



Chapter I-2



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Director's Notes

Time seems to be flying by, here it is May. We have been very busy with a lot of plans for May and June. Our first event, **Motor Awareness Day**, is fast approaching, May 26. Then **Wing Fling** just around the corner, June 14, 15 and 16, in Dillard, GA. Come and Rumble in the Jungle with us.

We had a great crowd at our last gathering, with 27 members and 9 visitors. Our dinner ride to the Redd House was a great success. The meal was very good, if you went away hungry it was your own fault. If you missed it, you missed a very good meal and a lot of FUN.

Our ARC Class on May 5th turned out to be very good. We had 11 to take the course. This will help them to be better riders and to advance in the Levels program. If you have not taken this course, you really need to, even if you have already taken it some time ago, it will sharpen your riding skills, as you know "Practice Makes Perfect".

We are planning a Trike Riders Course sometime this Fall. Also, we are planning a full First Aid, CPR Class. We will keep you informed as we get the dates set.

We **will not** have a Gathering at Shoney's in **June** because of **Wing Fling**. Our next Gathering will be July 21st at Shoney's. Our next Dinner Ride will be May 26, after our **Motor Awareness Day**. We are going to Gumlog BBQ, meet there at 4:30 p.m. if you are not at the Awareness Day at the Ga. Welcome Center South bound I-85. We will be there from 8 am till.....

Safety Tip of the Month ---

It is very important to check your tires and tire pressure every time you ride. A tire with low air pressure will heat up and wear out faster. If the tire overheats, it can separate and cause a blowout. It only takes a few minutes to check your tires, so make it a habit.

Please ride safe!!!

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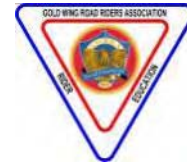
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TOPIC: Warm Weather Worries

Motorcycle riding is an activity that takes all of us outdoors. For many of us, the riding season is comprised of summer with some spring and some fall periods. For others, the best riding times are during the spring and fall seasons due to excessive heat in the summer months. For all of us, we are likely to be riding in hot weather at least some part of the year. Since too much heat can cause severe medical emergencies, it is important to know how to avoid becoming a victim of the heat. So how do we avoid heat stress, or more severe conditions like hyperthermia, to remain safe? Let's review some warm weather riding tips.

First, make sure you have gear appropriate for the weather. Consider what you will wear to cover your arms while riding in direct sunlight during daylight hours (if you are lucky enough to avoid the rain), if you have it, a mesh jacket provides unparalleled ventilation and abrasion resistance. A denim shirt is another alternative that is fairly light weight and offers better protection than t-shirt material. Protection is important, but keep in mind that when you are comfortable, you are able to focus on the act of riding. Denim is a common choice for long pants, but you might want to think about purchasing motorcycle-specific riding pants for extra protection. Gloves are the other area where the ambient temperature is usually factored into the decision of what to wear. Perforated leather gloves will breathe better than solid leather. Another good choice would be mesh gloves which, like the jackets made of similar material, provide great ventilation coupled with superior abrasion resistance. They are worth considering. Consider carrying a water absorbing collar that you can soak in water and wear around your neck to help keep you cool. Or be prepared to soak and wear your shirt or t-shirt at a rest stop in the hottest weather.

Second, plan to maintain your hydration level. Every time you stop for gas or a rest break in hot *weather*, take time to drink enough fluids to replace what you lose through perspiration. This should be at least eight ounces per hour during the heat of the day. You may think that your clothes are not holding an entire cup of sweat that you could wring out of them. And that is probably true. While you are riding, some of your perspiration is soaked up by your clothes and is carried away by the air flowing around you. And some moisture evaporates directly from your skin. It must all be replaced to keep your system hydrated. A simple way to determine if you are getting enough fluids is to monitor your output at rest stops. In short, if you are drinking frequently but don't have to go at each rest stop, then you probably are not drinking enough. Modify this as necessary for your own situation. Carry a bottle of water to drink from whenever you need it. Be sure to refill it at rest stops.

Third, remain aware of your own physical condition. Exposure to too much heat for too long can result in hyperthermia. This is the condition where your body cannot properly regulate your internal temperature and your temperature rises uncontrollably. If allowed to reach this state, it is a medical emergency requiring immediate medical attention. The key is to prevent your body from reaching this condition. Watch for symptoms like the absence of sweat in hot weather. This could mean your body has lost too much water and cannot produce any more sweat, the principal means of temperature regulation. Without the ability to sweat, the core temperature of the body will rise quickly. Other early warning symptoms include confusion, headache, dizziness, redness of the skin, often most noticeable on the face. If you notice any of these symptoms in yourself or those riding with you, find the nearest place to sit down, drink lots of water, and relax in the shade or an air conditioned space. Remove gear and loosen clothing to allow the body to cool itself. Increase the frequency of breaks during the hottest part of the day. And definitely get out the water absorbing collar or soak your shirt at this time. It will help bring your body temperature back down.

With the right gear and travel plans that include frequent breaks with plenty of water, you can enjoy riding safely even in the hottest weather.



MAY -- MOTORIST AWARENESS MONTH

Jeanna Phillips, Motorist Awareness Coordinator

Chapter I₂ is proud to be involved in the “Motorist Awareness” (MAD) event for Memorial-Day weekend from 8:30 am — 2:00 pm. “Georgia Welcome/Visitors Center, I-85 South at the Georgia/South Carolina line, 938 County Road 84, Lavonia, GA.

Our Motorist Awareness Event is dedicated to one of our sponsors, Keith Farmer, Gumlog BBQ & Fish Lodge. His son, Mitch, is recovering from a severe motorcycle accident. It is also dedicated to those that have been injured or lost their lives to motorcycle accidents.

Thank you to I₂ for stepping up to help at Georgia Welcome Center, Motorist Awareness Event. I greatly appreciate your time and hard work. Sorry I could not attend due to my work situation. Due to everyone’s efforts, someone’s life may be saved. Hopefully, this event will make motorist **look twice to see us**, preventing one less accident or death.

Dress Loud & Ride Proud

A special thank you to those who donated items to be given away at the Motorist Awareness Event.

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May Birthdays

Ronnie Lewis 5/24
Tim Swain 5/28

June Birthdays

Janell Ellis 6/7
Linda Watkins 6/10
Alan Phillips 6/10
Lucy Seavey 6/12



June Anniversaries

Smitty & Janell Ellis 6/14

Concerns

Bruce Gregory with his illness

Johnny Smith continuing recovery from broken leg and esophagus surgery.

Ronnie Lewis recovering at home after 11 day hospital stay due to intestinal surgery.

Mitch Farmer son of Keith Farmer of "GumLog BBQ & Fish Lodge" is recovering at home from a very serious motorcycle accident.

Dee Lozano had an outpatient procedure (a biopsy & Upper Ultrasound) to learn more about the mass on her pancreas. Though we have not received the official results, they believe it is an "Andenocarcinoma" and is completely removable. The doctors believe the best strategy (pending confirmed results of the biopsy) is to treat the mass first to try to shrink it.



Thank You!

Ronnie & Karen Lewis would like to thank you all for the concern and prayers, calls, visits, food, flowers, and gifts they received during Ronnie's hospitalization and surgery. Thank you, dear God, Ronnie is cancer free.



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



- May 19 Chapter I₂ Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- May 26 "Motorist Awareness" (MAD) event hosted by Chapter I₂, for Memorial-Day weekend from 8:30 am—2:00 pm. "Georgia Welcome/Visitors Center I-85 South at the Georgia/South Carolina line, 938 County Road 84, Lavonia, GA.
- May 26 Chapter I₂ Dinner Ride, "GumLog Barbecue & Fish Lodge", 4:30 pm after our "Motorist Awareness" event.
- June 10 Benefit Ride for Ronnie & Karen Lewis. This ride is open to two, three or four wheel vehicles and will be approximately one and one-half hours. Meet at Lavonia "City Hall", Sign In at 1:30, Ride starts at 2:00. All money raised will go to help Ronnie & Karen Lewis with their needs while they are both out of work due to Ronnie's surgery.
- June 14-16 GWRRA Georgia District Convention, "Dillard House", Dillard, GA
- June- 16 The June Ga-I₂ gathering at "Shoney's" in Lavonia, Ga **IS CANCELLED** due to participation at the "Ga. District Convention" at the "Dillard House" properties in Dillard Ga. Hope everyone can come up even if it's only for a day-ride. See Ya! There.
- July 4-7 GWRRA Wing Ding 34, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
- July 21 Chapter I₂ Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- August 18 Chapter I₂ Gathering at Shoney's. Eat at 11am, Meeting 12pm.
- September 13-15 Region "A" 2012 Convention, Eufaula, AL
- October 11-13 Mississippi District Convention, Biloxi, MS

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May 2012



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4	▶ 8:00AM - 5:00PM A.R.C. (Advanced Riders Course) sponsored by Chapter I-2 (Franklin County Recreation Dept, 557 Rocky Ford Rd., Carnesville, GA)
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Mother's Day ●						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				Ronnie Lewis' Birthday ●		
20	21	22	23	24	25	▶ 8:30AM - 2:00PM "Motorist Awareness" (M.A.D.) event hosted by GWRRA Ga. Chapter I-2 ("Georgia W... ▶ 4:30PM - 8:30PM Chapter I-2 Dinner Ride after the Motorist Awareness Event (GUMLOG BARBECUE...
	Tim Swain's Birthday ●					
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June 2012



May 2012							July 2012						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	Janell Ellis' Birthday ●	8	9
Linda Watkins Birthday ● Alan Phillips' Birthday ● ▶ 1:30PM - 3:00PM Benefit Ride for Ronnie & Karen Lewis (Lavonia, Ga. "City Hall")	11	12	13	Smitty & Janell Ellis An... Ga. District Convention, "Wing F... ♦ "Dillard House", 768 Franklin Street, Dillard, Ga...	15	Gathering CANCELED 16
17	18	19	20	21	22	▶ 4:30PM - 7:30PM Ga 1-2 Dinner Ride (TBA) 23
24	Lucy Seavey's Birthday ● 25	26	27	28	29	30

Georgia District

NEWSLETTER

May 2012



Your Georgia District Convention

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Your Georgia District Team has been getting things ready for your District Convention and Rally. We've been making plans and setting schedules for games, contest, shows, etc. However, we all know that without the dedicated volunteers that assists with the Games, Hospitality Room, Vendor Gates, Ticket Sales and many other tasks, we would not be able to provide the members that attend your Convention with an enjoyable and memorable experience. Your assistance and dedication is greatly appreciated by each and everyone that your serve.

We attended the Alabama District Convention and we had a great time. Roy and Anita and their entire team put on a great event. There was a change in leadership at the Alabama District Closing. District Directors Roy and Anita Fosnight moved up to the position of Region A Trainers. Robert and Gail Brown were appointed as the new Alabama Districted Directors. We are sure they will do a great job and welcome them aboard as District Directors.

We have just returned from the South Carolina District Convention. The newlywed District Directors, Charlie & Betty Coleman, and their District Team did an outstanding job with their event and we had a great time.

The Georgia District Travelers Plaque is changing hands quickly and now Chapter Z is in possession of the plaque. They captured it from Chapter B2 on April 28th, who captured it from Chapter T on April 21st. Stay tuned for the Date and Time of the next Plaque Give Away. Then get you Chapter Members together and go get it!

Just a reminder, Wing Ding 34 is coming up in July at Fort Wayne, IN and the Georgia District is responsible for ticket sales on Saturday July 7th, from 8 AM until 12 Noon. If you are going to be attending Wing Ding this year, please contact us if you would be willing to help out at the ticket booth for a couple of hours on Saturday.

Tommy & Vicky

GWRRA Motto "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge"

Catching Up...

Greetings everyone. Can you believe that in a little over a month we will all be converging on Dillard Georgia for our Georgia Convention ***“Rumble in the Jungle?”*** Did someone say **“coconuts”** or are we hearing things? Anyway we are really excited—or is that crazy—and cannot wait to see all of you there!

But...before we can “Rumble” we must talk about the month of May, which is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness month. We in GWRRA, know that Motorcycle Safety and Awareness should be a priority every single day of the year, but this particular month is dedicated to promoting not only Motorcycle Safety, but **“Sharing the Road” at all levels of government.** Public Service radio spots, billboards, Motorist Awareness events or a single one on one encounter all have the potential to make a **difference. That’s right,** maybe even save a life! Yes, you have the power to make a difference.

With that in mind we want to remind you that Chapter D will be holding its 4th Annual Motorist Awareness Day on Saturday May 19th from 10 AM to 2 PM at: 1250 Market Place Blvd, Exit 14 GA-

400 Cumming, GA. Why not plan to come out and help support a very worthy event! A flyer is available on the Georgia District website.

Next we would like to recognize the twelve Trike riders who attended the first Georgia Trike Riding Course (TRC) held in Buford, GA on April 15th. Thanks to Ian and Anna Nesbit for securing the location and being such great host. Thank you Sheree Bryant (GA-A) for allowing me to use your beautiful Trike. Sheree has always been a great supporter of Rider Education! Also, thank you to our Region A Educator Chuck Reed for his time and efforts.

The course consists of three hours of classroom followed by ten range exercises with an eleven as an option. The weather cooperated and everyone worked hard, learned skills to make them safer and of course, **laughed! After all isn’t it;** Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge? Best of all, because of all your fantastic support of Rider Education here in Georgia, the course was free.

The trail blazing, or should I say Trike Blazing, Georgia twelve were: Steve Fagan, Joe Lundell, Bob and Karla Greer,

Jerry Horack, Roy Chotates, Ellen Austin, Leslie Kleist, Ann Toles, Lynn Buffington, and Ian and Anna Nesbit. Our sincere appreciation and congratulations to all of you for a fantastic day.

We would like to close by reminding you that there are still **Rider Education (“River”...goes with the convention theme...that’s our story and we are sticking to it!)** tickets available for the host of prizes, including a ZUMO 665 as our Grand Prize. It is because of you and your support for Rider Education that makes this all possible. Everyone wins when you support RE so please help us continue this **great quest we are on...** the quest for Fun, Safety and Knowledge!

Remember: Safety is for Life! And a day without learning is a wasted day!

Roy & Julie


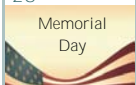


**Julie & Roy
Degler
Ride Educator**

“We in GWRRA know that Motorcycle Safety and Awareness should be a priority every single day...”



MAY 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 GA-S	2	3	4	5 GA-E, F2, Z
						GA-R Picnic
6	7 GA-G	8	9	10 GA-M	11	12 GA-B, D, P
						Wanderer's Plaque
13 Mother's Day 	14 GA-Q, T	15	16	17 GA-D2	18	19 GA-A, C2, I2
						GA-D M.A. Day
20	21 GA-O	22 GA-R	23	24 GA-H, L	25	26 GA-B2, E2, J
27	28 Memorial Day 	29	30	31		

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-Z captured the Traveler from GA-B2. The date and location for the plaque will be given away will be announced soon. Watch the District website for this information.

Region A Wanderer: FL1-A captured the Wanderer from GA-B2. The Wanderer will up for capture on Saturday, May 12th at the Sonic Restaurant, 2523 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa, FL starting at 11 AM, with a 12 noon cutoff and 1 PM award.

Schedule of Events

- May 5th—GA-R Picnic, Dallas Landing Park, Acworth, GA. \$6/person
- May 19th—GA-D Motorist Awareness Day. 1250 Market Place, Cumming, GA 10:00 AM—2:00 PM
- June 14-16, 2012—Georgia District Convention/Rally "The Rumble in the Jungle" The Dillard House, Dillard, GA.
- July 4-7, 2012—Wing Ding, Fort Wayne, IN.
- September 8, 2012—GA-Q's Dessert Auction & Burger Burn, Warner Robins.
- September 13-15, 2012—Region A Convention, Eufaula, AL
- October 11-13, 2012—Mississippi District Convention, Biloxi.
- October 10, 2012—GA-L Fun Day, Rome.

"Jungle Drums" A Wing Fling Update



Final plans are in the works to help you have fun as you join us for 2012 Wing Fling in Dillard, Georgia. In addition to the great food, company, and riding, we have some wonderful opportunities for you to learn

more about the GWRRA, your Wing, and riding safely.

During the convention we will have seminars on Member Benefits and GWRRA History, the Chapter of the Year and Couple of the Year programs, Motorist Awareness, what to do as a Co-Rider, Motorcycling for Mature Riders, Night Riding, Trailering and more!

These seminars form a vital part of GWRRA's

mission as we seek to become better riders and co-riders, educated the general public about watching out for motorcycle riders and learn more about our organization and how it works.

Look over your gear, conduct your T-CLOCS pre-ride inspection on your Wing and get ready to ride into the north Georgia mountains for "The Rumble in the Jungle!"



The Dillard House our home for 2012 Wing Fling "The Rumble in the Jungle!"



**Sid and Donna
Cohen**

Assistant District Director
Couple of the Year Coordinator

Your Couple of the Year

Well only 6 weeks left till Wing Fling and Dillard is getting ready for us to Rumble in the Jungle. Registration is way up this year. Your Georgia District Team is working hard to make this a memorable event. The Host hotel is full but the surrounding hotels are not. If you are thinking of attending please send in your registration. Rally statistics are calculated from pre registrations. Remember we do this for you.

For all you Chapter Couple of the Year, the Region A's 1st annual Couple of the Year Rendezvous is just around the corner. We will get together Friday evening May 11th at the Spring Creek Park Resort. On Saturday May 12th there is a fishing tournament planned, social time and of course mealtime. Remember being selected as the Chapter Couple is an honor and should be treated as one. If your chapter has the funds they can assist with the

cost for you; just ask your Chapter Director. If you **don't come you'll miss** out on all the fun.

Also Chapters remember we still need some Couple of the Year baskets for the convention/rally. The money raised from these baskets goes strictly to help the District Couple with their travels as they represent our district.

Sid & Donna

Our 2012 Couples of the Year!



Region A—Greg & Renee
Dempsey

Georgia District—Dick & Peg
Hopkins

GA-A—Larry & Pam
Clemmer

GA-B2—Clarrance & Sue
Gregory

GA-D—Don & Colleen
Taylor

GA-E2—Jim & Marye Glenn
Pope

GA-F2—John & Alice Keely

GA-H—Jimmie & Betty
Strickland

GA-I2—Joel & Genie Deaton

GA-J—Steve & Susie Beach

GA-L—Jim & Melissa
Hegwood

GA-P—Frank & Laura Line

GA-S—Glenn & Joyce Argo

GA-T—Jack & Carol
Swanson

Missing your Chapter Couple of the year? Be sure to let Sid Cohen know so that we can add them to the list and **honor them in next month's** newsletter!

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to 35 miles per disablement and roadside assistance for your motorcycle or any motorcycle you are riding, including as a passenger. If you have a

Family membership, your registered household family members are covered too

Among our sick

Ronnie Lewis, surgery, GA-I2
Dee Lozano, pancreatitis/upcoming surgery, GA-S
Johnny Smith, additional surgery, GA-S
Gary Verhulst III, son of Gary & Shirley Verhulst, motorcycle accident, GA-S

In Memory

Ivaline Lord, Frances Starley's mother,
GA-A2

