



August 2023 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is:

Saturday, August 19, 2023

Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m.

Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville

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<http://fourseasonswingsandthings.org>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/587996265048173/>

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Thoughts from Your Chapter Director

Are you HOT yet? Well know this, Chapter M2 is one of the hottest riding groups around! Just in July there were cook's night out, picnics, ball games, strange rocks, hump day and then, just to

keep things a bit cool, one wild and wet ice cream ride!

Coming up at the end of the month, Mike Claywell is off to do the 3 Flags Ride, that's Mexico, the United States and Canada. If you are one of the members that has pledged money for his ride that will go to a charity, bring in your form and donation to the August meeting. This month's CNO is at Binion's Roadhouse in Hendersonville on Aug. 3rd and the Waterfalls ride is on the 5th. The BMW tour is on the 9th, then Aug. 10th & 24th are the Tourists Ball Games, (please no rain!). Following our Gathering, the Mt. Mitchell picnic ride is on the 19th, then as you know we do a Hump Day breakfast & ride on Wednesdays. I am also trying to put together a ride to Knoxville for the Eagle Wings Rendezvous, which is being held August 31st through September 2nd, please see Dale's article below. And the list goes on and on.

As chapter director, I am so proud of our chapter and the great people, you, that make it so fine and fun! So, to all of you, my most grateful thank you! You are all vital members and your input and ideas, as well as you stepping up to help whenever needed, is wonderful, and together we "Git 'er Done"!

As I started out with "are you hot yet", just remember to take bottled water on rides to keep hydrated. We always have small stops on our rides to rest and refresh and whether you are on 2 or 3 wheels it can be tasking. Being well hydrated will help to keep you focused, alert and safe.

So, until we next meet, stay happy and ride safe.

Rusti

August





NORTH CAROLINA EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS:



2023 Wings Over the Smokies

**Ashe Shriner's Club
117 Morphew Lane
Jefferson, N.C**

September 22nd & 23rd, 2023

Things to Do

Ashe County Cheese

Blue Ridge Parkway

Ashe County Frescoes

Mount Jefferson State National Area

Ashe County Farmers Market

Glendale Springs

Pond Mountain

Todd on New River

Town of Lansing

Town of Jefferson

Town of West Jefferson

And Much More!!!!!!

GRAND PRIZE \$1,000.00

Rally Shirts Available on Site

Games & Door Prizes

Friday – Daily 50/25/25 Drawing

***Friday & Saturday – Grand 50/50 Drawing
(Drawing Saturday)***

Come and join us to have some FUN, FUN, & More Fun and meet old friends and make new friends.

**North Carolina District Director, Libby Jennings
919-291-1918 libbyjennings@yahoo.com**

Registration
Please Print Clearly

Rider:

Co-Rider:

EWMA Membership #

Expiration Date:

Chapter:

Position:

Address, City, State:

Phone #:

Email:

Full Registration Fee:

\$25.00 x = \$

Deadline Sept. 11, 2023

Grand Prize Tickets: 6 for \$5.00

Books = \$

TOTAL = \$

On-Site Registration: \$5.00 More

12 & Under - Free

Day Pass: \$15.00

Rider: _____ Co-Rider: _____

!!!! Signature(s) Required !!!!

Please mail Form, Check or Money Order Payable to:

NC Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Beverly Chapman

2000 34th Ave. Dr. NW

Hickory, NC 28601

No Refund after September 15th, 2023

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Full Registration Includes:

*** 1 Free Grand Prize Ticket**

*** Hospitality**

*** 1 Free Door Prize Ticket**

*** Ice Cream Social**

Liability Release

**I agree to hold harmless Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association, N.C. District, and any property owners
for any loss or injury to self or property for any reason by participating in this Rally.**

Motel & Camping Information

North Carolina Wings Over the Smokies Rally

Mention NC EWMA when making reservations

Host Motel

Nation's Inn

107 Beaver Creek School Road

3.9 Miles to Venue

West Jefferson, NC 28694

336-246-2080

Email: nationsinn@yahoo.com

4 Nights \$79.95 + tax + \$10.00 extra for 3rd and/or 4th person

1,2,3 Nights - \$87.95 + tax + \$10.00 extra for 3rd and/or 4th person

(Pet Friendly Rooms & Special Needs Rooms Available.)

Days Inn at Mount Jefferson

829 East mail Street

1.5 Miles to Venue

Jefferson, NC

336-246-8845

daysinnjefferson@gmail.com

1,2,3,4 Nights \$70.00 per night

(Pet Friendly Rooms Available)

Freeborne's Eatery & Lounge + Station's Inn Motel

14300 NC Hwy 18S

17.1 Miles to Venue

Laurel Springs, NC 28644

336-977-1708

admin@freebornes.com

Wednesday & Thursday \$70.00 + tax

Friday & Saturday \$80.00 + tax

(Restaurant on site - Open only Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.)

Check the motels out and make your reservations as soon as you can.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVING ROOMS IS AUGUST 1ST, 2023

Camping

9.8 Miles to Venue

Raccoon Hollow Campground
493 Raccoon Hollow Road
Glendale Springs, NC
336-982-2706
RaccoonHollow.com

3.4 Miles to Venue

Greenfield Campgrounds
120 Greenfield Circle
West Jefferson, NC
336-246-9106
GreenfieldCampgrounNC.com

Cabins Available

Carolina Mountain Properties & Rentals, Inc.
8 N Jefferson Avenue
West Jefferson, NC
336-246-3010
Ask for Jennifer

A View From the Top

Reflections of the Membership Enhancement
Coordinator
Bob Topper

Once again, we've made it to the middle of Summer and yes, we've had some great riding weather, along with our typical afternoon showers in the mix. It makes for some real fun planning on where to go, whether your part of a group, or just riding as an individual. Sometimes it's just look up and see where it's clear, or at least where the rain ISN'T! Everyone involved in planning and leading our Hump Day Rides knows exactly what I mean. Thank you ALL for doing such a fantastic job. I look forward to joining them again.



So, July started off with a BANG! Sorry, I couldn't resist. Actually, it was a fairly quiet time that we spent at Ken & Karen's in Saluda. As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, our Chapter was invited to spend an afternoon eating, socializing, eating some more, talking some more, and eating EVEN MORE at our Chapter Cook Out & BBQ at the Weglarz' residence.

Our Cook's Night Out for July was held at The Salty Landing in Etowah. We kind of overwhelmed their cooking staff, as we got there at about the same time as EVERONE else, but we all were finally served, and I believe it was Pat P. that won all the quarters for getting her meal last. I may be wrong, as I was eating long before everyone (they served the salads first). Anyway, it was another great time with the group. Our next CNO will be held at Binion's Roadhouse in Hendersonville, on August 3rd.

On the 15th of July, we held our monthly Gathering at the Golden Corral, with 16 members present. We only had a few on bikes, as the weather forecast for the day was not the best. We ended up postponing our ride to the Judaculla Rock near Cullowhee, to the following weekend. Joe and Brian had an adventurous ride home, up and over White Oak Mountain, where they not only had some fantastic views, but they stayed dry, as well. You can see some of their pictures, along with a lot of other fun information, on our Facebook Group Page, if you're onto that. Just search for EWMA Chapter NC-M2.



As mentioned above, we did make up our ride to Judaculla Rock. Yep, it's a rock, with what looks like, carvings of a map of how to get to the rock! Seriously, though, there are very ancient petroglyphs on the stone, that have stood the tests of time, for possibly up to 3000 years. After visiting the rock, we rode off to Dillsboro for lunch at the Haywood Smokehouse. We then took a nice scenic ride up to and along the Parkway, stopping at one of the more



visited pull-offs, where we were able to take a couple of group shots showing the Highest Point on the Parkway, which is 6,053 ft, in case you're trying to win a bet or something. From there we rode to Hwy. 276, where we went past a v ery busy Looking Glass Falls and stopped at Dolly's for ice cream!



Speaking of ice cream, yes, we did have another Ice Cream Ride, on Friday, July 28th. This month we headed over to Mill Spring to enjoy the wonderful people and treats at Crossroads Ice Cream & Coffee (formerly The Ice Cream Barn). We had 6 folks riding on or in 2 bikes, a slingshot, and a BMW convertible, all enjoying a leisurely evening ride, until 2 miles from our destination and the rainstorm came through! Did you know that you can put the top up on a BMW while still doing about 10 mph? Ask me how I know! We managed to eat our ice cream, get dried off, and enjoy a DRY ride home. So is the summertime in our lovely mountains.

Looking forward to seeing you and riding in August. I will be, once again, leading a Waterfalls Ride on Saturday, August 5th. We will be leaving the Mills River Ingles at 9:00 am for what is usually a pretty long day of riding, 150 miles+. If you have a National Park Pass of any type, bring it with you, as a couple of our stops are at National Forests, where they usually have a \$3.00 per vehicle charge. The falls that we will be riding to are very accessible and do NOT require long hikes to see. There certainly may be some parking challenges for those that are right along the roadside, and we may have to skip them, as in years past, because it would be unsafe to pull over and park. Please bring plenty of water to stay hydrated. We will be stopping along the way for lunch.

Ride safe and ride often!

Bob



Ride Coordinator – August 2023

By: Dale Yager

This coming Saturday, 8/5/23, Bob Topper is leading us on the “Waterfalls Ride”. This is one of everyone’s favorite rides. We will be taking in several waterfalls during the day. I expect Bob will give more specifics in his article but to go on the ride we will be meeting at Mills River Ingles on Rt. 280. Remember, show up with a full tank and empty bladder as this is an all-day ride. It’s less than 200 miles so a full tank on most bikes will do the entire day but if you’re coming on a smaller bike a fuel stop may be necessary. I’m hoping to see a whole lot of people for this.



The BMW factory tour is set for 08/09/23 (Hump Day ride). For this hump day we will not be meeting at Eggs Up Grill. Our tour is at 9:45am and we need to be there at 9:15am per their instructions. The ride there will take about 1 hour. We will be meeting at Ingles on Spartanburg Highway and Upward Rd to go to this event. Kick stands up at 7:56am. This is also a pre-paid sign-up event. One of our members has paid for this but will not be able to make it. He is willing to let someone else go on his dime. If anyone is interested, please let me know as you must be listed on their roster and show ID upon arrival. I will have to work out the changes with them.



Hump Day on the Parkway

On August 31st through September 2nd is the EWMA Rendezvous at the Knoxville Convention Center, 701 Henley St, Knoxville, Tennessee. This is the first national rally for this new group we belong to. If you are planning to go to this 3 day event, you should register on-line. [2023 Eagle Wings Rendezvous - Events - Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association \(ewma-world.org\)](https://ewma-world.org). There are hotel discounts available if you are planning for the entire event. On Friday, September 1st, Joe T, Marty W and possibly myself and others are planning to go there just for the day and returning that night. Meeting time and location is yet to be determined but rest assured it will be an early day. Let me know if this also works into your plans.

For those that are going on the West Virginia trip for the weekend of Friday, September 8th through Monday September 11th. We are making the final plans for this trip. Thankfully Brian and Laurie O were just in that area and picked up some great motorcycle maps of the area. Those leaving the Forest City location will meet over there while those of us leaving Hendersonville will meet up with them in Marion, NC.

Still interested in going? Make your own reservations and let us know you plan to come along.

<https://www.hotels.com/ho479517/skyline-lodge-ghent-united-states-of-america/>

Our monthly gathering will be on August 19th at the Golden Corral in Hendersonville, NC. Breakfast at 9:00am and meeting at 9:45am. You do not have to buy breakfast if you don’t want to. You can show up for just the meeting if you would like. After the Meeting, We will be taking a trip up to one of our “Let’s get High” locations,

Mt Mitchell. This is the highest point in North Carolina. We will be going out by way of the lower elevations and returning by way of the Parkway to avoid the heat of the day. After pictures and

bragging rights at the top of Mt Mitchell, we will be heading to the Craggy Gardens picnic location for a bagged lunch. So again pre-plan to bring your bag lunch to the meeting with you. If you forgot to bring a meal, we will be taking a break in Marion at Subways where you can get something to go.

Don't forget, we meet every Wednesday (Hump Day Ride) for breakfast at Eggs Up Grill on Spartanburg Highway. If weather permits, we usually have a lunch ride to follow. Destinations are decided on Tuesday based on weather conditions. As always, "Cooks Night Out" is on the first Thursday of the month and the ice cream ride is on the last Friday of the month.

Tech Tip: When I was a youngster, my friends always noted I had the cleanest bicycle of all the kids in the neighborhood. This was long before I had my license. I think you can see where I'm heading with this. I have been able to stay dry most all summer riding so far until last Friday. I was out by myself and decided I needed a chocolate chip cookie and a soda from the store at Mount Pisgah. I left here on a beautiful sunny morning and headed up Rt. 276 to get to the top of the mountain. Again, a beautiful ride. Just as I got on the Parkway, the skies opened up and dirtied my nice clean Valkyrie. I turned around and rode out of the rain back home. I didn't make my destination without getting rained on again. That evening, Michelle and I rode our bike along with Bob Topper, Rusti in the Slingshot and Mike and Cathy in their convertible to our ice cream destination. About 2 miles from the ice cream shop the skies again opened up on us. This time on our Wing. Michelle got to ride home in the car with Mike and Cathy. Bob and I did get to dry out somewhat but now I had 2 filthy bikes. Cleaning your bike lets you look at all the areas you don't always see. Cleaning the Wing I found a screw laying in the hinge area of the trunk. I also found that one of the trunk latch wires was loose. Something I might not have found except I was still being the goofy young kid who is still a neat freak.

Check your bike regularly.

Dale Yager
Chapter Safety and Ride Coordinator
Chapter M2



Highest Point on the Parkway

Member Info:
August

Birthdays:

2 Carl Hinderer
22 Ed Spangler

Anniversaries:

15 Joe & Joyce Taylor
28 Cliff & Nancy Gammons

Monthly Gathering Winners:

Ride Pots: April Ice Cream Ride - Mike Claywell
June Ice Cream Ride - Brian O'Brien
June After Mtg Ride - Gerry Boykin
July CNO - Gerry Boykin

Chapter Pride: David Platt

50/50: Rusti Boykin

M2 Caretaker: Norma Brabb

Wing Nut Award: None



EVENTS:



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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3 Cook's Night Out	4	5 Waterfalls Ride
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Chapter Gathering / Ride Mt. Mitchell Picnic
20	21	22	23	24	25 Ice Cream Ride	26
27	28	29	30	31 EWMA Rendezvous / Knoxville, TN		

Notes

CNO – RSVP to Rusti or Gerry at trikelady@yahoo.com

Chapter Gathering – Eat at 9:00 am, meet at 9:45, possible ride to follow.

Ice Cream Rides: KSU at 6:00pm, Ingles at Spartanburg Hwy & N. Highlands Rd (East Flat Rock)



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Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 EWMA Rendezvous / Knoxville, TN	2 EWMA Rendezvous / Knoxville, TN
3	4	5	6	7 Cook's Night Out	8 West Virginia Trip	9 West Virginia Trip
10 West Virginia Trip	11 West Virginia Trip	12	13	14	15	16 Chapter Gathering / Mtn. Farm Museum Cherokee
17	18	19	20	21	22 Wings Over The Smokies / Jefferson, NC	23 Wings Over The Smokies / NC G.A.S. Vintage Bike Show
24	25	26	27	28	29 Ice Cream Ride	30

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Hump Day Breakfast Riders - every Wednesday

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

August 3, 2023, Binions Roadhouse, 1565 4 Seasons Blvd, Hendersonville, NC
Please be sure to RSVP.

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