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HENDERSONVILLE, NC



February 2021

Our next Gathering is scheduled for
Saturday, February 20th at 10 a.m.
Whether it is in person or another Zoom
depends on many unknown factors at this time.
Watch for an email around the 12th

for more information!





Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge



Director's Corner Rusti Boykin

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Our first ZOOM gathering for 2021 went very well, as we installed new officers for district and Chapter NC-I and NC-M2, for those who couldn't attend, you where missed.

Glenn and Joy Kennedy our District Directors installed Dave and Dianne Smith as our newest Western Assistant District Directors, Charles Weinhagen as the new Chapter Director for NC·I and myself for M2. I am proud to have the privilege to install

Frank Pizzardi as our Asst.Chapter Director, Laurie O'Brien as Treasure and Dale Yager as our new Ride Coordinator.

Following the installations we held a short gathering speaking with Glenn about Wings Over The Smokies, the date has been changed to September 2-4, 2021, also district is looking for a district Ride Coordinator

Up coming events, the ZOOM "OCP" conference for new director and treasures is on January 30th at 1:30 PM.I will email more information as I receive them.

Joy and Dianne both encourage all chapters to select a "Couple of the Year" to help promote visitation and welcome chapter guest to gatherings making friends.

On February 6th at 10 AM. Dale will have our first ride meeting via ZOOM, if you are interested in participating and have some new or old ride you would like to do please bring your ideas to share.

Our next chapter gathering is February 20th, I am hoping to do a live meeting at Sandi's Kitchen, our new location and again I will send out an email for the meeting comformation .

Bob Topper has updated our website, its looking really fine, also Karen is still our newsletter editor and has produced a very nice and award winning newsletter. Good Job! She is also the newest care giver for M2.

As your new CD, I promise to do my best to grow our chapter and promote fun and friendship.

I will always try to answer all concerns each member might have or ask.

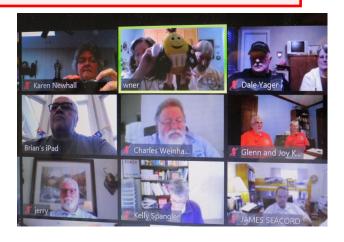
I am sure that your officers join me in saying Thank You, for your continued support and we look forward to a great year of riding and most of all friendship.

"Together We Can Do It"



M2 Happenings in January









Here's a recipe from Rusti since we had a quiet month for news or pictures!

Slow Cooker Mongolian Beef

Author: Alyssa Prep time: 10 mins Cook time: 4 hours Total time: 4 hours 10 mins

Beef that slow cooks to tender melt in your mouth perfection. This takes minutes to throw into the crockpot and has such amazing flavor! One of the best things that you will make in your slow cooker!

Ingredients

- 1 ½ pounds Flank Steak
- ¼ cups cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons Olive Oil
- ½ teaspoons mince Garlic, Cloves
- ¾ cups Soy Sauce
- ¾ cups Water
- ¾ cups Brown Sugar
- 1 cup grated Carrots
- green onions, for garnish

Instructions

- Cut flank steak into thin strips. In a ziplock bag add flank steak pieces and cornstarch. Shake to coat.
- 2. Add olive oil, minced garlic, soy sauce, water, brown sugar and carrots to <u>slow</u> <u>cooker</u>. Stir ingredients. Add coated flank steak and stir again until coated in the sauce.
- 3. Cook for high 2-3 hours or on low 4-5 hours until cooked throughout and tender. Can serve over rice and garnish with green onions.





Notes from Your Assistant Chapter Director Frank Pizzardi

I hope this month's newsletter finds everyone in good health, and spirits.

A big Thank You to all who attended the monthly meeting on the 16th via Zoom when our new officers were installed. Folks from District installed the officers for M2 and Asheville.

The M2 officers attended an Officer Conference via zoom today. Some of the information that I was able to come away with was:

GWRRA training will be starting online soon. A new course will be introduced with the idea to inform newcomers what GWRRA is all about. Course to be called GWRRA 101.

It was also mentioned that a live training class will be held in the near future. We will need to find a room large enough to accommodate social distancing of 6' apart due to the Covid virus.

Wings Over the Smokies will be on September 2 - 4 at the Haywood County Fairgrounds.

The raffle for the motorcycle will not happen this year, they will be giving the grand prize cash instead. They are talking about the first prize being \$10,000 or \$5,000 depending on when the District starts to issue the raffle tickets, April or in June. Second prize will be a California Sidecar Trailer and 3rd prize is a Hartco Motorcycle Seat. All prizes subject to change depending on how the event is able to take place.

Also District is planning to have a Couples Retreat and Wings over the Carolina's. More information will be available as plans are confirmed.

Many ideas were discussed, and I know that the rest of the M2 Team will fill you in.

Ride safe, have the proper equipment and enjoy!





From the Top Reflections of the Membership Enhancement Coordinator



I can't believe that another month has come and gone. At least, if it's going to be so cold, I do hope the time passes quickly. Bring on the warmer weather and give us some riding opportunities! We have had a few actual warmer days, recently, and I hope you were able to take advantage. I know the Dale put out an email regarding going for a ride on the 26th when it was supposed to get up to the low 70's, just wish I didn't have to work!

By the way, if you're not seeing those emails, or any others announcing what's going on, please let me, or any of the other officers know, and we'll make sure to get you added or your email corrected, whatever the case. Our electronic communication is vitally important right now, especially since in-person meeting is so difficult or impossible. Did you know that you could even attend a Zoom meeting by regular telephone, and that you only have to download the app on your phone or computer if you want to "see" or be "seen", so to speak. If you would like any information about this, please reach out to any officer and we'll be happy to assist you.

We did hold our Monthly Gathering, via a Zoom call, on January 16th. We had 30 people in attendance, half from our Chapter and the other half from the Asheville Chapter I, along with our NC District representatives: Glenn & Joy Kennedy, the NC District Directors, Clyde Alexander, our outgoing Assistant District Director for the West, and Dave & Dianne Smith, our new Asst. District Directors for the West. The main purpose of our large gathering, was to install our new Officers, as well as those in Chapter I. Congratulations to all the incoming and a HUGE THANK YOU to all the outgoing officers.

Most of the officers will be attending a District Officer's Conference Zoom Call, on Saturday, January 30th, as a replacement for the annual face-to-face meeting, which is normally held this time of year. This could prove to be especially helpful with thoughts and ideas of how we can move forward and grow in this current environment.

I hope that each of you can attend our next Zoom Meeting on Saturday, February 6^{th,} at 10:00am. Dale Yager will be hosting our Chapter Ride Committee Meeting, as we will start to put a calendar together of rides and events for 2021. If you have any suggestions or thoughts at all, of what you would like to see or do, please plan on attending. Watch your email for the zoom call instructions, a few days prior.

We will be holding our next Gathering, again, as a Zoom call on Saturday, February 20th at 10:00 am. Who knows, if the weather is decent, it may even be followed by a ride ... we could only hope!

Until next time, please stay safe and ride often!

Bob Topper

Dale Yager Ride Coordinator



Settling into my newest position in Chapter NC-M2 as Ride

Coordinator, we will be looking to plan future Chapter rides. Like last year, we will all meet as a committee to come up with plans for rides for the year. When we did this last year we did so without any knowledge of what the year had to bring. This year we are still going to meet to put together rides for the year but this time we have some knowledge of the issues we are still facing.

We will have a Zoom ride committee meeting on Saturday February 6th at 10:00 am. We invite all Chapter NC-M2 members to log in and participate. The Zoom meetings are hosted by Frank Pizzardi. Sign into Zoom then click on "Join a Meeting". Then enter the numbers 894 853 1766. You will be joining Frank's room. I expect the first Zoom event might be up to 2 hrs.

I have a list of many restaurants as possible destination rides but we're going to hold off the restaurant rides until later in the season when hopefully the virus has settled down. I am looking for ideas for possible overnight rides and rides to places such as museums or events. If you do have an idea, please do a little research on it to know how far away it is, what we can expect to see and if there is any cost involved. I believe there may be a couple more Zoom meetings before we have a tentative schedule.

Much of what we have been doing will remain the same such as "Cooks Night Out" being on the first Thursday of the month when we determine it is safe to do so. Ice cream rides will be the last Friday of the month. Gatherings will still be the third Saturday of the month but watch for the location and times as we get things finalized.

I am still checking on educational event opportunities. What is scheduled is the Basic Rider Course II (BCRII) at the Blue Ridge Community College. This course is an accepted on bike MSF class that GWRRA accepts for the Level II program. The registration is \$85.00. It is an 8 hr. class, rain or shine. Available dates at this time are Sunday May 30th, Sunday June 13th, Sunday June 27th and Sunday July 18th. If you have not taken this class in the past, I can tell you it is worth the knowledge that you get as well as your insurance company may give you a discount for having taken it.

Bike Safe NC is another educational option at no cost. This gives you real on road training by highly motorcycle educated Police Officers. Web site <u>BikeSafe North Carolina</u> (bikesafenc.com)

Asheville Police offers Saturday trainings on 4/3/21, 5/15/21, 7/10/21, 8/7/21 and 9/18/21. Columbus Police are offering Friday classes on 5/28/21, 7/23/21, 8/20/21 and 10/8/21.

Dale Yager, Ride Coordinator Chapter NC-M2



Happy Birthday!

February Birthdays

2nd Brian O'Brien27th Michelle Yager



REMINDER RIDE COMMITTEE MEETING ZOOM CALL

Sat. Feb 6th 10am

Bring your ideas of places you have been, always wanted to visit, etc for day rides, lunch rides, and weekend rides!

Everyone is welcome to chime in.

From the Zoom app, click on join a meeting.

Put in the numbers 8948531766 and Frank will accept you into the meeting.

Be sure to click to use video and audio!

GWRRA Anniversaries

Boykin Family Whitney Bowe Frank Pizzardi



February

None this Month

Let Jerry know if it's your

Birthday or Anniversary for an

extra 50/50 ticket!

Look in the newsletter for your GWRRA number. If you see it.... let Jerry know at our next meeting

and you will re-





MEMBER'S INFORMATION

Cook's Night Out



CANCELLED

for

February

All M2 Gatherings will be scheduled on a month to month basis during the pandemic. Time & place to be emailed.

Member Wellness

Brian O'Brien

Winners

January

Ride Pots

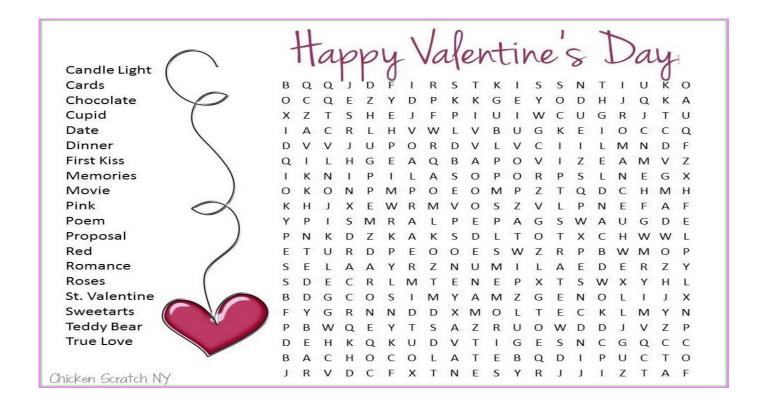
Rusti Boykin

M2 Caretaker for the Month

Karen Newhall

Wing Nut Award

None This Month



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

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 29-July 3, 2021 WING DING Springfield, Missouri

Sept 2-4, 2021 Wings Over the Smokies Waynesville, NC

Keep your eyes and ears open !!!!

The WING NUT AWARD is always up for grabs!!!!!

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