



# Chapter I-2



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## Director's Notes

With August upon us maybe it will cool off a little, and you can enjoy riding a lot more. Be on the look out for children going back to school this month and for those big yellow buses.

July we had 28 members attending our gathering. We had 11 go on our Dinner Ride to Blairsville, Ga. We all had a great time. If you are in Blairsville, check out the "Hole in the Wall" for some good food.

Over-night trip to Little River Canyon National Preserve, and Cloudland Canyon State Park. We will be leaving Tue. 21 and returning Wed. 22.

August 25 will be our next Lunch Ride. We will be going to Amicalola Falls. We will be leaving Lavonia Exxon at 9:30 a.m. This is about a 2 to 3 hour ride. Hope you can come and enjoy the fellowship and ride.

Next gathering will be Sept. 15 at Shoney's.

Oct .6 , we will start having some Rider Education Classes. This class will be a Co-Rider and Co- Rider 2 class. These Seminars are intended for Rider and Co-Rider. It is important that the Rider participate with the Co-rider in these seminars, so that both receive the same information on the aspect of being a Co-Rider or having a Co-Rider on the seat behind you. After the seminar we will decide where to have Dinner together.

On Saturday, Nov. 3, we will have First Aid and CPR training. Classes starting at 8:30 until ??? This class will be for those who have not been certified in First Aid and CPR. This is the full course, consisting of approximately 8 hours of class room and practical instruction. There will be a \$20 fee. Thanks to the Georgia Riders Education, it will be refunded on completion of the class.

Where has the year gone, we only have 3 months till our end of the year party, so start making plans for this event.

**Please ride safe!!!  
Frank**



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**TOPIC: WHEN ARE YOU MOST “AT RISK” TO CRASH?**

Dawn or dusk conditions? Those are potentially dangerous times but not what I’m thinking.

Riding in heavy traffic? Another potentially dangerous time but again, not what I’m looking for.

Riding in the mountains with all the curves and stuff? Possibly a dangerous time but no.

The majority of motorcycle crashes (90% according to the Hurt Report conducted in the 1970’s) occur within the first hour of riding. More interesting though is that 50% of the crashes happen within the first 6 minutes! That’s why most crashes happen within 5 miles of home.

The factors involved here are ATTENTION and CONCENTRATION. We don’t readily transition ourselves from one activity (like being at home or work) to another (riding the motorcycle). How focused can we be on the inherent hazards of riding when we are still waking up or thinking about the problems at work?

That’s why becoming an ATGATT (All The Gear All The Time) rider can be so valuable. In my case, I have to go get the motorcycle key from the key box, take my riding suit off its hanger and put it on, put on my gloves, put on my helmet, take my gloves back off so I can fasten my helmet, put my gloves back on, walk out to the bike, take my gloves back off so I can un-zip my riding suit to get to the key that’s in my jeans pocket, etc. Yes, I’m a goofball who can’t remember to keep my keys out (I doubt that I’m alone here). The point is that all these small steps take some time. During that time that I’m unconsciously getting myself READY TO RIDE.

Being READY TO RIDE and having my head “in the game” helps me to ride more safely. Are you taking steps to make yourself READY TO RIDE?



Jeanna Phillips,  
Motorist Awareness Coordinator

# Dress Loud & Ride Proud

## Ten Things All Car & Truck Drivers Should Know About Motorcycles

1

Over half of all fatal motorcycle crashes involve another vehicle. Most of the time, the motorist, not the motorcyclist, is at fault. There are a lot more cars and trucks than motorcycles on the road, and some drivers don't "recognize" a motorcycle - they ignore it (usually unintentionally).

2

Because of its small size, a motorcycle can be easily hidden in a car's blind spots (door/roof pillars) or masked by objects or backgrounds outside a car (bushes, fences, bridges, etc). Take an extra moment to look for motorcycles, whether you're changing lanes or turning at intersections.

3

Because of its small size, a motorcycle may look farther away than it is. It may also be difficult to judge a motorcycle's speed. When checking traffic to turn at an intersection or into (or out of) a driveway, predict a motorcycle is closer than it looks.

4

Motorcyclists often slow by downshifting or merely rolling off the throttle, thus not activating the brake light. Allow more following distance, say 3 or 4 seconds. At intersections, predict a motorcyclist may slow down without visual warning.

5

Motorcyclists often adjust position within a lane to be seen more easily and to minimize the effects of road debris, passing vehicles, and wind. Understand that motorcyclists adjust lane position for a purpose, not to be reckless or show off or to allow you to share the lane with them.

6

Turn signals on a motorcycle usually are not self-canceling, thus some riders (especially beginners) sometimes forget to turn them off after a turn or lane change. Make sure a motorcycle's signal is for real.

7

Maneuverability is one of a motorcycle's better characteristics, especially at slower speeds and with good road conditions, but don't expect a motorcyclist to always be able to dodge out of the way.

8

Stopping distance for motorcycles is nearly the same as for cars, but slippery pavement makes stopping quickly difficult. Allow more following distance behind a motorcycle because it can't always stop "on a dime."

9

When a motorcycle is in motion, see more than the motorcycle - see the person under the helmet, who could be your friend, neighbor, or relative.

10

If a driver crashes into a motorcyclist, bicyclist, or pedestrian and causes serious injury, the driver would likely never forgive himself/herself.



## August Birthdays

Ralph Aultman	8/8
Savannah Gregory	8/8
Sally Funderburke	8/20
Melanie Oliver	8/22



## August Anniversaries

Joyce & Glen Argo	8/5
Margaret & Ronnie Vaughn	8/14
Jeanna & Alan Phillips	8/26

## Concerns

**Julie Degler, Ga. District Rider Educator**, bad knee requiring injections, and possible future surgery.

**Bruce Gregory**, is home now recovering from his recent bout with an existing illness.

**Terry Swain's** father of Greensboro, NC. Is in failing health. Please keep Terry & Tim in your thoughts, and prayers.

**Larry Watkins**, suffering from riding-withdrawal due to his baby being sick and in the hospital (his Red-Trike) . "Get Well Soon" Larry.

## CONDOLENCES

**Tim Swain**, on the passing of his father in July.



## **WELCOME !**

Thank you all for joining us today, it's nice to see the familiar faces of our chapter family. We would especially like to welcome our visitors, it's great to meet new people and have previous visitors return again.



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## Up Coming Events



- July 28 Chapter Dinner-Ride, lunch at the "Hole in the Wall Restaurant", Blairsville, Ga.
- August 18 Chapter I-2 Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- August 21-22 Over-night trip to Little River Canyon, and Cloudland Canyon.
- August 25 Chapter I-2 Lunch Ride, Amicalola Falls State Park and Lodge, Dawsonville, GA
- September 8 "RIDE FOR THE CHILDREN", ride starts at "STONE MOUNTAIN HARLEY-DAVIDSON" & ends at "THE MASONIC CHILDREN'S HOME" in Macon, GA.
- September 13-15 Region "A" 2012 Convention, Eufaula, AL
- September 15 Chapter I-2 Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- September 20-22 "Wings Over North Carolina" Formerly "Wings Over the Smokies", Cabarrus Arena & Events Center in Concord, NC.
- September 22 Chapter I-2 Dinner-Ride, Time & Place to be decided.
- October 6 Chapter I-2 "Co-Rider" & "Co-Rider-2" Rider Education Seminars, 3pm-5pm at Line Fire Dept., Martin, Ga. These seminars are intended for Co-Riders, and **RIDERS**. After the seminars we'll decide on a location to have Dinner together.
- October 20 Chapter I-2 Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- October 27 LAST DINNER RIDE of the year!
- November 3 Chapter I-2 First-Aid, CPR Training. The instruction is intended for those that have never been certified in CPR/First-Aid. There is a \$20 fee, refundable on completion of the training.
- November 10 GA. District Wind-Down, "Civitan Fairgrounds", Hwy 257, Dublin, GA
- November 17 Chapter I-2 End of the Year Party !

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# August 2012



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	Sally Funderburke Birth...	Over-Night Trip ♦ Cloudland Canyon Park				9:30AM - 4:00PM Chapter I-2 Lunch Ride, Amicalola Falls State Park and Lodge (418 Amicalola Falls State Park Rd, Dawsonville, GA 30534)
19	20	21	Melanie Oliver's Birthday	23	24	25
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# September 2012



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2	Labor Day ♦ United States	4	5	6	7	▶ 8:00AM - 5:00PM THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY "RIDE FOR THE CHILDREN" (STONE MOUNTAIN HARLEY-DAVIDSON to THE MASONIC CHILDREN'S HOME IN MACON,GA.)
Margaret Vaughn's Birt...	10	11	Genie Deaton Birthday ●	13	Jeanna Phillips Birthday ●	▶ 11:00AM - 1:00PM Chapter I-2 Monthly Gathering ("Shoney's, Lavonia, GA)
9	17	18	Joel Deaton Birthday ●	Wings Over North Car... ♦ C	Wings Over North Car... ♦ C	▶ 4:30PM - 7:30PM Ga I-2 Dinner Ride (TBA)
16	24	Christian Gregory Birth...	26	27	28	29
23	Ronnie & Karen Lewis' ...	2	3	4	5	Linda Palmer Birthday ● ▶ 3:00PM - 5:00PM Chapter I-2 "Co-Rider" & "Co-Rider-2" Rider Education Seminars ("Line Fire Dept", 545 Pleasant Hill Circle, Martin, Ga.)
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## THE VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP

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Hello Everyone,

If you didn't attend Wing Ding 34, you may ask how it was. In one word "HOT" - as it has been most everywhere lately. Vicky and I want to thank everyone that helped with the ticket sales and poker run on Saturday. We enjoyed visiting with all our GW friends at Wing Ding. The storms were bad on Thursday evening; severe winds blew through and turned over several bikes at the Convention Center and the Holiday Inn across the street from the Convention Center. The several outdoor vendors lost the canopies on their rigs. Campers in the Convention campground were damaged. But the good news is that no one was injured.

Just before Vicky and I headed out to Wing Ding, it was time for us to renew our GWRRA membership. While filling out the renewal form I was reminded of an article I had recently read in one of the Georgia Chapter Newsletters. The article was titled **The Value of Membership**. This is a great article and a reminder of what a great value we have in our GWRRA Membership. With permission from the authors, I would like to share with you.



### The Value of Membership

Webster's dictionary defines value as "to rate or scale in usefulness, importance or general worth." So how do we place a value on our membership in GWRRA? If we break down the definition, we first look at the usefulness. Is your membership useful to you? What use do you get from your membership? For many of us we could say that our membership provides us with an opportunity to gather and ride with people that share the same interest, riding our motorcycles. It allows us to develop lifelong friendships, share experiences and make memories that will last a lifetime. There is also usefulness in the huge array of rider education and

knowledge enhancement seminars that teach us how to ride safely and to give us more information about our organization. Does your membership have importance in your life? For us, we find it very important to be able to get away from the daily grind of work, bills and everyday struggles that seem to drain our enthusiasm and motivation. To be able to revitalize our lives by getting on our bike and riding with great friends, seeing different things, visiting long-time friends, and more often than not, eating some great food. What about general worth? Is it worth the \$55.00 a year for our family membership to be able to get to hang around with some of the most interesting, funny, and loyal friends you could ask for. Getting the free riding courses, seminars and CPR/ First Aid training; receiving a magazine every month that is full of information about things we have in common; free towing or road side assistance should we ever need it; a variety of benefits at the National level that are too numerous to list but can be found on the GWRRA web site at [www.gwrra.org](http://www.gwrra.org); and had it not been for our membership, we would have never met you or would never have gone the places we have been or seen the sights we have seen. For us, I must say that we place great value on our membership. It has changed our lives and continues to enrich our lives with friends for fun, safety and knowledge.

By Bill and Betty Livingston



Are you getting all the value that your membership has to offer? Get involved in your Chapter, have fun, build lifelong friendships and get the most out of your GWRRA membership.

See you on the road soon.

*Tommy & Vicky*

## Just a Couple of Quick Thoughts or As Quick as They Can be When Coming from Us.....

Greetings Everyone! Hot enough for you? How hot is it? It's so hot – fill in your own punch line. (Thank you Johnny Carson! If you do not know who Johnny Carson is, then we are really old.) How can we not begin with a few comments about the weather? Especially the heat! We have actually done some riding in this weather and it is nothing less than brutal.

A few quick tips and yes we know you have heard them before, but we are going to say them again anyway. After all, isn't repetition the best teacher? Or is that nagging? It cannot be stressed enough: HYDRATION! You are going to sweat – sorry ladies no glistening here, it is sweat! We would not think of swinging a leg over the seat without ATGATT (All the Gear, All the Time) and water is just part of this gear during hot weather.

The day before you begin to ride you need to begin increasing your water intake. When riding in the heat you will need to take frequent breaks and continue the inflow of water and electrolytes. Stop into the Quickie Mart and soak up some of that A/C; stand in front of a cooler searching for something – hint, hint. If your mouth gets dry, it is already too late, you are dehydrated.

Try to ride early and be off the road around noon. If you must continue on,

try taking a break until later in the early evening when the heat begins to let up a little.

Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke are serious and life threatening conditions. ***If you stop sweating seek immediate medical attention!***

In another recent experience I purchased some new riding boots. You would think that it would not make a difference on the bike, but it did. How my feet interacted with the shifter and brake pedal as well as how they sat on the foot pegs. It really threw me off my game for a little bit as I adjusted to them. Something to keep in mind the next time you are changing any of your equipment. (ATGATT) It can be anything from your boots, helmet or even something you might not give a second thought to, like gloves. We get used to a certain feel and when it changes it can throw you out of your comfort zone. The distraction it creates could have serious consequences, so keep that in mind. Maybe sit on your bike and get a feel while on the center stand. For Trikes, this can be even easier. (I can hear Steve Fagan now: "Advantage Trike!")

Distracted drivers seem to be getting worse! I did not even think it was possible, but unfortunately we are here to tell you it is! They are weaving all over the road on

cell phones – a almost blowing turns or wheels off the road onto the grass. I had two different vehicle encounters with the same result one pulling out in front of me and another stopping for green lights. And this was just on my ride into work this morning! Twelve incredible miles and all back roads!

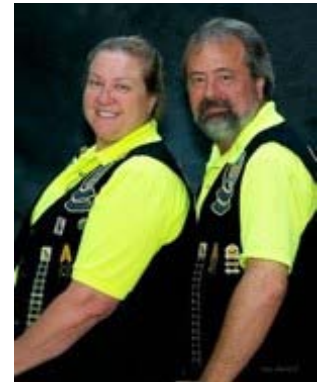
We hate to sound paranoid, but maybe we should adopt the philosophy that they are all out to get us! Keep your head on a swivel and do not let your guard down for one minute.

Many accidents occur within six miles of home. We believe it is because we begin to relax. We get close to home and fall into a false sense of security because we are riding here everyday. We know every inch of the road, the turns, the hazards and signs, so we go on auto-pilot – BIG mistake! Until you are in your driveway and safely away from whatever vehicle you have been on or in you must remain vigilant!

We want to see all of your happy, smiling, shinning faces for years to come!

Until Next Time; be safe and we will see you on the road!

*Roy & Julie*



**Julie & Roy  
Degler  
Ride Educator**

***“...we should adopt the philosophy that they are all out to get us! Keep your head on a swivel and do not let your guard down for one minute.”***



**Rider Education**

# AUGUST 2012

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						Traveler's Plaque
5	6 GA-G	7 GA-S	8	9 GA-M	10	11 GA-B, D, P
12	13 GA-Q, T	14	15	16 GA-D2	17	18 GA-A, C2, 12, J
						Wanderer's Plaque
19	20 GA-O	21	22	23 GA-H, L	24	25 GA-B2, E2
26	27	28 GA-R	29	30	31	

## Schedule of Events

- September 8, 2012—GA-Q's Dessert Auction & Burger Burn, Warner Robins.
- September 13-15, 2012—Region A Convention, Eufaula, AL
- September 29, 2012—GA-A Fun Day, Forsyth, GA
- October 6-7, 2012—Horizons Class, Warner Robins, GA
- October 11-13, 2012—Mississippi District Convention, Biloxi.
- October 20, 2012—GA-L Fun Day, Rome.
- November 10, 2012—Wind Down, Dublin, GA

See website for times and locations of Chapter Gatherings. Please call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.

**Georgia Traveler's Plaque: Chapter GA-F2** captured the Traveler from GA-S. It will be given away on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at **Ryan's, 3034 Peach Orchard Road, Augusta, GA.** Eat at 12 PM, meet at 1 PM. The plaque sign-in is from Noon—1 PM.

**Region A Wanderer: GA-S** has possession on the Wanderer's Plaque acquiring it from FL1-L2. It will be up for capture on Saturday, August 18th at the Golden Corral, 163 E. May Street, Winder, GA. Sign in 11:00 AM—12:30 PM. Plaque to be given away at 12:45 PM.

## Corner of Hollywood and Kudzu Vine

There is nothing like old movies and TV shows. The glamour and glitz of a bygone era, where life seemed so simple—the bad guy's wore black and the good guy's wore white. Remember the episode where Lucy kept eating the candy because she could not keep up with

the conveyor belt? Or how about Jimmy Stewart and his invisible rabbit friend Harvey? How about when Scarlett O'Hara says, "Tara! Home. I'll go home. And I think of some way to get him back. After all... tomorrow is another day." We want to invite you to join us in reliving this era at Wing Fling 2013!

Beautiful Dillard, Georgia

will be our destination again, but this time with a Hollywood twist. Registrations are coming in strong and we want you join us for some Oscar winning performances at the corner of Hollywood and Kudzu Vine!





**Roy Degler**

National Merit Award for Dedication and Excellent Performance as District Educator.

### Our Award Winning District Educator.

During the Masters Breakfast at Wing Ding 34, Georgia District Educator Roy Degler received National Recognition by receiving a Merit Award

for his Dedication and Excellent Performance as District Educator. The plaque was presented to Roy at his home Chapter (GA-A) Gathering. We

are proud of the accomplishment that have been made in the Rider Education Program throughout the District of Georgia.

### A Salute to Our 2011 Chapter of the Year!



***“An excess of 400 folks gathered from the three state area to enjoy a fantastic burger lunch and good fellowship.”***

### On Couples, Buggers and Free Lunches

Well July has ended and with it so did Wing Ding 34. We would like to recognize and congratulate Greg and Renée Dempsey from Alabama, our Region A Couple of the Year. They were selected as the 2012-2013 International Couple of the Year! Region A must have some good drinking water we certainly have had our share of special couples selected over the years. Our next big event is the Region A convention/Rally at Lake Point Lodge in Eufaula Alabama September 13th, 14th and 15th. Please make an effort to be there and support Dick and Peg Hopkins, your Georgia

District Couple of the Year, as they go through the selection for our next Region A Couple of the Year. Dick and Peg have done a great job this year representing Georgia.

We had a great event on July 28th and Georgia was well represented with over 57 members from several chapters at the 5th annual Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee Big **Burger Run at Randy's** Restaurant in Trenton, Georgia. An excess of 400 folks gathered from the three state area to enjoy a fantastic burger lunch and good fellowship. During the event, each state gave away a

free registration for their upcoming convention/rally.

We hope your calendar is marked for Wind Down November 10th in Dublin, Georgia at the Civitan center. This is the event that your District Team puts on for you. It is free to attend. Your District Team has been collecting door prizes to give away; also there is a free lunch to enjoy; but most importantly, we will be selecting our next District couple of the year.

We hope to see you there.

***Sid & Donna***

### Among our sick

Pat Tate, GA-F2  
 Chuck Simpson, GA-H  
 Dave Cole, GA-L

Gary Verhulst, GA-S  
 Dee Lozano, GA-S

