



August 2022 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is
Saturday, August 20th, 2022
Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m.
Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville

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Director's Corner

Rusti Boykin

A busy July has now passed, we kept the rides going even in the very warm (HOT) weather. The "209" ride after our gathering was awesome, with nine members in the group. Our small band of riders went down to Chesnee for "Bikes on Main" we were the only bike on Main St., it seems as though someone posted the event without checking in with the organizer and forgot to un-post it! Maybe they should have a wing nut!

July's Ice Cream Ride was Short & Sweet, stressing on "sweet".

On to August we start with CNO on the 4th at Mike's Pasta & Pizza, then the first weekend some of the members will be heading to Tennessee for a fun weekend. On the 11th there is another Tourist Baseball Game.

Then on the 13th we have our Road Captain's Class 9am at the Hendersonville Athletic and Activity Center 708 S. Grove St., knowledge to be a better rider is always a good thing.

Our gathering is Aug 20th followed by a ride to Linville Caverns, then the 26th is "Wings Over the Carolinas, West" and last but never least our Ice Cream Ride is also on the 26th. As always there will be emails to be sent out before each event.

September the 8th-10th is "Wings Over the Smokies" our chapter is scheduled to work at the registration table the morning of the 8th if you would like to help please let me know and give me your shirt size the chapter will cover the cost. We have also been asked to do another "Guided Tour Ride" on Saturday. Please remember this will be the last WOtS.

And still on a sadder note, this past Thursday was Chapter I's last official gathering, I truly am sorry to hear this, but I understand they would like to still ride together when possible. In closing we have a lot to do, so as Larry would say "Lets get er done"!

As Always,

Rusti

Ride Safe, Ride Often



Comments from Carl

Assistant Chapter Director

Members, friends, and guests,

The wonderful riding conditions for July have been somewhat hampered by Mother Nature, but our group has been able to find time to get some rides in. With the uncertainty of GWRRA we have chosen to remain together and continue riding as a group. Continuing utilizing the procedures we have learned to provide rides that are enjoyable, safe, and meaningful. I am reminded all the time of the fact we ride for a purpose, not just to record miles.

August should be a good time to ride as we can begin to look forward to cooler temperatures, less likely to have an afternoon rain. August 11th will be the Tourist game. Our advance tickets are sold out, but tickets are available, and it would be possible to join our group. CNO on the 4th at Mike's Pizza, Spartanburg, Rd. Always a good meal at Mike's. Stay in touch with the happenings by way of the newsletter.

Until we meet again, ride safe, ride often, ride with a friend.

Until next time, kick stands up!!!

Carl Hinderer



From the Top

Reflections of the Membership Enhancement Coordinator
Bob Topper

Well, it's August, Wing Ding 43 is in the past, and apparently, GWRRA, as we know it, will soon be, as well. The news, that Gold Wing Road Riders Association will cease to exist beyond 2022, is pretty shocking, to me anyway. We take a lot for granted every day, and that the organization will be there for us, is just one more example. It's not the end of the world, just another turn of the page, in our books called Life. As a Chapter, as you've probably read, we will continue as a group, of some sort. At least for the remainder of this year, all should stay fairly status quo. Our Gatherings, planned trips and rides, and even our scheduled training is still ALL happening. Watch your emails, the newsletters, Facebook, and our Website for any updates that may come along. Meanwhile, it's August!

For Cook's Night Out in July, we went to The Hare & Hound in Landrum for a wonderful evening. Even though the threat of rain was looming, Dale & Michelle, and I, opted to ride the back roads down and back, and only had a slight sprinkle on the way home! Good timing and great riding! The restaurant was pretty busy, but we were eventually all seated as a group and enjoyed some wonderful food and company! The CNO for August will be a Mike's Pasta & Pizza on Spartanburg Hwy. in Hendersonville, at 6:30 pm on Thursday, August 4th. Watch for an email from Gerry to RSVP.

On the 2nd of July, our Chapter held a Ride & BBQ for all Chapter Members. The ride was led by Dale through some of the fun backroads in the area, to our destination, Brian & Laurie's residence in the Cummings Cove Community. We had another beautiful day for riding and spending time together! Thanks to Brian and Laurie for opening your home to us and to everyone that participated and brought all the fantastic food choices! I know that I tried as many as I could.

On the 16th, we held our Monthly Gathering at the Golden Corral and had 16 members, along with 3 guests present. Our guests were Charles W. from Asheville Chapter I, along with Dave and Dianne Smith, our District's Western Assistant District Directors. Again, yours truly, captured the elusive (not) Wing Nut Award, this month, for leaving both sets of keys for my "new to me" bike, at home, while I went to where it is stored, with all my riding gear, directly after work on my way to June's Ice Cream Ride. What made it so NUT worthy, is that we had just discussed in our June Gathering, about keeping a spare key with the bike. Funny how the world works sometimes.

After our Gathering, we had 11 folks on 7 bikes and 2 Slingshots enjoy some fun riding to Dave's 209, along Hwy 209 near Hot Springs. We took in a little of the Parkway, Ox Creek Road, Hwy 251 along the French Broad River into the town of Marshall. Then, out Baileys Branch Rd to New Leicester Hwy

(63) to Hwy 209 and Dave's 209 for lunch. Afterwards, we took on the lower half of the Rattler (still 209) into the Clyde area and on to home. With all of the twisties and fun roads, we managed to miss all the major storms, although there seem to be clouds and rain in the vicinity late in the day. Our two long travelers, Joe T. and Brian W. did find some rain on there way back to the Forest City area, I understand from them that it was nothing bad. Another great riding day is in the books! Thanks all for coming out and having a good time.



On the 24th of July, we had our scheduled ride (a rare Sunday ride) to the Antique Bikes on Main motorcycle show in Chesnee, SC. Unfortunately, the organizers failed to let anyone know that the event had been cancelled. A few of our members made the ride and apparently, were the ONLY BIKES on Main, as it turned out. Oh well, a new story to share, and hey, it was another good ride.

On Friday, the 29th, Rusti led another of our Monthly Ice Cream Rides, this time to Jack the Dipper in Fletcher, via a very non-direct route. After a week of some very extensive rain showers and thunderstorms, we had a very nice evening to ride, and enjoyed a nice treat at the end of the day. Oh yeah, this time I remembered my keys and got to ride my new-to-me GL1800. Some of you may recognize it as Gerry's old bike.

Looking forward to seeing y'all in August!

Bob



Out and About

Reflections of the Ride Coordinator

Dale Yager

GWRRA: What that means to you and how the changes affect you as a member and rider. Our articles for last month's newsletter had been written prior to the announcement that GWRRA was going out of business, the rumor mill was going strong, and we, too, were caught off guard.

Your Chapter leaders had a meeting regarding the news and how this affected the Chapter and its individual members. There is an effort to start a replacement motorcycle group consisting of all bikes but still with the Goldwing as the main reference. This new group appears to be mostly on Facebook, at this time, while it gets their ducks in a row. You as an individual can certainly join this group if you would like. It's something we will all have to talk about. Your Chapter leaders have decided to carry on with or without GWRRA much like we have been. We will still be a group mostly consisting of the Goldwing but that is absolutely not a requirement! Safe and educated riding methods will still be paramount.

Now, for my report on the ride to Chesnee for the Bikes on Main. Jerry and Rusti rode in their slingshot with Brian O'Brien and me in the O'Brien slingshot and David Skerry joined in at the last minute. David was the only one on two wheels, his Honda NC700. We had a nice route and ride only to round the corner into Chesnee and found the streets empty! The Harley dealership on the side street had a sign in the window, "Closed until August 1st". The field where the swap meet was to be held was overgrown. NOT A BIKE IN SIGHT! I had researched this several times on the internet, the dates were listed and events scheduled. I even brought a flyer to the last gathering. David called the name listed on the website who stated, there wasn't a show this year but it was scheduled for next year. He also stated that he had nothing to do with the website. Apparently, everyone knew but us!

With that being said, here's what we still have going on for the season:

GWRRA is still fulfilling their commitment to finishing out the season's training that had already been scheduled. We will still be having the Road Captains class on August 13th. This is free motorcycle education for those that would like to be Road Captains which is a standard we wish to continue for our group rides. It gives you more education on managing group rides through all types of traffic and road situations as well as parking lots. We would like to get as many as possible to participate in this class as there may not be another opportunity. It will be held on August 13th at 9:00am located in room 101 of the Hendersonville Athletics and Activity Center, 708 S. Grove Street, Hendersonville, NC.

Our monthly gathering is still set for Saturday, August 20th at the Golden Corral with a ride to Linville Caverns to follow. Check out www.Linvillecaverns.com. Adults are \$12.00 per person, seniors (62 and over) are \$11.00 per person. We will need to know how many plan to attend in advance. Please let me know if you will be going on this ride.

Linville Caverns was opened for public touring in 1937. Since that time many upgrades to the pathways and lighting system have enhanced the safe touring experience that now exists. Courteous and experienced guides take you into the subterranean world, giving you the history of the caverns and allowing you to view the grand work of nature. We invite you to experience the beauty of these age-old mountains from the inside!

Watch your e-mails and Facebook for the Hump Day ride events as they are scheduled when the weather and time allows.

Remember to check our schedule regularly for upcoming events. You can get the ride schedule from either our Facebook page or our website page. Check out some of the pictures of our past events while you're there.

GWRRA NC-M2 (gwrrancm2.org) Calendar (gwrrancm2.org).

Tech tip: I recently had a conversation with Mike Claywell about fork seals. In most cases no one deals with a fork seal unless there is fork seal failure. It shows its ugly head when you see an oil film on the fork tubes. This is a seal failure where a nick or wear no longer seals the fork oil inside the front forks. It's not a cheap fix and most people wait until they notice it. Hopefully they deal with it right away. Mike tells a story of one of his riding friends out west who had a catastrophic failure after a hard bump. It just blew fork oil all over which is extremely dangerous, oil on the brakes and tires. Although I had never heard of the catastrophic failure before, it did happen. Mike had his front suspension recently reworked with new suspension components to avoid a failure. I'm not ready for that but it gives you something to think about.

Dale Yager
Ride Coordinator
Chapter NC

Member Info

Birthdays

2 Carl Hinderer

22 Ed Spangler

Anniversaries

15 Joe & Joyce Taylor

28 Cliff & Nancy Gammons

Ride Pots

June Ice Cream Ride - Laurie O'Brien

July BBQ/Ride - Rusti

July CNO - Michelle Yager

Chapter Pride

Karen Newhall

50/50

Dianne Smith (WADD)

M2 Caretaker

Michelle Yager

Wing Nut Award

Bog Topper

M2 Happenings

Nothing anyone is admitting to.

Calendar

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Hump Day Ride	4 Cook's Night Out @Mikes Pizza	5	6
7	8	9	10 Hump Day Ride	11 Asheville Tourists Game	12	13 Road Captains' class
14	15	16	17 Hump Day Ride	18	19	20 M2 meeting @Golden Corral
21	22	23	24 Hump Day Ride	25	26 Ice Cream Ride	27 WOC Western Ride
28	29	30	31 Hump Day Ride			

September 2022

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

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

August – Mike's Pizza & Pasta on Spartanburg Hwy, Hendersonville (Gerry will send out an email)

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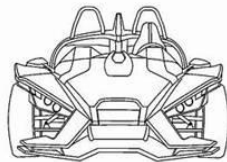
Wings Over Carolina Western Region Ride

Saturday August 27, 2022



Come one come all to ride and have fun in the Beautiful Mountains of Western North Carolina.

The Route has changed this year so you'll enjoy new Spectacular Mountain Views, ride along the Scenic French Broad River and even test yourself on some of our enjoyable Mountain Twisty roads. It doesn't matter what you ride or drive, come and have fun.



Bring your own lunch and snacks. Drinks and ice will be provided. Besides the Ride there will be door prizes and games and a 50/25/25 drawing . A Good time will be had by all.

**Where: French Broad VFD Station 19
572 Fletcher Martin Road ■ Alexander, NC 28701**



Directions: Take I-26 North from Asheville to Exit 25 (Broadway St. UNCA, Rt.251) At the bottom of the ramp turn LEFT and stay straight following Rt.251- Riverside Drive for 8.8 miles to Fletcher Martin Rd. and turn LEFT across the bridge, the French Broad VOL Fire and Rescue Station will be approximately 1.5 mile from the bridge. Stay right at all turns and the Station will be on the left.

Time: 10am with the First Rider Group Out at 10:30am.

For more information please contact Dave Smith, Western Region Assistant Director at wingridernc@gmail.com