



WV District Newsletter

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FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY & KNOWLEDGE



Greetings from the District Directors

Hello Goldwingers!!

Now that the rally is over for 2016 we can start working on 2017!! We are looking at moving the rally back to a three day event and staying in July because Wing-Ding didn't change their dates for next year. The dates we are working with are tentatively July 20-22, 2017, so please mark your calendars and reserve that date!! We are still planning on being in Summersville but will be looking at some other choices and suggestions that were given to us last year. We will not have a theme as we like the "Down Home" feel that our rally has. We enjoy being able to offer riders the scenery that West Virginia has to offer in the way of rides and we like to give folks a good old fashioned welcoming feel to our rally.

We are looking forward to attending a few more district rallies that are coming up (North Carolina and Virginia) and the big Region "N" Fall Finale in Johnson City, TN in November. Unfortunately, we missed the Kentucky Blast this year because it always seems to fall on black-out dates for Beth Ann and her job. We are looking forward to the Region Couple of the Year competition that will be taking place in November and are looking forward to seeing our own Rosalie and Willy representing West Virginia. They are a very enthusiastic couple and we think they will do great!!

Many of the chapters are doing some leaf rides so we just want to reiterate to be careful because leaves can be as slippery as wet roads after a hard rain, even on a trike. We do not want to hear of any accidents or spills while members are out on rides because of the weather, so plan careful and cautiously and take care when riding this fall season. We know that everyone will want to get in as much riding as possible before they have to put their bikes/trikes away for the winter months, but take care on the roads and watch the other guy!

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Ruby Wyatt and the family upon the passing of her husband Fred, affectionately known to many of us as Buck. At one time Buck served as the West Virginia District Educator and was highly involved with Chapter B and Rider Education. We first meet Buck when we joined in 2005 and took our first TRC course for our levels. He did a great job of teaching and we learned a lot from him – he was really a great gentleman. He has stayed away in Florida for most of the last few years because of his health but we were glad when he was able to visit chapter meetings that we attended. He will be missed as many of our recent members that have passed away in the last year or so. In our own chapter we still miss Stan's dry wit and humor and his great rider education talks but are very happy to see his wife Pat joining us for the meetings with their son Jake. We are a family built on friendship and respect for one another and we continue to stay close to those that we have around us who enjoy the same thing we enjoy and that's the love of riding. Always give a hug to those you see as it warms the heart to know we are safe and close.

The fortune cookie this month says – "Now is a good time to try something new." Trying something new for us means spending money. The last new thing we tried was getting a boat and it cost us a pretty penny to get it in the water and not sink!! A new Hobby Lobby just opened up in Morgantown and this means "something new" in the way of crafts!! The porch is coming along, as well as the bar, so two new things are hopefully going to be finished in a month or so. Therefore, I think we got the wrong fortune as we have a ton of new things going on in our lives and don't really need any more!!

Take care and ride safe~~

Bill & Beth Ann

The McCormick's

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"What you will do matters, all you need is to do it!!"

Educator News



Hello one and all,

Hopefully, everyone has been able to get out and ride some. Make sure to be very cautious do to the high heat and humidity. Make sure to stay hydrated and take several breaks while riding. It is a real good ideal to keep water or PowerAde or Gatorade with you. Make sure to wear the proper clothing when we ride. Always cover what you want to use tomorrow. Make sure to wear light color shirts and jackets that will keep you cooler and more visible to traffic. With schools back in now we as riders need to keep a closer eye on school zones for kids playing and walking. Remember the school buses are more active now doing pickup and delivery of the kids. Make sure to stay on your toes because those buses can stop suddenly. Parents driving the kids back and forth to school and sporting events are more distracted and may not have their minds on the task at hand. This means they may not see us as motorcycle riders. The point is we as Gold Wing riders are some of the safest riders do to our training but we still need to keep an eye out. Before each ride make sure to do those T- Clocks and involve the Co Rider so that are familiar with the motorcycle also. Remember that the daylight is getting shorter as we start towards fall. So make sure when going for those afternoon to evening rides that you take the appropriate gear you may need for those night time rides. Keep an eye out for those four leg it critters that can ruin a great ride. Most of all prepare for the ride and stay safe. Keep an eye out for those that don't keep an eye out for us as riders. That's all for this month - ride safe and ride often.

Mike & Kelly Means

WV District Education/WV District Motorist Awareness Coordinator

Assistant District Director

Hello Everyone,

Wow What A Journey!!! My trip to Wing Ding 38 was just fantastic! I had the pleasure of attending Wing Ding 38 in Billings Montana while enjoying a 28 day 8417 miles vacation ride. Wing Ding proved to be another great rally well supported by many great vendors both familiar as well as new. I was able to make some good contacts that may prove beneficial for us at our own WV rally next year. I also had some very good and productive conversation concerning acquiring a grand prize raffle item for next years rally. More details will be coming soon. (We just may need to sleep on it a while...hint hint). I was able to attend a few seminars at get a small glimpse of some new things to come. Which, by the way we are very positive and much needed changes. There will be more to come on this by the first quarter of next year. But I can tell you this, our president Anita Alkire is listening to your suggestions and is definitely making needed change and correction. I was great to see at least eleven other WV folks in attendance at wing ding. I am sure most of you have heard by now that Wing Ding 39 celebrating GWRRA's 40th year will be in Grapevine Texas at the Gaylord Resort. Reservations and Registration is open and yes I have already signed up for next year.

Not only did my journey to wing ding prove exciting for the rally itself, I got to visit 13 national parks and 29 states. I saw many a marvelous sight but also learned many valuable things about riding long distance. One of the most important being, ALWAYS WEAR YOUR PROTECTIVE GEAR!!! Yes we hear this talked about all the time, and the reality of it is this is very important. It is not so much you and the things in your control but the unexpected and out of your control things that can really impact you. Had it not been for this I would have most liking been seriously injured on my third day of my journey when I was hit by a retread off a semi-truck. The complete face shield and chin bar was totally broken off my helmet as well as cracking the back of the helmet by the impact of being hit by it. I thank the Lord that somehow I was able to maintain control and bring the bike to a stop without going down. I credit this not only to God's blessings and protection but also the training I have received through GWRRA. Yes, it was a very scary experience but one that has taught me many good lessons.

It would be great to have ALL of you join me in Grapevine, Texas and on the ride next year next year. The time to start planning is now. Trust me you won't be sorry. Also I want to mention our Region N fall Finale in Johnson City TN the first weekend in November. This is shaping up to be a great close to a wonderful riding season. There will be vendors as well as some great entertainment by our own Rosalie Boyles!! Let's show her and our region some strong support and have a fantastic time to close out the season. Remember the ole saying.....the more the merrier!!

George Murphy

WV Assistant District Director

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Membership Enhancement

Hello everyone!!

The monthly Area Reports showing New Members has gone out to the Chapter Director's along with a list of those members that will be expiring or have expired. If you are uncertain as to when your membership expires, just check with your CD, and they will give you the date from the full Area Report they received in January.

Keep those great newsletters coming – everyone is doing a fantastic job!!!

Beth Ann McCormick

Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Couple of the Year

HAPPINESS IS NOT A PLACE TO TRAVEL TO – IT'S A WAY OF GETTING THERE!!

Hello Fellow Wingers!

Willy and I are saddened with the loss of Buck (Fred) Wyatt, WV Chapter B member and former WV District Educator. We have such fond memories of Buck and Ruby and we are keeping Ruby and her family in our thoughts and prayers. Our thoughts and prayers also go out to others in our GWRRA families that have lost loved ones recently.

We have been invited to help judge the VA District COY at the Rally in the Valley being held October 6th thru the 8th! Willy and I are very excited and honored for this opportunity. I know it will be a great learning experience for us!

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We would also like to give you a heads up that we were invited to put on our musical show at the 2016 Appalachian Fall Finale, November 4-5, Johnson City, TN. WhooHoo! If you missed us at the WV Down Home Reunion Event, then you have the opportunity to catch our show now! If you are looking for a fun time that involves music, singing, audience participation, laughter and an all-around blast, then **you don't want to miss out on Rosalie's Musical Entertainment Show!** **You will want to definitely have your camera, video camera or smart phone handy to capture memories that will be made during this show!!** This show is all about forgetting your worries for at least a little while and to bring a little happiness, laughter and great memories!

Willy and I are so excited to be able to visit other rallies not only as ambassadors for the GWRRA West Virginia District, but for FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE!

Take care of each other!!
Be Safe!! It's a jungle out there!!
Willy & Rosalie Boyles
2015-2016 District Couple of the Year

Vendor Coordinators

Pete and Sherry McMullen are the District Vendor Coordinators. They work very hard at getting vendors for our District Convention/Rally and visit a lot of venues where vendors are set up. They are a great couple to work with and they handle all of our vendors with a lot of care.



Training

Hello, West Virginia Members!

Not much in training has been going on in West Virginia and I'm hoping to turn that around once the weather cools down and chapters take a break from riding. Having courses/seminars after or before a meeting is a great way to keep your members informed as to what GWRRA is all about and what we do for them in the way of knowledge. Many of the courses have been changed and updated in both content and format so plan on scheduling some of these in the fall and winter months.

Take care and try to learn something new every day of your life!!

Beth Ann McCormick
WV District Master Trainer

WV Chapter FunDays

New dates will be posted in January for 2017!!



PLEASE CONTACT KELLY FOR ANY
PINS AND PATCHES
YOU MAY NEED!!
(304)639-4012



The West Virginia District is now using the Chapter Team Challenge. Each chapter will be using a set scoring system and in December the Chapter with the highest score will get their charter dues of \$100 paid by the district.

The scoring sheet can be located on the website at

www.wvgwrra.org

Go out and have "FUN" and participate – you might like it!!!

2016 Rally Schedule

TENNESSEE DISTRICT

Spring Fling
2016



**GREAT TIME
– SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!!!**

April 28-30
Pigeon Forge TN
Join us for a
rootin'
tootin' good time



APPALACIAN REGION "N"
is having a

REGIONAL RIDE (N)

**GREAT TIME
– SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!!!**

May 1-3
Hungry Mother
State Park
Marion VA



And *YOU* are invited!!!

West Virginia District

2016

**A HUGE
SUCCESS – SEE
YOU NEXT
YEAR!!!**

SAVE THE DATE!!!

July 22 & 23
2016



KENTUCKY DISTRICT
PRESENTS
THE 2016 BLAST

**GREAT TIME
– SEE YOU
NEXT YEAR!!!**



Cave City KY
August 18 - 20

Wings Over the Smokies
2016
September 22-24
Cherokee NC



Virginia District
RALLY IN THE VALLEY



October 6 - 8
Holiday Inn — Tanglewood
Roanoke VA

WW Chapter Meeting Times

“FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE”

CHAPTER A (Martinsburg)

[Martin Durst](#)

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schnauzerpups@comcast.net

The 1st Sunday -eat @ 8 am /meet @ 9 am

Golden Corral, 625 Foxcroft Ave.

I-81 & Exit I3, Martinsburg WV

CHAPTER B (Clarksburg)

[Bob & Debbie Slaughter](#)

(304)627-7081

Slaughterhouse80@yahoo.com

The 3rd Saturday - eat @ 6 /meet @ 7

Hilton Garden & Inn, 606 Emily Dr.

Bridgeport, WV

CHAPTER C (Huntington)

[Mike & Cheryl Smith](#)

(304) 633-6373

The 2nd Thursday - eat @ 6 /meet @ 7

IHOP, 130 Mall Rd.

Barboursville, WV

CHAPTER E (Wheeling)

[John & Judy Bungard](#)

(304) 547-5896

The last Saturday - eat @ 6/meet @ 7

Eat n' Park, Cabela's exit 10, off I-70W

Wheeling, WV

CHAPTER H (Charleston)

[Judy & Ken Shivley](#)

(304)984-0503

jashivley@gmail.com

The 1st Saturday -eat @ 6 / meet @ 7

Ryan's Buffet, 103 RHL Blvd, Charleston, WV

CHAPTER I (Morgantown)

[Gloria & Gary Rowan](#)

(304)278-9721

gloria@cityneon.com

The 2nd Saturday - eat @ 6 /meet @ 7

Shoney's Restaurant, 95 Sterling Dr.

Sabraton, WV

CHAPTER J (Parkersburg)

[Pete & Sherry McMullen](#)

(304)489-2932

rpm1@frontier.com

The 2nd Saturday - eat @ 10/meet @ 11 am

Golden Corral, 1302 Garfield Ave.

Parkersburg, WV

CHAPTER K (Logan)

[Robert & Phyllis Elliott](#)

(304)583-2549

Customgraphics1201@yahoo.com

The 3rd Saturday - meet @ 10/eat @ 11 am

Logan Motorcycle Sales

1431 Jerry W Hwy, Logan, WV 25601

Chapter Meetings may change due to weather &/or road conditions.

Check with the CD first before you travel!!!

Rider: _____
Full Name Age Organization Chapter

Co-Rider: _____
Full Name Age Organization Chapter

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
For registration confirmation

Distance traveled to rally (shortest distance, one-way) _____

Are you coming: 1-up 2-up 2 wheels 3 wheels
(please check as appropriate)

Do you plan to attend Thursday's Early Bird Ice Cream Social? Yes No

Do you plan to attend the Master's Breakfast on Saturday? Yes No

Pre-registration prices (Pre-Registration Deadline is October 18, 2016):

GWRRR Member \$30 X _____ = _____ (GWRRR cards checked on site)

Non-Member \$35 X _____ = _____

Banquet Dinner \$18 X _____ = _____

Please make checks payable to:
GWRRR REGION N
 Mail registration with payment to:
 GWRRR REGION N
 c/o Glenda Keough
 1149 Abbeville Street
 Collierville, TN 38017

Registration Fees & Banquet Dinner:	\$ _____
T-Shirts:	\$ _____
Grand Prize Tickets:	\$ _____
Grand 50/50:	\$ _____
Total enclosed for PRE-registration	\$ _____

RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned)

I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRR, Region N, the Kentucky/North Carolina/Tennessee/Virginia/West Virginia Districts, the Holiday Inn of Johnson City, TN, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

On-Site Registration Prices:

Full event -	Day Passes -
GWRRR Member \$35 X _____ = _____	GWRRR Member \$20 X _____ = _____
Non-Member \$40 X _____ = _____	Non-Member \$25 X _____ = _____
Total: \$ _____	Total: \$ _____

The Region N Rally is back with the Fall Finale!

And not only is the Region Couple of the Year selection being held at the Fall Finale, this is a full rally! There will be vendors, seminars, competition games between the Districts (all attending Districts, not just Region N's!), a daily 50/50, Grand 50/50, a Banquet Dinner and entertainment, and a \$1,000 Cash prize!



There will also be a Master's Breakfast held Saturday morning in the Holiday Inn's restaurant. Participants will pay the hotel directly so no need to pre-pay (though a head-count will help with seating).



While most of the fun and festivities will be Friday & Saturday, Region N is hosting an Early Bird Ice Cream social for those who arrive Thursday evening.

And if you aren't familiar with the great riding roads in the area and need some ideas, check out SouthernDozen.com for twelve great rides that all begin and end at the Holiday Inn Johnson City—site of this year's Fall Finale!

Banquet Dinner is available only for Friday evening, and only with pre-registration. Dinner consists of buffet with 2 entrees, vegetables, salad, dessert and beverage for just \$18.00 (tax and gratuity included!). Entertainment to follow, and is open to all who attend Fall Finale.



Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Johnson City
 101 W. Springbrook Dr.
 Johnson City, TN 37604
 (423) 282-4611
 \$74.00/night
Mention Gold Wing group for special rate!



2016 APPALACHIAN FALL FINALE
November 4 - 5, 2016
Johnson City, TN

The perfect way to end the riding season is here with lots of fun, games, prizes, surprises, and of course great riding, at the 2016 Appalachian Region N Fall Finale!

Join GWRRR Appalachian Region N (Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia & West Virginia Districts) on this special weekend as we select the Region N Couple of the Year, and you may go home with the \$1,000 Cash Grand Prize!!

2016 REGION N FALL FINALE SHIRTS:

SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT: S, M, L, XL - \$14 / 2XL & XXXL - \$16	LONG SLEEVED T-SHIRT: S, M, L, XL - \$17 / 2XL & XXXL - \$19
(#) (size) (Amount) _____	(#) (size) (Amount) _____
(#) (size) (Amount) _____	(#) (size) (Amount) _____
SHORT SLEEVE GOLF SHIRT: S, M, L, XL - \$21 / 2XL & XXXL - \$23	<i>Shirts will not be available on site; they can be purchased only with pre-registration</i>
(#) (size) (Amount) _____	<i>Choice of shirt style; all shirts will be gray with Fall Finale Rally logo.</i>
(#) (size) (Amount) _____	

Grand Prize will be \$1,000 in cash!

Each FULL registration—both on-site and pre-registration—will include ONE Grand Prize ticket.

Additional Grand Prize Tickets—\$5 each or 5 for \$20

of tickets _____ x \$5 = \$ _____ # of 5 packs x \$20 = \$ _____



Pre-purchase your Grand 50/25/25 tickets!

1 yard of tickets for \$10, or
 3 yards of tickets for \$20

Drawing held Saturday during closing ceremonies. Must be present to win.

1 yard of tickets for \$10 = \$ _____ OR 3 yard pack for \$20 = \$ _____

Call along line and return this portion



GWRRA
www.wing-ding.org

Wing Ding 39

Grapevine, Texas, August 29 - September 2, 2017

**REGISTER TODAY! SIMPLY MAIL OR FAX YOUR COMPLETED FORM
Contact Member Services at 1-800-843-9460 with any questions.**

Please visit www.wing-ding.org & click "REGISTRATION" at the top of page.

Trade Show opens August 30, see Event Schedule for more info!