

September 2022 Newsletter

Our next Gathering is Saturday, September 17th, 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 Bovkin

Our chapter has had many great rides this summer and there is still more to come. We had the weekend to Helen Ga, the waterfalls ride, weekend in Tennessee, Linville Caverns, and last weekend, Wings Over the Carolinas West. On this ride there were 22 bikes,3 slingshots and a few unknown cars that wanted to participate. Next up will be Wings Over the Smokies in Waynesville, which several of us have signed up to attend. I personally would love to have our entire chapter present on Saturday for the closing ceremonies, as this will be the last time for GWRRA. Let's go out with a big show!

Day passes are always available, there will be some surprises and who knows you might be on stage receiving your \$10,000 (If you bought tickets).

Thank you to everyone who sold and bought tickets. We did sell out and turned in all money to the district. A thousand tickets to sell can be difficult in this economy. You all did a great job!

Read this newsletter for Cook's Night Out - location, date and time!

We still have Ice Cream rides, Hump Day rides, CNO rides and more, so watch your newsletters and ride schedules, and of course there will be e-mails too. On the Ice cream ride this past week we had the bad r--- word take place; however, we met a fun new couple to our group, Billy & Pat Pullum. We are so excited to have them join our membership, they are a lot of fun! Bob, Gerry and I got a little wet, but it was still a great night. We will some be welcoming back into the group, a long time friend and rider, Mr. Larry Vorbrich. He and his wife, Kathy, were members of GWRRA many years ago.

As Always,

Rusti

Ride Safe, Ride Often



Weekend in

Beautiful

Tennessee







Duke didn't tell!



Comments from Carl

Assistant Chapter Director

Members and Friends,

August is but a memory by now and Labor Day is the beginning of our change of weather, and with it comes some of the best riding times of the year.

Our group continues to have the hump day breakfast at 9:00am at Pop's Diner, north end of town at 5 Points. Weather permitting, and riders willing, an enjoyable ride is generally planned, thanks to Dale. He always has somewhere to go and something worthwhile to see or do. We are honored to have several new faces joining us at our gathering, hump day breakfast, and ice cream ride. We encourage them to participate in our activities and try to make them feel welcome.

The registration responsibilities at WOTS for Friday, 9/9/2022, is on our agenda. We have also been tasked to provide a self-guided ride in the area, and Dale has provided another outstanding ride for the participants to enjoy and see our beautiful roadways and mountains.

Many thanks go out to Dale, Bob, and Rusti for their continued leadership during this period of uncertainty with GWRRA. We, as a group, have decided to continue to stay together and ride, and socialize, as we have in the past. We will continue to seek input from you, our group, as to ride suggestions, and selections for cooks night out, as well as ice cream rides.

We as a group thank each of you for your support.

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

It's really good to see that we're getting more interest in our Chapter, with more new members coming out to join us. Just in August we had new members join us for our Chapter gathering and ride, as well as on our monthly ice cream ride. I understand that a former member is even going to be joining back with us. This is fantastic to see! We are a fun group and I personally would like to say welcome to y'all and if I haven't already, I look forward to meeting you.

Our August destination for Cook's Night Out was, once again, Mike's Pizza and Pasta in Hendersonville. The food is always great and this last time it seems we experienced a bit of a delay as there was only 1 server for the entire restaurant. She treated us well and we eventually got our dinners without too much trouble. We were a fairly large group, as well. The CNO for September will be at the Stone Ridge Tavern, located at the corner of Sardis and Brevard Roads in Asheville, on the 1st. You will hopefully have already received an email reminder by the time you read this, and have RSVP'd with Gerry.

Did you make it to our second Thirsty Thursday with the Asheville Tourists on August 11th? If not, you missed a good time and a fun game, (hey they WON 6-3) against the Rome Braves. Yes, that's the same team they lost to (1-22) at the first game we went to, back in June. Thank you to Karen for setting this up again. It's always a good time with our group, regardless if the team wins or loses. Remember, there's always next year! Can't wait.

We held our Monthly Gathering at the Golden Corral on the 20th and were happy to have 18 folks present, including another new member, Philip Putnam. One of the main topics of conversation was discussing some of the potential ways our Chapter will exist after the end of the year. In addition, it was emphasized that we still have a pretty full calendar for the remainder of 2022.

We had 8 adventurers on 4 bikes and 1 Slingshot trek to a new destination for us, the Linville Caverns. The caverns are located in northern McDowell County, out passed Marion on Hwy 221. The tour was fairly short, but interesting. Nobody hit their head, that I'm aware of, although Mike was close a couple of times, with the low hanging stalactites. After our cavern tour, we headed up the road, just a bit, to Famous Louise's Rock House Restaurant in Linville Falls. Don't know why Louise was famous, but the restaurant did look like an old house, and it was made of rock. The food was good and we had a table front and center, as our group should be! Dale pointed out that our table sat right on the borders of 3 different counties, so who knows where we were. The weather was fantastic for the whole day, at least where we were. Thanks to everyone that endured our 170+ mile day.



On Friday, the 26th, due to some rather inclement weather, Dale led another of our Monthly Ice Cream Rides, (in his truck) to the new Whit's Frozen Custard location on Kanuga Rd. I seem to remember the first time going to Whit's for an ice cream ride (a few years ago) that took us about 15 minutes to go about 2 miles from where we started, again due to avoiding the rain.

After being postponed for a little over 2 months, the Western Chapters' Wings Over Carolina ride was held on Saturday, the 27th. Although Asst. District Director Dave Smith was not able to attend, Dianne was able to attend, and with the help of Charles Weinhagen from Asheville Chapter I, they hosted a wonderful day for all that came out to participate. Charles led the ride of some 20+ bikes and slingshots from all over the state. We were treated to some very challenging, as well as scenic drives. Great job to everyone involved. Special thanks to all of the District Staff that came out to support the Western Chapters, including Mike & Jennifer Jones, Ron & Bev Chapman, Paul Breau, and Rick & Jan Dancy.

Enjoy the cooler weather,

Bob



Out and About Reflections of the Ride Coordinator Dale Yager

Two new Road Captains: Joe Taylor and Brian Wittenburg completed the Road Captains class and now will be able to assist groups in riding. Both now have their Road Captains patches that can be worn proudly. Give them a pat on the back when you can. Thanks to Paul Breau, Assistant Rider Educator for NC District.

Summer is definitely on the down turn, as most of our planned rides are now behind us. But wait, there are still some great rides and events ahead!

September 8, 9, and 10th will be the Wing's Over the Smokies rally with vendors and comradery. Want to see what's on the schedule for the 3 days, click on the link. <u>WOTSschedule.pdf</u> (gwrranc.org)

If you are looking for some riding gear, rain suits, nick knacks and paddy whacks, they might just have it there. If you are in the market for stuff, Friday is the best day to go as vendors tend to pack up early on Saturday and may have sold out of what you wanted. Our Chapter is obligated to work the registration tables Friday morning. In order to be there for opening time, we will be meeting at Ingles on 280, Mills River with kick stands up at 7:00am on Friday, 8/9/22. Yawn! Please plan to wear your Chapter shirts or vest if you have one.

The drill teams are on the schedule to perform on Friday at 1:00pm as well as 4:00pm. Never seen a drill time in action? You will be amazed!

As many of you know, I'm big on motorcycle rider education and have assisted in getting riders involved in the First Aid / CPR class earlier this year, as well as the MSF class held at the Blue Ridge College, and the Road Captains class. In addition to these classes, the District is offering a Crash Scene Response class on Saturday at 10:00am to 11:30am. This is the next most critical class that I

feel needs to be taken. I'll see what will be required to get you signed up for the class. Watch for updates in your e-mail.

Finally, don't forget, if you bought one of the bargain \$1.00 tickets for a chance to win \$10,000.00, the winner will be drawn at closing ceremonies, 5:00pm Saturday afternoon. Didn't buy a ticket? They will be available to buy until shortly before the drawing. You do not have to be there to win!

Location is the Smoky Mountain Event Center 758 Crabtree Rd, Waynesville, NC 28785.

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

Our routine rides remain the same: First Thursday of the month, "Cooks Night out". The destination will be announced at the preceding month's gathering.

The third Saturday of the month is our monthly breakfast and gathering: Currently at the Golden Corral, Chimney Rock Rd, in Hendersonville, breakfast at 9:00am, meeting at 9:45am. You do not have to buy breakfast to attend. There will usually be a ride after the meeting. See the ride schedule.

The last Friday of the month, during the spring/summer and fall months is an ice cream ride, meeting at the Ingle's on Spartanburg and Upward Rd. Kick stands up at 6:00pm.

Every Wednesday morning, we meet at Pop's Diner in Hendersonville for breakfast at 9:00am. Weather willing we have a ride after breakfast.

Don't forget to check our website and your e-mails for changes.

Want to see some vintage and antique motorcycles? September 24th the Chapter will be riding down to Piedmont, South Carolina to the 3rd Annual G.A.S. Vintage Motofest motorcycle show at the Saluda River Grill. Bob Topper will be leading a ride there, leaving the Ingle's on Spartanburg and Upward road at 10:00am. Lunch will be at the Bar and Grill.

M2 got to spend the month with Michelle Yager. He took us for ice cream at Jack the Dipper in Fletcher early in the month. He shared Michelle's ice cream. I think he is getting some bad habits. When I was packing to go to New York, he tried to stow away in my top bag. It was



Remember to check our schedule regularly for upcoming events. You can get the ride schedule from either our Facebook page or on our website. vCheck out some of the pictures of our past events while you're there. GWRRA NC-M2 (gwrrancm2.org) Calendar (gwrrancm2.org).



On my trip to NY, I was able to take my granddaughter Mackenzie (MK) for her first motorcycle ride. Definitely won't be the last. She loved it!

<u>Tech Tip</u>: Yep, I nailed it! I'm talking about my back tire. I seem to have the worst luck regarding nails and screws in the back tire, around 6 now, I think. I am not the best at getting down and looking at my tires every time I ride but I did check them out before my trip to NY. The tread pattern on the sides was getting thin but there was still a lot of good meat in the center, and I was traveling interstate roads. I debated buying new ones before I went but finally opted to run with what I had. On my trip I did keep a close eye on the tread depth, and it looked like I was in good shape. I got home safe and sound. The next morning, I was going to breakfast and noticed my tire pressure monitor said I was down about 5 pounds. After breakfast and a close inspection, sure enough, there was a roofing nail in the back tire. Due to the fact it wasn't worn down much, I think I picked it up close to home. Even though I don't inspect the tires as often as I probably should, I always watch my tire pressure. I have a Tire guard brand monitor and I keep the readout on the handlebars so I can watch the pressure anytime during a ride. It has always indicated when there was a problem. If you don't have a tire pressure monitor system, I suggest you get one. The Honda system doesn't tell you the pressure but does let you know a tire is soft. I personally like to know the actual pressure.

Dale Yager Ride Coordinator Chapter NC



Inside the Linville Caverns - Looks a little scary, eh?



Member Info

September

Birthdays

- 8 Jim Brabb
- 15 Tammy Ferguson
- 18 Mike Claywell
- 24 Jim Seacord III

Anniversaries

27 Gerry & Rusti Boykin

Ride Pots

June Old Fort Ride – Kathy Claywell

July Dave's 209 Ride – Rusti Boykin

July Ice Cream Ride – Michelle Yager

August CNO – Ken Weglarz

Chapter Pride

Jim Brabb

50/50

Bob Martin

M2 Caretaker

Gerry Boykin

Wing Nut Award

None

M2 Happenings



Hanging out with the Bears at Famous Louise's Rock House Restaurant in Linville Falls.

Events Calendar

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Cook's Night Out @TBD	2	3
4	5	6	7 Hump Day Ride	Wings over the Carolinas	9 Wings over the Carolinas	Wings over the Carolinas
11	12	13	14 Hump Day Ride	15	16	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	

October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Cherry Bounce Trail Ride Rutherford County
2	3	4	Hump Day Ride	Cook's Night Out @ TBD	7	8
9	10	11	Hump Day Ride	13	14	M2 meeting @Golden Corral – Jukebox Junction
16	17	18	19 Hump Day Ride	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Hump Day Ride	27	28 Ice Cream Ride	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

September - Stone Ridge Tavern 1003 Brevard Rd, Asheville (Gerry will send out an email)

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