

Gold Wing Road Riders Association GWRRA's Motto is... Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

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BRONZE Level Chapter for 2017

We're More Than Gold Wings...













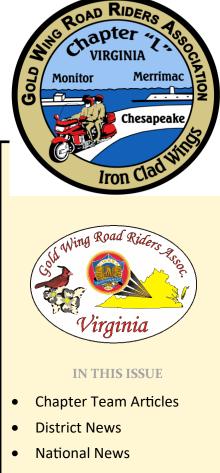
Chapter Directors: Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas wingernut93@aol.com lorriemthomas@aol.com Dan's Cell 757-343-1783 Lorrie's Cell 954-599-5178 Ride & Grow with VA-L

We meet the 4th Tuesday of each month (except December) at The Golden Corral, 101 Volvo Pkwy, Chesapeake, VA 23320. Our meet, greet and eat—begins at 6pm, our gathering begins at 7pm. We invite you to come out and have fun with us

2022 Road Warrior Awards



January: Lorrie Thomas February: No drawing March: Carry Over April: Will Conrad May: Ed Patejak June: July: August: September: October: November: December:



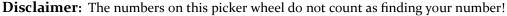
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FIND YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER





We will continue this game for 2022. Karen Bottoni, your Newsletter Editor will hide three random Chapter L Membership numbers somewhere in the newsletter. She will spin the wheel three times and a membership number will appear. If you locate your membership number, please notify Karen, kbottoni@gmail.com, tell her what page and where you found it. Then attend the next Chapter gathering and get your reward.

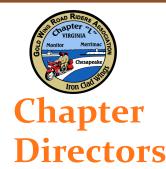
Where will you find your membership number?

Look in the margins, Read the Articles, read the special event inserts, along the margins, along the headers, footers, anywhere and everywhere in the Newsletter is fair game. It's not going to be too hard, but it will not be too easy either.

Only two special Rules:

- 1. Chapter-L Team Members are ineligible to participate.
- 2. All other members eligible and must attend the Gathering during the month of the newsletter to receive your reward. Must get with the MEC by 7pm start of the meeting.

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Welcome to June where riding season is in full swing. With the official start of Summer starting later in the month, what in the world happened to Spring? I don't recall cool ridings in the mornings or the cool breeze in our faces. It seems it went from cold straight to hot.

With the warmer weather setting in there are a few things we need to remember. Dress in lighter colors and cooler clothing. Drink lots of water while riding to stay hydrated. Caffeinated drinks, coffee and alcohol all lead to dehydration, so pack some water when riding.

I read in March that GWRRA was doing away with the free Motorcycle Rescue. From what I read this was due to cost increases and lack of participation in this program. People chose to purchase the Rescue Plus instead which covers both the bike and your vehicle. You may still get Motorcycle Plus for \$20.00 per year or Rescue plus for \$35.00 per year. Both are still great deals.

Towards the end of the month, we will be departing for Wing Ding which is being held in Shreveport, Louisiana this year. We will be leaving on Friday the 24th as we must be in Shreveport by Monday to help set up for the event. Have you registered for Wing Ding? If not, it is never too late. This is a time to see old friends from other parts of the country and make new friends as well. This is our National rally so come out and support the Organization. It is a lot of fun.

Also speaking of registrations, we have our own Rally the first week in October in Lynchburg, Va. Have you registered for that as well? Get those registrations in as the rooms are going quickly. This year's theme is a Sock Hop so dig out those leather jackets and poodle skirts ladies and let's have some fun.

Lastly, I want to welcome new members to the Organization. Kelvin and Yvonne Graham have joined GWRRA and have attended a few rides. Hopefully, we have shown them the fun we have and will decide to become Members of Va-L. Welcome and we look forward to many more rides with you both. When you see them, introduce yourselves and see what great people they are.

As always, be safe, ride safe and keep the shiny side up.

Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas Chapter Directors, Va-L

Joe & Trish Daniel Chapter Couple of the Year famdan4@charter.net





GWRRA Membership

Webster's New World Dictionary defines <u>Membership</u> as 1. State of being a member. <u>Member</u> as 1. Distinct part. Members of GWRRA join for many different reasons, but one remains clear, to be a part of something that is larger than one's self. For any organization, as time passes so do changes to membership, people in general, and organizations that takes place. Through these twists and turns (no pun intended) it is ultimately the members (distinct parts) that affect the whole group. As newer members, we see the advantage of being a part of GWRRA and what it has to offer such as a new family of riders that adhere to safety guidelines and the enjoyment of motorcycle riding in all its forms. In addition, there are multiple opportunities for education (as they say, you are never too old or too smart to learn a new trick), discounts from several various business entities, membership in road rescue and being part of a worldwide organization with people that would give you the shirt off of their backs or try to help you in any way possible if asked. We have certainly found that to be true in our own Chapter.

The latter is one of the things that drew us in when learning about GWRRA and attending our first Chapter Meeting, people that would offer advice, help and treat you like you were part of the family. As with any family, communication is key. To be a member we should all try to stay engaged and offer suggestions or ideas to help keep our organization vital and strong. Families that communicate well, often have a better affiliation with each other and a healthier unit. Everyone has something to offer, some talent or trait. Don't be shy to show it. So, when you are sitting around and maybe thinking of why you decided to be a "distinct part" of GWRRA, remember it takes the sum of all parts to make a whole and our Chapter, District, Organization can only get better when all parts are actively working together. We hope that as we move forward, those in our family and us included, all find ways to better our Chapter, District and have fun together sharing our lives and enjoying the sense of freedom that only riding provides.

Until next time, Enjoy the Ride!

Joe & Trish Daniel

Dan Clark Ride Coordinator wingernut93@aol.com

Ride Coordinator



With the summer weather getting warmer and the riding season in full swing, we need to remember to be more aware of our surroundings at all times while riding. Although other vehicles recognize us motorcyclist more during the warmer months, they still seem to not be aware of our presence. Wear light colored but bright clothing and most all bikes now have it automatic that the lights are on while running. If you have other lights installed, turn them on as well. Let's be safe.

By the time this newsletter goes out we will have ridden on a Benefit Ride for a fellow rider and firefighter that lost a leg in a motorcycle accident. He is a member of the Red riders and has a family to support. We were glad to go and help out.

The rest of the rides for the Month will be few as Wing Ding is starting the end of the month and I will be leaving the 24th. Listed below are the remainder of the rides and events for the month of June.

June 10 Ice Cream ride to Doumars 1919 Monticello Ave Norfolk, Va Meet there at 7 PM

June 18 Southwest District Ride: Meet at 161 S Electric Rd in Salem, Va KSU 9:15 am. (I am going to Salem on Friday)

June 25-July 2 Wing Ding in Shreveport, Louisiana. Returning July 5th

Be safe in your travels and we look forward to getting back to our riding together in July.

Dan Clark

Ride Coordinator

Karen Bottoni CSEA kbottoni@gmail.com

Chapter Skills Enhancement Advisor



REACTION TIME

By Mark Welch, HOG Safety Officer

The time it takes between perceiving a stimulus and reacting to it is called reaction time. That happens every time you are riding and see something in the roadway ahead of you and you take the necessary steps to avoid the obstacle. The average reaction time is approximately ³/₄ of a second. Some of you may have had to pass a reaction time test if you were in the military and needed to pass a driving exam to be able to operate military vehicles. Or maybe it was when you took driver's education in high school.

It went something like this: you sat in a chair with your right foot on one of two pedals watching a monitor that displayed a green light. When the light turned red, you had to move your foot to the other pedal to simulate braking and the device timed your reaction.



So why is that important to you? Well, at 55mph, you are traveling more than 80 feet per second. In ³/₄ of a second, you will have travelled over 60 feet. That is the distance between when you perceive a threat until you react to the threat. If you cannot fathom how far 60 feet is, just imagine the width of a typical roadway lane which is 12 feet. Now put five of them side by side and you will have 60 feet! At 55mph, you will travel 5 lane widths between the time you see something until the time you begin to take any action.

Oddly enough, the typical perception time is ³/₄ of a second so perception time and reaction time is 1.5 seconds. In a perfect world, you will travel about 120 feet at 55mph between the time you encounter a hazard until you begin to react to it. The width of 10 roadway lanes. And you still must take whatever action is necessary to avoid the hazard.

There are things that will impact your perception/ reaction time. Things like alcohol consumption, fatigue, distractions, and (I have to say this...) age. There are some things you can control, like alcohol consumption and distractions so take charge of your ride. Be in control!

The take away from this is that you must always be paying attention while you ride so that you don't get caught short and end up in an unfortunate situation. That means if your bike is equipped with ABS, you should never have to engage it while riding as a rule.

If you do, your perception/reaction time may not have been ideal.

"Safety is for Life"

"Practice Makes Permanent"

District

What is Required to be a Member of Gold Wing Road Riders Association?

This is a simple question, but the truth is that there are myths and half-truths still circulating. Thought it was time to clear the air.

Q. Must you ride a Gold Wing to be a Member or to hold office?

A. Absolutely not. There was a time that any other motorcycle ridden made you an Associate Member. No longer. In fact, even when you stop riding or if you never rode before, you could become a Member.



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Q. Must I wear all the gear all the time to become a Member or even to ride with other Members.?

A. No, you do not. As a Master Rider, Level IV in the program, ATGATT is expected. You do act as a role model by wearing your gear.

Q. Must I attend Gatherings or go on Chapter or District rides to be a Member?

A. Another myth. Chapter Life, as we call those activities and other things we do, can enhance your experience, but is not required.

Q. Is the Level Program required?

A. It is optional, but the feeling of achievement is amazing. The definition of Level 1 is the promise of Riding Safely and is simply a smart thing to do.

Q. Is there a requirement for Chapter dues?

A. You met your dues paying requirement at the National Level. Supporting your Chapter and District financially is done by playing optional games like 50/50, participating in Poker Runs, raffles, rallies, and the like. The funds generated pay for the operating costs of the Chapter or District. Got questions about how the funds are used, ask to see the books. That can be arranged.

Q. Do I have to choose a Chapter to participate in or is it assigned by zip code?

A. Neither. You can choose a Chapter to associate with based on it being close to where you live or the kind of Chapter it is like a riding Chapter or a social Chapter or a combination of both. Again, the advantage is that you involve yourself and your family in Chapter Life if you do.

Got a question you would like answered? If we do not have an answer, we can reach out to the resources available to get an answer for you.

Virginia District Directors

Lorrie Thomas & Dan Clark

Bonus Question: As a GWRRA member, do I have to register for the Virginia Rally in the Valley starting October 6? **Answer:** No but you will miss having a great time, with great people! Registration form in the newsletter.

National

Bob and Karla Greer Assistant Director, Membership Enhancement

June 1, 2022 WING DING 43, Shreveport



Last month we told you about showing up at WING DING on Tuesday, June 28 at 1:00 PM to show your support for the 2022/2023 International Couples of the Year when they make their on-stage presentations.

This month I would like to let you know about all the other Membership Enhancement Program (MEP) happenings at WING DING.

Tuesday – Saturday – MEP Booth

- Statistical Awards Sign Up
- Join or Renew GWRRA Membership
- Ask questions about the MEP

<u>Tuesday, June 28 at 1:00PM</u>: the 2022/2023 International Couples of the Year will be presented on stage.

Thursday, June 30 from 10:30–11:30AM: Area Report List (ARL) in Retention and Recruitment

<u>Friday, July 1 from 9-10AM:</u> MEP Forum - This is an opportunity to meet the entire MEP Team and ask questions. We are looking forward to meeting you.

Friday, July 1 from 10:30–11:30AM: Chapter Couple Questions and Answers

See you in Shreveport!

Bob & Karla Greer

(770) 473-1316 Home (770) 680-0158 Cell Check out our MEP COY Site at: <u>https://gwrramep.org/couple-of-the-year</u>

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. 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.

Gathering & Ride Calendar



Date	Chapter/Type	Event
Jun 10	L	Ice Cream Ride to Doumars, 1919 Monticello Ave Norfolk, Va. Meet there at 7 PM
Jun 18	VA	Southwest District Ride. Meet-up/KSU 8:00 - Lakeside Kroger, SalemKroger Lakeside 161 S. Electric Road, Salem, VA 24153 (Meet-up parking lot close to fuel) Rain or Shine. Meet-up at 8:00 - Ride Meeting at 8:15 - Leave at 8:30 sharp. Questions: Danny Hughes - VA-K Chapter Ride Coordina-
		tor/Educator - Phone: 540-761-1248
Jun 28	L	Chapter Gathering. Golden Corral, 101 Volvo Pkwy 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm
Jun 28-2 Jul	National	Wing Ding 43, Shreveport Louisiana
Sep 17	VA	All Chapters Picnic, Twin Lakes State Park, Green Bay, Va
6-8 Oct	VA	Rally in the Valley, Lynchburg Grand Hotel

Check out our website to see the latest updates to our calendar https://gwrraval.org/

Chapter-L ICE CREAM TRAIL Challenge

Rules:

Visit as many Ice Cream places as you can, In state or out of state.

Listed on next page are Ice Cream places in each of the VA Chapter Cities, as well as 13 local Hampton Roads. There is space to input up to 10 of those you found on your own.

> Take a picture of the Ice Cream place Sign as a selfie. Post to VA-L Facebook with your name, place, City and VA-L Members with you.

Fill out the Ice Cream Run sheet with date you dined there.

Points will be awarded as follows:

1 point per location in Chesapeake, Virginia Beach, Portsmouth, Suffolk, or Norfolk

2 points per location outside of those listed above, some indicated by other Chapter locations.

3 points for out of state locations.

15 points gets the coveted Ice Cream pin awarded during the Chapter VA-L Christmas Party in 2022. Turn in all forms in no later than the November 2022 VA-L Chapter Gathering.



ICE CREAM RUN Challenge

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	CHESAPEAKE	Carvel	1101 Battlefield Blvd S				
	CHESAPEAKE	Cold Stone	836 Eden Way N				
	CHESAPEAKE	Amazing Glazed	321 Johnstown Rd				
	CHESAPEAKE	Dairy Queen	200 Battlefield Blvd S				
		Bergey's					
	CHESAPEAKE	Breadbasket	2207 Mount Pleasant Rd				
	CHESAPEAKE	Surf Dogs	1464 Mount Pleasant Rd 237 Hanbury Rd E				
	CHESAPEAKE	Skinny Dip	Hanbury Village				
	CHESAPEAKE	Sweet Frog	109 Volvo Pkwy				
	CHESAPEAKE	Baskin-Robbins	1100 Cedar Rd				
	CHESAPEAKE	Dippin' Dots	1401 Greenbrier Pkwy				
	NORFOLK	Doumars	1919 Monticello Avenue				
	VIRGINIA BCH	Bruster's	5317 Indian River Rd				
	PORTSMOUTH	Uncle Rick's	2829 Airline Blvd.				
	SUFFOLK	Cone Slingers	15141 Carrollton Blvd.				
			Out of Area Places				

YOU'RE INVITED



District Ride - Southwest

Virginia Southwest - District Ride-in June 18th, 2022 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location 1 - Roanoke Area: Meet-up/KSU 8:45 - Lakeside Kroger, Salem

Kroger Lakeside 161 S. Electric Road, Salem, VA 24153 (Meet-up parking lot close to fuel) Rain or Shine Chapters K & V - Meet-up at 8:45 - Ride Meeting at 9:00 - Leave at 9:15 sharp Questions: Danny Hughes - VA-K Chapter Ride Coordinator/Educator - Phone: 540-761-1248

Location 2 -Meet-up Chapters V & K meet VA-X Sheetz 7335 Lee Hwy, Fairlawn, VA 24141 Chapter X - Meet-up at 10:15 - Ride Meeting at 10:30 - Leave at 10:45 sharp. Questions: Larry Stanton - VA-X Chapter Director - 304.922.1401

Be fully tanked and empty bladder. We will follow route 11 if you get lost. It will take about an hour to our first stop at Sheetz in Fairlawn near Radford. (40 miles). We will pick up any Chapter X members. Getting into Wytheville, we cross over interstate bridge on Lovers Lane right on Chapman at the All-Way Stop turn left to Shoney's destination and we'll see you there.

Lunch at Shoney's Wytheville, VA - arrive 12:00

120 Malin Drive, Wytheville 24382 (276-228-5667) Note: Room at Shoney's under Susan Miller's name. Abingdon Chapter H will meet Chapters K - X - V at Shoney's Questions: Paul or Dorothy Baker - VA-H Chapter Directors - 276.628.6047

Mystery Ice-cream Ride after lunch - Chapters VA-H - K - X - V Open ice-cream ride to Bluefield area on Hwy 52 then home or home after lunch

RSVP: Susan Miller - Membership Enhancement - Chapter K RSVP or Questions - Susan 540-312-6009 or email <u>milrtyme@cox.net</u> RSVP by: <u>June 8, 2022</u> - Rain or Shine (2 - 3 or 4 wheels welcome)

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REGISTER TODAY! SIMPLY MAIL OR FAX YOUR COMPLETED FORM
Contact Member Services at 1-800-843-9460 with any questions. Please visit www.wing-ding.org & click "REGISTRATION" at the top of page.

TRADE SHOW OPENS JUNE 29, SEE EVENT SCHEDULE FOR MORE INFO!

RIDER'S NAME:	GWRRA MEMBER #
CO-RIDER'S NAME:	GWRRA MEMBER #
MAILING ADDRESS:	
CITY/ST/ZIP:	COUNTRY:
HOME PHONE:	ALTERNATE PHONE:
EMAIL ADDRESS:	

O YES! I would like to opt-in for mobile text alerts! Cell:

TO RECEIVE MOBILE UPDATES IMMEDIATELY TEXT "WING DING" TO (US) 855-909-1367 OR (CDN) 833-545-0669

PREREGISTRATION: (Postma	rked before May 26, 2022)
Number of Life Members	x \$20 = \$
Number of Members	x \$40 = \$
Number of Nonmembers	x \$50 = \$
LATE: (Postmarked May 26 - J	lune 9, 2022)
Number of Life Members	x \$22 = \$
Number of Members	x \$45 = \$
Number of Nonmembers	x \$55 = \$

Children 15 and under at the time of the event are admitted free. Cancellations in writing must be received at the Home Office on or before June 9, 2022, and are subject to a \$15 processing fee. No refunds for meal functions, Grand Prize Tickets, 50/20-15-10-5 Tickets, Poker Run, Bike Show, T-shirts or Polos will be given after June 9, 2022. No telephone or verbal cancellations will be accepted.

Please note, only registered delegates may participate in Wing Ding functions, activities and events! You will receive a confirmation via email 24-48 hours after your registration is processed. Please visit our website for hotel and camping information. Armbands, tickets, T-shirts or any other items purchased will be available for pickup beginning the day prior to Wing Ding in the registration area (see website for hours and location).

Day Pass: (sold on-site only) \$22 per person, \$15 GWRRA Members

Day pass fee includes the following:

- One-day pass to indoor Trade Show
- One-day access to Demo Rides on all participating manufacturers' bikes (subject to availability)

Full registration includes:

- Access to 'Pre-Event Day' activities! Tuesday 6/28
- Wing Ding Welcome Party Tuesday 6/28
- 4-day pass to indoor Trade Show Opens 6/29 4-day pass to Demo Rides on all participating
- manufacturers' bikes (subject to availability) · Access to Seminars and Parades
- Access to Opening and Closing Ceremonies · Access to free Evening Entertainment Event
- Optional dinner and priority seating prior to free
- Entertainment Event
- Souvenir Event Pin and Pocket Guide
- Exclusive opportunities for tours, dinners and other ticketed events
- · Numbered armband for chance at thousands of dollars in great prizes
- Precision Drill Team Exhibitions and other performances
- Optional Rider Education Safety Courses, CPR . classes and more

FAX or MAIL this form to:

GWRRA Member Services P.O. Box 42450, Phoenix, AZ 85080-2450 800-843-9460 or 623-581-2500 (Local) Fax: 877-348-9416 Register online at: www.wing-ding.org

RIDER EDUCATION COURSES

The number and availability of courses is dependent upon the number of participants. You will be notified of your class time and location as soon as possible. Note: Certification cost is per bike!*

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GWRRA DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT EVENT Thursday June 30, 2022

Dinner will include slow smoked pulled pork with bbq sauce, american potato salad, mid-western style baked beans, kaiser rolls, and fudge brownies.

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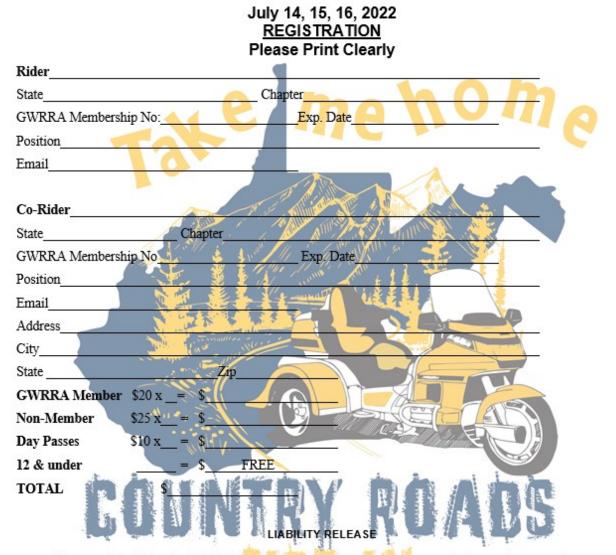
LAWN CHAIRS WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR THURSDAY'S PIZZA NIGHT

HOTEL INFORMATION

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Rooms: \$91.00 Address: 903 Industrial Drive N. Summersville, WV (833) 301-1064

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We agree to hold harmless WV GWRRA and GWRRA, the co-sponsoring organization, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by any reason by participating in this rally.

Rider

Co-Rider_

Please Send Check or Money Order Payable To:

WV GWRRA MAIL ENTIRE FORM TO: Bruce and Terri Stanley 251 Greenbrier Avenue Williamstown, WV 26187



Location

Twin Lakes State Park is near Farmville, about an hour southwest of Richmond.
To get there, take U.S. 360 West of Burkeville to Route 613 (Indian Springs Rd.). Then go east on Route 629 (Twin Lakes Rd.).
Its address is 788 Twin Lakes Rd., Green Bay, VA 23942-2525.
Latitude, 37.174829, Longitude, -78.273242.
https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/twin-lakes

In the heart of central Virginia, this 548-acre, historic park offers many cultural, environmental and recreational activities. Overnight accommodations include a 33-site campground and 11 climate-controlled cabins. Visitors enjoy swimming, fishing, hiking, boating and lakeside picnicking.

RV-Tent-Cabins for Rent-Those that can, bring chairs-Pavion has seating for 65

Chapter Directors:

Please put this on your Chapter calendar and pass on the information at your Gatherings. We will need a head count by September 7, 2022

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- Master's Breakfast *
- Saturday Banquet *
- Vendors
- Hospitality Room

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 person. 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 per person.

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All Riders Are Retreads

(If they have ridden a motorcycle at least twice)

By: James R. Davis, msgroup.org

Much has been made about the fact that many long term riders have at one time or another given up their riding in order to pursue their careers, raise a family, or for some other reason, then come back to the sport.

These riders, it is suggested, are far more likely to be represented in motorcycle accident and death statistics than are those who ride with a continuous history of doing so.

My reaction to those claims is: prove it. Do so without using anecdotal evidence such as "I knew a guy who was a 'returning rider' who was killed just last year." So? Have you not heard of other guys who died last year who had a continuous riding history?

But more to the point, there is no such thing as a rider who has had a 'continuous riding history'. Some people ride every weekend. That means they have taken a break from motorcycle riding for at least five days every week for some time. Others, far more in fact, live in climates where they must put aside motorcycle riding for at least three months in a row every year. Some, like me, have ridden motorcycles for more than 43 years and had at least one spell in four decades where he did not put his butt on a motorcycle saddle for a couple of years. We are all, in a word, retreads.

Which of the above, then, would you consider a rider with a 'continuous riding history'? If you don't touch a motorcycle for five days, are your skills on the sixth day as good as they were before those five days? If you do not ride for three months in a row, then when you finally do get up on your motorcycle are your skills undiminished from before? It is only academic to go on and ask if my skills after a couple of years of being away from the sport were as good as they were before taking my hiatus - we all know that they were not.

Three more significant questions have to be asked about these con-continuous riding history riders before you can begin to draw conclusions about how likely they are to become involved in a motorcycle accident:

- 1. Relative to how long they were away from the sport, how long did it take them to become as skilled as they were before they left?
- 2. How long had they been riding since they took their sabbatical?
- 3. What changes have occurred DURING that sabbatical?

If you have taken a one week sabbatical, my guess is that you have lost virtually none of your skills and, thus, it takes essentially no time to 'regain' them. It might take you a week of riding to recover the skill level you had prior to leaving riding this past winter. It might take you a month or more to recover skills lost from a multi-year 'vacation'.

So, it would seem to me that if the answer to the second question - 'How long has it been since you took your sabbatical?' - has been longer than those recovery times, **it is no longer relevant that a sabbatical was taken at all** - in particular as to your odds of having an accident.

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But, then there is that third question - 'What changed?' Well, if what changed is the bike - your previous bike was a Honda 350 and the one you have now is a Ducati Monster, for example, all bets are off. You are no different than a new rider the first time you take that baby out on the street. Granted you don't have to learn such things as what a friction zone is and how to use it properly, but you do have to learn how it feels and functions on that new bike. If what has changed is that you used to ride dirt bikes and now you expect to do some slab pounding, you are essentially a new rider again - regardless of how many years of prior experience you had or how well your skills used to be honed. Let me be very clear about that ... if you rode a motorcycle TEN MINUTES AGO, then got onto an unfamiliar bike, you are a retread at that point!

In essence what I am trying to get at here is that we - ALL of us - have non-continuous riding experience. NONE of us can afford to have a smug attitude that goes something like: 'Because I've been riding for years without an accident and because my skills are at least as good as anybody else's out there, I will not become an accident statistic like those retreads' - because we are ALL retreads to one degree or another.

My overall opinion is that older men and women who return to motorcycling after any length of time away from the sport need to take the time they need to recover their skills, and after that period of time they are no longer more likely than any other riders to have an accident.

[Further, relative to fatality statistics, the older of these people DIE more often than younger riders with the same experience and skill levels for one fundamental reason - they break more easily.]



SNAPSHOTS

A look at what Chapter-L's Been Up To

Southeast District Ride May 21, 2022











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A look at what Chapter-L's Been Up To

Chapter L Gathering May 24 , 2022









Bingo Winners L to R: Dan Clark, Joe Daniel, Terry Elliott, Paul Bricker



Joe Daniel awarded Gnome Abandonment Arrest Warrant



Dennis (Phyliss) won 50/50



Ed Patejak won Ride Pot

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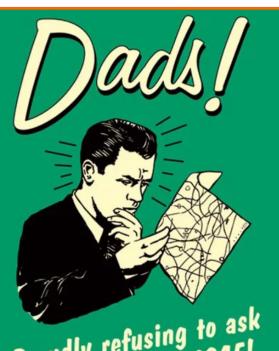
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	VA-D	Richmond Candelas Ristorante 14235 Midlothian Tumpike	Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet fritz.sassine@gmail.com	804-938-9183	4th Wednesday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
	VA-E	Fredericksburg Castiglia's Italian Rest. 10705 Courthouse Rd	Joe and Peggy Herron jdherron6919@yahoo.com	540-424-5852	3rd Wednesday 5:30pm Eat 6:30pm Meet
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۲	VA-I	Manassas Great American Buffet 8365 Sudley Rd	David & Robin Hotaling davidsgoldwing02@gmail.com Rah889195@yahoo.com	202-309-5953 646-406-1200	2nd Sunday 11am Meet / Eat
٨	<u>VA-K</u>	Roanoke Faith Alliance Church 7505 Barrens Rd.	Jim Daily & Susan Stuppiello dailyent@yahoo.com susanstuppiello@gmail.com	540-230-0511	2nd Monday 6pm Eat / 7pm Meet
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