



May 2022 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is
Saturday, May 21st, 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

Well April has been a busy and delightful month, starting with a good turnout for Cook's Night Out at Wild Wings Café, and then followed on Saturday with Dale's "Tech Day" even though it was cold and snowy. This was the first time that I have ridden in snow! The Belk's Charity sale is still going and our chapter is selling tickets.

At our April meeting we had a very good gathering and our guest speakers were Mike & Jennifer Jones our new District Directors, also District Couple Rick & Jan Dancy, Western Asst. Directors, Dave & Diane Smith and friends from chapter I.

Our Strawberry Hill ride was postponed to the following Saturday, and it turned out to be a beautiful day to go for berries and fun, we even had lunch and ice cream but not in that order!

The group that is going to Helen Ga. had a dinner meeting to plan the event particulars and the ride to get to and from Georgia.

On a sadder note Bob Topper's brother, Ken, passed away suddenly on April 19th. Keep Bob and his family in your prayers. Then for a happier bit of news, Kelly's surgery went well and she was able to get out of Charlotte and retrieve her mail. She said to thank everyone for the card and all the kind words of encouragement, but best of all there is a very good chance that she will be back with us in June.

Heading off May's events we will start with Cook's Night Out at the "Flat Rock Wood Room", then on Saturday the 7th we will be heading to Charlotte to cheer in a new GWRRA Chapter in the West! Hey also check out the new Bike Night on Fridays in Hendersonville, the flyer is on our Facebook group page.

Let's keep busy riding and having fun all through the summer, if you can go visit other chapters too! That's it for now, Ride Safe and Ride Often.

As Always,
Rusti
Ride Safe, Ride Often

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Comments from Carl

Assistant Chapter Director

Hello from NC-M2

The weather has begun to allow for some great riding. We at M2 have hit the road already, and have had several really nice rides. We have been having our hump day breakfast and a ride after with a good turnout. If you want to join us we meet at Pop's diner at 9:00 am. Pop's is located at the north end of Hendersonville at 5points. Parking at the VFW is easy and adequate. If you just want to ride, join us at 10:00am.

Our gathering was the 16th with a full house. The schedule of events is becoming crowded but there's much to choose from. Check out our website for full details. The next gathering is May 21st at the Golden Corral 9:00am eat, 9:45am meeting.

Wish you all safe and enjoyable riding, until next time, kickstands up!

Carl



From the Top

Reflections of the Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Bob Topper

This month's article from me is going to be a bit different. Very short, and not much about how last month went. I will say that we had a great turnout for our Monthly Gathering, with 28 people total, including 5 from the Asheville Chapter I and 6 folks from the Wilkesboro Chapter X2, which just happens to be the home Chapter for our new District Directors, Mike and Jennifer Jones, who came out to meet with our Chapter and introduce themselves to anyone that hasn't yet met them. We also had 17 of our own Chapter, which was just great! Thank you all for making it. It was too bad that the weather didn't cooperate for us to enjoy the planned ride to Strawberry Hill.

As most, if not all of you have heard, I lost my older brother, Ken, on the 17th of April, when he passed away very unexpectedly, in his home. As you can imagine, I have some good days and those that are a bit harder. Our family is close, in that we all stay in touch very well, but live all over the country. My brother, Ken, lived here in Arden and we both assisted each other in helping provide support for our father, who also moved to this area. I will miss him greatly.

I mention it here, not for more sympathy, as y'all have been so great, but to say Thank You. This group of people, and so many from Asheville Chapter I, have been so supportive, reaching out to say, "Hey, how are you...Do you need anything...I'm here if you need me". It has meant so much to Kathy and myself. I can't even begin to put into words the feelings that I have regarding all of you. I thought I was part of a "biker club", but it really is a "family" that I feel a part of, and I appreciate you all.

I look forward to getting out, riding, and being with you, my extended family. Let's all do some Ice Cream!

Bob



Out and About

Reflections of the Ride Coordinator
Dale Yager

The melt down this past weekend is kind of stuck in the middle. It's after I have to turn in my article so I can't report how it went but before you will get to read this. I'll have to report the results next month. I'm still hoping many of you show up.

The chapter made a schedule change for May. The waterfalls ride that was set for 5/7/22 has been postponed until 6/11/22 so we could welcome a new Chapter in the Charlotte area. We will be riding to Team Charlotte Motorsports for free delicious sirloin burgers, hot dogs, trimmings, soda and popcorn. Oh yeah, we get to ride motorcycles there too.

Final plans are being made for the Helen, GA weekend where ten of us will enjoy the sites and scenes of the area for 3 days. Sounds like fun, right? We still have another weekend event in the planning. August 6th through the 8th will be a trip to the Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge area. Contact Rusti if you're interested in that ride as the Helen, GA ride is now closed. That's right, we're going to Helen really soon.

On April 9th, despite it snowing out, yea I said snowing out, we still had our tech day. Not too many riders showed up because of the weather or other conflicts. We still changed the clutch fluid and coolant on my bike as well as the clutch fluid on Rusti's trike. Jerry worked on the CB match for Mike Claywell's bike who by the way proved he wasn't afraid to get his hands dirty. There was plenty of chit chat going on and a surprise visit from our Michigan friends heading back home from their Florida winter home; Bill and Jody Nagy. They stopped in for a short visit. I spent most of my time under bikes so there's not a lot of pictures of the bikes getting worked on.



I understand that the Strawberry Hill lunch and dessert ride went well. I did stop to send everyone off from Ingles but I was unable to go on the ride myself.

After our May gathering on 5/21/22 we will be riding to the WNC Nature Center to check out some of their pets such as bear, otter, red wolf, gray wolf, fox, bobcat, cougar, and coyote. They have red tail hawks, timber rattlesnake, panda and a couple different owls. Lunch will follow our visit, still finalizing where that will be. <https://wildwnc.org/>

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. <https://gwrrancm2.org/>

I finally got to ride my new-to-me 1985 Limited Edition Goldwing up on the Parkway this past week. Brian and I did the shake down ride and what a nice day it was. The picture is cool too with the latest 2022 Honda Goldwing and mine parked together. A little bittersweet also was that I sold my Valkyrie that I've had for the past 6 years.



I have been encouraging 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 now 6 of us registered for the class at this time. They have a total of 12 positions and we took 6. 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.

Once you get to this page, <https://www.blueridge.edu/programs-courses/personal-enrichment/motorcycle-safety/> 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 who to expect.

Tech tip: Torque specs, what are they? The manufacturer has tested and determined exactly how tight you can snug up a nut or bolt for it to do its job but not so much as to strip out the threads they are tightening onto. In the case of Honda Goldwings they are usually measured in Ft lbs. To get the correct tightness you need a special adjustable torque wrench that will let you know when you have reached the magic number set by the manufacturer. Too loose and things may leak, drip, loosen, etc. Too tight and you may have ruined that part of your motorcycle. This applies to oil drain bolts, brake calipers bolts, lug nuts and a whole variety of nuts and bolts. Don't know what is the right torque spec? It's in the front of the repair manual as well as your owner's book.

Dale Yager
Ride Coordinator
Chapter NC-M2

Member Info

Birthdays

5 Keith Mort
9 Sheila Martin
23 Libby Arceneaux

Anniversaries

3 Richard & Libby Arceneaux
24 Jim & Pat Seacord
29 Ken & Karen Weglarz

Ride Pots

Rusti, Dale, Ryan Boykin & Ken Weglarz

Chapter Pride

Diane Smith

50/50

Diane Smith

M2 Caretaker

Bob Topper

Wing Nut Award

None awarded this month

M2 Happenings

No news this month. (Apparently what happens at Jim Brabb's stays at Jim Brabb's.)

May 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Hump Day Ride	5 Cook's Night Out @TBD	6	7 Charlotte Chapter Welcome
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 Wings over the Carolinas central
29	30	31 Slingshot Rally				

June 2022

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

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

May - Flat Rock Wood Room 6:30 (Gerry will send out an email)

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Gold Wing Road Riders BLASTOFF

Stage 1:

Explore Launching a Charlotte GWRRA Chapter
for all bikers and all brands of bikes.



Come join the fun!
Come investigate chapter life!
Everyone welcome!

Info Meeting: **May 7th @ 10:30-2:30**

Free delicious lunch:
sirloin burgers, hot dogs, trimmings

Fun games to play.

Team Charlotte Motorsports

3004 Freedom Drive, Charlotte NC 28208

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Wings Over Carolina Western Region Ride Saturday June 25th, 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 Fire and Rescue Inc.
512 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 Fire 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