



The "L" News

Cincinnati, Ohio

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Region D - Great Lakes Region

Ohio Chapter L

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Chapter L meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Lakeridge Conference Center, 7210 Pippin Road, Cincinnati, OH at 7:30 PM.

NEXT MEETING: May 16, 2001

May is for Moms – and honoring Chapter L's –01s!

Bites from the Big Dog...



It's May and that means it is time for another –01 meeting at Chapter L. Yes, we let the ladies take over and Carl, Tim and I just get to rest and relax.

I have no idea what Pat has planned but I am sure it will be a good meeting. (How's that for sucking up?) Anyway, come on out and enjoy yourselves on May 16th.

May is also Motorcycle Awareness Month and our opportunity to make sure we make ourselves visible in a positive way. I firmly believe that 4-wheelers never truly expect to see a motorcycle on the road. Those who have never ridden on two wheels may see us on our bike, but their brain just doesn't process the information in such a way that they actually SEE us. So, be careful out there and let's try to present motorcycling in the best way possible.

We had a great Officer's Meeting last month and we have lots of information to pass your way. First, we were thrilled to hear that **Tom & Sandy Taggart** were named Senior District Directors for Ohio. This means we get to "Just Have Fun" through 2002. Congratulations, Tom & Sandy!

The theme for Cabin Fever 2002 was also announced and it is "TV Sitcoms". Talk about a broad topic. Put your thinking caps on – we just have to be part of the fun next year at Cabin Fever.

And Buckeye Rally will be here before you know it. We learned at the Officer's Meeting that our job for the Rally has changed. We will now be responsible for On-Site Registration on Saturday afternoon from 12-4. If you are attending and would like to help us out, we sure would appreciate it. This is a fun job because we get to welcome all the people as they arrive. I am sure Chapter L will have even more fun than necessary.



A layout of the rally site will be available at the meeting. This should help you become familiar with the fairgrounds before you arrive. Don't forget, no one except the vendors will be allowed to enter the fairgrounds before Thursday, June 14th at noon. Make sure you have mailed in your preregistration form to Tom & Sandy Taggart. A registration form can also be found on the Ohio District website.

Don't forget that the early registration deadline for Wing Ding is almost here too. You can save some money by registering before May 16th. There is a large group from Chapter L attending this year – you don't want to miss out on all the fun.

It was great to see **Roger & Penny Hurley** at our last meeting. They have really been traveling around the Southwest Section. I want to thank Cris and Anita for presenting Pat and me with our yellow “wings” too. Very clever – even though we ARE NOT BEES. That honor is left to the Marstons.

Also, in last month's newsletter we reported about someone who had received a \$100 ticket for not wearing eye protection while riding his Wing. Actually, this happened in Green Township, not in the city of Cincinnati. Ohio law does not require additional eye protection if you have a windshield. However, Green Township has a law that requires it. So, if you ride in that area – you better have eye protection on or expect to donate \$100 to the policeman's ball.

I hope to see you at our next meeting on May 16th and don't forget to have your chapter pride showing by wearing your chapter shirt and vest. Remember – we may not have it all together, but together we have it all! Let's just have one “L” of a good time.

Tom Runck - Big Dog - Mr. Pinky

Did You Know:



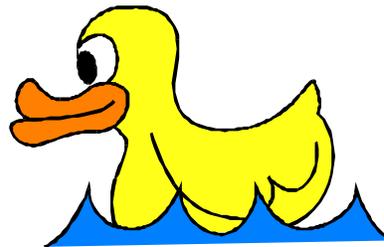
- Rubber bands last longer if refrigerated.
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.
- The longest one-syllable word in the English language is “screeched.”
- Two-thirds of the world's eggplant is grown in New Jersey.
- On a Canadian two dollar bill, the flag flying over the Parliament building is an American flag.



Back Seat Driver...

Pat Runck – Mrs. CD

It's –01 month and time for the gals to show the guys how it's done. I hope you moms out there have a nice Mother's Day too. Get all of your outdoor planting done because it's riding season – and the weather sure has been cooperating, hasn't it?



This year's Ohio Rally will have a couple of new activities that are sure to be a blast. First, there is going to be a duck race. Each chapter can purchase for \$5.00 a little yellow rubber duckie from the state staff. The duck can be decorated and then entered into heat races that will qualify it for the final race. There is a creek that runs

through the fairgrounds and that is where the race will be held. The winning duck brings home \$100 for its chapter. There are going to be two classes – “stock” which means no modifications other than paint, or “outlaw”, which can be modified for speed – but cannot be remote controlled. Anyone have any ideas? We will have the duck at the meeting.

Also, the state staff has come up with a fantastic opportunity for the chapters to earn money at the rally. There will be a dunking booth and each CD will take a turn in the booth. All money raised while Tom is in will be given to Chapter L. Tom has experience at this after E-2's Roundup last year (and the outfit too). So, if you have ever wanted to throw something at Tom and wanted to see him almost drown – well this is your chance – and the chapter makes all the money. You just can't miss this opportunity.

Don't forget that the universal sign of a request for assistance by a motorcyclist is to leave a helmet on the side of the road. If you are traveling and see a helmet on the side of the road, please stop to lend a hand. Someday you may be the one in need.

I hope to see you on Wednesday, May 16th. And remember, to handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

Pat Runck



Pride Matters!

Don't forget to wear your vest or chapter shirt to the next Chapter L meeting. Our pride is showing!

Membership/Historian

Jim Pennington

Association Affairs

There was an excellent turnout for our April meeting. Our gathering place at Lakeridge was filled with tables and seating for a total of 78 members, guests and visitors. We had old-timers, **Tom & Kathy Peck** who came in all the way from **LaFollette, TN** on their new twin, blue 1800's. Our newest **ADDs, Roger & Penny Hurley**, visited from up around Troy, Ohio. **Roger & Penny** were former Senior CD's of Chapter K. We were also visited by regular attendees, **Dave & Cathy King CD's** of E-2 and the new **ACD's** of Chapter E-2, **Ken & Nancy Fread**. **Ted Enzweiler** brought a friend, **Lois Pownall** to our gathering. **Kirk Doebrich** a second timer to "L" actually came back!

We thank all that came out to our April gathering, you know who you are! I enjoyed the evening with **Butch Royse** coordinating the fashion (Riding Gear) show. I hope you did too! **Roger & Penny** told me that they had a great time and it was a fun evening.



Thanks for your participation in signing-up for the e-mail listings. I will continue this during May. If you have not been able to come to the April or May meeting to give us your e-mail address, send me an e-

mail at Jim.P@fuse.net

We just got back from the Tennessee Rally where we got to talk a little to **Zearl & Jane Black**. They sent their regards to everyone they know up here and ... even to those who don't know yet (there is still time). **Butch & Betty Royse, Jim & Pauline Petroviak, Fred & Lori Hicks** and the **Penningtons** rode many beautiful roads while there and on the return leg of our ride, **Butch Royse** (with the help of **Tom Peck**) found a road that we tagged as **Betty's Gap**. Ask anyone on that ride, especially **Butch**, why! Anyway, we had lots rides, lots of fun and missed all of you that didn't go!!

GWRRA Members Memorial

Memorial Day is coming up soon and we always remember our Veterans who died in the various wars and conflicts of our country. But also, in memory of those fellow riders of Chapter "L" that have passed away, we say thanks for memories. This year I have added two other names to our list. We hope that you were lucky enough to have ridden with some of the following: **Duff Foertmeyer, Glenn & Irma Hammond, Jim Willman, Troy & Jackie Shoemaker, Al & Goldie Jacobs, Larry Bell, Gene Mencer, John Stanton, Gene Fancher, Brian Staten, Jim Schonnege, Mark Loggains, Bruce Taylor, Larry Shacklin, Tom Oxier and Pat Nickerson.** We remember them, I hope you do too.



Membership Updates continued

In an effort to keep the membership records up to date at our next gathering, I would like you to confirm your current information with me including your special dates, phone numbers, Membership Number as well as your expiration date.

Weekday ride anyone?

The first Monday ride was well attended by 8 bikes. Remember, Park and Ride at Miamitown on Mondays at 10 a.m. If I am not there go somewhere on your own.

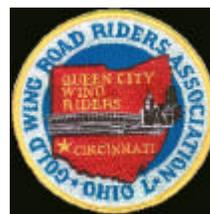
New Members?

If you ever see a Gold Wing rider at a gas station, store parking lot or elsewhere, check them out. Don't put it off, find out if they are a GWRRA member. If they are not, tell them the fun we have and recruit a new member for GWRRA on the spot. I always have GWRRA applications at our gatherings. Pick up a few on May 16th.

Don't forget our gathering on **May 16, 2001 at Lakeridge** – it starts at **7:30**. Come early, kick some tires! - - - "Road Runner"

On the Internet - Jim.p@fuse.net

Jim Pennington



FOR GWRRA !



Just a Reminder...

If you will be riding your motorcycle in Canada this summer, make sure you get an insurance validation for Canada from your insurance agent. It could save you a whole lot of hassle if you have an accident across our northern border.



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Safety Tip of the Month

Do you carry a freshly stocked first-aid kit and well-charged fire extinguisher on your motorcycle? These are two of the requirements for maintaining a Level IV in the Rider Ed. Levels program. It just makes good sense for everyone to have these safety devices available for themselves or someone else. If you don't have them – get them. If you do – check to make sure they are in good working order before your next trip on the bike.

Ride Coordinator

Rich Hesse



It's mid-May and that means that the Tennessee Rally is already history and our ride schedule is in full swing. The chapter ERC class on June 1-2 is now full. Our Wednesday night dessert rides are

**Skyline Ride –
Saturday, May 19th
10:00 AM from the
Miamitown Park & Ride**

back and we are meeting at the parking lot near the old Print Craft in front of K-Mart on Colerain Avenue at 7:30 PM.

Also, our 1st of the month brunch will be held at Belterra in Indiana again this month. A group rode over this month and really enjoyed the ride and the food. So, we will do it one more time in June. If you have any ideas for other places to go for Sunday brunch, please let us know. We will be meeting at the Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:00 AM and riding to the new casino to enjoy lunch. The price is around \$9.00 per person. Hope you can make it and hope the weather cooperates.

UPCOMING RIDES/EVENTS

➤ **May 11-13th (Fri-Sun) Indiana Rally**

This ride is on your own

➤ **May 19th (Saturday) Skyline Ride**

Meet at: Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:00 AM. We will be riding the skyline and ending up at a northern Kentucky Skyline for lunch. Should be home around 2-3PM. Call Jim Pennington (941-4871) for details.



➤ **May 26-28th (Sat-Mon) Jones Lost Weekend**

Meet at: I-75 South Rest Area (Richwood) and leaving at 8:30 AM, full tanks and tummies. Heading to Nashville, TN (if we don't get lost). Call Joyce Jones (528-0720) for details.

➤ **June 2nd (Saturday) Chapter Brat Graduation Party**

Meet at: 7:30 PM at Rich & Linda Elsen's farm at 10301 Roppelt for a graduation party for our Chapter Brat – Robin Hauser. Let's wish her well as she heads off to nursing school in the Fall.

➤ **June 3rd (Sunday) Chapter L Brunch/Lunch**

Meet at: Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:00 AM. We will be riding to the Belterra Casino (weather permitting) in Indiana near the Markland Dam for lunch. Cost is approximately \$9.00 per person. Call Pat Runck (385-4556) for additional information. This is a RAIN or SHINE event – if it rains, we will go someplace closer.



Don't forget our chapter meeting on May 16th. Until then, ride safe and take care of each other.

Rich Hesse



surgery. I especially appreciated all of your prayers and God was certainly listening. Final pathology revealed pre-cancerous cells but everything was contained and caught early. I am back to work and feel WONDERFUL and have even been back to riding my trike. I feel blessed to be a part of the Chapter L family and want to also thank Chapters A-2, E-2, and X-2 who also sent cards and letters.

Donna & Tom Heitfield

The Brunch Bunch

Crossroads Dinner Ride



On May 6th a group of hungry Goldwingers met at the Miamitown Park & Ride to ride to Belterra. Since the weather was great, we rode to the casino for a great meal. The "Brunch Bunchers" included: **Tom & Donna Heitfield, Phil Hollingsworth, Steve**

Albert, Bige Napier, Fred & Nolan Baurichter, Walt Hart, and Butch & Betty Royse, Rick & Bobbie Harless. See you on June 3rd for another gathering of the Brunch Bunch, meeting at the Miamitown Park & Ride at 10:00 AM.

What a great day we had, and what a great turnout. The temperature was in the 70's and the sun was shining brightly, for most of the day anyway. We rode some scenic Indiana roads to Versailles, and then had a great meal. The restaurant really did a great job serving all of us and I heard nothing but good comments about the food. Nineteen bikes with thirty-two people showed up. We even had two 1800's on the ride, so I put them to work as lead & drag bikes for group two. It was such a nice day most of us took a little detour and returned to the Harrison DQ by way of Batesville, Oldenburg & Metamora. Riders today were **Fred & Nolan Baurichter, Jim & Pauline Petroviak, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Joe Rosemeyer & Terrie Mays, Butch Boeing & Joyce Verkamp, Tom & Pat Runck, Joe & Sandy Schmidt, Tom & Barb Burns, Carl & Cris Hauser, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Rick & Bobbie Harless, Rich Hesse, Andy Andrea, Allen Roekamp, Steve Seipelt, Mike & Arlene Gadd and Clyde & Joyce Jones.** Thanks to everyone who came. Hope you had a good time & good food.

Have you hugged your -01 today?



Butch & Betty Royse

E-Mail Notices

Sunshine

If you have a computer and log onto the Net - this may be a service you can use. Our webmaster, **Tim Kendrick**, is sending out reminder notices of upcoming Chapter L events via e-mail. If you would like to subscribe to this service, please let Tim know and give him your e-mail address. You can call him (829-7163), tell him at the meeting, or e-mail him from our Chapter L homepage.

Pauline Petroviak

Thank-You!!



I would like to thank everyone in my GWRRA family for all the support before, during, and after my surgery. The three weeks prior to surgery were probably the most stressful time for Tom & I during our 25 years of marriage. Dr's told us to be prepared for the worst. The cards, phone calls and letters from all of you showed us the love and support that makes GWRRA so special. A special thanks to Bob & Tril for being there the day of my

another stroke. **Pauline Boderone** had a wall cabinet fall on her and she suffered a big bump on her forehead. On a happier note, congratulations to **Dan & Georgia Horgan** on the marriage of their daughter, Pam to Dennis Schwettmann on May 12th. Also, I am collecting hotel soaps, shampoo,



etc. for donation to “health & cleanliness” packets that will be used in homeless shelters in Ohio and Michigan. The cost of these products is included in your nightly hotel price so please remember to collect these items and bring them to me at the meeting. They will be put to very good use.

Please keep me informed of all news so I can pass it on to the rest of the Chapter. We are concerned and interested in all our family members.

Until next time, *keep the sunshine in your hearts.....*

Pauline Petroviak



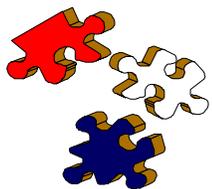
1990 CUB trailer by S&S Manufacturing. Style SS7, 11.5 Cu.ft. White, finished interior, all in new condition (new tongue lock included). \$225

(2) open-face Shoei FJ-101V helmets (gray). Sizes XL & XXL. Include visors, face shields & intercom cords. Both have J&M DynaPort headsets. \$125 ea.

(1) full-face helmet - Bell, size Medium. Color is red, gray & black (NEW). \$50.

Call Gary Jones at 513-979-8827.

Butch Royse recently received his 200,000 mile bar for the High Mileage program. CONGRATULATIONS to Butch (and Betty, too!).



Have you worked the puzzles on the Chapter L website? It's a blast!

Birthdays-Anniversaries



Birthdays



June 2	Nolan Baurichter
June 3	Barry Marksberry
June 6	Melanie Klein
June 9	Dave King
June 10	Mary Jo Kallmeyer
June 10	Gary Gingerich
June 11	Marilyn Sears
June 17	Terisa Marksberry
June 18	Heather Sutter
June 20	Georgia Horgan
June 20	Lew Hall
June 21	Tom Runck
June 22	Carl Hauser
June 22	Nancy Guthrie
June 23	Tom Heitfield
June 24	Ron Bien
June 25	Bill Harmon
June 29	Terry Feiler
June 30	Lori Hicks



Anniversaries



June 1	Tom & Barb Burns
June 3	Walt & Tammy Williams
June 4	Russ & Marilyn Sears
June 4	Dave & Lola Murray
June 6	Rick & Bobbie Harless
June 7	Gene & Marilyn Matho
June 12	Marshall & Donna Goodman
June 13	Jim & Pauline Petroviak
June 17	Ken & Cindy Jauch
June 20	George & Roberta Vandal
June 23	Ron & Francie Bien
June 26	Richard & Mary Leffler
June 27	Dick & Carol Haehnle

Pins/Patches/Parades

Bob & Tril Childers

Stop by and see us at the next meeting to purchase your chapter shirt, new flag for your bike and pins and patches. We can order just about anything.

Remember – you can never have too many pins & patches!

Bob & Tril Childers



"L" Logs On...

Website Browsing

Sign-on to our national, region, district, and local websites for up-to-the-minute information about everything-GoldWing. If you find any really great sites during your browsing, let us know so that we can publish the addresses. *Get Connected!*

- **Gold Wing Road Riders – National**
<http://www.gwrro.org>
- **Great Lakes Region "D"**
<http://www.geocities.com/~regiond/>
- **Ohio District**
<http://geocities.com/ohdistrict/gwrro.htm>
- **Chapter "L"**
<http://www.QCWR.org>

Also, if you would like to submit an article to the newsletter, please feel free to fax it to 513-385-5026, or e-mail it to Prunck@aol.com. Digital pictures are gladly accepted too. We want to hear from YOU!

Those Green Garden Snakes....

Green Garden Grass snakes can be dangerous, Yes, grass snakes, not rattlesnakes. A couple in Sweetwater, Texas had a lot of potted plants, and during a recent cold spell, the wife was bringing a lot of them indoors to protect them from a possible freeze. It turned out that a little green garden grass snake was hidden in one of the plants and when it had warmed up, it slithered out and the wife saw it go under the sofa. She let out a very loud scream. The husband who was taking a shower ran out into the living room naked



to see what the problem was. She told him there was a snake under the sofa. He got down on the floor on his hands and knees to look for it. About that time the family dog came and cold nosed him on the leg. He thought the snake had bitten him and he fainted. His wife thought he had a heart attack, so she called an ambulance. The attendants rushed in and loaded him on the stretcher and started carrying him out.

About that time the snake came out from under the sofa and the



Emergency Medical Technician saw it and dropped his end of the stretcher. That's when the man broke his leg and why he is in the hospital. The wife still had the

problem of the snake in the house, so she called on a neighbor man. He volunteered to capture the snake. He armed himself with a rolled-up newspaper and began poking under the couch. Soon he decided it was gone and told the woman, who sat down on the sofa in relief. But in relaxing, her hand dangled in between the cushions, where she felt the snake wriggling around. She screamed and fainted, the snake rushed back under the



sofa, and the neighbor man, seeing her laying there passed out tried to use CPR to revive her. The neighbor's wife, who had just returned from shopping at the grocery store, saw her husband's mouth on the woman's mouth and slammed her husband in the back of the head with a bag of canned goods, knocking him out and cutting his scalp to a point where it needed stitches. An ambulance was again called and it was determined that the injury required hospitalization. The noise woke the woman from her dead faint and she saw her neighbor lying on the floor with his wife bending over him, so she assumed he had been bitten by the snake. She went to the kitchen, brought back a small bottle of whiskey, and began pouring it down the man's throat to help revive him. By now the police had arrived. They saw the unconscious man, smelled the whiskey, and assumed that a drunken fight had occurred. They were about to arrest them all, when the two women tried to explain how it all happened over a little green snake. They called an ambulance, which took away the neighbor and his sobbing wife. Just then the little snake crawled out from under the couch. One of the policemen drew his gun and fired at it. He missed the snake and hit the leg of the end table that was on one side of the sofa. The table fell over and the lamp on it shattered and as the bulb broke, it started a fire in the drapes. The other policeman tried to beat out the flames and fell through the window into the yard on top of the family dog, who startled, jumped up and raced out into the street, where an oncoming car swerved to avoid it and smashed into the parked police car and set it on fire. Meanwhile the burning drapes had spread to the walls and the entire house was blazing. Neighbors had called the fire department and the arriving fire truck had started raising its ladder as they were halfway down the street. The rising ladder tore out the overhead wires and put out the electricity and disconnected the telephones in a ten square city block area. Time passed



and both men were discharged from the hospital, the house was re-built, the police acquired a new car, and all was right with their world. About a year later the same couple were watching TV and the weatherman announced a cold snap for that night. The husband asked his wife if she thought they should bring in their plants for the night. She shot him.



2001 Rallies

Here is some information on 2001 Rallies. They are great places to ride to and make new friends. Try to find a place for some of these rallies in your 2001 ride activities.

National And International Events

- ❑ **JULY 3-6, 2001. Wing Ding XXIII in Greenville, South Carolina.** For details and to preregister, contact GWRRA, 21423 North 11th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85027. (800) 843-9460. See application form in Wing World or at GWRRA website www.gwrra.org.
- ❑ **AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2001. Second annual "OZARK MOTORCYCLE JUBILEE" in Springfield, Missouri.** All Motorcycle Invitational Drill Team Championships and International Rally. Sanctioned by GWRRA and Regions D, E & M. Presented by Black Eagle Promotions. For information and to preregister, call (800) 843-9460 or on the web at www.motorcyclejubilee.com.

Regional

- ❑ **MAY 18-20, 2001. UPPER CANADA REGION K RALLY** “Spring Rendezvous 2001” at the Niagara Regional Exhibition Ground in Welland, ON. Contact Dennis Evans. (905) 685-9238. E-mail: devans@vaxxine.com.
- ❑ **MAY 25-28, 2001. SOUTH WEST REGION F Rally in Cortez, CO.** Contact Ron Tolson, 13481 Lakota Road, Apple Valley, CA 92308. (760) 240-1206. E-mail: rontolson@aol.com.

District Events

- ❑ **MAY 11-12, 2001. INDIANA “Spring Wing Warm Up” in Portland, IN.** Contact Eric Franson, P.O. Box 17037, Indianapolis, IN 46217. (317) 787-6557.
- ❑ **MAY 18-19, 2001. TEXAS DISTRICT RALLY in Wichita Falls, TX.** Contact Tommy Thomsen, 20307 Fox Grove Lane, Humble, TX 77338-1644. (281) 540-2454. E-mail: wngldr98@aol.com.
- ❑ **MAY 18-19, 2001. TEXAS DISTRICT RALLY in Wichita Falls, TX.** Contact Tommy Thomsen, 20307 Fox Grove Lane, Humble, TX 77338-1644. (281) 540-2454. E-mail: wngldr98@aol.com.
- ❑ **JUNE 15-16, 2000. OKLAHOMA “Gold Wing Island” at Lake Texoma Resort in Kingston, OK.** Contact Tim Sweeden. (405) 372-6288. E-mail: ksweeden@aol.com.
- ❑ **JUNE 15-17, 2001. OHIO DISTRICT Rally “Escape To The Country” in Wooster, OH.** Contact Tom Taggart. (740) 753-2214. E-mail: taggart@frognet.net.

Ice Cream Screamers

Dinner/Ice Cream/Dessert Rides

Our Wednesday night ice cream/dessert rides are back in full swing. The opportunity to get out of the house mid-week for ride, sometimes a meal and dessert with friends is a perfect combination for a Goldwinger. We have a good turnout every week!



ICE CREAM/DESSERT RIDES -- WERE YOU THERE?

APRIL 25, 2001 Rich Hesse (the rest of the regular riders were off celebrating a birthday).

MAY 2, 2001 Jack Elsen & Pauline Boderone, Tom & Pat Runck, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Dan & Georgia Horgan.



Chapter News

Things You Just Need to Know...

- Seems that when Fred Hicks was on the way home from the Tennessee Rally, riding drag through Pigeon Forge, a certain traffic light was a bit too “pink” and a warning ticket was issued. Now, that’s what we call a DRAG.
- Jack Elsen just might be the newest domesticated driver in Chapter L. Seems he knows all about Martha Stewart’s website and rhubarb pie.
- Clyde Jones filled us with his words of wisdom and informed us why there are metal plates in the roadway. It’s so when there is a lightening strike, both sides get to feel the shock. Clyde, you have sunk to a new low.
- Fred & Nolan Baurichter’s picture in their western wear duds from this year’s Cabin Fever must really be good. They will be featured in a Western Catalog next year.
- We want to know why Clyde Jones came home from his birthday lunch with Tom Runck and immediately took off his pants! Where did you two go to lunch, anyway?

- Seems that a bunch of Chapter L people at the Tennessee Rally almost got kicked off the Fun Time Trolley. Geesh – Tom didn't even have his pink tights on either.
- Next time you need to know how far a Goldwing will go before it runs out of gas, ask Howard Ploegsma. He was on his way home from Western Hills Honda and tried to make it home – he didn't and he was stranded on the highway. Luckily, Bob & Tril Childers saw him and helped him push it to the next gas station. Bet you won't do that again, will you Howard!
- Next time you need a handyman – just call Carl Hauser. He's real good at hitting HIMSELF in the head with a mallet and living to tell about it.
- Clyde is still having trouble getting his cell phone to work. All he remembered was that when he was out of his service area, he had to call ROME Good grief, Clyde – that's ROAM.

help is needed from Ohio members who will be attending. Please let Tom & Sandy Taggart know when you can be available to help out.

- ❖ The Regional COY will be selected at this year's Buckeye Rally at 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 16th. Also, the International COY, Glynn & Lesia Tucker from Irvine, KY will be attending this year's Buckeye Rally.
- ❖ Both CPR and First Aid classes will be offered at the Buckeye Rally and the cost is \$10 per person per class.
- ❖ We were reminded that when riding in the Wooster area this year on Saturday to be careful for the Amish buggies on the road. This is the day they do their visiting and shopping. We also need to watch for horse "exhaust."

Get "Ripped-Off" at Chapter "L"

Don't forget to stop by and see us at this month's meeting to purchase your 25 cent rip offs for St. Joseph Home. We will be selling them before and after the meeting and we will be glad to rip you off. It's fun, fast and easy and for a great cause. See you on the 16th.

Thank-you,

Jim & Pauline Petroviak

GWRRA/MSF Chapter Survey

April 2001

Seminars Given: 1
Attendance (each): 78

- Educated in CPR this month: 12
- Educated in First-Aid this month: 0
- MSF Courses taken this month: 0
- Parking Lot Practice: 2

Rider Education

Butch Royse

SAFETY IS FOR LIFE. Riding in the Rain:

Riding Tactics

At the first patter of raindrops, the temptation is to crank up the gas and beat it to the other side of the cloud. That's a standard practice to escape a desert thundershower, but not wise for riding around cities. Remember, the road is most slippery when it first starts to rain after a dry spell, especially in and around big cities where traffic is ever-present. So the smarter tactic in heavy traffic is to get off the road for a while. Take a break and let those bumper-car drivers slip, slide and bash into each other while the accumulated lubricants gradually wash away. A half-hour break is a wise precaution, and also gives you a good reason to get warmed up and put on the rain gear if it looks like it's going to be more than a brief shower.

Scrutinize the Surface

Remember those trucks and buses leaking fresh oil. It's most

State News

Bits of the Buckeye...

- ❖ The district will be assembling a "recipe" book of favorite rides. Each chapter should submit at least 2 rides, including rest stops, gas stops and restaurants. Great idea.
- ❖ There is a new form that will be available at the meeting for signing up for the Rider Ed Levels program. Only this new form will be accepted from this time forward.
- ❖ Ohio is in charge of post registration for Wing Ding and



likely that any oil will be dribbled down the center of the lane, but consider that it also washes downhill on cambered curves. Watch for any beading up or rainbow sheens that indicate oily areas, and keep your tires out of the slippery spots, especially approaching intersections, and in turn lanes. Rounding a cambered freeway ramp, stay in the uphill wheel track. Adjust your line to cross railroad or streetcar tracks as close to 90° as practical, and maintain a steady speed and direction when crossing any such slippery areas. Try to keep your tires away from painted lines, plastic arrows, manhole covers and loose debris such as leaves. Expect that brick streets and wooden bridge decks will be especially slippery when wet.

Smooth is Good

We probably won't have to remind you to reduce speed to make up for the reduced traction. What's really important is to avoid any sudden changes of speed or direction that require big side loads on your tires.



Even if you feel your tires let go for a moment, it's important to avoid that sudden disastrous instinct to snap off the throttle or jam on the brakes. Plan maximum-radius cornering lines. Remember, a larger radius of turn requires less side loads on the tires for the same speed. That slow, look, lean & roll

technique and the business of delayed apexing are even more important for wet pavement.

Keep the Wheels Perpendicular

For really slippery areas such as steel plates, place more of your weight on the pegs and try to keep the bike leaned so that the tires are perpendicular to the road surface. That way, if the tires do lose traction momentarily, the bike can slide sideways a bit without immediately falling over.

Use Both Brakes

On rain-slick pavement, your braking technique must be modified. You can use more rear brake than on dry pavement for the same bike loading. That's because there will be less weight transfer to the front. In the rain, you have less total traction available for braking, but you can share braking almost equally between front and rear. Rain riding is an excellent reason for ABS or integrated brake systems, but they won't save you from making mistakes in curves.



Brake in a Straight Line

When slowing or stopping on wet pavement, try to brake in a straight line. For example, when approaching a turn, use both brakes to decelerate with the bike vertical, then get off the brakes before you lean. ABS systems can save you from over braking in a straight line, but can't compute the difference between a locked-up wheel sliding straight ahead and a rotating wheel sliding sideways.

Get on the Brakes Early

When approaching an intersection where you may have to stop, apply both brakes lightly to get the discs dried off and

warmed up. The stainless steel alloys used in most disc brake systems are beautiful in the dry, but some have embarrassingly low friction when wet. It may take a revolution or two to squeegee enough water off the disc to get full braking effort. If you panic at the delayed braking reaction, the tendency is to squeeze the lever harder, which then results in a front end slide out as the disc suddenly dries off and grabs. If you should over brake on the front., release the lever and squeeze more gently. If the rear brake grabs during a Panic stop, just stand on the pedal and slide to a halt. The solution to such problems is to ease on the brakes early.



My thanks to MCN for this information.

Butch Royse

Treasurer

Lori Hicks

Another great meeting with 78 members attending in April. The pass the hat donations amounted to \$180. Great job! **Carol Runyan** would have won the membership draw but she missed out by not being in attendance. It really pays to go to "L". This month the draw will be worth \$10.00. Once again, we had over 50 door prizes. They were donated by: **Ron King, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Jim & Pauline Petroviak, Tim & Anita Kendrick, Keith Kennedy, Walt Bohanon, Dave & Kathy King, Dan & Georgia Horgan, Bill Barrett, Tom & Pat Runck, Ron Cawein & Karen Tomlin, Ed Ely, Durrell Monroe, Bud Hensler, Andy & Janet Andrea, George & Roberta Vandal, Clyde & Joyce Jones, Steve Albert, Jim & Betty Behanan, Roger & Penny Hurley.**



Thanks, also, to everyone who brought in pull tabs – including our new ADDs, Roger & Penny. The "Big Blue Can" was FULL. It will be empty again at the meeting so let's fill it up again.

See you on the 16th!

Lori Hicks

Congratulations to Walt & Diane Hart who are the proud owners of the newest Chapter L GL1800. It's a beautiful Illusion Red. Since Walt is retired now, we bet he will be putting some serious mileage on this new beauty. Congratulations and safe riding!



A Boy Named Sue...

Well, maybe not Sue – but how about JOYCE. That's right, we saw **Clyde Jones** at the Tennessee Rally riding around the rally site with Joyce's helmet on. At first we just said, "that's Clyde for you." But then we thought – no....he was trying to be incognito and didn't think we would recognize him wearing Joyce's helmet. He gave us some silly story about needing to have a repair made to the helmet and how it made more sense to just wear that one instead of his own. We listened and then decided that our story made much more sense. You see, we think that since this month is –01 month, Clyde wanted to be an –01 too. Clyde, you devil, you!



Our CD, ACD, and Assistant to the ACD at the –01 meeting. Isn't it great??

Make safety your number 1 priority. Make sure you and your bike are in the best possible riding shape.



Did you know...

- Maine is the only state whose name is just one syllable.
- In England, the Speaker of the House is not allowed to speak.
- All of the clocks in *Pulp Fiction* are stuck on 4:20.
- Dreamt is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".
- Male mosquitoes cannot pierce our skin – only the females bite us.

May Word Find

Find these names of gifts for Mom...



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| BOOKS | BOOTS | BRACELET |
| CAMERA | CANDY | CASSETTES |
| CD PLAYER | CERAMICS | COMPACT |
| COSMETICS | GOLD CHAIN | HAIR DRYER |
| JACKET | LINGERIE | NECKLACE |
| NIGHTIE | PAINTING | PHOTOS |
| PLANTER | PURSE | RADIO |
| RAINCOAT | RING | ROBE |
| SCARF | SLIPPERS | STICKPIN |
| TELEVISION | WALLET | WATCH |

One Last Chuckle...



As a thief stole into a house, a voice cried out, "Jesus will get you!" The thief quickly located the parrot spouting the proclamation. "And what is your name?" "Moses," replied the parrot. "Who would name a parrot Moses?" wondered the thief aloud. "The same person who named the Rottweiler, Jesus," replied the parrot.



Queen City Wing Riders

GWRRRA - REGION D - OHIO CHAPTER L UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	EVENT LEADER	PHONE	TIME	MTG PLACE/LEAVING FROM
May 11-13	Indiana Rally	On Your Own			
May 12	MS Walk	Pauline Boderone	574-5097	8:00 AM	Sawyer Point – Downtown Cinti
May 16	L.-01 Meeting	Pat Runck	385-4556	7:30 PM	Lakeridge Conference Center
May 19	Skyline Ride	Jim Pennington	941-4871	10:00 AM	Miamitown Park & Ride
May 19	X-2 Meeting	Mike Runyan	398-8554	9:30 AM	Lebanon Citizens – Middletown, OH
May 22	A-2 Meeting	Larry Ivie	398-5644	7:30 PM	K of C, 930 Hamilton-Cleves Road
May 26-28	Jones Lost Wknd	Joyce Jones	528-0720	8:30 AM	I-75 S Rest Area-Full tanks/tummies
June 1-2	Chapter ERC	Butch Royse	471-8429	TBD	Diamond Oaks – Harrison Avenue
June 2	Chapter Brad Grad.	Rich Elsen	385-4082	7:30 PM	Elsen Farm – 10301 Roppelt
June 3	Chapter L Brunch	Pat Runck	385-4556	10:00 AM	Miamitown Park & Ride to Belterra
June 7	E-2 Meeting	Dave King	742-0937	7:30 PM	New England Club, Rt 125
June 9-10	MS 150	Butch Royse	471-8429	TBD	More details available at the meeting

CHAPTER “L” MEETINGS

3rd Wednesday of Each Month
Lakeridge Conference Center
7210 Pippin Road -- Cincinnati, OH

7:30 PM – Get-together

Mother's Day



Tom & Pat Runck
Chapter Directors
9365 Yellowwood Drive
Cincinnati, OH 45251

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Chapter L's next meeting is on May 16th and it is our
-01 meeting. We hope to see you there!