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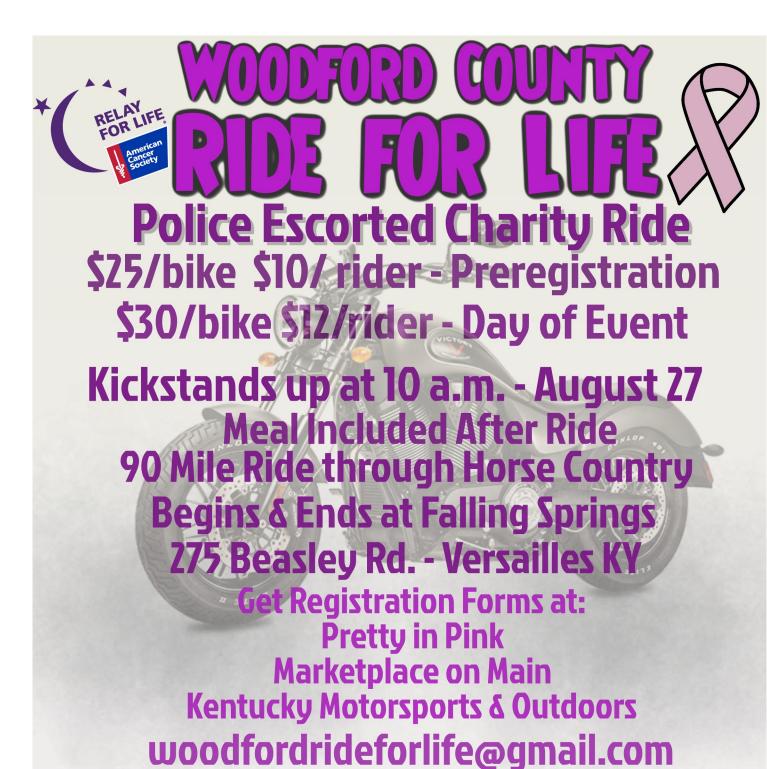
Roger Early

July 2016

Wow, what a month we have had so far. We had a great ride to Jerry's in Paris last week, we have visited with Chapters H, A, S and G with more to follow. We have had FUN, FUN, FUN! Still to come will be Chapter T in Paintsville this Saturday and stay overnight to ride the Eastern KY roads home Sunday. Dedre and I attended the Lead Like You Ride program in Tennessee in June. We have a lot of ideas and even more excitement to bring Chapter C. I participated in the ITCP (Instructors Training Certification Program) and am now certified to teach the new workshops coming out. This Saturday our District Educator Jim Strickland will give us a motorist awareness class after the gathering. We are working with the district staff to finalize the KY Blast preparations and hope to give you the best experience possible. Preregistration is up and the potential is there for this to be an excellent convention. We will have a CPR class on August 6, in Versailles. West Virginia rally is next weekend, Wings over the Smokies is coming September 23 and 24, with the Region N Rally in November. Wing Ding is August 31 thru September 3 in Billings, Montana. Earl and John will have to give us an update when they get back. It is time to start thinking about our next Chapter Couple of the Year. We need a couple that will represent our chapter and really work to build up the GWRRA. Be thinking on it. We will take nominations at our November gathering and announce the couple at our Christmas party. Mike and Dedre VanHoose













4129 Lexington Road
Paris, KY

Please join us as we welcome our newest

Summer Riding

As we move through the dog days of summer, it is important that we don't sacrifice safety in the pursuit of staying cool. Remember that in high heat, attempts to stay cool can actually work against you. It is best to drink lots of water, wear long sleeved, moisture -wicking shirts under your vented safety gear while also keeping your body "wet" by wearing a watered down bandana or cotton t-shirt around your neck or simply pouring water onto your head under your helmet. These tips can cut down on the amount your body needs to sweat, therefore lowering the chance of dehydration. Also, hot weather can soften tar snakes on the road that can be dangerous to riders. Remember to treat these tar snakes like railroad tracks, riding over them as close to a 90-degree angle as possible.

Just a few tips to keep your summer riding adventures safe!!

Ride Safe

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Time is flying by so quickly that it seems like I just wrote an article last week!! There's been a lot going on though, so I'm sure I won't run out of words!

We appreciate everyone that has stepped up to travel with us in July. It is our double visitation points month, so we've been trying to visit everyone. We've only missed Y, W and probably B-1. Mike had wanted to go to B-1 too, but we have a grandson birthday that day. Life is too short to miss those birthdays!

The recent shirt order is in, so Alan, CW and John C please bring your checkbooks! Mike picked them up today and ordered new Chapter C summer ball caps. We will have them at the Blast since our gathering is after the Blast.

The Blast is coming up! The locals have three self-guided rides mapped, so take advantage of new roads! They have also provided a scavenger hunt on Saturday with local businesses that sounds like a lot of fun. On bike games are back too. New activities for a new venue! As usual there will be classes, but they are now called workshops. Two of them will be the new interactive workshops. Their names are old (Remembering Names and Motivating and Leading Volunteers) but the content is new and different. Come see! Our trainers are required to teach to keep their certifications current. Please take some time out of the day to support our trainers. Come sit in air conditioned comfort and learn something new!

As Mike mentioned, the District staff met last weekend to finalize the schedule. It should be on the District website next week so you can plan your days. Contact one of us if you have any questions.

Because of the Blast occurring during our normal meeting time, we have moved our August gathering to Sunday, August 28. Eat at 1, meet at 2.

Mike and I are also involved in the Woodford County Ride for Life which benefits the American Cancer Society. Mike designed the 90 mile ride through Woodford, Fayette, Jessamine, Scott and Franklin counties. See the flyer included in this newsletter and we will have registration forms at our next gathering.





Hello Fellow Wingers,

07/08/16

Happy 4th of July to all my Chapter members. Can you believe it, it is July and we are celebrating our countries independence from Mother England. We have to be thankful for the safety and freedoms we enjoy in this country. Don't forget to thank our service members past and present for maintaining our freedom for us. Of course with July in Kentucky we can expect humidity and thunderstorms just about every week. But don't let these conditions keep you from riding. Just plan for the heat and the rain. First off make sure you stay hydrated during your rides by drinking plenty of water. Not only drinking when you stop but also during your riding. This can be easy with one of the drink cups that are made for motorcycling. If you are not sure which one to buy then check with some of your fellow chapter members.

Second is wearing the proper clothing, as you want to keep as much skin covered as possible to prevent sunburn and worse case some road rash if you happen to go down on your bike. GWRRA has some nice ride jerseys that wick away your body sweat for those hot riding days. Also as I mentioned in a previous newsletter the mesh riding jackets are also very cool. Just remember the safety greens and orange to keep you visible to car drivers. Enjoy your rides whatever way you can be above all, be safe.

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 chapter meetings so they can see what a great bunch of people ride Gold Wings.

Quote: DQ!

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

Membership Enhancement Coordinators

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ON-SITE CLASSES AVAILABLE

Thanks for stopping in!

Check Out Some Of Our Great Events

Dogs & Discounts
Thursday Night Bike Night:

Every Thursday 5pm-6pm with FREE food and parts discounts throughout the store.

Off Road Ride / Demo Day:

We will be holding an Off Road ride at Wildcat Off Road Park the first weekend of October. Arctic Cat will be bringing out a few ATV and Side X Sides to take for a spin. We will provide a FREE lunch also, so mark your calendar this will be an event you do not want to miss!

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From our Ride Coordinator and Webmaster-Roger Early

Now that summer is here, the time seems to be flying by. Due to some family commitments and a new grandson, we have not been able to join all of the Chapter activities and as I write this it has been about 2 weeks since I have been able to get the bike out. I am planning to break that streak this weekend and ride to Louisville.

We had a great ride to the Kentucky Fudge Company on 6/18. The restaurant was busy and we had to wait a little for our ice cream treats but they were worth the wait. After the ice cream, we had a relaxing ride west on route 390 and then headed back to Lawrenceburg. We took more back roads from Lawrenceburg back to Lexington. it was a great day and we had great weather. Karen and I had the Couple of the Year mascot, Clyde, with us so we took a few pictures of him with the ice cream treats. Here is an example:



We had a ride planned to explore Cave City on 7/2. We had a small turnout due to the July 4th weekend and the group decided to change the destination and head to the Creekside Restaurant in Campbellsville, Kentucky. I was not able to make that ride so Alan agreed to lead it. Thanks Alan, I am sure you did an outstanding job with the group.

We had a dinner at Jerry's Restaurant in Paris on 7/7. There was a threat of thunderstorms so we had several people go on 4 wheels but we still had a great time and the food and service were wonderful. We are grateful and honored to have Jerry's as one of the sponsors for our Chapter.

We have several Chapter and District events coming up. They include:

July 16 – Overnight Ride to Chapter T in Paintsville

July 30 – Co-Rider's Choice Ride (We are headed to Berea to shop in the craft shops)

August 2 – Ride to Casa Café in Richmond

August 19 and 20 – Kentucky District Blast

August 27 – Ride for Life in Versailles

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.

If you want to see some of the photos from our past events, check out the following page: http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/photos/

This is a picture of the famous Mendenhall Glacier just north of Juneau, Alaska. When Dedre and I were there 6 years ago, the glacier still covered the rocks you see to the right middle of the picture.



BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARIES		`
Randy Coy	07/01	Russ and Sam Bell	07/21	`
Jeff Sullivan	08/11	Alan and Shea Ernest	08/19	
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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 the UK Shelby County Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, 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 sometime.