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Happy Spring Chapter C!! Riding season is finally here and many of us have already taken advantage of it. Earl rode to Paintsville, rides to Lake Cumberland, chapter visitations all in the book already. We are chasing the Traveling Plaque and the Couple of the Year Mascot every possible opportunity. We met up with Chapter A at Darlin Jeans in Midway for a great lunch and don't forget this Saturday, April 13th. We are going to ride the Kentucky Speedway again!! Chapter A has the Plaque and the Mascot so Saturday we will ride to their gathering to compete for those 2 items, then ride to the speedway for the really nice time. All you have to do is spend \$40 in the gift shop to get your ticket to ride. This is an opportunity you don't want to miss!

Keep an eye on the ride calendar and go with us. It would be nice to see 8 or 10 bikes on a ride. With that in mind, we need more of our chapter to go with us on visits. It greatly improves our chances of winning and gives us more points. We need those to win the annual prize of \$100 from the district. Come on out and have some FUN with us!





Hello Fellow Wingers,

Membership: the state of belonging to or being a part of a group or an organization: the state of being a member.

We are all members of a great organization called the "Gold Wing Road Riders Association" or as we like to acronym everything "GWRRA". It sounds great to me when I say I am a member of the GWRRA. It tells me I have several thousand brothers and sisters across this country who have a lot of the same interests that I have. I ride a motorcycle to enjoy experiences I can't get in a car or truck. When I became a member of the GWRRA I really started enjoying my motorcycle like I have never imagined I would have or could have. All of a sudden I was being exposed to opportunities to ride to places I have never heard of. Meet people I would not have met on my own, see things I would not have found on my own. All of this because I chose to become a member of the greatest motorcycle group ever. When you think about it, it's almost like your extended family has grown by 100 x's overnight. This riding season Alice and I already have several trips planned with our GWRRA group and will be enjoying another Wing Ding in Nashville, TN in September, we can't wait!

Keep all of this in mind and think about what you enjoy the most by being a "Member of GWRRA" and care enough to share all of this with someone else you know that has a motorcycle. Take the time to introduce them to our organization, invite them to one of our events or the chapter meeting. Let them see how much more fun they can have on their motorcycle with a group of wonderful people that are enjoying our time on 2 wheels of maybe even 3 wheels.

GWRRA can continue to grow as we invite and add more riders to become members of our organization. Come on, don't be selfish with our group, invite others to enjoy the fun.

Quote: **Happiness is a motorcycle, a full tank of gas and green lights!**

Safe Riding!

Darrell and Alice Hampton

Membership Enhancement Coordinators

Let's ride West Virginia!!

Chapter C, are you ready for a FUN weekend riding the roads of West Virginia? I have made arrangements for us and anyone that wants to join us to enjoy the scenery of West Virginia from Hawks Nest State Park. We will ride over on May 29th and ride out to different destinations everyday. We will have 4 nights coming home on June 2nd. Among the sights we will enjoy are the Green Bank Radio Observatory and the Cass Scenic Railroad. Hawks Nest actually overlooks the New River Gorge and also has a ferry and cable car ride up the mountains with some beautiful scenery. I will provide additional information as it come available. You can call Hawks Nest State Park at 304-658-5212, extension 1520 to make your reservations. Ohio Chapter X2 will be joining us on the ride! This will be a great time! Please book your room as quickly as possible. I don't want anyone to miss out on this opportunity.

Mike VanHoose



Chapter C Ride Coordinator, April 2019 Newsletter

In March we had several outings including 1 real 2-wheel / 3-wheel ride! In addition to our usual chapter events, we also had 2 dinner events; one to Joe Bologna's in Lexington, and one to Darlin Jean's in Midway. We also did a Ride-to-Eat event on Saturday the 23rd, and rode to Huntington, WV for lunch at Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House (Photos on next page). We met some of John's ST-Owners friends there and had a good time eating spaghetti. Then took the scenic route back along the north side of the Ohio River.

In April we have several events planned, including a dinner ride and a weekend ride, and our first Tech Event. Here is the schedule for April:

- Apr 4: Chapter Y Meeting in Mayfield.
- Apr 5: Chapter H Meeting in Shelbyville.
- Apr 6: Ride to Lake Cumberland State Resort Park . (Photos on next page)
- Apr 9: Chapter G Meeting in Florence.
- Apr 13: Chapter A Meeting in Louisville.
- Apr 13: Kentucky Speedway Event!**
- Apr 14: Chapter S Meeting in Elizabethtown.
- Apr 20: Chapter C Meeting in Lexington.
- Apr 20: Chapter C Ride planned – to Chapter T's meeting.
- Apr 20: Chapter T Meeting in Paintsville.
- Apr 25: Chapter Dinner Ride – destination to be determined.
- Apr 27: Chapter C Tech Event.**

The Tech Event on April 27 will be at my home. 100 Brentlawn Rd, Frankfort, KY. Lunch will be served so please let me know if you are planning to attend. I have a deep 2-car garage and if needed another 1-car slot that we can use to keep the bikes out of the sun or weather. Roger will provide tips and help with GPS systems at the event. Mike mentioned bringing his lift. I have plenty of tools, but no tire changing tools. We will have lots of technical know-how there. Things you could plan to do include:

- Detailing your bike to be ready for the Spring Fling the next weekend.
- General maintenance items like oil changes.
- Wiring or re-wiring GPS or radio equipment.
- Wiring trailers.
- Pretty much anything else you have that you may need some help with to get it done.

I do have a 6x12 enclosed trailer so if something goes poorly and you are not able to ride your bike home, I will be able to get your bike home or to a mechanic. (Sorry, trikes won't fit.)

Don't forget the major events we have planned for later in the year:

- May 2-5: 37th Annual Tennessee District Spring Fling
- May 29-June 2: West Virginia Ride
- August 27-31: Wing Ding 2019

Ride Safe and looking forward to seeing you on 2, 3, or 4 wheels.

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For more information about the rides and future dates please see our events calendar at <http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/events/>.

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

Photos from the ride to Jim's Steak and Spaghetti House on 3-23-19



Photos from the ride to Lake Cumberland State Resort Park 4-6-19



Wing World Digital Edition

Did you know that *Wing World* it is available online and issues are available that go back to January of 2006? Go to <http://wingworldmag.com/> and follow the instructions for logging in as a current subscriber/GWRRR member. Your Username is your membership number and your password is the numeric part of your address followed by the four digit membership expiration date (MMYY format). Some of the more recent digital versions include additional photos and links to videos from some of the stories.

(Editor's Note: According to *Wing World* magazine, the digital edition is supposed to be available before the printed edition but I usually get my printed edition before the digital edition is posted.)

Wing world page 21 had 6 items to have on your next motorcycle ride.

Let's look at what you need. Anyone in the levels program might know most of them.

1 First Aid Kit. Why, in case someone gets hurt. You don't need a large one there are some small kits that will work well. Just remember to check them once a year to make sure nothing has expired. If you need to replace items check to see if it is cheaper to replace, or refill.

2 Jumper cables, small set will do there are also ones made for motorcycles. You never know when someone's battery might go bad. Who wants to get stuck at a DQ and not be able to get home?

3 Tire Plug kit, FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES ONLY to get you to a place where you can replace it not for long distance riding.

4 Air Compressor. They have 12v ones that draw 8-12 amps. Some have clips that connect directly to the battery. If you are into exercise, you can also carry a hand pump.

5 Siphon hose, when you run out of gas. This way you can put gas into one bike and they can bring back a can and fill up some of the group to get them to a gas station.

6 Tool kit, you only need the basic tools for emergency repairs if something comes loose or needs to be adjusted.

Other items if you have room, fire extinguisher, flashlight, gloves to keep your hands clean, and hand cleaner.

Hope this helps you on your travels.

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Birthdays

Russ Bell 04/24
Tim Hamvy 05/01
Denny Grimmett 05/09
Tom Del Bello 05/16
John Conner 05/19

Anniversaries

Alice and Darrell Hampton 04/26
Lily and Earl Broome 05/05

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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, 6501 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.