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**GWRRA Chapter NC-M2** 

HENDERSONVILLE, NC



May 2020

Our next Gathering for Chapter NC-M2 is tentively scheduled for Saturday, May 16th, 2020 Site to be determined! Watch for updated info via email!





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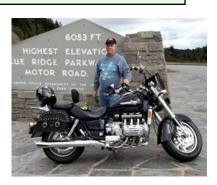
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### **Chapter Director's Greetings**



# Chapter M2 May 2020

By Dale Yager



I am not sure if this being my last year as Chapter Director has been made easier or much harder. The decisions are hard decisions but not riding or leading rides during this time has been easier, just not enjoyable. I would rather do the work and ride with everyone than not ride at all. During this stay at home order which has now been extended to May 8<sup>th</sup> and has the potential to be extended again, we are continuing to evaluate the season.

Pictured in my mind are some of you who have been staying at home trying to keep up with some hobbies. I can see that Ken has loaded every bullet he has and probably is now melting down Karen's silver platters to use them for bullets. I know Rusti has been spending some "quality time" on the internet. Frank has been counseling from home and I think his dog is his best client. Myself, I would like to say my house is clean as a whistle. I would like to say it but it isn't true. My bikes on the other hand are. Cleaned out all my old tee shirts, got a big box of donations ready to go and helped neighbors and friends. I am still trying to decide which I like better, the 10:00AM or 2:00PM nap.

There are schedule changes taking place. Since the stay at home order goes through the 8<sup>th</sup>, the ride to Helen, GA has been canceled as well as the Cook's Night Out on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We have also cancelled the ride to Kentucky that was scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>. The M2 Cookout ride that was on the schedule for May 9<sup>th</sup> has been postponed to Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> with Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> as a rain date. More to come on this event as we get closer. Tech-day at the Yager's garage is tentatively June 6<sup>th</sup>. This day you can come and learn how to do basic services on your bike, maybe add a trinket or two but still be socially distant.

We are looking into holding our May gathering at a temporary alternate location and will e-mail everyone when we have finalized those plans. After that gathering we are supposed to go on the "Bike for the Blue" ride starting at Asheville Harley Davidson. There has been no indication that this event is canceled so we will plan on that with an alternate ride if it is canceled.

I had sent out an e-mail announcing that Wing Ding 42 for 2020 has been cancelled. The Wings over the Smokies raffle has been cancelled, however at this time the rally is still on.

The Meltdown that was scheduled for April  $25^{th}$  is now set for October  $3^{rd}$ .

When we do finally get to ride together, we will still use "social distancing" as well as suggest that you wear a mask until further notice. This virus will not magically go away on May 8<sup>th</sup> and we still need to be on the safe side.

If you choose to ride be careful and stay safe.

# **M2** Happenings



M2 is staying safe with Jim & Pat. M2's twin brother is staying with Ken & Karen and he was all decked out to help us celebrate Cinco de Mayo up at Nacho's & Beer!

Maybe next year!







LOOKING BACK AT OUR TRIPTO MOUNT AIRY IN JULY 2018







# Frank Pizzardi Ride Coordinator

I hope everyone is doing well and feeling well. I was on a site this week—*RideApart.com* and got some helpful hints about riding during the Covid 19 Virus.

"Going for a ride has its risks, whether it's coming in contact with the virus or getting into a crash. The streets are quieter but it doesn't mean there's no risk of making a mistake or of being hit by someone.

Remember that medical facilities and staff are strained at the moment. While riding is relatively safe from a contagion perspective, there's still the usual risk of an incident that could require you go to the hospital—and this is not a good time to go to the hospital. Keep that in mind, the better we cooperate, the smarter we go about this, the sooner we'll get to go back out there without restrictions. Stay safe everyone!

Some questions by other riders: Is it safe to ride during this outbreak? Are my full-face helmet, gloves, and other apparel able to protect me? Are motorcycle riders risk-free?

The riding itself doesn't technically pose a problem but the small things we do when we get on and off the saddle might. Where riding a bike might present a risk of exposure is when you stop in crowded places like at a gas station or in coffee shops, for example. Fuel nozzles are pretty nasty, to begin with, and considering the current situation, they could be carriers for the bug. Consider bringing a few cleaning wipes or a pair of disposable gloves, just in case you need to fuel up. Even a plastic bag to handle the nozzle is a good alternative to putting your hand directly on it. Once you're done, be extra safe and wash your hands.

If you do end up using your riding gloves to pick up the nozzle, keep in mind that certain sources suggest that the virus can stay on soft surfaces like clothes (and gear) and its lifespan on different surfaces and materials has yet to be confirmed. If your riding gloves have been in contact with a potentially infected surface, avoid touching your face with them—including that pesky itchy nose!—and throw your gloves in the washer once you're home. If the gloves are made of leather, you can find a few easy tips to disinfect your leather safely online.

To answer your question about gear, keep in mind that motorcycle gear isn't made from medical grade materials. It's designed to protect us from bad falls and impacts, not from microscopic bugs. So no, I won't say that your gear will protect you from the novel coronavirus. It creates a barrier against the elements, that's true, but it's permeable, so don't think that you become invincible by wearing a motorcycle helmet and a jacket.

If you avoid crowds and enjoy the ride by staying on your bike, then you are following the social distancing recommendations. So in summary, yes, riding a motorcycle should be safe—just remember that, as with any form of outing at the moment, there's never a 100-percent guarantee that you won't get in contact with the bug. The smarter you go about this, the lower the risks.

You can check out the World Health Organization's (WHO) recommendations and updates on the situation. If you present any symptoms or have been in contact with someone who presents them or who has recently traveled, then postpone your ride for a while (14-day self-isolation recommended) for your own benefit and everyone else's. It's a small price to pay to make sure a normal riding season (and life) resumes sooner rather than later.

I hope this helps with questions that you might be concerned with and to get additional information, you can go to Ride Apart."

# From the Top Reflections of the Membership Enhancement Coordinator





Well, here we are in May without having had a good ride together since the beginning of the year. Who would have thought, right? Well, I trust that everyone is staying safe and healthy. We have had some pretty decent weather, off and on, to enjoy the outdoors, so I hope that you are at least getting out for some good "wind/wing" therapy.

Our ride schedule has really taken a beating this year. Your officers have met a couple of times, who knew how fun ZOOM could be, to discuss the changes and try to anticipate what we MAY be able to do. Hopefully, this month we will begin to get over the "curve" and spend some time together... but not too close!

If you have some suggestions of places to visit that may be more conducive to the need to "social distance" and timing, please let us know. Your ideas are always welcome. One of the difficult planning issues right now is not knowing what resources are open and available while out on a ride. Think about it, gas stations may be open, but their restrooms are closed and so may be the attached convenience store. These issues may be the way things are for a while, so being prepared is so important.

Once again, I would like to ask for any photos or videos that you may like to share with the group. Please go ahead and email them to me at either <a href="mailto:bktopper@hotmail.com">bktopper@hotmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:webmaster@gwrrancm2.org">webmaster@gwrrancm2.org</a>. Please include any pertinent information, such as the date and location. I look forward to seeing you, your bikes & your rides.

Looking forward to a new NORMAL . . . ride safe.



# Passengers Are NOT Helpless Should Something Happen to the Rider

The general impression amongst motorcyclists is that a passenger would be totally helpless when it comes to controlling the motorcycle should something happen to the rider. Nonsense!

An accident occurred in Ohio, I believe, some years ago where a deer attempted to jump over a motorcycle from the side and hit the rider, knocking him completely off the bike. The man's wife was a passenger at the time and she managed to take control of the bike and get it off to the side of the road and slowed it down so greatly that it simply fell over (into the grass.)

Well, you argue, since there was no rider in front of her she was able to reach the controls.

In fact, even if the rider was still there having, for example, simply collapsed from a heart attack, the passenger can almost always still gain control of the motorcycle.

Two controls that the passenger usually cannot reach are the gear shift lever and the rear brake, but the three that he/she CAN reach are the clutch lever, the throttle, and the front brake. (And, not incidentally, the engine cutoff switch.) Thus, the passenger can steer the bike as well as control its speed.

Even with a rider backrest, a passenger can stand on his/her pegs and lean over the rider to gain control of the bike. Cash and I have practiced this maneuver and demonstrated it to several motorcycle groups at rallies and other gatherings.

It does not take a rider (or anyone at all on the bike) to balance a motorcycle moving at any reasonable speed. Because of trail there is an automatic attempt by all motorcycles to get vertical and steer in a straight line. In other words, though there will likely be some wild gyrations of the bike as it finds its way to a stable posture, there is TIME available to the passenger to get control of that bike.

First order of business is to slow it down. Second order of business is to steer it to as safe a place as possible before it falls over, because fall over it will.

Before it falls over that engine cutoff switch should be turned off.

The passenger is certainly not helpless. Perhaps it would be a good thing to let him/her know it and even practice (at a dead stop, engine off, on the side stand) assuming control, no?

Following is a picture of Cash and myself using my GoldWing in a Co-Rider Safety Demo showing her taking control of my bike even though I was still in the rider's saddle and there is a backrest between us. Note that she was not standing nearly as tall as she could have should she have needed to because I was not as far out of the way as I was in the demo.



[Need I add that this is another reason why a person who prefers being a passenger and never intends to ride a bike by themselves should be encouraged to attend the MSF?]

Please note that if she lays on the rider she tends to keep him on the bike. A good thing if traveling at 70 MPH, no?

Article by James R. Davis

Submitted via Tony Prewitt

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 16th Bike for the Blue—Jimmy Case Memorial Ride Asheville

May 29-30 Hillbilly Hoe Down Morganton June 20 Veterans of Valor Ride Asheville

June 30-July 4 Wing Ding Springfield, MO CANCELLED

Sept. 24-26 Wings Over the Smokies Smoky Mtn Event Ctr Waynesville

Dec. 5th Gifts on Cycles J Iverson Riddle Developmental Ctr.
Dec. 12th M2 Christmas Party Bay Breeze Seafood Restaurant







# May Birthdays

3rd John Smathers5th Keith Mort9th Sheila Martin

Look in the newsletter for your GWRRA number. If you see it.... let Michelle know at our next meeting and you will receive **Six** 50/50 tickets.



# Winners <u>April</u>

M2 Caretaker for the Month

Jim Seacord is still taking care of M2 while we are on hiatus!

### **GWRRA** Anniversaries

None this Month



## May Anniversaries

24th Jim & Pat Seacord 29th Ken & Karen Weglarz

Let Michelle know if it's your Birthday or Anniversary for an extra 50/50 ticket!

WING NUT AWARD

None this month!



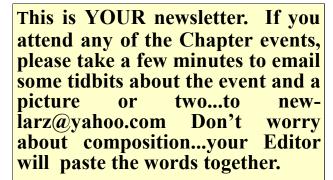
#### **MEMBER'S INFORMATION**

"COOK'S NITE OUT"



May 7th, 2020

**CANCELLED** 



Not everyone can be at ALL events and your shared-experiences may make those that didn't attend; wish they had! Newsletter deadline: 28th of each month!



### **Member Wellness**

Hope Everyone is Staying Healthy!





# MAY 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 CINC	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Happy Mother Day						M2 Gathering TBD
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25  Never Forget Their S	26	27	28	29 Ice Crea Ride	30 m
31						



# **June 2020**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 CNO Copper Penny Rutherfordton	5	6 Tech Day @ Dale's
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 M2 ONLY Cookout
14	15	16	17	18	19 Bike Night @ Music on Main	20 M2 Eat @9 Meet @9:30 Ride to fol- low
Halpoy Failers	22	23	24	25	26 Ice Cream Ride	27
28	29	30				

# **GWRRA Chapter M2 Ride Schedule 2020**

### Rides after Gathering leave from Golden Corral and are in red.

All other rides will meet at Ingles, N Highlands Rd & Spartanburg and are in green. Alternative leave location will be Ingles on Rte 280 in Mills River & are in blue.

May					
16	Gathering	To Be Determined		Hendersonville	
16	Ride	KSU 11 am	Bike for the Blue	Asheville Harley-Davidson	n
29	Ice Cream Ride	6pm		ТВА	
June					
4	Cook's Night Out	6:30pm	Copper Penny	Rutherfordton	
6	Tech Day	9am	Dale Yager's House	Hendersonville	
13	M2 Cookout		M2 Family Only		
19	Throttle Therapy	5p-9p	Bike Night Main St	Hendersonville	
20	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30a meet	Golden Corral	Hendersonville	
20	Ride	KSU	Veterans of Valor	Asheville	
26	Ice Cream Ride	6pm		TBA	
July					
2	Cook's Night Out	6:30 PM	TBD		
10	Throttle Therapy	5p-9p	Bike Night Main St	Hendersonville	
18	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30 meet	Golden Corral		
18	Ride		Mt Mitchell	Dale	62
24	Throttle Therapy	5p-9p	Bike Night Main St	Hendersonville	
31	Ice Cream Ride	6pm		TBA	



August						
1	All Day Ride	Boone & BBQ	10am	Boone, NC	Frank	107
6	<b>Cook's Night Out</b>	6:30pm	TBD			
7	Throttle Therapy	5p-9p	Bike Night Main St	Hendersonville		
15	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30a meet	Golden Corral	Hendersonville		
15	Ride		Wheels Through Time	Maggie Valley	Dale	
23	Baseball Game	2pm	Asheville Tourists	Asheville		
28	Ice Cream Ride	6pm		TBA		
September						
3	Cook's Night Out	6:30pm	TBD			
11-13	Virginia Weekend	9am	WWII Monument	Bedford, VA	Rusti	
19	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30a meet	Golden Corral	Hendersonville		
19	Ride		Straightaway Café	Black Mountain	Nancy/Ke	en
24-26	Wings Over Smokies		Smoky Mtn Event Ctr	Waynesville		
25	Ice Cream Ride	6pm		TBA		
October						
1	Cook's Night Out	6:30pm	TBD			
3	Day Ride	10am	Aunt Sue's Loop	SC/NC	Bob T	
17	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30 meet	Golden Corral	Hendersonville		
17	Ride	Flag Museum	Southern Manners	Columbus	Ken	
30	Ice Cream Ride	6:00pm		TBA		
November						
5	Cook's Night Out	6:30pm	TBD			
7	Bonfire	6pm	Dale & Michelle's	Hendersonville		
21	Gathering	9a eat, 9:30a meet	Golden Corral	Hendersonville		
21	Ride		Toy Run or Alum Xmas T	ree Museum		
December						
3	Cook's Night Out	6:30pm	TBD			
12	M2 Christmas Party	52	Bay Breeze Restaurant	Hendersonville		
January						
January 1	Icycle Lunch & Ride	12:30pm	Binions Roadhouse	Hendersonville		
1	Ride	weather permitting	Difficits Noautiouse	Hendersonville		

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# **Chapters of the West Information**

DP.	Time	Place	npter
no	eat@3, meet @4	Snappy's Restaurant 2769 Soco Road Maggie Valley	-G2 Waynesville 1st Sat.
yes	<b>NEW</b> eat@9, meet@ 10	Ryans Steakhouse 1000 Brevard Road Asheville, NC	-I Asheville 4th Sat.
no	estaurant eat@9, meet@10	Johnny K's Family Re 421 N Generals Blvd Lincolnton, NC	-L2 Mooresville 2nd Sat.
no	eat@5, meet@6 off I-40)	Dos Amigo's Hwy 70 SE (exit 128 Conover, NC	-O2 Hickory 3rd Sun.
no	eat@1, meet@2	Cagney's Kitchen 1200 Central St. Wilkesboro, NC	-X2 Wilkesboro 2nd Sat.
no	eat@6, meet@7 d.(I-40 exit 116)	Granny's Kitchen 3448 Miller Bridge Ro Morganton, NC	-Y Morganton 4th Sat.
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# Chapter NC-M2 Web Site Check it out: http://gwrrancm2.org

We have launched a Facebook Group open to all **GWRRA** members! Check it out at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/587996265048173/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/587996265048173/</a>

Also visit our Facebook site: **Hendersonville Goldwings–Chapter M2**. Everyone can post pictures & comments there.



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Passenger Foot Risers --- Passenger Arm Rests with Cup Holder --- Driver Push to Adjust Back Rest
Driver Spring Loaded Highway Pegs Air Wings Top to Bottom --- Wired for a Battery Tender
After Market Chrome (Low Hum) Mufflers --- No ABS --- Extra Rear Rim w/Car Tire





























As of press time this event is still on.

We will keep you posted!