

GWRRA SunSphere Wings Chapter B Knoxville Tennessee September 2011 Newsletter



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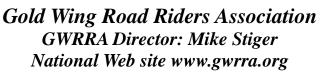






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Chapter B showed up in force when Mike & Linda picked up the New Honda DN-01 Mike won at this years "Ride for Kids" event held July 31st.

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: Sept 6th

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From your Sr. Chapter Directors, Tom and Kathy Peck





Hi Everyone,

Hope you all have been having a great summer riding season. Kathy & I have had quite a nice trip ourselves and still have almost another week before we will get home. Guess I would rather be out riding around the country enjoying the sites than being home. Really. after a month on the road it is always good to get home.

After Wing Ding and all the visitors and then time for family at the lake we were really looking forward to our annual motorcycle trip. We really missed our good traveling companions Dave & Betty but sometime you just have to take care of business.at home and find time to travel at some other time. The District picnic is coming up along with the Wings Across Tennessee. More on these activities later on in this newsletter.

This past month we received information about several new GWRRA members in our area and Merrilee will be working hard to make contact with them and invite them to come out and join us at Chapter B. Whenever we have a new member or visitor we always make sure we welcome them and make them feel like part of our big family. When you are out among your friends, especially your riding friends make sure to invite them to a chapter gathering and come see what chapter life is all about. Make sure you visit our Chapter B web site as well as our District and Region N web sites. Create a shortcut on your desktop so you can visit these sites often. I always try to forward newsletters and important information but might forget from time to time, especially when we are out of town or traveling.

Although we won/t be back in time for our September gathering, we'll be thinking of you all and look forward to seeing you soon.

Tom

Chapter Ride to Natural Tunnel



Sat. Aug 13 was a beautiful day as 9 of our Chapter B members met to ride the 250-mile round-trip to Natural Tunnel, VA. Ken, Ann, Scott, Amy, Dianah, Gary, Chuck, Pat and Wally, proudly sporting his new 1800 GoldWing were ready to r i d e

Only one U'e on our way up; that was when we spotted the \$3.23 gasoline. Gary was due for a gas stop anyway and we all appreciated the cheap gas and the rest stop.

Upon arrival at the park, we enjoyed the sack lunches we had brought, before taking the chair lift down the 450ft. drop to the tunnel. We were disappointed that

trains
passed through
while we were
there (probably
due to the decrease in coal
mining activity)
but the girls

enjoyed cooling their feet in the stream that flows through the park.

Keeping with Chapter B tradition, we were compelled to patronize the nearest ice cream parlor before heading home.

Our planned route back was altered when Chuck missed his turn off (he was watching for a big dumpster, which apparent-

ly had been relocated), adding a few extra miles to our trip. (Says he had planned for a little "dumpster diving" activity),

Wally navigated us around the threatening storm clouds, with his new device that tells you everything you ever wanted to know, and we were able to arrive back home dry.

All in all, we had a good safe ride and enjoyed the fellowship of a great group of Chapter B friends.

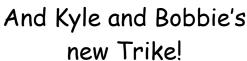
Chuck and Pat



Chapter B's Newest Trikes and Bikes!



Jerry & Irene's new Trike!







And we can't forget Mike & Linda's New Toy!

(I wish we had a pic of Wally's new ride)

More about our new toys . . .



Saturday August 20th was an exciting day for Mike and Linda and us. We met at Honda Knoxville to pick up Mike's motorcycle he won at the Ride for Kids. What a good looking bike. Kyle says it's a sweet ride, too. Quite a few Chapter B folks were there.

After that it was on to Corbin to pick up our trike. Daniel provided transportation for us. We were joined by Mike, Linda, Joann, Scott and Amy. It was definitely love at first sight for Kyle the minute he saw the trike. It really does look good.

Kyle was so excited when we were leaving that he - more about that at the Chapter meeting and the "Ding a Ling" award!

In true Chapter B fashion, before we left Corbin we made plans to stop at Rickard's Ridge for dinner on the way back. It was great having our friends go, too. That made it even more special for us. Now our trike journey begins.

Bobbie Beeler



And now it's up 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. Selling price \$10,000.

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.

Smooth riding motorcycle. Warranty = 1 year with 5 years available.

Call Mike @ (865) 607-6742





Tennessee District Picnic September 10, 2011 Gladeville Community Center Gladeville, TN

(Outside pavillion & Inside w/air conditioning!)

Games:

Horseshoes - list place trophy
Cornhole - list place trophy
Chapter Challenge - list place trophy
(calculated 4-5 games-total high score wins)



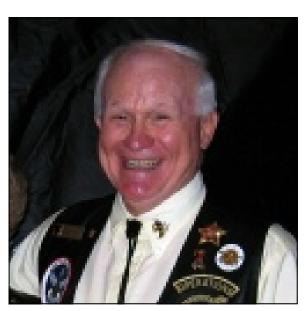
Directions:

From Nashville – I-40 East to I-840 West toward Murfreesboro, Stewarts Ferry Pike, Exit #70, bear right & at 4-way stop, turn left, center on left.

From Chattanooga – I-24 West to Murfreesboro, I-840 East toward Knoxville, Stewarts Ferry Pike, Exit #70, turn left & at 4-way stop, turn left, center on left.

From Knoxville – I-40 West to I-840 West toward Murfreesboro, Stewarts Ferry Pike Exit #70, bear right & at 4-way stop, turn left, center on left.

Chapter Educator Section The Smart Corner Dave Roberts, Chapter Educator



Dragon Claims Another Motorcyclist

From the Knoxville News Sentinel of August 4, 2011:

"A motorcyclist was killed when his bike collided with a tractor-trailer on "The Dragon" on Wednesday according to the Tennessee Highway Patrol.

Dwight R. Woodward, 45, of Christiana, Tenn. was traveling southbound three miles from the North Carolina line about 9:30 a.m. on the famous twisting turning stretch of U.S. Highway 129 that draws motorcyclists from around the world.

As Woodward rounded a curve on his Triumph motorcycle, he struck a northbound tractor-trailer pulling an empty flatbed.

The truck driven by Bobby Frank Coleman, 47, of Nashville, Ga. had crossed into the southbound lanes as it negotiated the curve according to the THP incident report."

Several things strike me about this tragedy; it happened on a week-day morning in excellent weather, and it appears that the motorcyclist could not control his motorcycle in order to avoid the truck. Why not? Too Fast? Bad Brakes? I wonder how many panic stops he had practiced? What about you? Do you think it's "safer" to "Run The Dragon" on a week-day? The Dragon is a Federal Highway, not a race-course. and trucks use it all the time.

If you must "Run The Dragon" remember, it's one of the most dangerous highways in the world; and it can BITE if you're not very careful.

How many panic stops have you practices lately?

Ride Smart

Dave



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

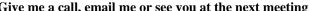
Chapter A2 meets the 4th Monday each month at the IHOP, Next to the Home Depot 6:00 pm meeting at 7:00 pm Call Darrell Dunn & Julie Lang; 865-323-9481

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

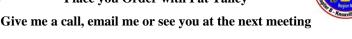


New Chapter T-Shirts \$20

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**





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.



9/8 Tom Rhoads 9/21 Pat Talley 9/28 Jerry Ciesla



9/1 John Rives 9/3 Dave & Betty Roberts 9/17 Jerry & Irene Ciesla 9/20 Scott & Amy Seal

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

SEPTEMBER

- 9/16: Wings Across TN Picnic Lunch (Tom & Kathy Peck) Workers be there at 10:30 a.m.
 Note: as soon as we get home from our trip we'll get in touch with those who have volun teered to work.
- 9/17-24: Savannah, GA; St. Augustine, FL (Tom and Kathy Peck)
- 9/222-24: Wings Over the Smokies, Fletcher, NC



- 10/1: Pumpkin Festival, Alardt, TN
- **10/6-9: Virginia Rally,** Salem, VA
- 10/8-9: Stone Mountain, GA
- 10/14-16: Helen, Georgia, (Wally Maliskey)
- 10/21-23: TN-Y Fall Color Ride, Sweetwater, TN

NOVEMBER

11/19: TN Operations Meeting

DECEMBER

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

Still to be added to our calendar is a ride to Shaker Village in KY, a ride to Muddy Pond, TN, and game nights.



Chuck Talley Ride Coordinator



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