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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: September 7
See Y'all there!!!

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**From your Chapter
Directors,
Tom and Kathy Peck**



Happy September, Everybody!

Wow, its been a HOT summer. Very unseasonable this year for our area here in Knoxville. Hope you were able to stay cool. Several of our rides were able to plan so we could take advantage of the higher elevations where the temps were a bit cooler making riding much more comfortable. Just a little rise in elevation sure makes a difference. Kathy & I were able to avoid the heat by traveling in the Northeast this year, Sure was pleasant riding in the Maritime Provinces where the temps were in the mid 70's during most of the almost 4 weeks we were on the road. Something to consider if you're planning a summertime trip on the Goldwing.

There are still plenty of great rides planned and even some trips left in this year's riding season. Now that the extreme hot temperatures are pretty much gone the September/October weather will be great for some enjoyable riding. Always good to participate is some of the activities we've had on our "Event Schedule". It gives us a chance to really meet and get to know our Goldwing friends better. As we travel around to some of the other Goldwing events you sure meet a lot of great folks. It's a pretty big community out there and I hope you all can have the GWRRA "experience".

As the riding season starts to wind down this fall we will be planning some opportunities to move up in the Rider Education program by getting some of the training you need to progress. Keep your calendar updated as some of the training courses become available in our area and attend one; you'll be surprised how much confidence you can gain as you ride down the road on the Goldwing.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our September gathering at Shoney's where we can get caught up and share some of our summer activities and do some planning for upcoming rides. See you Tuesday Sept 7th. Bring a friend!

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 Debbie Rhoads for winning in August!



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.

Terry Lockwood won our "Way to Go" Award in August?



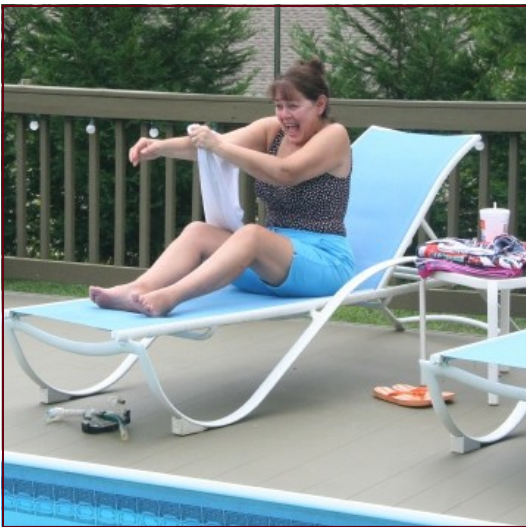
Fall Creek Falls Ride



We owe a big "THANK YOU" to Burt and Helga Wagner for hosting our pool party this year.
See more photos on the next page.



More POOL PARTY Photos



Photos from our trip to the Maritime Provinces



"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:

- \$26 Adult
- \$25 Senior (62 and over)
- \$23 Groups (15 or more Adults/Seniors)
- \$14 Children/Students

See Kathy to order your tickets.



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!

Friday Night at the Ballpark



There is nothing better than a Friday evening at the Ballpark. As we discussed at a previous planning meeting a night at the ballpark would be a great chapter event. We never got anything on the schedule and the end of the season was fast approaching so at the last minute we decided to make the last Smokies home game of the season.



In between each inning there was always something going on to entertain the crowd, lots of interaction with the fans. Debbie actually out-reached Tom Peck when they started shooting T-Shirts into the stands with a T-shirt air canon.



After a few phone calls and some internet searches we had 12 chapter members sign up to attend. Tickets were purchased online and it was decided we would partake in the Seafood Buffet being offered at the ballpark restaurant before the game. A meeting place was decided and several Goldwings showed up to ride to the ball park.

The Home team won and qualified for a spot in the end of the season playoff games. This was certainly a fun time for everyone and I'm sure we will put another night out at the Ballpark next Baseball season.



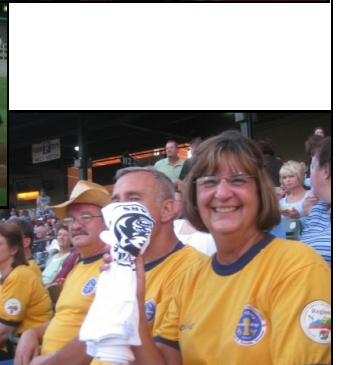
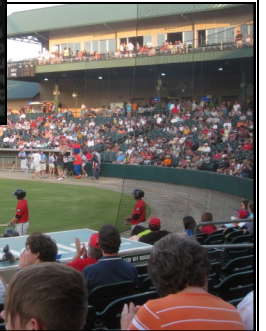
When we arrived we were directed front" motor-



we arrived we to special "up cycle parking. The food was great and everyone filled their tummies before the game got underway. The weather could not have been better as the teams took the field. The stadium was almost filled to capacity and we had seats along the third base line just over the dugout.



The white spot just above the base line is a homerun ball! (Unfortunately the opposing team.)



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OUTER BANKS TRIP SEPT.25-OCT.1, 2010

Sat. Sept.25

Leave from "Wings Over the Smokies" in Fletcher, NC. Ride about 109 miles, overnight in Statesville, NC at the Microtel Motel. Continental breakfast.

Sun. Sept.26

Leave about 9:30 AM, ride 295 mi. to Morehead City, stopping for lunch along the way. Overnight at Econo-Lodge. Dinner wherever. Continental breakfast.

Mon. Sept.27

Need to be up and ready to ride by 7:30 AM in order to catch the 9:30 ferry from Cedar Island to Ocracoke. Travel distance is only about 40 mi. but speed limit is 35-40 mph. Necessary to be ready to board 1/2 hr. before departure. We will make reservations for the ferry as soon as we know how many bikes are going. Fare is \$10 for motorcycles, \$15 if towing a trailer. Arrive on Ocracoke about noon, where we'll decide on a place for lunch.

Ride to next ferry (free) taking us to Hatteras Island. If interested, we can visit the "Graveyard of the Atlantic" museum, which is close by. (free admission) Overnight in Rodanthe at the Sea Sound Motel. Dinner wherever?? Breakfast Tues. morning on our own.



Tues. Sept. 28

No big hurry!! We ride through Nags Head and can visit the Wright Brothers National Monument (\$4) at Kill Devil Hills, riding on through Kitty Hawk and into Virginia Beach. Hope you've made your reservations at the Breakers Resort Inn, each room with a balcony overlooking the beach and boardwalk. Lots of places to choose for dinner. No breakfast provided, but a coffee shop available.

Wed. Sept.29

Free day to rest up and do your own thing. Colonial Williamsburg (\$36 if you visit all the sights, less if you don't) is within about an hours drive. Could try to visit one of the Naval bases. Or just hang out and enjoy all that's within walking distance. Open for suggestions!!!

Thurs. Sept.30

Head back home, coming across Rt.58. Group can decide where to breakfast and best time to hit the road. Plan is to ride to Hillsville, (near Galax) about 310 miles. They are holding some rooms for us at the Hampton Inn until 6pm. Rooms are \$70 plus tax. Dinner wherever??

Fri. Oct. 1

Breakfast at Hampton, leave by 9 AM. Ride to Knoxville is about 240 mi. Lunch along the way.

Call Chuck and Pat Talley at 423-562-1962 for more information and to sign up for the ride.



Tennessee Perimeter Ride

Remember...in lieu of the District Picnic, there will be a Perimeter Run held on September 9-12. Check the District website for a detailed itinerary about this new event.



- 9/9 - Spend night in Kimball.**
- 9/10 - Spend night in Union City.**
- 9/11 - Spend night in Caryville.**
- 9/12 - Spend night in Kimball.**

Several years ago Tom and I planned and led three Five-State Region "N" Rides that were quite successful. So, when Ken and Julie Zahn, our District Directors, decided to replace the District Picnic with a ride around Tennessee they called on us to plan the route.

Well, here we are less than a weeks until takeoff for our TN Perimeter Ride. We're excited and hope that some of our Chapter B family will join us. You have the option of riding the entire route or maybe just the segments you would like.

The third day of the ride will leave the Caryville/LaFollette area Sunday, September 12, at 8:00 AM and take us through Harrogate to US-58 east into Virginia with stops in Jonesville, VA; Kingsport, TN; Weaverville, NC, Ellijay, NC; Hiawassee, GA; Cleveland, TN; and then to Kimball, TN, near Chattanooga where the 3-day ride begins.

The Sunday ride from the LaFollette area is 452 miles. We hope you can ride some or part of it with us. For more information on specific segments you can call us at 423-907-9712 or email us.

The Friday (459 miles) and Saturday (344 miles) rides will take us into Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kentucky. With Sunday's ride into Virginia, North Carolina, and Georgia before returning to Tennessee, we'll be riding in 9 states including our home of Tennessee. What a trip!

Ken and Julie have a really nice memento to present to those who complete the entire route. Think about it. Check your schedule. This ride is challenging with a total of 1255 miles in three days. But what a great time we'll have!

Hope you can join us!

Kathy

Chapter Educator Section

By Dave Roberts, Chapter Educator (pending approval)

The Smart Corner

Recently I was asked, "Where do you ride in the lane.?" My answer is always the same: "It depends". Lane placement is an age-old, and often discussed subject that might need a little thought today. You see, last week a motorcyclist was killed up in Morgan County. According the News Sentinel, the 39 year-old man was struck by a car as he was negotiating a left hand corner on a two lane highway near Wartburg. The car was going in the opposite direction, drifted wide in the right hand corner, crossed over the centerline and hit the motorcycle head-on.

My first thoughts when I read this were, "Where was he in the lane? How much space did he have? Did he have time to serve?" We will probably never know the answers to these questions, but thinking about them is a useful exercise.

The book says that you should ride in the left hand tire track (if you are by yourself, or the leader of a group) to give maximum visibility to oncoming traffic. However, you should always ride so as to give yourself "maximum space". In other words, place your motorcycle so that you have a cushion of space around you. (That in-

cludes the shoulder of the road, particularly if the shoulder is paved, like an Interstate.) Space equates to time, which gives you an "out" when things go wrong, like a car suddenly appearing in your lane. (Ask Tom Peck about his Spring Fling experience.)

If a car suddenly appears in your lane in a left hand corner, could you execute a swerve maneuver.? Odds are, that if you ride long enough, this will happen to you. (I can almost guarantee it if you ride the Dragon.) If you have any doubt about your ability, I strongly suggest that you take an Experienced Rider Course. (I've taken it many times, and still learn something every time.)

So, the next time you are out riding our beautiful back roads, think about that left hand corner up ahead. Drift over toward the right hand edge of the lane as you approach the corner and visualize a car coming in the opposite direction.

Give yourself a cushion of space and think about the swerve.

Remember, your brain is the best piece of motorcycling equipment you own. USE IT.

Ride Smart,

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



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Tom Rhoads 9-8
Pat talley 9-21
Jerry Ciesla 9-28



Mr. & Mrs. John Rives 9-1
Dave & Betty Roberts 9-3
Jerry & Irene Ciesla 9-17
Scott & Amy Seal 9-20

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

Friday-Sunday, September 10-12, TN District Perimeter Ride (Contact Tom and Kathy Peck for more information)

Saturday, September 25, Wings Over the Smokies, Fletcher, NC. (Day Ride on Saturday)
Leave Cracker Barrel on Strawberry Plains at 8:00 AM.

Saturday-Friday, September 25-October 1, Outer Banks, Leave from Wings Over the Smokies.
Chuck and Pat Talley, 423-562-1962 or talleylakeside03@peoplepc.com

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-\$26.

Friday, November 19, Game Night, 7 PM

Saturday, November 20, TN District Operations Meeting.

Saturday, December 4, Chapter Christmas Party

Friday, December 17, Game Night, 7 PM

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”

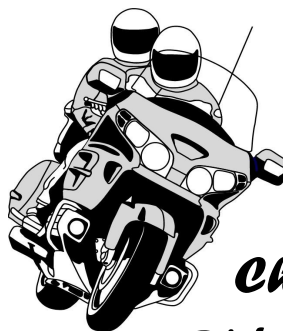
Check the newsletter and web-site regularly for updates and more information!

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Come Ride With Us!!!

Have you Heard?
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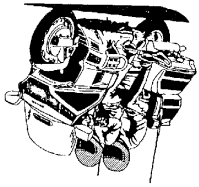


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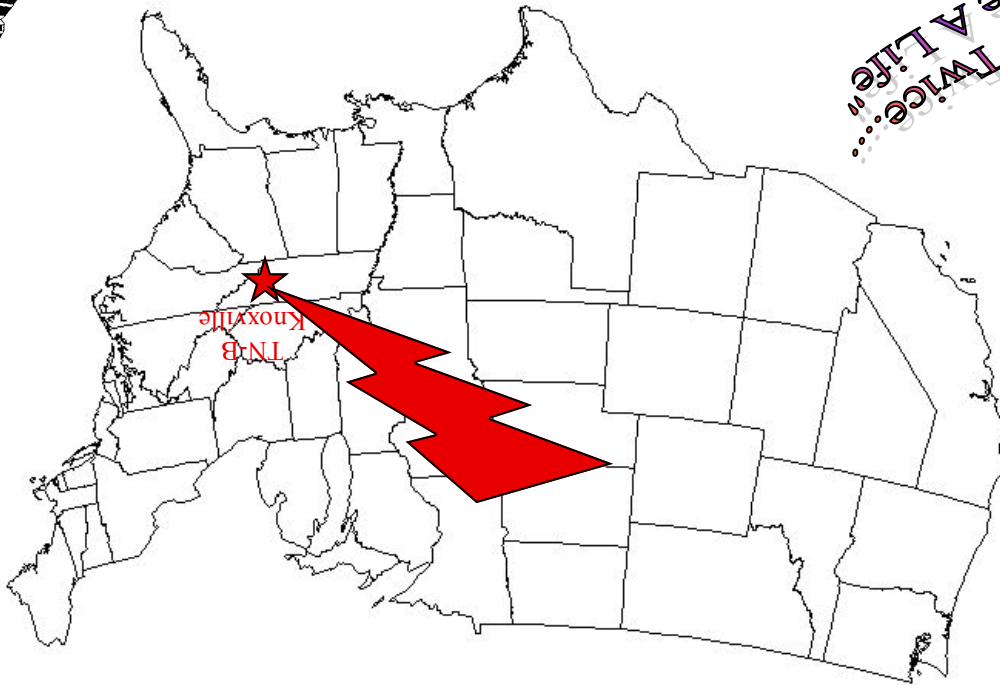
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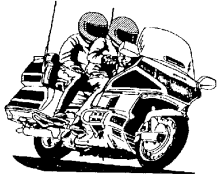


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*"Look Twice...
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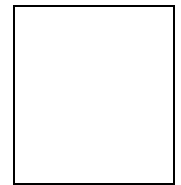


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