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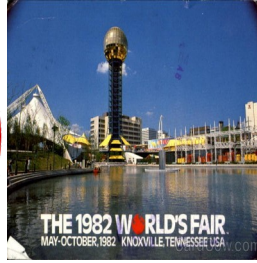


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**Join us the First Tuesday each month at Shoney's Restaurant**

**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 Y'all there!!!**



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From your Assistant

Chapter Director (ProTemp)

Hi Everyone,

Thought I would jot down a few lines to say hi and wish everyone a safe and fun filled holiday weekend. Hope everyone remembers to do a pre ride check of the mode of transportation that you will be traveling in be it a 4, 3 or 2 wheeler. It is good to do a 360 degree walk around of your vehicle before your head out anywhere also "take two" before you turn the key and start it up. Take two minutes to get in the right frame of mind to be behind the wheel or handle bars and focus on what lies ahead not just right in front of you. Just a friendly reminder to be safe and think about what is happening and have a great trip. Love you all **Scott**.

**HAPPY  
LABOR  
DAY**

# Chapter Educator Article

So who wants to go out for a ride in the rain? Even though the rainy season is right around the corner, most riders try to avoid riding in the rain. But sometimes it just happens. Here's a few tips for riding in the rain:

**STAY COMFORTABLE** Use a good rain suit that fits properly and packs up fairly small so as not to take up too much packing space. A cheap rain suit usually leaks in all the wrong places and takes away your needed attention for riding safely.

**KEEP A CLEAR SHIELD** Wiping your face shield with your glove can help your view of the road. Some gloves come with a built in squeegee on the left index finger. Your bike's windshield should do a fair job of shedding off the rainwater, but remember to never apply Rain-X to it because the chemicals will cause permanent damage to the plastic shield.

**BE SEEN** Wear bright colors and use reflective stickers on your helmet to be visible to other drivers on gloomy, rainy days. Make sure all lights are working properly and use your signals early to avoid being rear-ended by an impatient or distracted driver. If you need to slow down well below the speed limit, use your hazard flashers to warn drivers of your reduced speed. This is also helpful while riding on an interstate highway in the rain.

**RIDE SMART** Slow down to minimize the chances of hydroplaning. This can happen even easier if you're riding a trike. Standing water or puddles that form due to uneven pavement steal away your bike's traction reserve. Keep extra distance behind other vehicles and remember to **NEVER USE CRUISE CONTROL ON WET PAVEMENT!** Also, as was discussed earlier this year, road paint (lane markings, etc.), tar snakes, railroad tracks, and construction plates are very dangerous when wet. Use extreme caution when crossing these roadway villains.

**BE SMOOTH** Avoid sudden moves while riding on wet pavement. 2 wheelers should reduce lean angles while cornering. Trikes should slow down to allow cornering easier with the limited traction that's available. Remember, if the rain gets so heavy that your vision of the road ahead is greatly impaired, find a safe sheltered area to pull off and just wait it out.

Until next time, ride safer

Jerry



# Articles



Well, we had a good plan, a ride to the Amis Mill, on secondary, scenic roads, a couple of comfort stops, some good eats at the restaurant, etc., all planned out and ready to go. A couple of early arrivers at the Cracker Barrel watched the dark clouds rolling in, then a phone call from one of the members that had said they had been going to join us on the ride, telling us it was pouring on them and they were going back home. About that time, the three riders there discussed it, and decided since it was 5 minutes till the ride was supposed to leave, and no one else had showed up, it was probably for the best to “officially” cancel the ride. As that decision was made, some really big drops started falling, so a quick meeting of the minds and we decided the better part of valor was to force ourselves to go into the Cracker Barrel and have a second breakfast, just to kill some time you understand. Before we could get started walking to the restaurant, it started coming down in buckets. Needless to say, we got a tad wet before reaching the front porch.



We got in, got seated, ordered, received, and ate our breakfasts, and about that time, the rain stopped and the sun was almost shining. As we stood around the bikes after getting back outside we decided it was a shame to waste what had become a good day, now that the rain had blown through. So a quick discussion, and the comment that one of the riders, a visitor, Robert Burnett, who needed to get home a little after 1pm, we decided to change the day’s ride, and instead of going to Amis Mill, we rode some neat back roads, following David Underwood, and went up to the Panther Creek State Park overlook. Took a couple pictures of the lake below us, enjoyed a nice stop, then selected another scenic back road route back home, by way of Lakeshore Drive, which is always an enjoyable ride.

After Robert peeled off to get home, David and Loretta & I decided one more stop was necessary and we ended up at Twisters on Tazewell Pike for ice cream.

Then each of us headed home. All-in-all, after a shaky start, it actually ended up being a decent day for a ride.

## Brian



# Continued



Our newest Chapter B member, Lou DeLustro, who just finished moving here to an apartment in West Knoxville from Long Island, NY, joined Loretta & I for the scheduled weekend ride to the Barber Motorsports museum near Birmingham, AL. Unfortunately, he was the only other rider with us, but we had a great weekend anyway.

Since it was just the two bikes, we discussed the plans for the ride and made some tweaks to the plans for the ride itself, but for the most part, we followed the original idea. We did arrive at the museum earlier than I had figured, plus, I had totally missed that they are in Central Time, so we even had an additional hour, over and above the extra because we took less time on the road, so we had plenty of time to meander through the museum, which was a good thing. This was Lou and our first time to the museum, so it was all new to us, and there was just so much to see it was amazing. We both took LOTS of pictures of the different bikes, saw some really neat ones.

The weather forecast for the weekend had indications of strong potentials for rain, especially for Sunday, and temperatures in the 90's both days. The trip down was very pleasant, no rain, and it only got into the mid-80's, which was tolerable. We had one instance of rain on Saturday, literally just as we were finished eating dinner at the really great BBQ place I found listed in TripAdvisor, as we were getting up from the table to go out to the bikes, it started drizzling. We made a mad dash to the bikes to get our rain gear and get back under the restaurant's overhang. It was still drizzling when we left to ride back to our motel, but by the time we got there, it had quit, and it didn't look like much of anything had happened at the motel, the parking lot was mostly dry. Then on Sunday coming home, we had no rain at all, and we rode in temps of the mid-80's till we got to TN, where it finally did get up into the 90's ... that last couple hours of riding to get home was the worst part of the whole weekend riding, it was uncomfortably hot.

All-in-all, it was a great ride, and the route home on some backroads was really nice. At the museum, Lou and I both bought a special map they were selling from "Butler Motorcycle Maps" of "Southern Appalachia including AL, GA, IN, SC and NC". They listed 30 different "special motorcycle" routes, rated good, better and best. While sitting in the quaint, antiques restaurant I found for lunch in Lafayette, GA, we looked at the map and just slightly north of where we were, cutting off 411N, was one of the listed routes, taking us east over to I-59, so instead of continuing north on 411 to I-75 near Chattanooga, we decided to try it, and it was well worth it, a nice, scenic ride, with some twisties, some roller coaster ups-and-downs, a couple switch-backs that weren't too bad, so Lou and I both were quite pleased.



As far as the museum itself, it was really neat seeing all those different motorcycles and how their styling had progressed over the years. I got a kick out of seeing a couple of motorcycles that were the same as ones we have owned in the past. As the old saying goes ... "sure brings back memories".



Of special interest to me was seeing the first year model of the Honda Gold Wing, boy what a significant difference in the styling, from a bare-bones basic bike, to today's, fully loaded with extras, full touring machine. They have come a long way! And boy aren't we glad!

And I couldn't neglect considering our members that are on trikes, I took a picture of the current version GL1800 trike on display that had a California Sidecar trike conversion kit installed, but I also took a couple pictures of a couple other displays that I guess could be considered forerunners of today's trikes. Quite a difference in styling, and I'm sure comfort, although one of them, a model from Harley Davidson called the 1915 Harley-Davidson/Cygnet (Cygnet from the company that designed and built the add-on to the back of the Harley-Davidson) looked like it would have been REALLY comfortable for the co-rider; in fact, you could have had 2 co-riders.

I also couldn't resist getting Lou to take a picture of me next to the "Captain America" motorcycle that I'm sure many of us watched with envy in the "Easy Rider" movie - envy and probably a dream of having one like it. The model on display is a replica of the original from the movie, they had had 2 made for the movie, and one was of course demolished in the movie. They had 2 made so they had a backup if needed for any break-downs or accidents. It was a little vague on what happened to the other, but the plaque next to the bike said at the time they hadn't considered it was anything special enough to keep the 2<sup>nd</sup> model for "posterity", oh well.

Another picture I thought was really neat and interesting and wanted to share was of a 1943 BMW R75 3x2 built for the German army during World War II, and used in the desert by General Rommel's Afrika Korps. Looking at the add-on accessory (I wonder if KuryAkyn could come out with something similar for our GL1800's, do you think it would sell????), I had thoughts about how neat it would be, and the reactions of some of those cage drivers that try to cut us off. Can you say "Road Rage"? I'm sure some of us have thought about something similar when we've had an altercation.

It was also really neat that the museum had dedicated parking in a "traffic circle" right in front of the museum's front door, marked "Motorcycle parking only". When we came out of the museum, we saw a white GL1800 parked next to our red (Lou's) and blue (ours) bikes, making a very patriot statement. Brian

Editor's note made that picture at the top big for Labor Day



On Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, Brian and I met Lou (a new member) and went on the chapter ride to the motorcycle museum. Lots of people say if you've seen one you've seen them all (museums that is). Well it's true to the extent that there were more motorcycles than I've seen in one place.



But I must say that I saw some very pretty ones and also some unusual ones. One in particular folded up so that it had all its parts in a square shape that the plaque said was designed to be able to be put into the trunk of a small car, and I don't know how they did it. It was called the 1965 Val mobile, and you can see these two pictures of one folded up and one folded out ready to be ridden. Brian later told me he was able to look through vents in the back of the folded one and could see tucked up into an area inside, the front wheel, and a piece of chrome that he assumed was the bar going up to the handlebars.



One



model on display that I told Brian was "more my size" was pretty cute. It was labeled the "1954 Indian Papoose", and it was listed as a "fold up" mini-bike developed from a WWII military bike that had been made to be parachute dropped into an area and a soldier could unfold the handlebars, pull up the seat, start the bike and ride off, and the plaque added "hoping the noise did not alert the enemy".

It was a long day and we didn't see it all so there's a chance that we'll go again. You missed a great day. **Loretta**



On 8-31-16, the City of Maryville laid to rest Officer Kenny Moats, badge 156. He had a wife and three small children. The reason I am writing this article is because one of our own played a huge part honoring Officer Moats. Larry Hale wears another hat outside of our Chapter B, he is a Senior Ride Captain of our Patriot Guard Riders (PGR), we "Stand for Those Who Stood For Us". Several clubs joined together that day under one (see the picture), and the goal was simple...to pay homage to Officer Moats, his family, and members of Law Enforcement. Its sometimes difficult to get that many people together and organized, but Larry performed in an exemplary manner, and led 130 PGR bikes/trikes safely to the end. The count of the participants in the procession totaled 483, the breakdown is below.



91	motor	patrol	bikes
116	police	cruisers	
22	personal	cars	

At 10:20 into it PGR started tier 2

We had 130	bikes/trikes!	After	us:
244	police/fire	vehicles	
25	personal	cars	
3	fire	trucks	
2	dump	trucks	
2	wreckers		

Vickie



**Bilt Explorer Waterproof Adventure Jacket, size large, MSRP \$399.99, brand new, bought for my wife and she did not like it, asking \$200**

**Features and Benefits**

- 600 denier outer material
- 1200 denier abrasion resistant sections on shoulders and elbows
- 2-layer construction: Full waterproof/breathable/windproof fixed liner, quilted detachable satin liner
- Reflective details for increased visibility
- Airflow inner lining to main shell
- Zip entry ventilation panels on front with fold-away feature
- Long zip entry vents on back with multi position airflow control
- Hydration pack pocket with tube locator on upper back
- Rear pocket with rubber tab pullers
- Multi-point sleeve adjustment tabs for a variable arm fit
- Slide adjustment waist belt for a variable fit
- Mobile phone pouch and additional pockets on inner lining
- Zip entry side hand warmer pockets
- Hook-and-loop tab hip adjustment
- Short and all-around connection zippers
- CE approved armor at shoulders and elbows
- Memory foam comfort back panel



**Vega Stealth F117 full-face helmet, carbon fiber, VERY light-weight, size 2XL, with IMC G130P headset and upper & lower cord. Since my wife can't wear hers, and we prefer matching helmets, I don't need mine. Worn only a few times. Original cost with headset, \$390, asking \$200/obo**

**Vega Stealth F117 full-face helmet, carbon fiber, VERY light-weight, size medium, with IMC G130P headset and upper & lower cord. Bought for my wife, only worn twice, she is not comfortable with the way it fits her and can't wear it. Original cost with headset, \$390, asking \$200/obo.**

**Nolan N104 modular helmet, wine-cherry, size medium, with J&M headset and upper cord. When I changed helmets, we wanted a matching helmet for my wife. Only used last year. Original cost with headset, \$533, asking \$200/obo**

**Nolan N104EVO modular helmet, wine-cherry, size XL, with J&M headset and upper cord. Found I have problems with my C5-C6 & C6-C7 in my neck and the helmet was too heavy, needed to find something lighter. Only used last year. Original cost with headset, \$582, asking \$200/obo.**



Bilt Explorer Waterproof Adventure Pants, size 34, MSRP \$359.99, brand new, bought for my wife and she did not like them, asking \$180

Features and Benefits

- 600 denier outer material
- 1200 denier abrasion resistant sections on shoulders and elbows
- 2-layer construction: Full waterproof/breathable/windproof fixed liner, quilted detachable satin liner
- Reflective details for increased visibility
- Airflow inner lining to main shell
- Hip pockets with rubber tab pullers
- Long zip entry vents on front thighs with multi position airflow control
- Elastic waist with pull through adjusters and rubber grip strip
- Zip entry lower leg with hook-and-loop tab adjustment
- Short and all-around connection zippers

CE approved armor at knees



Leather motorcycle jacket, sz 46, worn & slightly scuffed, asking \$20



Dyna Beads for tire balancing, new, (with TPMS system in our bike, we can't use these), asking \$10

(1 set) Hyper Lights  
Brand new, MSRP \$100, asking \$75

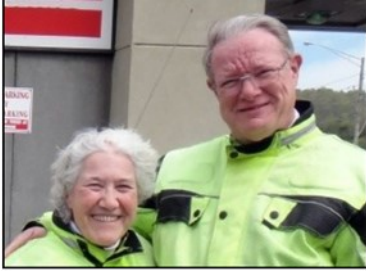


Men's Tour Master Venture Air Mesh Riding Pants, Size 38-40, worn once, \$195 new, asking \$75



Flash2Pass garage door opener set, brand new, MSRP \$140, asking \$75

# TN-B 2016 Ride and Event Schedule



*Brian Richards  
Chapter B Ride  
Coordinator*

**September** 06, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering

Sep 17, Sat - Chapter ride to Cookie Jar café, Dunlap

Sep 20, Tue - Dinner ride, Hot Rod's, Maryville, meet there at 6:30pm

Sep 22-24, Thu-Sat - NC District Rally, Cherokee, NC

**October** 01, Sat - Chapter ride to Carver's Apple orchard, Cosby

Oct 04, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering

Oct 06-08, Thu-Sat - VA District Rally, Tanglewood Mall, Roanoke, VA

Oct 07, Fri - Ride For Kids® training, Clinton Harley Davidson, 7pm

Oct 08, Sat - Ride For Kids®, early registration & info booth at Honda of Knoxville, all day

Oct 09, Sun - Ride For Kids®, registration 12pm

Oct 18, Tue - Dinner ride, Apple Barn, Sevierville, meet there at 6:30pm

**November** 01, Tue - TN-B monthly Chapter Gathering, at Shoney's, 6pm dinner, 7pm gathering

Nov 04-05, Fri-Sat - Region N Rally, Johnson City TN, details TBA

Nov 15, Tue - Dinner ride, Longhorn Steakhouse, Turkey Creek, meet there at 6:30pm



**Come Ride with us!**



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



Bob and Denise Ennis 9/1  
 John and Rives 9/1  
 Dave and Betty Roberts 9/3  
 Tyler and Alicia Hickam 9/13  
 Jerry and Irene Ciesla 9/17  
 John and Ann Hopper 9/18  
 Scott and Amy Seal 9/20



# "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 & Kathy Peck 423-907-971

Chapter T meets the 4th Tuesday Each month at the Shoney's 315 Emory Rd, Powell Eat at 6:00 pm/ Meet at 7:00 pm CD: Bobby Cash 865-705-7657

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 Saturday at Shoney's, 4148 US 127, Crossville, Eat at 8:00 am Gathering at 9:00 am CD Buddy & Brenda Turner, 931-484-7337

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. Mel & Renee McInerney 865-809-1466

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 Elizabeth & Earl Smith 585-737-9823

Chapter A2 meets the 3rd Monday each month at O'Charlie's Eat at 6pm Meet at 6:30, 364 Fountain View Circle Spring Brook Center, Newly appointed CD Larry & Margret Borne, Phone: 865-856-6179.

# Chapter Store

New Chapter Golf Shirts see Pat Chapter "Bee" Embroidered Hats: \$12 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 visitation pins (Shape of State).....\$4.00 ea.
- TN-B Hanger Bars ..... \$2.00 ea.
- Region N 4" Patch .....\$6.00 ea. Red/ White
- 4" GWRRA Patch ..... \$6.00 ea. Black/Gold
- 10" GWRRA Patch..... \$14.00 ea. Red/White
- 10" GWRRA Patch.....\$14.00 ea. Blue/Red
- District Patch .....\$5.00 ea.
- TN District Pin.....\$4.00 ea.
- 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" Pat Talley 423-562-1962 or talleylakeside@gmail.com

