GWRRA REGION "N"



FEBRUARY 2007



PIEDMONT GOLD WINGS TWO



Words From Our Chapter Directors

On Saturday, January 20th, Robin and I, accompanied by Randy Dezarn, and our 2007 Couple of the Year, Sonny & Betty Dye attended the NC District Operations Meeting in Burlington where we had the chance to see several old friends and meet some new friends from around the state. Several items were



brought up and discussed which we want to share with you, both here and in coming Chapter meetings. Let me briefly hit on some of the "highlights".

1- "Wings Over the Smokies 2007" September 20-22, this year will be the "Hawaiian Luau". The deadline for the WOS Rally LogoContest is April 16th, 2007. We'd really like to see someone from A-2 submit and win the Logo Contest this year!!!

2- While we're on the subject of "Wings Over the Smokies 2007", District <u>WILL NOT</u> be mailing individual registration forms to members as they have in years past. You will have to either print one from the District Website, or obtain one from Robin and me.

3- There will be a "Best Dressed Hawaiian Theme" and "Talent Show" this year as Friday night's entertainment, so dig out those grass skirts and cocoa nut bras!!!

OK, so much for "Wings Over the Smokies", on to some other interesting things in the works:

1-A GWRRA member, Paul Trahan with NC F-2, has done some research with the NC DMV and found out that we can get special Goldwing license plates for our automobiles and trucks if there is enough interest. Paul will need to get 300 signed and paid applications from around the state, before he can get with his state legislator to start the process. If you are interested in participating in this program and eventually proudly displaying Goldwing license plates on you vehicle(s), please e-mail Paul at: <u>patrahan@aol.com</u>, or call him at (919) 761-9869.

2- How would you like to ride your Goldwing on a "Parade Lap" with dozens of other Wings at the opening of the "Coca Cola 600" at Lowe's Motor Speedway on May 27th? Willie & Judy are trying their darndest to put it together so that for a \$5.00 donation per person, all proceeds going to the Victory Junction Gang Camp, you can participate in an escorted ride around the track!!! Nothing is "final" on this yet, so we'll keep you posted. We're really excited about this coming year, and certainly hope you are too!!

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From Randy Dezarn

Winter Has Finally Arrived

It appears Old-Man Winter has finally made it to our area. We have been very fortunate to be able to do as much riding this year as we have. But now, what to do with ourselves?

On those Saturdays that are too cold or wet to do anything else is a good time to clean out the trunk and saddle bags. Get out the rain suits and see if they need replacing. Check that first-aid kit (you do have a first-aid kit on your bike, right?) Make sure all the different items are not out of date. If you have a fire extinguisher, make sure it's still charged. I found I had maps that were 15 years old! Those need updating.

CONGRATULATIONS! To Ron and Sue Stalter, Jim and Pam Loveless for receiving the Level I patches at the last meeting!

First-Aid – CPR Training

We have scheduled a First Aid - CPR class on February 24 at Davidson County Community College. I'm still working out the details with the instructor so stay tuned.

NEW CHAPTER DIRECTORS for 2007

New and upcoming Chapter Directors. Thanks to each of you for 'stepping up.



NC-C.....Paul & Sherry Hopkins NC-E.....Richard & Linda Berner NC-J.....Paul & Kathy Stout NC-K2.....DP & Rosa Parham NC-L2......Terri & Thomas Pennoni NC-M2.....Larry & Lynn Moore NC-S......Mike & Carolyn Edwards NC-S2.....Bobby & Peggy Gunter NC-U2......Vinnie & Charles Baker



ACD's Corner:

We had a great planning meeting on the 13th. A lot of new ideas were tossed around. Something new that we put on the calendar is a parking lot practice. A few years ago we were practicing for the Welcome Easter Parade and we got a lot of practice in for that. Ever since, A. C. has commented that practice had made him a better rider. So here's the chance for all of us to improve our riding skills. Steve had an interesting idea for Motorcycle Awareness Month. Plus, we planning to go watch them make fruitcake!



Randy

2007 North Carolina District, Region N, & Nearby Events Calendar

FEBRUARY	3rdTennessee's Cupids Capers 9-11VA Wingless Weekend 24thNC-C2 Chilly Cook OffTBA
MARCH:	17thNC-H2 Swap MeetMebane, NC 31stNC-Y2 Open HouseIron Horse Cycle Center—Monroe, NC
APRIL:	7thChapter Couples Meet & EatTBA14thNC-W Pinto Bean RallyMadison, NC20-21Down East RallyMorehead City, NC22ndNC-E2 Poker RunElizabeth City, NC26-28TN District Rally
MAY:	5thNC-G Open HouseHonda Cycle Center—Asheboro, NC6thNC-E Triangle Ride For KidsTBA12thNC-F2 Open HouseTeam Powersports—Garner, NC19thNC-T2 Care Bear RideAlbemarle, NC25-26NC-U Chicken RallyLumberton, NC31-6/2Region N Rally
JUNE:	9thNC-R Care Bear RideThomasville, NC16thNC-Q2 Fun FestNewton Grove, NC23rdNC-A2 Care Bear RideLexington, NC
JULY:	4-7Wing Ding Billings, MT
AUGUST:	4thWOS Planning MeetingRamada Inn—Burlington, NC10-12W. VA District RallyTBA19thNC Couples PicnicLake MacIntosh—Burlington, NC23-25KY District RallySomerset, KY
SEPTEMBEI	R: 20-22WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES Fletcher, NC
OCTOBER:	4-6VA District Rally Salem, VA 12, 13, 19, 20, 27NC-B2 Haunted HayrideWinston Salem, NC 27thNC-B Lawn Tractor Pull & Meeting Goldsboro, NC

NOVEMBER: Open

DECEMBER: 1st....Gifts On Cycles.....Butner, Goldsboro, & Morganton



GWRRA REGION 'N' NORTH CAROLINA

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CHAPTER		DAY	TIME	LOCATION		
NC-A	GREENSBORO	2nd Thursday	7:30 p.m	Captain Bills: 6108 West Market Street (Route 421)		
NC-A2	LEXINGTON	1st Tuesday	7:30 p.m			
NC-B	GOLDSBORO	2 nd Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Wilbur's B-B-Q: 4172 Highway 70 East of Goldsboro		
NC-B2	WINSTON -SALEM	2 nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Yacht House Seafood Restaurant: 4881 Country Club Road		
NC-C	CHARLOTTE	2 nd Monday	7:30 p.m.	Prime Sirloin: Exit #33 off I-85, Billy Graham Parkway/ Mulberry Road		
NC-C2	SMITHFIELD	1st Tuesday	7:30 p.m	Parkside Café: I-95, Exit # 97, 2.4 miles after Holiday Express, Pine Level		
NC-D	GREENVILLE	1st Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Parkers: 3109 Memorial Drive, Greenville		
NC-D2	NEW BERN	3rd Monday	7:30 p.m.	Golden Corral: 400 Hotel Drive- Corner ML King Jr. Boulevard/ Hotel Drive		
NC-E	CARY	3rd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Perkins Family Restaurant, 908 Hwy US-64 West, Apex (corner of US- & Lake Pine Drive)		
NC-E2	ELIZABETH CITY	4th Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Golden Corral: 406 Halstead Boulevard, Elizabeth City		
NC-F	JACKSONVILLE	1st Sunday	7:30 p.m	Logan's Road House: 1177 Western Boulevard, Jacksonville		
NC-F2	GARNER	3rd Thursday	7:30 p.m	Carolina Barbecue: 733 Highway 70, Garner (919-733-0222)		
NC-G	HIGH POINT	1st Thursday	7:30 p.m	Pioneer Family Restaurant: 10914 North Main Street, Highway 311, Archdale		
NC-G2	WAYNESVILLE	1st Saturday	5:00 p.m	Shoney's: 65 Paragon Parkway, Clyde; Highway 74 Exit 104		
NC-H2	DURHAM	3rd Thursday	7:30 p.m	Mayflower XVI: Highway 15-501 Business		
NC-I	ASHEVILLE	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m	DJ's Diner 1360 Tunnel Road, Asheville, NC		
NC-J	BOONE	1st Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Golden Corral: Highway 321 (next to Wal-Mart)		
NC-J2	WASHINGTON	1st Saturday	6:00 p.m	El Tapatio's: 1302 Carolina Avenue (Highway US-17), Washington		
NC-K2	FAYETTEVILLE	4th Sunday	2:00 p.m	Hudson Bay Seafood Restaurant: 2816 Ramsey Street (Highway 401)		
NC-L	GASTONIA	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m	Western Sizzlin`: I-85/ Highway 321; Exit 17		
NC-L2	LICOLNTON	2nd Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Ryan's Steakhouse: 357 North General Boulevard, Lincolnton		
NC-M	SALISBURY	2nd Saturday	7:00 p.m	Jabe's Restaurant: 215 North Salisbury Avenue (Highway 52), Granite		
NC-M2	HENDERSONVILLE	3rd Saturday	9:00 a.m	Quality Inn & Suites: 201 Sugarloaf Road, Exit 49 off I-26 (Highway		
NC-N	BURLINGTON	4th Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Western Charcoal Steakhouse: Graham Hopedale Road off Church Street		
NC-02	HICKORY	3 rd Sunday	5:00 p.m.	Golden Corral: Lenoir Rhyne Boulevard, I-40 West, Exit #125		
NC-P	ASHEBORO	1st Sunday	4:00 p.m	Mayflower Seafood Restaurant: 2200 North Fayetteville Street (Old Highway 220)		
NC-P2	FOREST CITY	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Rollins Cafeteria: Route 74 Bypass, Exit 181, Forest City		
NC-Q	WILMINGTON	3rd Saturday	6:00 p.m	Carolina Barbeque: 2703 North College Road/ Highway 133 (I-40 Exit 420		
NC-Q2	DUNN/ BENSON	2nd Sunday	2:00 p.m	Pizza Inn: Exit # 73 off I-95, Highway 421 North (1.7 miles, behind KFC)		
NC-R	THOMASVILLE	4th Tuesday	7:30 pm	30 Loflin's Restaurant: 103 Sedgehill Drive Highway 109 & I-85, Exit 103		
NC-S	LENOIR	4th Thursday	7:00 p.m.	AJ's Prime Sirloin Steakhouse: Highway 321 (Blowing Rock Boulevard)		
NC-S2	SANFORD	4th Friday	7:30 p.m	Ron's Barn Barbeque & Seafood: 3122 South Horner Boulevard, Sanford		
NC-T2	ALBEMARLE	2nd Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Fire Mountain Restaurant: Highway 24/27		
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NC-U2 NC-V	STATESVILLE	4th Saturday	7:00 p.m	Golden Corral: US 401 Bypass NorthCaptain Galley Seafood: I-40 Exit 151 Highway 21 North– 1 mile on right		
NC-W	EDEN	1st Thursday 3rd Monday	7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m	Golden Corral: 110 North Van Buren– Highway 14, Eden		
	JEFFERSON	3rd Monday 3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m	Smoky Mountain BBQ: Highway 194/ Business 221, West Jefferson		
NC-W2 NC-X2	MOUNT AIRY	3rd Tuesday	7:30 p.m	Lantern Restaurant: Main Street, Dobson		
NC-Y	MORGANTON	4 th Saturday	7:00 p.m	Timberwood Restaurant: I-40 at Exit # 106		
NC-Y2	MONROE	1st Saturday	10:00 p.m	Golden Corral: 2507 West Roosevelt Boulevard, Monroe		
NC-T2 NC-Z	ROCKY MOUNT	2nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Western Sizzlin` Steakhouse: Highway 301 North		
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NC-E, Cary, will CHANGE their meeting PLACE beginning in January to Perkins Family Restaurant, 908 Hwy US-64 West, Apex (corner of US-64 & Lake Pine Drive). Same time & date. NC-I, Asheville, will CHANGE their meeting PLACE beginning in January to DJ's Family Diner, 1360 Tunnel Road (I-40 exit 55). Same time & date.



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FRIENDS: Will ignore this.

BIKER FRIENDS: Will forward this to other Biker Friends.

BIKER FRIENDS: Are for life



News From the National 30 Years of Memories!!!



-In 2007, the Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) will celebrate its 30th anniversary. What an accomplishment for a motorcycle association! Founded in 1977 by Paul Hildebrand and Shirley Stephens-Garcia, along with seven other fellow Gold Wing enthusiasts, GWRRA began as a dream and has grown, over the years, into an 82,000-Member, 55-country, internationally renowned reality.

-Today GWRRA—with over 880 Chapters, 4,000 Volunteer Officers and a corporate staff of only 20—has taken the idea of association management and volunteerism to levels never before seen in the motorcycle industry.

GWRRA is the world's largest single marquee motorcycle association!

-To celebrate its 30 years of success as an association, GWRRA is planning a series of events throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe. The theme for these celebrations is "30 Years of Memories." Each event will also have a subtheme of "Giving Back to the Member." As you can imagine, 2007 will be a very exciting year for GWRRA and its Members. It will be a year of both memories and of showing appreciation for our Members. So plan to attend as many 30th anniversary events as you can. **We know you'll HAVE FUN!!!** After all, that's why you joined GWRRA, isn't it?

And, THANKS to all of you ---- GWRRA would not be here if it weren't for you!

Special Note From Your Newsletter Editors...

-Make sure you visit the special website set up for the 30th Anniversary. There will be all the information you need to attend any of the special celebrations this upcoming year, special promotions, a message board, and you can even see pictures of GOLDWINGS! Just go to gwrra.org and follow the links...we know you will enjoy this site.

News From the Region N Website Region N Rally 2007 Maggie Valley North Carolina May 31st, June 1st, 2nd 2007



WANTED: Photographs of all current or retired military personnel

Region N is requesting photographs of anyone throughout our Region, including those who have children or grandchildren currently serving in the Armed Forces, or anyone who has been in the Armed Forces. We would like to obtain photographs of past and current military personnel to put into a slide presentation for Opening Ceremonies at the Region N Rally. So, if you are or have been in the Military, send us one of your photographs in military uniform. Also, if you currently have children or grandchildren serving in the military, those photographs are wanted as well. If it is possible to scan those photographs and send them to us, that would be great.

—All photographs can be sent to Angie Mitchell at gwtgger01@aol.com. Thank you for your attention to this request. We look forward to receiving lots and lots of photographs. All photographs need to be sent in no later than April 15, 2007.



Join the Fun!

2007 WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES LOGO CONTEST

Who will be the designer for the '07 Rally logo? The logo selected will be usec for the Rally Shirt and Rally Pin. Remember, you cannot win if you don't participate!!!

WHAT ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING AN ENTRY?

- 1. Limit of 6 colors;
- 2. Colors should be clearly identified;
- 3. Logo does not have to be professionally designed or to perfect scale;
- 4. The name "Wings Over the Smokies" has to be part of the design;
- 5. A GoldWing motorcycle has to be part of the design;
- 6. As a reminder, this is the 24th WOS and should be a part of the design. Hard copy entries are preferred.

WHO CAN ENTER?

All NC GWRRA Members (including NC District Staff Members)

WHAT DOES THE WINNER RECEIVE?

Winner will be recognized at the 2007 WOS Closing Ceremonies with:

- 1. Registration numbers 1 & 2 for the 2008 WOS Rally;
- 2. \$100 cash prize;
- 3. Preferred seating on stage @ Closing Ceremonies and;
- 4. The logo winner will draw for the Grand Prize @ Closing Ceremonies.

All entries have to mailed no later than April 16, 2007

Mail to: Willie & Judy Hunt 100 Peacock Lane Lumberton, NC 28358

February 2007										
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
				1 D,G,J,V	2	3 G2,J2,Y2				
4 F,P	5	6 Barber Shop Quartet at A2 ChapterMeeting A2,C2	7	8 A,B,T2	9	10 L2,M ************* Chapter U Folded				
11 Q2	12 C	13 Peggy Grotberg B2,P2,Z	14 Happy Valentines Day	15 Sonny Dye F2,H2, I, W2	16 Myrtle Beach Trip *********** California Buffet Dinner Ride	17 Myrtle Beach Trip M2,Q				
18 MyrtleBeach Trip O2	19 D2,W	20 E,L,X2	21	22 E2,N,S	23	24 CPR-FirstAid Class Davidson County Community College U2,Y				
25 K2	26	27 B	28 Debbie Everhart	Lumberton Chapter U has Folded						

Ramblings from The Rambling Ride Coordinator.. It was nice to see everyone at the Ride Planning Meeting.. Hum was it the food or the meeting? Our third Friday night ride for February is to California Fresh Buffet. Hope to see all there. Be sure to check the Ride Calendar.



All the Best Riding, Bill Plyler

New Requirements for Travelers

Under the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI)

The proposed implementation timeline has two phases:

- Beginning **January 23, 2007**, ALL persons, including U.S. citizens, traveling by **air** between the United States and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda will be required to present a valid passport, Air NEXUS card, or U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Document, or an Alien Registration Card, Form I-551, if applicable.
- As early as **January 1, 2008**, ALL persons, including U.S. citizens, traveling between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda by **land** or **sea** (including ferries), may be required to present a valid passport or other documents as determined by the Department of Homeland Security. While recent legislative changes permit a later deadline, the Departments of State and Homeland Security are working to meet all requirements as soon as possible. Ample advance notice will be provided to enable the public to obtain passports or passport cards for land/sea entries.

The passport requirement does NOT apply to U.S. citizens traveling to or returning directly from a U.S. territory. U.S. citizens returning directly from a U.S. territory are not considered to have left the United States and do not need to present a passport. U.S. territories include the following: Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Swains Island, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.



Rodents Revisited! After hearing that my Dad found acorns inside of his 1500, while changing his air filter, it seemed appropriate to touch on this subject again. Let us all be aware that "Critters" may store food for the winter inside our bikes this time of year! He also discovered a piece of plastic that found its way to the air intake. This is a good time of the year to do these projects, and maybe discovering these problems while at home, rather than on the side of the road, miles from home.

Added Note: Put some Decon around your bike to take care of Rodents!!!!

Tim Pennington





FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER RIDE

Each Friday night Chapter A2 meets at Chars parking lot on N. Main Street in Lexington, choose a restaurant, and ride to eat. We also sale Ride tickets. A ticket is drawn at our monthly meeting and the winner gets 70% of the pot and the other 30% goes to our Rider Education Fund for the chapter. Come and join us, we have lots of fun and maybe you will be next months winner, you have to be present to win, but that means we will get to see you again at our monthly meeting. All Visitors are Welcome to ride with us.

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NEXT MEETING :

February 6,2007 March 6, 2007

Piedmont Gold Wings Two 781 Waitman Rd. Lexington, NC 27295

