



"The Buzz"



Appalachian Region N
www.region-n.org

**GWRR SunSphere Wings
Chapter B Knoxville Tennessee
October 2010 Newsletter**

Tennessee Chapter B
Chartered December 14th 1982

Frank and Kathy Albert
Region N Directors
falbert01@bellsouth.net

Ken & Julie Zahn
Tennessee District Directors
DistrictDirector@tngwrra.org



**Chapter B Directors
Tom & Kathy Peck**
You can reach them at home
423-907-9712 or
email : tomkatpeck@msn.com



Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Executive Director: Mike Stiger
National Web site www.gwrra.org



Volume 28: Number 10

Chapter B Web Site
www.tn-b.org

Newsletter Editors: Tom & Kathy Peck
tomkatpeck@msn.com

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association is a social group who enjoys riding motorcycles, especially the Honda Gold Wing.

Our Motto is "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge." We plan rides and other activities that allow us to meet people with similar interest. Come visit us and find out what you may be missing.

Check out our Web site at : www.tn-b.org and stay up to date with all our activities and join us when you can. We would love to have you.

We publish a monthly newsletter and provide this to all our members and visitors. You can also view the newsletter on our web site.

Join us and see why there are more than 85,000 members all over the world in 52 countries and in all 50 states.

GWRRA Makes a Difference!

Join us the **First Tuesday**
each month,
at **Shoney's Restaurant**,
2405 Andersonville Hwy,
Andersonville, TN 37716,
865-494-7295

(Rt 61 Museum exit)
Exit 122 off I-75,
just north of Knoxville.
Eat at 6:30 PM
and the gathering starts
promptly at 7:30 PM.
Next Gathering: October 5th
See Y'all there!!!

Chapter B Staff

Chapter Directors

Tom & Kathy Peck
153 Deerwood Lane
Lafollette, TN 37766
423-907-9712

tomkatpeck@msn.com

Assistant Chapter Director

Scott Seal (Amy)
423-566-8250
gscottseal@hotmail.com

Chapter B's **"Couple of the Year" 2010**

Chuck & Pat Talley
423-562-1962
talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com

Sergeant at Arms

Bill Deguire (Merrilee)
423-562-5468
bdeguire01@comcast.net

Chapter Educator

Dave Roberts (Acting)
865-777-5400
dcr5@att.net

Treasurer

Jo Ann Smith
423-562-2876
peacemaker1939@comcast.net

Membership Enhancement Coord.

Merrilee Deguire (Bill)
423-562-5468
Cell # 865-256-1250
bdeguire01@comcast.net

Chapter Store

Pat Talley (Chuck)
423-562-1962
talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com

Ride Coordinator

Chuck Talley (Pat)
423-562-1962
talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com

Web Master / Newsletter Editor

Tom Peck (Kathy)
423-907-9712
Cell 423-912-0860
tomkatpeck@msn.com

Sunshine

Bobbie Beeler (Kyle)
865-216-4100
bebeeler@comcast.net

Way-to-Go Award Coord.

Tom Rhoads (Debbie)
865-945-3894
utvol105@yahoo.com



From your Chapter Directors, Tom and Kathy Peck

Here we are and it's October already; where did the summer go? Kind of glad to see this summer go this year—record setting hot weather and more rain than we would like, for motorcycle riding anyway. As the temps cool down the riding season kicks into high gear with the colors start to turn and hopefully the rainy weather is over.

I really want to let everyone know how much Kathy and I have enjoyed being Chapter Directors this year more than ever. We have welcomed many new members into our group and found out how much everyone loves to ride. As we sat down and put together our riding and event calendar we had no idea how excited everyone was to join in and participate. Whether just a day ride or an overnigher or even a pool party, everyone seemed to really have a good time. Just this past weekend when it was raining when we planned to leave for our Wings Over the Smokies. The clouds parted and the day ended up beautiful. I think that 13 bikes showing up for a ride is the most we've ever had and most went on to the Outer Banks ride later on over the next several days. I'm sure we will hear about the Outer Banks ride in the future, stay tuned.

Now is time when we will start thinking about our next year's ride schedule so it's never too early to jot down some ideas and destinations so when the time comes we can include your suggestions.

Riding with others, or group riding, as some call it can be lots of fun and the more you participate and learn it the more rewarding it will be. It's always fun to see new riders join into the group and fit right in and ride in the group like they were veterans who have done it forever. I'm really proud of how our little riding group has come together as ONE out on the highway. You can really observe this from the back of the group as I did on the past ride to North Carolina and the Outer Banks. Chapter B Rocks!

Even though we didn't win the Goldwing or the Shadow at the Rally Chapter B made quite a showing at the closing ceremonies as everyone showed up wearing their chapter T-shirts. We received several compliments from others who noticed our group of 23 all sitting together having fun as a Chapter. Thanks everyone for making this rally a very memorable event.

As many of you know Chapter B has been huge supporters of the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation's "Ride for Kids" event and many of our members will again help make this year's event on October 17th event a success. Come out and join us once again as we help make our local Ride for Kids a huge success.

Tom & Kathy

PROGRESSIVE MEMBERSHIP DRAWING

One lucky Chapter "B" participant's GWRRA membership number will be drawn at each gathering. If that member is present and **can show a current GWRRA membership card, they will win \$20!**

If card is expired or not available to show, an additional \$5 will be placed in the drawing for the following month. So get your cards out, check the expiration date and make sure you have it with you Tuesday! Congratulations to Linda Bridges for winning in September!



Wear Your Chapter Shirt and you'll receive an extra 50/25/25 ticket!

Anyone, including our visitors, wearing a chapter shirt or vest, will be given an extra 50/25/25 ticket.

So wear your chapter shirt and show your chapter spirit!

Don't forget about our Chapter B **"WAY TO GO!" Award.**

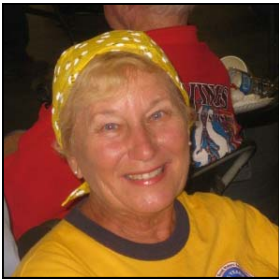
Be ready to nominate one of our Chapter Participants for this monthly prestigious award. Anyone who has done something kind, helpful, noteworthy, above-and-beyond-the-call-of duty . . . (you get the picture) is deserving of this award.

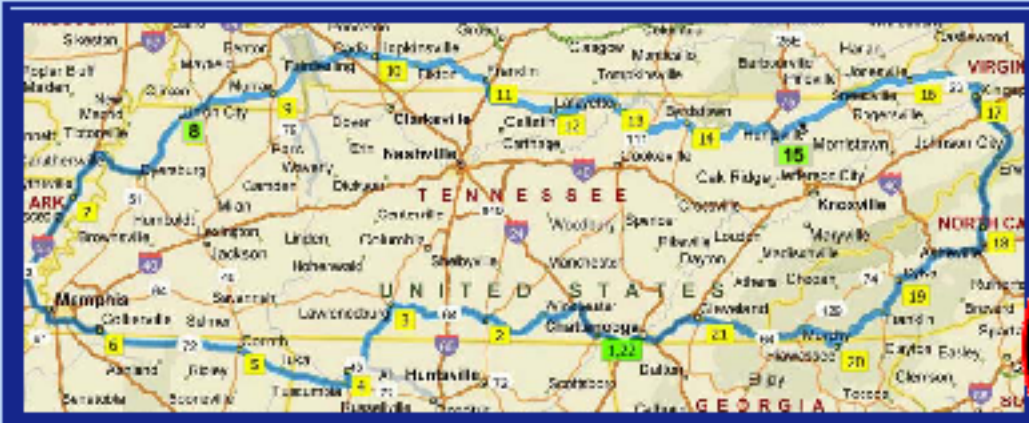
Gary Davis won our "Way to Go" Award in September?





Lots of Gold Shirts at Wings Over the Smokies!





Tennessee Perimeter Ride September 10-12, 2010

Ride for Kids
benefiting the
Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation



When: Sunday October 17th 2010
Where: Norris Dam Tail Waters
(Large open area at the base of Norris Dam)

Norris Freeway/ US 441, Andersonville TN 37705 (Exit 122 off I-75 at Hwy 61 left on Hwy 441 North then left at the Powerhouse Maintenance Basin Rd.)

Registration opens at 8 am and closes at 9:45. The scenic, escorted ride starts at 10 am sharp, rain or shine!

Extras : Free beverages, breakfast pastries and light lunch at end of Road Ride

2010 Knoxville Ride For Kids®

Knoxville
Oct 17, 2010
Registration fee of \$35 per
Bike from 8-9:45 a.m. at
Norris Dam Tail Water
Norris Freeway/U.S. 441 to
Powerhouse Maintenance
Basin Road
Andersonville, TN 37705

For more information, call
1-800-253-6530 or go to
www.rideforkids.org

Local Knoxville Contact:
Tom & Kathy Peck
423-907-9712



"Brigadoon" at the Cumberland County Playhouse, Crossville, TN

Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 2:30 PM.

We'll leave Weigel's on Emory Road at 11:00 AM, and have lunch at the Bean Pot in Crossville before heading over to the Playhouse. Weather in November is "iffy" so this may become a 4-wheeler event.

Tickets:

\$23 Groups (15 or more Adults/Seniors)

We have 20 so far!

\$14 Children/Students

See Kathy to order your tickets. We have until October 29 to finalize our order.



The magic and beauty of the Scottish Highlands – a vital part of Appalachia's Celtic heritage – form a backdrop for the enchanting story of a magical village that only appears for one day every hundred years. Can two lost American hunters find their way home... will they even want to? Scottish music, Highland dance and unforgettable storytelling combine to create a fable for all ages, filled with unforgettable songs like Almost Like Being In Love, Come To Me, Bend To Me, The Heather On The Hill and many more!

Member of the Month

Meet Our Members...

Dave and Betty Roberts



Though they're always on the move, we managed to slow Dave and Betty down long enough to find out a little bit about them.

True love came early for them, 3rd grade to be exact. Dave gave Betty a doll in 5th grade, a gift she cherished so much, she still has it. Now, after 44 years of marriage, three sons, and four grandchildren, their lives are still entwined.

They have shared many accomplishments, both together and individually. Besides being wife and mom, Betty was a school teacher... 16 1/2 years in Texas, and 13 1/2 years in intercity Detroit. Presently, she has joyfully become a caregiver for her parents, who are celebrating their 70th anniversary this year.

Dave served in the Air Force six years, flying F-111's then C-130's while in the Reserves for four years. He worked at Chrysler in International Business and lived in Houston, Texas during the years when the Space Station was started. Presently, he is a

member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Dave ran in the Marine Corp. marathon and is training to run in the Air Force marathon. Together, they have traveled, living in England four years, visiting Australia, France, Italy, Finland, Germany, Spain, Belgium, Sweden, and Aruba.

Both are active in their church, teaching and serving in disaster relief and more recently they spent two months in Vietnam teaching English. They plan to return to Vietnam in Nov. to do short term mission work.

Dave and Betty joined GWRRA in '02 and have been VERY ACTIVE members ever since. They have served Chapter B as Assistant Chapter Directors, Chapter Directors, Sunshine Chairman, Membership Enhancement, Couple of the Year, and been involved on the task force for the "Ride for Kids". Right now, Dave is our Chapter Educator. Besides all this, they have found time to attend numerous Wing Dings, Region Rally's, and District rallies. They have taken an annual motorcycle trip with Tom & Kathy traveling to all parts of the country and even Canada over the last several years and look forward to the next adventure.

If you haven't had a chance to meet Dave and Betty, introduce yourself at our next meeting, you'll make some wonderful new friends.

*Article by Pat Talley (with Chuck's support!)
Our Chapter B Couple of the Year*

Chapter B Rides to KY Rally

Man what a beautiful ride to the KY rally! We met at the Caryville Shoney's' to start the day off with full tanks and bellies for those who wanted to eat. After eating the group consisting of JoAnn, Peanut, Rusty (Peanut's friend), Kyle, Perry (Kyle's friend), Mike, Linda, and Scott started out on the ride by heading through Onedia and on into Somerset.

After arriving we watched some of the wingers during their attempts at the bike challenge. There were some nice attempts made by one of riders on a 1500. You could tell by the way he was starting out that this was not his first time at a bike challenge.

We then proceeded inside to get our day pass and check out the vendors at the KY rally. We saw one of our own Chapter B participants (Mark) set up at the rally, so we stopped by and visited. We saw some of our District staff on location there: District Directors Ken and Julie Zahn, Couple of the Year Gary and Patti Hamilton, District Assistants Jerry and Lisa Childers, and ADD Mike Maynor. It was great to see our District well represented.

When we left the KY rally we stopped by Fazzoli's to grab a bite to eat. Just a little change of pace from the hamburger scene, and I believe everyone enjoyed it. Then we started out again after refueling and headed to Cumberland Falls for a visit.

Man was the water there muddy this go around. A few of us took a look at the new path that was there and thought it was good. It was still a good stop and the best part (tradition wise) was getting an ice cream cone from the concession stand. So that was the prelude to the ride home that leads us through Elk Valley and the Onedia exit where we picked up the interstate for the ride home. I really enjoyed the ride and I hope that I am available for the next ride through the country side to enjoy what God has to offer.

*Scott Seal,
Assistant Chapter Director*



Chapter Educator Section

By Dave Roberts, Chapter Educator (pending approval)



Tire stories are like people's noses-- everybody's got one. I'm sure all of you have a favorite tire story to tell and I could bore you with some of mine, but-- I won't. I will try to use this month's space to get you thinking about your tires.

Did you ever think about the fact that your Goldwing, out there in the parking lot, is resting on an area the size of the palms of your two hands? I know that that thought is not always on your mind, but the tires on your Goldwing are some amazing pieces of engineering.

Tires do four things. What the heck are the four things our tires do for us?

1. They support our bike. (Alternatively, a front and rear pogo stick would create a different kind of "riding" experience).
2. Our tires transmit traction and braking forces to the road, allowing us to get up and go, and slow down or stop, exactly when we need to. (Could you imagine accelerating or braking if we had "tires" made out of, say, steel or plastic?)
3. Our tires absorb some of the surface shocks, working with the suspension to give us a smoother ride. (Even with a great suspension system, we'd have a rougher ride with old-time wagon wheels, constructed

out of steel bands that were wrapped around wooden wheels).

4. And of course they maintain and change our direction of travel as a result of our steering inputs. (Hmmmmm. Pogo sticks might be better here....)

All that seems simple enough. And yet there is a bunch of design and manufacturing technology that underlies that simplicity. If you want to know ALL about it, this article ain't for you. But if you might be interested in a surface overview of your tires without delving into the physics, history, debates and "everything" you can know about tires, well, the upshot of the following is that over the years, tire makers have continued to improve their tires' performance for the sake of a better, safer (and higher selling) product. The best news is that you and I benefit from all the complex stuff that brings that about.

SO, WHAT'S WITH THOSE GROOVES?

The grooves in our tires prevent, or minimize, hydroplaning by providing channels for water to escape beneath our tire's footprint. And in case a fast refresher on hydroplaning would be helpful for some (like those of you who went on the Outer Banks Ride), this describes when a layer of water builds up between our bike's tire and the road. More specifically, it's when our rain grooves cannot let enough water escape to provide a dry footprint area.

The result of hydroplaning is that our tires seem to "float" above the pavement. (a bad thing for traction-loving motorcycle riders). More to the point, when you lose traction, braking, or steering control, it sets a scene for an unfriendly sequence in an action movie starring you. The good news is that the handling is simple: roll back on the throttle without braking or steering.

(Continued next page)

Chapter Educator Section (cont.)

By Dave Roberts, Chapter Educator (pending approval)

TYPES OF MOTORCYCLE TIRES:

General street tires are tires for pavement that deliver good performance, reasonable wear life, and good rain handling characteristics. High-Performance tires are for aggressive sport-bike riders who want more performance than mileage. Such tires provide better traction in high-speed cornering at the expense of a shorter life expectancy for the tires themselves.

Touring tires are generally not designed for high cornering loads, but rather for long straights, good for riding across the country and good for longer tread life.

Notice that there is no mention of Car tires on Motorcycles. If you are inclined to fit a car tire on your motorcycle, you will become a test rider as NO One will have ever tested the combination that you are trying.

WEAR-LIMIT BARS:

When should we replace our tires? As a general rule of thumb, it's best to replace them before they are 90% worn. (Some replace them sooner than that). Most tire failures occur in that last 10% of a tire's tread, so just don't go there. Keeping an eye on the wear-limit indicators on your tires lets us know when we're riding into the danger zone. When our tread wears down enough, we'll see these small raised bridges within the grooves, which is our tires' way of telling us to put them to rest.

TIRE PRESSURE:

The most routine maintenance our bike needs, other than filling it with gas, is checking tire pressure. Our tires should be inflated to what Honda (or the Trike manufacturer) recommends (check your owner's manual, or the decal under your trunk lid). The inflation number on the sidewalls of our tires is the "maximum" pressure for that specific tire, rather than the "recommended" pressure from the manufacturer. If your tire pressure is too high, that life-

giving contact patch is reduced, which decreases rolling resistance. However, ride comfort is also reduced, because the tires will not absorb some of the surface bumps. If your tire pressure is too low, your tire's contact patch is increased, but it also increases tire flexing and friction between the road and your tire. Under inflation can lead to the overheating of your tire, as well excess tread wear, lower miles per gallon of fuel consumption, and may also result in setting a scene for bad, personal movies and more gray hair since it's also a very common cause of tire failure.

Solution to all of this: Check your tires "regularly" and keep them properly inflated: replace them if you have any doubts about them. Take care of your tires, and they will take care of you.

The Smart Corner

Dave



"Chapter Visitation"



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 **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 **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 **A2** meets the **4th Monday** each month at the **Ryan's Steakhouse**, 1053 Hunter Xing, Alcoa Eat at 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm
Call Alvin & Josie Nelson 865-977-9096

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 **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 Carroll & Pat Bales 865-687-2986



New Chapter T-Shirts \$20
Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$15
Place you Order with Pat Talley

Give me a call, email me or see you at the next meeting

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 Patch.....Free to Chapter B members**
- GWRRA Blinking Buttons..... 2.50
- Chapter B HatsNow Available..... 15.00
- 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



423-562-1962 or talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com



- 10/2 Amy Seal
- 10/4 Patty Rhinehart
- 10/22 Susan Riedel
- 10/23 Gary Davis
- 10/25 Carol Lockwood
- 10/26 Becky Dodson
- 10/29 Stanley Rhinehart
- 10/30 Terry Lockwood



No anniversaries this month!

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.

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.

TN-B 2010 Ride Schedule

Thursday-Saturday, October 7-9, VA Rally, Salem, VA.

Thursday, October 14, Training for Ride for Kids Volunteers, Clarion Hotel, Merchants Drive. 7:00 PM.

Sunday, October 17, Knoxville Ride for Kids. Norris Dam tail waters, Registration 8:00-9:45 AM, Volunteers report 6:30-7:00 AM.

Saturday, November 6, Cumberland County Playhouse—Brigadoon, Crossville, TN, 2:30 PM. Leave Weigel's on Emory Road 11:00 AM. Lunch on the way. Tickets \$23. Call Kathy to order tickets: 423-907-9712

Friday, November 19, Game Night, 7 PM, Mike and Linda Bridges' home: 7505 Inverrary Circle, Knoxville, 37918, 865-922-9266.

Saturday, November 20, TN District Operations Meeting.

Saturday, December 4, Chapter Christmas Party

Friday, December 17, Game Night, 7 PM

Saturday, January 29, 2011,
**Chapter B's 17th Annual
Chili Cook-Off**
Halls Senior Center

Game Nights: In the cooler months we'll plan to have Game Nights the 3rd Friday of each month. We'll be looking for volunteers to host!

“Red Highlighted entries are scheduled Chapter B Rides”

Check the newsletter and web-site regularly for updates and more information!

www.tn-b.org



Come Ride With Us!!!



Have you Heard?
WING DING 33
will be in Knoxville,
Tennessee,
July 6-9, 2011

Chuck Talley
Ride Coordinator
423-562-1962
talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com

Updated 10-1-2010