



September 2024 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is:

Saturday, September 21, 2024

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!!

Hello All !!!

We have been really busy with rides and CNO as well as Ice Cream rides!! It seemed like the rain would never stop but it finally did!!! As we move into the fall we still have a lot of riding and events coming. If you can join in when you can. As I write this I'll be leaving for Green Bay WI. for the EWMA National Rally, roughly 1000 miles. I am going to take two days to get there, 700 the first day and finish the next day to do lunch with others. While I'm there I will get to brag on our chapter about all the things we do as a group and what we will be doing in the future.

I'm proud to say the we (my daughter, wife and ladies of the chapter) put together four seasonal baskets for the Wings Over The Smokies EWMA NC Rally that Debbie and I will be attending the third week of September, we will be there the entire week so we will miss the chapter gathering but Bob will handle it with ease!!!



Hopefully we can bring back some good news from both events for next year's EWMA events, as the Association continues to grow and get bigger...

Our chapter's next adventure will be the Iron Horse three days after I get back from GB!! Man are we busy!!!



Good stuff!!! Then the state rally, LOL!!! September is rocking it!!! Mike Claywell and I plan another

Iron Butt ride at the end of the month. Wanna join us??? We are going to do a Butt Burner, 1500 miles in 36 hours, WOOHOO!!!! I am also planning a Coast to Coast in 50 hours soon, 2500+ miles!!! I have always loved "Long Distance Riding" and being retired I have time....

While I'm talking about riding, start thinking about next year's riding and events or rides and places that you'd like the chapter to go to. We are looking for new places, some one day rides and some 3-4 day rides. I'm sure we will be talking about it soon...

I have a couple in mind for next year and some what I call food rides, Mexican, fish, etc...

I know a great fish place about two hours and ten minutes from here just across the Georgia line. Any fish lovers?

We also had some of our chapter members attend a Bike Safe conducted by the Asheville Police Department and boy can those guys ride!!! We chased the lead guy through some twisty roads and he showed me where he was grinding the frame on his Harley... still outran all of us and stopped at a side road and waited on us, LOL!!! It was a great learning experience as well as a boatload of FUN!!! If you get an opportunity to attend one you will learn a lot!!!



Our chapter has been collecting donations for the Safelight "agency serving survivors of family/domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, elder abuse, and human trafficking." I was able to present a check for \$311 to Trinkka for donations since January 2024.

Thanks also go out to Jim Brabb for spearheading the fundraising effort for J. Iverson Riddle, another one of our chapter charities.



The group and M2 presenting a check for \$1,700 to J Iverson Riddle Development Center.

As a closing note, the holiday season is just around the corner and cooler weather, get out and ride and hope to see some of you more often. The "Hump Day" rides are getting busier with some of our seasonal people returning from their summer homes and looking forward to seeing some returning faces and shaking their hands!!!

Ok, let's continue our growth and fun together!!! See ya soon!!

As always, "Let's Enjoy The Ride Together"!!

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A View From the Top

It's hard to believe that we're already in September! It seems like we've just started the summer riding season and now it's going to be real soon looking at leaf colors and watching out on the parkway for those folks doing the same. I sure hope that you've had the chance to get out and ride some of these fantastic roads around our area.

So, the beginning of August saw us stop at the Wild Wing Café in South Asheville, for our Cook's Night Out, on the 1st. I even had enough time to ride from work in Asheville, to meet Dale in Mills River, to ride back to the restaurant. One way or another, I'll get some riding time in. Once again, we had a great time with friends, sharing stories and enjoying the great food and service. Even the location, on Lake Julian, is a treat. If you've never been there, you should try it, you'll like it. I'm sure we'll go back next year, so you should make plans! In September, we'll be going to Shortfield's in Travelers Rest, SC. This is another great restaurant that we've actually not been to in a few years, and is really worth the drive, or ride. Please be sure to RSVP to Rusti or Gerry, so there's room for you at the table!

On the first weekend of August, we spent a long day of riding up to Tennessee, specifically the road known as "The Snake", and the little town of Shady Valley. Dale led our group of 7 folks, on 5 Wings and a Slingshot, on some of the area's great roads and the ride was only hampered by a few heavy downpours, which we tried to avoid, but Mother Nature won out and we got wet! The rain didn't dampen our spirits, though, and everyone made it home, safe and sound, with stories to tell, which is always our goal, is it not?



At our Gathering on the 17 th , we had another great crowd, with 23 members and guests coming out on a beautiful Saturday morning. After our meeting, Jim & Norma Brabb led a group of us, 10 people on 7 bikes, down to Forest City, where we went to see the 32 nd Hot Nights Cool Rides Car Show that takes place right down Main Street. The event had 458 cars, trucks, and motorcycles registered and there was everything from 2023 ZR1 Corvettes to a 1923 Packard, and probably even older vehicles! Jim B. was not kidding when he said this town puts on a car show! I think we may make this an annual event to enjoy, as it was really something!

Our chapter's final event of the month was our Ice Cream Ride on Friday, the 30 th . Rusti, just released to ride again, led our group of 7 on some scenic and curvy backroads, to one of our favorite stops, Dolly's Dairy Bar in Pisgah Forest. The rain from the late afternoon cleared out to give us a fantastic evening ride! Thanks to Rusti for leading and to everyone that came out to have a good time.



August Ice Cream Ride to Dolly's in Pisgah Forest ,
Ride Captain; Rusti Boykin

I hope to see you in September.

Bob

Safety and Ride Coordinator

By: Dale Yager

September 2024

The Sullenberger Aviation Museum tour is booked for October 5th and our tour time is at noon. The cost is \$16.50 each. We will be meeting at Ingles on Spartanburg Hwy and Upward Rd at 9:00am to get there on time. I have made reservations for 20 people and we still have openings. This is an Aviation Museum that is brand new. This museum also houses the famous "Miracle on the Hudson". Flight 1509 that left New York City on January 15, 2009 en route to Charlotte, NC. The plane was struck with birds and had to have an emergency landing on the Hudson River where everyone survived. The Captain was Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger who was credited with making the decision to land and saved the lives of everyone on board.



This museum is a huge piece of American History and rightfully named “Miracle on the Hudson”. <https://www.sullenbergeraviation.org/>

I will be finalizing this event with the cutoff date of September 21 st . Please see Dale in advance if you want to be added to the list.

Jumping ahead just a little, September 6 th through the 9 th several of us are going to and staying at the Iron Horse Motorcycle Lodge in Robbinsville, NC for some fantastic riding, food and fun. The house has already been booked and no additional rooms are available, however a member can make their own arrangements for a motel and join us if they wish. There will be additional info coming out by email for those who are signed up.

After our next gathering on September 21 st we take a ride out to Maggie Valley to Wheels Through Time to get a look see at all the bikes Matt has there. Adults are \$15.00, and seniors are \$12.00. Never been there before? Fine collection of some of the rarest American Motorcycles ever made. If you have been there the displays are changing all the time. Great time to get your raffle ticket for the 1936 Harley Knucklehead.

<https://wheelsthroughtime.com/>

September 20, 21 is the “Wings over the Smokies” rally in Brown Summit, NC.

Marty is planning on going there and others may be joining in. Check it out on

the website. <https://ewma-nc.org/rally.html>

Big thanks to Jim and Norma Brabb for leading us to the Forest City car show after the August meeting. The rumored number of cars was around 500. So much to look at. I include a few pictures here of my favorites which included “Knight Rider”.



Don't forget, we meet every

Wednesday (Hump Day Ride) for breakfast at Eggs Up Grill on Spartanburg Hwy. If weather permits, we usually have a lunch ride to follow. Destinations are decided on Tuesday based on weather conditions.

Tech Tip: Recently four of us went to the Bike Safe program held by the Asheville and

Waynesville Motorcycle patrols. One of them was a couple of big takeaways from the class. The approach to a curve, especially a blind one on what position the bike should be in to see as much as possible around the curve. For example, a blind right hand curve, you should be out in the left track to see as far around as you can, cutting to the inside when you can see clearly. The other thing is if there is a car approaching, let's say from a side street and you're not sure that they see you. Swerving in your lane will make you much more visible to other cars.

Dale Yager
Chapter Safety and Ride Coordinator
Chapter M2

Birthdays

SEPTEMBER			
	8	Jim Brabb	
	15	Tammy Ferguson	
	18	Mike Claywell	
	24	Pat Pullum	
	24	Jim Seacord III	

Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER			
	26	Dave & Brenda Platt	
	27	Gerry & Rusti Boykin	

Monthly Gathering Winners:

Sponsor Give-away: Schroader's discount oil & filter

Ice Cream Ride Pots- Mylinda H.

Chapter Pride: Gerry B.

50/50: Brian O.

CNO pot: Bobbi

M2 Caretaker: Marty

Wing Nut Award: NA

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-

First Thursday of each month. This month, September 5 , 6:30 pm. Shortfields, Travelers Rest, SC. RSVP to Rusti or Gerry at trikelady@yahoo.com by September 4, 1pm.



Rides & Rallies

- **CNO; September 5** Ride Captain; TBD
- **Iron Horse Motorcycle Camp; Sept. 6-9;** Robbinsville, NC, meet 9 am, check Facebook
- **Advance Motorcycle Crash Management; Sept. 7-SC-Chapter G,** Greer, SC
- **Gathering meeting; September 21** -9 am eat, 9:45 meet, ride after gathering to Ride Captain; Maggie Valley to Wheels Through Time, Ride Captain; TBD
- **Wings Over the Smokies; Sept. 20-21, NC District Rally,** Brown Summit, NC



- **Ice Cream Ride; September 27, Ride Captain; Mike Claywell** TBD meet at Ingles on Spartanburg Hwy and Upward Rd, leaving at 6:00pm.
- **G.A.S. Saluda Vintage Motofest; September 28,** meet at Ingles on Spartanburg Hwy and Upward Rd 10 a.m., Ride Captain; Bob Topper.

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