

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



February 2025 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is:

Saturday, February 15, 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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Chapter Director ENJOY THE RIDE!!

We have had a "COLD" start to the new year and as I write this it's getting warmer, finally!!! We had a good turnout for our Ice Cycle lunch and ride, that was good to see and enjoyed everyone's company!

We also had our first Ride Plan Meeting and it went well with lots of input and gathering information on new rides!!! We still have two more meetings, Feb. 22nd and March 22nd, feel free to come and give us some more places and help lead some of the rides. We would like to encourage any Road Captains to help lead the rides. If you've been trained you can lead a ride!!

Also, we are going to have another Training Day, March 1st, so that we all can be reminded of the safety of our group and personal responsibilities when riding with each other. Safety is for everyone!!! If you'd like to be a Road Captain see one of the officers about scheduling the training. It is a ONE-ON-ONE training with lots of info. Dale does a great job with making sure we are SAFE!!!

During our Training Day we will also try to have a "TWO INTO THREE" training!! Those of us who will transition into trikes when we're older or have physical reasons can learn a lot from this training. Our Region A Safety / Ride Coordinator (Brian) will be doing the class on March 1st as well...even if you don't ride a three wheeler the info is good to have.

We have secured a place for the August 9th NC-M2 Ride In, JANITZIO Mexican Restaurant in Hendersonville. A lot of info will come out in the near future, but we are close to securing a band and have already had seven vendors commit to supporting us. There will be LIVE music, battery giveaways, free coffee, apple pies, Whoopi pies and lots more....other stuff!!! Rusti will be leading the games and If you'd like to get involved with the day please contact me, Bob, Dale or Laurie. Any help, small or large, would be great!!! This event will be a great opportunity for others to get familiar with our chapter and EWMA. We will use it as a recruiting and fundraiser for our chapter as well. We will be inviting a lot of different motorcycle groups to the event so I guess I'll have to be on my best behavior!!! LOL!!! Debbie said, "Seeing is

believing!!!" 🤣 🤣 🤣

I'd like to see a couple of hundred people show up!!! That would be outstanding....

We finally got a chance to ride (Hump Day) and it was a great day. We rode all over SC thanks to Bob for leading the ride. I look forward to lots of great rides now that Bob Is semi-retired, he knows the area so well he can take us places his job forced him to go. It gave him a vast knowledge of the area!!!! I am a softie at heart and we saw a little boy that was a double amputee and I had to ask his dad to let him sit on My bike, he never stopped talking the whole time he was there!!! What a great feeling it is to make a kid's day. I'm sure he wore mama out on the way home!!



Ok, until next month, Lets "ENJOY THE RIDE TOGETHER"

Marty Wood NC-M2 Chapter Director

Our first event is:

Wednesdays, 9am Hump Day Breakfast Eggs Up Grill 637 Spartanburg Hwy H'ville 28792

Feb 6th CNO Flat Rock Wood Grill Rusti will send a RSVP with times H'ville, NC 28806

Feb 15th EWMA Gathering at Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd H'ville 28792 9am Breakfast and Gathering starts at 9:45am

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Bob Topper

The new year has started off a bit cold, wouldn't you say? However, it wasn't too cold so we were able to RIDE on our Annual Ice Cycle event on January 1st. Preceded by lunch at Binion's Roadhouse, Rusti led us on a nice ride up through Laurel Park to Jump Off Rock. As a group, we have "toasted in the New Year" here before, with cool but clear weather and this year was nice as well, with several bikes & members in attendance. A very nice way to kick off 2025!

Our first Cook's Night Out was at the Moose Café in Asheville on the 9th of January. I believe that we had like 13 folks come out for dinner. We were about the only people in the place, as they have had to cut their hours due to lack of staff and other issues post Helene. Unfortunately, some of the menu favorites were not available and to make matters worse, about half of the orders fell to the floor and those meals had to be quickly remade. It's always an "adventure" when we're out and about. Anyway, I believe that everyone still made the best of it and, as always, the great company that we keep, makes every time a good time.

Be sure to join us for our next CNO on Thursday, February 6th at the Flat Rock Wood Room in Hendersonville. Watch for Rusti's email and be sure to RSVP to make sure there is a spot at the table for you.

Our first Chapter Gathering of the year was on January 18th at our usual spot, the Golden Corral in Hendersonville. We had 19 members present and discussed our upcoming year, with strong emphasis on getting ideas ready for our ride planning meetings, the first of which was held on the 25th. If you have any suggestions or ideas for what you would like to see or go to this year, now is the time to speak up! Our next

ride planning meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd, again at the Salvation Army building downtown Hendersonville. Watch for more details as they become available.

One of the upcoming events that we discussed is that our Chapter will be hosting a District Ride-In, right here in Hendersonville, scheduled for August 9th. Marty is already trying to finalize a site and we'll need everyone's assistance to help make it a true success! I'm sure Marty will be discussing the details further, but in the meantime, be sure to put it on your calendar and please plan on coming out to support EWMA and our Chapter NC-M2 as we work to get our name out there and grow our membership. Remember, this is the "fun train" and the more the merrier, as they say.

Last, but not least, I did have the opportunity to lead our first Hump Day ride of the year, with the weather finally warming up the last week of the month. We actually had 8 riders on a very pleasant ride to Pretty Place, the Campbell's Covered Bridge near Landrum, South Carolina, and then finally to the Quaker Steak & Lube for lunch. I look forward to seeing more of everybody in the upcoming months as the weather gets warmer and our area gets back on its feet.

Ride safe and ride Often,

Bob



Safety and Ride Coordinator – February 2025 By: Dale Yager

So you say you like riding motorcycles. We like riding motorcycles too. You want to ride in a safe riding group. That's us all over. Don't want to ride to the bars and drink while riding. We don't! We go to restaurants, Ice Cream Shops, and Fun events taking place in our area.

Don't like riding by yourself? We really like to group ride and make great friends along the way. Feel like you need more riding education? We are the right people. When most of us learned to ride it was with a few buddies in our youth, no rules. Yes, we have a few rules but that's what keeps us safe. We provide up to date information on riding classes in the area and provide some training in house as well. When there are only a couple riding buddies that go out, when one hangs it up for whatever reason, often the rider left without anyone to ride with gives it up too. Not that they were ready but let's face it, riding with someone else is more fun. In our group we actually have lots of riding buddies.

Speaking of riding, part of what we do is plan much of our season in advance. We have already started it with two more ride meetings scheduled to get the season finalized. We had a great start on January 25 th with about 15 people giving us their ideas. Every member is encouraged to contribute even if you can't make the meetings. Two more follow-up Tour meetings will be February 22 nd and March 22 nd . Our monthly rides typically consist of our "Cooks Night out" on the first Thursday of the month to a restaurant to be determined each month. This is followed by a longer day ride which is often the first Saturday of the month. Next is our gathering on the Third Saturday of the month with a ride following the meeting. On the final Friday of the month we ride for Ice Cream to local shops throughout the area. Think that's a lot? Every Wednesday we have Breakfast at Eggs up in Hendersonville at 9:00AM with a ride following breakfast around 10:00 AM. We have more than enough times on the schedule to ride, what we are looking for now is the destinations for these rides as well as Rally events, Motorcycle happenings in the area. Of course you're always welcome to meet up with a friend you might meet and ride with them on your own. Got some ideas? You see we have a lot of things to fill in and we need everyone's help. We try to cater rides for everyone's abilities. If you are unable to participate in the planning, still feel free to join as often as you can. Forgot to mention, we also have two long weekend riding events or destinations.

The Sullenberger Aviation Museum tour will be rescheduled for spring of 2025. We will set a date at the tour meetings this winter. https://www.sullenbergeraviation.org/. (Working on this)

FYI: The Florida District Rally is coming up on March 13 th through 15 th in Gainesville Florida. 2025 FL District Rally - Events - Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Did you have fun in the snow?

Tech Tip: Have you kept your ride on a battery tender? If not, it needs to be to keep it ready to ride.

If your bike sits in a questionable area where rodents can establish a home, which too needs to get some attention.

Riding season can start early here and nothing is worse than really wanting to ride because it's such a nice day and the bike is not ready. Pay special attention to your tire pressure as with the cold, then warm, then really cold, then warm again, pressure fluctuates a whole bunch.

You have questions about your bike? I or another member might be able to help you out. I and others have helped out a whole bunch of members and saved them a bunch of cash along the way.

Bike Safe NC has just released dates for the Woodfin/ Asheville area. Their classes are all on Fridays. Starting April 4 th , May 2 nd , June 13 th , July 11 th , August 22, September 5 th , and October 3 rd . There will be more to come on this in the future.

Dale Yager Chapter Safety and Ride Coordinator Chapter M2

Birthdays

February		
	2	Brian O'Brien
	11	Billy Pullum
	27	Michelle Yager

Anniversaries

February	1	
	21	Billy & Pat Pullum

Monthly Gathering Winners:

CNO Ride Pot: Marty, Laurie O', Mylinda Sponsor give-away: several micro-fiber cloth packs given Chapter Pride: Dave D. 50/50: Joe Taylor M2 Caretaker: M2 retired for most events

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, February 6, 6:30 pm. @ the Flat Rock Wood Room, 1501 Greenville Hwy. Hendersonville. . RSVP to Rusti by Feb. 5, 1 pm <u>trikelady@yahoo.com</u>

Rides & Rallies & Meet-ups

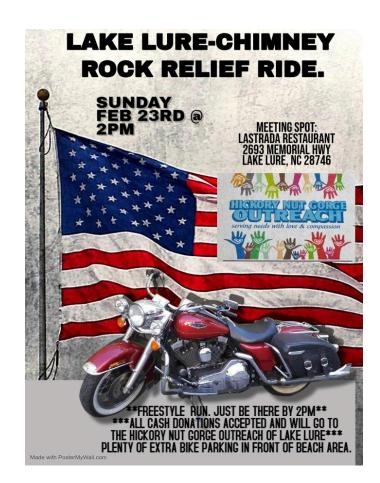
- (every Wednesday) 9am Hump Day Breakfast, Eggs Up Grill 637 Spartanburg Hwy H'ville
- CNO; Feb. 6, 6:30 pm, Flat Rock Wood Room at 1501 Greenville Hwy. Hendersonville.

RSVP to Rusti by Feb. 5, 1 pm



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- **Gathering meeting; February 15 ;** Golden Corral, Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m. Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville
- Planning Meeting; 2 of 3, February 22 at The Salvation Army of Hendersonville, 239 3rd Ave E, Hendersonville, NC. We'll have coffee and donuts at 9am and start the first of 3 sessions of planning at 9:30. Bring your ideas and preferences for some fun riding in 2025.
- Lake Lure & Chimney Rock Ride; February 23, 2:00 LaStrada at Lake Lure, NC 2693 Memorial Hwy, Lake Lure, NC 28746



• NC Ride In dates; April 12-Rocky Mount, June 14-Burlington, Aug. 9-Hendersonville (South of Asheville)

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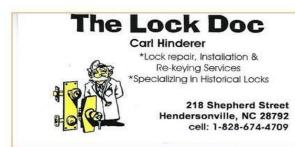
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