

GoldWing Road Riders Association

Friends For Fun Safety and Knowledge

BLUEGRASS WINGS CHAPTER-C



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A Few words from Bill & Sue

Please see the page we have just for the Conventions held in District N, with the web links to their registration pages. If you are planning to go you should sign up and get reservations for lodging as soon as possible to make sure you have a place to stay. One convention I would like to talk about is the Kentucky Ride In. It is held at the camp grounds in Elizabethtown. This is Kentucky's event for all Kentucky Chapters to meet and have fun with others from our state and surrounding states. It is a great way to see old friends and make new ones. Come play a few games and just take it easy and share Fellowship among others who have the same interest in motorcycling that we do. I have met wonderful people from other states there and we all had a great time So don't forget the 11th-13th of May - the Kentucky Ride In. Come and play make new friends and have FUN with us. If you have more time try a few other convention's you will have a great time.

Bill & Sue Mucha CD KY-C

Kentucky Plaque

Plaque was captured at chapter V's gathering on Februarys 20th and Chapter N won it. Also in attendance were Chapter's A,C, G, S, and N as you can see we did not bring it home. Thanks to Mike, Cliff, Bruce, Sue and my self for trying to capturing the Plaque. Next time is chapter N in Dry Ridge on March 9th at Vanessa's HeavenlyTemptations119-A S. Main St. Dry Ridge, KY 41035 Eat @ 6:30 PM, Meet @ 7:30. hope a few of you can come along for the ride and try and capture it .



RIDER EDUCATION



February 2012 Chapter C Educator article

For many, the news that warmer weather is approaching has all of us looking to warm up their motors and planning where to ride next. Before starting up please remember to take a copy of your TCLOCKS form out and give your ride a thorough going over. Most bikes have sat for the last 2 to 3 months and may need a little care. Change your oil, check antifreeze, and make certain tire pressures are good and so on.

Once you have completed your TCLOCKS, make plans to do a little Parking Lot Practice. Everyone will need to get their balance back, get a feel for their machine under power, and develop that comfort you had when you parked your bike for the winter. It is very easy to lose maneuvering skills when you haven't ridden for a couple of months.

In March we will be doing a class on team riding and getting everyone up to speed on proper positioning when out with your friends. Always remember to wear the appropriate clothing when riding, and keep yourself safe. I firmly believe that our chapter participants ride very safe and watch for hazards, but it is the other motorists that don't watch out for us. Bright colored clothing, helmets, or jackets are just another way to make you more visible on the road.

Ride safe and as always HAVE FUN!!!

Michael VanHoose
Chapter C Educator
Kentucky District Leadership Trainer



Kudos to all



What a great month we have new Rider Education Seminar presenters in Kentucky. It all happened in Jan and Feb. Lets

give them a big hand. Mike and Dedre VanHoose, Rick Broadway, Dave Gove, Russ Bell and Bill Mucha. Congratulation's to all.

Thanks to Randy and Denise coy, Roy Taulbee, Dennis Traynor

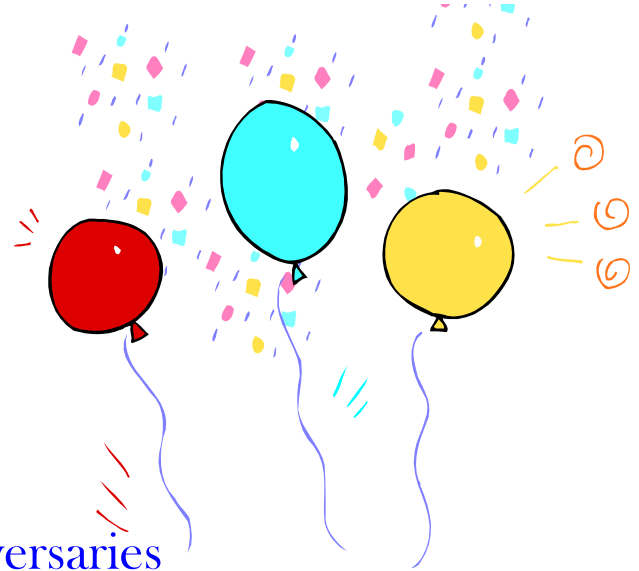
Sue and Bill Mucha who attended the Polar Bear ride on the 18th of Feb. Great Ride good food and lots of FUN. Ask them and

find out how much.



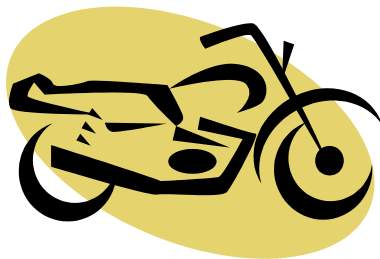
Birthdays

- Mike Fawbush February 1st*
- Sam Aster-Bell February 3rd*
- Roger Fischer February 26th*
- Martha Samples March 1st*
- Mitchell Young March 1st*
- James Elam March 7th*
- Jeannie Bigelow March 31st*



Anniversaries

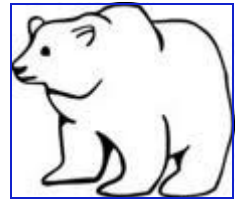
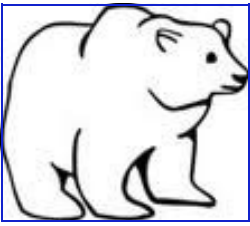
Rick and Brenda Wise March 20th



KY-C MONTHLY GATHERING INFO

Don't forget New Gathering place !!!!

The Bluegrass Wings gather the 4th Tuesday of every month at Golden Corral 185 East New Circle Road, Lexington, KY 40505-2114 (859) 299-1600



Polar Bear Ride

On Saturday, February 18, 2012, a hearty group of six people, riding four bikes, took off from the Palomar Center Shell station on a Polar Bear ride. The group included, chapter directors, Bill and Sue Mucha, Roy Taulbee, Dennis Traynor, Denise and Randy Coy.

While the Sun was bright, the beginning temperature was about 34 degrees. The group was well prepared for the weather with extra clothing and a willing spirit. It was good to have our bikes out of the garage and back on the road after the winter respite.

We rode back roads most of day with scenic views that included horse farms and beautiful streams. We even saw a big barn owl standing beside the road. I for one was thankful that he decided we were no threat to him and he calmly watched as we passed by.

The ride took about an hour and forty five minutes and ended at The Soup Kitchen on Southland Drive in Lexington. It wouldn't be a Gold Wing ride without food. We were ready for the warm soup and sandwiches. The best thing about the day was being with friends who share the same love for riding and making it safely home to ride another day.

Randy Coy





Ride Events

Web page www.gwrrakyc.org

February :

11th: Rider ED Seminar Day starting 9:00am at the Radcliff Fire Station on Wilson Rd

18th: Polar bear ride. 10 am Palomar by shell station.

25th: February 25, 2012 Medic First Aid , CPR/AED Training starting 9:00am at the Stratton Community Center in Shelbyville

28th :Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

March:

27th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

31st: Carter Caves Ride 10: 00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

April:

14th My Old Kentucky Home 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

24th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

26th to the 28th: Spring Fling in Pigeon Forge, TN. Held at the Majestic Theater.

May:

5th: Kentucky Derby Ride 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

11th –13th: Kentucky ride in at ELIZABETHTOWN CROSSROADS Camp Grounds

19th: A Celebration of life ride See insert for Jerry Elam.

19th & 20th: Overnight ride to Falls Creek Falls Tennessee 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

22nd: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

June:

9th: Picnic ride 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

14th-16th: West Virginia District Convention "Down Home Rally" Summersville, West Virginia

23rd: Louisville Slugger ride 10:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

26th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

July:

4th-7th: Wing Ding Fort Wayne IN.

14th: Covered Bridges ride 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

24th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral

28th: Stearns Railroad 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

August:

4th: Barn Quilt Ride 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

9th-11th: Kentucky Blast Frankfort Ky.

25th: Bourbon Trail 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

28th: Chapter C Get Together @ Golden Corral 9:00 am meet at parking lot behind Chevron station

As time gets closer for rides we will send out information with times and locations.



Greetings from Membership Enhancement!



What a meeting we had in January!! Our New Year and new location were awesome! Make plans to join us Tuesday, February 28 at Golden Corral on New Circle Road to see what we're up to. We eat at 6:00 and meet at 7:00. After you walk through the cash registers, head left. We're just past the desserts on the right.

Five chapters joined us for our January meeting. It seems like we had a piece of wood that they were interested in obtaining for themselves. (The traveling plaque) We plan to have visitors at every meeting now that Pat and Lorelee have developed new chapter visitation policies. If three or more chapter members visit another chapter, we get points based on how many members visit, the distance traveled to visit the other chapter, and what type of event we're visiting. The District Director will also choose chapter events that will create double points for the visitors. With the price of gas skyrocketing, we need to carpool until the bikes come out for the spring. Let Bill Mucha or Mike VanHoose know if you want to visit another chapter and they'll hook you up! The traveling plaque is now at Chapter N in Dry Ridge. Their meeting is the second Friday of the month, so that is March 9 at 6:30pm at Vanessa's Heavenly Temptations.

Our new year also finds us with a new logo! Mike has already put it on the website, but come check it out in person too. We'll be placing a shirt order soon to, so be thinking what you might like to order. The round patches are available from Cliff Planck for \$10.00.

The Couple of the Year Mascot will be available at our meeting on Tuesday. It now has to be available within two weeks, so Chapter V is bringing it to our meeting. Mike and I would appreciate support in going after the mascot this coming year! If you're able to join us at another meeting, please call or email Mike or me. Many times only one of us can travel due to family obligations, but we intend to be there to capture the mascot as many times as we can.

Since the last meeting, Mike, Ben and I went to the Winter Event in Tennessee. It was held at Fall Creek Falls State Park. Chapter H "adopted" us for the weekend, and we had a blast! We've only been in GWRRA for a short time, but have made some very good friends over these two years! For those of you who don't attend meetings or other events regularly, you're missing out on some great times and good friends. Give us a try and you'll see what I mean. Spring is just around the corner....maybe....I hope.....so check out our ride schedule and join us for a ride.

See you soon!

Dedre VanHoose

Membership Enhancement

Feel free to contact me with any questions - dedrej2@aol.com or 859-229-5859



*Plan now to participate in our
Region "N" District Conventions for 2012*



April 26 thru 28

Tennessee District Convention "Spring Fling"

Pigeon Forge, Tennessee

<http://www.tngurra.org/downloads/SpringFlingReg.pdf>

June 14 thru 16

West Virginia District Convention "Down Home Rally"

Summersville, West Virginia

<http://www.wvgurra.org/newsletters/RallyForm2012.pdf>

August 9 thru 11

Kentucky District "Blast" Convention "Derby Days"

Frankfort, Kentucky

<http://gwrraky.com/Doc/2012%20Convention%20flyer-5.pdf>

September 20 thru 22

North Carolina District Convention "Wings Over North Carolina"

Concord, North Carolina

<http://www.gwrranc.org/>

October 4 thru 6

Virginia District Convention "Rally in the Valley"

Salem, Virginia

NO web page info as of yet.

A Celebration of Life Ride

May 19, 2012



We will have a scattering of the ashes ride at 2 p.m. at Chapter C's marshalling area. After the ride (approximately 4 p.m.) we will have a pig roast at our home, 1000 Applecross Drive, Lexington, KY 40511.

Meat, buns, condiments and drinks furnished. For those who wish to bring a dish, please do! There will be a vehicle at the marshalling area to pick up food.

For those who cannot make the ride, please join us for the food and fellowship in celebration of Jerry's life!

Please RSVP to Marilyn: 859-489-9617 or elams23@gmail.com so that I can have enough food for all!!

1000 Applecross Drive

Take New Circle Road to Leestown Road, exit going out of town. Turn right onto Greendale (at the Coca Cola Plant). Continue down Greendale and after the sharp S curve it is the third right.

Chapter C Marshalling Area

The marshalling area is behind the Marathon Station on Old Paris Pike. From I-75, take the Paris exit #113. Going towards town the station is directly on your right as you exit the interstate.

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BABB FAMILY BENEFIT CONCERT

What: A Benefit concert featuring several bands and musical groups.

When: April 22, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.

Location: First Christian Church, 1000 Eminence Pike, Shelbyville, KY

Motorcycle display starting at 1:00 p.m. In the parking lot of the church.

The BABB FAMILY BENEFIT is sponsored by friends of Tim and Stacey Babb and their five year old son, Alex.

About four years ago Stacey was diagnosed with brain cancer. She underwent surgery and had some 30 radiation treatments as a precaution to kill any cancer cells that may have been missed.

This past September, she had to go back to the hospital because of headaches. Tests indicated that the cancer had returned. However this time it was different. The first cancer was determined to be Meduloblastoma. This time, however, the pathology indicated that the cancer was a different and more deadly form. The test indicated that the tumor is Glioblastoma Multiforme class 4. This is the most aggressive type of brain cancer. It is extremely rare for anyone to live more than 12 months after a diagnosis.

Due to the location of the tumor, surgery is not possible. Also, because she has had 30 radiation treatments, that is no longer an option. As a result of previous treatments, she has to rely solely upon chemotherapy and pray for a miracle. Although she recently has been in the hospital, Stacey is now home.

From a financial perspective, her illness has been devastating. Because of the illness, she, of course has not been able to work for quite some time. Tim is an IT specialist. In order to provide home care for Stacey and also little Alex, he has had to work from their home. Because they have experience almost 4 ½ years of medical expenses, the debt has been overwhelming.

The FRIENDS OF THE BABB FAMILY hope that we can provide some financial relief for this young family through money raised through this benefit concert.

The concert will feature several musical groups from around the area. In addition an auction will be held at intermission time. More information on the bands and musical groups will be released as we get closer to the date.

Tim and Stacey are members of the GWRRA (Goldwing Road Riders Association). Tim has served as webmaster for the Shelbyville GWRRA chapter since its inception 2 ½ years ago. Because of their involvement with GWRRA, a motorcycle display will be featured at the benefit, starting at 1:00 p.m.

All members of GWRRA are invited to participate in the bike display.

A free will offering will be received during the concert. All donations will go to the Babb family

For Sale

Nolan Helmet - Pearl Blue, with built-in headset, size L - \$135.00
excellent condition, w/carrying bag, cost \$325.00

Ladies leather pants - Firstgear, small size 12, never worn - \$40.00

HJC full face helmet - like new, Tiger painted on back, w/carrying bag - \$50.00

Gary Ginter
859-936-0661



Appalachian Region N Quilt Raffle - Fund Raiser

A quilt consisting of a segment representing each of the Chapters and Districts within Region N is currently under construction by a few of our fine members from Virginia. A 10" by 10" cloth panel has been requested from each of our Chapters. The segments should be no larger than 10" by 10", with the display panel being no larger than 8" by 8". This will leave a 1" border around all four sides of the panel, so that it may be sewn into the quilt. The panels will then be used to fabricate a two sided quilt, which will be awarded based on one ticket drawn at the 2012 Virginia Rally In the Valley Convention. Two books, containing 10 tickets each, have been distributed to each Chapter and District Director in Region N, for sale at \$5.00 each, to those members who wish to take a chance, or chances, to win this "one of a kind" quilt. Advance ticket sales have begun, and will continue through March 31, 2012. After that date, additional tickets may be purchased at the Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina and Virginia Conventions, where the quilt will be on display. Ticket sales proceeds will go to support Region "N" operational costs.

CHAPTER SALES INCENTIVE: The Chapter selling the most tickets, during the period of 15 November and 31 March (and turning in the funds collected not later than 31 March) will receive a \$100.00 cash reward.

Raffle tickets are being distributed by, additional tickets may be obtained from, and funds should be turned-in (no later than March 31, 2012) to:

Jennifer Knight
2800 Ida Avenue
Chester, VA 23831
Ph: (804) 898-1089
Email: willsgirl56@aol.com

Quilt segments should be mailed to:

Debbie Dowell
6828 Dan Street
Richmond, VA 23231
Ph: (804) 222-1303
Email: dowellmickey@comcast.net

Thanks in advance to all who support this fund raising project, so that we may better serve the members.

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Photo of an actual quilt that was constructed for, and awarded at the 2011 Virginia Convention