



## April 2025 Newsletter

### **Our next Gathering is:**

**Saturday, April 19, 2025**

**Golden Corral, Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m. Golden Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville**

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# April



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*Chapter Director*  
***ENJOY THE RIDE!!***

Well here we go!!! The Ride Plan is done and now we have plenty of riding for this coming season!!! Look over the Ride Plan and pick your next adventure with us.... It will be a busy season with two multiple day trips and lots of planned daily activities. Don't forget that the Hump Day rides are going on as well. Our April and May calendars are full of activities for all of us to enjoy.

The summer weather is finally here as well. It has started with the fires out west in South Carolina and North Carolina. It was reportedly started by some teenagers and they didn't know there was a burn ban. It has certainly impacted our area and others,

hopefully the local firefighters and rescue workers will be safe and get it under control.



April starts with our TECH DAY (April 5th) at Dales and a Training Session at the Salvation Army building (April 12th) in our usual room, plz plan to attend. Some of SC chapters have expressed an interest in attending our Training Day, and they are welcome to attend!!! Those riders new to our group can obtain lots of good info and it will help to understand why we ride like we do, SAFE and COMMUNICATING constantly!!! One new thing we will be looking at strongly this year is integrating Bluetooth with our group. I totally understand both sides of the issue with both methods being a HAM operator myself, CB is reliable and functional, BLUETOOTH is

twenty-first century technology. Both systems have positives and negatives. I will probably do a segment on them at the Training Day event to start the dialogue with our chapter helping with the knowledge of cost and how to use basic wireless devices. Another added benefit to the great riding weather is the addition of our seasonal friends that go south for the winter and return back to NC for the riding season, WELCOME BACK!!!! WE are happy that they are enjoying riding and fellowshipping with us. Well let's get ready to ride.....

ENJOY THE RIDE TOGETHER!!!

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**Bob Topper**  
**Assistant Chapter Director**

So, we're finally getting into some beautiful riding weather, both on weekends and even for our Wednesday Hump Day rides. Yippee, I'm so happy to be able to join in on those since my unique retirement. I've even had the opportunity to lead a couple.

Cook's Night Out for March was held at the Bay Breeze Seafood Restaurant in Hendersonville. They have undergone some clean-up and remodeling work since the storm and we were delighted to be a part of their reopening. We had a very nice turnout and, once again, we all had a great time! Our April CNO will be back at the Stone Ridge Tavern in Asheville. Be sure to RSVP to Rusti to reserve your space at the table!

The Chapter Gathering for March was on the 15<sup>th</sup>, and we had another fantastic turnout with 25 members and guests in attendance. Welcome to our Friends from Chapter G in South Carolina. Some of the topics discussed included our upcoming events and rides and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final Ride Committee meeting was held the next Saturday, the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

After the Gathering, I led a shorter "wind therapy" ride out toward Mill Spring, where some riders split off to head home to Rutherfordton & Forest City, and the rest of us went into South Carolina, then along Hwy. 11, and then finally a couple of us came back into NC along Hwy. 276 through Caesar's Head.

Please remember some upcoming learning events: The Tech Day at Dale's on April 5<sup>th</sup> and our "Training Day" held on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. I want to emphasize that this training is VERY important, especially for our newest members and even as a refresher

for some that hadn't ridden with us very much recently. See Dale's emails and article for the details on what will be covered. Best of all, there is no cost to members!

Last but not least, on the last Friday of each month, is our Ice Cream Ride, with the first of the year being on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Led by Marty, we had 3 bikes, a slingshot and a pickup truck for the ride down to Travelers Rest to find Pink Mama's Ice Cream. What a great find and I, for one, look forward to stopping there again!



I look forward to seeing y'all this Month. Ride safe and ride often!

Bob



## **Safety and Ride Coordinator –April 2025**

**By: Dale Yager**

April 5th is Tech Day held at the Yager residence at 112 Mountain Place, Hendersonville, NC, from 9:30 Am until about 3:00 PM. This is where you can learn how to service your own motorcycle. Change oil, check your fluids, and change your air filter, and spark plugs. How to read the condition and dates of your tires. How to fix a flat on the side of the road. Every member is invited to attend, participate as you can or just be an observer and learn.

The following Saturday April 12 we will be holding “Training Day”. I can’t explain how important I feel this is especially for our newer members. We promote ourselves as one of the safest riding groups which comes with some rules. I relate this to a football team. You can’t just show up for the game if you haven’t been going to training/ practice. My interpretation of it is, Coach! Put me in I just want to play football. When 99% of the players are going by a plan that would make you the rogue player.

Not sure what the rules all are? Plan to attend. Topics we will be covering will be Group Riding, Riding in the Mountains, 1<sup>st</sup> on the Scene, and First Aid kit suggestions. We are also hoping for a seminar for Riding from 2 to 3 wheels. We will be holding this at the Salvation Army located at 239 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E, Hendersonville, at 9:00AM for your doughnuts. Classes begin at 9:30AM. Never attended one of these classes before? Please plan on it! Sign up at [doowing@aol.com](mailto:doowing@aol.com).

The Sullenberger Aviation Museum tour will be on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet at the Ingles on Highland and Spartanburg at 9:00AM for our tour at noon. If you have already signed up and paid, I have your information. We are now able to take on additional people for the tour through April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Cost of each additional person will be \$16.50

Please contact me at [doowing@aol.com](mailto:doowing@aol.com) for reservations.  
<https://www.sullenbergeraviation.org/>.

Last week after the final tour meeting, I emailed everyone a copy of the ride schedule for the rest of the season. If for some reason you didn't get it, it is also available on our web site. Take time to look it over. It contains all the dates, leave times, start locations, ride leaders and EST mileage one way as well as our ride destinations. You will also see all the Rally locations.

One 4 day weekend event will be a ride to the AMA Motorcycle Museum in Pickerington, OH.

A side trip while there will be to the National Air Force Museum located in Dayton, OH. These destinations are about 460 miles away. Marty has sent out a more specific email regarding this. This is just over a month away so get busy planning on going.

The second overnight trip will be to Savannah, GA to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum. Gunner has done the research on this event. The four day Savana, GA trip is scheduled for September 5<sup>th</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>. We will be presenting more information on this in the very near future. Start making your plans to join in.

At the Ride meeting, out of the dates available for Bike Safe being held in Woodfin / Asheville, as a group we picked Friday June 13<sup>th</sup> as the day for us to participate as a group. There is no cost to this and great on the road and classroom training as well as creating a relationship with the local Motorcycle Police patrols. There are only 6 positions available and you must sign up on line with them.

<https://www.bikesafenc.com/calendar.lasso?bd=2025-06-01&v=&idg=&dist=&zip=&session=bikesafe:ADF6C83A05929311A6mh7C1E2180> Let me know if you sign up.

In addition to Bike Safe, We are also looking to ride as a group to the MSF Motorcycle Safety Basic II class being held at the Blue Ridge Collage on Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup>.

This eight-hour course is for the rider with at least six months or 3,000 miles riding experience. Students must possess a valid motorcycle learner's permit\* or Motorcycle Endorsement before enrolling. Students will need to furnish a street-legal, properly licensed and insured motorcycle of any size. If the motorcycle is not registered in the student's name, written permission from the owner to use the motorcycle must be furnished. All motorcycles will be inspected for proper and safe conditions with particular attention to tires. If you normally carry a passenger, your passenger will also need to register and pay the 2-Up Passenger fee. This class teaches motorcycle

handling in all types of conditions. This is a parking lot course and will help you become one with your motorcycle. There is a cost of \$105.00 each and must be registered on line with the college.

<https://www.blueridge.edu/programs-courses/personal-enrichment/motorcycle-safety/>

Remember, "Cooks Night out" is the first Thursday of the month, Gathering is the Third Saturday and the Ice cream ride is the last Friday night.



**Tech Tip:** Tech day is a great time to bring your bike whether or not if you are having it worked on. If you have an issue or question about your bike, some of us more experienced amateur mechanics can take a look to see what we can see. It might be a simple fix or we might suggest if it would need a dealership's attention. It cost nothing to look at it and often might be a simple fix.

**Dale Yager**  
**Chapter Safety and Ride Coordinator**  
**Chapter M2**

## Birthdays

April		
	<b>1</b>	Ken Weglarz

## Anniversaries

April		
	<b>13</b>	Bill & Winnie McGill

## EVENTS:

### Hump Day Breakfast Rides-Wednesdays

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-

This month, April 3, 6:30 pm. @ the Stone Ridge Tavern, 1003 Brevard Rd. AVL RSVP to Rusti by April 2, 1 pm [trikelady@yahoo.com](mailto:trikelady@yahoo.com)

### Rides & Rallies & Meet-ups

- **(every Wednesday)** 9am Hump Day Breakfast, Eggs Up Grill 637 Spartanburg Hwy H'ville
- **CNO; April 3** 6:30 pm, RSVP to Rusti by April 2, 1 pm [trikelady@yahoo.com](mailto:trikelady@yahoo.com)
- **Tech Day; April 5**, 9:30 am, Dale Yager's, Hendersonville
- **Training Day; April 12**, 9:30 am, Salvation Army, Hendersonville
- **Gathering meeting; April 19** ; Golden Corral, Eat at 9 a.m. meet at 9:45 a.m. Golden

Corral 2530 Chimney Rock Rd Hendersonville **Ride**; Aunt Sue's, Pickens, SC, ride captain; Dale Y.

- **TN District Rally (April 24-26), April 25, Ride to the Rally**, 8:30 am, Johnson City, TN, ride captain, Bob T.
- **Ice Cream Ride April 25, TBA**
- **CNO, May 1, 6:30 TBA**, RSVP to Rusti by April 30

## Tech Day at the Yager's

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2025. From 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM. Come learn how to service your motorcycle and save you money. We cover oil change, air filter change, change rear end oil, spark plugs, wheel and tire removal and change and to fix a flat. We take a lunch break and get back at it. We invite you to participate or be an observer. All members are welcome!



## Training Day



April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Salvation Army at 239 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E,

Hendersonville, NC. These classes are what I consider a must for anyone wanting to ride with our group. 9:00AM for doughnuts, Classes begin at 9:30AM. RSVP for these classes so we know how much room we need.

Group Riding (60 Minutes)

Riding in the Mountains (30 Minutes)

Hand Signals (10 Minutes) Helmets (10 Minutes)



1<sup>st</sup> on the scene (30 Minutes)

First Aid Kit suggestions (10 Minutes)

Riding from 2 wheels to 3 wheels

- **NC Ride In dates; June 14-Burlington, Aug. 9-Hendersonville (South of Asheville)**
- **SC District Rally; May 15-17, Newberry, SC**

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