



# 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.gwrranc.org](http://www.gwrranc.org)

## FROM THE CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Hi Fellow Goldwingers and all Riders:

This year has been terrific. The participation in the rides and meet and eats has been wonderful. We have loved the companionship of our Chapter W family. Let's keep it going. Even in cold weather, if we can't ride together, we can eat together.

Wings Over Smokies is almost here and we are working the parking lot. We appreciate all the help this year.

We are in the process of deciding if we are going to have a stew in November. If you have any suggestions, please tell a staff member and it will be brought up at our staff meeting.

The Christmas parades are coming up and we need to know the dates of the ones that we want to participate in. If you know the dates of the parades and who to contact for our enrollment, please let me know so I can put it on our calendar and make the appropriate arrangements. We do not like to pay to ride, so we are only interested in "freebees." I know that several people have told me that we are impressive in the parades.

Joe & Barbara Chatman  
Chapter Directors – Chapter W

Bubba ("Wild Thing")



Have a great day!

## FROM THE CHAPTER EDUCATORS

Saving Lives Through Quality, World Class Education Is Our Mission

### Rider Education/Levels Program

The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP) is intended to make the motorcycle environment safer by reducing injuries and fatalities and increasing motorcyclist skills and awareness.

There are four levels of the Rider Education Program:

1. **Level I – Safety by Commitment.** The only requirement for Level 1 is the expressed commitment of the Rider and/or Co- Rider to be a safe rider. Identification includes a “Safe Miles” patch, Rider or Co-Rider rocker and a safe miles pin. Additional pins can be obtained in 5,000 mile increments. The initial fee for Level 1 is \$6.00. There is no renewal fee unless you wish to apply for additional mileage pins. Higher mileage pins require a \$2.00 fee and a new application.
2. **Level II – Safety by Education.** Level 2 of the REP is also referred to as “Tour Rider.” It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be safer motorcycle riders by taking approved motorcycle riding courses at regular intervals. Level 2 requires a motorcycle endorsement on your driver’s license, an approved rider course within 2 years, and at least 5,000 safe miles. For the Co-Rider, we have an excellent seminar and “Two Up” programs to assist in their role in the safety aspect of motorcycle riding. There is no cost to sign up. Patches are available at \$5.00 per participant Co-Rider. You must be enrolled in Level 1 to qualify for Level 2.
3. **Level III – Safety by Preparedness.** Level 3 of the REP is also referred to as “Certified Tour Rider/Co-Rider.” It represents the commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to be prepared in the event of an accident to give aid and possibly save lives. This is done by being knowledgeable in First Aid or CPR and carrying a first aid kit on their motorcycle at all times. To qualify for this level, you must be registered in Levels 1 and 2. Additional requirements are a current CPR and First Aid or Medic First Aid Certificate. CPR and First Aid classes are offered by the American Red Cross. MFA is offered by the GWRRA. You must also carry a first aid kit in your bike and wear protective clothing while riding. The registration fee is \$4.00. Once again, qualifying documents must be provided.
4. **Level IV – Master Tour Rider.** Level 4 requires that the Rider be current in Level 3 for one year and have taken both First Aid and CPR training. The Rider must have 25,000 Safe Miles and must be committed to riding with proper riding gear at all times. The cost is \$35.00 for each participant (Black and Gold patch is available for another \$8.00.) The Rider will receive a "Special Triangular" patch with dark blue border and your individual Master number embroidered on it. Documentation is required.

Qualifying might not be as difficult as you think. Level 1 just requires a commitment to ride safely. So make a commitment to safety and participation in The GWRRA Rider Education Program (REP).

**Note:** All Level Program Patches are also available in "Black and Gold" at a charge of \$1.00 extra per level for Levels I, II, and III.

Wayne & Molly Byrd  
Chapter W Educators



### Display on Motorcycles

When the U.S. Flag is flown alone, it needs be at the center on the back of the motorcycle, or to its "marching right." The "marching right" is on the right side of the motorcycle to the rider's perspective when facing forward. If the U.S. Flag is on your bike with another flag, it should be to its "marching right." All flags flown with the U.S. Flag should be the same size and at the same height as the U.S. Flag. While the U.S. Flag is on your bike with several other flags, the U.S. Flag should be placed at the center and the highest. Other flags should be arranged in alphabetical order and in decreasing importance - Nations first, states (in order of admittance) and territories second, military third (in order of establishment), and then any others.



### FROM THE RIDE COORDINATORS



Rides this month included our ride on September 12th. The ride left Chaney's in Reidsville at 8:30 a.m. and was a country ride through Rockingham Co., Guilford Co., Caswell Co., and Pittsylvania Co., with stops at the Amish Store and Dickie's Barbecue in Danville, VA. We had 13 bikes, 15 members, and 2 guests. We also had a dinner ride to Cracker Barrel in Burlington, but that came after the deadline for this newsletter. Original plans called for a ride down N.C. 87 to the restaurant and then a ride back home through the country.

Our next ride will be a "meet and eat" at the Whistle Jacket Restaurant located on the Bethlehem Church Road just off of Harrington Highway. It is scheduled for **Thursday night, October 8th at 6:15 p.m.** I have reserved a room for us to meet in. They have a really nice buffet or you may order off of the menu. No matter which you chose, the gratuity will be added to your bill. (This is the way they do for groups of 8 people or more.) The cost of the buffet is \$10.76 each (including tip), if you get a drink, and \$8.67 (including tip) if you drink water.

This will be our last "meet and eat" of the year and I hope as many of you as can will plan to attend. Keep the following dates in mind for upcoming events:

**Saturday, October 24th** (this is a change from the original date of October 10th). We will start the day with a trip to the Horsepasture Fire Department.

**Friday, November 6th:** This will be a dinner ride. Details of both will be forthcoming as the dates get closer.

Thanks to all of you for your participation this year. Let's try to really get out and enjoy the last few events that are planned for the year.

Bob & Karen Lunsford  
Ride Coordinators - Chapter W



FROM THE SUNSHINE LADY



BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARIES	
Lois Shumate	9/4	Glenn and Becky Fargis	9/3
Joe Slaydon	9/12	Clyde and Debbie Lawrence	9/5
Bobby Walker	9/28	Bobby and Jewell Walker	9/22
		Joe and Vivien Slaydon	9/23



2009 North Carolina District, Region N, & Nearby Events Calendar

<i>DATE</i>	<i>HOST CHAPTER</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>
	<i>September 2009</i>	
24 - 26	Wings Over The Smokies	Fletcher, NC
	<i>October 2009</i>	
8 - 10	Virginia District Rally	Salem, VA
17	NC-S & Y Poker Run	Morganton, NC
29 - 31	Region N Rally	Gray, TN
	<i>November 2009</i>	
	<i>December 2009</i>	
5	Gifts On Cycles	Goldsboro, Butner, Morganton, NC