



Ohio Chapter A

Buckeye Wings

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*Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Friends for Fun - Safety - Knowledge*

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**Our August gathering
will be on
Saturday, the 6th
at the Iron Skillet Restaurant
located in the Pilot Truck Stop
at I75 and Rt. 18,
North Baltimore, OH**

**There will be a DAY ride after the gathering
Led by Mark and Sue Rupert!**



Mike & Lois Monday Chapter Team Directors



What a month July was! We had some days that were way too hot and some just right, but no matter what, you had a good month to put some miles on the bike.

Wing Ding 33 is over and I'm sure that the ones who went had a good time seeing old friends and making new memories. Our new International Couple of the year are Kirby and Sandy White from Chapter S. What a honor, not just for Chapter S and Kirby & Sandy, but for the Northwest section. Next year Wing Ding 34 will be in Ft. Wayne Indiana, that is close to home for us.

July also brought some changes in the Assistant District Director position. After being on state staff for three years, Bill and Sandy Nourse are stepping down as of July 31st. They did a fine job representing all of Ohio and our Northwest section. Thank you Bill and Sandy for all your hard work and the time you put in to make sure the members had a good time! Now for the new ADD's: Chapter A's own Mike and Terri Hampshire! Over the years Mike and Terri have held many different jobs in GWRRA so they should be a good fit on state staff. Let's do our best to support them over the next few years!

Another recent change is that Chapter C is now closed. The members of Chapter C will be looking for new chapters and whatever chapter they settle into, let's give them our support! Sometimes change is hard.

Keep Them Wheels Rolling!
Mike & Lois Monday!



Vic & Barb Russell Assistant Chapter Team Directors

Hello everyone! Well, July is in the history book, but what a month it was. Wing Ding, ice cream rides, coffee breaks! The lunch ride on the 17th went very well. We met at the Dark Horse for lunch and we had 28 people there. We then had a ride afterwards and the only down side was the heat. Hopefully August will be a little cooler.

For August we have:

3 ice cream rides: on the 2nd-16th-and 30th.

Coffee breaks on the 10th and 24th.

We have a Garage/Bake Sale on the 19th and 20th at Ted and Angie's house, 1316 Fostoria Ave. Findlay. Please bring items to their house on Wed. or Thurs. We will set everything up Thurs at 5pm and bring your own food for supper that night. Please have prices on items. See more details on the last page of this newsletter.

On the 27th we have a Sectional Picnic/Ride in Defiance OH.

A lot of our rides are still in the works so watch your e-mails for more info.

If anyone hasn't been receiving any e-mails from Mike please let him know.

Keep having FUN,
Vic & Barb



Terry & Cindy Hoover Motorist Awareness



Cindy and I spent the weekend on our bike and rode in everything from 100 degree temperatures to driving in rain. We rode in city traffic as well as country roads. We were in the bright sun light as well as in the dark. All of this tested my riding skills and got me thinking.

As a chapter of GWRRA are we doing our members justice by not riding in more adverse conditions? As chapter members, how often do we participate in chapter rides only when the weather conditions are just perfect? We all love to be fair weather riders and no one loves to ride when it is sunny and 70 degrees more than I do. I also realize that it is impossible to predict the weather when we schedule chapter rides but, if we only ride when it's fantastic out how will we ever sharpen our skills as riders.

I know that we have talked about the levels program at a number of our meetings but, one of the great things about this program is that we are required to take an advance riding course to be able to step up in the program. While I have not been able to attend one of these classes myself, I do know of some of our members who have taken these courses and return from them with nothing but great things to say about them! Droopy told me that when he attended one this spring it rained just about the whole time. So not only did he get the benefit of the course he was also able to add the challenge of adverse weather conditions as well. Maybe that's why he is my hero.

If we do not increase our riding ability through the levels program, then how will we sharpen our riding skills? Should we extend our rides to include some night time riding? Should we look for ways to ride in the rain more? Not everyone is comfortable with doing these things, but will it help develop better riding skills?

The one thing that I have learned while belonging to this great organization is that you learn the most by being involved and participating in chapter events. I can speak from personal experience that I learn more from others in this chapter by talking and asking questions while on chapter rides. I always try and ask is there something that I am doing wrong or a way that I could improve myself as a rider.

With the number of bikes in our chapter that have CB radios, we are able to carry on some very good conversations while on chapter rides. This is a great way to learn or maybe just refresh our memories of how to ride fun, safe and increase our knowledge.

Until next time.... Ride safe.
Terry & Cindy.



Mark & Sue Rupert Rider Educators



I was reading an article in the May 2006 Rider Education Newsletter submitted by Chapter F MA, titled The Most Deadly Dozen Myths. It is about myths, urban legends and misconceptions about motorcycle safety. The problem is belief in these myths can increase your chance of having an accident and being hurt as a result of the needless crash.

MYTH # 1 – OTHER DRIVERS DON'T CARE ABOUT MOTORCYCLIST

Most drivers don't want to hit a biker. Most close calls as well as accidents happen because didn't see the bike or didn't know they were there even though they were right in front of them. There are a lot of reasons for this. You could be in their blind spot, other vehicles blocking their view, distractions such as talking on the cell phone, reading the newspaper, putting on makeup and so on. SCOTOMAS which defined medically as a condition which the brain does not register what the eyes are seeing, is another reason for drivers not seeing a bike. How many bikers involved in an accident have said they looked right at me but the driver says they never saw them? Yep, that's why. Best defense? Ride to be seen. Bright colors, use high beams during daylight and above all always assume no one can see you.

MYTH # 2- LOUD PIPES SAVE LIVES

Maybe if you're beside a driver with his window down will hear you before he changes lanes. Noise focused rearward won't do much good in the most common and dangerous situation where a car turns in front of you. Maybe it's fatigue from the noise or attitudes of bikers with loud pipes. Perhaps the loud noise annoys drivers making them aggressive. Whatever the reason, research shows bikes with modified exhaust systems are more frequently involved in crashes than bikes with stock pipes.

MYTH # 3- MOTORCYCLE HELMETS BREAK NECKS

It would seem logical you put more weight out on the end of your neck and when you get thrown off the bike that extra weight will create more pendulum force on your neck. Turns out it doesn't work that way. In fact the energy absorbing qualities of a DOT helmet will also absorb the same energy that breaks necks. Studies show helmeted riders suffer a lot fewer neck injuries in a crash compared to riders without a helmet.

MYTH # 4- HELMETS BLOCK YOUR ABILITY TO HEAR AND SEE DANGER

The thing you learn when you dig into research is that bike riders who wear helmets crash less frequently than riders that don't wear helmets. Maybe people who choose to wear a helmet have a better or more realistic attitude about riding. Maybe using a helmet reminds us of the dangers involved in our sport. Maybe being protected from the wind, noise and elements causes less fatigue. Whatever the reasons wearing a helmet reduces the likely hood of a crash.

MYTH # 5- A HELMET WON'T HELP IN MOST CRASHES

People look at the seemingly low impact speeds used in motorcycle helmet testing and assume if you're faster then that the helmet is not up to the job. Consider these facts.* Most accidents happen at relatively low speeds * Most of the impact energy is vertical(the distance your head falls until it hits) * DOT rated helmets perform spectacular life saving feats at speeds far above the test speeds. Ask anyone who races on the track both 2 wheels and 4 wheels. A rider with fatal head injuries from a crash probably had other fatal injuries as well. The numbers still say riders with helmets have a much higher survival rate over riders without a helmet.

MYTH # 6- A HELMET WILL LEAVE YOU BRAIN DAMAGED IN A CRASH WHEN YOU SIMPLY WOULD HAVE DIED

It's a possible but rare occurrence. If you hit something that hard in a crash chances are very high you would receive other fatal injuries. The facts show it is the rider without a helmet is more likely to cross from the animal kingdom to the vegetable kingdom and often from a relatively minor impact that would leave a rider with a helmet with nothing more then a bruised ego.

This is part 1 of 2 parts. Part 2 will be in the September newsletter

RIDE SAFE
Your Chapter Rider Educators
Droopy and Sue Rupert



Cindy Schreiner
Sunshine Lady
Secretary
Paul Schreiner
Treasurer



H O T H O T H O T A U G U S T !!!

Ready for another joke.....?????

After being married for 40 years, I took a careful look at my wife one day and said
“Forty years ago we had a cheap house, a junk car, slept on a sofa bed and watched a 10-inch black and white TV – but I got to sleep every night with a hot 23-year-old girl.

Now I have a \$500,000 home, a \$35,000 car, a nice big bed and a large screen TV. But I’m sleeping with a 63-year-old woman. It seems to me that you’re not holding up your side of the deal.”

My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 23-year-old girl and she would make sure that I would once again be living in a cheap house, driving a junk car, sleeping on a sofa bed and watching a 10-inch black and white TV.

Aren’t older women great? They really know how to solve an old guy’s problems!



Ride for Kids – First Time for Us!

We just barely made it to Marysville on time (there were only 10 bikes behind us), but we got our Chapter registered. Everyone was really helpful – got in line with at least 200 other motorcycles and enjoyed a 90-minute non-stop police-escorted ride! The bikes had the right of way at every turn with no breaks in the formation. It was a well organized ride, many spectators waving along the route – you could tell that they have a good history (20 years in Marysville) of promoting this fundraiser. We went through or saw at least six covered bridges and even though the sun was out full blast, it was a very nice ride through the country-side of Marysville. We’re not sure how much money was collected for the kids (our Chapter raised \$75.00) – when we find out we’ll pass it on. Here are some pictures:



AUGUST



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  Karen Teeters DJ Hartley	2  Ice Cream Ride Meet Iron Skillet 6 PM	3	4	5	6  Gathering Iron Skillet Breakfast 9 AM Gathering 10 AM <u>Day Ride to follow</u>  Jerry Houtz  Dave & Lois Yoder
7	8	9	10  Coffee Break 9 AM	11	12  Terri Hampshire	13
14	15	16  Ice Cream Ride Meet Iron Skillet 6 PM	17	18	19  Garage/Bake Sale 8 AM - 4 PM Ted & Angie Eidt's  Frank Birkmire	20  Garage/Bake Sale 8 AM - 4 PM Ted & Angie Eidt's  Bob & Jo Lavon Birkmire
21	22  Marilyn Klear  Tom & Dora Kin	23  Bob Klear	24  Coffee Break 9 AM	25  Paul Kinn	26  Ray & Kay Romstadt	27  Sectional Picnic  Marty Feehan
28	29	30  Ice Cream Ride Meet Iron Skillet 6 PM	31  Michael Hampshire			



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Region D Great Lakes Monster Mash

September 15-17, 2011

Branch County Fairgrounds, COLDWATER, MI



Rider _____ GWRRA# _____ Exp.Date _____
 Co-Rider _____ GWRRA# _____ Exp.Date _____
 Address _____ Number of Children _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____ Chapter _____

Pre-Registration before Sept. 03, 2011

GWRRA Member Quantity: _____ x \$20 per person \$ _____
Note: Pre-Registration Chapter Directors, Life and Gold Members are half price.

Non-GWRRA Member Quantity: _____ x \$25 per person \$ _____

Full Registration – Entitles patron to full participation in ALL activities and events in the Rally.

Region D Rally Pins will be given with the first 1,000 full registrations.

Registration after September 03, 2011

GWRRA Members \$25, Non-members \$30, Children 15 and under free

Day Passes on site: GWRRA Members \$18, Non-members \$20

Masters Breakfast & Region D Merit Award Ceremony – On Site

For Level IV Master Tour Riders, Co-Riders & Guests only. _____ x \$5.00 per person \$ _____

Camping Fees (Thursday thru Saturday only, for additional days see note below)

Tents and tent campers: \$10 for weekend Units _____ x \$10. = \$ _____

All RV's: \$12.00 per day Days _____ x \$12. = \$ _____

Note: Campers arriving prior to Thursday or staying after Saturday are responsible for contacting the Fairgrounds office to make arrangements.

Short Sleeve T-Shirts

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ \$16 each \$ _____

2X-Large _____ 3X-Large _____ \$18 each \$ _____

Polo Shirts

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ \$19 each \$ _____

2X-Large _____ 3X-Large _____ \$21 each \$ _____

Note: Shirts available by Pre-Registration and on site.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____



Mail Registration & Check or Money Order out to: **GWRRA Region D** to:
Roger & Penny Hurley, 201 South View Lane, West Milton OH, 45383



I/we do agree to confirm and comply with the ideals governing this rally, and I/we further agree to hold harmless G.W.R.R.A., co-sponsoring organizations or any property owner(s) for any loss or injury to self in which I/we may become involved by reason or participation in this Rally. I/we also agree to assume responsibility for any property which I/we for any property which I/we knowingly damage. I/we have read this entire form.

Rider's Signature _____ Date _____
 Co-Rider's Signature _____ Date _____



DON'T MISS BUCKEYE TIME OUT - 2011

FRIDAY - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23-25

Cookout, Games, Friends, Camping



Pastime Park

370 N. Chillicothe St., Plain City, OH 43064

GPS: N 40° 06.869' W 83° 16.224'



Cost to Camp?

Camping Rate (full hookup available): \$20.00 per night; \$18.00 per night for seniors.

NOTE: ALL CAMPING FEES MUST BE PAID DIRECTLY TO CAMPGROUND PERSONNEL AT TIME OF ARRIVAL. PLEASE DO NOT SEND PAYMENT TO DISTRICT STAFF.

Don't camp?

Make it a day ride on Saturday to join in the fun, games, and potluck at Pastime Park.

Friday Night

8 PM - Campfire Lit (for telling stories and/or roasting marshmallows)



Saturday

Dawn - Breakfast on your own. (District stove will be available at pavilion if you wish to cook your breakfast at the Park.)

Morning - Take "TIME OUT" to chill, visit, sleep, etc. z z z z z

12:00 PM - Lunch on your own

1:00 PM - Euchre Tournament with 1st & 2nd Place Prizes*
Corn Hole Tournament with 1st & 2nd Place Prizes*



2:00 PM - Bingo with fun gifts for winners.

3:00 PM - Chapter Couple of the Year get together (past & present)

4:00 PM - Hot Dogs/Hamburgers & Potluck Dinner (meat and table service will be provided). Please bring a covered dish to share and your own beverage.



8:00 PM - Campfire Lit (Do you play an instrument? Bring it and jam with your friends around the campfire.)



Sunday

Break down camp and head for the house.

*1st Place: Choice of BR&C or Cabin Fever registration.

*2nd Place: Prize that wasn't chosen by 1st place winner.

TO ENSURE WE HAVE ENOUGH DOGS AND BURGERS, PLEASE RSVP IF YOU WILL ATTEND THE POTLUCK DINNER SATURDAY EVENING BY EMAILING JEANIE FOWLER NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 5 TO: cadd@ohiogwrra.org OR PHONE: 740-427-2520 AND LEAVE MESSAGE IF NO ANSWER.



Roger & Angela Williams Ohio District Director

Summer heat is up on us, so be sure to keep yourself well hydrated and find some cools spots along the ride to rest and cool off.

Wingding 33 is history and Ohio was well represented. We were the highest percentage of pre-registered participants at Wingding.

Ohio couple Kirby and Sandy White OH S were selected as the 2011-2012 International Couple of the year!!! Congrats to them.

At closing Larry Moore OH B and two others were selected for a game of skill (darts) to win a 2012 Honda Goldwing, and yes Ohio came out on top again. Congratulations to Larry & Cheryl Moore on wining the Goldwing. I wonder if the Rider Ed Dart Game helped Larry out with his dart throwing ability...hmmm

We changed the date of Buckeye Time Out this year; it is September 23rd – 25th. Maybe it will be a bit warmer. Claude has the flyer posted on the District Webpage and Jeannie Fowler will be the point of contact on this event. So be sure to let her know if you will be attending so we can plan for Dinner Saturday night. Something new for BTO, bring your musical instruments and we will have a jam session at the pavilion.

The theme for Cabin Fever 2012 is the Sixties, and the theme for Buckeye Rally 2012 is M*A*S*H. I think these will be fun themes to work with so bring your Logo entries for BOTH events to the Fall Officers meeting. We need your entry by 10 am Saturday and voting will be completed by 3pm.

Buckeye Rally/Convention 2012 will be held in Beautiful Xenia OH. Our theme is M*A*S*H, Mobile Army Surgical Hospital, so if you want to honor friends and family that were part of the Medical Core here is your chance. If you loved the Movie and TV Series, which I did, then have some fun with the Characters. I am thinking out loud, but would it not be funny to have a Corporal Klinger best dressed contest wearing his best dress. Or maybe Major “Margret “Hot-Lips” Hoolihan looks alike contest. I know Ohio has some of the best minds in America and the world, so here is your chance to contribute.

I would also like some ideas that you would like to see us do for both CF & BR/C. We had some very good ideas that we used at BR/C and had a great time with them. The sky is the limit to what we can add/change/drop to our events, so don't be bashful with your thoughts and comments. You can either bring them to the Officers Meeting or email directly to me at dd@ohiogwrra.org

(Taken from the GWRRA Ohio website)



*Prayers go out to
Dennis & Lori Ciesinski
on the passing of Lori's
mother in July.*

The Trikes & Bikes Rally

in Bowling Green, Kentucky

scheduled for September 30 - October 2, 2011

has been cancelled due to the participation level.



**Don't forget our CHAPTER A GARAGE SALE
August 19th and 20th!**

Place: Ted & Angie Eidt's Home
1316 Fostoria Avenue
Findlay, OH 45840
419-422-9517

Time: 8 AM to 4 PM

Bring your **PRE-PRICED** items to their home on Wednesday, the 17th or Thursday, the 18th.

Everything for the garage sale will be set up on Thursday so be there at 5 PM to help.
Bring whatever you want to eat and drink and Ted will fire up the grill and show us his cooking talents on the meat you bring.

We are still in need of tables so if you have a regular table or a card table bring it along.

Items you brought that do not sell may be taken home with you after the closing on Saturday.

All remaining unsold items will be loaded up and donated to a local charity.

Contact Mike and Lois Monday or Ted and Angie if you have any questions.



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