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GWRRRA SunSphere Wings Chapter B Knoxville Tennessee April 2020 Newsletter

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Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM
**Due to the Pandemic we will be doing our regularly scheduled meeting
using Zoom technology. Check your email for your invite!***



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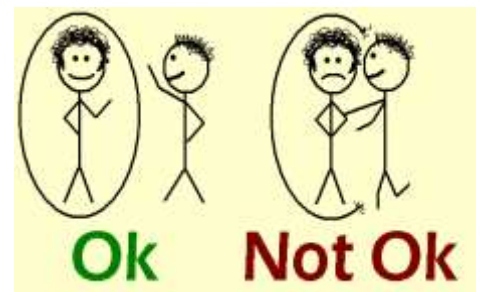


Hi Everyone,

Hope you all are abiding by all the mandates we have coming from our State and National officials. One bright note is for sure, if you can't get out due to sheltering in, guess what? You are saving a lot of \$\$\$\$\$. Of course that depends if you can stay off the online shopping. Just a little pun.

During the last couple weeks many from our chapter have been doing some practicing on the video conferencing program Zoom. Our plans are now to go ahead with our Chapter Meeting only difference will be doing via Zoom Call. You will receive an email with a invite to join our meeting. Just follow the directions I'll have in the email and we will see you at same time on the same day as our regular meeting next Tuesday evening at 7pm. Join us if you can.

We will be in touch as we progress through these difficult times . All activities associated with GWRRA have been cancelled until further notice. Make sure to check the national web site for info on the Wing Ding schedule, this event is still scheduled as of this date.



Assistant Chapter Directors



Well it's been a couple of months since I have seen everyone and with the state of everything going on, I'm not sure when we will all meet again. Tom has been working with Zoom and trying to get everyone involved so we can at least see each other and discuss things over our computer or smart phone. I just did my first Zoom meeting the other night and this thing worked great. There is a lot of uncertainties going on in the world right now with Covid-19 but hopefully everything will start to get back to normal before long. Now is the time to get caught up on all your home chores and to get your bike ready so as soon as things get better, we will be ready to ride. It was with great disappointment to learn that Spring Fling and Roan Mt. Steak Out had been canceled, we really had been looking forward to them but my hat is off to the ones that made the right (and I'm sure hard decision) not to have it. It also has been sad to have some of our own events cancelled but they were all the right calls also. Patty and I have missed getting to see everyone and look forward to our next gathering. Till then our prayers are that all stay safe and healthy and that an end to this Pandemic is coming soon.

Stanley & Patty

Stanley



Happy Trails



April usually kicks off our riding season with Spring Fling, group rides, dinner rides, and other activities that we usually do as a group. But now, in light of the current situation, we are being told to stay away from each other and stay at home. We all understand that this will help in preventing the spread of the virus, but on a nice day I'd like to think that getting your bike out for a solo ride would be beneficial to melt away Cabin Fever Part 2. Just be careful to try not to engage with others too closely while out on your ride. Up until a few weeks ago I don't think the term "Social Distancing" even existed. If you need to get gas for your bike (or your car) try to have a disposable glove to handle the gas pump nozzle for your protection.

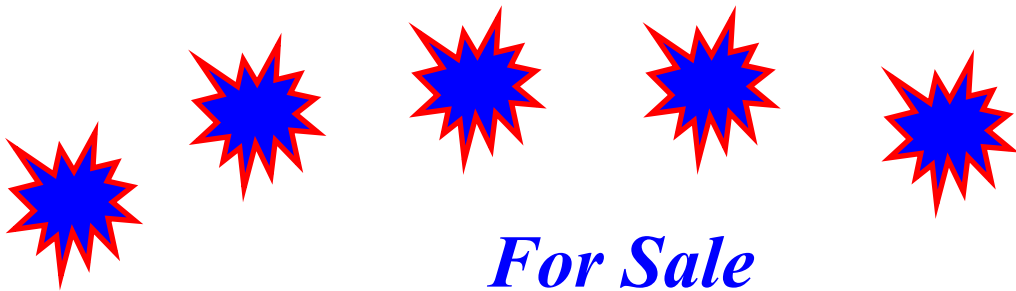
At the time that I'm writing this, we're NOT on a complete lockdown order, but remember to exercise caution everytime you leave the house, and comply with any locally mandated orders for your safety.

Also, with the uncertainty of the summer baseball season, all plans for the Chapter B Smokies game night out have been put on hold. Hopefully we'll return to normal soon.

Until next time, ride safer

Jerry





For Sale



2 New, never worn women's medium & Large Tour master jackets only \$100 ea.

Contact:

Emily- 865-938-8223

Joann- 423-912-0269



Heel to toe shifter and foot pegs by Kuryakyn with extensions. \$200.00

The heated seat and back rest from my 08. \$700.00

or best offer, Thanks Roy

865-426-6645



Other items for Sale



Ultimate seat For Sale It fits first generation GL1800's 2001-2010. It's not heated but will fit a trike with an extra gas tank, rain cover included, and backrest \$600, see me at the meeting ,

Contact Jerry Ciesla



Tech Day 2020
March 28th 2020



Cancelled



Spring Fling 2021

38th Annual Tennessee District
“Spring Fling” April 30 May
1&2, 2021 Pigeon Forge, TN
Hillbilly Hoe Down



HOST HOTEL

Evergreen Parkway For night Wed rate. This is activities to Smoky Mountain Lodge and Convention Center 4010 Reservations Call 865-453-1823 Rates Start at \$88.00 / thru Sat. Be sure to mention GWRRA to get the special the Host Hotel and the location for the vendors and all ac- include the Talent Show and Closing

Additional Host Hotels The following hotels are each part of SMOKY MOUNTAIN RESORTS Reservations for any one of them can be made by calling their reservation center at 1-800-523-3919.

COUNTRY CASCADES 204 Sharon Drive Rates starting at \$95.00 per night

CREEKSTONE INN 4034 River Road S. Rates starting at \$88.00 per night

Visit the Chapter B's web site at www.tn-b.org for registration forms and other in-

Chapter B will be having a raffle this year giving away a brand new 38 revolver. Pictured below is a Smith & Wesson 38 Special revolver, satin finish stainless steel. We will be selling tickets for \$5.00 each or you can purchase 5 tickets for \$20.00 The drawing will be held at our Sept 8th Chapter meeting at Shoney's. You can't win if you don't buy a ticket. See one of our members to purchase your tickets. We always make a contribution to St Jude from our annual fund raising effort.

Sample ticket



Smith & Wesson Model
642
Double Action 38 Special
Satin Stainless Steel Revolver
Drawing Sept 8th 2020
Proceeds Benefits
St. Jude
Winner need Not Be
Present to Win

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

We will have tickets available at our monthly gathering so make sure to pick up at least 1 or 2 books of 10 tickets. Tickets cost \$5 each or 5 for \$ \$20 tickets. We are counting on everyone to make this fund raising effort a huge success. See Tom, Scott or Stanley to sign out your tickets



During these difficult times when we don't get together as often as we would like. Please let me know if you need more tickets. I can drop more tickets for you in the mail. Just call or email me.

Tom

Ride for kids, Birmingham, September 9, 2009, I think this was the gang that was throwing peanuts at the Santa Fe café in Ft Payne for lunch on Sunday.....



Chapter Bee, has been a gracious and giving group of people. We had a great run with Ride for Kids, taking over from Chapter M. I would like to thank the Chapter for helping the PBTF for 12 years I think. Since we have closed that book (Ride for Kids), I have found a sister organization, called Starry Nights. They are more of a walk and run type of thing, which is a PBTF organization. The young lady that is in charge of it is Sarah Hamilton. She has a son Brodie, who is a brain tumor survivor. The Hamilton's are very involved in PBTF/ETCH fundraising. I am helping with any events that I can. So we missed the Smokies chuck a puck night, thru miscommunication but will get them on the schedule for 2021. Our friend Jerry Ciesla, who has been working with Smokies for the last few years, has got a benefit for Starry Night (Knoxville) and East TN Children's Hospital "base a ball" night on July 18th 2020. There will be a tennis ball throw for prizes supplied by the Smokies at the end of the game before the fireworks. We will sell the tennis balls and bag them like we did 2 years ago, we will get help from the Starry Night people, so that they can learn what to do. The funds from the tennis ball throw, 100% will go to the Charity and there we be a \$5 donation for each ticket purchased on the Smokies Website using the "PBTF2020". I believe the website will not be up till March 15th to order your tickets, and remember stay on the 3rd base side so the sun will not be in your eyes most of the game. We will have a flyer up soon so pass around and with Sarah on board we will have her support group to order a bunch more tickets, too. The Starry Night Knoxville event is scheduled for November 15, 2020 at Ijams Nature Center from 3pm to 8pm. They have a 1K fun run/walk and other races, too.

Again, thanks to all the volunteer help and support over the years.

Wally

Cabin in the Smokies



https://www.cabinsofthesmokymountains.com/gatlinburg-cabin-rental/The_Gatlinburg_Lodge.html

It's almost time for Chapter B's get away.

City of Dunwoody
Georgia

Shelter in Place

EFFECTIVE MIDNIGHT MARCH 28, 2020

You can still

- Perform tasks essential to health and safety of households
- Run errands to obtain food and essential supplies
- Go to work at any businesses allowed to stay open
- Go to the doctor or other medical appointment
- Care for a family member or pet in another household
- Walk, bike, run with minimum 6-foot distance from others





“So God Made a Farmer”



And on the 8th day, God looked down on his planned paradise and said, “I need a caretaker”—So God made a Farmer. God said, “I need somebody willing to get up before dawn, milk cows, work all day in the fields, milk cows again, eat supper, then go to town and stay past midnight at a meeting of the school board”—So God made a Farmer. “I need somebody with arms strong enough to rustle a calf and yet gentle enough to deliver his own grandchild; somebody to call hogs, tame cantankerous machinery, come home hungry, have to wait lunch until his wife’s done feeding visiting ladies, then tell the ladies to be sure and come back real soon — and mean it”—So God made a Farmer. God said, “I need somebody willing to sit up all night with a newborn colt, and watch it die, then dry his eyes and say, ‘Maybe next year.’ I need somebody who can shape an ax handle from a persimmon sprout, shoe a horse with a hunk of car tire, who can make harness out of haywire, feed sacks and shoe scraps; who, planting time and harvest season, will finish his forty-hour week by Tuesday noon, and then pain’n from tractor back, put in another seventy-two hours”—So God made a Farmer. God had to have somebody willing to ride the ruts at double speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain clouds, and yet stop in mid-field and race to help when he sees the first smoke from a neighbor’s place—So God made a Farmer. God said, “I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bails, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark.” It had to be somebody who’d plow deep and straight and not cut corners; somebody to seed, weed, feed, breed and rake and disc and plow and plant and tie the fleece and strain the milk and replenish the self-feeder and finish a hard week’s work with a five-mile drive to church; somebody who would bale a family together with the soft strong bonds of sharing, who would laugh, and then sigh, and then reply, with smiling eyes, when his son says that he wants to spend his life “doing what dad does” —So God made a Farmer.

zoom

Video Conferencing

During these difficult times the focus is on sheltering in place and social distancing is common place Many of you are familiar with the video conferencing program Zoom Meeting.

Lots of schools and businesses are using this great tool to be able to continue on with their school work and their business.

You might want to get on your computer and do some searching for Zoom Meeting so you can get informed and even download the program so if you get a chance to use the zoom call you might be better to hop right in. There are a few tools and buttons you need to check that turns on your video camera or your audio (speakers) sometimes it appears as a image of a microphone; it might have a red line through the speaker. Just click on the speaker image and it will turn it on. Just takes a little playing around to get used to using it.. Use your laptop or Ipad or tablet, even works on your smart phone. You will show up on everyone's screen so this would be a good time to have your clothes on !!

If you have questions about this you might want to ask your grandkids, they will know how it works and be able help you out.

Chapter B will be using this great tool to be able to visit and see everyone from time to time.

Good luck see you online one day. REMEMBER: Next ZOOM MEETING Tuesday 7:00 pm

Tom

APRIL 6, 2020



DATE	DESTINATION	RIDE CAPTAIN
5/9	Farmer's Daughter Chucky, Tn	David Underwood
5/15-16	Roan Mountain Steak Out	
5/23	Shoneys 134 to Harrogate to Corbin Bubby's to eat	Bill Sowder
5/30	Chapter B Picnic Norris Dam State Park Shelter	
6/6	Waterfall Ride	Chris Harden
6/13	Hot Springs, NC Smoky Mt. Diner (great breakfast) In Horse (also good food)	Jerry Ridinger
6/19	Smokies Ballgame	Jerry Ciesla
6/20	Bell Buckle Tn. RC Moon Pie Festival	Dave Roberts
6/27	Wheels through Time	
6/30	Wing Ding Springfield Mo. 6/30-7/4	Tom Peck
7/4		
7/11	Brushy Mountain Prison	Sam Queener
7/18	Blue Ridge Parkway Harbor Inn Asheville, NC Meal	Jerry Ridinger
7/25		
8/1	Tellico Visitors Center (good telephone museums)	Jerry Ciesla
8/8	Sequoia Museum	Jerry Ciesla
8/15-16	Barber Museum	
8/22-23	Boone, NC Daniel Boone family style breakfast Overnight	Jerry Ridinger
8/29	Foothills Pkwy dining at Calhoun's Lenoir City	Kyle Beeler
9/5	Michigan Ridge	Wally Malinsky
9/12	Gray Tn. Fossil museum (live dig sign)	David Underwood
9/18-19	Stone Mountain Georgia Overnight	Jerry Ridinger
9/26	Chatsworth, Ga (can tie this in with Stone Mt. above)	Wally Malinsky
10/3	Irwin, Tn Covered Bridge	Jerry Ridinger
10/10	Cherokee Skyway	Chris Harden
10/17	Train Depot Niota, TN	Dave Roberts
10/22-25	Way 77 Noah's Ark and Creation Museum Kentucky 2 Overnights	Wally Malinsky
10/31	Helen, Ga	Robert Burnett



"Chapter Visitation"



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 423-907-9712 / 423-494-9818

Chapter **A2** meets the **3rd Monday** each month at Shoney's 1021 Lamar Alexander Pkwy Maryville, Eat at 6pm Meeting at 7pm. Chapter Directors Bob Mack Jr. and Margie Pagano 865-376-5090.

Chapter **M** meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month. Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm.. Chapter M meets at 550 Fort Loudon Medical Center Dr in Lenoir City. CD Brian & Loretta Richards 865-249-6173

Chapter **T** meets the **4th Saturday** Each month at the Golden Corral 6621 Clinton Hwy 37921 Eat at 9:00 am/Meet at 10:00 am CD: Lee Ann & Wilburn Hayes 423-497-2945

Chapter **F** meets the **3rd Thursday** Golden Corral, 2905 West Andrew Johnson Highway, Morristown, TN 37814. Eat 6:30 pm/Meet 7:30 pm CD Gene & Donna Dunn 631-848-9435

Lets go Visit!

Chapter **C** meets the **3rd Tuesday** each month at Bob Evans, I-26 Boone's Creek Exit, Kingsport, Eat at 6:00pm and start the Gathering at 7:00pm. TN Tom & Carolyn Jarrell 423-383-0339

Chapter **C2** meets the 3rd **Thursday** at Eat at 6:30 pm The new place is Ruby Tuesdays, 2316 N Main St, Crossville, TN. Meeting at 7:00 pm Chapter Director is Randy Ryan. 985-201-3791

New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat Place your Order with Pat Talley



Give me a call, email me or see you at the next meeting **INVENTORY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:**
Tennessee visitation pins (Shape of State).....\$4.00 ea.



- TN-B Hanger Bars 2.00
- Red/ White 4" GWRRA Patch 6.00
- Black/Gold 4" GWRRA Patch..... 6.00
- Black/Gold 10" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00
- Red/White 10" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00
- Blue & Red District Patch 5.00
- TN District Pin 4.00

Chapter B 25 Year Patch.....Free to Chapter B members

We can order so many more goodies - such as - a GWRRA Mouse Pad for your computer, GWRRA Ball Caps in various colors, Coasters, Earrings, Logo Vest Clip Chains, License Plates, Bolo Ties, Happy Face Antenna Ball - and so much more (just too much to list here).



LET'S GO SHOPPING!

See the "Quarter Master"

Pat Talley

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Happy Birthday

- April 1 Priscilla Bruce*
- April 8 Diane Johnson*
- April 12 Debbie Rhoads*
- April 12 Lennie Martin*
- April 13 Carolyn Owens*
- April 18 Barbara Sowder*



April 18 Richard-Deniese James