



GOLD WING ROAD RIDER ASSOCIATION (GWRRA)



Region B (Northeast Region) / **Maryland - Chapter H**

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NEWSLETTER

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ACTIVITIES & ARTICLES

The Progressive & 50/50 Raffle Winners Were!

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| Linda Hartman | \$10 Progressive payout |
| Susanne Jacobs | \$27.00 (1st 50/50) |
| Rodney Malone | \$17.00 (2nd 50/50) |
| Rodney Malone | \$11.00 (3rd 50/50) |

Happy Birthday!!!

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| Pam Bixler | 03 May |
| William Hartman | 11 May |
| Wallace Reynolds | 12 May |
| Ron Jarvis | 29 May |

Happy Anniversary!!!

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| Cathy & Steve Kelly | 24 May |
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Greetings from the Chapter's Director

Sue Miller

After our Sunday gathering on 17 April, we headed to Lowes for our Parking Lot Practice (PLP). We had 8 bikes participating and 2 trikes. Unfortunately, my bike was in the shop, and I couldn't participate. Cathy Kelly was our photographer and as usual took some great pictures of the parking lot practice, as seen below. The weather was cool, windy and sunny. Thanks to Pete and Alice for setting up another great beneficial PLP practice.

Even though it has been rainy, welcome to Spring. I hope by the time you read this newsletter, I will have my bike back from the shop. If only the weather would cooperate, I might be able to get it back.

Thanks to the eight of us who came out for our first Ice Cream social at Blooms Dairy. The food was good and so was the ice cream. It was nice to see everyone.

We had a good showing for the GAP dinner ride. We braved the driving weather better fitted for SUVs than motorcycles. Despite the bad weather, it did not stop us from having a great time and eating too much. Thanks again to all those who braved the weather.

Upcoming events are as follows; A few of these events happened in April. On 30 April there were two events, both fundraisers, the Fish Fry for Chapter B in Bowie and the Hobo Stew for DE-A in Lumas Pond, Delaware. I hope the two groups who attended had a good time. On Sunday, May 1 was the MAP Baseball game in Waldorf. I remember it being a fun event last year and the food was very good. Hope you all could go to help support the District Motorcycle Awareness Program.

Mark your social calendars; 11 May is our next ice cream night. It will be held at Bomboys on 329 Market Street in Havre de Grace. I hope the weather will cooperate so we can ride the bikes, and not have to ride on four wheels. The golf weekend has been cancelled for the 14 May. On the 21st is MD-Is History ride fundraiser. Please chapter members, place these events on your calendar.

It would be great for as many members as possible to attend, so we can return the favor of their chapters supporting our fundraiser. We can all ride together or meet there.

Now for the big news! Rick Brown has decided to stay on as the MEC and incorporate this into his District duties. I am grateful to Marge for volunteering to take over the MEC position temporarily if needed. Rick, I am very

Chapter Meeting - 4th Sunday at the Golden Corral, Aberdeen, MD Breakfast 8:00A.M./Meeting 9:00A.M.

appreciative that you have decided to stay on as our chapter MEC. We and the chapter members thank you for your support while serving in this very important position.

Finally, I would be remiss if I did not remind the chapter of our open ACD position. I really need for somebody to think about stepping up and taking this job. I know some of you have been in this position before and have also been in other positions, but so have I. I was CD eight years ago. As we have very little new blood in the chapter, it is necessary for one of our members to step up to the plate once more. I know we lead busy lives with families and jobs, but now is the time to think about the position of ACD. It will be at least 2-3 years with me as Chapter Director before as ACD you will be taking over as Chapter Director. The individual who steps up to the plate will help me and prevent Chapter H from folding. Please think about it, we have a great chapter with great people and would hate to think about us not continuing as a chapter. Thanks in advance for listening and thinking. Happy riding and remember, it's safety first then fun and more fun.

Sue Miller

PLP Pictures are scattered throughout the newsletter



Greetings from the Chapter's "Rider Educator"

Debbie and Dave Sorrick

We thought this information found in a DOT brochure was appropriate as a reminder that we should be inspecting our gear.

HERE IS WHAT TO CHECK FOR TO IDENTIFY UNSAFE MOTORCYCLE HELMETS:

Thick Inner Liner

Helmets meeting the minimum Federal safety standard have an inner liner usually about one-inch thick of firm polystyrene foam. Sometimes the inner liner will not be visible, but you should still be able to feel its thickness. Unsafe helmets normally contain only soft foam padding or a bare plastic shell with no padding at all.

Sturdy Chin Strap and Rivets

Helmets meeting the DOT safety standard have sturdy chinstraps with solid rivets.

Weight of Helmet

Depending on design, unsafe helmets weigh only one pound or less. Helmets meeting FMVSS 218 generally weigh about three pounds. Become familiar with the weight of helmets that comply with the Federal safety standard. These helmets provide a more substantial feel.

Design/Style of Helmet

The DOT safety standard does not allow anything to extend further than two-tenths of an inch from the surface of a helmet. For example, while visor fasteners are allowed, a spike or other protruding decorations indicate an unsafe helmet. A design such as the German Army style or skullcap style may be a clue to an unsafe helmet. Unsafe helmets are noticeably smaller in diameter and thinner than ones meeting the DOT standard. However, some German Army style helmet may meet Federal requirements. You'll need to check for weight, thickness, sturdy chinstraps, as well as the "DOT" and manufacturer's labels to make sure the helmet meets the Federal safety standard. Familiarize yourself with brand names and designs of helmets that comply with DOT requirements. For example, a full-face design is a good indicator of a safe helmet. To date, we have never seen a full-face design novelty helmet.

DOT Sticker

Helmets that meet FMVSS 218 must have a sticker on the outside back of the helmet with the letters "DOT," which certifies that the helmet meets or exceeds FMVSS 218. It is important to note that some novelty helmet sellers provide DOT stickers separately for motorcyclists to place on non-complying helmets. In this case, the DOT sticker is invalid and does not certify compliance.

Snell or ANSI Label

In addition to the DOT sticker, labels located inside the helmet showing that a helmet meets the standards of private, non-profit organizations such as Snell or the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) are good indicators that the helmet also meets the Federal safety standard. To date, we have never seen a novelty helmet that has a phony DOT sticker in addition to a phony Snell or ANSI label.

Manufacturer's Labeling

Manufacturers are required under FMVSS 218 to place a label on or inside the helmet stating the manufacturer's name, model, size, month and year of manufacture, construction materials, and owner's information. A helmet that does not meet the Federal safety standard usually does not have such labeling. Remember a DOT sticker on the back of the helmet and proper inside labeling do not necessarily indicate that a helmet meets all DOT requirements. Many helmets have counterfeit DOT stickers and a limited few also have manufacturer's labeling. But the design and weight of a helmet, thickness

of the inner liner, and the quality of the chin strap and rivets are extra clues to help distinguish safe helmets from non-complying ones.

**Source DOT brochure: DOT HS 807 880 September 2004 (Revised)*



PLP Picture, Alice, Ruth, Bill, Susanne, and Barbi

Greetings from the "Newsletter Editor"
Rodney and Ruth Malone

Here is some valuable information that the District Director wanted to pass along and we feel is important enough to repeat. It's some food for thought concerning ICE - 'In Case of Emergency'

We all carry our mobile phones with names & numbers stored in its memory but nobody, other than ourselves, knows which of these numbers belong to our closest family or friends.

If we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency? Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) Campaign the concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations.

Apparently this is a standard procedure all paramedics follow at the scene of an accident when they come across your cell phone. As cell (mobile) phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing the number you have stored as 'ICE.'

For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3 etc. A great idea that will make a difference! Let's spread the concept of ICE by storing an ICE number in our Mobile phones today!



PLP Picture, Alice and Susanne



Chris demos for the 2-wheelers



That's It Shane
Park that bike!



The waitress certainly earned her tips with this crowd...

CHAPTER FAMILY NEWS!

Paul Koermer is selling his motorcycle trailer.

FOR SALE / FOR SALE / FOR SALE



Rodney lifts his butt on a quick stop

*And after the PLP,
it was lunch time at Famous Dave's*



**2003 Kompact Kamp Excell
Motorcycle Cargo Trailer**

Ordered and picked up direct from the manufacturer in PA in 2003. It has never titled or registered/considered new, not used. This trailer has only been used on several short trips. "Being sold because of non use", the trailer is in excellent condition and has been stored indoors and covered.

- Weighs less than 150 pounds
- 17 cubic feet of cargo space
- GVWR rating of 500 pounds
- Options/standard features; molded fender & light bar assembly, rubber torsion independent suspension system, 12in tires and wheels, gas-assist lid props, LED tail and

marker lights, chrome hinges & lid handle, chrome covered tow bar, black gel coat fiberglass with red pin striping (pin striping is tape not paint and can be removed). It can be towed by Gold Wing, HD, or other small vehicle for extra space. The trailer retails for \$2495.00/Asking \$1800.00 OBO. If interested, contact Paul directly @ (410) 877-9010 or email: cliffy1353@gmail.com

***** Gold & Wing Update *****

Has anyone spotted the birds lately?

THIS MONTH'S SPOTLIGHT!!!



DO YOU KNOW WHO THIS IS?

Here are some answers given by this member *during a recent interview* > > >

What was your first motorcycle (year/make/model)?
A battery powered Harley Davidson

Describe your first motor cycle ride (including when and where)? *My first ride was to Americade in June 1997. I was born in October 1997.*

Why did you decide to become a member of GWRRA/MD CHPT H? *It is a family tradition.*

What has been your most memorable bike ride?
My first memorable bike ride was to the west coast in the side car.

What would you say is your ultimate stress buster?
I enjoy watching a good movie.

What would you like more time for, to do what?
Ride my bike.

What would you say your life motto is?
Have fun!

What would be your most favorite home cooked meal?
Spaghetti and meatballs.

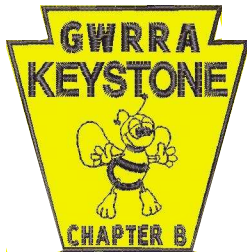
NOW DO YOU KNOW WHO THIS IS?

Email the editors and let us know who you believe it is (housanml@comcast.net).

GWRRRA PA Chapter B



19th Annual Spring Fling



East Petersburg Community Park

6051 Pine Street, East Petersburg PA 17520

Pig Roast May 21, 2011

Plan now to join us!

Great friends Great riding... Great food ... Great Prizes!

Registration 8-10 a.m. Complimentary Donuts and Coffee

Blessing of the Bikes 9:45 a.m.

Enjoy the New Rides and Poker Run 10 a.m.— 4 p.m.

People Games and Socializing 10 - 4 p.m.

Traditional Pig Roast Dinner 4 p.m.

Grand Prize Drawings 5:30 p.m.

Contact: Larry and Ruth Ann Greathouse at 717-201-4489 or laru@ptd.net

John and Jeanne Parker at 717-572-5123 or redinc-pa@comcast.net



GRAND PRIZE

**\$100 GIFT CARD FOR DUTCH APPLE
DINNER THEATER**

SECOND PRIZE

**2 TICKETS TO PA B's 2012 SPRING FLING
PLUS GAS CARDS AND MANY MORE PRIZES**

A Riding Event

Chose from 3 routes to tour Lancaster County or a
Poker Run, tasty destinations, covered bridges,
stone homes and much more!

Followed by a Spring Fling Tradition

Pig Roast

Homemade Side Dishes & Desserts

Spring Fling Registration Form

PA-B's 19th Annual Spring Fling

May 21, 2011

East Petersburg Community Park

Rider (Please print clearly)

GWRRRA#

Co-rider (Please print clearly)

GWRRRA #

Address

Telephone number

email address

I/we agree to hold harmless GWRRRA, the co-sponsoring organizations
and the property owner for any loss or injury to self or property in which
I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this event.

Rider signature

Co-rider signature

Registration

Pre-registration *must be postmarked by May 16th*

GWRRRA member # _____ @ \$20 _____

Non Member # _____ @ \$22 _____

Children (under 12) # _____ @ \$10 _____

Total amount enclosed _____

**On Site
Registration—** # _____ @ \$24 _____

**Please detach and return this form with your check payable to
GWRRRA PA-B to: Connie Breneman GWRRRA PA B Treasurer,
3956 Locust Grove Road, Columbia, PA 17512**

UPCOMING EVENTS

(see online calendar for most current events listing)

http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=62cvnknm91c5jhb5h30bn2sfp0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/New_York&pvttk=e5a4f78a1426af1589b9657977676304

Please Visit Chapter H's Web Page for flyers with additional details @:

<http://www.gwrra-mdh.com/Home-Page.php>

May 11: MD-H Ice Cream Ride, Bomboys located at 329 Market Street, Havre de Grace, MD

May 18: Law Ride 16 (see flyer on the website)

May 18: MD-H Staff Meeting

May 22: PA-B 16 Annual Spring Fling. Register, see attached flyer

May 22: MD-H Chapter Gathering

Jun 16-18: Wing Fling, Duluth, GA

Jun 22: MD-H Staff Meeting

Jun 26: MD-H Chapter Gathering

Jul 28-30: Maine New England District Rally (see flyer on the website)

CHAPTER GATHERINGS

MD A - 1st Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M

Golden Corral
Arundel Mills Road, Arundel Mills Outlet Mall
Satellite Area
CD/Tom & Gail McCormick 410-787-2584

MD B - 3rd Mon. 7:30 P.M.

Seat Pleasant Recreation Center
5720 Addison Road Seat Pleasant, Md.
CD/Charles Simms cjsimms1956@aim.com

MD C - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.

Golden Corral
6701 Chesapeake Center Dr Glen Burnie, Md.
CD/Butch & Debbie Harvey 410-519-5563

MD H - 4th Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.

Golden Corral (across from Wal Mart)
Route 40 Aberdeen, Md
CD/Sue Miller 410-668-1318

MD I - 1st Sun. Eat at 8 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.

Hooters
3600 Crain Hwy, Waldorf, Md.
CD/ Robert & Juliana A'Heam 301-997-1254

MD J - 3rd Sat. Eat at 9:00 A.M meet at 10:00 A.M.

Bob Evans, 2402 Brandermill Blvd,
Gambrills, MD 21054
CD/AI & Jackie General 410-963-3414

MD K - 3rd Sat Eat at 4:00 P.M. meet at 5:00 P.M.

New York J P Pizza (Finksburg Plaza)
3000 Gamber Rd, Westminster, MD
CD/ Richard & Dolores France

MD L - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8:30 AM Meet at 9 AM

Denny's
8493 Ocean Gateway. Easton, MD 21601
CD/Milton "Spanky" Barth 410- 924-8371

DE A - 4th Sat. Eat at 8:00 A.M. Meet at 9:00 A.M.

Damon's Grill
149 N. Dupont Hwy. New Castle, DE 19720
CD/Dan & Terrie Chappell 302-836-0633

DE B - 1st Sun. Eat at 8:30 A.M. meet at 9:00 A.M.

Pizza King
300 W. Stein Hwy. (Rt 20) Seaford, De.
CD/ Ken & Lois Ingram 410-208-4803

PA A – 1st Sun. Eat at 9:00 A.M. Meet at 9:45 A.M.

Holiday Inn 943 South High St
West Chester, PA.
CD/Randolf Chessman 610-358-2624

PA B - 4th Sat. Eat at 9:00 A.M. meet at 10:00 A.M.

Apple Tree Family Restaurant 100 South Centerville Road
Lancaster, PA.
CD/ Larry & Ruth Ann Greathouse 717-626-7435

PA C - 3rd Sat. Eat at 8:30 A.M. Meet at 9:30 A.M.

Antrim Restaurant (use banquet door entrance)
104 E. Baltimore St, Route 16 Greencastle, PA.,
CD/Betty & Blain Wiswander 717-369-3570

PA V - 2nd Sun. Eat at 8:00 A.M. meet at 9:30 A.M.

Cross Keys Motor Inn Banquet Center
Corner of Routes 30 & 94 Hanover, PA.
CD/ Dennis & Kathy Brillhart 717-266-4829



CHAPTER "H"

Sue Miller
2902 Northwind Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21234

Home of GWRRA MD
Chapter "H" Meetings
Join us for Breakfast
8am Fourth Sunday (Each Month)

GOLDEN CORRAL
Rout 40
Across from WalMart
Aberdeen, MD



[Map to "Golden Corral" Aberdeen MD.](#)