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Greetings Chapter C!

I hope everyone is getting their bikes ready for some riding. I am hoping we can get out soon. I've been able to go on a couple of short solo rides a few weeks ago before our last snowfall. I haven't had the bike out since then, but I am hoping that will change soon.

I attended the GWRRA 101 class in Burlington, Kentucky on 3/26. We had about 30 people from the district attend the class which was taught by Susan Huttman, Director of Rider Education and Lorrie Thomas, University Director. The class consisted of 9 sections, and I really enjoyed listening to the instructors as well as the comments from the other students in the class. The class reinforced some of the things I have learned since joining the chapter in 2012. I also learned a few new things. I am hoping they will offer the class again and I encourage you to sign up if you want to learn more about our GWRRA organization.

The registration forms for the District Ride-In (6/3 – 6/4) and the Blast (8/25 - 8/27) are now available on the district website. There are multiple rides available at the Ride-In and Mike is working on Rides for the Blast. Please get your registration forms sent in for these events. The district is offering an Advanced Rider Course, a Trike Rider Course, and a Medic First Aid course on Sunday, 8/28, at the Blast location. If you need more information, please see our District website, <http://www.gwrraky.com/>.

Thanks,

Roger Early

Chapter Director



Membership Enhancement Meanderings:

Greetings Chapter C!

This is the last time that you have to listen to me.....in this role anyway!!!! Lynn and Julie Tucker will be your new Membership Enhancement Coordinators beginning at the next gathering. New blood is always a good thing! Please join me in welcoming them to their new role.

We have a traveling opportunity this Saturday. Join us in our quest for the traveling plaque from Chapter A in Louisville. We will leave from the Kroger in Versailles at 10am. As chilly as it will be, we will be on 4 wheels. I hope to see you there!

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!)

Signing off.....

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

Well, I have officially pulled the plug. I turned in my Retirement notice to UK. I have one more month of official employment.

Now, if we can just get a break with the weather, we might be able to take a ride or two. Coming up in a couple of weeks is the Tennessee Spring Fling from April 28 thru 30th. I will send out logistics for that by this weekend.

This Saturday we are going to the Chapter A Gathering in Louisville. They have the Traveling Plaque and the Couple of the Year Mascot. We want both back at Chapter C. We need your help!! It takes numbers for us to take advantage of the extra ticket rule. Dedre, Jeff, and I cannot do it by ourselves. It would be great if we had 10 to 12 folks go with us. We will leave from the Versailles Kroger at 10 am Saturday morning.

We had 9 folks go with us to the Georgetown Texas Roadhouse for a wonderful meal. Now for our next destination? Let's head to Don Pedro's Mexican joint in Lawrenceburg on Monday, April 11th at 6 pm.. Let's plan to meet there for dinner. See you there!

Remember our Chapter C Gathering on Saturday, April 16th. Eat at 11 and meet at 12. I for one am really enjoying our new location. Thanks, Roger, for setting up that change.

Mike VanHoose

Ride Coordinator

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!

Request for Road Captains

Our chapter could use a few more Road Captains. The Road Captains take the 2 most important roles in our rides, the Lead and the Tail-gunner. They work together to keep the group organized and safe throughout the ride.

GWRRA offers a class for Road Captains. It consists of some classroom instruction and some time on the road to reinforce what was taught in the class. Please let me know if you are interested in becoming a Road Captain.

If you have any questions about the role of the Road Captain, please contact me and I will do my best to answer the questions or find an answer for you.

Thanks,

Roger

Chapter Director

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 A in Louisville on Saturday, April 9. 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 10am. They have the Mascot AND the traveling plaque so it will be a full house of FUN!!! Come join us!

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



Rider Education Report

Signs, signs, everywhere are signs! When I ride, this catchy tune often pops in my head. While you may disagree with the message in the song written by Les Emmerson of the Five Man Electrical Band, it is true there are many different types of signs posted along our highways, all designed to provide information about traffic and highway conditions ahead. In the early days of motor vehicles, there were no standards, and no road markings either. In 1911, the first center line was painted on a road in Cleveland. In 1915, the first STOP sign was planted in Detroit, followed five years later by the first three color traffic light, also in Detroit.

Today we have the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, or MUTCD, that sets a minimum standard for all highway signs so that everyone can better understand the information they offer. First issued on November 7, 1935, this manual defines the meaning behind each shape and color of the signs in use. And it is reviewed and amended as needed at regular intervals.

The color of roadway signs is an important indicator of the information they contain. Each color is also defined with a pantone number for uniformity. The use of red (187) on signs is limited to stop, yield, and actions that are prohibited like NO PARKING. A white background indicates a regulatory sign, such as speed limit signs. Red and white signs indicate laws applicable to that section of highway. Yellow (116) conveys a general warning message, such as signs posted to indicate curvy roads or pavement that may be slippery when wet. Green (342) shows permitted traffic movements or directional guidance. These are commonly seen along our interstate highways indicating exits and travel lane details. Fluorescent yellow/green (382) indicates pedestrian crossings and school zones. Orange (152) is used for warning and guidance in construction zones, and like regulatory signs, indicate laws that are required to be observed. Coral (198), a pink color, is used for incident management signs. Blue (294) indicates road user services like rest areas and handicapped parking, tourist information, and evacuation routes. And brown (469) is for guidance to sites of public recreation or cultural interest like parks and recreation areas.

The shape of a sign can also alert roadway users to the type of information displayed on a sign. Traffic regulations are conveyed in rectangular signs that are taller than they are wide, or square. Other shapes used for regulatory signs are octagons for stop and inverted triangles for yield. Diamond-shaped signs signify warnings. Rectangular signs that are wider than they are tall provide guidance information. Pentagons indicate school zones, and circular signs warn of railroad crossings.

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

4/24 Russ "Goo" Bell

5/19 John Conner

5/20 Randy Hyde

Anniversaries

5/5 Earl & Lily Broome

5/5 Scotty & Debbie Gray

5/19 Allan & Catherine Kaulback

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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. Eat @ 6:00pm, 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 Sunday of the month at the Golden Corral, 1320 North Green Street, Henderson, KY. Eat @ 12:00pm, meet @ 1:00pm (Central Time).



Chapter S Meet on the 1st 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 (Central Time).

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