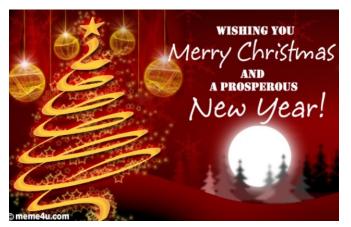


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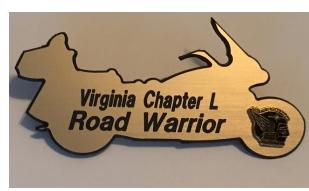
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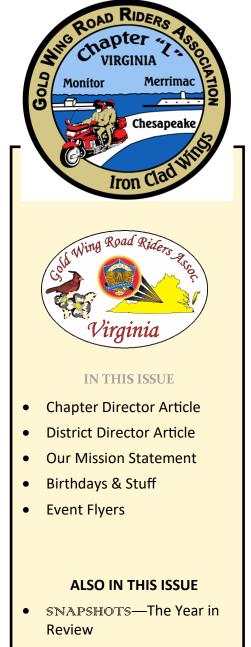
Chapter Directors: Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas wingernut93@aol.com lorriemthomas@aol.com Dan's Cell 757-343-1783 Lorrie's Cell 954-599-5178 Ride & Grow with VA-L

We meet the 4th Tuesday of each month (except December) at Zino's Café, 850 George Washington Hwy N, Chesapeake, VA 23323. Our meet, greet and eat—begins at 6pm, our gathering begins at 7pm. We invite you to come out and have fun with us

2020 Road Warrior Awards

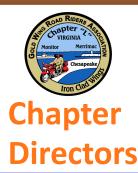


January: Will Conrad February: Steven Morgan March: No Gathering April: No Gathering May: No Gathering June: Sherry Morgan July: Rolled Over August: Dan Clark September: Keith Lindgren October: Debbie Mandigo November: Rolled Over December: No Gathering



Chapter L Funnies

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Greetings Chapter "L",

This is the last newsletter of the year and what a year it has been. We have had our ups and downs, but we have prevailed as a Chapter.

The year started out with my taking the reins, as the Chapter Director, from Zach and Angie Bon. Those were some tough shoes to fill. They had done a marvelous job. Thank you for the tutelage and assistance during the transition.

We enjoyed some rides during the first couple of months then were hit with the ugliness of the Covid-19 pandemic. This unfortunately impacted our Chapter, our riding, and our socialization, but we were able to get in some rides and resume our Gatherings. After two months, we lost our Gathering facility, but we were able to find a new (old) facility to hold our Gatherings. The Chapter used to meet at Zino's Pizza before outgrowing the facility and moving to Pop's Diner. Zino's and the management are happy to have us back and look forward to serving us.

What is in store for the coming New Year? Hopefully, the Food and Drug Administration will approve a vaccine for the Covid, and we can defeat this nasty pandemic. Listed below are the coming events for 2021.

- a. We will continue to have rides to new and exciting places.
- b. In May we will have an event to raise funds for the Chapter. Details to follow at the January Gathering.
- c. The District will be putting on Wingless Weekend on February 26-27, "Cruising into 2021".
- d. The District will be hosting an Operations and planning meeting February 12-13 in Charlottesville. It is open to all Members.
- e. Rally in the Valley will be in Lynchburg again on October 14-16.
- f. We will be holding training classes very soon to keep up with our training, to refresh everyone's memories and educate our new Members.

As you can see, we will have a busy year. We look forward to seeing everyone as your time permits. Join us when you can and continue the camaraderie of your friends and the Chapter.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone for your support of the Chapter and the Team this past year. Lorrie and I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas

Chapter Directors, Va-L

District





Lorrie Thomas & Dan Clark VA District Directors Iorriemthomas@aol.com wingernut93@aol.com LT: 954-599-5178 DC: 757-343-1783

Merry Christmas from the District Team

As the year comes to an end, we are fortunate to find blessings to count and reasons to celebrate. The first blessing on the list is that the year <u>is</u> coming to an end! We are all about meeting challenges head on, but this past year was a bit more than your run-of-the-mill challenge.

It is important to remember that 'normal' is going to return. To our advantage, we can redefine what normal looks like. When we come to a pause, it gives us time to rethink about where we have been and where we want to be in the new year.

That starts with taking stock of each Chapter's profile, defining what kind of Chapter it is; riding Chapter or Social Chapter or a bit of both. Do you plan rides only during the week eliminating any of the Members who still work from joining you? Are all your rides hard, fast, and twisty, not appetizing to new or inexperienced or more conservative riders? Is the social part only about going out for a meal? Do you gather for card or board game night? What about sporting events or picnics with extended family invited including the grandkids.

Where do you get your ideas for rides and events? Does the planning, at the beginning of the year, involve the whole Chapter? We know what happens when we ask Members at a Gathering what they would like to do.... silence. Make planning deliberate. Make it a definite meeting, casual with dessert and coffee, maybe. Give Members time beforehand to make a list of restaurants or rides they want to do. Remind them that they do not have to lead the ride if they do not want to, just give you the information.

Hey Members! You like these ideas? Offer to help and get involved. After all, it is your Chapter. The Chapter Team needs you and wants to do what is best for you.

The last year was highlighted by an OPS (operations and planning) meeting with over 75 in attendance. It was wonderful to be able to recognize the Chapter Teams' accomplishments and welcome new Leaders. Come join us in Charlottesville in February.

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District

Wingless, the first in years, was so much fun. I will keep my promise that the baby theme will not be reused for a while. "Cruising into 2021 Aboard the SS Wingless" will promise to be a cannot miss event. Register soon!

During this year we added several new Members to the District and Chapter Teams, an incredibly positive impact on the District, overall. It is our plan to continue filling in the blanks, to continue adding to the Teams with Members that will bring new energy and fresh ideas. Hope you might consider joining a Team.

Personally, Dan and I welcomed two great grand babies to the family. Trust me, we have pictures. Also, I was appointed to the position of Director of the GWRRA University. I am thrilled and honored to be trusted with this huge responsibility. Dan and I will continue to oversee the Virginia District with the understanding that we will seek out Members that will step up to assist and know that current Team Members are willing to take on some new responsibilities. You trusted us with the District and were patient and kind to us. We could not simply walk away.

With that, we again thank you for having faith in us and look forward to a GRAND 2021.

Happiest of Holidays and Happy New Year.

Virginia District Directors

Lorrie Thomas & Dan Clark

Our Mission Statement: RIDE & GROW

Respect all motorcycle riders and motorists Inspire members to participate in the Levels Program. Dedicated towards providing a family atmosphere so everyone has fun. Educate our members about new innovations regarding riding, safety, and about GWRRA. & Give back to the community, resulting in a positive image of motorcyclists. Relax, and enjoy the ride! Offer assistance and encourage participation by all members. Work with members by assisting them in achieving their goals. So, what are we really saying... We don't discriminate; all types of motorcycles are welcome. If your friends are looking for a group to ride with that believes in and practices safety, we are that group. Bespect drivers by

group to ride with, that believes in and practices safety, we are that group. Respect drivers by being courteous with our lights and riding style.

We want all our members to participate in the Rider Education (Levels) program. The Levels Program allows members to advance from Level 1 (Committed to Safety) to Level 4 (Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness), also known as Master Tour Rider. As our members gain experience and miles, we inspire them to advance to the next level.

We are a family association; we are dedicated to providing a fun and friendly atmosphere to members and visitors of all ages. We strive to make every event fun.

Chapter L is dedicated to educating our members and visitors about motorcycling. We do this by having training provided by certified trainers that have graduated from Gold Wing University. We educate members about riding alone, with a co-rider, and in a group. We educate on riding as a team, pulling trailers, crash scene response, leadership, fun events, advances in motorcycling, and much more. Our trainers are evaluated by senior trainers to ensure they remain up-to-date regarding motorcycling.

Not all motorcyclists are the same; we strive to present a positive image to the public. We inform the public about what our association stands for; Friends, Fun, Safety, & Knowledge. We are a part of the community and want the community to be a part of us.

Have fun and enjoy riding with Chapter L. We want all of our riders to relax and enjoy the ride while being among friends that share your passion... riding.

It takes everyone to make the Chapter successful. But what is the definition of *successful*? Successful means the Chapter is fun. Successful means the Chapter rides a multitude of routes with varying distances. Successful means people want the Chapter to thrive. Successful means people ask "what can I do to help..." Successful means our membership thrives. In other words, we cannot be successful without you. Participation from all members results in the Chapter being successful.

Have you achieved your goals you've set? Regardless whether your goals involve motorcycling or are professional, chances are, there is someone in the Chapter that wants to assist you in achieving your goals. Our goal is to assist you in achieving your goal.

Birthdays, Anniversaries, & Other Information



Helpful information for members

To get Chapter, District, and National patches for your vest, contact our Chapter Treasurer, Will Conrad.

For things you might typically pick up at a Rally, but don't want to wait until the next one comes around:

- Chapter Shirts/Rider Ed patches: See the Chapter Directors; Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas
- Name Tags: www.ThEngraver.com (take note of spelling—only 1 'e' at beginning
- Vests & sewing patches:
 - Perfect Fit Alterations, 357 Johnstown Rd, Chesapeake. They also do vest embroidery
 - The Leather Arts Store at 415 N. Military Highway, Suite 13. Ask for the owner, Dennis
- Embroidery & Name Tags: Nancy Harbison Uniforms & Tailoring at 479 South Lynnhaven Road, Virginia Beach (463-3241)

These are by no means the only place to get your desired items, just the ones that seem to be used the most by local chapters.

Officer's Conference

February 12-13, 2021

Comfort Inn - Monticello

2097 Inn Drive, Charlottesville, VA 22911

434-977-3300 or https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/VZ39W2

Friday, February 12 at 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Social and Dinner

Saturday, February 13 at 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Conference and Break-Out Sessions

All Members are invited to attend, specifically Chapter and District Team Members, those who may be interested in taking a leadership position and/or those who would like to participate in the planning of the Virginia District's year.

Room rates: \$82.00, per night. Make your own reservations

Full, hot breakfast included for all guests with room reservation

Cancellation policy for rooms, 24-hour prior without penalty

Guests call and identify themselves with the GWRRA - VA District Room Block

Group Number VZ39W2.

The District is covering the cost of the Friday night dinner and Saturday breakfast, if not available, Saturday lunch, so RSVP's are necessary. Please respond by January 31.

Name_____ Chapter___ Position _____ Name_____ Chapter___ Position _____ Yes, I/we are attending the Friday night Social and Saturday Conference Yes, I/we are attending the Saturday Conference, only. Send RSVP to: Lorrie M. Thomas, District Director, <u>lorriemthomas@aol.com</u> or to

5308 High Street West, Portsmouth, VA 23703 954-599-5178

Gold Wing Road Riders Association Presents



"Cruise"

into 2021 ABOARD THE S.S. WINGLESS

Hosted by the Virginia District Friday and Saturday, February 26 and 27

Registration Friday 4 pm - 7 pm

- Social Time
- Muster Fun & Games
- Bon Voyage Ice Cream Social
- Love & Marriage Game Show
- 50/50 Drawing

Costume Contest Categories.

- Tropical
 - Tacky Tourist
 - Best Coconut Bra

Registration Saturday 8 am - noon

- Hospitality Room
- WINGO, Fun & Games
- Crafts
- Excursions
- Captain's Dinner (Wear your best tropical attire!)
- Costume Contest
- Casino Games
- DJ & Dancing
- "The Quest"
- 50/50 Drawing

Register online at gwrra.square.site OR Download the Registration Form from gwrravadistrict.com OR Use the form in the monthly VA District Newsletter.

Hope to "SEA" You in Williamsburg!

Wingless Weekend - February 26 - 27, 2021

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Williamsburg

50 Kingsmill Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185 (757) 220-2500 Mention "Wingless Weekend" when making room reservations. Rooms blocked until February 15, 2021; Room rate \$79

Deadline for Pre-Registration is February 6, 2021 (You MUST Pre-Register to be guaranteed the Saturday Night Captain's Dinner)

No refunds after February 13, 2021 (Excepting Event Cancellation by Hotel Due to Government Ordered Restrictions)



"Cruise" into 2021 ABOARD THE S.S. WINGLESS

Featured Saturday (Optional) Excursions (Self-Driving)

- Yankee Candle Village
- Williamsburg Premium Outlets
- Virginia Musical Museum (\$12 adm)
- 8 Shires Coloniale Distillery Tour & Tasting
- American Revolution Museum at Yorktown (\$16 adm)

2 EASY Payment Options:

Secure Credit Card Payment https://gwrrava.square.site

OR

Personal Check Payable to: GWRRA Virginia District

Mail to: Roman Paryz 331 Paine Street Newport News, VA 23608

Rider	GWRRA #	Chapter
Rider or Co-Rider	GWRRA #	
Pre-Registration – GWRRA Member (prior to Feb. 7, 2021)	<u>\$ 40</u> x =	\$
Pre-Registration – Non-GWRRA Member (prior to Feb. 7, 2021)	<u>\$43</u> x =	s
Reg. Registration – GWRRA Member (after Feb. 6, 2021)	<u>\$ 45</u> × =	s
Reg. Registration – Non-GWRRA Member (after Feb. 6, 2021)	<u>\$ 48</u> × =	\$
	TOTAL:	s

Email Address for Registration Confirmation:

I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, the Co-Sponsoring organizations and the property owners for loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved by any reason of participation in the event.

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Chapter L's Annual Ride to the Coinjock Marina

January 1, 2020



Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas being sworn in as Chapter Directors, VA-L, by Susan Huttman, Director Rider Education, GWRRA

Officer's Conference January 17-18, 2020 Charlottesville, VA



Zach & Angie Bon receiving the Senior Award for Longevity for their years of service as Chapter Directors



SNAPSHOTS

The Year in Review

Ride to Valentine, VA February 8, 2020



VA-L members Madonna & Terry in line to mail their Valentine cards



There were well over 100 bikes that showed up to Valentine



DD Lorrie Thomas Welcoming Chapters

Wingless Weekend February 14-15, 2020



Baby Conrad



Kathy Skinner Hula Hooping up a Storm



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The Year in Review

Motorist Awareness/Recruitment March 7, 2020



Chapter L Director Dan Clark, Debbie Mandigo & Doug Gilliam working the table



Chapter-L Quarterly Clean-Up March 14, 2020



Rt Five and Dime Ride March 29, 2020



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The Year in Review

Currituck BBQ Lunch Ride Barco, NC May 2, 2020



L to R: Madonna, Terry, Paul, Lorrie, Dan, Conrad, Gnome Napper, Phyliss, Dennis, Keith, and Russ

Lighthouse Ride & Lunch Smith Point, VA May 16, 2020



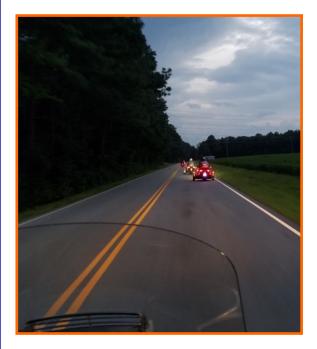
Terry and Madonna



Lorrie and Dan Phyliss and Dennis



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Moonlight and Ice Cream Ride August 22, 2020

Marty, Jeff, Keith, Don and Kathy, Conrad, Keith and Susan, Dan



Chapter Gathering August 25, 2020



New members, Paula & Bob Dignan introduce themselves



MEC fun and games "School Days— Trash Toss"



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The Year in Review

Adopt-A-Spot Clean-up September 5, 2020



L to R: Marty Tengowski, Dan Clark, Keith Lindgren, Lorrie Thomas, Don McAlister & Kathy Powers, Paula & Bob Dignan, Will Conrad, Karen Bottoni







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District All Chapters Picnic September 19, 2020





Chapter Gathering September 22, 2020





Winners of Crab Race Game 1st Place Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas 2nd Place Dave Hunter & Marth Phelan



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Chapter Dinner October 16, 2020 Surf Rider

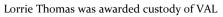




Joe Daniel won \$10 door prize

Chapter Gathering October 27, 2020







Chapter L Gathering at Zino's



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The Year in Review

Rally in The Valley October 29-31, 2020 Lynchburg, VA



Karen receives Newsletter of the Quarter award for 2nd Quarter



L to R: Lorrie Thomas, Joe & Trish, Dennis & Phyliss, Karen & Debbie, Dan Clark



Dan & Karen teaching TRC

CHRUDC



Joe & Trish Daniel receive their Level 1



Debbie and Phyliss manning ticket booth

Dan, Phyliss, and Dennis manning



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The Year in Review

Michie Tavern/Apple Picking November 7, 2020 Charlottesville, VA



Dan, Dennis & Phyliss, Debbie & Karen



Michie Tavern

Adopt a Spot Clean-up November 21, 2020









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The Year in Review

Chapter Gathering November 24, 2020



Karla Dobbins, Lorrie Thomas, Jeff Stobie attempting to draw a turkey and snowman on top their head



Drawing contest winners Jeff 1st place, Lorrie 2nd, Karla 3rd



Paul Bricker won dozen Krispy Kreme Donuts door prize



Jeff Stobie won drawing contest



Jeff Stobie was awarded custody of VAL



Jessica Stobie won 50/50



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The Year in Review

Scoot's BBQ & Northern Neck Popcorn Ride December 5, 2020 Gloucester, VA



L to R: Lorrie Thomas, Martha Phelan, Will Conrad, Karen Bottoni, Russ Eley, Dan Clark





Conrad sampling gourmet popcorn at Northern Neck



Chapter-L Christmas Funnies





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Chapter	Area / Location	Chapter Director	Phone Number & Email	Monthly Gatherings
VA-A	Burke	Mary O'Connor (11/09)	703-635-6775 <u>maryoc4429@aim.com</u>	2nd Wed. 7:30 pm
				The Ponds Community Center, 9837 Burke Pond Lane, Burke, VA. 22015
VA-C	Hampton/Newport News,	Dave & Donna Huey (01/18)	757-719-0668 <u>dhuev1800@verizon.net</u>	2nd Sun. 4:pm Angelo's Steak House 755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News
VA-D	Richmond	Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet (01/18)	804-938-9183 fritz.sassine@gmail.com	4th Wed. 6:pm Candelas Pizzeria & Ristorante Italiano, 14235 Midlthoian Tnpk., Richmond
VA-E	Fredericksburg	Claude Revely (01/19)	540-207-7646 <u>Knightwing263507@gmail.com</u> www.battlefieldwings.com	3rd Wed. 6:pm Great American Buffet. 1780 Carl D Silver Pkwy, Fredericksburg Central Park Shopping Center, exit 130 off I95
VA-F	Winchester	Stephanie Davis (08/14)	540-664-6430 <u>davis.stephanie80@vahoo.com</u>	4th Sun. 8:am Golden Corral, 120 Costello Dr., Winchester
VA-H	Abingdon	Paul & Dorothy Baker (11/01)	276-628-6047 <u>09nellie@comcast.net</u>	2nd Tue. 7:pm Abingdon Moose Lodge US19, Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon
VA- I	Manassas	David & Robin Hotaling (1/20)	646-406-1200 <u>Rah889195@yahoo.com</u> <u>davidsgoldwing02@gmail.com</u>	2nd Sun. 9:am Great American Buffet 8365 Sudley Rd, Manassas
VA-K	Roanoke	Jim Dailey & Susan Stuppiello (6/19)	540-230-0511 <u>DaileyENT@yahoo.com</u> <u>susantuppiello@gmail.com</u>	2nd Mon. 6:pm Great 611 Steak Co., 3830 Franklin Rd., Roanoke
VA-L	Chesapeake	Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas (1/20)	757-343-1783 (D) 954-599-5178 (L) <u>Wingernut93@aol.com</u> lorriethomas@aol.com	4th Tue. 6:pm Zino's Café & Tavern 850 Old George Washington Hwy N, Chesapeake
VA-R	Harrisonburg	Gary Hoover <u>hoov@shentel.net</u> (01/18)	540-742-1751 Judy Russell <u>tiggerly13@hotmail.com</u>	1st Sun Location to be Announced
VA-V	Bedford	Jonathan Whitworth (04/17)	540-425-0028 OtterRideVAV@gmail.com	3rd Sun. 2:pm NO FOOD Bedford Church of God 1212 E Main St, Bedford
VA-X	Salem	Larry Stanton (01/15)	304-922-1401 <u>Larry250222@gmail.com</u>	1st Sat. 3:pm Riverside Evangelical Methodist Church, 1920 Lucas St, Salem

Zino's Café & Tavern

850 Old George Washington Hwy N, Chesapeake, VA 23323 (757) 485-1468 www.zinoscafe.com





Please come and join us!

Other local gatherings

- Chapter C-Hampton/Newport News: 2nd Sunday each month, 5pm. Angelo's Steak House at 755 J Clyde Morris Blvd in Newport News
- Chapter O-Williamsburg: 4th Sunday each month, 4pm. Denny's Restaurant at 409 Bypass Rd in Williamsburg
- Chapter NC-E2-Elizabeth City, NC: 3rd Thursday each month, 7pm. The Villa at 846 Halstead Ave in Elizabeth City, NC

