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Wing Ding 42 June 29 – July 3, 2021 Springfield Expo Center in Springfield, Missouri

Visit: www.<u>Wing Ding 42 – The Worlds</u> Largest Touring Motorcyclist Rally



King Bee finally spotted in Pigeon Forge this past weekend



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From Your Senior Chapter B Directors Tom & Merrilee Peck





Jed & Cousin Pearl

Tom & Merrilee And the Spring Fling Gang

Spring Fling is again in the books finally, after not having an event in 2020 due to the pandemic the Tennessee District rally "Spring Fling" kicked off with a huge bang. The new location turned out to be even nicer than we imagined with plenty of parking and open space for vendors. The changing times there has not been good to many vendors presenting their items and services for sale as in years past but I'm sure things will improve as the word get out about this new open space available at our new location, always good to support our Vendors. Thanks to the Ramsey Hotel for providing such a nice place to have our convention.

Chapter B made a rare appearance proving that with a little imagination things can come together and make it a reality and lots of fun. Thanks to all those who made it happen, now the ice has been broken and the hidden talent has become a reality, everyone is already looking forward to next year's skit, never too early to be thinking of Spring Fling 2022, mark your calendars for April 28Th, 29Th and 30th. The weatherman was pretty good to us this year except for a few evening showers. The BBO vendor was a huge hit with really great BBO, and right next to the Ice Cream booth, now that's what I call convenient. Lots of great prizes and would like to send out a big Thank You to Emily for the superb job putting together our Chapter Couple of the Year basket. Should have won that, sure had plenty of tickets. Really looking forward to our upcoming riding season and, now that the Mask mandate has been lifted, our Lifestyle nights out should provide us with many opportunities to get together and do what we love to do best, Ride & Eat!!

Just a few short weeks until our annual Chapter B Picnic at Norris Dam Shelter 2 just east of the Dam towards the campgrounds and Cabins. Thanks to our Picnic planning committee for getting this all set up and put together for all our Chapter B members.

Assistant Chapter Directors







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Jethro & Granny

Well, it seems we are getting a few rides in and Wally has been getting some rides submitted in to him so it is shaping up to be a good riding season. We have had our first life style night out and had a great day and turn out for tech day and before this comes out we will have had spring fling wrapped up and looking forward to the annual Chapter B picnic. There are several rides that have been added to the schedule along with what looks like a nice ride over several days later in the year down to Helen Ga. I want to thank everyone that has stepped up and submitted some really good rides and to the people that have offered to lead a ride if needed. Teamwork goes a long way to making a successful chapter and I think we have a great bunch of people in ours. We have a strong Chapter with some really great people in it, not to mention some great cooks, and even though we may not all see eye to eye all the time we are still family and will always find a way to work it out in the end, and that is what will always make us a great and strong Chapter. I look forward to seeing everyone Tuesday night.

ng Fling 202



Another Spring Fling is in the books and it turned out to be a real nice turn out and a lot of fun. It felt good to get out and see a lot of people that I had not seen in awhile and to have the comradery that you get from going to something with people that have the same passions as you do. For several Chapter B people



it was a mixture of fun and work but I've never had that much fun working. Patty and myself

worked the Rider's ED. Table and game for a while and did some security work Thursday and Friday and had the honor of being Judges in the Bike Light Show Thursday night. We have never been judges in anything like that before and I was really looking forward to it, $_{\Delta}$



Elvis even made an appearance at this years Spring Fling

seems there is a lot more to it than I thought but I had a great time doing it and hope to do



it again. The district team did a great job putting it all together and the new venue was much nicer than the last one with plenty of parking and

Cousin Pearl we sure love them boots!





It was kind of difficult to control the Bee, he kept Buzzing all over the place



Chapter B submitted a Couple of the Year basket and I personally thought it was the best



looking one there. It had a large a lot of goodies inside, I personally want to thank work she put into getting it ready, she does such a wonderful job on

putting these together. As everyone knows chapter B entered into the talent show this year. We put together a Beverly Hillbilly's skit and there were twelve of us that got on



stage with Steve filming the skit for us and I really look forward to seeing it. I can't express how nervous I was going into this as I have never done anything like this before and we didn't even have our first group practice till the night before the show over hot dogs at the



camp site. Everyone did great in practice I think except me and Tom, I don't think we said the same line twice. Friday afternoon they had the sound check so that gave us a chance to

get on stage to see how we were going to set up and then we had our second and last practice before our big moment would come up. Every-

one's costume looked great wreath with it and and when we got to the show that night, I had dive bombers going off in my stomach I was so nervous. As our time ap-Emily for the hard proached and we entered onto the stage all the fear was gone and it went off great, everyone was spot on and even Tom and myself got our lines right.

> We had flower girls, a buzzing Bee and a great guitar picker and singer and a



Cousin Roy and Joyce were on the washboard

good group of people to perform with. Unfortunately, we did not win but that is another story. In the end we had a great time and that made everyone that participated a winner. Next year we will need to start practicing a lot sooner and, speaking of next year, the dates will be April 28/29/30th. After the closing ceremonies we all went back to the campground and had a well-deserved steak dinner. For me and Patty it was our best Spring Fling yet and we look forward to next year.



Jed, Granny, the Flower Girls with the King Bee ,Cousin Joyce & Brother Roy with Cousin Bill on the Strings



Nice to have friends in High places where you can unwind after a long day of rallying. Thanks to Stanley & Patty, Roy & Joyce and Bill & Barbara for sharing their homes away from home. Hot dogs one evening for the practice session then Steaks on the grill after the closing ceremonies and our Beverly Hill-billy production, Jethro & Granny fixed them vittles perfect.



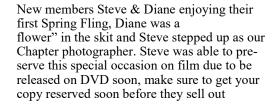
Jethro & Granny you all clean up nice



Spring Fling Campgrounds vittles









Uncle Jed you better get that Chicken to Granny for our vittles



Ellie May what did you do to that hair??? I'm sure Cousin Bill will tell us the real story about that hair





Chapter B Tech Day 2021

Weather and good weather it was. I was concerned that morning as Patty and I started out to Tom's place because it had started sprinkling and not to mention it was cool too. I think the rain lasted all of 5 minutes and then clear skies prevailed. It did keep a little nip in the air most of the day but I would rather have it a little cool as too hot. On our way out I was hoping for a good turn out and as Patty and I pulled up a little after 10AM we were lucky to find somewhere to park as there was a great turnout and when we arrived there was already some serious bike maintenance going on. We had tire mounting, oil changes, safety lighting and even a CB being installed. While work went on in the garage, we had some of the ladies working out a skit we could do at Spring Fling, they came up with some really nice ideas but the crown jewel for me was seeing Peanut in the Bee outfit, and if you have never heard Dave Roberts tell the story about wearing that thing at one of the Wing Dings then you are missing out, ask him sometime about it, it's priceless. Merrilee had the house laid out nicely with plenty of room for everyone to sit and the amount of food laid out was amazing. I would put our Chapter B ladies' cooking up against anyone any time. As lunch got closer, we had Wally out at the grill getting the dogs ready and when the dinner bell rang no one had to be told twice it was time to eat. I am ashamed to say I ate way too much and did I say the food was great, then there were the desserts, and oh man was it good. After lunch we had some waddle back out to the garage while others played card games inside. I don't think there was much more work that went on after that kind of lunch in the garage but there was some good story telling to be had. Like everything it had to come to an end, but it was a fun day all around and I want to thank Tom and Merrilee for hosting a wonderful time for everyone and another great Chapter B Tech Day.

It seemed we were doomed to not have a Tech Day this year. After having to postpone the first one due to rain, it was starting to look like our second attempt was going to get washed out as well but I think Tom willed us some good weather for sure.

Article By: Stanley

























When was the last time you changed yours?????



A Tree in the Memory of Sam





Many gathered on a beautiful day in Tennessee to plant a tree in honor of Sam Queener. Long time member of Chapter B and loving husband of Lynell. A beautiful East Tennessee Dogwood was placed in the back yard at their home in Oak Ridge. Many Chapter B members showed up to help with the planting of the tree. The day provided the oppurtunity to get out on the Bikes and enjoy some much needed fellowship with our Chapter B members.

A special thanks to Emily for her effort in making this special occasion come to life as we Honored Sam Queener who will be missed by all.









Happy Trails









With May here and the weather getting better every day most of us are heading out on rides to our favorite back road destinations whenever possible. Many of us have attended an ARC or TRC course to prepare for the riding season ahead, but many have not for a variety of reasons. We all enjoy those two-lane twisty back roads but did you know that these roads are where the majority of single vehicle motorcycle crashes occur? "Look where you want to go" is good, basic advice. It is simple, easy to understand and helps to correct typical rider errors such as looking down at the road directly in front of the bike or not turning your head to look through a turn.

However, looking where you want to go in and of itself doesn't make you go where you look, precise steering input is needed for that. It is also a part of the SEE-ing (Search-Evaluate-Execute) process needed to successfully negotiate a curve. To SEE effectively in a curve you must continuously assess and evaluate before and during the curve. Things to consider include lane width, surface condition of the road, and other traffic. A head turn helps get the most out of your central vision. As you enter the curve, turn your head in the direction of the curve and move your eyes throughout the intended path. Do not fixate on just one point in the distance or you might miss factors that are important for your safety. You need to scan far and near and side-to-side to give yourself a continuously updated visual picture of your intended path.

Select a lane position for a smooth line through the curve and an appropriate speed so you won't need to brake during the curve whether on 2 or 3 wheels. Increase speed only with the exit to the curve in plain view and with road conditions and traffic being of primary concern.

In closing, don't ride passively in curves. Be an active participant in the task at hand and the great memories of your ride will be all the better for you.

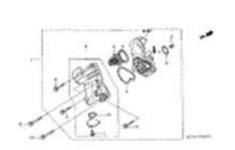






Technical Coordinator: Chris Harden

Mystery coolant leak and overheating going up steep hills can be caused by a simple thing being low on coolant as the water pump is located at the rear of the engine which makes it difficult to pump water at low speeds climbing a steep grade hill. Our shop has seen several of these in the shop over the past year. What we found is #1 cause: loose hoses and low coolant. #2: thermostat not opening all of the way and #3: crack in the recovery tank. This causes low flow to radiators causing to overheat, The hoses that give the most trouble are located at the rear of the engine under the gas tank which makes it difficult to get to. Also test the strength of the coolant; the incorrect mixture can cause overheating problems





Items For Sale

2015 Honda Shadow Phantom

750cc

6000 Miles

Saddle bags and rear seat bag

Windshield

AM/FM, USB and Micro SD Card reader radio system

Garage kept

\$ 5,000.00

Jeff Seal,







For sale item submitted by Scott Seal's brother



Ladies Jacket Mens Jacket 6th Gear red mesh summer jackets with zip-out rain liner, very good condition, asking \$25 each, \$45 for both.



Harbor Freight folding trailer with added aluminum bed, cost new trailer \$400.00, aluminum sheet for bed \$175.00, asking \$250.00/OBO



Haul Master Ball Mount Hitch, 2" drop, class III, almost new, MSRP \$16, asking \$10.



Haul Master Trailer Coupler, 5/8" pin loc, almost new, MSRP \$11, asking \$5.





Honda 2012 Gold Wing headlight assemblies, left & right, asking \$200 for both.



HeliBars Tour Performance handlebar risers for 2018+ Honda GL1800. Very-good condition, only used a short time (replaced with the Helibars Handlebar system), MSRP \$129.00, asking \$75/OBO



Bilt Spirit H2O jacket, lady's size large, brand new, MSRP \$299.99, asking \$50.



Dyna Beads for tire balancing, new, (with TPMS system in our bike, we can't use these), asking \$10



Hartco custom vinyl seat, heated, with rider backrest, matching corider backrest cover, rider's backrest storage pouch, new heating element and refreshed rider's seat foam done by Hartco, fits GL1800 2012-2017, original MSRP \$1,500, asking \$400.00/OBO

Let get to know our Chapter Members





May Couple of the Month Jerry and Sonya Ridinger

This lovely couple Jerry and Sonya Ridinger met at church and have been married for 33 long years. They both were involved in the youth group and served on the Baptismal committee. Jerry was also a Deacon.

They left their small church about 16 years ago and moved to Sevier Heights Church. They assist with the Baptism when needed and have been on a few mission trips.

Jerry is retired. He co-owned an automotive repair shop with his brother for 30 years. The shop was in South Knoxville, Tennessee. Sonya is currently working for Elavon a merchant processor. She has been employed with them for 25.5 years in management. She hopes to retire in 3 years. They have one daughter who will be getting married May 22nd, 2021. We all extend our congratulations and blessings to the family! They also have Rupert their dog or shall I say son. We all who have dogs know that they are our children whom we love and spoil dearly!

Jerry and Sonya met the Beeler's at church and they became friends instantly. The Beeler's introduced them to Chapter B. They immediately fell in love with the people. They purchased a Trike, and the rest is history.

They love traveling and vacationing. The beach is one of their favorite places to go. They also love working in the yard and spending time with family and friends. Jerry loves to hunt and fish.

Jerry and Sonya hope for many more rides with their great friends in Chapter B.





Submitted by Merrilee Peck

ZIPPY GLAZED CARROTS

2 T. butter

1/4 c. brown sugar

2 T. mustard

1/4 t. salt

3 c. sliced carrots, cooked and drained

1 T. snipped parsley

Ladies, please submit some of your favorite Recipes to Merrilee so they can be used here in this section and we can share them with all our Chapter B members

Melt butter in skillet, stir in brown sugar, mustard and salt. Add cooked carrots. Heat, stirring constantly until carrots are nicely glazed, about 5 minutes.

Sprinkle with parsley. Makes 4 servings

Note: If you like carrots, this is quick and easy and very good! Also: To save time cooking the carrots, I have used canned carrots, drained, and it's o.k. but, of course, not as good as the "real thing".

PARTY POTATOES

8-10 medium potatoes 1 8-oz. cream cheese 1/3 c. sour cream salt to taste butter paprika

Peel potatoes and cook until tender. Beat softened cream cheese, sour cream at medium speed of mixer with HOT potatoes until fluffy. Season to taste with salt and spoon into buttered 2-quart casserole dish. Brush melted butter and sprinkle paprika on top of potatoes.

Brown for 30 minutes in 350 degree oven.

Note: If you have left-over mashed potatoes, improvise a bit with the above sour cream and cream cheese and it's no longer a left-over!







Over the years Chapter B has chosen the Lifestyle program as not only a great fund raiser but provides a good excuse to get together for a ride. You all know how much fun it is to enjoy a new place to eat in our area. With the pandemic we experienced last year it pretty much shut down our Restaurant Rating activities. Most locations offer a buy one and get one free so one card for each couple works best, individuals always get 1/2 off a menu item. The pocket saver costs \$20 and the chapter keeps \$6 of this for their favorite fund raising effort. The more the merrier as we schedule dinner rides using our Lifestyle cards, hope you all participate again this year.

I will have extra cards available at the Dinner outing, you may purchase your card then.

Lifestyle night out Schedule as of 4/29/21

May 11th..... #36, Parrilla's Mexican kitchen at 6 pm....Jerry Ciesla parrilla cantina farragut tn - Bing

Please send me a email if you would like to attend, for May please let me know....so we can plan.....thanks

June 15th.....Sonya and Jerry would like to do (Lifestyle card) at Walk On's #1 ,on June 15th, at 6 pm....if you are a little early or late it is ok

Walk-On's Sports Bistreaux - Knoxville Restaurant (walk-ons.com) has website, menu and directions on this

Submitted By: Wally



Linda Bridges May 12th Steve Skeens May 22nd



Chapter Visitatio





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 **M** meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month. Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm.. Chapter M meets at Shoney's 1100 Highway 321 Lenoir City, just off I-75 exit 81, CD Brian & Loretta Richards 865-249-6173

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

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 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 T meets the **4th Saturday** Each month at the Down Home Restaurant, 7755 Rutledge Pike, Rutledge TN 37861 Eat at 11:00 am/Meet at 12;:00 Pm CD: Lee Ann & Wilburn Hayes 423-497-2945

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

We have several Chapter Shirts, you can choose the one you

like. Pat can order or you can purchase on your own and we can get the embroidering done for you.



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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Stay Tuned to www.tn-b.org

3 Month Ride Schedule

Submitted by Wally 5/1/21

May

4th Shoney's Restaurant 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM

11th..... Lifestyle Night at Parrilla's Mexican Kitchen at 6 pm....#36 on list....

15th.....Hot Springs, NC.....Chris to lead

Where: Meet at Rural King Parking lot 7340 Norris Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37918

Time: Kick stands up at 9:30 am.

This will be a country ride starting in Halls going to Blaine catching hwy 11w to Bean Station to hwy 32 to 11e to Greenville catching hwy 107/70 to 208 in North Carolina traveling to Hurricane NC turning right on 25/70 to Hot Springs NC Having lunch at The Smokey Mountain Dinner 70 Lance Ave. Hot Springs NC serving comfort food. After Lunch we will travel on 25/70 towards Newport riding beautiful river roads and bottom lands. When we arrive at Newport drive to 441 back to Seymour ending up at Lowes Parking lot The Management of Smokey Mountain Dinner requested a notification by Tuesday prior to our arrival. 22nd.... Chapter T has the East Tennessee and the Tennessee District Plaques up for grabs at their May meeting..

Saturday, 22 May Shoney's exit 122 (our meeting place)—Kickstands at 0930

Ride to Down Home Restaurant in Rutledge arriving at 11:00 to eat

Meeting starts at noon.

Ride home via 11W. Dave Roberts to lead.....

29th Stan to lead a ride, to the Cookie Jar in "Done-lop", TN.....TBA where and when to meet June

1st Shoney's Restaurant 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM

5th..... Chapter Bee Picnic Basket at Norris Dam, Shelter #2, need a few at 0800 to help set up....may need to bring some bags chairs..... list will be passed out again for any changes or ppl added at May 4th meeting.....

you know there will be too much food, but we may be stranded for a day or two at the shelter....has bath-rooms and electrical outlets.....

11th.....Chapter Bee Baseball night... Smokies vs Huntsville Trash Panda's....Jerry Ciesla to organize....Tickets around \$9 per person....have money by the May meeting, please.....

12th......Ride to the Farmer's Daughter, Robert to lead....TBA on when and where to meet

15th Lifestyle Night out at "Walk-On's" Bistreaux at 6 pm which is #1 on the list...... 26thRide to Maggie Valley, NC....Wheels thru Time...Chris to lead.......

Where: Leave from 8527 Oak Ridge Hwy Knoxville TN

Time: Kick stands up at 8:30 am.

Will Leave from 8527 Oak Ridge Hwy At 8:30 am traveling up Pillissippi Parkway to 129 to 321 going to Townsend TN traveling to Wares Valley turning right going to Metcalf Bottoms and to Sugarland visitors center catching 441 towards Cherokee NC turning Left on the Blue Ridge Parkway to Hwy 19 going to Maggie Valley. Having Lunch at Carvers Maggie Valley Restaurant. After lunch will go to the Wheels Through Time Museum. After spending a few hours there we will travel 19 to Cherokee NC taking a brief stop at the shops where we will catch 441 back over the mountain to Sugarland visitor center then taking the river road back to the Y at Townsend where we will most likely stop for dinner in Townsend 29th - July 3rd.....Wing Ding, Springfield MO....#42....Dave Roberts to lead...he will have the info out soon July

6th Shoney's Restaurant 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM

17th.....Ride to Cumberland Gap....Chris to lead

Where: Meet at Rural King Parking lot 7340 Norris Fwy, Knoxville, TN 37918

Time: Kick stands up at 10:00 am.

will leave and travel up Hwy 33 towards Tazewell TN and onward to Harrogate TN picking up people at the Hardees coming out of Lafollette area it should take us about a hour to get there. After gathering the group up go to the visitors center and then in to Angelo's in the gap for lunch. After lunch we will travel the Pinnacle Overlook and stopping at the visitors center before traveling on to Middlesboro KY turning left on Hwy 74 to 90 towards Morley TN where we will Catch Hwy 25 back to Lafollette TN stopping at Dairy Queen for an Ice Cream