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*Join us the First Tuesday each month at Shoney's Restaurant
2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN 37716, Exit 122 off I-75
(Rt. 61 Museum exit) Just north of Knoxville, Ph. 865-494-7295
Eat at 6:00 PM & our social starts promptly at 7:00 PM
Hope to see you there!!!*



*Wing Ding 41 2019 located in Nashville Tennessee.
You can visit the new Wing Ding 41 web site and view
many of the special events and activities. Go to
<https://wing-ding.org>, Just click on the registration
button. Make sure you look over the entire page to
see all the attractions in the Nashville area. On the
web site is a video showing the surrounding area of
Nashville and the Gaylord Opryland rally site. Looks
like another fun time, make your plans to join us,
who knows you might even win a new 2019 Gold-
wing!!! Remember you have to have a ticket to win.*

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Your Senior Chapter B Directors
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Sitting here in my room at the Gaylord hotel looking forward to head down to the trade show. Always fun to cruise up and down the aisles trying to see what might be new for the Goldwing Community. This process sometimes takes hours. Never fail to run into someone who you know from the past. By the time you visit some and share some old stories the time flies by. Always good to see old friends. Looks like a pretty large crowd for this year's Wing Ding 41. Me, Merrilee and Dave & Betty worked the registration Tuesday. The crowd was huge, we worked from 5 till 8. The lines never went down the whole time. The room we got was pretty convenient to everything, problem as always was parking, what a mess.

Went to the opening ceremony, then the trade show started. We had scheduled a cruise on the General Jackson showboat. Very good buffet and the entertainment was great. As we cruised up the river towards downtown the skyline was really special. They announced that Wing Ding 42 next year would be in Springfield Missouri over the 4th of July week. It would be a good time to make your reservations now. Springfield is just up the road from Branson so it's a very popular place. Branson is a fun place if you haven't been there. Besides being in the Ozark mountains, the ride getting there is great. I, for one, will be looking forward to another Wing Ding experience for 2020.

Merrilee and I are looking forward to the upcoming fall season, cooler temps, changing colors, and the Tennessee landscape is an exciting time of the year. Make sure to check the web site at tn-b.org and make sure to keep up to date on our ride schedule and make sure to join us on one of our rides. Until next time, ride safe.

TOM



Assistant Chapter Directors



By the time this newsletter comes out we will have had another Wing Ding in the books and plans being made for the next one and we are also just getting the first little hint of fall in the air. I always look forward to fall but unfortunately it just comes and goes to quick, but with fall we get those cooler riding days, College Football and the always beautiful fall colors. It has been an exciting year and a great time to be in Chapter B. We have had some great rides with a lot of good people stepping up and leading those rides and the best part is that it's not over with yet. We have a full slate of rides for September that I am sure will peak some interest, on the 7th we have the Dam ride which take us to some of our area dam's, on the 14th we have the Tri City, US 421 Snake ride that will fill all curvy road desires that you have and then on the 21st is the Lilly Bluff, Rugby and Devils triangle ride which will also include a pack your own picnic lunch that we will have in Frozen head State park. So make sure to be visiting the Chapter B web site for updates on the ride schedule and don't forget to keep a look out for Buzz, the little guy just can't seem to stay in one place. I look forward to seeing everyone at our September 3rd gathering.

Stanley & Patty Rinehart

TN-B Assistant Chapter Directors





Muddy Pond Ride 8-17-2019



Saturday turned out to be a very nice day as several of us met at the Shoney's in Oak Ridge prior to our scheduled ride to Muddy Pond. Located east near Monterey there is a Mennonite community.

Over the years Chapter B has made many rides to Muddy Pond. There are many different routes you can take to get there but this year we decided to ride out route 62 all the

way to Clark Range. Troy, being very familiar with the area suggested an old country store to visit along the way. The little store had lots of old stuff and antiques. It was a good stop and then we continued on our way. The Muddy pond has grown over the years and now has several other shops, not remembering where might be a place to grab a eat we decided the one store, that had a little dining area be the perfect place. The food was good as we ate and shopped till we dropped. Off to another store and leather shop. More shopping and discussing our route back home. It was suggested I-40 as we gassed up and headed back toward Knoxville on the super slab. Riding temps started to warm up a bit but ended up a great day for our ride. Great turn out Chap-



suggest rest area ping bite to would

Article submitted by your Ride Captain: Tom



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A blast from the past
Chuck & Pat, Muddy Pond 11/20/2009





Cumberland Gap Ride



The Lafollette bunch met at the Big O's Saturday morning, the sky's were a bit overcast but temps about perfect for a ride. Plans were to meet the group riding up from Knoxville in Harrogate at the Hardees. As we were waiting for Chris and his group to show up coffee and a breakfast biscuit were sounding good. All of a sudden the parking lot was full of Goldwings. There were 5 bikes that were from the Lafollette group waiting as another 11 bike rolled in. We counted a total of 16 Gold-wings and 24 people ready to rock and roll. After a brief rider safe-meeting held by our ride cap-tain Chris the ready to roll signal was made and off we went towards Cumberland Gap. Down through the tunnel and into the little



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town of Cumberland Gap as we our first stop at the wel come for a break and a group photo Good break as we all lined up group picture. We left the park and rode into town where we parked to-gether near the Iron nace. A short hike back to an 260 year old Iron Furnace



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the melted down Iron Ore back in the 1870's An amazing slice of history. Of course, it meant more because several our ancestors passed through the Gap in the late 1700s, moving from Virginia to Kentucky. The highway has been routed through a tunnel, not only restoring the gap to its 18th century appearance, but also giving a straight, four-lane drive for the motorist.

One can easi-ly walk from Tennessee, through Vir-ginia, to the gap in Ken-tucky, all within less than three miles. Lunch was scheduled at Angelo's in the small town of Cumberland Gap. This very old building had a large room upstairs with a huge table could seat everyone. Great Italian food, no room for desert because there was a DQ on the agenda later on in Lafollette.

As we pulled out of Cumberland Gap we headed up to the Pinnacle overlook then a nice ride back up over the mountain along the Tennessee Kentucky boarder. The road was freshly paved and in really good shape as we made our was over to 25W and a back into Lafollette for a stop at the Dairy Queen. As you can see by Larry's banana split we all en-the ice cream stop. Chalk up another great ride.

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Thanks to Chris for setting up and leading this ride. Submitted: Tom Peck



Happy Trails



So some of you may recall a few months ago I offered some suggested items to carry in your saddlebag / trunk for roadside emergencies. I recently read an article that offered a slightly different array of small but necessary items that you may want to consider adding to your emergency collection. Some of these may seem like repeats, but what the heck, many of us have short attention spans and often need reminders.

1. A good compact first aid kit. These are available at a variety of stores and should include adhesive bandages, first aid and burn cream, misc. medications, wound cleaner, and a first aid manual (for most of us who forgot stuff from the class).
2. A Zipstitch Laceration Kit. Lacerations happen. Now don't get me wrong, I'm not trying to make you into amateur surgeons, but how many times have we been on recent rides when at a gas or food stop out in nowhere land have you noticed that your cell phone shows "NO SERVICE"? How would you repair a good sized laceration? Get one of these kits and tuck it into your first aid kit as cheap insurance.
3. Gorilla Tape. Forget about duct tape. This stuff is the real deal. It's more adhesive, more weather resistant, and easier to work with. It's perfect for patching torn gear, seats, or saddlebags. And now, it's available in smaller rolls that don't take up much room in your bag.
4. J-B Weld Steelstik. Asphalt loves nothing more than to grind through an engine case. This epoxy putty is perfect for quick fixes, setting in five minutes and curing completely in around one hour. It can also tolerate heat of up to 300 degrees Fahrenheit. Have a hole larger than the epoxy alone can contend with? Get creative. Pennies make great filler.
5. Zip ties. Our generation's duct tape, zip ties are the ultimate multitool. Keep a few dozen hidden away in your emergency bag. They can stitch together body panels, secure lights, hold boxes closed, and secure almost anything on your bike.
6. Silicone Sealing Tape. Used by the U.S. Military this stuff can handle up to 500 degrees Fahrenheit and 950 psi, which means it's perfect for repairing punctured radiator hoses. It's also a great insulator, and when wrapped around damaged wiring, it can keep aggravated shorts at bay.
7. Mechanic's wire. If it can't be glued, taped, or zip tied, it can probably be wired together. And in a pinch, wire can replace missing panel bolts, keeping things in place until you can find a hardware store. No need to bring a whole roll, peel off a small coil and pack it into your emergency bag.

I hope these suggestions help to save your day sometime in the future. Until later, ride safer!

Jerry

For Sale

Fifth Wheel hitch for sale \$1000.00
Coffee Table \$150

Lloyd Pitney
865-740-0128



For Sale



2012 White GL1800 , like new condition, loaded with extras including Bluetooth, Fog Lights, Air Wings, Custom Seat, Passenger arm rest, Comfort package, Trailer Hitch, and lots of extra chrome and lights. Tires are like new, just 300 miles on the rear tire. Extra rear tire and rim, 12,000 OBO, can text picture, call John Hooper (865) 3878985 or text



GWRRA



Explanation of the GWRRA Rider Education Levels Program...

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness. The REP does not propose to have all the answers. However, our close-working relationship with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF), as well as additional GWRRA programs and studies, has provided a wealth of information for use in establishing a comprehensive Rider Education Program. Through Commitment, Education and Application, we can reduce our accident rate significantly. Listed below are several benefits of a fully implemented GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level:

- Increased rider knowledge
- Increased rider safety skills
- Prevention of accidents
- Reduced injuries
- Reduced fatalities
- Improved general public image of motorcyclists
- Enhanced enjoyment of motorcycle riding



The motorcycle community is already realizing many positive benefits from the GWRRA Rider Education Program. Through the efforts of the Rider Education Officers and participation of the membership and others, we will reach our goal of establishing the safest motorcycle environment possible.

One of the safety programs that GWRRA and our District is asking everyone to look at is the Riders Education Program and to be specific the level's Program. There are four levels to the program and each level is geared to make you a better rider and co-rider. Level 1 is as simple as saying that you are committing to riding safe then filling out the paper work and submitting it to our District Educator. I have just filled mine out and submitted it and look forward to working my way up through the other levels. I will have a members list at the meeting that will show where your current status is at and will have some forms for those wanting to get started. You can also go on the national web site and see your own status info that GWRRA has on you. To see it go to GWRRA (<http://gwrro.org/>) and click on the officer's tab and click on Rider Education. From here you can click on the levels program tab on the left side to read all about it or also on the left side click on My RE. Information then log in, your login name will be your membership number and your password will be the numbers of you address plus the expiration date on your membership card so for example if you address was 230 and you expiration date was 5/19 then your password would be 2300519. Once in you can see your GWRRA information, it's that simple. Hopefully everyone will join me and let's have some fun getting through other levels to make our favorite pass time a safe one.

Stanley

Remember if your not signed up you should get signed up soon.



Anatomy of an Accident

or

What I learned on the way to Nova Scotia

“I’m at Travis Road and US 1.” “I need an ambulance and police right NOW.” “I’ve hit a motorcycle and I didn’t see them,” “ I’m so sorry.” Someone was speaking on a cell phone, but I couldn’t see him. He must have been behind me, for as I opened my eyes, all I could see was the Goldwing leaned over toward me at a funny angle—but very quiet. What had just happened.?

It was a Thursday, the 4th day of a scheduled 18 day trip to the Atlantic Canada District Rally in Yarmouth Nova Scotia and we were 1100 miles from home. We were traveling with Tom and Merrilee Peck and had already had two glorious days in Niagara Falls and were traveling through Maine. We stopped for lunch in Freeport, and made the obligatory stop at the original LL Bean store (open 24/7) which is a tourist attraction in its own right.

As we left Freeport on US 1A, I noticed that I-295 had a 6 mile traffic jam up ahead, so we decided to take US 1 all the way to Machias Maine, our scheduled overnight stop. We were on the outskirts of Augusta, and the traffic was suddenly very heavy—stop and go on all four lanes. I suppose a lot of folks had the same idea about taking US 1 instead of I 295, We were in the right hand lane when the US 1 bypass turned left so we had to continue through the central business district. No worries—being a history buff, I was happy to see the home town of Joshua Lawrence Chamberlin, the hero of Little Round Top at the Battle of Gettysburg.

The GPS routed us through town and we turned right to descend down the ramp to merge on to US 1 which at that point had become a limited access divided highway. I remember checking the mirror to see if Tom had made the turn. I was looking up the road and saw that the lane continued straight when suddenly I was looking into the front wheel well of a red car. I grabbed the brakes for all I was worth and I must have shut my eyes.

I remember a sensation like falling off waterskis as you hit the water and then decelerate to stop,

Then quiet.

I sensed that Betty was behind me for I was on my left side. My right hand really hurt. “Honey, are you all right?” I think so, but my hand really hurts. I rolled over onto my back and there was Tom looking down at me—“Dave, Please tell my you are OK” Then sirens coming from several different directions.



In the weeks since that Thursday, I have replayed that scene in my mind countless times. What could I have done differently?

Here’s what I do know:





—rider education WORKS! When it mattered, I acted instinctively as I was trained in numerous RE courses.

—safety gear WORKS! Other than Betty’s hand fracture, We didn’t get a scratch because we committed many years ago to the level IV creed of “All the Gear All The Time” (even when it’s hot)

—ABS WORKS! I was able to apply maximum braking without ever worrying about wheel lockup.



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I’ve been riding for over 60 years, and that was my first time on the ground from a street bike.

I should have been more alert—heavy traffic, rush hour, 4:30 in the afternoon —I never saw the car until I was looking into his wheel opening—and then WHAM!! It was that sudden.

The time to prepare for an accident scene is way before it happens.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers and concern.

Dave



A message from The Sunshine Lady



Breaking news.....after a scientific testing and voting....the 6 day cabin rental has won by an overwhelming majority....remember we are getting an extra night free, if you want it....the cost difference between 4 and 6 nights is \$14.00. Of course everyone can come and go as they please...Also with all the info I put out, I forgot the dates, Wednesday April 22 to Tuesday April 28th.....duh !!!

Nov meeting, first installment of \$229.00.....

Feb meeting, last installment of \$229.00 per room.....

Emily's address is:

Emily "Lulu" Lewis
2129 Gatehouse Lane
Powell, TN 37849



Technical Bench



Technical Coordinator: Chris Harden



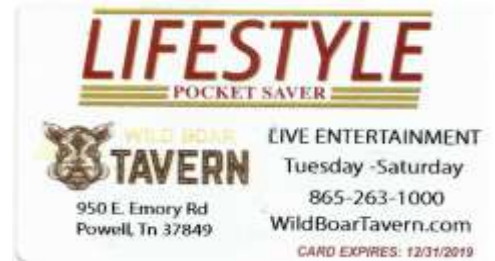
Motorcycle accessories

Everyone who owns a Goldwing tend to do thing to make them their own wither it is a set of baker air wings or a ram accessory mount or adding chrome or lights The thing you need to keep in mind is proper placement and installation. For example wiping down a surface with alcohol prior to installing anything with two sided tape will help it to adhere to the surface that way the chrome stays where you put it or the strip of lights. Most manufactures recommend this as it removes unnecessary wax or contaminants from the surface.

Mounting on Handle bars should be carefully looked at as to what you mount on the handlebars .You should never put anything that will hinder the full range of movement of the handlebars.

Mounting items elsewhere you should look a size and placement take a few moments set on the bike have someone to hold it or temporarily place it in your desired spot and think can I see my gauges? Is it going to be in the way of the steering hitting it? Can I see the road good? Can it be placed securely? These are key factors when placing items on a motorcycle .

LifeStyle Entertain-



**Next Dinner Ride September 17th Tuesday evening
Whitestone Inn
in Kingston
1200 Paint Rock Road 37763**



**COME
AND GET
IT!!!**



Jerry Ciesla 9/28
Ann Hooper 9/13
Pat Talley 9/21



Jerry and Irene Ciesla 9/17
John and Ann Hooper 9/18
Dave and Betty Roberts 9/3
Scott and Amy Seal 9/20



"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: Bobby Cash 865-705-7657

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 Bruce & Gayle Babcock 865-344-7194

Lets go Visit!

Chapter **C** meets the **3rd Tuesday** each month at MaMa's House Buffet 2608 N John B Dennis Hwy. Kingsport, Eat at 6:00pm and start the Gathering at 7:00pm. TN Call Richard & Connie Pendleton, 423-245-8484

Chapter **C2** meets the 3rd **Thursday** at Shoney's, 4148 US 127, S Crossville, Eat at 6:30 pm 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
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- Red/White 10" GWRRA Patch..... 14.00
- Blue & Red District Patch 5.00
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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"

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