



ROCKINGHAM COUNTY WINGS

Chapter NC-W

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We gather the 3rd
Monday at
The Golden Corral at
1566 Freeway Drive
Reidsville, NC
6:30 meal 7:30 meeting
Please visit our website
at

www.gwrrancw.org

FROM THE CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Hello Fellow Goldwingers,

Darrell and I would like to thank all of the members who helped out on the stew. I believe that was the fastest the potatoes and onions were ever cut. Without all of you, we could not have pulled the stew off. The final totals are not in at this time, but we should have met our expectations. We made and sold 394 quarts.

The Draper Parade is December 1st. That is the same day as the ride to Murdock Center. Please let me know which event you will be attending. I have also checked on the other parades in Rockingham County. The Leaksville Parade is November 23rd (at night), the Stokesdale Parade is December 8th, and the Madison Parade is on December 15th. The latter two are daytime parades. Darrell has had Danny Wright make another sign. He is planning to use his truck and place signs on both sides. Any member who does not or cannot ride their bike can ride in the back of the truck to throw out candy.

Our Christmas party will be December 8th at 6:00p.m. Once again, it will be at Stoneville Pentecostal Holiness Church on Highway 700 in the recreation building. We will be playing Dirty Santa again. Please bring a \$10:00 or greater gift. The men will bring a man's gift and the women will bring a woman's gift.

At this time, no one has stepped up to become the Chapter Directors for next year. We need for someone to come forward so we can get the paperwork in motion. The state Operations Meeting is on January 26th and we need for the new staff to go to that meeting. We also need to start the planning of our next rally. I have already secured the date in April. It will be the 12th and will take place at the Dan Valley Community Building where we have our stews. That only gives us four months to get this together.

Happy Thanksgiving and ride safe.
Darrell and Kay Hopper
NC-W CD

FROM THE ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Chapter Education 107

It's time again to further "educate" our members, old and new, on another important position of Chapter W's staff, the Assistant Chapter Directors. As the name implies, the Assistant Chapter Directors assist the Chapter Directors in the administration of the Chapter. The Assistant Chapter Directors may preside over all or a portion of the Chapter gathering, and assume the duties of the Chapter Directors when they are not there. The Chapter Directors and Assistant Chapter Directors work closely with each other to ensure that neither is overwhelmed with the multitude of tasks which can easily become a burden to one or either of them if all of the Chapter's participants are not involved in the day-to-day operations of the Chapter.

As we wind down this year, please keep in mind that we need new officers to replace those who will be stepping down as of December 31, 2007. I am sure I speak for Darrell and Kay, as well as Wayne and myself, when I say that we will work with the new officers to make the transition as smooth and as easy as possible and continue throughout the year to make it an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Finally, as we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, let's strive to be thankful every day for all the good things we have in our lives.

Molly and Wayne Byrd
NC-W ACD

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WINNERS VS. LOSERS

The winner is always part of the answer; the loser is always part of the problem.

The winner always has a plan; the loser always has an excuse.

The winner says "let me do it for you;" the loser says "that's not my job."

The winner sees an answer for every problem; the loser sees a problem in every answer.

The winner sees a green near every sand trap; the loser sees 2-3 sand traps near every green.

The loser says "it may be possible, but it's too difficult."

The winner says "it may be difficult, but it's possible."

Anonymous

FROM THE CHAPTER EDUCATORS



Where You Look is where you go!!!!

Did you ever hit a pothole or run off the edge of the pavement and wonder why, since you were looking straight at it?

That's the key. You were looking at a specific spot and you are somehow drawn to that spot. To hit a pothole or rough edge is bad enough in any vehicle, but more so on a motorcycle. Many times, however, such hazards can be avoided if seen in time and once seen, you don't focus on the hazard. Instead of continuing to look directly at the hazard, focus on another spot to the right or left of the hazard.

Try this exercise sometime when you're alone and have a nice empty parking lot. While sitting on your Gold Wing in an empty parking lot with no traffic, pick out a spot, a painted line or crushed paper cup, (not a lamp post), and stare at it for a few seconds. Now start riding **S-L-O-W-L-Y** toward the spot, without taking your eyes from it. Try turning away from the spot. You can't help yourself. You will find yourself steering directly towards the spot. Now, go around again and try it once more, only this time as you approach the spot, break your concentration and look up and away from the spot; you will easily move away. If you're not brave enough to try this while riding, first do it while walking.

Ever wonder why your motorcycle "wobbles" when riding through a curve?

The technique below is taught in motorcycle safety courses, but not in the same words. As you approach a curve, look at the curve; adjust your entry speed; keep your eyes up; and look through or out of the curve to your "exit" point. Do not look down at the side of the road and don't stare at the curve! By keeping your eyes up and looking through your "exit" point, your eyes "pull" you through the curve smoothly.

Think about it!

Ride Safe,
Wayne & Molly Byrd
Chapter Educators

Things We Should Practice in Our Chapter

Gain more knowledge!

We have excellent Chapter Educators just waiting to help anyone who is willing to learn. Take the riding courses that are offered, regardless of your experience. We can all use some brushing up!

Welcome new Participants and guests as if you have known them for a lifetime!

When someone new comes to a gathering or a ride, talk to him or her. Perhaps one day in your future, you will find a good friend and riding partner among the newcomers. Give it a try and marvel at the wonderful results.

Remember! The GWRRA is a worldwide family.

No one Participant is more or less important than any other. All are equal here, whether old and experienced riders or new and inexperienced riders. It takes all of us to ensure a happy family environment.

Rides - join them!

Go on as many rides as you can. Decide for yourself if you prefer long rides or short rides. After all, you are the only one who can decide what kind of rides are the most fun for you.

Avoid cliques and Chapter politicking

This can only lead to grumbling, displeasures, and arguments in a family that is intended for Friends For Fun, Safety, and Knowledge.

Participate in Chapter events.

Each of us has some skill or talent that can be used to enhance our events in some manner. Please don't be afraid to offer help. Even the most active of us had to begin somewhere.

Be positive, helpful, and constructive in your dealings with your Chapter.

Finally, remember to have FUN.

Enjoy the family of Gold Wing riders. After all, it is about you -- both in your own Chapter and the world.

Author Unknown

Through *Commitment, Education and Application*, we can reduce our accident rate significantly.



FROM THE SUNSHINE LADY



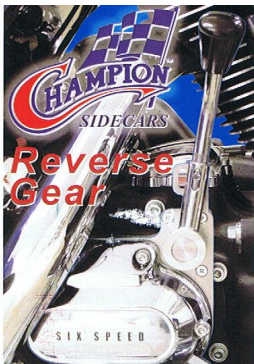
Birthdays	Anniversaries
Nov. 27 Ed Paisley	Nov. 16 Randy and Jennie Wagoner Nov. 27 Darrell and Kay Hopper



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