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Fall Colors Ride

Oct 21st thru 23rd

Helen, Georgia



Join us the First Tuesday each month at **Shoney's Restaurant** 2405 Andersonville Hwy Andersonville, TN 37716 Ph. 865-494-7295 (Rt. 61 Museum exit) Exit 122 off I-75 just north of Knoxville Eat at 6:30 PM and our social starts promptly at 7:30 PM Hope to see Y'all there!!! Next gathering: Nov 1st

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From your Sr. Chapter Directors, Tom and Kathy Peck



North Carolina Precision Drill Team at the Rally in the Valley (Virginia rally)

Here we are and Fall is winding down as November is here with all the holiday festivities right around the corner. I hope all of you have had a chance to enjoy some of the most beautiful riding during the Fall colors here in East Tennessee.

The rally season came to an end with the Wings Over the Smokies in Fletcher, North Carolina, followed by the Rally in the Valley in Salem Virginia. Both weekends were perfect for the VA and NC rallies and the colors were fantastic as well.

Region and District Operations meetings are always held this time of the year and many Districts will be having Winter events to keep things exciting during the cooler months when we are not out riding as much. Keep up to date with all these activities on our web site and our event schedule in this newsletter. It's always fun to visit some of our neighboring Chapter and District events - most have web sites and activity schedules.

Burt has taken his time to set up some training for our members and as a certified Medic First instructor he can help us all to keep our Rider Education Levels current and up to date. Check with Dave Roberts to make sure you're entered into the Rider Education Levels program and your records are updated to record the training you have taken such as CPR and First Aid, Rider Courses and the High mileage program.

Hope to see you soon!

Tom

Ride to Helen, Georgia

On Friday October 14, Wally's gang consisting of: JoAnn, Emily, Glynda, Kyle and Bobbie, Tom and Debbie, Ken and Ann, Jerry and Irene, Debbie and Jack (new GWRRA members from Tri Cities area, Wally's friends from Cookeville (Anthony and Jeff) left Lenoir City for Helen, Georgia. (Sorry, Tom Peck, there were 7 trikes and 4 two-wheelers!)

The temperature was cool and crisp, but the weather was beautiful! We stopped at the Ocoee Visitor Center (Olympic Sight) for a short break and pictures. The trees were showing fall colors which made for a beautiful ride. Bobbie was enjoying her new heated gear tremendously, but she couldn't find her button to transmit on the CB. Kyle was very thankful.

Next stop, you guessed it, lunch. It was Japanese-American-Sushi buffet menu and just about anything else! It was very good. We all ate our fill and then proceeded to Cornelia, which is about 20 miles from Helen, to the Baymont Motel.

After checking in and relaxing for a while we walked next door to eat at a Mexican restaurant. The food was good and the company even better. After getting back to the motel, Irene was trying her room key into many rooms. Jerry finally got her into the right room AND the right floor!

Saturday morning after enjoying the breakfast at the motel, we rode into Helen to enjoy the shops and watch the people. About 8 of the group had never been to Helen so they were in for a treat. We all met up for lunch together at a German restaurant. More people-watching and shopping. (Be sure to ask Debbie Rhoads what German rubber nuts are.) She will not want to but ask for details.

Around 2:30 we met back at our bikes for the ride back to the motel to watch the UT – LSU football game on the big screen TV in the lobby (maybe we should have stayed in Helen). We watched the game and enjoyed it despite Wally

bad mouthing UT (Roll Tide)! Later Saturday night we all went to a steakhouse to eat. The most fun was watching everyone try to eat the entire dessert!

Sunday morning we had a short but beautiful ride to the Dillard House for lunch. As they brought the food (family style) to our table it got real quiet. Everyone was shoveling in the food. Homemade and so, so good! Jerry's only complaint was the plate was too small!

After lunch we proceeded towards Cherokee and over the Smoky Mountains. Traffic was not bad and the leaves were almost at peak; temperature cooled down some but still great. We turned at the Visitor Center, towards Cade Cove. Last stop in Townsend before we started breaking off for our homes. There was a large motorcycle group of Harleys there and they made pictures of our bikes!!

This trip combined with the weather, the ride, the people, good food, nice motel made it a SUPER GREAT weekend!! Wish all of you could have been there! Thank you Wally for leading us on this trip. It was a well-planned, well executed ride. (now if you will only call a BP a BP and a Gulf a Gulf!)

Editor's Note: Thanks Tom Rhoads for the great article!



See photos on the next page

Ride to Helen, Georgia (Pies)



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Wings Over the Smokies







No outing is complete without FOOD!



Closing
Ceremonies
would have been a
lot more fun if one
of us had won the
bike and trailer!

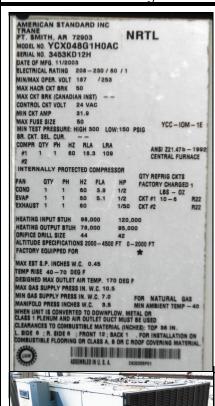
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For Sale



I have men's black chaps size XXL. I paid \$129, will take \$65. I also have two black leather vests, size XL. I paid \$25 each, and will take \$25 for both of the vests. I have two black leather coats size XL. I paid \$79 for each one, and will take \$79 for both coats. *Emily Lewis*

Glynda's Fire Sale





Craftsman Lawn Tractor. 21.0 HP, 42" Mower, Electric Start, Automatic Transmission with Reverse Used less than ten times. Paid \$1,800.00. Asking \$1,250.00. Excellent Condition.

American Standard Heating and Air Unit. Cooled and heated 2400 sq. ft. house easily and efficiently. No obvious damage in house fire, but I cannot guarantee.

Unit cost \$8000 in 2004, asking 500.00. You come and get it!





Scorpion EXO-700 Solid Neon Full Face Helmet:

J&P Part #: 132-1469

Gold Club Price: \$209.99

- Size Medium
- Previously fit with J&M headsets (not included)
- Slightly worn
- Asking \$150 or best offer. Condition like new.

Features:

- SpeedShift quick-change face shield with no-fog feature
- Kwikwick washable moisturewicking liner
- Aero-tuned ventilation system and breath nose shield
- DOT/Snell approved.

Also have new dark smoke face shield for this helmet, listing for \$35.95, still in the wrapper, make offer.

Contact Tom Peck: 423-907-9712 (423-912-0860 (cell) or email: tomkateck@msn.com.

More Items for Sale

Honda DN-01 Sport bike. I won this bike at the 2011 Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's "Ride For Kids." Uncrated & serviced by Knoxville Honda and presented to me on August 20, 2011. I have a Goldwing & don't need it.

World's first ever Crossover bike. 2009 NEW- Just out of the crate. Beautiful candy dark red color, only 17 miles on odometer riding from dealer to home. MSRP \$15,599. Reduced Asking price \$8,900.



Features: HFT continuously variable transmission, automatic OR 6 speed shiftable mode, 680 cc liquid cool, V-Twin, fuel injection (MGM-FI), shaft driven, ABS & CBS, weight: 595 pounds. Digital transistorized ignition.

Would also be interested in taking a trailer (to haul a trike) in as a trade. Smooth riding motorcycle. Warranty = 1 year with 5 years available.

Call Mike (865) 607-6742

Medic First Aid Class Scheduled

- First Aid and CPR Class
- November 19
- 9 AM to 4 PM
- Messiah Lutheran Church, 6900 Kingston Pike, Knoxville
- Cost: \$20.00
- Instructor: Burt Wagner

We've had 8 signed up so far. You can call or e-mail me and I'll put you on the list.

Yours in Friendship, Burt Wagner



Tennessee District Events

The Winter Event 2012 will be January 28th at Fall Creek Falls State Park and the theme is "The Roaring Twenties". This is our first event of the New Year and the district staff is making plans for this to be very unique. There will be contests, games, door prizes, seminars and a lot of FUN. Watch your emails for all the details of the games, contests and seminars that will be coming.

The theme for **Spring Fling** is "Hawaiian Luau" and will be back at the Majestic Theatre in Pigeon Forge, April 26-28, 2012. We are taking reservations for the host hotel, Comfort Suites on Teaster Lane so hurry and get in touch with Becky Griffin, as we only have a few rooms left. This too will be a special event you will not want to miss, watch for upcoming details. Again there will be contests, games, seminars, vendors, and a lot of FUN.

Rally in the Valley Wirginia Conventi





Four International Couples of the Year



It was an honor for us to judge the VA District Couple of the Year Selection.



Lunch at the General Store in Paint Bank, TN



A leisurely ride out through the countryside yielded some beautiful fall scenery and several buffalo ranches.



Just Weeks Away

Put it on your calendar if you haven't already:

· Date: Saturday, December 3, 2011

. Time: TBA

- Location: Mike and Linda bridges' Home, 7505
 Inverrary Circle, Knoxville, TN 37918
- Directions: From I-75 take Emory Road, Rt. 131, EAST for 8 miles; turn RIGHT on Foxglen Blvd (Hunnington Place Subdivision); then turn RIGHT on Trinity (go past 2 houses), turn LEFT on Foxbranch (go past 4 houses, turn RIGHT on Inverrary Circle (1st house on LEFT). ...L-shape rancher w/ mountain stone front.

• Phone: 865-922-9266

 What to Bring: A covered dish—we'll have a sign-up sheet at the Chapter Gathering

You don't want to miss this big event—our 2012 Chapter Couple of the Year and Individual of the Year will be announced!



More District Opportunities



For anyone who might be interested in learning more about GWRRA, how it functions, or how the Officers' responsibilities are defined, etc., there are two different opportunities coming up soon:

• The TN District Training Team is setting up an OCP presentation November 5th & 6th from 8am-5pm Saturday, and 8am-12pm Sunday. Class will be at the Clarion Inn and Suites, 2227 Old Fort Parkway, Murfreesboro, TN. The motel rate is \$69.00 per night and the code to book is GWRRA. Contact the District Trainers Tony & Toni Ann Boquet 615-599-8266, to sign up, or you can register online at www.tngwrra.org/OCP Registration.aspx.

The second option—the KY District Training Team is setting up a Horizons Class for that same weekend, November 5th & 6th at the Fairfield Inn, 40 Chenault Dr., Frankfort, KY 40601, 502-695-8881. There will be a meet and greet Friday evening from 6 to 8pm. Saturday is 8am to 6:30pm. Lunch will be provided. Dinner is on your own. Sunday is 8am to 12:40pm. The KY District Trainer, Pat Coe, will need to know by Oct 8th who is attending the program in order to have the material printed and delivered by program time, contact him at 502-437-5929, or email is patcoe@insightbb.com. There will be a cut off at 42 participates so if you're interested in taking the November program I would sign up as soon as possible. They will need the name of participants, contact info, and GWRRA number.

The Roaring Twenties



Games
Seminars
Contests
Dancing
Fun!

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2012 TN District Convention "Winter Event" Registration Form January 28, 2012 Fall Creek Falls State Park Pikeville, TN

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Mail to:	Richard & Be	cky Griffin		ı	s this your <u>firs</u>	<u>t</u> conventio	n <u>ever</u> ?

I/We agree to conform and comply with the ideas governing this convention. I/We further agree to hold harmless GWRRA, co-sponsoring organizations, or any property owner(s) for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in the convention. I/We also agree to assume responsibility for any property which we knowingly damage.

Rider	Date	Co-Rider	Date

1921 Warmingfield Dr.

Murfreesboro, TN 37127

Chapter Educator Section The Smart Corner Dave Roberts, Chapter Educator



Some weeks ago, I was sitting with a couple of our members and the subject of women riding motorcycles came up. "Why don't we see more women riders?" I didn't know how to

answer that question, so I did a little research and found the following article:

"With training and experience, women can and often do become as good or better than men with the same training and experience. — Joanna Murray"

 How long have women been involved in motorcycling and Is it a new phenomenon?

A review of history reveals that women have been in the sport of motorcycling from the very beginning. One of the pioneers of the early days, when roads were gravel and dirt trails, is Della Crewe of Waco, Texas.

During the summer of 1915, Della rode her Harley Davidson over 5,000 miles on a trip to see America. Friends and family tried to dissuade her but Della could not be stopped. She proved a point — motorcycling does not have to be a man's sport. A motivated, adventurous woman is completely capable. (I once meet the late Dot Robinson, founder of the Motor Maids; but that's another story.) Need further convincing? Pick up the just published book "Women in the Wind: Fearless Women of the 20th and 21st Centuries" by Jasmine Bluecreek Clark of Colorado. A great read.

 Are there studies which conclude that men are truly better suited to the sport of motorcycling?

For decades men have hit the open road with little training. Are they naturals? Do they have an intuitive advantage or perhaps just a 'leg up' because of exposure in childhood?

Meet Jennifer Hooper, an instructor with Florida's Motorcycle Training Institute Inc. Jennifer reports that no one ever said to her, 'Girls can't ride motorcycles.' In fact, her parents said the opposite. They gave her

a bike at a young age and supported her interest in riding with the boys and the big kids in the neighborhood. Both her parents and grandparents rode. Jennifer has never had any doubt about her ability to be a highly skilled motorcyclist. Today Jennifer not only trains new riders, but she also trains riding instructors. She is a motorcycle coach trainer. It's not a man's sport in Jennifer's world.

But do men learn the sport more easily?

Meet Joanna Murray, co-owner and instructor with Atlanta Motorcycle Schools. She, has observed — first hand — these differences in men and women riders. "Close to 40% of our customers are women — compared to only 10% of the riding population. In general, women tend to have a slower learning curve than men. I believe this is due to the mechanical complexity and the associated risk of riding. However, since riding a motorcycle is much more about mental skills and technique than it is about size and strength, women tend to focus more on the technique. With training and experience, women can and often do become as good or better than men with the same training and experience."

- Do more men ride motorcycles than women? Yes.
- Can women become just as skilled at riding motorcycles as men? Yes.
- Can women experience the passion and enjoyment of motorcycling? Yes.
- Do women have a significant economic impact on the sport? Yes.
- Is motorcycling a man's sport? NOT ON YOUR LIFE!

I conclude that there is really no reason why there shouldn't be more women in motorcycling, so ladies, why don't you give it a try-- you just might like being a rider.

Ride Smart.

Dave

Chapter Visitation¹¹





Chapter **B** meets the **1st Tuesday** each month at **Shoney's** Clinton Exit 122 off I-75 North Eat at 6:30 pm meeting at 7:30 pm. Call Tom & Kathy Peck 423-907-9712

Chapter M meets the 2nd Tuesday each month. Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm.. Chapter M meets at the Fort Loudon Medical Center in Lenoir City. (Next to Cracker Barrel, behind Chili's)
Call Robert & Trudy Ashcraft 865-376-6403

Chapter **G2** meets the **1st Monday** each month at IHOP 1802 Parkway Sevierville, TN 37862 Eat @ 6:30, Gathering @ 7:30 Call Beth & Dale Hodge 865-748-1059

Chapter F meets the **2nd Tuesday** each month at **Golden Corral 2905** West Andrew Johnson Hwy (Highway 11E) Morristown Eat at 6:30 pm meeting at 7:30 pm.

Call George & Lanora Baker 865-231-7948

Chapter **A2** meets the **4th Monday** each month at the Fusion Buffet and Grill, across the street from Mcghee Tyson Airport Alcoa, TN 37701 Call Darrell Dunn & Julie Lang; 865-323-9481

Chapter T meets the **4th Tuesday** Each month Chapter T meets at Shoney's 316E Emory Rd Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 7:00 pm Call Gordon& Alicia Catlett 865-740-3086



New Chapter T-Shirts \$20

Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$12 Place you Order with Pat Talley





INVENTORY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Tennessee Pins (Shape of State)	\$4.00 ea.
TN-B Hanger Bars	2.00
Black/Gold 4" GWRRA Patch	5.00
Black/Gold 10" GWRRA Patch	12.00
Red/Blue/Yellow 10" GWRRA Patch	12.00
New Chapter B 25 Year PatchFree to C	Chapter B members
GWRRA Blinking Buttons	2.50
Chapter B Ball CapsNow Available	12.00
Ladies Yellow HatsNow Available	15.00

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, Region N 4" Patch, 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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Note from your Editors:

Let us know if there is anything you would like to see in your Newsletter just let us know. Items for sale, pictures, items of interest, business ads, clip art etc. You can email them to us at tomkatpeck@msn.com Remember this publication is yours!!! If there is any personal information you wish not to be public info please let Tom or Kathy Peck know so we can accommodate you wishes.



11/1 Doug Cox 11/11 Burt Wagner 11/18 Dianah Davis



11/9 Tom & Kathy Peck

If we missed your Birthday or Anniversary make sure you contact Bobbie Beeler so we can update our records. We want to recognize everyone's Birthday and Anniversary each month, not only at our meetings but in this Newsletter. Check the info on the Sign-in sheet at our Monthly gathering.

TN-B 2011 Ride and Event Schedule

NOVEMBER

- 11/19: TN Operations Meeting
- 11/19: Medic First Class. Contact Burt to be added to the list

DECEMBER

 12/3, Saturday: Chapter B Christmas Party, Mike and Linda Bridges' home



TN-B 2012 Ride and Event Schedule

JANUARY

- 1/21: TN-B chili-Cook-Off, Location TBA
- 1/28: District Winter Event, Fall Creek Falls State Park, *The Roaring Twenties*

APRIL

• 4/26-28: TN Spring Fling, Majestic Theater, Pigeon Forge, TN

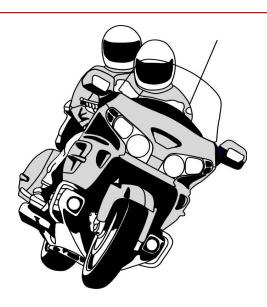


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5/19: 29th Annual Roan Mountain Steakout

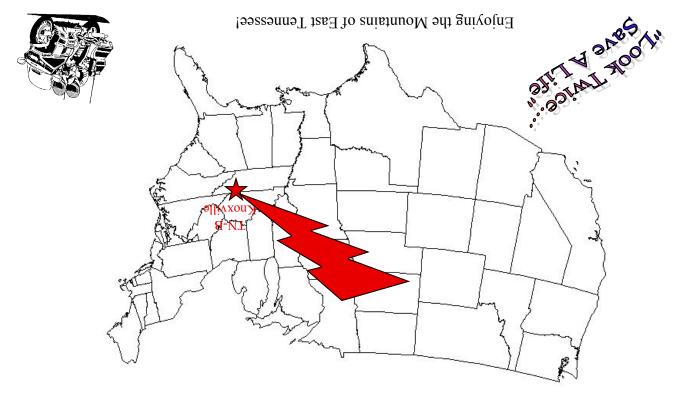
JULY

• 7/28: Knoxville Ride for Kids, Pellissippi State Community College



Chuck Talley Ride Coordinator

Come Ride With Us!



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Ride Safe! & Ride Aware





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