



Kentucky Chapter G

Northern Kentucky Gold Wing Riders
Gold Wing Road Riders Association
"FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY, AND KNOWLEDGE"

FEBRUARY 2022

Chapter G's Events

Chapter G started the year with our annual breakfast at Cracker Barrel on New Years Day!

Congratulations to Chapter G's 2022 Individual of the Year Steve Poat.



Chapter C Visit

Several G members traveled to Lexington to capture the plaque. Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful.

However, Leah purchased a chance in the marble game, which had a pot over \$250. Leah, however, didn't pull the correct marble, so the pot continues to grow.



Chapter G Dinner Ride

We had a great turnout for our January Dinner Ride. We all met at The Greyhound Tavern for a delicious meal and great social time.

Looking forward to March's Dinner Ride. Check out the calendar for more details.





In the Spotlight

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank John Keiter for serving as Chapter G's Pins & Patches Coordinator. And a big thanks to Judy Norris for stepping up to fill this position.

John has stepped up to be the District Pins & Patches Coordinator.

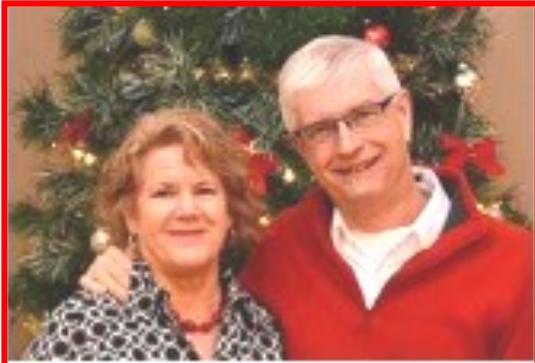


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BIKER'S PRAYER

May the sun rise in front of me
 May the rain fall behind me
 And the wind follow me
 May the angels guard my travels
 For they know the road ahead of me
 Keep me safe through swirling turns and rolling hills
 Let the eagle guide me to the mountaintops
 Let the moons light guide me through the night
 Lord, thank you for letting me be a biker

Chapter Director's Report

This is the month of just getting through to the end. It is cold, sometimes snowy, and definitely not the weather for riding. Things behind the scenes are still humming along. The ride schedule for the year is beginning to take shape and soon we will be unveiling the trips and rides for 2022. We are planning new places to go and ride. Keep May open as Chuck and Judy are planning a trip to Athens, Ohio to spend the weekend on the Windy 9. More information will be provided as things are set up.

Looking forward to the activities for the month. We should have a good time at Gary and Darlene Heil's clubhouse. It's going to be a Chili/Soup and dessert dinner. After dinner the good times will continue with games and other activities. We are also headed to Elizabethtown for a Chapter visitation.

During the month of February, start working on your motorcycle to get it in tiptop shape before riding season. Check out your gear, and start looking for anything you may need to replace or add to keep you safe while riding.

*Randy and Kim Pommier
Chapter Team Directors*



Special Events

Let's get our thinking caps on! If anyone has an idea of something special or fun for the G to do in 2022 let me know.

A few ideas were mentioned in the planning meeting, but we can always use more.

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone!

*Leah Cridlin
Special Events Coordinator*



Assistant Chapter Director's Report

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun

...and with all due respect to Cindy Lauper, so do the guys. It didn't take us long to realize that one of the worst symptoms of COVID is that it's a fun-sucker. Over the past several years our lives have changed dramatically, and good times seemed to become a thing of the past. Fear seems to have replaced our fun, and I for one, am getting tired of it. While visiting Chapter C a few weekends ago, I read a sign on the wall of Roosters that really struck home. It simply said, "Don't take life too seriously...nobody ever gets out alive.", and however harsh that might sound, it's entirely true. No one lives forever, and life is too short to waste. Why do we sit around letting our lives pass us by fearing that we'll get "The VID". Don't get me wrong. I'm not saying we should run around with reckless abandon, but if we take precautions and be sensible, we might just be able to find a happy medium between fun and boredom.

There are people in our G group who have been working very hard this past month to set up some fun events for all of us to enjoy in 2022. You should be seeing postings soon about what Chapter G has in store for us. I hope you will consider having some FUN with us this year. Together we can make it amazing, and with a little hope, maybe we can get back to the OLD NORMAL.

In March there is a group of riders heading south for a Texas tour. As much as I would love to be on that ride, some of us have to work, and so, some of us will be left behind. But that doesn't mean that we can't still have FUN. It has been suggested that while the guys, and some of the girls, are in Texas, that some of us other girls take an overnight, have some fun together, and visit a few other KY Chapters during this double point's month. The plan is to visit Chapter C in Lexington on the 19th, then travel west to Henderson and join Chapter K for their gathering on the 20th. Of course there will be dinner and games and maybe some other kooky fun that I can come up with. Please let me know if you are interested in a fun "Girls Night Out", I'll be working out details in the next few weeks and will get the information out as soon as possible. In the meantime, find a way to HAVE SOME FUN!!

Hope to see y'all soon!



Donita Nardi
Chapter Assistant Director

Membership Report

Hello Chapter G Friends,

During these difficult and strange times, please stay safe & healthy. This upcoming year will be full of rides, special events, meetings, long weekend trips and dinners that our G friends can all get together and have a great time socializing and just having a good time.

After the 2022 Planning Meeting, many ideas were shared and we are all looking forward to see what will be planned this year. Please check out the Chapter G Website with all the updates. Let's all hang in there and get through these winter months – the spring weather will be here before you know it.

Also, please check your membership cards for expiration dates to ensure that your membership is current. Please contact us if any of your contact information has changed—we don't want you to miss anything. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Please check out all the GWRRA benefits by visiting: GWRRA.ORG

Jerry and Luanne Williams
Chapter G
Membership Enhancement
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Treasurer's Report

Hi Chapter G,

Congratulations to our winners from the January Get Together!! Kim Pommier won the \$10 membership draw this month. Carol Redd won 1st place of \$20, Dean Hedger won 2nd place of \$12 and Donita Nardi won 3rd place of \$8.

Thank you to all who participated at the January Gathering.

I want to thank Jack Redd for doing a great job selling tickets at our January Gathering!! If it wasn't for Jack selling our tickets and our wonderful members purchasing our 50/50 tickets, we wouldn't have the opportunity to do the fun events that we do each year.

Luanne Williams
KY District/Chapter G Treasurer



Rider Education

Have you ever purchased a product that indicated “some assembly required”, like a small table or computer desk? How was your experience with putting it together? Most of these items include some sort of instruction manual, a materials list, and maybe even a list of tools required (usually a considerably basic list) to help you through the process. Reading the manual through before starting the assembly is always recommended so you can prepare and be informed for what is required.

Usually the first page (or pages) is dedicated to the warnings and dangers associated with use of the product. I was once told that for every warning message listed in the manual, or on a sticker on the product, there has been some legal action taken against the manufacturer. These warnings are usually considered “common sense” by many people but are still important to know. And repetition is a terrific way to learn.

Some manuals are nothing but pictures; two-dimensional likenesses of the parts with arrows indicating how the items are to be put together. Other manuals may include some words or sentences about the assembly, while still others go into complete detail and give advance warning about an otherwise unforeseen hurdle to help you bring the parts together smoothly. The best instruction sets in my opinion use pictures and words and offer links to videos so one can see the actual assembly performed.

After finishing your project and admiring your accomplishment, have you ever wondered what the author of the manual was thinking? What were the thought process behind the document that was produced for you and everyone else who would buy the product? Did they build the item themselves before (or during) the writing of the manual? Was your success in assembly based on the instructions or on your experience?

Operating a motorcycle is similar in many ways I think to assembling furniture. There are many steps involved in a successful ride. And while the motorcycle comes with an owner’s manual and maybe a list of basic accessories, the bike is only the tool we use to assemble the successful ride. There is no manual for your commute to work, or the ride to dinner. And even though we may take the same path for each of these rides over and over, each experience can be new and different, because so many variables exist that can change from day to day. Assembling a good ride will only be as successful as the experience we bring with us.

As members of GWRRA we are fortunate to have a reliable source of information and others’ experience in the Rider Education Program. The classes, seminars, and on-bike training opportunities often come with documents that include both pictures and words, and sometimes even links to videos we can watch. They will provide the opportunity to learn the skills and knowledge to help you “write the manual” for your next ride.

Rick Artmayer
KY District Educator



Awards

Chapter G emerged from the Covid Quarantine to have another busy and successful year in 2021.

Thanks to the hard work of our Chapter Directors and the Ride Coordinators we had 69 events. There were 19 Ice Cream Rides and 8 Special Events. We visited other Kentucky Chapters 14 times, participated in 3 district events and Wing Ding. The Benham Schoolhouse visit was a big hit for those who attended.

The person who attended more events than anyone else was Rick Cridlin. Overall attendance was 1,038 members.

Chuck and Judy Norris are planning another busy schedule for this year, so get ready to ride.

*Gary, Darlene, Michelle &
Raven Heil
Awards Coordinator*



Social Secretary

Chapter G would like to wish a very Happy Birthday and a Happy Anniversary to our members who are celebrating in the month of February.

If you have a birthday or anniversary in February that I have missed, please contact me so I can update my roster.

Birthdays

2/3 Peggy Thornton
2/17 Carol Redd
2/23 Robbie Feldkamp
2/24 Tom Dierig

Anniversaries

2/9/75 Kayla & Ron Hudson

If you have any information that needs to be passed on to your Chapter G family, please contact me at: social@chapterg.org or phone me at **(859) 534-1018**.

*Rena Hobbs
Social Secretary*



Ride Coordinator's Report

January has come to an end and we are starting February with hopes of Spring's arrival. We recently meet with Randy, Kim and Donita to discuss the schedule for the rest of the year's events. We chose some of the suggestions, started setting dates and making calls to get lodging as necessary for the overnight trips.

We have assigned diners for the dinner events and will be making reservations as necessary. We hope that Covid will not impede our plans. We are working on getting the info on the website and hopefully by the time you read this most of the new Information will be loaded before you are reading this.

We also have a few things that we are trying to find time and space to add to the calendar. We are trying to do more day rides and looking for days to do them. We know everyone is not retired and there may be some weekday rides that you might like to do and not be available. I will apologize now for those who may not get to go but your day will come.

Covid is still here and things will be scheduled as best as we can but still have the possibility of having to be cancelled as restrictions come and go. In 2021 I missed a lot of ice cream rides and I want to thank those that helped and led rides. Ice cream rides are open to be led by anyone that wants to lead a ride. There is one requirement you need to have communications with the group and your tail. You need to keep the ride between 60 and 75 minutes. We have lost our DQ in Walton to closure; suggestions of new locations are welcome.

Reminder to everyone please make sure you get signed up for dinner events at the meetings or call Chuck or Judy to get on the list so we can make arrangements for the proper number. We can no longer just have people show up.



Chapter G Ride Schedule



February 2022

- **1st— Chapter Get-together**—American Legion Post 4, 8385 US-42, Florence, KY 41042. Social 6:30pm meeting starts at 7pm.
- **2nd— Ground Hog Day**
- **12th—Dinner Event** — This month we will be doing a Pot Luck at The Lookout Farm Community Building, on Lookout Farm Dr., Lakeside Park. This is off Dixie Hgwy. Please sign up at the meeting with what you will be bringing. There will be activities.
- **14th — Happy Valentines Day!**
- **19th — Dinner Ride — TBD**
- **21st — Presidents Day**
- **22nd — Coordinators Meeting — TBD**

March 2022

- **1st— Chapter Get-together**—American Legion Post 4, 8385 US-42, Florence, KY 41042. Social 6:30pm meeting starts at 7pm.
- **12th—Dinner Ride** – TBD
- **13th—Day Light Savings time change** Spring Forward.
- **17th—St. Patrick's Day**
- **20th - First day of Spring**
- **26th— GWRRA 101 Workshop**—More details to follow. This explains how GWRRA works.
- **29th— Coordinators meetings**—TBD

April 2022

- **5th— Chapter Get-together**—American Legion Post 4, 8385 US-42, Florence, KY 41042. Social 6:30pm meeting starts at 7pm.
- **6th — Ice Cream Ride** — Ride begin, weather permitting.

- **9th — Dinner Ride** — TBD
- **17th— EASTER SUNDAY**
- **26th— Coordinator Meeting**—TBD
- **28th — Tennessee GWRRA Spring Fling**— Thursday April 28th—Saturday 30th. Ramsey Hotel and Convention Center, 3230 Parkway, Pigeon Forge, TN. More information at www.gwrrant.org/training-events

Please be sure to visit the website for current ride schedule — [www.chapterg.org/ride schedule](http://www.chapterg.org/ride%20schedule)

Historical Highlights

**Congratulations to those who are celebrating their February
Chapter G Anniversaries**

1989—Dreama & Bert Hanlin

**1990—Ray & Kathy
Conrad**

1992—Paul Hartke

**2003—Jack Redd
2005—Carol Redd**

2005—WC & Joyce Quire

**2005—Charles & Peggy
Thornton**

20019—William Dorsey

Pins and Patches

This New Year has seen some changes in our coordinators. John Keiter has relinquished his role as the Pins and Patches guy and I have taken on this task. I thank you John for your years of making sure we have shirts, pins and patches and I hope to live up to your legacy.

With that being said, I now have the box with the patches and pins so if you need anything please let me know. There are some vintage patches in the box so if anyone is interested in purchasing one of those, I have them. I also have the Kentucky Counties patch that you can fill in as your ride in the counties of Kentucky. Other than the change over there isn't much else going on this month.

Thanks for giving me this opportunity and call or email or see me at a meeting for any of your needs.



*Judy Norris
Pins-n-Patches*

Newsletter Editor

It's time to sign-up to sponsor a month of the newsletter for 2022. It's only \$10 per month. The 2022 Sponsor Theme will be — Whatever Floats your Boat! So, you can submit whatever is on your mind — Tips, trips, family, grandkids, kids, pets, etc.

If you have an item for sale that you would like to include in the newsletter, please send me a picture, price and info.

We continue to acknowledge a "G" member each month in the newsletter. This acknowledgement can be about a recent accomplishment, graduation, course completed, etc. Please send the information and be sure to include pictures.

This newsletter is published to keep our members informed about Chapter G. If there is anything you wish to see in the newsletter, that is currently not appearing, please let me know and we will take it into consideration.

*Mary Eicher
Newsletter Editor
2022 COY*



Dreaming of riding season. Is it Spring yet?

*John Eicher
2022 COY*

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NEXT GET-TOGETHER: Tuesday 2/1/22—American Legion, Post 4, 8355 US-42, Florence, KY 41042. Gather at 6:30pm. Meeting at 7pm.

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