



## September 2025 Newsletter

### **Our next Gathering is:**

Saturday, September 20, 2025

Golden Corral, Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m. Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville

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# September





## *Chapter Director* *ENJOY THE RIDE!!*

Hello from a busy month of riding, fun and everything else!!! First I want to talk about our Ride In, August 9. It was a huge success, in my eyes, with 54 total registered people that came! We raised good money for the Chapter and had a great time. It was



a lot of hard work but well worth it. Thanks to everyone who helped with teardown and a big shoutout to Dave Platt for helping with setup! We had lots of Ice Cream and a great band that continued to provide us with some good music! I did see a few people dancing as well, hello Heidi!!



People rode in from South Carolina, North Carolina and we had a couple from Tennessee as well. I signed up three new members for EWMA, two for our chapter and one for SC chapter...All went well, Thanks to all who attended!!!!







I went to the National Rally in Fort Smith Ark. Aug 28-30. We had a record number of members show up!! It was busy the entire time I was there!! Seminars, games and many vendors as well. Next year it will be a lot closer to us, 380 miles away in Sharonville, OH, just northeast of Cincinnati OH. The facility looks to be great as well!! There will be a drawing for a Goldwing that was donated by KD Cycles at the 2026 Rally, you may want to buy some tickets?







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Are we still talking about Rallies? I guess you know by now our next Rally, ***Back to the Smokies!*** September 25th, 26th & 27th, 2025 will be the NC Rally in Sylva NC, just up the road, a little over an hour away. We will have a chapter ride there on Friday, Sept. 26. Come join the fun and who knows you may win the \$1000 Grand Prize! I have tickets if you're interested, \$1 each or \$5 for six tickets? Debbie and I will be there from Tuesday until the end on Saturday night. We will be manning the hospitality area and I (Marty) will be calling the Bingo. Always a fun time. Every year we are doing our best to grow the rally so come on out and see what's new. There are some new interesting things happening. The beard contest and hillbilly costume one should bring a lot of laughing to take place. I have a set of bib overalls and clothing that I'll try on and some fake teeth, maybe I'll win the contest, 😄

I know that Bob, Gunnar and Brian (RC) will be leading the ride to Savannah and it will be a great ride with lots of military info as well as good food in that area, yummy!!! I'm



getting hungry for some good seafood just writing about it.



The museum is full of military history and there will be a guided tour as well. Gunnar has the rooms and tour info, so if you're interested contact him.

As you can tell it is and has been a busy August and September for all of us so we will see everyone at the



Gathering soon, until then, RIDE SAFE!!

Enjoy The Ride Together!!!

Marty

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Yes, it's September! Labor Day Weekend, the end of Summer, but we're not slowing down. We've still got a lot going on and I hope that y'all will be able to take part in at least some of what we have planned. From eating and riding and then riding to eat...we've got it all! Hahaha,

Our August was kicked off with a planning meeting held at Mike's Pizza and Pasta on the 2nd, to go over the details of our upcoming Ride-In to be held at the Janitzio Mexican Restaurant in Hendersonville, on Saturday August 9 th. We had a great turnout, for both, and we were not hurting for volunteers! Thanks all that showed up and help make our first Ride-In a success! Marty will, I'm sure, provide the numbers, but we had folks that didn't know of us, come by and check us out and that was the whole purpose. The Cook's Night Out for August was held at the Whistle Stop at The American Café in Travelers Rest on the 7th . We had a very good turnout for our first time here, at least for a CNO. The food and service were both excellent, as well as the great company you all are. Be sure to keep an eye out for Rusti's email coming out soon regarding our Cook's Night Out for September, which will be on Thursday, September 4 th . This month we will be heading back to Calvert's Kitchen in Columbus. Always a great time there!

Our regular Monthly Gathering was held on August 16 th at the Golden Corral. As I was unable to make it for the meeting or the ride after, I don't have anything to report, but I did hear that the ride over and back to Forest City for the Annual Hot Nights and Cool Rides car show was dry.

On the 28 th through the 30 th , the



Eagle Wings Rendezvous – 2025 was taking place in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Our own Marty Wood went out for the festivities, and I'm sure he'll cover more of it in his article. Next year's Rendezvous will be held in Sharonville, Ohio.

And, last but not least, on the 29 th , we had 8 vehicles and 11 people on our Ice Cream Ride out to the Hilltop Ice Cream Shop in Fairview. The evening weather was a perfect cool and calm time for riding.



One last note, over the past two weeks, we have seen great progress made to open up sections of the Blue Ridge Parkway near us that have been closed due to storm damage 11 months ago. The Parkway is now open from Asheville all the way to the end in Cherokee, NC. Even if not with a group, get out and ride this beautiful stretch of roadway.

Ride Safe and Ride Often,

**Bob Topper**

**Assistant Chapter Director**





## **Safety and Ride Coordinator – July 2025**

By: Dale Yager

Chapter M2

**Fantastic news!** The picture of me at the highest point

on the Parkway can be done again. The Parkway is now open from North of Asheville all the way to Cherokee and just in time for the leaf peepers to rush to North Carolina. I might still want to go look during the week. This should be great news for the Pisgah Inn, restaurant, and store as they are no longer cut off from either end. Normally they close right after the leaves are gone, so there's not too much time in between. We might incorporate a Parkway ride in our hump day schedule.

September 5th through the 8<sup>th</sup>, there will be a group of us traveling to Savannah, GA for The Mighty Eighth Museum. We will be leaving Friday morning with Brian Wittenberg leading the way. Located a short distance from Downtown Savannah, where the Eighth Air Force was activated in January 1942, the museum features over 90,000 square feet of exhibits, interactive experiences, artifacts and a collection of aviation art to engage you in the history of our nation's most storied air force, the Mighty Eighth. Fly a mission, stroll the beautiful memorial garden, and walk beneath the wings of the museum's restored B-17 Flying Fortress. Thanks to Gunnar for putting together a great deal of information for the planned ride.

If you are not going on the Savannah, GA ride, on September 6<sup>th</sup>, the TransAmerica Motorcycle endurance run will be stopping at "Dale's Wheels through Time in Maggie Valley where Matt will be welcoming the 100 + year old motorcycles stopping on their journey from Jenrette's Pier, NC to Florence, Oregon. They are expected to arrive sometime after 2:00pm. Some members are currently working on a plan to attend. Watch for more information by e-mail. This will be a tough one to miss.

After our September gathering, we will be having a ride around Lake James with lunch at Bones Jones Burger & Butchery. Joe Taylor took us on this ride a couple years ago and it's a great ride. This is also not too challenging. If all works out Joe will be leading us there again.

September 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup> is Wing's Over the Smokies. On our schedule, we will have a group ride to it on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>. We will leave Ingles in Mills River at 9:00am. I was recently asked to provide short rides for Thursday, a half day ride for Friday, and a short ride for Saturday for the rally. I do have some rides in mind, however, I don't plan on being there every day. For those of you who are going for the weekend, I may be looking for help regarding this. This event is put on by [the](#) NC District. For 2025, we're going BACK to the Smokies! We'll be at the Clarion Pointe Hotel at 2807 US Hwy 70 East, Sylva, NC 28779.

This is a particularly busy weekend as our regular last Friday ice cream ride is on the 26<sup>th</sup> and we have a ride scheduled to the Saluda Grill in Piedmont, SC for the G.A.S. Vintage Motorcycle show. This is something I have participated in since the beginning of it. There are some extremely nice bikes that make their showing there and without the Meltdown taking place this year, I expect everyone will be in Piedmont.

October 4<sup>th</sup> we will be having a Waterfalls ride. We will meet at Ingle's on Spartanburg and Upward. Leave time is 9:00am. Joe Taylor is planning this ride.

### Tech Tip:

## **Riding in the Mountains**

### **Preventing Crashes**

- Ride within your limits. Pushing your limits pushes your luck.
- Plan your path of travel and speed to maintain control.
- Practice proper cornering techniques – Slow, Look, Press and Roll.
- Always look (scan) well ahead.
- Ride your own ride – Don't give in to "keeping-up" with other Riders.
- **DO NOT RIDE BEYOND YOUR OWN CAPABILITIES!**

If you are looking for additional tips regarding riding in the mountains, just ask, Bob, Marty or myself. We want everyone to be the best they can be. Also, plan to take some of our safety seminars when we offer them. We offer a tremendous amount of information to help you be a safe rider.

Dale Yager

Chapter Safety and Ride Coordinator

Chapter M2

### **Monthly Gathering Winners:**

#### **Ride Pots:**

CNO - Kathy C.

Chapter Pride: Brian O'

50/50: Gerry B.

### **Birthdays**

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
	<b>8</b>	Jim Brabb
	<b>15</b>	Tammy Ferguson
	<b>18</b>	Mike Claywell
	<b>24</b>	Pat Pullum
	<b>24</b>	Jim Seacord III



## Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER		
	26	Dave & Brenda Platt
	27	Gerry & Rusti Boykin

## EVENTS:

### Hump Day Breakfast Rides-Wednesdays

Eggs Up Grill

637 Spartanburg Hwy, Hendersonville, NC

Breakfast 9:00am Ride approx. 10:00am

Open to all members. Destinations and length TBD each week. Suggestions welcome.

### Cooks Night Out-

This month, September 4, 6:30 pm. [Calvert's in Columbus, NC](#) . RSVP to Rusti by September 3, 1 pm [trikelady@yahoo.com](mailto:trikelady@yahoo.com)

### Rides & Rallies & Meet-ups

- **Hump Day Breakfast (every Wednesday)** 9am , Eggs Up Grill 637 Spartanburg Hwy H'ville
- **CNO; September 4**, 6:30 pm, RSVP to Rusti by September 3, 1 pm [trikelady@yahoo.com](mailto:trikelady@yahoo.com),
- **Mighty Eighth Air Museum-Savannah, GA, Sept. 5-8, 9am @** Ingles, Flat Rock, Upward Rd.
- **Gathering meeting; September 20 @** Golden Corral 9 am eat,
  - **[Remember to bring you basket donations for the NC Rally]**please 9:45 meet, ride after to Lake James. Ride Captain Joe T.
- **NC District Rally, Wings Over the Smokies, Sylva, NC, Sept. 25-27**, Group Ride, **Sept. 26**, 9 am, Ingles, Mills River, Bob T. Ride Captain
- **Ice Cream Ride; September 26** , 6 pm TBA meet at Upward Rd. Ingles
- **NC District Rally Rally Shirts** may be ordered pre-rally



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Color – ash

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2XL - \$18.00

3-6XL - \$21.00 (5xl mens only)

Short sleeve T-shirt mens tall

L-XL - \$17.00

2XL - \$19.00

3-4XL - \$21.00

Polo mens

S-XL - \$21.00

2XL - \$23.00

3-6XL - \$25.00

Long sleeve T-shirt men Long sleeve T-shirt

mens tall

S-XL - \$21.00 L-XL - \$23.00

2XL - \$23.00 2XL - \$25.00

3-5XL - \$25.00 3-4XL - \$27.00

Pocket T-shirt mens Pocket T-shirt mens tall

S-XL - \$19.00 S-XL - \$19.00

2XL - \$21.00 2XL - \$21.00

3-5XL - \$23.00 3-5XL - \$23.00

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