



Bluegrass Wings Team

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August 2019

We have ventured far and near this past month. From monthly gatherings, the West Virginia District Rally, to Sikeston, Missouri for dinner at Lambert's. This has been a traveling month. For the biggest part, our weather has held up and provided some great riding days. There were 85 pre-registered at West Virginia and about 125 showed up. We went on great rides and enjoyed time with friends old and new. For Missouri, we had Chapters T, Y and C on the ride. Talk about good food, it was a treat to watch the servers throw the rolls to guests.

We chased the Traveling Plaque and Couple of the Year Mascot every opportunity they were made available. They are both now out of circulation until after the Kentucky Blast on August 15th thru 17th at Cave City. We will have the opportunity to set up a table to sell goods baked or made for the rally. We would appreciate any baked goods made that can sell for a dollar a piece. Any parts you may have for sale, feel free to bring them with prices that may benefit the chapter even more.

Due to Wing Ding being 2 weeks after the Blast, we will have no vendors. This will be a social and riding event. Due to work, Dedre and I will not make it to Cave City until Saturday morning. We hope that a great many of our chapter will be able to attend Friday and or Saturday.

Remember that our August monthly gathering will now occur on Sunday the 18th at Roosters due to the Blast on that Saturday. We will eat at 1 and meet at 2.

We are in need of a Membership Enhancement officer for our chapter. If you desire to learn more about it, please call us or look online under the GWRRA national website for the job description that is available.

Mike VanHoose

Chapter C Director





Greetings Chapter C!

We had a great July gathering with four chapters represented – Chapters A, C, H and T! It's always good to see visitors! Of course, we did have a couple of things they were after.... Chapter H won the traveling plaque and Chapter T won the mascot. Both Chapters will take the respective items to the KY Blast to be awarded.

We hope you will join us at the Blast! Due to work obligations, Mike and I plan to go down early Saturday morning to arrive in time for the Couple of the Year festivities. Please let us know if you would like to ride down with us – the more the merrier! We will come back after closing. I'm still looking for baked goods to sell during the day on Saturday for our Chapter fundraiser. Please let me know if you can provide ziplock bagged goodies to sell for \$1 each.

Remember that our August gathering will be on Sunday, August 18 because of the Blast on our normal gathering day. We will eat at 1:00 and meet at 2:00. I'm not saying that we will ride afterwards, because I don't want to jinx our day! LOL!

Jeff, Earl, Mike and I joined Chapter T on a ride to Lambert's in Sikeston, MO a couple weeks ago. Four bikes and two cars enjoyed a good ride and great food. Yes, they really do throw the rolls to the customers! Randy from Chapter Y joined us along the way. It's fun to crash other chapter's rides! Let us know when you find one that we

need to join in on!

Dedre VanHoose

Chapter C Director













Chapter C Ride Coordinator

July was a busy month. We attended Chapter T's annual 4th of July picnic, the West Virginia Rally in Bridgeport, rode to Cumberland Falls State Park, and joined Chapter Y for a ride to Missouri. We also attended chapter meetings with Chapters H, A, and T.

Here is the schedule for August:

- Aug 2: Chapter H Meeting in Shelbyville.
- Aug 10: Chapter A Meeting in Louisville.
- Aug 11: Chapter S Meeting in Elizabethtown.
- Aug 13: Chapter G Meeting in Florence.
- Aug 18: Chapter C Meeting in Lexington SUNDAY at 1:00.
- Aug 22: Chapter Dinner Ride TBD.

Aug 15-17: Kentucky District BLAST in Cave City Convention Center.

Aug 27-31: Wing Ding 2019 in Nashville, TN

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/

District Newsletter:

If you are curious about what is happening in our Kentucky District, please check out the District Newsletters. They can be found at <u>http://gwrraky.com/id5.html</u>.







Handling Tailgaters Safely

While on a leisurely ride on your Goldwing you glance in your mirror and you see a vehicle that is way too close to you. After you get past your initial irritation you need to be proactive in alleviating the dangerous situation. You must take steps to provide some spacing between your motorcycle and the vehicle that is following way too closely.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation states that when being tailgated, allow yourself extra room between you and the vehicle in front of you in case you must react quickly. Giving yourself more room in the front of your Wing will allow you to do what is necessary if you are forced to make a quick maneuver. Although our initial reaction may be to speed away from the tailgater, this is not the safest action to take as the tailgater will most probably speed up with you.

Our safest recourse is to lightly tap our brakes to hopefully alert the tailgater that he is following too closely. If this doesn't work try moving to a different lane. In some instances none of these options will alleviate the tailgating problem so your safest move is to pull over to a safe location and allow the tailgater to continue his journey. It may not be the action you want to take because of a rude driver but we must always put safety first and oftentimes this is our best option.

Have fun and drive safe!! Alan Ernest 859-749-7915 Assistant Chapter Director







August is upon us and what to talk about, T-CLOCS is as good a place to start as any. Why? I know we all do a TCLOCK before we ride but how close do, we inspect the bike or trike we ride. I use a depth gauge on my tires for tread wear, a pressure gauge to make sure they are right. I check the oil before going on any trips along with the coolant and breaks and fluid. I check the lights too.

A short time ago I was washing my bike and looking to see if anything was amiss, I found oil on the left front fork I thought this was a fork seal going not much oil but enough to get it fixed. I rode it to my service person dropped it off and ask him to change the fork seals. He started the repair the next day and called me about the seals. As I have a trike with easy steer it has a rake to it (angle the forks are at). Come to find out the seals were not my leak it was the spacer on top of the fork they were unscrewing on one side and I got lucky only had 2 or 3 threads left before it would have come apart. Why did it happen, the bolts that hold the fork tight was loose and allowing the fork to spin? Got it fixed and needed seals because left side was worn from loose fork.

What did I learn from this was to add a lot more items to my TCLOCK list? Bill Mucha KY District ED Ride Safe



Where was Chapter C?

Last month, Jeff Sullivan and Dedre VanHoose identified the location of Chapter C in the photo in our July Newsletter. The correct answer was Jane's Saddlebag. I was not able to attend the gathering due to visiting with family so Dedre and Jeff will be entered in a drawing at our August gathering.

I have a new picture for you to try to guess the correct location. If you can guess where we were when the following picture was taken, please send your answer to the Newsletter Editor (<u>NE@kybluegrasswings.org</u>). Each person that submits a correct answer will be entered in a drawing for a Dairy Queen Gift Card at our next chapter gathering on 8/18/19. You must be present at the gathering to win. The deadline for submissions is 12:00 AM on 8/18/19. Sorry, only one correct entry per person!



Birthdays Anniversaries			
	00/11		08/10
Jim Springate	09/11	Alan and Shea Ernest	08/19
Roy Campbell Jr.	09/20	Denny and Terry Grimmett	08/25
Frank Hardy	09/21	Lynn and Julie Tucker	08/26
Dennis North	09/21	Roger and Karen Early	09/05



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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.