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February 2018

Good day Chapter C!

Can you feel it yet? That urge to fire up those massive Goldwings sitting in your garage? The weather has definitely not cooperated with us. Dedre and I were in Florida earlier this month and really had a hard time coming back home.

With the holidays over, we are back in visitation mode. Remember we will again be chasing the Traveling Plaque, and if Earl and Lily are game, go after the Couple of the Year Mascot.

As a chapter, I will be asking specific questions at our gathering. I want to know what you as a chapter want to do. I am always looking for ideas, ride destinations, etc. Be ready to share your thoughts.

Alan has talked with a guy outside of Louisville about maintenance on our bikes. If you have any ideas please share with us.

As soon as the salt clears off the roadways, I will be setting up a polar bear ride. Lets look forward to some hopeful warm weather and another great riding season. Medic First Aid/CPR renewal course 3 pm Versailles, KY at First Christian Church on March 3rd.



From our Ride Coordinator — Roger Early

We had a great turnout for our first 2018 dinner at J Render's BBQ on 1/1/18. We had to split into 2 groups because there was another large group on the same night. It was good to catch up with everyone and hear about their holidays.



Dennis North and I are making progress on the 2018 Ride Schedule. We have filled in destinations through early June. We have dates on calendar for the whole year, but these are subject to change as the year progresses. Please continue to check the calendar for updates and we'll be sending out emails as the various dates approach.

The events that are coming up include:

- February 8 – Dinner at the Versailles Brewing Company
- March 3 – Ride to Bardstown to enjoy the Oscar Getz Museum of Whiskey History
- March 6 – Dinner at Ruby Jean’s Café (one of our sponsors)
- March 17 – Ride to the Bluegrass Heritage Museum in Winchester
- April 3 – Dinner at Casa Café in Richmond
- April 7 – Ride to Bread of Life Restaurant in Liberty
- April 12 – 14 – Spring Fling in Pigeon Forge, TN
- April 21 – Ride to the Clear Creek Market in Salt Lick
- May 5 (Derby Day) – Ride around local Horse Farms
- May 10 – Dinner at Gibby’s in Frankfort
- May 19 – Ride to Great Salt Peter Preserve in Mt. Vernon
- June 2 – Ride to Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery in Jamestown
- June 5 – Dinner at DaVinci’s Pizza in Frankfort (one of our sponsors)

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 District 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/>



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Hello Fellow Wingers,

02/08/16

Is it going to snow or rain? This time a year you can never be sure but one thing I know for sure it seems that this winter has been colder longer than most in the seven wonderful years I have been in Kentucky. I am sure you have all heard the expression “between a rock and a hard place”, well we are about there now. The between I am talking about is being between winter and summer. This is the time of year to step back from your motorcycle, take a deep breath and decide if it is time to do all the things to your bike that you have been thinking about. Things like new tires, changing the oil and filter, changing the rear drive grease, upgrading your head and tail lights, replacing worn brake rotors and disk brake pads, getting that ultimate seat that you have been dreaming about since the last Wing Ding you attended.

I think you get the picture, that if we are not careful and do some planning the full riding season will be upon us and we have not completed our check list. I will be adding new front rotors to my bike this year and it is just about time to start the changeover. Alice and I are planning on attending this year’s Wing Ding in Knoxville TN this year so I want to be able to stop when needed. Just remember if you wait too long the wait at a bike shop can increase do to more procrastinators taking their bikes in for work. Don’t forget about the Spring Fling in Pigeon Forge this year as that time will fly by.

Please keep in mind that Engine service, tire and brake inspections are some of the important things to do to keep you safe during our next riding season. The December 2017 Wing World (page 37) has a good article on taking care of your hearing while you ride like maybe wearing ear plugs to protect your ear drums, it’s worth a read.

I’ll close with a reminder to tell all your friends, neighbors, relatives and anyone else for that matter how much fun you are having with our Gold Wing group. Invite them to come to one of our chapter meetings or dinners. We need to share the secret as to why we walk around with a big grin on our face. Also remember now it does not matter what type of bike they have as all bikes are welcome.

Quote: “As long as I can hold it up, I’ll ride”

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

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Birthdays

Darrell Hampton 02/24
James Elam 03/07
Denise Coy 03/09

Anniversaries

Doug and Ester Coy 03/16



Ruby Jean's
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Thank you Jeff Sullivan for your continuing efforts to further the interest of Chapter C.

Jeff frequents this location quite a bit and recommends their food. Just ask Jeff, he will give you the bottom line. Join us for a dinner ride on March 6 to find out for yourself!



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Wing Ding 2018

If you are in the planning stage of Wing Ding 2018, good news; Wing Ding 40 will be in Knoxville, TN.

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From our District Educator

Bill Mucha



Copied from Insight News letter from January 2018. This is for everyone's information I hope it answers a few of your questions. <http://gwrra.org/oconnect/newsletter.html>

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Tim & Anna Grimes

Director of Rider Education

Rider Education Appointments

There has been much confusion as to the proper appointment procedure for the Officers of the Rider Education Program at the Chapter and District levels. Of specific note is the appointment process for the Chapter and District Ride Coordinator. It may be beneficial to review the Officer Appointment Process as posted on the Officer's Connection: All Officers but Director (At District and Chapter level the Officer may be called Coordinator) Rider Education, University, Membership Enhancement, Motorist Awareness, Finance

1. At all levels, the Director is responsible to put their TEAM together

and will take the lead in this process.

2. The Director will pursue candidates who meet the qualifications to fill the position, considering any Assistant as the first candidate.

3. When the Director decides on the candidates, the Director will discuss the candidates with the Program Officer, or their designee, one level up from the position being filled (Chapter to District; District to Team GWRRR).

a. The Program Officer will interview the candidates as necessary.

b. The Director and the Program Officer will discuss the qualifications of each candidate and the reasons the Director believes they would be a good addition to the Team.

c. If Director moves forward with a candidate that does not have the full support of the Program Officer, Program Officer will create a plan to train and coach the candidate and discuss that plan with the Director.

d. If there is critical concern, Program Officer may discuss the potential appointment with the Director one level up.

4. The Director will:

a. Decide which candidate is best suited for the position;

b. Complete the Appointment Form and MOU and email them to the

Home Office;

c. Announce the new Officer; and

d. Install the new Officer.

To summarize the process for Rider Education Officers at the Chapter level: The Chapter Director will locate a candidate for the Chapter Ride Coordinator position. After determining that the candidate meets the qualifications for the position, he/she will discuss the candidate with the District Ride Coordinator. In the case where there is no District Ride Coordinator assigned, the Chapter Director will discuss the candidate with the Director of Rider Education, or their designee. The District Ride Coordinator (Director of Rider Education/designee) will interview the Chapter candidate, then discuss the candidate's qualifications with the Chapter Director, offering a recommendation in favor of, or against, the candidate. Should the Chapter Director decide to appoint the candidate against the recommendation of the District Ride Coordinator (Director of Rider Education/designee), the District Ride Coordinator (Director of Rider Education/designee) will create a plan to train and/or coach the Chapter candidate and discuss that plan with the Chapter Director. The Chapter Director will complete the Officer Appointment Form and MOU and mail them to the Home Office.

The Appointing Process for District Educator or District Ride Coordinator is the same as at the Chapter level. The District Director identifies the candidate and discusses their qualifications with the Director of Rider Education or their designee. The Director of Rider Education, or designee, will interview the candidate and discuss the candidate's qualifications with the District Director, offering a recommendation in favor of, or against, the candidate. Should the District Director decide to appoint the candidate against the recommendation of the Director of Rider Education/designee, the Director of Rider Education/designee will create a plan to train and/or coach the District candidate and discuss that plan with the District Director. The District Director will complete the Officer Appointment Form and MOU and mail them to the Home Office.

New District Educators, District Ride Coordinators, or Chapter Ride Coordinators moving into these positions from a Chapter or District Educator position will not be required to take the Knowledge Level Evaluation (KLE). Any candidate not moving from a Rider Educator position may download the KLE from the Rider

Education website, "REP Officer Section" tab. The candidate should answer the questions, then mail the KLE to the Director of Rider Education for review. The Director of Rider Education will contact the candidate to discuss the answers and offer any guidance required. The Director of Rider Education will then contact the Chapter or District Director to inform them that the KLE has been completed so that the Appointment paperwork may be completed.

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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 Roosters, 5338 Bardstown Road. They eat at 11:00 and meet at 12:00.



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 Dave and Busters, 781 Heights Blvd, Florence. They eat at 6 and meet at 7.



Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at the UK Shelby County Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville, KY 40065 Meet @ 7:00pm



Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Shoney's, 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701. Eat @ 4:00 PM, Meet @ 5:00



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



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

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