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Jack & Doris Schoeck Directors

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A Message from your District Directors

Kansas Monthly Newsletter Region 'H'

Jack & Doris Schoeck Grand Master Riders Jack #1961 Doris #2389



GREETINGS!!

Wow!! What a great weekend we had in Hutchinson this past weekend! Our State Rally was held at the Atrium Hotel and Convention Center on Friday and Saturday. Our Thanks go out to Chapter H for being our Chapter Host and special thanks go to Dale Tritsch and Sarah Watts for taking care of those things that came up locally that they could take care of for us. They helped tremendously and did a lot of running for us. Thank you all very much!! We would like to also thank EVERYONE who helped in anyway at this rally. Your help is much appreciated and needed. Our Kansas Team is blessed to have great people in Kansas who are willing to help put on this event.

We had a total of 13 vendors and they all advised they had a good time with our group. Most of the vendors gave us 2 items to use as give a way's for the rally. We pulled participation tickets at closing and many people walked away with some really great items. There were 3 helmets given away and that alone is unusual for something to give away. We had 154 attendees this year.

There was a lot to do over the rally time and many people took advantage of that. Many went on the lunch and dinner rides and got to go through the Cosmosphere and the Strataca Salt Mine. Both of those tours were well attended.

There was an Ice Cream Ride on Thursday night that was attended by several on bikes and trikes and some who were in 4 wheelers. The destination place was Scoops in Hesston and you could order hamburgers, etc and also some great ice cream. Although one of our seminars had to be cancelled at the last minute, we did have Rider Education Seminars and a Membership Enhancement Seminar that were well attended. Thanks to the instructors who led the classes and for all the people who attended those classes. We all appreciate the knowledge we get from these seminars.

Along that same line, Jack Wagner, Region H Leadership Trainer and GWRRA Deputy Director gave us the latest information from National on all the changes that are taking place for Seminars through the Gold Wing University. There are many changes that have been made and more are coming. Wing Ding will offer some of the new changes so hope all of you can take advantage of the knowledge that is coming our way. He also explained there will be a completely new concept used for the Bike Show this year and will be much easier to judge and to participate in. When you go to Wing Ding be sure and participate in this, whether it is to enter your Bike or Trike or to come and look all of them over and participate in the judging experience.

We had our Light Parade, Light Show, and Ice Cream Social on Friday night and were well attended. We want to thank Paula Aiken from Chapter B for taking care of the Light Show for us. We also want to thank Garry and Phyllis Van Buskirk for getting the ice cream for us. As usual, we all had a great time.

On Saturday we had our Bike Show and Chapter A took care of that event for us this year. We had a total of 8 winners as a result and we gave away Woodwing Plaques for this and for the Light Show on Friday Night.

Mark and Linda Classen were installed as our new Leadership Trainers by Jack Wagner, Region H Leadership Trainer. We welcome them to our staff and know they will have a lot going on for us across the state. We already have an event planned for this coming August and we now have a full class for that.

We had games and there were puzzles on the tables if you just wanted to sit and enjoy some quiet time and the Kansas Twisters gave a great show on Saturday morning. The buildings around the Hotel graciously let us use their parking lot for the Twister's performance so it was within walking distance across the hotel parking lot.

There were many great places to eat and the Host Chapter H made a list of those and provided those at the Host Chapter Table. They also put together a list of places to visit if people had time and wanted to explore.

We had races of Rockets and Mining Carts and Chapter F won the races this year and I believe this is the second year in a row for that Chapter to win. Congratulations to Chapter F!

There was popcorn, pop, and water available. The pop was the only item that we sold and it was 50 cents a can. John Glaves ran the popcorn machine for us and everyone seemed to enjoy that as usual. Thanks go out to him for taking care of that all weekend.

Participation was great and there were many tickets to draw from. Thanks go out to Teresa Gull and Sandy Davis from Chapter C, who took care of drawing the tickets and putting the prizes out on the table. Thanks go out to both of them also for taking care of that for us.

Upcoming event for our State is our State Campout June 17-19, 2016 at the Santa Fe Cove, at Council Grove Lake, Council Grove, Kansas. This is always a lot of fun and we hope you will attend and have some fun. This is a laid back weekend and we do not have a lot of things planned. We will have a picnic supper on Saturday night and the state will provide the meat/drinks, etc. We ask that you bring your own table service and bring a covered dish of food to share at the picnic. There will be more information coming out as the time gets closer.

Please remember that Texas and Arkansas will be holding their State Rallies in May. Texas has their Rally in Temple, Texas the weekend of 20-22, 2016, and Arkansas has their Rally in Harrison, Arkansas over the Memorial Day Weekend, which is May 26-28, 2016, Missouri will have their Rally June 3-4, 2016 at Branson, Missouri.

We also have an East/North Picnic Ride to the Cray Castle in Atchison, Kansas on Saturday, June 11, 2016. We hope a lot of you can join us on this. Until next time, Ride Often and Ride Safe and we will see you down the road.

Submitted By,

Jack and Doris Schoeck,

Kansas District Directors

KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION KANSAS DISTRICT



2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



May 7:	Trike Course (TRC), Wichita
May 19-21:	Texas Rally, Temple TX
May 26-28:	Arkansas Rally, Harrison AR
June 11:	East/North Picnic Ride Cray Castle, Atchison,
	KS
June 17/19:	Campout Santa Fe Cove, Council Grove
Aug 31-Sept 3:	Wing Ding, Billings MT
September 11:	Ks State Fair Ride In
September 17:	West/South Ride TBA
September 18:	Trike Trailering course, Wichita, KS
September 25:	Trailering (two wheels), Wichita, KS
September 29/Oct 1:	Oklahoma Rally, Muskogee
November ??:	Region 'H' Team Meeting, Location TBD

Kansas Couple of The Year 2016



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Kansas Chapter Couples 2016

CHAPTER A COUPLE OF THE YEAR

CHAPTER B COUPLE OF THE YEAR



Marty & Ruth Dannar

CHAPTER C COUPLE OF THE YEAR



Gary & Susan Drake

CHAPTER F COUPLE OF THE YEAR



John & Karen Glaves

Kansas Chapter Couples 2016

CHAPTER H COUPLE OF THE YEAR



CHAPTER P COUPLE OF THE YEAR



Marv & Toni Ayers

Rick & Carolyn Stevens

CHAPTER Q COUPLE OF THE YEAR



Bill & Sheila Tucker



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Well here it is, May, many rides have taken place, the Kansas Rally is history and it is time to venture into May activities.

Our first Riding Course, BRC2 (Experience Rider Course) was a howling success. Full class with four folks that had never taken any type riding course before. And we had our usual Twister Drill Team members taking it as well. We know that every year they will be participating in the course. And believe it or not, the Kansas weather cooperated. Just a great day of coaching for me and my team.

We sponsored the 'On Bike' games again this year and had 22 participants. They love popping those balloons or trying to. The wind saved the lives of many balloons this year. It appeared that balancing the tennis balls while going over the 2x4's was also affected by the wind. That's what the Co-riders are saying and they are sticking to their story. All three of our games required a Co-Rider. That was intentional. We want them involved just like when we have rider courses we encourage the Co-Rider to ride with the rider, and we do not charge them for participating. After all, they are passengers throughout the year, so keep them involved.

We had an excellent Level IV breakfast at the Sirloin Stockade with 49 people with hearty appetites. The food was in abundance and freshly cooked. The manager of the Sirloin Stockade opened at 7am for us. His normal breakfast hour is 8am. I was very happy to introduce six new Level IV Riders and Co-Riders, all from KSH.

After the breakfast most of us headed for the Kansas Twisters performance. We counted just over 100 spectators for this event. Their new routine is great. They have the tornado (Twister) and they put in a Sling Shot maneuver. Good stuff.

Once again, here is our riding course schedule for 2016.

May 7th= TRC Trike Course (Possibly Short Version) Sept 18th= TTRC Trike & Trailer Course Sept 25th= TC (Two Wheeled Trailering Course)

Our cost is only \$25.00 this year. But you will pay less if you take the course consecutive. \$40.00 for Non-Members, firm.

We are planning 2016 Road Captains Course. We hope to have a date, time and location to announce very soon. The calendar is so full, it is difficult to find an open time. We are looking in the McPherson area. I also visited with the new Chapter Director of KSB and let him know we would put one on in their area if it is wanted by the members.

Some have asked if there is a Safety Weekend planned in the future. All I can say is I'm working on it and have been for three years.

That is it for now. As always, ride smart and be alert to arrive alive.

"PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT! YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE!

The Team

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Kansas Chapters, Chapter Directors and Meeting Time & Place

You are welcome to attend any Chapter meeting and introduce yourself. You will be welcome

Call the Chapter Director if you need more information about a Chapter activity. If you are interested in organizing a Chapter in your area, please contact JACK & DORIS SCHOECK, District Directors at 620-341-0426.

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Hello everyone...

Normally at this time I would say April showers bring May flowers but we've not had a lot of rain so far this year... thankfully the flowers bloomed anyway.

So April as a busy month, 1^{st} up was Maintenance day which was on the 2^{nd} down in Udall and Jack Kistler's place. A few people showed up to work on their bikes then we all went for a ride tofor lunch. (Sorry I didn't get any pictures of them all getting dirty)

On the 10th they had an experience rider class which I have no information on because I didn't go and no one sent me any information (hint, hint).

14th was our monthly meeting at the Country Café and this month we had a huge crowd (I think we may have had to set up a couple extra chairs). Our Rider educator gave us a lesson on "Getting an MBA" (Master of Biking Analogies). He talked about how we as riders need to become fully aware of everything around us, or we run the risk of being at a disadvantage. It's important to understand precisely where you stand at any moment and being aware of every changing opportunities and threats. This means establishing a 360 degrees of awareness at all times and having enough knowledge to effectively gauge the risk. To expect the unexpected, don't allow yourself to be surprised. Have a Plan B just in case Plan A doesn't work. Look out for #1. Too many people count on others to keep their best interests in mind when, in reality, it's up to each of us to take responsibility for our own destiny. Know what your strengths are and use them in a way that will help you in the things you're not strong in. Be Calm & confident, Think and act positively

On the 16th a lot of us went to Chapter F's birthday party and had a great time. (Here are a few pictures)





The big event of the month was the Kansas District Rally on the $22^{nd} \& 23^{rd}$ up in Hutchinson and if you didn't go you missed a great party. The District staff really out did themselves this year. There was a great blend of classes, rides, game and other events. No one could do everything but everyone could do at least 1 thing. Here are a couple pictures of Larry and his biker buddy Flunky on the ride to Marquette motorcycle museum.





Chris & Joe just hangi9ng out



Larry & Chris talking to a couple of the riders that are in the bike competition



Debbie and I both won awards for out bikes



This is the bike that won the People's Choice award. Both bike & trailer are covered in the story of the civil war and is ridden by a gentleman that came all the way to our rally from Pennsylvania



So now that April is over here's what's coming up in May

2nd Chris Roberts Birthday
7th Trike course...if interested in this class contact Bob Brown.
8th Mother's Day
12th Monthly Chapter meeting @ Country Café on S. Seneca
19th begins Texas Rally
26th begins Arkansas Rally
30th Memorial Day
Bob Brown is in charge of the ride for May so I'm sure he'll give us more information as soon as he figures out what we are going to do J
That's all for now so until then...ride safe

Mary Mazur, Chapter A Newsletter editor



Remember...if you go on a ride and would like to let others know how it went please send me a brief description (and pictures if you got them) and I will add it to the newsletter

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How far would you travel for a moonburger? Chapter B members once again set off on April 8 for Moonshine, Illinois and the famous moonburgers. Ten bikes and fourteen people braved the cold temperatures to travel north to enjoy this once a year treat. With a stop in Boonville, Mo for breakfast at the Highway 87 Café, Joe Magnant and Eric Wadman led the group through the day. The evening meal was at Richards Farm Restaurant in Casey, IL where the group attended the Moonshine Welcoming/Annual Banquet. A great meal, a new shirt to certify attendance and a short program were all part of the evening. During the program twenty five riders were introduced who had each ridden more than 1000 miles to enjoy a moonburger. The two men who rode the farthest were from San Diego.

The next day found the group headed to Moonshine. On the way they stopped at the covered bridge and in Casey, IL saw the world's largest wind chime, rocking chair, and golf tee. After enjoying a wonderful moonburger, the group headed off for Sikeston, MO. Along the way, they stopped at the Cave in the Road State Park and took a ferry across the Ohio River into Kentucky. It was dinner at Lambert's where everyone managed to catch a "throwed" roll and eat too much.

Sunday found the group headed for home through the Ozarks on Highway 60 crossing both the Current and Eleven Points Rivers. With a final stop at Smith's in Boliver, MO for dinner the ride ended and everyone made their way home.

Seventeen Chapter B members enjoyed the Kansas District Rally in Hutchinson. Not everyone was able to attend both days, but it was a fun time for all. Several enjoyed the Cosmosphere and others toured

the Salt Mines. Different food venues were explored with pie at The Carriage Crossing in Yoder and steaks at Skaets Steak Shop in Hutchinson coming out on top. Some members attended the bike show and watched the onbike games. Everyone enjoyed the excellent performance by the Twisters. The vendors lured many to look for deals and Joyce and Reba will be showing off new boots at the next Chapter B event.







CHAPTER "B'

KANSAS



Big Dave Patton was well received as he entertained everyone on Saturday evening. And at closing ceremonies, Joe Magnant won one of the 50-50 drawings while Dan and Barb Hackathorn each won prizes. It was great fun to get together with other Chapter B members as well as renew friendships with GWRRA friends from around the region.

Other Chapter B events during the month included a breakfast ride led by John English to the Santa Fe Café in Overland Park where sixteen others joined John and his only brave rider, Gary Ohler for a great meal. Ed James led the dinner ride to Mi Ranchito in Olathe on April 7. Twenty five attended and had a good time enjoying the food and comradery.

Bill and Donna Groh once again opened their home and garage for maintenance day on April 2. Bikes were readied for the season and food enjoyed. Howard Dickinson spent most of his time cleaning his bike. Some said they saw him clean places they didn't even know existed on a Gold Wing. No matter when or where Chapter B members get together, everyone has a wonderful time.

Chapter B events for May:

May 5 - Dinner Ride May 7-13 - Ride Around Oklahoma May 19 - Chapter Meeting May 21 - Ride to St. Benedict, KS May 28 - Breakfast Ride

Safe travels, Paula Aiken





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We held our annual maintenance day at the home of Ken and Arlene Felch with 19 people in attendance. It wasn't a very good day for riding because of an interment drizzle. There was really no maintenance accomplished since Rick Thompson was the only one who checked out anything. Rick wanted to learn where to lube the drive shaft on his Hannigan trike, he also talked with Bill Hanson about a noise in his Colorado trailer and he decided he needed to check the axle. The wheels were taken off and it was discovered the bushings on the shocks were gone. With this not being a "normal" maintenance item it was a good catch. Rick just put the trailer back together and took it home so he could order repair parts.

Other than the checks made by Rick no other work was done but since work is a four letter word that's a good thing. We spent the rest of the day eating (did I say Ken cooks a mean burger and great cookies) and telling stories. Things broke up around 3 o'clock and everybody went on their merry way.

Because of circumstances beyond our control Brenda and I were unable to attend the supper ride on the 5th, so Teresa Gull was kind enough to provide the following for the supper ride: Our supper ride took us to Marilyn's Restaurant in Osage City with John and Teresa leading the ride. It was a bit windy but not too bad. We had two trikes, one bike and two cars with eight people in attendance. Even though we had a small group, we had a great time with good food as usual. Some of us ordered sirloin steaks that were very good. Al and Sandy braved the liver and onions special. They always enjoy that (unlike many others - Yuk!). We had a variety of conversations with lots of laughter. We missed Don and Brenda being there. They were on their way home from their home state of West Virginia. We also missed the others that couldn't attend. We left shortly after we ate so that those working the next day could get home at a reasonable time.

We held our monthly meeting on the 19th at Perkins restaurant with 20 people in attendance. The meeting started off with a spirited discussion on group riding. Some of the items touched on dealt with how passes are conducted, keeping "chatter" down on the radio in order to allow for important information to be broadcast, how many bikes should be in a group, leaving room for the bike behind when passing another vehicle and also the importance of scanning well in front of your bike even if in the middle of the pack and the importance of somebody being in "charge" of the ride in order to keep it organized (this is in addition to a group leader or drag) when there will be more than one group on the ride. There were several examples given by various attendees.

The trike course on the 7th of May is filling up fast if not already full. If interested contact Bill Tucker. His information is available on the district website.

John Gull brought up the fact that Ken and Arlene did a fantastic job for maintenance day and that it was one of our best ones yet. They have a great garage and manage to put up with us every year with no complaints.

Our extended rides start up in May with Brenda & I leading the supper ride on the 3rd to Ramblers in Wamego, leaving the Kwik Shop at 45th and Topeka Blvd at 6:00 pm. Bill & Margaret will be leading the extended ride, May 14, to Marilyn's in Osage City for breakfast, departing the Kwik Shop at 8:30 am.

I have the only birthday in May on the 6th and for anniversaries it appears the Chapter is making up for lack of weddings early in the year. With the following:

- May 2 John & Teresa Gull
 - 16 Gary & Susan Drake
 - 19 Bill & Margaret Hanson

With no further business to conduct we held the 50/50 drawing with Rod & Lara Williams winning the large drawing for the second month in a row and Ron & Marjie Crawford winning the small drawing.

The district rally was held on 22-23rd with 5 people from Chapter C in attendance. Nobody came home "rich", however I think everybody from the chapter got a prize of some kind and some even got more than one (Teresa). There was a good turnout with quite a lot of activities and with several vendors available to take your money. The venue was very nice with easy access to everything and plenty of parking along with many places to eat to include quite a few within walking distance.

The food prior to closing ceremonies was good with the exception that Doris didn't get desert tossed in, but as I was informed by several women vegetables are a lot better than desert, wherever that came from? (I think every lady I ask the question of was on a diet). Doris was bailed out by at a minimum of one but probably more ladies contributing baked goods on the sly after closing ceremonies. One name I heard was Sheila Tucker but from what I heard and experienced it was all good. A big thank you to the ladies and also Doris is off the hook since we all had the opportunity to get desert.

The talent show was a success with Ahab the Arab showing up and giving some kind of explanation about his camel to the Ray Stevens song, however the lyrics were changed making it hard to understand the words with so much laughing going on. He was followed later by Steve Bockhaus who came up with some kind of game requiring two people to basically argue by only asking questions. His wife Terry picked the contestants and she was a bit discriminatory as she didn't pick any women. The six of us men chosen had no clue what to expect but a game effort was made by all and the team I ended up on actually "won" the thing with the grand prize for winning being a great big NOTHING. Oh well you win some you lose some and some get rained out.

Next year's rally date and location has yet to be determined, however I hope it will be at least as good as this year or even better. The whole gang that planned and executed it are to be commended.

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday 6 Don Williams



Don & Brenda Williams CD/Newsletter Editors Anniversary

2 John & Teresa Gull

15 Gary & Susan Drake

19 Bill & Margaret Hanson



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GREETINGS from Chapter F!

May 2016

We hope you have all had a really great month of riding and enjoying the weather. We also hope you all got to attend the Kansas State Rally at Hutchinson over this past weekend. We had most of Chapter F at the Rally and what a great time was had by all!

Chapter F had their birthday party on Saturday, April 16, 2016. It has been determined that our Chapter was chartered again in 2004 from the records we can find. The old Chapter F that met previously in Newton has been disbanded in an earlier year. We had 31 people who attended our birthday party and we all had a good time eating and enjoying each other's company. The Chapter Directors, Everett and Carol Chastain supplied birthday cake for us all and it was very good!

Bill Tucker provided a history that he had on the dates of Chapter F from previous years. He has newsletters that date back to when he and Sheila joined GWRRA, so if you need a date, he may be your best bet of having it right now.

By the time you read this article, we will have had our Chapter Meeting on Tuesday, April 26, 2016. We will have to announce May's supper ride later once we have the information available. An e-mail will be sent out with that information.

Birthdays

Anniversaries

Russel Harrold 4/15 Everett Chastain 5/17 LaJuana Pena 5/25 Russel & Lois Harrold 5/1 Steve & LaJuana 5/25

Looks like LaJuana gets to celebrate 2 things on the same day!! Congratulations to all of these people on their special days!

Until next time, enjoy your rides and stay safe!

Submitted By,

Doris Schoeck, Member

Editors Note: Please see next page for photographs of KSF participating and winning the Rocket Races.

Let the races begin. Jack & Teresa Kistler, KSQ held the races.

Roslin Snyder KSF getting ahead right away.

There she goes!



She has her eyes on the finish line

Jack Kistler declares KSF the winners-AGAIN





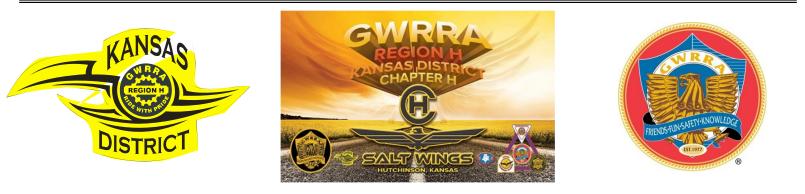
EDITORS NOTE: KSF HAS WON THE ANNUAL RACES TWO TIMES IN A ROW! CONGRATS TO THEM











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Our regularly scheduled gathering is 7pm on the 4th Thursday of the month. We go to the Sirloin Stockade on 17th street in Hutchinson, KS (just a little west of 17th & K-61 Hwy). We begin the feeding frenzy at 6pm.

Terry & Judy Mann Sr. Chapter Directors



This month has been very slow for motorcycle riding. We just completed a very successful District rally at the Atrium in Hutchinson. Had two great rides on Friday, one to Carolyn's Essenhaus in Arlington, filled the back room with 28 riders, great Ride, fellowship and food.

Just got back in time to regroup and go to Marquette and the motorcycle museum, what an outstanding group of motorcycles. Made for a very full day.

Saturday started early with a level four breakfast at Sirloin Stockade, then a great performance by the Kansas Twisters. After the Twisters we had on bike games, which Judy and I won the Trike

division. We had a great poker ride which included eating lunch at Carriage Crossing in Yoder. Later in afternoon the bike show had Mike Hildebrand winning 2 divisions and Jeff Whithorn winning one. The Rally ended with great entertainment and a banquet.

This was the first year the Rally was held in Hutchinson and appears it was a great success. Thanks Assistant Chapter Directors Dale and Georgeanna Tritsch for an outstanding job helping organize it, also Bill and Sarah Watts and Mark and Linda Classen were a major part in keeping it running. Our Chapter H members manned the info table and did a great job, thank you.

We'll finish out the month with our monthly meeting on Thursday, April 28th and a Bugsy ride on Saturday and a MCC benefit ride on Sunday from Hillsboro to Topeka and back. Hope you finish the month on one or both of these rides.

Thanks,

Terry and Judy Mann Senior Directors of Chapter H.



From your Assistant Chapter Directors



Another fantastic Kansas District Rally has come and gone. From all the comments I heard for local members to other District members and even vendors, we did an outstanding job. Putting together something like a District Rally is not an easy task. However, with all the assistance from everyone involved from our District Directors to our local host chapter members, it was one of the best ever. When everyone comes together to help out it becomes a fun time, not work. I think everyone realizes that when you volunteer you become more involved and actually have more fun. Our chapter received much praise for how we all contributed and worked to make this a great rally. I want to thank each and every one of you for being there and letting the other districts and chapters know that Kansas can and will do.

Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch

From your Chapter Educator Marvin & Toni Ayers



Rider Ed. Bits

Another Kansas rally in the books, the rally was filled with great rides, good seminars, fantastic vendors, and a very good banquet. In the seminars you heard about training and riding safe. If you have not taken a rider course it is time to make the decision to do so. A special thanks to Bill "BUBBA" Tucker for his efforts and time to make the Rider Education Program a mainstay of Kansas rallies. As Bubba always reminds us, Practice makes permanent. Ride Safe

Marv & Toni

From your Chapter MEC Kit & Donna Sand



NEW MEC!!!!

In GWRRA we are a family. This is the one thing that I really enjoy about being part of our chapter. When things need to be done someone usually will be willing to take up the charge and do the job. This is why Linda and I are so excited about our new MEC.

As Linda and I get more and more into the district level the activity on the chapter level, (where the real fun is !) was beginning to be overlooked. This past week Linda and I were named the District Leadership Trainers and are excited about this as a new challenge in our GWRRA family. With being both the District MEC and the LTD we knew that it was a blessing when Kit and Donna took the MEC oath of office last month at our chapter meeting.

Without the excitement of our GWRRA family it would stagnate, but with people like Kit and Donna willing to step up this chapter it is going a long way!! Linda and I are going to ride with it until we cannot get our legs over our trike.

With this said, Kit, I am going to help you in every way to be the best MEC in the state of Kansas and we are all part of the best chapter in the state --- soooo here are a few beginning words from our new MEC of Chapter H:

I would like to say Thanks for the confidence of being able to carry the torch on for the best chapter that I have seen in GWRRA! I hope that Donna and I will be able to advance the MEC position for Chapter H, our family.

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I would like any suggestions that you may have to make for the membership. We wish for all to be involved. Thanks for your support in advanced."

Kit and Donna Chapter H MEC

Mark & Linda District MEC



From your Chapter COY Marvin & Toni Ayers



Couple of the Year

Spring, sunshine, and smiles! What could have them all but the 2016 Kansas District Rally? From the time we arrived at The Atrium it was clear that Gold Wingers were there to celebrate and support a great association. Every event demonstrated the participation and talents of association members. We were proud to be part of the extraordinary efforts of Chapter H. It was a great week-end to renew friendships and hear some great Gold Wing stories. We are so happy that everyone had fun and rode safely. Toni & Mary



Chapter Newsletter Editors Dale & Georgeanna Tritsch



Our March gathering was another Fun event. We had another large group attending. Our new chapter MEC, Kit & Donna Sand, were sworn in. (see photo above) Bill & Sarah Watts were presented an award from Steve Flemming for their duties as KS District MEC in 2015 by the current KS District MEC, Mark Classen.



The hidden membership number 391624 was claimed and although it was listed twice, there were some having trouble finding it. The newsletter editor is having difficulty finding way to hide the number. Be aware that you have to attend a gathering to submit your number for the drawing and then be present at the next gathering to claim your five dollars if it is your number.

We discussed our upcoming Kansas District Rally and some of the things we hope to do there as we are the host chapter this year. As always, our members are willing to help out wherever they are able. That is why chapter H is the best chapter in the district.

The rally was fantastic and FUN. The rides were good and the weather was almost perfect for them. We had good participation for all our events at the rally. There were 29 who went to the Cosmosphere and they all enjoyed it.

The talent show on Friday night had the most participation of any recent rally. Our own Randy Flickinger brought the house down with his Ahab the Arab routine. I am hoping it will grow and be a major part of our entertainment at upcoming rallies. The Kansas Twisters Motorcycle Drill Team had a good turnout and did a great job as always. The video will be on the district website soon on the Twisters page.

Here are just a few of the photos from the rally





Rider Ed-MEC – MAD Booth



Ks Motorcycle Museum





On Bike Games





On Bike Games



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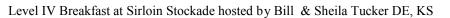




Talent Show Continued



We were entertained by Big Dave Patton, KSB





A couple of winners of the Bike Show







Everyone at their places for a good Banquet Meal

See videos of the Rally and the Kansas Twisters on the Kansas District website (District Events > KS District Rally > Rally Photos & Videos)

We are busy making plans for our upcoming year and rides and events. We will be joining a benefit poker run for the family of the victims of the Excel tragedy in Hesston, KS. We will ask all KS District chapters to be involved in this. Poker run will be held June 4, starting at Great Plains Motorsports. Will start registration 8:30 am, first bike out 9:00am last bike out 11:00am, last bike in hesston at 3:00pm. Route will cover 146 miles.

Mark Classen is getting plans together for our ride to Arkansas and the Oklahoma District Rally in Sept / Oct.

Oklahoma Ozark Ride September 29-October 2 Thursday – Ride to Fin&Feather Friday - Ride the Talimena Scenic Byway Saturday – Oklahoma GWRRA Rally Sunday - Return Home Please Call and make your own reservation at (918) 487-5148 Let them know it is GWRRA group from Kansas \$70 per night.



I went along to the planning meeting for our chapter to decide on our part in the Kansas District Rally. We had a good turnout and I had to sit in the back.



I also went to the District Rally and saw many of my GWRRA friends.

Afterthoughts

Ride safe and ride for fun. Always respect the other riders. Some like slow, some like fast, some like inside lane, some like outside lane. Keep your riders in a position where they can enjoy the ride. Communication before, during, and after the ride makes for the best possible ride experience. Ride preferences are key to making a ride fun for everyone. Plan accordingly and switch it up so everyone will have a ride to enjoy.

Upcoming Events

(see all our upcoming events on the KS-H webpage on the Kansas District website)

<u>April</u> 30	Bugsy Hop to Bullseye Café in Yoder, KS
<u>May</u> 1 14 19 - 21 26 - 28 26	Bugsy Ride MCC to Topeka Bugsy Hop TX Dist Rally AR Dist Rally Meeting
<u>June</u> 4 11 17 - 19 23 25 - 26	Bugsy Hop pending KS Dist North Ride to Atchison District Campout Meeting Ride to Bent's Old Fort in Colorado
July 3 4 8 16 23 28 30	Watts cookout Hutchinson 4 th of July parade Bugsy Hop Progressive Ride Ride to Trail Days Café & Museum in Council Grove Meeting Ride to Herrs Machine Memory Lane in Washington, KS

Sunshine Events

Birthdays

May

- 3 Nancy Hazen
- 3 Kaylin Koehn
- 3 Kathy Schmidt

28 Mark Hall

- June
- 18 Bud Mounts
- 18 Donna Praytor
- 20 Charlie Pitts
- 22 Terry Mann

July

- 5 Chris Marcotte
- 7 Mike Hildebrand
- 10 Bill Watts
- 16 Glen Koch
- 19 Ann Whithorn

Appiversaries

1 Mark & Carolyn Goergin 5 Jim & Sedena Shaw 7 Leff & Ann Whithem

- 7 Jeff & Ann Whithorn
- 10 Norm & Joan Frederick 12 Leon & Ellen Deges

4 Randy & Julie Flickinger
12 Lowell & Joyce Martens
23 Mike & Mary Hildebrand
30 Jerry & Donna Praytor

RALLYS

Mark your Calendars!

Wing Ding

August 31 - September 4

Texas District Rally Arkansas District Rally Oklahoma District Rally May 19-21, 2016 May 26-28, 2016 September 29 - October 1, 2016

Buy, Sell, or Trade

Contact <u>dalet@cox.net</u> with bike related items for sale, trade, or wanted - be sure to include photos and your contact info Dale T has some aluminum folding ramps for sale. Ask him about them.

> Be sure to read the Kansas Winger on the Kansas District web site each month See what all our Kansas chapters are doing

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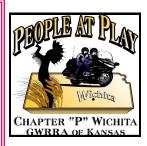
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Chapter Couple



Rick & Carolyn Stevens



Meeting Night - Friday, Brown Bag at 6:30PM Derby Church of Christ 225 N. Derby St, Derby Ks. 67037 in the fellowship hall at the south end of the building

Apologies for the format, but my computer died half way through the first rendition of this news. Had to resort to a backup.

Last weekend we attended the Kansas Rally, and had quite a good time. One of the better Rally's we have had. The facility in Hutchinson was excellent, weather good, and the Twisters did their usually wonderful demonstration.

Birthday for May are Rick Stevens on May 15. Happy Birthday Rick!

We will email our schedule out as it becomes available for dinner and breakfast rides for May.

Remember May 1 is Cassody!

Denny & Kathy Chesnut, Asst Chapter Directors

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A special message from Dave and Gloria

Dave & I want to thank everyone for the cards, good thoughts and prayers. However, we ask for continued thoughts & prayers as we continue down this difficult road.

Thank you again



Gloria & Dave

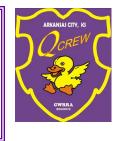
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Kansas Winger





Senior Chapter Directors Jack & Teresa Kistler 620-782-9636 Ass't Chapter Directors Jim & Carol Owens 620-441-8097 **Chapter Couple** Bill & Sheila Tucker



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We must say we had a great time at the Kansas District Rally in Hutchinson last month. The state staff and the hosting chapter "H" did a wonderful job setting up rides, games, vendors and other events for this rally. Anyone that was unable to attend really missed a good weekend. Q had two winners at the bike show, Jim & Carol Owens for 1500 Stock Trike and Jack & I got 1500 Stock.

Chapter "Q" had our annual maintenance day in April. We had 13 bikes and 20 people show up that day. Some of them got some work done and the rest had a nice time visiting. When the work was finished some of us loaded up and went to Peck, Kansas for lunch. It was a nice little ride, with some wonderful people.

As I write this we are getting ready for our Spring Ride down to the Wichita Mountains, weather permitting?! We're looking forward to a fun time, so we'll let you know next month how it went.

May Birthdays

Duane Kalous 17th Vickie Kalous 25th Jim Owens 29th

Anniversaries:

Duane & Vickie Kalous 12th Rodger & Gayle Webb 23rd Until the next time, Ride Safe, Jack & Teresa Kistler From Your Chapter Couple

We were blessed by our District Directors to be the first to 'show off' trophy and do a little bragging about Kansas being the lip sync champions in Region 'H'. We took the trophy and some special certificates to A, F, H, P, Q. O' yeah, the prettier half of your couple, Sheila of course, won 1st place at the Region Rally for her lip sync of Patsy Cline "She's Got You'. Louisiana has asked her to do the skit at their 2017 rally. She said YES!

As I said we kept busy attending chapter meetings and representing our super chapter.

Our rally was a blast this year. So much to do that couldn't do everything. But I think that is a 'good thing'.

We are planning on going on the Wichita Mountains ride, but will take car as I cannot shift motorcycle gears right now.

Lastly, in May we are going to Arkansas Rally and in September/October off to Oklahoma.

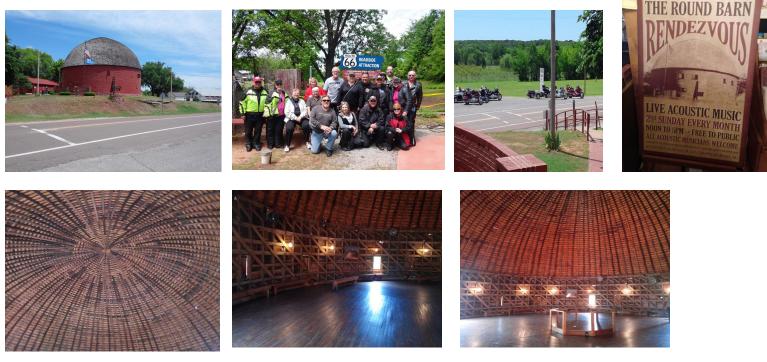
Hey you all, we miss you when you do not come to our monthly gatherings and other chapter sponsored events. Hope to see you at our next activity.

Be safe, Bill & Sheila YOUR Chapter Couple



Below is the group picture of the gang that braved the weather for the KSQ weekend Spring ride also known as the 'The over night Breakfast ride''.

First eight photos are taken of the "Old Round Barn" in Arcadia, Oklahoma.





These photographs are on the trip. The Chicken Fried Steak was consumed at Meers Oklahoma café. There are more photos on Steve Pena's facebook. Go see them. Thanks Steve.



















rates were great.

This is the front lobby of Baymount Hotel where we took

refuge for the night. Excellent hot breakfast bar and the room









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The Kansas Twisters Drill Team Steve Bockhaus, Team Captain

The RidersSteve BockhausTerri BockhausSteve PenaRick StevensRick KistlerDennis ChesnutLarry MazurBob Brown



Caller Marv Ayers Announcer Mary Mazur Security Kathy Chesnut

Editors Note

I did not receive an article from Captain Bockhaus so will let you know what I observed at the Kansas District Rally, Hutchinson Kansas during their performance.

It was their NEW routine that was exciting to watch. Here is what I observed as did 104 spectators.

They start with riding in Deuces (side-by-side) and eventually do their first hourglass. There are other maneuvers then into a cloverleaf and full figure 8.

Next or close to next, is a new maneuver call 'the shoelace', cool thing to see. They do their individual circles then into the TWISTER's, out of it, Wait, they are not done with new maneuver. They do what they call the SLINGSHOT. Another neat new exercise.

And they kept their RACE TRACK then ending in a Final wedge stopping in front of the spectators.

I left out some of the common patterns, but overall, I certainly was impressed with their 'right on' riding performance.

They just keep getting better and better. Don't cheat yourself by not taking the opportunity to see them perform.

With that said, I have not been given their appearance schedule for 2016 so I cannot tell you where they will perform next.

THANKS TWISTERS, FOR YOUR TIME AND DEDICATION TO PROVIDE US WITH OUT-STANDING ENTERTAINMENT.

You can see their Hutchinson performance by clicking on : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5XTeu11Uyrk

Bill Tucker Editor By the Book

By: Jack Wagner Deputy Director Region H Trainer



"By the Book" articles are intended to help familiarize GWRRA Volunteer Leaders and Members with the policies, procedures, and information contained in the GWRRA Officer's Handbook (OHB). A copy of the Officer's Handbook can be found at the following Internet website: www.gwrra.org/oconnect/officerhandbook.html Please feel free to reprint these articles in Region, District, or Chapter newsletters.

Our Core Values

In the past issues of By the Book we explored the GWRRA Mission and Vision statements. Now its time to turn our attention the the Core Values of our Association. These are values that all of our GWRRA officers from the Chapter level to the 'top of the house' should strive to exhibit.

EXCELLENCE - Our quest for excellence includes an abiding pride in our Association.

CHARACTER - Honesty, integrity and commitment are the key character elements in developing trust and respect within our Association.

FOCUS - Our focus is to meet the needs of our Members and provide leadership through our Officers and staff.

ATTITUDE - Our Officers and staff maintain a positive, enthusiastic and creative attitude in their approach of providing an atmosphere for fun, safety and knowledge.

FAIRNESS - The resolution of any issue should stand the test of "is it fair?" Is it fair to the Member? Is it fair to the officers? Is it fair to the Association? These should all be considerations in everything we do. **COMMUNICATIONS** - The more we share information and communicate about goals, values, measures

and rewards, the more effective we can be as individuals and as Members of the Association. **TEAMWORK -** Teamwork is the ability to work together toward our common vision. It is our ability to

direct individual accomplishment toward Association objectives. It is the fuel that allows all of us to achieve exceptional results.

TRAINING - Well-trained Officers and staff will provide improved Member services and create increased position satisfaction.

QUALITY - To be the best we can be and to hold the Members in highest esteem and respect will guarantee the quality of our Association.

The core values form the basis of many other facets of the Officer Handbook. Do they sound like the qualities you would like to see in your Chapter Team? I imagine they are. They are simple, easy to understand and if you keep them in mind as you go about running your Chapters, you will have happy Members and thriving Chapters.

The more you know, the better it gets!

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