



April 2022 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is
Saturday, April 16th, 2022
Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m.
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Director's Corner

Rusti Boykin

Happy Spring, and what a nice turn out we had for our first Face-to-Face gathering including five visitors, Charles Weinhagen chapter I's director, Dave & Diane Smith Assistant District Directors of the West and Rick & Jan Dancy our District Couple and chapter directors of X2 Wilkesboro as well. After our gathering several members rode to Hagood Mills in Pickens SC. And to Aunt Sue's for lunch. What a nice day and great way to start our riding season!

I have sent everyone a zoom link so you can join in a watch the installation of our new District Directors Mike & Jennifer Jones, they will be stepping up for Glenn & Joy Kennedy on April 2nd.

This past Thursday Bob Topper, Gerry and I visited Chapter NC-I's new location, Yao's Buffett, good food and a very clean venue, we met several new friends and reconnected with some old friends, and wouldn't you know Bob came away a few dollars richer after winning a big 50/50. All in all it was a fun night! Then on Friday our chapter had it's first Ice Cream ride, which as small and short but 6 of us had a lot of laughs and some really good ice cream.

April 7th is Cook's Night Out, at Wild Wings Café on Long Shoals Road, email Gerry or me if you are attending. Then April 9th is "Tech Day" at Dale's home.

If you need a copy of our M2 Ride Schedule, please check with Dale or myself and we will get one to you ASAP. M2 has plenty Grand Prize tickets so come and get some to sell it's really a simple thing to do!

There are still two rooms available for the Pigeon Forge/Gatlinburg Tn. Weekend please let me know if you would like one of the reservations; the rooms are \$273.78 this is for both nights, on the weekend of 8/6 to 8/8. There is much to see and do as well as some great riding! Let me know and I will get you a room.

Please keep good vibes going for Kelly as well as safe travels for Dale and Michelle Yager also Brian and Laurie O'Brien.

Well this is the end of my story an I'm sticking to it! Until we meet again...

As Always,
Rusti
Ride Safe, Ride Often



From the Top

Reflections of the Membership Enhancement Coordinator
Bob Topper

Spring is in the air! Along with some rain and a little pollen, but hey... it's NOT Winter! We're now in April and we've now got a pretty active ride/event schedule set up. If you missed the email, you can download the current schedule on our website, www.gwrrancm2.org, and it is located at the bottom of the calendar page. Of course, Nancy keeps us updated by putting the next 2 months in the newsletter.

We were able to hold our March Cook's Night Out at the Moose Café in Asheville on the 3rd of March. It was great to see so many of you in person. Our next CNO is slated for Thursday, April 7th, at the Wild Wing Café on Long Shoals Rd, overlooking Lake Julian. Hopefully the weather will be nice, again, and we can enjoy the outside seating. This is a great dinner venue, with more than just wings on the menu. Please consider joining us. Watch for Gerry's email around the 3rd or 4th asking for your RSVP.

On the 5th of March, we were finally able to hold a GWRRA Medic/First Aid class as a refresher for anyone that wanted or needed it. We had 11 attendees, including many of our friends from Chapter I out of Asheville. Thanks Rusti, for finding a location suitable for our needs, that really was perfect! Every time we attend one of these courses, something new is shared and learned, and then put into practice. Watch and see for some "changes" in the upcoming months.

Additionally, we did also hold our Chapter Gathering at the Golden Corral on March 19th. We had a great turnout, with 20 Members from M2, as well as 6 guests. Again, it is great to be able to meet in person and see all your faces, without being on a computer screen! Rusti was able to distribute some of the Wings Over the Smokies Grand Prize tickets to anyone that wanted to sell them. Remember, it's \$1.00 per ticket for a chance to win \$10,000! Not a bad deal. Plus, you DO NOT have to be present to win! EVEN BETTER!!

After our gathering, we had a beautiful day for a ride to Pickens County, SC and a visit to the Hagood Mill Historic Site. We had 12 folks on 9 bikes and a Slingshot participate. After spending a couple of hours "milling about" (sorry, I couldn't resist) we rode up to Aunt Sue's Country Corner along SC11. So nice to have them open again, as a great pit stop location. They also have ice cream there, although this time I don't think anyone partook of that opportunity. It was a late lunch, after all. From there, it was up Hwy 276, through Caesar's Head, Dupont Forest, and home, except for Joe and Brian, who still had to ride out to Forest City. Thanks everyone for coming out and making our first after gathering ride of 2022 great!

Of course, the end of March also means our First Monthly Ice Cream Ride of the Year! It was a bit cool this time, as Dale and I were the only ones to make it on bikes, but the Celtic Creamery on 7th

Ave. in Hendersonville, were happy to have the 6 of us. As usual, it doesn't matter the weather, it's always a great time for ice cream! Don't forget, the last Friday of every month...ice cream. Who will lead us to the next one?

Have a great month and Ride...often...and safe!
Bob



Out and About

Reflections of the Ride Coordinator
Dale Yager

Road Captain; want to be one? We will be looking to get a Road Captain's class set up for sometime this summer. I know of at least 3 members who would like to get more involved as Road Captains. Rusti and I am working on this. Just let me know if you want to be one.

After the March gathering, we had a ride to the Hagood Mills historical site in Pickens, SC. This is a site with an old operating mill, featuring an 1845 gristmill, restored log cabins, blacksmith shop, cotton gin, moonshiners still, nature trails, and a gift shop featuring local crafters, musicians and authors. We had, I think, 9 bikes and a slingshot ride down to take a looksee. It's an interesting place. It had been about 14 years since I was last there. You can say at historical sites nothing changes but it did. They had a museum (new building) regarding the Hagood Creek Petroglyph looking back to pre-historic times. We topped the visit off with a great late lunch at Aunt Sue's on Rte. 11.



Don't forget at the beginning of April will be "Tech Day" at the Yager's garage, 112 Mountain Place, Hendersonville. It's set for Saturday April 9th, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Lunch will be ordered in and you will be responsible for your order. We try to teach each other how to work on the bikes. If you plan to have your bike be a guinea pig, please let me know what you might need done. You will be responsible for your own parts. Remind me and we will demonstrate how to pick up a downed Wing by yourself. We might even have time to add some new sparkle if you bring it.

On our first Hump Day Ride in March (rained out of all the others) we met our newest friends and members, Mike and Kathy Claywell. When I first pulled into Pop's Diner they threw me for a loop as they were on their 2012 yellow Goldwing. But they didn't make a yellow in 2012, right? Mike explains that the first owner had it painted after he bought it and Mike and Kathy are now the second owners of this bike. It looks very sharp. Yellow appears to be the theme lately; Jim and Norma Brabb's yellow Wing, then Joe Taylor bought a used yellow Wing and of course Rusti has had hers for a while now. My friend Dave Hartley just picked up his custom painted yellow 2021 Wing from Schroader's. Enough yellow!

Other April events: After Tech Day, April 9th, we have our regular gathering on the 16th at the Golden Corral. After this meeting we will take a ride into South Carolina where we get our strawberry fix. We ride to Strawberry Hill and pick up one or two containers of strawberries. Yes, two will fit in the trunk of a Wing. Tested and proven!

April 28th to 30th is the Tennessee District Rally. Usually either on Thursday or Friday, a few of us take a ride to check it out, get some lunch and ride back. You might find that sparkle you have been looking for.

On Friday the 29th will be our second ice cream ride of the season. It's on your schedule. What? Don't have a schedule? Go to our website GWRRA NC-M2 (gwrrancm2.org). It's listed under the Calendar tab at the bottom of the page, ready to download.

Finally, on Saturday the 30th is the Meltdown on Locust Street in Hendersonville. There will be tons of classic and vintage motorcycles there to feast your eyes on. I'll be there so make sure to stop in to say hey to me.

In last month's article I encouraged members to join me for Motorcycle Basic Rider II class at the Blue Ridge Community College on Sunday June 26th. I'm pleased that there are 4 of us registered for the class at this time. They have a total of 12 positions and we took 4. I believe they may still have openings for more if you would like. Cost is \$85.00. If you are interested you should go on-line and sign up right away. You may have to search Motorcycle safety. It was difficult to find.

<https://www.blueridge.edu/programs-courses/personal-enrichment/motorcycle-safety/>

Once you get to this page, near the top is a link to register on line (CE). Follow that link to courses. You need to go to page 4 where it is located near the top of the page. Make sure you click the box for Course # 8057-603. You then proceed to check out and follow the rest of the links.

Please let me know if you register for this class so I know what to expect.

Tech tip: If you are a rider with certain medical concerns that the ride leader should know, then you should make an opportunity to let the leader know. Are you diabetic, are you having diabetic issues, are you allergic to bee stings, do you carry an epi pen? Allergic to nuts, or have bladder issues? Some of us can ride all day and not stop while others need a rest stop every half hour. As a ride leader we can plan for it, if we know.

There are times when a Road Captain lines people up for the ride. There are several factors we Road Captains consider when we do this. Some people don't like to ride near the fog line, others may not like the center line. When I assign positions in the pack, it's due to these considerations for placement. If you have a preference, let your ride leader know so we can accommodate you the best we can.

Dale Yager
Ride Coordinator
Chapter NC-M2

Member Info

Birthdays

1 Ken Weglarz
10 Denise Brondell

Anniversaries

13 Bill & Winnie McGill
30 David & Nancy Skerry

Ride Pots

Cooks' Night Out – Bob Martin

Chapter Pride

Rusti Boykin

50/50

Joe Taylor

M2 Caretaker

Jim Brabb

Wing Nut Award

None awarded this month

M2 Happenings



M2, Barney & Goofy off to work in the farmhouse attic

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Hump Day Ride	7 Cook's Night Out @Wild Wings	8	9 Tech Day 9 - 4
10	11	12	13 Hump Day Ride	14	15	16 M2 meeting @Golden Corral
17	18	19	20 Hump Day Ride	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Hump Day Ride	28	29 Ice Cream Ride	30 Meltdown vintage MC show

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Hump Day Ride	5 Cook's Night Out @TBD	6	7 Waterfalls ride 9:am
8	9	10	11 Hump Day Ride	12	13 Chapter T's Spring Fling	14 Helen GA ride Spring Fling cont.
15 Helen GA Ride	16 Helen GA Ride	17	18 Hump Day Ride	19	20 Hillbilly Hoe Down	21 M2 meeting @Golden Corral Hillbilly Hoe Down
22	23	24	25 Hump Day Ride	26	27 Ice Cream Ride	28
29	30	31				

Hump Day Breakfast Riders - every Wednesday

Pop's Diner

860 N Main St, 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

March 3rd at Moose Café on 191@I-40 6:30pm

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