



Chapter B SunSphere Wings Knoxville Tennessee April 2024 Newsletter



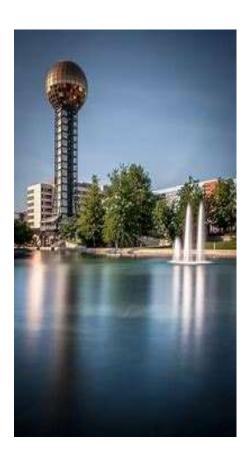


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Sunsphere Wings In Knoxville, Tennessee

Home of the 1982 Worlds Fair Now Charter members of the Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association



Join us the First Tuesday each month at Shoney's Restaurant 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN 37716, Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Just north of Knoxville, Ph. 865-494-7295 Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM

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## Stanley & Patty Rinehart Chapter B Directors





Well riding season is officially here, with tree's starting to bloom and the arrival of warm weather we have our 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter ride set for the 20<sup>th</sup>, this will be a ride to Lilly Bluff which I will be leading and looking forward to. Hopefully everyone has got their maintenance done and is ready to ride. We have always enjoyed getting out and going for a ride but it has always meant so much more to be able to do it in a group setting. You have always heard the saying that it's not the journey but the destination but in this case it's not the journey or the destination but the people that you take the journey with, Chapter rides have always been more enjoyable for me and Patty as we really enjoy the people that we ride with and we always have a good time, the same could be said about event's and rally's also and we have a big one coming up this month, the 2<sup>nd</sup> EWMA Tennessee District rally, or as we call it Spring Fling. The District team has put together what is shaping up to be one of the best in a few years and we are really excited to get the show going and hopefully we have a good turn out of Chapter B people there because just like making a ride fun it will make the rally fun as well. Remember when you go you only get out of it what you are willing to put into it, if you go looking for a fun time then a fun time is what you'll have and you also get the chance to catch up with some old friends that you haven't seen in a while. I still have not received the official itinerary but did cover a lot of the event's at last month's meeting and speaking of meetings our April meeting will be in a smaller room as there was a scheduling conflict so they will have the curtain pulled cutting the room in half but I have been assured that this will be the last time. As always I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Stanley and Patty



## **Assistant Directors**



Rick and Deniese James Chapter B Assistant Directors



March went out like a lamb. Thank goodness spring is in the air, hopefully we don't see any snow in April. Spring Fling is just a few weeks away. Hope to see a good turnout from the Tennessee Bee's. This is the second annual Tennessee District Rally, so let's get out there and support them. It is in Johnson City again this year, so it is close by for us. Not too late to get your registrations sent in.

The ride schedule is coming together, thank you Wally for your work on this. Hopefully everyone will be able to participate as much as possible. Seems like the older we get the busier we are. According to dictionaries, **retirement** involves permanently leaving the workforce. Well, that hasn't happened yet. I think I am busier now than when I worked full time. Our Chapter picnic is coming up soon. That is always a good time and, of course, some good eating.

As always, go Vols and go WV Mountaineers. See everyone Tuesday at the meeting.







## Happy Trails - For the Love of Potholes!

I grew up in Saskatchewan, Canada and the first 6 years of my life were in Saskatoon. Up in the 'Great White North' the road pavement undergoes tremendous temperature swings along with rain and snow and all of that together deteriorates pavement and inevitably creates potholes. One day in Saskatoon a local radio station humorously posted a contents asking their listeners to describe the biggest pothole in the city. One listener called in and said that at a certain intersection there was a pothole so big he saw a periscope sticking out of it! He won! Riding a motorcycle/trike has its share of risks but one of the most common is hitting a pothole big encough to cause severe damage to your bike and, in some cases, causing you to wreck. Here are some tips to follow when riding to help avoid potholes.

- **Stay Vigilant**: The first and foremost rule for handling potholes is to stay vigilant. Keep a keen eye on the road ahead, scanning for any irregularities or obstacles, including potholes. Paying attention to the road surface can give you crucial seconds to react and maneuver safely around potholes.
- **Maintain a Safe Following Distance**: Maintaining a safe following distance from the vehicle in front of you is essential for two reasons. Firstly, it gives you more time to react to any sudden obstacles such as potholes. Secondly, if the vehicle ahead encounters a pothole and swerves to avoid it, you'll have enough space to adjust your own path without the risk of collision.
- **Slow Down**: Reducing your speed when approaching potholes is crucial for maintaining control and stability. High speeds increase the severity of impact if you hit a pothole and decrease the time available for you to react. Gradually decrease your speed as soon as you spot a pothole ahead, allowing for a smoother and safer maneuver around it.
- **Choose the Best Line**: When faced with a pothole, evaluate your options for the best line to navigate around it. Ideally, aim to go around the pothole rather than over it. Assess the traffic around you and choose a safe path that allows you to maintain control of your motorcycle while avoiding the hazard.
- **Use Correct Body Positioning**: If you can't avoid a pothole and will have to hit it you can increase your chances of surviving it by using proper body positioning which will help you maintain stability and control when navigating potholes. Shift your weight slightly back on the seat and grip the handlebars firmly while keeping your

We have our share of potholes in the Knoxville area so let's all follow these tips and make sure we don't encounter that pothole periscope the hard way! Happy Trails!

Scott







## Technical Coordinator: Chris Harden







## Tires Part 2

Over the last 4 years I have been researching different motorcycle tires from Kenda to Michelin and this is some of my findings let's start with Kenda the bottom of the barrel pros it will hold air cons very noisy tire and wont grip in wet weather it doesn't ware good. Metzeler that is a good middle of the road tire price wise about the same as a Dunlop it is a quite tire but seems to ware fast on a Goldwing it doesn't have a great enough weight rating to carry a bike and 2 people up. Bridgestone tires are a very quite tire and handle the weight well and handle well in the wet weather but ware fast they are a soft compound tire so don't expect more than 7000 miles out of it. Dunlop tires have evolved and are a great quality and do well in wet weather and carry a good load you can expect to get about 8-9000 miles out of them but like Metzeler you can expect to pay 250 per tire on a average for them. Now one of my favorite Shinko tires I have been running them on my personal bike and I use 890 touring tire it is designed to vary more weight than any of the other tires I have been testing and is a very safe tire even in wet weather and I finally changed my set out at 11000 miles and still had life left in them . Michelin tires are another high quality tire it ware well and holds the weight well and there again you can only get about 8000 mils a set out of them the do well in wet weather and are the most expensive of the tires costing on average 3-350per tire. my summary is for the most part most of the tires are good some better than others in one way or another the main thing on motorcycles is proper inflation this will help any tire ware more even and last longer.

## Chris Harden





## Chapter B over the Years

### Article By: Tom Peck

Been thinking a lot about our newsletter and thought a monthly article about Chapter B's history or past activities might be a good filler for Stanley to use each month. It is so important for all of us members here in Chapter B to contribute as much as possible to our newsletter. Below is a picture of Chapter B's entry in the talent show at Spring Fling 2002, from left to right Chapter Director Clay Tumlin, Diane Davis, Gary Davis, Jackie & Brad Kennon, Carta & Wayne Smith, Kathy & Tom Peck. The theme that year was Hawaiian Luau, if I'm not mistaken, we got first place. Picture on the right was a 60's theme in 2010 Spring Fling, the girls had their poodle skirts on as we played the "Honeycomb" song and danced around the stage. Left to right, Gary & Diane Davis, Chuck & Pat Talley, Terry & Carol Lockwood, Kathy & Tom Peck, Bill & Merrilee DeGuire with Scott & Amy Seal in the front. All about fun and being a little silly! All the matching Shirts were looking Good!









Send us your For Sale items or Wanted to Buy items. Pictures and a full description with price always helps.

2 motorcycle coats size XL and small for \$50;
2 Harley jackets size XL tall and small for \$60;
2 Harley rain suits size 2 XL and medium for \$50.
I have a couple of pictures if anyone is interested.
See Diane Skeens



## EWMA District Rallies in Region 'A'

March 13, 14, 15, 2025 EWMA Florida District Rally "Roaring 20's Ride" Gainesville, Florida

April 25, 26, 27, 2024 EWMA Tennessee District Rally "Spring Fling Banjos & BBQ" Johnston City, Tennessee

May 17, 18, 2024 EWMA South Carolina District Rally "Red, White, Blue - Home Town Rally" Newberry, South Carolina

June 13, 14, 15, 2024 Combo Georgia District/Region 'A' Rally "Ride-In Rally - Red, White, Blue" Dillard, Georgia

> June 27, 28, 29, 2024 EWMA Alabama District Rally "50's Sock Hop" Sheffield, Alabama

September 20, 21, 2024 EWMA North Carolina District Rally "Wings Over the Smokies" Brown Summit, North Carolina

October 24, 25, 26, 2024 EWMA Mississippi District Rally "Born to be Wild" Biloxi, Mississippi

June 21, 22, 2024 EWMA International Ride-In "Mountain-Rides, Pie, BBQ" Loveland, Colorado

August 29, 30, 31, 2024 EWMA Rendezvous 2 "Vendors, Rides, Eats, Good-Times" Green Bay, Wisconsin



## RALLY RIDES

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> RIVERFRONT SEAFOOD, KINGSPORT MAPLE GROVE RESTAURANT, UNICOI LUNCH RIDES DURING THE RALLY

GAMES/EVENTS DURING THE RALLY

ROOK TOURNAMENT BIKE GAMES CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

## GUIDED RIDES (TBA at the raily)

Please don't forget to thank our hosts!



## Thank you, KD Cycle



of door prizes to our 2023 rally For your generous contribution



care of our 2023 rally guests For going out of your way to take

# A few restaurants near the Host Hotel

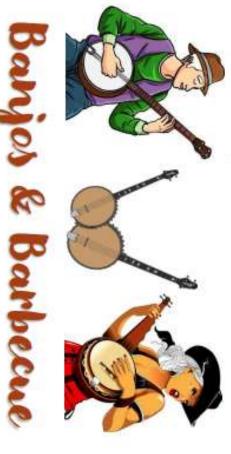








## **Fennessee District EWMA Rally** "Spring Fling" April 25-27, 2024



HOST HOTEL



101 West Springbrook Drive, Johnson City, TN 37604

Reservations: (423) 282-4611

dine-In breakfast buffet. Pet Friendly rooms are available @ \$25+tax per night & non-refundable Includes complimentary Wi-Fi, a fitness Room, laundry, and a \$14.95 Mention Eagle Wings for rate of \$114 a night, tax not included

prevailing rates date will be accepted by the hotel on a space available basis at the EWMA rate expires 31 March 2024 - any reservations made after this



Bob Mack 1470 River Rd	SignatureDate
Mail entire registration with check/money order (NO cash) to:	SignatureDate
Please make payment to: TN EWMA	any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by any reason by participating in this EWMA rally.
TN EWMA is not responsible for pre-ordered rally shirts that are not picked up from the vendor during the rally.	We agree to hold harmless EWMA, the co-sponsoring organization and
	All registrants must sign
Registration Grand Total \$	Liability Release
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Polo Shint S, M, L, XL- \$22; 2XL & up - \$26 Size Quantity Amount \$	<ul> <li>One Grand Prize ticket included for each pre-registration. First Grand Prize drawing is \$750, second place is \$500</li> </ul>
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RALLY SHIRT ORDERS Short Sleeve Tee S, M, L, XL- \$16; 2XL & up - \$19 SizeQuantityAmount \$	<ul> <li>NOTE: No refunds after 15 April 2024 without the District Director's approval. All refunds are subject to a \$15 handling fee.</li> </ul>
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Saturday Night Barbecue Dinner Buffet & Show \$36 per person x = \$	CityStateZip
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EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION Eagle Win	2nd Annual Rally Aug 29th – Aug 31st 2024 Hyatt Regency Green Bay, WI					
Take a Scavenger Hunt ride to Green Bay, WI and join your friends a vous! We'll have vendors, FUN, presentations, FUN, guest speakers, awesome guided and self guided rides to explore beautiful WI Plan for FUN!!! Daily 50/25/25 On Bike Games Door Prizes Guest Speakers & Presentations Bike & Light Show First Aid/CPR Class Vendors, Including Motorcycle stuff, Bling & Chrome GRAND PRIZE and MYSTERY CASH				s, FUN, games, FUN, on bike games, FUN, and		
GRAND 50/25/15/10				All pre-registrations must be received by August 3, 2024		
Registration Fees (onsite \$10 more) EWMA Members Non Members Day Passes-available for purchase on site	<u>Cost</u> \$40 \$50	<u>Qtv</u>	<u>Total</u> \$ \$	Make Checks payable to EWMA Mail completed forms to: <u>EWMA</u> Patti ONeill 2125 Meander Prescott AZ 86305 For further information Contact: Patti ONeill Email: ewmacfo@gmail.com Phone 408-639-0415 \$15.00 fee on all cancellations No refunds after Aug 5th 2024		
Light Dinner on Thursday Night Dinner on Saturday Night First Aid/CPR—Friday Tickets—addition to comped	\$25 \$40 \$25 <u>Cost</u>	 	\$ \$ \$ <u>Total</u>			
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. You can access a membership application from our tn-b.org web site. Please contact Stanley if you need any assistance completing your application for the EWMA

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## Cappy Unniversary

## Birthdays

Debbie Rhoads 4/12 Barbara Sowder 4/18 John Thompson 4/8

## Anniversary

Deniese & Rick James 4/18







Ride Coordinator : Wally Maliskey

April

<u>**2**</u><sup>*nd*</sup> ..... Regular meeting (start picnic menu) (also Jerry C to collect money for ball game will post price's when I receive the info)

**<u>20th</u>** .....Lilly Bluff Ride...Stan to lead and TBA on info....

<u>25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup></u> ..... Spring Fling in Johnson City....info on website and newsletter

May

4<sup>th</sup> ..... Cherohala Skyway Ride, led by Scott W....TBA on where when and food.....

7<sup>th</sup> .... Regular meeting

11<sup>th</sup>..... Natural Tunnel Ride, Stan to lead, TBA on info

<u>17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup></u> ..... Steak Out, info soon....





Always Check the Chapter Web Site for the most updated details

www.tn-b.org (Ride Schedule)





"Chapter Visitation"





Chapter A2 meets the **3rd Monday** each month at Shoney's 1021 Lamar Alexander Pkwy Maryville, Eat at 6pm Meeting at 7pm. Chapter Directors Todd & Melanie Freeman 865-963-1051

## Chapter A

Last SaturdayEat @ 9:00am / Meet @ 10:00am Golden Corrall315 Old Lebanon Dirt Rd Hermitage, TN CD Troy & Vickie Hurt (**615-351-6629**)

Chapter O

Ist Tuesday Eat @ 6:00pm / Meet @ 7:00pm Gondolier Rest 3300 Keith St NW Cleveland, TN CD Shane @ Amanda McAmis (<u>423-310-5903</u>)

## Chapter S

3rd Saturday Eat @ 1:00pm / Meet @ 2:00pm Junbo & Delicious Shopping center at corner of Imperial Dr & Rockland Rd Henderson, TN CD Grant & Carol Bottomley (<u>615-337-8386</u>)

## Chapter Y

3rd Saturday Eat @ 9:00am / Meet @ 10:00am Trunity United Methodist Church 2303 Jones Blvd Murfreesboro, TN CD Wesley & Cindy Neal (<u>615-668-4448</u>)

### Chapter Z

2nd Saturday Eat @ 10:00am / Meet @ 11:00am AMERICAN LEGION HALL 119 N Park St. Hohenwald, TN CD Bill Archaer(<u>615-504-3068)</u>

> LET'S GO SHOPPING! See the "Quarter Master"

Deniese James richanddejames@yahoo.com

See Denise for shirts or patches







Chapter **B** meets the **1st Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's** Clinton Exit 122 off I-75 North Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm. Call Tom & Merrilee Peck 423-494-9818

Chapter **M** meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month. Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 6:30 pm.. Chapter M meets at Shoney's 1100 Highway 321 Lenoir City, just off I-75 exit 81, CD Brian Richards 865-249-6173



Chapter C meets the **3rd Tuesday** each month at Randall's Restaurant Hwy 11W and 120 Old Union Rd, Church Hill TN Eat at 5:30 and the Gathering starts at 6:30. Tom & Carolyn Jarrell 423-383-0339

Chapter X Meeting TBD CD John McComsey (731-336-4407)







Visit our web site and follow the links to join this new and exciting association now that our GWRRA association closed down its operations.

Forward your membership numbers to Stanley after you receive them from National as we build our member roster moving forward with our membership drawing at each chapter meeting.





## Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association Team Structure

This is intended only as an example as to what we have envisioned how this new Association would look like.

## CEO/ President

## International Team:

Vice President of Operations, Vice President of Safety/Ride Coordinator, Vice President of Finance and Vice President of Special Operations

## **Regional Team:**

Regional Director, Regional Safety/Ride Coordinator, Regional Treasurer

## District Team:

District Director, District Safety/Ride Coordinator, District Treasurer

## Chapter Team:

Chapter Director, Chapter Safety/Ride Coordinator, Chapter Treasurer

The Directors would be appointed by the Director above them and the Director would appoint their own Team with approval of the Team above them, like the Chapter SRC would be appointed by the CD with approval of the DSRC and so on.