



Bluegrass Wings

Chapter C

Wing'd Riders

May 2023



Greetings Chapter C!

I hope you have been able to get out and ride. I know the weather is still not fully cooperating, but we have had some good days and I hope they will become more frequent.

The State Ride In will be held on June 2nd and 3rd at Jenny Wiley State Park. Please check the state website: <https://www.kyroadriders.org/> for the most up to date details. I encourage you to attend, Mike has been helping with the rides so I am sure they will be awesome.

On 5/13, Chapter A is hosting a Crash Scene Response Class in place of their monthly meeting. Here are a few details:

Location: Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church, 311 Browns Ln, Louisville, KY 40207

The class will be held in the church gymnasium. No food or drink is allowed in the gym.

Time: 12:00pm

Duration: 1-1 ½ hours

Our State Ride Coordinator, Don Price, held a class on how he uses the Garmin Basecamp program to plan routes and then load them on his Garmin GPS. I know some people wanted to attend but were not available when the class was held on 4/23. I will be scheduling a session where I will show how to use the program and discuss some of the concepts that Don presented in his class. If you are interested, please let me know.

I am still trying to find someone who is willing to join our Chapter Team as Ride Coordinator or Membership Enhancement Coordinator. If you are interested or have any questions about these roles, please let me know.

Ride Safe,

Roger Early, Chapter Director

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State News

Passport Program

At the 2023 OPS meeting, the State announced a Passport Program. The program encourages individuals to visit all seven chapters in the State and get the date and initials from the Chapter Director or State Director. Everyone that completes the Passport will be entered in a drawing for a prize at the 2024 OPS Meeting. The Passport can be found at: <https://www.kyroadriders.org/wp-content/uploads/Kentucky-Passport-2023.pdf>

2023 Ride-In

The 2023 Ride-In will be hosted by Chapter T and will be held on June 2nd and 3rd at [Jenny Wiley State Park](#). There are a block of rooms and cabins set aside at Jenny Wiley. The rate is \$122.45 (taxes included). Click [here](#) to make your reservation or call 606-889-1790. Be sure to mention GWRRA or group code 6249 to reserve the room.

[Please mark your calendar and check the state website](#) for more details.

2023 Blast

The 2023 Blast will return to the Showroom in Danville on 8/17/23 to 8/19/23.

The host hotel is the Hampton Inn, 100 Montgomery Way, Danville, KY 40422. The rate is \$119.00+taxes. Breakfast is included. Doubles and King rooms are available. Click [here](#) to make your reservation or you may call 859-236-6200. Please mention Kentucky Blast to receive the block rate. The block will close on July 17, 2023.

Please mark your calendar and check the [state website](#) for more details.

2023 Fall Spook-tacular

You are invited to a fall event on October 13th-14th. The evening of Friday the 13th will include a visit to the [Jack o' Lantern Spectacular](#) in Iroquois Park in Louisville. Saturday night would be socializing at the [Louisville South KOA Holiday Campground](#) which will be the main site for the weekend event. For more information, please see the [invitation from Rick and Leah Cridlin](#).

Roger Early

Chapter Director

Ride Coordinator Report

We have had a few events since my last article. On April 8, a few folks from our chapter visited Chapter A in Louisville. Included in the group was our Couple of the Year, Jim and Karen Fields. They were attending the meeting to try to win the Couple of the Year Mascot. Unfortunately, the mascot did not show up at the meeting, but Jim and Karen were able to win the mascot at our meeting on 4/15.

On April 11th, a few of us headed to the Feed Mill Restaurant in Felicity, Ohio. We enjoyed the ride up there and took some backroads into Mayfield where we crossed over into Ohio. We enjoyed the food at the restaurant and on the return trip we took the ferry across the Ohio River to Augusta, Ky. Mitch Lawrence provided a writeup and some pictures in a separate article.

After our gathering on 4/15, Mike led a ride to Beans Café and Bakery in Dry Ridge, Ky. I was in Louisville that day and could not join the ride.

On April 24th, the chapter had dinner at Ricardo's Grill and Pub in Versailles. Once again, I was in Louisville and was not able to participate.



We have the following list of events for our Chapter, State and Wing'd Rider organization:

- 5/13 - Crash Scene Response Class in Louisville
- 5/20 - Ride to Grandma's Homemade Ice Cream in Bardstown after our meeting
- 5/23 - Dinner at Jerry's
- 6/2 to 6/3 - Ride In at Jenny Wiley State Park
- 6/17 - Ride to Sammy's Bakery after our meeting
- 6/22 - Dinner at Cattleman's Roadhouse in Danville

6/29 to 7/2 - Wing'd Rider Rally

Please keep in mind these dates and destinations might change. We will be adding more dinner gatherings and more rides. We are hoping to plan a couple of multi-day rides. We will also add some weekday rides for those that can ride during the week.

Roger Early

Acting Ride Coordinator

Ride to Feed Mill Restaurant in Felicity, Ohio – Submitted by Mitch Lawrence

Tuesday April 11 was a great trip to Felicity, OH. 188 miles round trip from Lexington. With Roger Early, Alan Ernest and Jim Springate. The weather was beautiful-sunny and mid-70's.

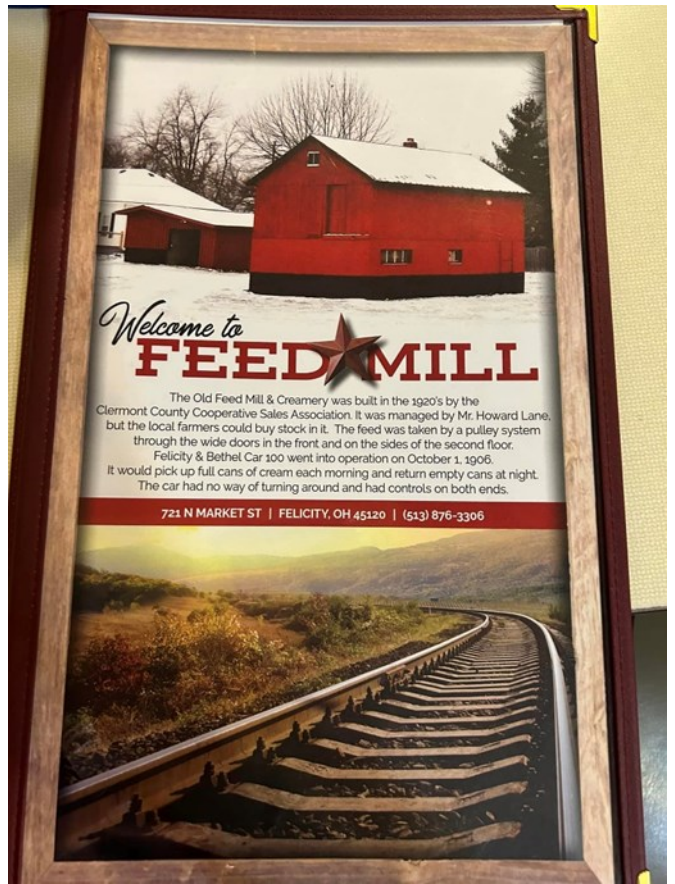
We left from Lexington, taking 68 to Paris and then continuing on until just past Millersburg. We picked up 165 and wiggled our way to Maysville on back roads. We crossed the river and then up 52 in Ohio, past the ferry dock and into Felicity. Our lunch was at the Feed Mill. As usual, Alan was in great form, joking with the waitress, so when it came to picture time she was sure to cut him out of it!

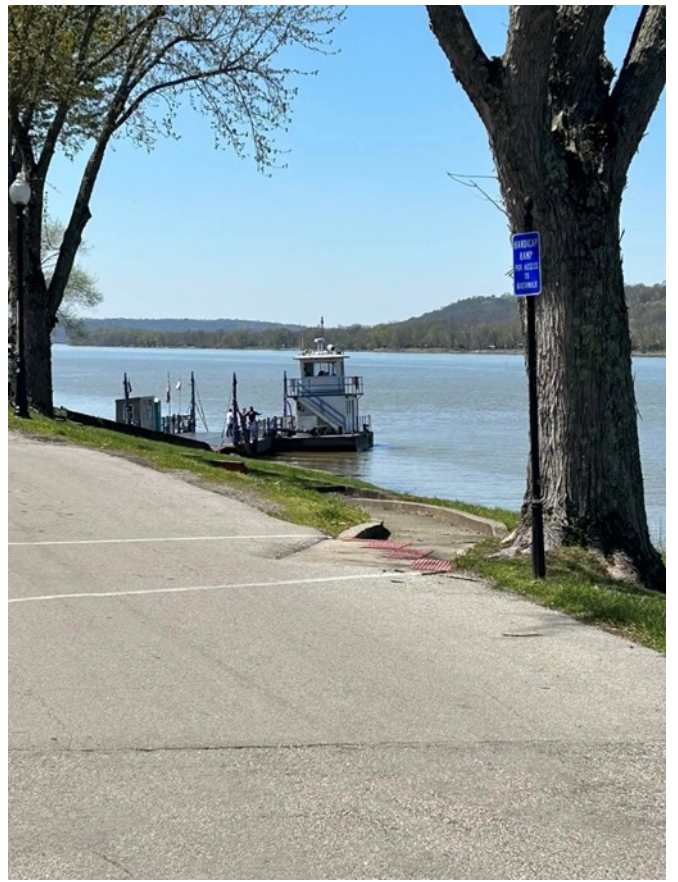
I made up for it by taking a solo pic of Alan in front of the restaurant. The highlight of the lunch was likely the coconut cream pie for dessert.

We backtracked to the ferry dock, taking the ferry across the Ohio river to Augusta, KY.

Again, we stayed on less traveled roads and into Cynthiana for fuel and a pit stop at McDonalds.

Alan left from there for Paris. As we got closer to Lexington, Roger and Jim headed west and I continued straight into Lexington.





Couple of the Year Photos

Jim and Karen Fields, Chapter Couple of the Year, won the Couple of the Year Mascot at our gathering on 4/15/23. Jim sent me some pictures of them with the mascot on a trip to the Bread of Life Cafe in Liberty, Ky. As you can tell from the pictures, the mascot, Oliver, made the rounds at the restaurant.

Roger Early

Chapter Director



Membership Enhancement Coordinator Report

Hey Chapter C!

The weather is beginning to cooperate and I see some fun things coming up! The traveling plaque and the individual of the year mascot will be available at Chapter A's meeting on Saturday, May 13. They're having an accident response class, so I've seen a few of our members that plan to go. Please join in – the more the merrier!

The Couple of the year mascot will be at our gathering the following week, so expect some visitors! After our gathering, there will be an ice cream ride!

Let's work on adding some more dinner rides to the calendar. Any day that I don't have to cook is a good day! Where do you want to go? Brainstorm with me and I'll pass the ideas off to the ride coordinator pack.

We also need a membership enhancement coordinator. It's not hard and we get to know our fellow members better by having interactions with them at our meetings. It takes people like Cliff, who dared to ask me if I needed help! Be a Cliff! I'll be happy to give you something to do!!

Dedre VanHoose

~~Interim Acting Pretending~~ MEC

District Educator

Richard Artmayer

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter. Now that the hard-boiled eggs, jellybeans, and marshmallow chicks have been delivered, Peter Rabbit will go from hopping down the bunny trail to hopping on his motorcycle and riding down the road. I suspect that, as the temperatures become more favorable, many of us will be doing the same.

As you finish the last of your candy, and start making your list of Spring chores, be sure to include the T-CLOCS list of checks for your motorcycle. In case you have forgotten:

T – Tires and Wheels

C – Controls

L – Lights and Electrics

O – Oil and Other Fluids

C – Chassis

S – Stands

The RPM Academy provides the R.17 form for those interested in tracking their bike's history, or just as a tangible method to be sure everything is covered. You can download the form at: <https://rpmacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/R.17-RPMA-Vehicle-Inspection-Form-01.31.23.pdf>.

The MSF has a very comprehensive form with detailed descriptions on their website at:

http://www.msf-usa.org/downloads/T-CLOCS_Inspection_Checklist.pdf.

There are several other sources worth reviewing online. You can access them by typing T-CLOCS into your web browser.

There is one point of the T-CLOCS I would like to briefly discuss. This would be the letter L, for lights and electrics. When was the last time you actually looked at the bulbs responsible for keeping you safe? Sure, we all check for function, and true, I rarely ever see anyone with non-functioning lights on their motorcycle. But have you ever noticed some lights are more dim than others, even on the same model? Incandescent lamp filaments atomize over time and coat the inside of the glass bulb. How old are your bulbs? How many miles are on them? Unlike most cars (not including the DRLs), motorcycles run their lights the entire time the vehicle is in operation. This year, take the extra few minutes and open up your light assemblies and check those bulbs. I guarantee the bulb you replace today will last many times over the one you didn't.

Now that you have looked over your motorcycle, take the next step and look over you! In addition to T-CLOCS, there is also T-CARE. I introduced this acronym to Chapter G in the October 2015 Newsletter. In case this was missed:

T – Training

C – Conditioning

A – Attitude

R – Riding Risks

E – Expectations

T - Like any skill, the more it is practiced, the easier it is to perform. And taking a formal training allows your riding style to be checked for bad habits that could otherwise evolve into bad events.

C - As motorcycling is a physical sport, it is important to keep your body in good shape. Keep your body in good condition by staying active and getting annual check-ups. **A** - Attitude effects our action. Be in a good place when you start your ride, so you can be alert and aware of everything around you. Bad attitudes can cause distractions that can cause bad events. **R** - Everything in life has risk. Be sure to plan appropriately for the risks associated with motorcycling. Consider wearing all the gear all the time. **E** - Think about the ride before you start. A group ride on back roads is considerably different than a rush hour commute. Fun can be found in all rides if we set our expectations accordingly.

Richard Artmayer

KY State Educator



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 “Kentucky Road Riders” or use the following link:

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



Birthdays

Anniversaries

Kevin Crane 5/21

None to report

Dedre VanHoose 6/1

Lynn Ervin 6/5

Kathryne 6/12

Lynn Tucker 6/15

Matthew Smith 6/17



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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 @ 6:00pm, 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.