapters select and make this announcement at their Christmas Party or January Gathering, but it can be done any time. The earlier you select your Chapter Couple of the Year, the longer they have to enjoy their new position. We would ask that the Chapter Director or his/her designee tell their District Couple of the Year Coordinator, District Membership Enhancement Coordinator or District Director as soon as possible after the Chapter Couple of the Year is selected.

The District should reach out and congratulate all new Chapter Couples of the Year and answer any questions they have regarding the program. This District representative should also tell them about the next step in the Couple of the Year Program, which is the District Selection. This should be done in an encouraging manner without scaring them off with a bunch of "you've got to do this and that" stuff. Tell these Chapter Couples about others in your District, or someone you know, who had FUN going through the District and possibly the International Selection Process. If members of the District Team need any help at all with this, they can always get in touch with us or any other member of the GWRRA Membership Enhancement Program (MEP) Team.

Let's assume that your District had four or five Chapter Couples, several of them went forward to the District Selection, and now you have a new District Couple of the Year. The next step in the Couple of the Year Selection Process is the International Couple of the Year Selection.

We would like your help before this but definitely need your help after a District Couple is selected.



**Before Your District Selection** – We would like for you to tell your MEP Team Assistant (TA) for your territory or us, Bob & Karla Greer, when you plan on having your District Couple of the Year Selection. Will it be at your Winter Event, Rally, Ride-In or maybe you will do your District Selection via Zoom Meeting. We would love to know when you plan on having your District Selection and someone on the MEP Team may attend. The entire MEP Team is here to help you with whatever you need.

**After Your District Selection** – Please let your MEP TA for your territory or us, Bob & Karla Greer, know when you select a District Couple of the Year.

Just as District Teams call to congratulate new Chapter Couples of the Year, someone from the GWRRA MEP Team will call and congratulate the new District Couples. They will offer their expertise and assistance. They will try to gently suggest that District Couples take that last step in the Couple of the Year Selection Process and move forward to the International Selection. This decision to be in the International Selection can be made as late as January 31<sup>st</sup>. Obviously, we would prefer for them to make that decision much earlier so they can enjoy their tenure as District Couples longer. Just as Chapter Couples become members of the Chapter Team, likewise, District Couples become members of the District Team.

We are here to answer your questions. In closing, I want to give you a complete list of the MEP TAs and the territories they represent.

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## The Kentucky COY Mascot



**A new Mascot was introduced at the January Ops meeting!! Meet Smokey!! This cute Little Guy went home with Chapter K who had the winning ticket! He will be available at Chapter K's Meeting at Golden Corral 1320 N Green St on February 20<sup>th</sup> in Henderson Ky. They eat at Noon and meet at 1pm (Central time). Congratulations to Chapter K for capturing the new Mascot!!**

## **Chapter A's Individual of the Year:** **Miles Finley Justice**

Chapter Visitation is in full swing in 2022 and Chapter A is off to a great start. In January, members travelled south to Elizabethtown to visit with Chapter S and east to Lexington to visit with Chapter C. A group also traveled north to Florence to attend Chapter G's February meeting. Even though we cannot ride consistently just yet – I am so over the snow and ice – we can still share fellowship with our District GWRRA family. I have set a goal for myself to visit all 7 Kentucky Chapters outside Louisville this year. I hope some of you will join me in this challenge. Let's make Chapter A the best traveled in the district!







## Pins and Patches Miles Finley Justice



I attended my first ever GWRRA District Operations Meeting a couple of weeks ago in Northern Kentucky. One of the highlights for me was a breakout session on Pins and Patches conducted by John Keiter, the District P&P Coordinator. As a result of this session, I have a much better understanding of the variety of pins and patches available through GWRRA as well as how to display them. Of course, if you are like me, you have a stash of patches and pins from joining the organization and attending various events just collecting dust in a drawer someplace until we decide as a chapter how to wear and display these. Those who attended the Ops Meeting saw a variety of vests – leather, cotton canvas, and denim – which is the GWRRA standard. However, some members have expressed a desire for something other than a vest. As a result, I am asking everyone to please give some thought to what you might prefer to wear to display your pins and patches and share your thoughts at our upcoming meeting.

**Congrats to John Keiter for becoming the KY District's New Pin and Patch Coordinator!!**



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# Kentucky District's Newsletter Announced New Staff Members:

## **Welcome To Our New District Staff Members**



**Dan and Rita Bondurant**

Kentucky Assistant District Directors



**Jeannie and Buddy McKenzie**

District University Coordinators



**Lisa and Allen Merritt**

Couple of the Year Coordinators



**Don and Janet Price**

District Ride Coordinators

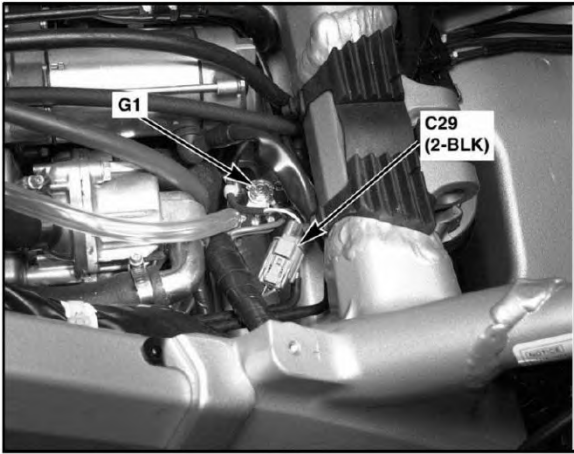


## **GARAGE TALK:**

As the weather became less favorable to riding this January, I decide to do some repairs and maintenance that had a lower priority than riding. I had several items on my list, some easy and some not so easy.

When the weather began turning colder in December, I had issues transmitting on the CB, luckily my awesome co-rider was able to transmit when I wasn't. This is an easy fix corrected by spraying contact cleaner into the CB PTT on the left handlebar cluster.

81. Top Rear of Engine (Fuel Tank Removed)



One fix down, several to more to go. The next was going to be the most difficult to fix, cleaning the electrical ground G1. During the summer I had begun to have an annoying noise in the rider intercom system, a suggested fix is cleaning the electrical ground. To reach this ground the fuel tank must be partially removed, referring to Steve Saunders ground locations at least let me know what I was looking for (Steve Saunders photo 81).

While I had this ground disconnected, I added a jumper connecting G1, G2 (Steve Saunders photo 59), and the negative post of the battery. I'll find out soon if this effort pays off!

Our bike only has 15k miles, but I was already in the area of the air filter so why not replace it! This was



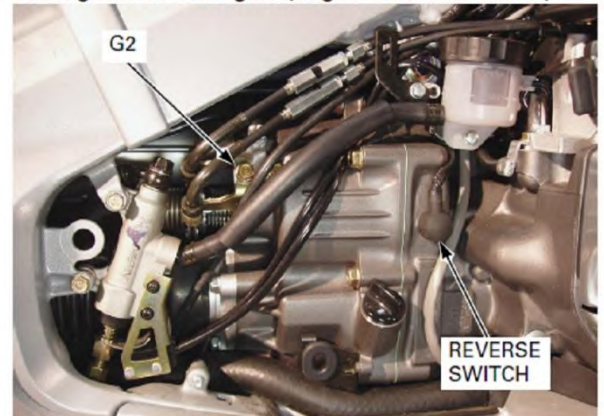
an easy swap out and the air filter (photo 02) was actually fairly dirty.

Next on the list was to install the new Garmin Zumo XT I received for my birthday.

Unfortunately, Garmin no longer provides a wired audio output, so I installed a Bluetooth Audio Receiver from Electrical Connection. This along with an additional AuxSwitchSet to control the audio priority from Kennedy Technology Group and connecting power to the auxiliary fuse box and the new GPS is ready to lead us on more adventures. All that's left now is to reassemble the bike and take it for a test ride!!

**Kent Risen    Assistant Ride Co-Ordinator**

59. Right Rear of Engine (Engine Cover Removed)





**Date** Feb 25th – 26th, 2022

**Directions** [Fourwinds Lakeside Inn & Marina](#)

**City/State** Bloomington, Indiana

**Hours** *Starts: Noon*

**Admission** Pre-Registration:

GWRRRA Life Members  
12.50

GWRRRA Members: 25.00

Non-GWRRRA Member: 35.00

Postmarked after Feb. 1st, 2018

GWRRRA Life Members: 15.00

GWRRRA Members: 30.00

Non-GWRRRA Members: 40.00

Friday Evening Meal: 18.00

Saturday Evening Meal: 25.00

Day Passes

Members: 15.00

Non-Members: 18.00

**Description** The GWRRRA Winter Rendezvous will be held on Friday, February 25th – Saturday, February 26th, 2022 in Bloomington, Indiana. This Bloomington motorcycle event is held at Fourwinds Lakeside Inn & Marina and hosted by GWRRRA Indiana District.

**Flyer** [View Flyer](#)

**Promoters** [GWRRRA Indiana District](#)

Contact: Melinda Faber

Phone: (765) 307-0661

Website: <http://www.indianaonwings.org/>



# Upcoming GWRRA Events:

## WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT In OHIO ??????

2022

February 11-12

**Cabin Fever**

Theme: Games Shows  
Salt Fork State Lodge  
Registration form and  
Daily activity program  
Attached.

April Xxx

**Spring Officers Meeting**  
Location: TBA

June 16-18

**Buckeye Rally**  
Theme: Christmas in June  
Greene County Fairgrounds  
Xenia, Ohio



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Grand Prize  
2-\$500  
Daily  
50/25/25

**RIDES**

Visit A  
Gator Farm

**RIDES**

Tour A  
Plantation Home

April 7-8-9, 2022

Come Early 4/6 Stay Late 4/10  
For Our SPECIAL Guided Tours

Ramada by Wyndham  
1400 West Tunnel Blvd  
Houma, Louisiana 70360  
985-879-4871 ask for GWRRA Rate  
Special Rate of \$80 a night  
If Booked Through The Host Hotel Only

Mardi Gras  
Costume Ball with  
Costume Contest

Cookie Bar  
Contest Open  
to ALL

Day Ride To  
New Orleans  
Cajun Dinner  
Night



Cooking With  
Pam J

COY Selection

Bingo

Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!

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For more Info:  
Website gwr-ra-la.org - Email dd@gwr-ra-la.org - Facebook: GWRRA Louisiana - Groupworks: LA District

### HOST HOTEL

Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center  
3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge TN 37863  
For Reservations Call

865-428-2700 or myramseyhotel.com

Rate is \$150 / night for two Queen, or one King bed  
includes Full Buffet Breakfast for all Guests.

Be sure to mention GWRRA or Spring Fling to get the special  
rate. Special rate and hold on rooms expire on March 28,  
2022.

### The Ramsey Hotel & Convention Center

- 208 Interior corridor updated guest rooms with plenty of common areas.
- All extra clean guest rooms feature new pillow top mattresses, all white duvets, linens and bath towels, large LCD 42" TVs with cable, one gigabyte of fast glass fiber Wi-Fi, Keurig coffee makers, mini-fridge, microwaves, hair dryers and Bath & Body Works bath amenities.
- Huge indoor 24-hour waterfall pool, hot tub, fire pit patio with nightly giant movie screen with free hot fresh popcorn
- Free wireless, high speed internet throughout hotel
- 24-hour complimentary fitness and business centers
- Free 24-hour coffees, teas, and hot chocolate
- 24-hour guest laundry
- City of Pigeon Forge Fun Time Trolley Route with onsite pickup
- Complimentary hot breakfast buffet with eggs, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fried potatoes, grits, oatmeal, yogurt, bagels, English muffins, assorted muffins, cereals, fruits, milks, juices, hot chocolate, tea, and coffee
- Boutique 4-star hotel with 3-star prices
- Only 10 minutes to major attractions like Dollywood, Dolly Parton's Stampede, The Island in Pigeon Forge, The Old Mill Historic District, LeConte Center, and the Ripken Experience.



39th Annual

Tennessee District  
Spring Fling

April 28-30, 2022, Pigeon Forge, TN

Tennessee Spring Fling 2022  
Pigeon Forge TN



TV Shows Of The 70's



# VA District Rally in the Valley



## Lynchburg Grand Hotel

601 Main Street, Lynchburg Virginia 24504

Join all of the **Cool Cats** and **Make The Scene!**  
We have Got All The Goods and traditions that  
you have come to expect in the Rally but have we  
got some new stuff for you!

Get your Bobby Socks and Chinos ready for the  
Costume Contest (Best Group—Best Danny—  
Best Sandy)

**"Rally is the time,  
is the place,  
is the motion!  
Rally is the way we are feeling!"**

**Reserve Hotel Rooms by August 15, 2022.** After that date, reservations will be taken on a space available basis. Price is \$110.00 per night.

Call hotel reservations at **434-528-2500** and ask for the special  
"GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS" rate.

## Let's Go To The Hop! for your 34th Annual Rally in the Valley!

- ♦ Fun & Games
- ♦ Pizza Party &  
Ice-Cream Social
- ♦ "Drive-In" Movie Night
- ♦ ARC / TRC  
On-Bike Courses\*
- ♦ MFA/CPR Course \*
- ♦ Master's Breakfast \*
- ♦ Saturday Banquet \*
- ♦ Vendors
- ♦ Hospitality Room
- ♦ Trivia & WINGO!!
- ♦ On-Bike Games
- ♦ Guided Rides
- ♦ Self-Guided Rides
- ♦ Daily 50 / 50
- ♦ Friday Night Dance
- ♦ Modules & Seminars

**\* Additional charges  
apply. MUST be pre-  
registered.**

ARC (Advanced Rider Course) and TRC (Trike Rider Course)

**(Must be pre-registered & pre-paid)**

Classroom portion will be **THURSDAY, October 6 at 12:00—4:00.**

Range portion will be **FRIDAY, October 7 at 8:00-12:00.**

Cost for either course is **\$50** (Co-Riders are free). Full riding gear,  
CURRENT Motorcycle license, proof of Insurance & Registration are  
required to take either class.

**CPR/MFA Class (Must be pre-registered & pre-paid)**

The CPR/Medic First-Aid class will be on **Saturday, October 8 at  
8:30-12:30.**

The cost for the course is **\$30** per person.

**MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) PER ARC / TRC / MFA CLASS**

**NO REFUNDS UNLESS CLASS IS CANCELED BY INSTRUCTOR**

**Master's Breakfast (Must be pre-registered & pre-paid)**

Be recognized for your achievements at the Master's Breakfast  
on Saturday morning, **October 8 at 7:00—8:30. \$15** per per-  
son. There will be a guest speaker, gifts and door prizes.

**Sit-Down Banquet Dinner (Must be pre-registered & pre-paid)**

**Saturday, October 8 at 5:45—7:00. The cost of the dinner is \$20**



## Upcoming GWRRA Training Events:

Michigan District

Wingless Weekend~ Classes both days

March 11 and 12th, 2022



|                                                 |                                                                                |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| University U.10                                 | GWRRA UNIVERSITY TRAINING EVENT                                                |
| District Hosting the University Training Event: | Michigan Wingless Weekend                                                      |
| Event Start Date:                               | 3/11/2022                                                                      |
| Event End Date:                                 | 3/12/2022                                                                      |
| Street Address                                  | 1645 Commerce Park                                                             |
| Name of Facility                                | Chelsea Village Conference Center                                              |
| City                                            | Chelsea                                                                        |
| State / Province                                | Michigan                                                                       |
| Postal / Zip Code                               | 48118                                                                          |
| Starting Time:                                  | 1:00 PM                                                                        |
| Estimated Ending Time:                          | 11:30 AM                                                                       |
| Class Details                                   | Friday March 11, 2022                                                          |
|                                                 | 1:00-2:00 pm Running Mountains, Hills & Curves                                 |
|                                                 | 2:30- 3:30 pm My Enthusiasm Counts MEC                                         |
|                                                 |                                                                                |
|                                                 | Saturday March 12, 2022                                                        |
|                                                 | 9:00- 10:00 am Motorcycle Crash Scene Response                                 |
|                                                 | 10:30-1130 am Co-Rider                                                         |
| Cost Per:                                       | No Charge                                                                      |
| Contact Person                                  | Rick Hebner                                                                    |
| Phone                                           | 1-989-274-8202                                                                 |
| Email                                           | <a href="mailto:rickheb@hotmail.com">rickheb@hotmail.com</a>                   |
| Additional Information:                         | Registration for Wingless Weekend is required. Visit GWRRA-MI.ORG.             |
| Will Lunch Be Provided?                         | No                                                                             |
| Reminder                                        | REMINDER: PLEASE BRING YOUR GWRRA MEMBERSHIP CARD TO THE EVENT - THANK YOU !!! |

KY District Newsletter: <http://www.gwrraky.com/newsletters-page/>

GWRRA's National Newsletter: <http://www.gwra.org/enewsletters.html>

# District University Coordinator



**Jeannie and Buddy McKenzie**  
District University Coordinators

Happy New Year GWRRA! I hope everyone starts 2022 with renewed energy. First, I want to say how excited I am to be appointed the District University Coordinator for Kentucky! I am also a University Instructor. As the DUC, my responsibility is mostly administrative.

DUCs oversee Training Days and Rally trainings, receives training requests from chapters, helps with scheduling of all classes, sends information out about upcoming classes, and assigning instructors for the trainings making sure all Instructors get a chance to teach. DUC's also keep the Members in the know of upcoming classes by posting classes on the website and in the District newsletter. It is an important function of the University Team.

The GWRRA University has so much to offer. They provide so many chances to learn new things, improve skills, and have fun doing it.

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Up Coming Trainings in KY....

CPR/MFA class

March 5, 2022

1:00 pm

Class will be held in Versailles.

Contact: Leah Cridlin [imJustLeah@aol.com](mailto:imJustLeah@aol.com)

Training Day - GWRRA 101

March 26, 2022

More details to come...

If you would like to set up a class for your chapter, please click on the link below, submit the request form and we will get the classes set up.

[GWRRA University Training Request Form](#)

Stay safe and have fun










## 2022 GWRRA DISTRICT EVENT SCHEDULE



| 2022 Dates                                              | District(s)                       | 2022 Event                                                                   | Location                                                                              | Web Site for Info                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| February 25 - 26                                        | Indiana                           | <b>Winter Rendezvous</b><br>"Favorite Holiday"                               | Fourwinds Lakeside Inn & Marina<br>9301 S. Fairfax Rd.<br>Bloomington, IN 47401       | <a href="http://www.indianaonwings.org/">http://www.indianaonwings.org/</a>     |
| February 26                                             | Minnesota & North Dakota          | <b>Mid-Winter Meltdown</b>                                                   | Loken's Rushford Inn<br>Rushford, MN                                                  | <a href="http://mngwrra.us/">http://mngwrra.us/</a>                             |
| March 11 - 12                                           | Michigan                          | <b>Wingless Weekend</b><br>"Hawaiian Luau"                                   | Village Conference Center<br>1645 Commerce Park Drive<br>Chelsea, Michigan 48118      | <a href="http://gwrri-mi.org/">http://gwrri-mi.org/</a>                         |
| March 11 - 12                                           | Missouri                          | <b>Spring Fling</b><br>"Salute to America"                                   | Inn at Grand Glaize<br>5142 Osage Beach Pkwy<br>Osage Beach, MO 65065                 | <a href="http://mogwrra.mogwrra.org/">http://mogwrra.mogwrra.org/</a>           |
| March 17 - 19                                           | Florida                           | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>Gathering of the Wings</i><br>"The Wizard of Oz" | Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs<br>350 Northlake Blvd<br>Altamonte Springs, FL 32701 | <a href="http://www.gwrri-florida.com/">http://www.gwrri-florida.com/</a>       |
| April 7 - 9<br>(Guided tour on April 6 for early birds) | Louisiana                         | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Mardis Gras Madness"                               | Clarion Inn<br>520 Roderick St.<br>Morgan City, LA 70380                              | <a href="http://www.gwrri-la.org/">http://www.gwrri-la.org/</a>                 |
| April 28 - 30                                           | Tennessee                         | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>Spring Fling</i><br>"TV Shows of the 70's"       | Ramsey Hotel & Convention Center<br>3230 Parkway<br>Pigeon Forge, TN 37863            | <a href="http://gwrri-tn.org/">http://gwrri-tn.org/</a>                         |
| April 28 - 30                                           | Texas                             | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>The Yellow Rose Rally</i>                        | Y.O. Ranch Hotel<br>2033 Sidney Baker St.<br>Kerrville, TX 78028                      | <a href="http://www.gwrri-tx.org/">http://www.gwrri-tx.org/</a>                 |
| May 19 - 21                                             | Arkansas                          | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Back in the Saddle"                                | Quality inn Convention Center<br>1210 US 62/65<br>Harrison, AR 72601                  | <a href="http://www.argwrra.org/">http://www.argwrra.org/</a>                   |
| May 21 - 22                                             | Indiana                           | <b>Spring Wing Warmup</b>                                                    | New Life Community Church<br>1450 N State Rd 135<br>Nashville, IN                     | <a href="http://www.indianaonwings.org/">http://www.indianaonwings.org/</a>     |
| May 27 - 30                                             | California                        | <b>District Rally</b>                                                        | Carson Valley Inn & Casino<br>1627 Hwy 395<br>Minden, NV 89423                        | <a href="http://gwrri-ca.com/">http://gwrri-ca.com/</a>                         |
| June 3 - 4                                              | Kentucky                          | <b>District Ride-In</b>                                                      | No information available                                                              | <a href="http://www.gwrri-ky.com/">http://www.gwrri-ky.com/</a>                 |
| June 2 - 4                                              | Missouri                          | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Wingin' the Ozarks"                                | Angel Inn<br>3311 Shepherd Hills Exp.<br>Branson, MO                                  | <a href="http://mogwrra.mogwrra.org/">http://mogwrra.mogwrra.org/</a>           |
| June 2 - 4                                              | South Carolina                    | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Wingin' on the Red Carpet"                         | Hilton Garden Inn<br>115 Destination Blvd<br>Anderson, SC 29621                       | <a href="http://www.gwrri-sc.com/">http://www.gwrri-sc.com/</a>                 |
| June 4                                                  | Montana                           | <b>Montana Rendezvous</b>                                                    | Travelodge<br>10776 US 287<br>Three Forks, MT 59752                                   | <a href="http://www.gwrri-mtdistrict.org/">http://www.gwrri-mtdistrict.org/</a> |
| June 16 - 18                                            | Ohio                              | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>Buckeye Rally</i><br>"Christmas in June"         | Greene County Fairgrounds<br>Xenia, OH                                                | <a href="http://www.ohiogwrra.org/">http://www.ohiogwrra.org/</a>               |
| June 16 - 18                                            | Wyoming / Nebraska / South Dakota | <b>Joint District Rally</b><br>"Wingin' Together"                            | Newcastle Lodge & Convention Center<br>22918 Hwy 85<br>Newcastle, WY 82701            | <a href="http://gwrri-wy.com">http://gwrri-wy.com</a>                           |

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| June 17 - 18     | Wisconsin | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Clowning Around in Wisconsin" | Voyageur Inn & Conference Center<br>200 Viking Dr.<br>Reedsburg, WI | <a href="http://www.gwrra-wi.org/">http://www.gwrra-wi.org/</a>   |
| June 28 - July 2 | All       | <b>Wing Ding 43</b>                                     | Shreveport Convention Center<br>Shreveport-Bossier, Louisiana       | <a href="http://www.wing-ding.org/">http://www.wing-ding.org/</a> |

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| July 13 - 16             | Washington                                                                                                                            | <b>District Rally</b>                                                               | Cashmere Village Inn Motel<br>229 Cottage Ave<br>Cashmere, WA 98815                                               | <a href="http://www.gwrra-wa.org/">http://www.gwrra-wa.org/</a>                                                                          |
| July 14 - 16             |  Central Canada<br><i>District Du Canada Central</i> | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Rendezvous 2022"                                          | Best Western North Bay Hotel<br>& Conference Centre<br>700 Lakeshore Dr.<br>North Bay, ON                         | <a href="http://ccdistrct.ca/">http://ccdistrct.ca/</a>                                                                                  |
| July 21 - 24             | Canadian  Northwest Coast (NWC)                      | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>Wings in the Cariboo Revisited</i>                      | Days Inn<br>965 Alder Ave<br>100 Mile House, BC V0K 2E0                                                           | <a href="http://gwrra-nwc.com/">http://gwrra-nwc.com/</a><br><a href="https://wingsinthecariboo.com/">https://wingsinthecariboo.com/</a> |
| July 21 - 23             | Montana                                                                                                                               | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Winging to the Gateway of the Rockies"                    | Ramada Helena<br>1714 11th Ave<br>Helena, MT 59601                                                                | <a href="http://www.gwrra-mtdistrict.org/">http://www.gwrra-mtdistrict.org/</a>                                                          |
| July 23 - 24             | Minnesota & North Dakota                                                                                                              | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Gateway West"                                             | Comfort Suites & Conference Center<br>1447 Prairie Dr<br>Worthington, MN 56187                                    | <a href="http://mnggwrra.us/">http://mnggwrra.us/</a>                                                                                    |
| July 28 - 30             |  Canadian Atlantic                                   | <b>District Rally</b>                                                               | The Rodd Royalty Hotel<br>14 Capitol Drive<br>Charlottetown, PEI C1A 8C2                                          | <a href="http://www.canadianatlanticregion.org/">http://www.canadianatlanticregion.org/</a>                                              |
| August 4 - 6             | Illinois                                                                                                                              | <b>Summer Rally</b>                                                                 | Vandalia, Illinois                                                                                                | <a href="http://gwrra-ildistrict.com/">http://gwrra-ildistrict.com/</a>                                                                  |
| August 18 - 20           | Michigan                                                                                                                              | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Wild West"                                                | Church of God Campground<br>8489 N. Bagley Rd.<br>St. Louis, Michigan                                             | <a href="http://www.gwrra-mi.org/">http://www.gwrra-mi.org/</a>                                                                          |
| August 26 - 28           | Arizona / Colorado / New Mexico / Utah                                                                                                | <b>4 Corners Rally</b><br>(Multi-District)                                          | Sky Ute Casino Resort<br>Ignacio, Colorado                                                                        | <a href="http://gwrra-4cornersrally.org/">http://gwrra-4cornersrally.org/</a>                                                            |
| September 2 - 3          | Nebraska / South Dakota                                                                                                               | <b>District Ride-In</b>                                                             | Fort Robinson State Park<br>Crawford, NE                                                                          | <a href="http://www.gwrrane.com/">http://www.gwrrane.com/</a>                                                                            |
| September 8 - 10         | North Carolina                                                                                                                        | <b>District Rally</b><br><i>Wings over the Smokies</i><br>"Let The Good Times Roll" | Smoky Mountain Event Center<br>(Formerly Haywood County Fairgrounds)<br>758 Crabtree Rd.<br>Waynesville, NC 28785 | <a href="http://www.gwrranc.org/">http://www.gwrranc.org/</a>                                                                            |
| September 8 - 10         | Pennsylvania                                                                                                                          | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Time to Ride"                                             | Pittsburgh Marriott North<br>100 Cranberry Woods Dr.<br>Cranberry Twp, PA 16066                                   | <a href="http://www.gwrrapadist.org">http://www.gwrrapadist.org</a>                                                                      |
| September 15 - 17        | Georgia                                                                                                                               | <b>District Ride-In</b><br>"Come Ride With Us"                                      | River Vista Resort & Campground<br>20 River Vista Dr<br>Dillard, GA 30537                                         | <a href="http://www.gwrra-ga.com/">http://www.gwrra-ga.com/</a>                                                                          |
| September 23 - 24        | Iowa                                                                                                                                  | <b>District Rally</b>                                                               | The Pub at the Pinicon<br>2205 S. Linn Ave<br>New Hampton, IA                                                     | <a href="http://www.gwrra-iowa.com/">http://www.gwrra-iowa.com/</a>                                                                      |
| September 29 - October 1 | Alabama                                                                                                                               | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Ohana Means Family"                                       | Lakepoint Resort State Park<br>104 Lakepoint Drive<br>Eufaula, AL 36027                                           | <a href="http://gwrraalabama.org/">http://gwrraalabama.org/</a>                                                                          |
| October 6 - 8            | Virginia                                                                                                                              | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Rally in the Valley"                                      | Lynchburg Grand Hotel<br>601 Main St<br>Lynchburg, VA                                                             | <a href="http://www.gwrrava.net/">http://www.gwrrava.net/</a>                                                                            |
| October 13 - 15          | Mississippi                                                                                                                           | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Hometown Tailgating"                                      | Holiday Inn Gulfport - Airport<br>9515 Hwy 49<br>Gulfport, MS<br>(Conference Center in Best Western)              | <a href="https://miss-gwrra.com/">https://miss-gwrra.com/</a>                                                                            |
| October 27 - 29          | Oklahoma                                                                                                                              | <b>District Rally</b><br>"Hallowing"                                                | Ponca City Civic Center<br>400 E. Central Ave<br>Ponca City, OK 74601                                             | <a href="http://www.gwrraokla.org/">http://www.gwrraokla.org/</a>                                                                        |



**Lorrie M. Thomas**  
**Director of the University**



## *Happy New Year!*

It's exciting to contemplate a clean slate, a chance to introduce new classes, train Instructors and find interesting and unique ways to get the information to our Members.

We had all hoped that a large dose of normal would be in our Christmas stockings, but I'm willing to settle for a tad more normal than before!

Here's your chance to offer some suggestions for topics, edits of established Modules and Seminars or voice an opinion on what we should toss. If you have a writer's soul, we will work with you to create new material. If you are simply an idea kind of person, then let's hear what you got!

2022 is going to rock!

## *Need an idea for classes this month?*

**LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW, LET IT SNOW.**

Or rain or be too darn cold or slushy or salty roads or the number of other reasons we stay closer to home. It may keep the riding to a minimum, but it can't slow down training! Let's talk options for training.

**Online classes:** All you do is ask. There are Instructors that have been certified to teach online. There are limits to class size and how they are advertised. Contact the University for more information.

See the next page for the list of Modules and Seminars that have already been adapted for presenting online.

|        |                                                                        |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 101-02 | Co-Rider (seminar) Level-2                                             |
| 101-06 | Riding at Night ~ GWRRA Module Who's Afraid of the Dark Level-2        |
| 102-01 | GWRRA Module R U Ready 2 Ride???                                       |
| 102-06 | View From The Rear ~ GWRRA Module A View from the Rear Level-2         |
| 102-02 | Riding in the Heat ~ GWRRA Module When You're Hot, You're Hot Level-2  |
| 103-03 | Riding in the Rain ~ GWRRA Module Only Sugar Melts in the Rain Level-2 |
| 106-01 | Levels Program ~ GWRRA Module On the Level / My RE Level-2             |
| 106-02 | How Aging Affects Riders ~ GWRRA Module For the Mature Rider Level-2   |
| 201-03 | Communication ~ GWRRA Module Can You Hear Me Now?                      |
| 201-04 | Managing Change ~ GWRRA Module Cha-Cha-Cha-Change                      |
| 201-06 | Newsletters ~ GWRRA Module Newsletters                                 |
| 202-03 | Chapter MEC Role ~ GWRRA Module My Enthusiasm Counts                   |
| 202-04 | Retention ~ GWRRA Module Retention is Important                        |
| 202-05 | New Member Orientation                                                 |
| 203-04 | Women in Leadership Roles ~ GWRRA Module This One's for the Girls      |
| 204-02 | Planning a Chapter Event ~ GWRRA Module We're Doing What?              |
| 205-01 | Chapter Finances ~ GWRRA Module Checks 'n Balances                     |
| 301-02 | Recruitment ~ GWRRA Module More Members                                |
| 308-01 | GWRRA 101 (only with University assistance)                            |

**At Chapter Gatherings:** Training done before or after a Gathering is one of the simplest ways to put together a presentation. Remember, attendance is not limited to your Chapter Members; invite surrounding Chapters. Training is also not limited to Members. Invite those who might be interested in becoming Members. A great way to recruit.

**Bike Clinics:** When riding season resumes, lots of Chapters hold a bike clinic where safety checks are done in preparation for riding. While some are turning wrenches and adding accessories, some can be enjoying a class. Make it a potluck or BBQ to make it even more fun.

**OPS Meeting/Officer's Conference:** What better time to offer training on Officer Positions or leadership skills? If it is too late to get on the agenda, look to your mid-year conference or arrange an online class for each of the positions: Treasurer, Newsletter, MEC, etc.



...the Zoom calls for DUCs are every other month, during the first two weeks of the month. The invites were sent out for January. If you didn't receive one, contact me.

...the Rider Ed database is temporarily down due to maintenance. Until it goes back up, the Instructor lists will not be updated and sent to you.

...you are to submit a District newsletter article as per the MOU. You were welcome to use part or all of this *Insight* article. A description of a Module or Seminar may be another easy way to communicate in that article.

...training for new Instructors is available upon request.



# Get on the Level

## **GWRRA Level System**

Basically there are four levels:

1. Safety by Commitment
2. Safety by Education
3. Safety by Preparedness
4. Safety by Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

## **Gold Wing Road Riders Association**

Rider Education Levels Program

**"THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF RIDER EDUCATION"**

Each level requires that you are a member of the GWRRA and you have completed the previous level. The rider and co-rider requirements for each level are as follows:

### **Level 1: Safety By Commitment**

Rider and Co-Rider requirements:

- The expressed commitment of the Rider or Co-Rider to strive for and practice safe riding.

### **Level 2: Safety By Education**

Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have a current motorcycle license.
- Have completed an approved on-bike Rider course within the past three years.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years.

### **Level 3: Safety By Preparedness**

Rider requirements:

- Completed a formal approved on-bike Rider Course within the past three years.
- Maintain current First Aid, CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.
- Carry a First Aid kit on the motorcycle.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years (a sanctioned PLP is not allowed to be used for this Level).
- Maintain current First Aid or CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.

### **Level 4: Safety By Commitment and Preparedness**

Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding.
  - Proper riding apparel, a.k.a.: proper riding "gear" will include, at a minimum, a DOT (FMVSS 218)/Snell (M2010) / ECE 22.05 approved helmet (approved standard applicable to the local area), eye protection, long sleeved jacket/shirt (no "riding pull on/off sleeves"), long legged sturdy pants, full fingered gloves and over the ankle footwear. Some have coined the acronym ATGATT standing for All the Gear, All the Time.

Co-Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding (see definition in the Rider section above).

## GWRRA VISION



Gold Wing Road Riders Association [GWRRA] is recognized as the world's largest single-marquee for safety, technical, educational and social organization for riders of touring motorcycles.

## GWRRA MISSION

Dedicated to our Motto; Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge, GWRRA Members enjoy the freedom of belonging to a not-for-profit, non-religious and non-political organization.

## GWRRA VALUES

- **Friends** - GWRRA Members are men and women from all walks of life with varied interests and backgrounds. We have Gold Wing and other touring motorcycle riders of all age groups. Some ride solo and many ride with small and large groups! New Members join GWRRA especially for the technical information we share; some of our Members join for the enjoyment of riding with friends and also meeting new friends. Find your future riding friends with your [Region Map](#).
- **Fun** - As a family organization, GWRRA has certain fun groups to include restaurant, picnic and campout runs. We also have GWRRA groups to include charities, parades, and small or large events across the country. GWRRA Members can participate in live or video seminars through [Rider Education Programs](#).
- **Safety** - We strive for improvement through GWRRA safety workshops. We will share technical expertise, news and tips about riding, maintenance and the best touring routes in the world. [Safety is for Life](#) on our GWRRA Rider Education Programs page.
- **Knowledge** - While generalization about a group of individuals as large as today's GWRRA is difficult, GWRRA Members are likely to be independent thinkers, fun-loving, generous, adventuresome, cooperative and unfazed by the natural challenges of riding in the rain, temperature extremes or highway uncertainties. Many Members have completed CPR and first aid training, making them the best-prepared motorcycle riders on the world's highways! Find "CPR and First Aid Training" on our GWRRA [Medic First Aid International® Programs](#).

## WHY BELONG TO GWRRA?

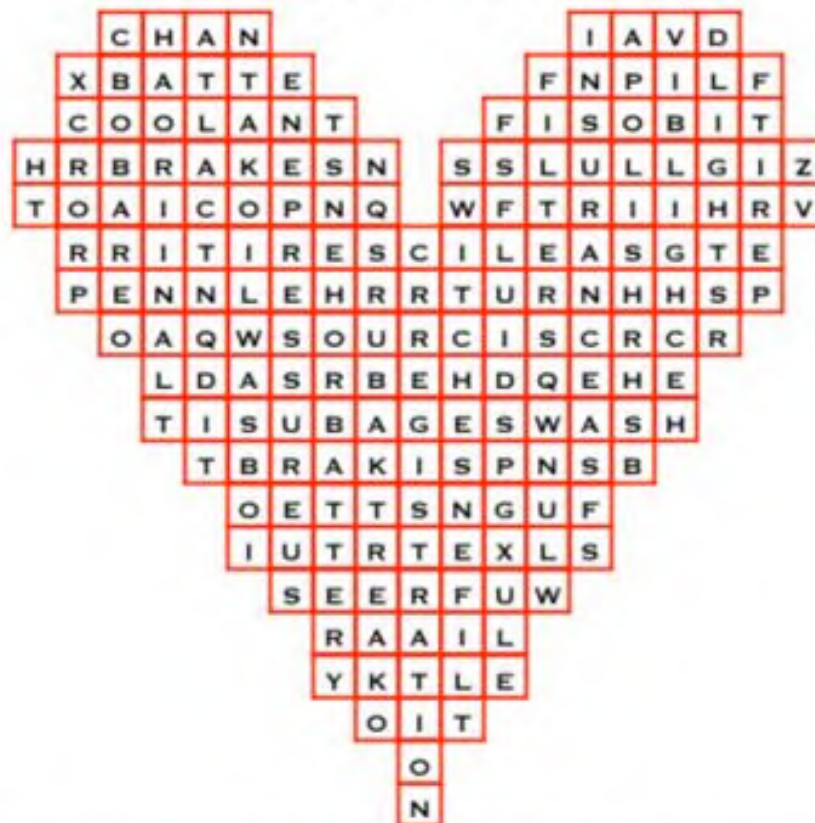
There are many benefits to becoming a GWRRA Member. As a Member you will enjoy camaraderie and fellowship while enjoying the comfort of belonging to the largest family of Gold Wing/F6B and other touring motorcycle owners. We like to share our pleasure in the freedom of riding motorcycles with others like ourselves. Our Members strive for improvement by attending GWRRA live, video and webinar safety workshops. We offer an emergency towing and roadside assistance program called [Rescue Plus](#). This is a benefit that ensures peace of mind, day or night. Among our 60,000 + skilled and dedicated Members can find the answer to almost any question regarding the Gold Wing! Your special Membership Card signifies your membership, along with many other benefits such as; discounts at touring motorcycle dealerships, designated hotels, campgrounds and travel agencies. As a Member, whenever you need help traveling, our [Gold Book Directory](#) connects you with your nearest friends, worldwide. Our *most important benefit* is sharing how to safely enjoy motorcycling in more ways than you thought possible. Belong to GWRRA!



Join in the fun by completing the newsletters new monthly puzzle feature!  
 Bring your printed copy of the completed puzzle to the following month's  
 meeting and trade it for an extra door prize ticket

## MOTORCYCLE LOVE

SHOW YOUR RIDE SOME LOVE DURING THE  
 WINTER WEATHER



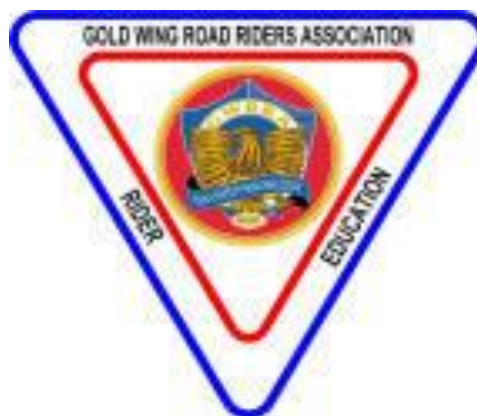
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 WASH

*Submitted by Lora Miller*

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***Thanks to anyone and everyone  
 who took the time to submit for the  
 Newsletter!!***

A BIG  
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## Area Chapter meetings in the Bluegrass State

### Chapter A

Louisville KY  
40223



2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month @ Roosters, 10430 Shelbyville Rd.  
11:00am Lunch. Meeting begins at Noon.

[www.chaptera.org](http://www.chaptera.org)

### Chapter C

Lexington KY  
40509



3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month @ Roosters, 2640 Richmond Rd.  
11:00am Lunch. Meeting begins at Noon.

[www.kybluegrasswings.org](http://www.kybluegrasswings.org)

### Chapter G

Florence KY  
41042



1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month @ American Legion Post 4, 8385 US Hwy42. 6:30pm Dinner. Meeting begins 7:00pm.

[www.chapterg.org](http://www.chapterg.org)

### Chapter H

Shelbyville KY  
40065



1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month @ UK Extension Shelby County Office, 1117 Frankfort Rd. Meeting begins 7pm, dinner follows.

### Chapter K

Henderson KY  
42420



3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month @ Shoney's, 2452 US 41 North  
Lunch at 1:00pm. Meeting begins 2:00pm.

### Chapter S

Elizabethtown KY  
42701



2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month @ Shoney's, 1046 Executive Dr  
4:00pm Dinner. Meeting begins 5:00pm.

**Chapter T**  
**Paintsville KY**  
**41240**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month @ Carriage House Ramada Inn**  
**624 James S Trimble Blvd. Meeting begins 6:00pm.**

**Chapter Y**  
**Mayfield KY**  
**42066**

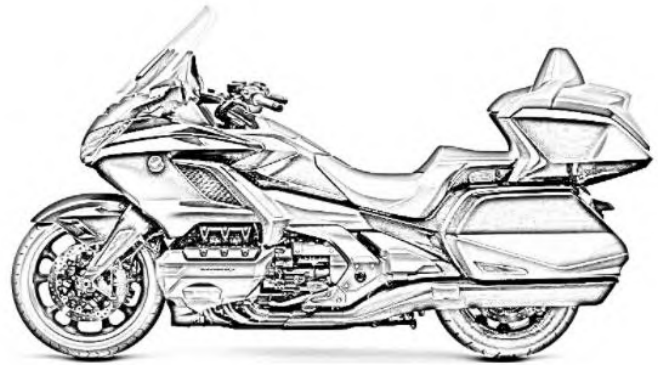


**1st Thursday of the month @ Majestic Family Restaurant,**  
**700 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street. 6:00pm dinner. Meeting begins 7:00pm.**

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