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March 2022

Greetings Chapter C!

I wrote my last article right before the forecasted ice storm. I am happy to say that as I write this article, we just enjoyed a few days with temperatures in the 60's. It's not supposed to stay that warm, but it was great to get a taste of spring. I am hoping it won't be long before we can be out on 2 or 3 wheels together enjoying rides and all the fun that goes with them.

I was finally able to participate in a Chapter Event. I was able to join the dinner at Joe Bologna's on 2/10. We had 8 people show up and everyone had a great time. I enjoyed being with everyone again and hope to start participating in more events as the weather gets warmer.

There is a GWRRR 101 Workshop scheduled for 3/26. According to this link, <https://gwrradot.com/about-the-u/training/>, the workshop has nine sections that cover the functions, programs, structure, policies, and procedures of GWRRR. There is an online registration form on the district website, <https://www.gwrraky.com/>. It will be held in northern Kentucky. I am currently registered and plan to attend. I hope you will consider joining me to learn more about GWRRR.

There is also a GWRRR University Instructor Training and Certification Program (ITCP) Workshop scheduled for 3/27. If you are interested in becoming an instructor for the GWRRR University, please consider attending this workshop. Please look for more details on the District website.

The district is trying to put together some Advanced Rider and Trike Rider courses. I know I sent a note about this a couple of weeks ago but wanted to remind you to contact our Chapter Skills Enhancement Advisor, Alan Ernest, if you are interested. You can contact Alan by email at CSEA@kybluegrasswings.org.

Thanks,
Roger Early
Chapter Director



Membership Enhancement Meanderings:

Greetings Chapter C!

We tried for the Traveling Plaque and the Couple of the Year Mascot last month at Chapter S but came home empty handed. Currently Chapter K in Henderson has the Traveling Plaque. We will be travelling to Henderson the day after our gathering – Sunday, March 20. We will leave from the Versailles Kroger at 10:30am. They eat at 12 and meet at 1, but central time. Please plan on joining us!

Our next gathering is Saturday, March 19. We eat at 11 and meet at 12. I really like our new Rooster's location – don't you? It will be easier to stay together when we're leaving the restaurant to go on a ride.

Save the Date!! As you've been hearing for a while now, Mike VanHoose is retiring in early May and we are going to party on Saturday, May 7 to celebrate! You all are invited to a light lunch and cake starting at 11am. It will be held at our church – First Christian, 160 Lexington St in Versailles. Mike will lead a ride in the early afternoon around his favorite Woodford County roads. No gifts, please! Your presence is his present! (But you're welcome to tell your best stories about Mike!)

See you soon!!

Dedre VanHoose

Membership Enhancement Coordinator



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 <http://www.gwrraky.com/newsletters-page/>.



[Chapter C Ride Coordinator](#)

The Riders Trail

Here we are starting our third month of 2022 and the temperature is already 75 degrees. Just not right, but I am not complaining! We have been making our rounds when possible and rides are coming down the pike.

For the past month we have enjoyed Joe B's in Lexington, visited chapter S in E-town and are working on the ride calendar for 2022. We were not successful in capturing the Traveling Plaque or Couple of the Year mascot.

March 5th, Mike- Dedre- Frank- Mitch and John Conner recertified in CPR. Dedre and I are now eligible to teach rider classes again. What makes us able to do that is I am a Senior Master Tour Rider and current in the levels program. Dedre is current in the levels program and both of us are ITCP certified. If you are interested in being able to teach rider ed or leadership courses, our district is offering an ITCP course on March 27th in Boone County. The enrollment for that is on the district website.

Mike VanHoose
Ride Coordinator



Attending the CPR class were:

- Mike and Dedre VanHoose
- Frank Hardy
- Mitch Lawrence
- John Conner
- Buddy and Jeannie McKenzie
- Rick Artmayer

Leah Cridlin taught the class! Thanks Leah!!



Joe Bologna's Dinner. It's a Party!

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/>

Chapter C Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (CSEA)

No article this month. Alan is recovering from surgery. Get well soon Alan Ernest!

Couple of the Year Chatter

It's time for a road trip Chapter C! Smokey, the Couple of the Year Mascot will be at Chapter S in Elizabethtown on Sunday, March 13. It doesn't look like it will be warm enough to ride (especially for Dedre!), so we will be on 4 wheels. We will leave from Kroger in Versailles at 2:45. The last time we were at Chapter S, it was a full house, so come with us for the fun!

Bring some cash with you to our next gathering! I will have the Couple of the Year raffle tickets this month! They are only \$2 for a chance to win a 22" outdoor griddle. The winning ticket will be drawn at the KY Blast in August, but you need not be present to win.

Your Chapter Couple,

Mike & Dedre VanHoose

District Educator—Richard Artmayer

Rider Education Report

On **Sunday, March 20, 2022**, at 11:33 a.m. EDT for those of us in the Northern Hemisphere, we celebrate the arrival of the Vernal (Spring) Equinox. This means riding season begins! Please be sure to verify your machine is ready, and any maintenance work or other nagging concern has been rectified before you hit the road. Also, be sure to check your riding gear, and plan to make those replacement purchases at the next rally to support the vendors and the organization. But most important of all, be sure to verify your personal condition. Time waits for no one, and Winter has been long and cold. As motorcycling is a physical activity, perhaps now is a suitable time to visit your doctor and get an annual check-up.

Normally, I would also recommend each Member check their Levels status to help them plan to take advantage of Rider Ed courses available at various rallies. Currently the Rider Education Database is still undergoing updates and is inaccessible. As a reminder, Members in the Levels Program participate in an Advanced Rider or Trike Rider Course every three years to advance and maintain levels. The requirement is a full course (classroom and range) alternated with a range-only course every three years.

The alternating requirement had been waived in 2020 and 2021. The waiver (Levels Grace Period) made it possible for more Members to experience time in the saddle to practice and improve their on-bike skills. Since many Members had stopped riding for an extended period due to public health restrictions, it was important to offer this compromise. The grace period was created for GWRRA Members participating in the Levels Program. Due to the restrictions caused by the health crisis, most Members were not able to renew their requirements to earn or maintain their Levels. Members who became non-current in their Levels on or after January 1, 2020, would not have their Levels adversely affected by the months of inactivity from that date forward. There were several extension periods approved when it became evident local restrictions and guidelines across the Association continued to make it difficult to register students and conduct classes. The last and final extension of the grace period for Members who became non-current in the Levels program on or after January 1, 2020, ends June 30th, 2022. If the Member does not complete the required course before June 30th, 2022, the time of inactivity (from the date of expiration until a completed course is realized) will be relevant and will delay advancement in the Levels Program accordingly.



Please feel free to contact me with any questions or a case-by-case evaluation.

Richard Artmayer
KY District Educator



4 Month Trial Membership to GWRRA

If you know of someone who is interested in joining GWRRA, there is a program that allows them to get a 4 month trial membership for free. The membership includes:

- Rescue Motorcycle Towing of 35 miles
- 4 months subscription to Wing World magazine
- Opportunity to participate in a chapter

An application for the trial membership can be found at:

http://www.kybluegrasswings.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/GB_TrialMembership-4months.pdf

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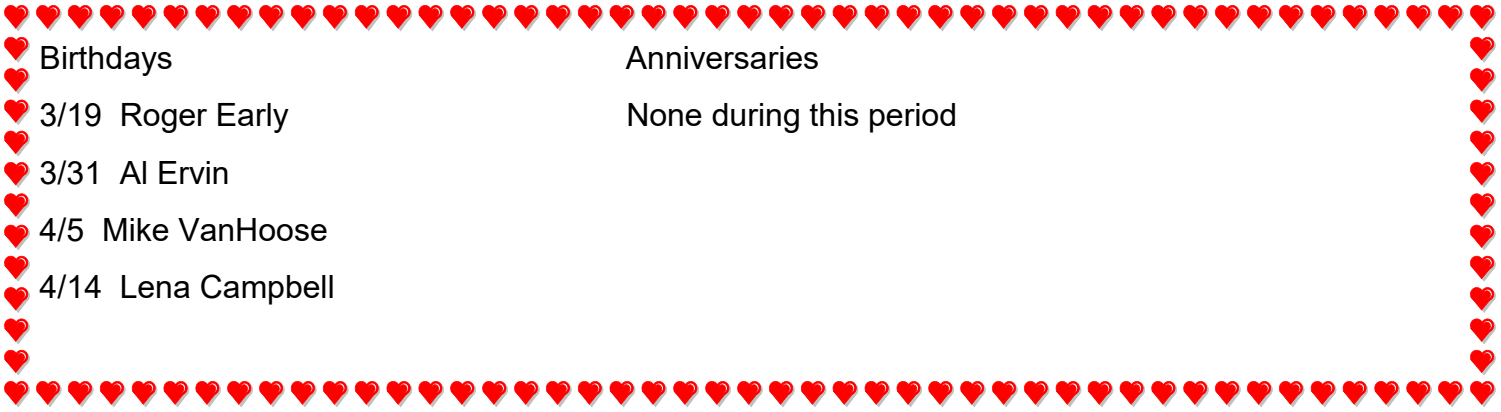
Attention Facebook Users:

Jim Springate has created a Facebook group for our chapter. It is another way to communicate with chapter members. If you use a Facebook application, search for "Bluegrass Goldwing Riders". You can also use the following link to get to the group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1036597176793894>

The Kentucky District also has a Facebook group. Search for "GWRRA OF KENTUCKY MEMBER'S PAGE" or use the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/328362664780>



Birthdays

Anniversaries

3/19 Roger Early

None during this period

3/31 Al Ervin

4/5 Mike VanHoose

4/14 Lena Campbell

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Information from your Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Lets get 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, 10430 Shelbyville Road #7, Louisville. They eat @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



Chapter C Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters, 2640 Richmond Road; the location of the old Chop House. Eat @ 11:00am, meet @ 12:00pm.



Chapter G Meet on the 1st Tuesday at American Legion Post 4, 8385 US Hwy 42, Florence. Socialize @ 6:30pm, meet @ 7:00pm.



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 K Meet on the 3rd of the month at the Golden Corral, 1320 North Green Street, Henderson, KY. Eat @ 4:00pm, meet @ 5:00pm.



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



Chapter T Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Giovanni's Pizza. Address is 261 Court St., Paintsville, Ky. Eat at 5, meet at 6.



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

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