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As I write this article we have already had a dinner outing, and we have made a ride to Louisville for their monthly gathering. Knowing that everyone on these events has survived the holiday season, I have to go back and hope that our other chapter participants are well and enjoyed the holidays also. Dedre and I welcomed our 5th grandchild to the family December 30 and she is a jewel!

We had 16 of us at Mancino's, and 8 traveled to Louisville that helped us capture the traveling plaque. It was wonderful to have everyone out again and active.

Thinking back on 2015, my calendar reminds me that as a chapter, we had more opportunities to ride and be together than at any other time since Dedre and I have been with Chapter C. It was a great year! We look forward to having even more opportunities in 2016 and hope that you will take advantage of these events as they come up. We are hoping to do some joint chapter events this year with A, and Tennessee has again challenged us to meet them at the Big South Fork Railroad for a meeting to see which district can turn out the most people. I am working on the next district ride over Memorial Day weekend riding the perimeter of West Virginia. What an amazing ride that will be!

Thank you Chapter C for all your participation in 2015. Get ready for an even better 2016. This year we will give awards for high mileage and for participation. Please bring your mileage reading as of January 1 and turn it in to Dedre for recording. Participation will taken by us at every event and recorded. Awards will be given at our Christmas Party 2016.





Happy New Year to all of our GWRRA family!! KYC had a wonderful year riding and fellowshipping in 2015 and I truly believe that there are even bigger and better things in store for us in 2016. We started out the New Year with a great turn out at Mancino's for dinner Thursday night. We had sixteen in attendance so once again Roger outdid himself!! With such an enthusiastic start to the New Year, we need to keep our attendance and interest strong throughout the year!!

As we begin our New Year, I would like to talk about a way to ensure that our Goldwings are safe and enjoyable to ride the roads in 2016. Approximately ten months ago, I had the Centramatic Wheel Balancer installed on our trike. The benefits include longer tire life, from 35% to 50% lower tire temperature, 10% to 15% improved braking, increased stability, reduced vibration, reduce driver and co-rider fatigue, increased tire footprint, and better grip on turns. I know this seems unrealistic that one product can offer so many benefits and advantages but I can attest that it certainly does. I have been more than pleased with the performance of our trike since the Centramatic Wheel Balancer was installed and highly recommend it!! The company backs up their product with a five year unlimited mileage warranty too!! I personally feel like it was money well spent and I think you will too. Remember to have fun and stay safe. Shea and I are excited to enter this New Year with all of our Goldwing family!! We can't wait to ride, eat, ride, eat, and ride some more!! Best wishes for a healthy and happy 2016!!!

Ride Safe,
Alan Ernest
KYC Educator

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2016 GWRRA Region N Convention Schedule

Event Schedule Region "A" & Region N

Date	Event
March 17 - 19	Florida District Rally & Convention
March 31 – April 2	Louisiana District Rally & Convention
April 21 – 23	Georgia District Rally & Convention
April 28 – 30	Tennessee District Rally & Convention
May 13-15	Kentucky Ride-In
May 19 – 21	Alabama District Rally & Convention
May 20 – 21	Region N Mini Rally
July 14 – 16	South Carolina District Rally & Convention
July 22 – 23	WV District Rally & Convention
August 18 – 20	Kentucky District Rally & Convention
August 31 – Sept 3	Wing Ding 38
September 22 – 24	North Carolina District Rally & Convention
October 6 -8 (not confirmed)...	Virginia District Rally & Convention
October ???	Mississippi District Rally & Convention
October 27 – 29	Region A Rally & Convention
November - - -	Region N Rally & Convention



From Darrell and Alice- Membership Enhancement

Hello Fellow Wingers,

01/10/2016

Happy New Year to all my Chapter members. Can you believe it, it is January and a few of us were able to ride motorcycles to visit Chapter "A" in Louisville on Saturday the 9th. Looked like it wanted to rain on us there and back but we made it both ways high and dry. Good timing too as I woke up to snow on Sunday. Looks like we could be cold for a while now so I want to talk briefly about trying to stay in riding shape during the winter months.

Think about all the muscles you are using when you are on your motorcycle, whether it is standing still or moving. Leg muscles, hip muscles, ankle muscles, hands, wrist, shoulder and back muscles just to name a few. My advice would be to try and exercise these muscles at least a couple of times during the week over our winter months. This will help you stay in better shape to ride when spring time rolls around. You know how Gold Wingers enjoy our dinner rides, well winter is no reason to stop eating but don't forget to get some physical exercise in to offset the calorie intake.

And to close I want to remind all members to encourage anyone you know that has a motorcycle but does not belong to a riding club to visit one of our winter chapter meetings so they can see what a great bunch of people ride Gold Wings.

Quote: **Ride, eat, sleep, Repeat!**

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

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January 9th we traveled to Louisville for the Chapter A monthly gathering. We had a great turnout with 8 of our chapter making the trip. Not pictured was John Conner standing too far to the left. As the picture portrays, we won the Traveling Plaque. We will have visitors at our gathering next Saturday.

The Kentucky District Operations meeting will be Saturday, January 23 at 10am at First Christian Church Life Center, 160 Lexington St in Versailles, KY. Join us if you're an Officer, a University Trainer or just want to learn more about what's going on in GWRRA and Kentucky. We hope to see you there!

Plans are in the works for another CPR course. Let Mike or Dedre know if you need the class.

Ladies, I've talked Roger into a "ladies choice ride" for 2016. Be thinking of fun destinations for us to request. We had quite the enjoyable day in Berea in 2014. Let Karen or me know if you have any ideas.

I need to place a shirt order soon. Please let me know if you want to order! We offer short and long sleeve polos, long sleeve dress shirts (all in royal blue and red) and long sleeve denim. They have our logo embroidered on the left side and your name (if you want) on the right side. We just happen to be modeling some in the photo above!

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Especially For Trikes

At last there is a radial front tire that has been designed for GL1800 trikes. No more bias GL1500 rear tires mounted on the front rim.

Avon Motorcycle Tyres North America have designed a 130/70R18 (63V) under their Cobra line of touring tires. The model is AV71 has been specifically designed (a true radial) for GL1800 trikes. It comes with a 15,000 mile warranty and the Road Hazard Warranty is FREE. The tire has a flatter profile to resist scrubbing and bigger blocks of rubber to resist irregular wear. The tire construction has been engineered to deal with heavier front loads and the sidewall has “TRIKE” emblazoned on it to distinguish it from regular motorcycle tires.

The tire was announced late last year in “*Wing World*” but availability was delayed. I have had one on order since March and it arrived just before my departure for my Northwest Tour. During my 9100 miles of travel over various road conditions from mud, gravel, grooved concrete and various black top surfaces; I can personally state that I am pleased with the way it handled and it is showing very little wear. The larger blocks of rubber statement means that the grooves are wider and deeper and will pick up small stones which you must pick out. I checked the tire psi and it maintained the 41/42 psi during the journey and the only time I had to add air was due to pressure loss using my tire gauge. When it was mounted I used 2 ounces of Dyna-Beads.

No more rear bias ply tires for my trike.

Russ “GOO” Bell

Chapter C Technical Advisor



From our Ride Coordinator and Webmaster– Roger Early

I was hoping to get a start on our 2016 ride schedule during the holidays but other things came up and I ran out of time. I have updated our Chapter Calendar to show the various chapter meetings and I added the various District Conventions as well as the dates for Wing Ding 38. Stay tuned for more information about our rides for 2016.

Our first dinner gathering of 2016 was a huge success. We had 15 people show up at Mancinos and we had some great food and even better conversations. It was a great start to 2016.



Mike setup a ride on 12/5 and I was able to join him on that ride. We got off to a rough start because I did not fully read Mike's note and only saw that we were meeting at Kroger. I arrived a few minutes early at the Kroger on Versailles Road and waited patiently for Mike or someone else to arrive. After about 5 minutes I checked my email and realized I was supposed to be at the Kroger in Brannon Crossing. Mike called me just after I discovered my mistake so we met at another location and we had a great ride.

Karen and I take an annual trip to Gatlinburg in December with 2 other couples. It was so warm this year that I decided to take the bike. It was warm but not warm enough for Karen to ride so it was a solo ride. I also took the opportunity to take a few short rides while we were down there. It was a great trip.

Since we are into the colder months, if we get some good weather, I'll send out a note and we'll try to get some rides organized. We'll also try to ride after our meetings, weather permitting. We will also continue to meet for dinners.

For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>. The calendar also includes the various Chapter Meetings and the Region Events. If you have any questions or corrections, please let me know.

Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets got out and VISIT our fellow chapters. Here is a list of when and where they meet. It's FUN to make new Friends.



Chapter A Meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at Mark's Feed Store at 6501 Bardstown Road in Louisville. They eat at 11:30 and meet at 12:30.



Chapter B-1 Meet on the 4th Sunday at Ryan's Steakhouse at 1921 Mel Browning Street, Bowling Green, KY 23104. Eat at 4:00 pm and meet at 5:00 PM.



Chapter C Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters. This is at the intersection of Nicholasville Road and Man O War in front of Walmart. Eat @ 11:00 AM and meet @ 12:00.



Chapter G Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Golden Corral, 4770 Houston Road Florence, KY 41042 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm



Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at Stratton Community Center 215 Washington St. Shelbyville, KY 40065 Meet @ 6:30 pm



Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Golden Coral U.S. 31 W. Elizabethtown, KY Eat @ 4:00 PM, Meet @ 5:00



Chapter T Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY Eat @ 6:00 PM, Meet @ 7:00



Chapter W Meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Frischs in London off Highway 192. Eat at 6, meet at 7.



Chapter Y Meet on the 1st Thursday at Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th St. Mayfield, KY 42066 Eat @ 6:00, Meet @ 7:00

Look at the Chapter Gathering days as we will try and to visit them all at sometime.