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Queen City Wing Rider News

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GET READY TO GO TO THE BUCKEYE RALLY!

Carl's Comments

Here we are, It's May already. Spring has sprung and the flowers are in full bloom.

All the spring things that the chapter does each year are over. The ERC course is one of these. Twelve bikes, fourteen people, came out for our spring warm-up. If you have never taken an ERC course or it has been over two years since you last took one; you owe it to your self to participate in one. I'll guarantee that you will learn something, and your riding enjoyment will go up. I would like to thank everyone who participated, and congratulate **Butch Roysse**. Butch aced, the written and the range, way to go Butch.

Then a large group from Chapter L went to the *Spring Fling*; in Tennessee the last weekend in April and man did we have a great time. We had the opportunity to visit with friends that we haven't seen all winter. Among them were **Tom & Kathy Peck** and **Dave & Lola Murray**. Ohio was the largest District in attendance, and also won the DUCK race. X2 was the largest chapter outside of Tennessee, they also won 1st place in the Talent Show (No Talent). E2 won 3rd place in the Battle of the Chapters. **Dave & Lola Murray** received an award for Longest Distance. I would like to thank our Rally Coordinators **Jeff & Becky Weddle** for all their hard work. Job well done. Also thanks to **Jeff Weddle, Greg Hauck & Tom Runck** for leading us on some great rides. Speaking of **Jeff & Becky** they faced their Demons. Not only did they finish the Cherohala; they also did Deals Gap. We were behind them all the way.

As most of you know, A2 has been looking for a CD to help revive their chapter. Well they have found the right person. **Bill Stumpf** will be taking over as CD of Chapter A2. **Wayne Marks** will be his ACD. Lets show our support by attending their next meeting May 27th at the Nights of Columbus Hall in Hamilton, Ohio.

Memorial Day is just around the corner. Some of us are going with **Jeff & Becky Weddle** to the Blue Ridge Parkway. And others are going with **Roy & Shelly Williams** to the Wall, in Washington DC. Now here is my problem. We (I) have lost the sign-up sheet for the ride to the wall. This means Roy is not sure, who is going with him. So with your help we can rectify this problem. If you are planing on going with Roy please give him a call (941-5171) and let him know, so he does not leave without you.

Don't forget "*Blessing of the Bikes*", it will be Sunday May 18th, in Troy, Ohio. I will be leading a group up Sunday morning. Leaving from Bob Evans on Colerain at 8:30 AM.

We only have three more weeks till the **Buckeye Rally** in Xenia, Ohio. If you haven't sent in your registration yet, now is the time

to do it. You can find a copy of the registration in this newsletter or at our next gathering.

Cris & I hope to see all of you at our meeting on May 21st.

Carl Hauser

Chit Chat with Cris (Mrs. CD)

Hi Everyone, Can you believe that it is already May and riding season is into full swing? I thought it would never get here. Make sure that you check the ride schedule, so that you won't miss any fun in the sun with Chapter L. You never know when I might show - up on my own bike and become a rider instead of a co-rider. This month is -01 month. The -01's will handle the gathering on May 21st.

We had a great time at the Tennessee Rally. It is really a special time just talking too each and every one of you. I feel as if we are all one big happy family. I especially enjoy that special bond that I feel every time that we are at a GWRRA function. It doesn't matter what chapter you are from, every one meets and greets you, as if they have known you forever. It also was really great seeing Lola & Dave Murray (from chapter E2). They made the trip from New Jersey just to be with their old Chapter family. I think that is really great.

OK enough mush talk, now its time to talk about something a little less mushy. Since, I had a great response to the BRC, (Basic Rider Course) I will be taking names to see if I have enough interest in sponsoring another BRC course, possibly in October. So if you would like to have another class or if you know someone that would like a class give me a call, so that I can add those names to my list. You can contact me at **work** (513) 931-5000, ext. 116, **home** (513) 851-0714 or by **cell** (513) 368-0705

Those of you that signed-up for the September class, I will try to have forms at our May meeting for you to complete and return to me with your check for \$25.00 made at to Great Oaks. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our "01" meeting.

Happy Mothers day to our Mothers in GWRRA!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Keep smiling!

Cris Hauser

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ACD - Tim's Topics

By Tim Kendrick

With the exception of a little rain, we had a great time at Spring Fling this year. I want to thank Jeff Weddle, Greg Hauck, Tom Runck and Carl Hauser for leading rides for us in Tennessee. Some folks rode nearly 1,200 miles during their stay. We had several first-timers on Jeff's ride through The Dragon this year. I think everyone found something to enjoy.

On May 10th Chapter X2 is having a Treasure Hunt at the Otterbein Retirement Community. We will have 2 groups riding to this event. Carl will be leading a ride to the MS-Walk that morning and then up to Otterbein afterwards. I will be leading a group directly to Otterbein. We will meet at Bob Evans with intention of pulling out at 11:30 AM. If you want more information on the Treasure Hunt, visit X2s web site at www.x-2.com. X2 generously supports Chapter L throughout the year and we would like to return the favor. Please join us if you can.

May is the month for the annual 01 meeting. We call it that because the spouses, who are assigned -01 membership numbers by GWRRA, run it. I think the ladies are cooking up something special (as usual) so plan to attend if you can.

Later in the month [Jeff Weddle](#) and [Roy Williams](#) have overnight rides for Memorial Day weekend. I know they both would love to have a few friends ride along. You can find more information on the ride schedule or in Gary's Ride Coordinator article this month.

That's it for now. We hope to see you at the meeting.

Ride Safe!

Tim Kendrick

Pins & Patches

Hi Everyone. The signs of a great riding season are here. We can also put on our Chapter L shirts & hats. What?? No Chapter Shirts or Hats?? Come on back to our table and check out all the new merchandise. Hope to see you all at the May meeting. The meeting will feature our -01's, so the guys can relax!

Tom & Barb Burns



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SUNSHINE

By Anita Kendrick

April showers bring May flowers so they say. Spring is here and we have all been to Spring Fling. The trip was wonderful and for those of us who work it was the first time back on the bike...what a rush. The weather was great and the mountain roads...well what can I say.

Again, Chapter L friends and family have been somewhat blessed with a relatively quiet month.

Bobbie Harless is still waiting to have some tests completed. Bobbie we missed you in Gatlinburg and hope you are feeling better very soon.

Kelly Stumpf was released from University Hospital and is at home again. No news at the time that I am writing this of her lung transplant. Keep her in you prayers.

Speaking of thoughts and prayers, please remember the Wellman and Williams families as they are dealing with the losses of love ones. Bill Wellman's sister Beulah and Tammy Williams' father passed away this past month. If you would like to send a cards to them please address them to

- Bob & Marilyn Wellman 8017 Woodruff Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45255
- Tammy Williams 22 N. Skidmore Cleves, Ohio 45002

Well that is all the news I have at this time. If you have anything you would like to share give me a call at 829-7163 or email me at akendrick@cinci.rr.com. Until next month, remember, "A smile is a curve that sets a lot of things straight." - Unknown



Anita Kendrick

MS-150 NEWS UPDATE

Andy and I have ridden the MS-150 route several times and have a better handle on it now. We are planning a test ride of the route on Sunday, June 8th for the Open Ride already scheduled. We will meet at Bob Evans - Colerain @ 1:00 PM. It's a pretty ride and we plan to end it with dinner at the Houston Woods Lodge dining room.

This ride will give the volunteers and non-volunteers an opportunity to become familiar with the route and the event. We encourage your input if you see any potential problems or if you think safety checkpoints should be eliminated or added.

Hope you all can join us.

Andy & Janet Andrea

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L Yes - I Like to Rally

SPRING FLING 2003 - WOW!!!

Wow is right Wingers. Becky and I had the most enjoyable weekend away that we have ever had. The company could not have been better, the roads were great, the hotel was wonderful, and we managed to avoid the rain all four days. By the way it was much better than last year!!!!

Becky and I led a group leaving from Bob Evans in Cold Springs Thursday morning. We had 8 bikes start with us, and at about the half way point **Butch and Betty Royse** then led half the group straight on into Pigeon Forge. Our group, thanks to **Jim Pennington** for the route, continued on up 421 to Kingsport, Tenn. We went through the middle of Daniel Boone National Forest. An absolutely beautiful ride! Thanks again Jim. If any of you have not had the privilege of riding 421 you owe it to yourself to do so.

Our 4-bike group consisted of **Lymon** and **Wanda Gaines**, who by the way did an outstanding job dragging for us, **Greg & Shirley Hauck**, **Roy & Shelly Williams**, **Becky** and me. It was great spending time and getting to know these fine people better. I want to thank each one of them for a most enjoyable riding experience. You are all wonderful friends and people.

The camaraderie that we felt for each other lasted the entire 4 days. We truly enjoyed each others company; and I think that was evident by the fact that we all stayed, and rode together throughout the entire 4 days. You guys were great!

Becky and I also conquered the Cherochala Skyway and Deals Gap. We want to thank not only the 3 other couples that stayed with us throughout the trip, but a number of other "L-ians" for their love and support in helping us ride through it. The moral support was priceless to us. The additional "L-ians" that went with us were the **Hausers**, the **Hollingsworths**, and **Don Guthrie**. Thanks again for the support. Becky and I love you for it.

I also want to thank the **Runcks** for leading a ride Saturday morning. Poor **Tom** had a little bad luck that morning. His ride was to start 1 hr. after our ride. 15 minutes after we left it started pouring there at the hotel, which delayed their ride couple hours. They did get out and had, as I was told, an awesome ride. Thanks **Tom and Pat**. Becky and I would also like to thank one of our newest members, **Greg Hauck**, for the great ride that he led Friday afternoon through the Smokies. Great job Greg.

I cannot wait until next years rally. If you missed this years Spring Fling you truly missed a wonderful time. Get out you calendars and start planning for next years Spring Fling now.

Now we have the Ohio rally in June to bok forward to. There will be more coming at the meeting.

Thanks chapter "L" you're the greatest.

Jeff and Becky Weddle



MEMBERSHIP

By Rick & Bobbie Harless

Membership in GWRRA is more like being part of a family. We belong to an association and that makes us a group of one. We care about what we do and how it affects others. So, let everyone you meet know that we belong to a family that lives with **Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge** as our creed.

I'm glad to see that our members are working to help keep our membership going and growing. We need to retain and recruit as an ongoing part of meeting other Gold Wingers and Associate members' wherever we may find them. Recruiting is something that everyone can do. If you run into another motorcyclist be it a GoldWing or not, talk to them about the benefits of belonging to GWRRA. Then offer them a membership form and tell them about our meeting location so they can join all the fun. If you need any membership forms we always have some at the membership table at each gathering. Make sure you put your name on the membership forms you hand out so you get credit for the recruiting efforts.

If you are not aware of it GWRRA has a new recruiting offer out. Each time you recruit someone his or her name and yours goes into a drum for a drawing. The Grand prize is a brand new **Honda SilverWing**, plus the recruits qualify for the rewards program also. Check out the Free Renewal program. Your membership will be renewed one year for recruiting **three (3) new memberships**. You can get up to three renewals. Check it out in the latest issue of *Wing World*, page 77.

If you have been to one of our meetings in the last year all Chapter L needs you to do is check off your name on the printed list. If you bring a guest with you, please have them fill out an information sheet. We ask them to fill out this sheet so we can learn a little more about them, and we can send them our newsletter.

For anyone who has not updated their information in the last 12 months. We have printed off information sheets from our database for each member. We will have yours at the sign-in table when you check-in. Please take time to check your information such as birthdays, anniversaries, membership numbers, phone numbers and addresses to insure it is correct. If corrections are needed please make them and return the sheets to the sign-in table.

We had **93** people at the April gathering. New members and visitors were, **Tom & Karen Lohner**, **Robert and Kathy Duerler**, **Dave & Kim Finke**. Also visiting was a longtime fiend of Chapter L **Anna Mason**. She was in town from Florida, and we were glad to see her. **Karen Tomlin** was the winner of the **\$10.00** Membership draw. See it pays to go to L. I want to thank each of them for coming and joining us and hope that they had a good time. We want everyone to feel welcome so you will come back real soon. Remember new members and visitors should feel comfortable and welcomed by everyone. If you see a new face go introduce yourself and say Hello. You never know who may be our next new Member or Associate Member.

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As a point of information if anyone that now receives the newsletter, by regular mail and would like to receive it by E-mail (which would save us some of our postage and the copying expenses.) Just let us know at the membership sign up table and give us your E-mail address if we don't already have it.

While you are at the sign-in table don't forget to drop your membership card in the jar for the membership draw. Each week we giveaway **\$ 10.00** to one lucky member, but you can't win if you don't have a **current** GWRRA membership card. Your card will be returned to you before the end of the meeting. If we run late we will have it at the sign-in table after the meeting.

Don't forget to check your GWRRA membership card expiration date. So you don't allow your membership to lapse. If you have access to the Internet it is very easy to renew on line. It is quick and you can renew day or night 24/7. We also have membership forms available at the meeting too. Make sure you carry them with you - you never know when or where you may meet your next GWRRA friend.

We hope to see you at our next Chapter L gathering on May 21st at 7:30 PM at the Lakeridge Conference Center.

Rick and Bobbie Harless

CHAPTER PHOTO ALBUM

by Brenda Pennington



Smile! You could be in the Photo Album

Thanks to Tim Kendrick for providing me with photos on CD. Thanks to Carl Hauser for "real" photos and remember if you have duplicates please give me anything from January 1st on and we'll get them into the 2003's book. Did anyone get a few new photos at the Spring Fling in TN? If so, bring them to one of our gatherings so that it may go down in photo history. - Thanks -

Brenda

INFO YOU PROBABLY WON'T NEED!

The famous Olympic skier Picabo (pronounced Peek-A-boo) Street is not just an athlete, she is a nurse.

She currently works at the Intensive Care Unit of a large metropolitan hospital.

She is not permitted to answer the telephone, however, as it caused simply too much confusion when she would answer the phone and say, Picabo, ICU.

A good clean joke is hard to find these days --- pass it on!

2003 COORDINATORS

Chapter L Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Lakeridge Conference Center, 7118 Pippin Road, Cincinnati, Ohio at 7:30 p.m.

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A Chuckle for you!

A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover.

The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

A great BIG Chapter L thanks to the **DeFossett** family for their donation to cover postage for the newsletter they receive from Chapter "L." **Art, Judy and Kevin** live in Indiana and cannot always attend.

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SAFETY - Rider Education



By Tom Runck

We just returned from a great Tennessee Rally. Visiting with our friends "down South" and riding their awesome back roads is always a great start to the official riding season here in Cincinnati. Soon our rally-going will be in full swing and many of us participate in the

on-bike courses, field events, Top Gun, etc. available at these events. To keep you informed of GWRRRA's official policy on how we need to be prepared to participate, I have included in this month's article a statement from Bob Lorenz, our National Director for Rider Education. Please read it carefully so that you are prepared to ride in GWRRRA-sponsored activities held at national, region, district and chapter events.

GWRRRA Policy Regarding - Conduct of Training & Skill Events, Revised April 23, 2003

We sometimes assume consistent and common safety practices are employed when conducting various GWRRRA training and skill events. Based upon information received recently, however, exceptions have occurred.

In the interests of safety, adequate and consistent safety standards must be maintained when conducting National, Region, District, or Chapter motorcycle or trike training and/or skill events for the good of all participants as well as to eliminate unnecessary liability for the Association.

Effective immediately, the following requirements must be adhered to by all participants in GWRRRA Region, District and Chapter rider training and skill events. (Including, but not limited to the GWRRRA Advanced Rider Course, Trike Rider Course, or Trailing Course; Field Events or Top Gun competitions, Parking Lot Practice sessions or any other MSF, CSC, GWRRRA or ESC-sponsored instruction or riding practice.)

Rider Licensing - All Riders must hold a valid driver's license with motorcycle endorsement or, at minimum, a motorcycle operator's learner's permit. Riders who do not hold a valid license will not be permitted to participate.

Proper Riding Attire - All Riders and Co-Riders must wear "proper" riding gear while riding. This will include, at a minimum, a DOT approved helmet, eye protection, full-fingered gloves, over-the-ankle foot protection (boots preferred), with the balance of the body fully covered (leather or abrasion-resistant attire preferred; denim accepted.) Jackets or shirts should be a single piece of apparel and not be modular (i.e., not "riding sleeves").

These requirements shall apply at any GWRRRA-sponsored rider education or competitive riding event. They do not apply to any "non-educational" or "non-competitive" riding activity, such as a Chapter ride, parade, fun/poker run, etc.

Please assist us in conveying this message to all GWRRRA officers, educators and Members.

Thank you,
Bob Lorenz

Congratulations to our ERC participants who successfully completed their class in April. We will recognize them individually at May's meeting.

Don't forget about Skills Day Southwest coming up on Saturday, May 31st from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM at Stebbins High School on Route 4 at the Harshman Road Exit in Dayton. This is an event where the above-mentioned guidelines will be in effect. Join your friends and sharpen those riding skills.

See you on the 21st.

Tom Runck, Chapter L Rider Educator, Level IV -
Master Tour Rider #3605

GWRRRA Ohio Rider Education Monthly Activity Report	
MRC:RSS: 3	First Aid:
ERC: 14	CPR:
Parking Lot Prac:	Co-Rider:
Trailer Course:	Trailing/Tour Video:
Side Car:	Talk at Chap. Mtg: 93
Trike Course:	Other:

R & R = Retired & Riding Report

Well, the month of April was pretty good for the R & R (Retired & Riding) group. April 8 we had 8 hearty riders show up in a brisk 40° morning. A short ride for certain due to the chill in the air but we had **Milt Bridges, Butch Royse, Joe Lupo, Andy Andrea, Chester Riddle, Bud Hensler, Ed Packard and yours truly**. We settled in at Will's Grill in Hardintown, IN. for lunch.

On April 15 (tax day) we had a few show up. I lost the actual list of who was there. It was probably - **Fred Hicks, Rick Harless, Jim Beeber, Bige Napier, Chuck Geggie, Joe Lupo, Walt Hart, Butch Royse, Andy Andrea, Paul Lowe, Ed Packard, Elmer Jauch** and myself. The ride was to the east of Cincinnati to Lake Manor Restaurant in Mt. Orab.

April 22 we had 6 hungry bikers, **Chester Riddle, Butch Royse, Sam Peterson, Milt Bridges, Marvin Littrel** and myself, turn up to ride some Kentucky backroads and ended up at Mr. Herbs for a fish sandwich in Hebron, KY.

April 29th was a very nice day for riding. **Fred Hicks, Jim Beeber, Chuck Geggie, Joe Lupo, Walt Hart, Butch Royse, Andy Andrea, Milt Bridges, Elmer Jauch and again, yours truly!!** We rode through Loveland, Waynesville, Xenia, and Springfield with a stop at Competition Accessories. I tried to stay off the interstate highways making our way back through Clifton & Xenia again. About 220 miles on my odometer at the end of the ride! Nice rides! If you are free during the day on Tuesdays ... join us! We leave Miamitown Wendy's at 9:30 and trek out across some backroads with only a hint of a destination in mind!

Jim Pennington aka RoadRunner

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Treasurers Report

by Pat Runck, Treasurer



The April showers have ushered in May flowers and Spring is in full swing. The cold and snow of winter seem like a distant memory and pleasant rides on the motorcycle are the order of the day. This is the best time of year

for motorcycling in most of the country and it is also a time for us to spread the good word about the sport we enjoy. May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month* and the time when the driving public needs to be made more aware of us on the road. You know that most motorcycle-vehicle accidents are the result of the vehicle's driver not even seeing us. Hard to believe with the big, beautiful machines we ride, but true. Be careful out there!

We had a great April meeting with 93 people in attendance. Lucky Karen Tomlin found out it pays to leave Florida and go to "L" – she won the \$10.00 membership draw. Don't forget that May is Chapter L's famous -01 meeting. Come on out and support Cris and Anita as they run the chapter meeting on May 21st. It's sure to be one "L" of a good time!

Here is some interesting stuff about the month of May.



May is the month when we honor our mothers on Mother's Day (don't forget the 11th); Cinco de Mayo (the 5th) commemorates the victory of the Mexican army over the French in the Battle of Puebla in 1862; Memorial Day (26th) had its beginnings as a day to honor the soldiers who gave their lives in the Civil War; and May Day (1st) is a celebration of the coming of Summer. We celebrate Armed Forces Day on May 17th. Also on the 1st is Mother Goose Day – and no it is not a day you are allowed to "goose" your mom. May is also National Strawberry Month, National Bike Month and National Physical Fitness and Sports Month. May 8th marks the birth of Coca-Cola® and May 20th is the anniversary of Lindberg's (1927) and Earhart's (1932) flights. Also all in May: Bing Crosby recorded *White Christmas* (1942), Bob Dylan had his bar mitzvah (1954), Buddy Holly got contact lenses but couldn't get used to them (1956), Keith Richards wrote *Satisfaction* (1965), Elvis Presley got married (1967) and Michael Jackson introduced us to the Moonwalk (1983). And do you know how the term "mayday" came to be an international distress signal? It comes from the French phrase m'aidez, meaning, "help me." One last thing before your brain explodes – May 1st is also called Lei Day in Hawaii – and everyone is supposed to get "Lei'd" on that day. I wonder if that is why the hospital delivery rooms are so busy in February in Hawaii? Sorry, I just couldn't help myself on that one.

I hope to see you at our -01 meeting on May 21st. Your donation of door prizes would be greatly appreciated. And yes, we will have an "On The Spot" recipient; in honor of -01 month – it is one of our -01s. See you soon and remember.....together we can have one "L" of a good time.

Take care, Pat



HOTEL INFORMATION FOR SPECIAL 2003 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

PLEASE NOTE: FOR RESERVATIONS MENTION:
"E-2 Starcher Group"

Any questions contact the

Concierge for E-2 & L: Sheila Starcher

937-544-5691 / e-mail waytogo@dragonbbs.com

EVENT/DATE

Buckeye Rally - June 13-15
Xenia, Ohio / Fairgrounds

Wing Ding 25th Anniversary -
Madison, Wis. /
July 1-4
Alliant Energy Center

Region D Rally-Sept. 11-14
Tiffin, Oh.

HOTEL/RATE/INFO

Best Western Executive Hotel
off 1-75 exit #58
937-278-5711
\$65.00 + tax /
Deadline - May 13th

Best Western Inn Tower
2424 University Ave. -
\$85.00 +tax
800-258-8321
Mention "E2 Starch"
Deadline - May 15th

Holiday Inn Express-
78 Shaffer Park Dr.
419-443-5100 \$55.00 + tax
Deadline-August 11th

**Now is the time to get planning for a 2003
GWRRA Rally!**

Back in the Saddle Again !!! by Walt Hart

The inaugural Chapter L "Open" Ride was held on Saturday, April 26. There may be some dissenting opinions, but those who rode contend that this was the first real motorcycle ride for Chapter L this year. The historic honor to lead this ride was bestowed upon Diane and me, while Jim and Brenda Pennington had the honor of riding drag.

The very next day, another "open" was held and the same group showed up - what are the odds? Jim and Brenda led that one. The weather couldn't have been better both days. While exploring the tri-state countryside, generally unmindful of what the next turn will be, we savored the scent of freshly mowed grass, gently laced with a hint of tree and flower blossoms. What a great time of the year to be outdoors, especially on two wheels! We rode almost 300 miles on Saturday, through Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky and nearly 200 more on Sunday, all in Ohio. Many of the roads were familiar favorites and some "new" ones we found will surely become so.

My helmet is off to Brenda for getting back in the saddle, considering what she has endured recuperating from surgery. The rough roads gave her some problems but she never complained - except when Jim let her off to take a picture of a covered bridge, then drove away leaving her to walk across. Later, her face showed more pain when Jim told our waitress "we don't need any dessert". She really is glad to be riding again and so are we that she did. Even though I realize we won't get to lead every time, we still plan to participate in future "open" rides and hope more of you will also. We'll see you at the next get-together if not elsewhere.

Walt Hart, "The Groundhog" 1/2 of Ohio L - C.O.Y.

May 2003

Happy Birthday

5/26 Kathy Skinner
5/26 Howard Ploegsma
5/27 Sandy Schmidt
5/29 Kathy Peck
5/30 Mary Napier
6/1 Gary Hauck
6/1 Roger Miller
6/2 Nolan Baurichter
6/2 Joe Lupo
6/5 Donna Kuchera
6/6 Dave Preston
6/6 Marilyn Wellman
6/6 Melanie Geggie
6/9 Dave King
6/10 Terrie Rosemeyer
6/13 Ron Rhoads
6/15 Don Williamson
6/17 Nancy Shalm
6/18 Heather Sutter



Happy Anniversary

5/25 Roger & Terry Feiler
5/30 Kirk & Rhonda Doebrich
6/1 Tom & Barb Burns
6/2 Tom & Kim McKiernan
6/6 Rick & Bobbie Harless
6/7 Jeff & Becky Weddle
6/8 Allen & Donna Hoffman
6/8 Ron & Elaine Rhoads
6/9 Joe & Terrie Rosemeyer
6/13 Jim & Pauline Petroviak
6/17 Ken & Cindy Jauch
6/20 George & Roberta Vandal



Make sure when you e-mail, you have the right e-mail address!

Thanks to Milt Bridges for sending this one!

EMAIL TO THE WRONG WIFE

After being nearly snowbound for two weeks last winter, a Seattle man departed for his vacation in Miami Beach, where he was to meet his wife the next day at the conclusion of her business trip to Minneapolis. They were looking forward to pleasant weather and a nice time together...

Unfortunately, there was some sort of mix up at the boarding gate, and the man was told he would have to wait for a later flight. He tried to appeal to a supervisor but was told the airline was not responsible for the problem and it would do no good to complain. Upon arrival at the hotel the next day, he discovered that Miami Beach was having a heat wave, and its weather was almost as uncomfortably hot as Seattle's was cold. The desk clerk gave him a message that his wife would arrive as planned. He could hardly wait to get to the pool area to cool off, and quickly sent his wife an email, but due to his haste, he made an error in the email address.

His message therefore arrived at the home of an elderly preacher's wife whose even older husband had died only the day before. When the grieving widow opened her email, she took one look at the monitor, let out an anguished scream, and fell to the floor dead. Her family rushed to her room where they saw this message on the computer screen:

Dearest Wife,
Departed yesterday as you know. Just now got checked in. Some confusion at the gate. Appeal was denied.
Received confirmation of your arrival tomorrow. Your loving husband.

P.S. Things are not as we thought. You're going to be surprised at how hot it is down here.

FOR SALE BY MEMBERS

For Sale 1989 Honda Pacific Coast, pearl white AM/FM/CB radios, 22K miles, driver's backrest, tall windshield, new stock windshield in box Bike. Tires are in excellent condition \$3600 Ronald Cawein 336-8993

1997 Honda Valkyrie Tourer, black AM/FM/CB radios, 29K miles, Driver's and passenger backrests, new tires, brake pads and windshield. Bike is in excellent condition \$7900 Ronald Cawein 336-8993

May 2003

RIDE COORDINATOR

Spring Fling is over and it sounds like everyone had a great time. We sure did. We have a lot of rides planned for May and June so check out the schedule and join us for some fun.

UPCOMING RIDES/EVENT

Every Tuesday, Retired and Riding

Meet at Wendy's on Rt. 128 in Miamitown at 9 A.M.

For more information call Jim Pennington 513-941-4871

Every Wednesday (EXCEPT MEETING NIGHT) Dinner/Ice cream Rides

Meet at Bob Evans, Colerain Ave. at 7P.M.

Mother's Day
May 11, 2003

May 17th (Saturday) Scenic Back Roads Ride

Meet at the Park & Ride at St. Rt. 128 & I-74 (Exit 7) in Miamitown, we will be leaving at 10:30 A.M.

For more information call Jim Pennington 513-941-4871

May 18th (Sunday) Blessing of the Bikes

At The Church of the Nazarene in Troy, Ohio. Meet at Bob Evans on Colerain Ave. at 8:30 A.M.

For more information call Carl Hauser 513-851-0714

May 21st (Wednesday) Chapter L's 01 Meeting

Lakeridge Conference Center at 7:30 P.M.

May 23rd -26th (Fri., Sat., Sun., Mon.) Blue Ridge Ride

For more information call Jeff & Becky Weddle 513-922-3142



May 24th - 26th (Sat., Sun., Mon.) Ride to the Wall, Washington, DC

For more information call Roy & Shelly Williams 513-941-5171

May 24th & 31st (Saturdays) Open Rides

Meet at Bob Evans, Colerain Ave. at 9 A.M. Come and bring your ideas where you want to ride.

May 25th (Sundays) Open Rides

Meet at Bob Evans, Colerain Ave. at 1 P.M.

June 1st (Sunday) 1st of the Month Dinner Ride

With Gary and Donna Kuchera, The place will be announced at the May 21st meeting.

June 7th (Saturday) Covered Bridge Ride

Meet at Bob Evans, Colerain Ave. Leaving at 9:00 A.M. If you want breakfast come early!

We plan to leave at 9 sharp. For more information call Jim Pennington 513-941-4871.



June 8th (Sunday) Open Ride - Note this Change

This will not be an Open Ride. It will be led by Andy & Janet Andrea a pre-ride for the MS-150 route. Meet at Bob Evans, Colerain @ 1:00 PM.

June 13th - 15th (Fri., Sat., Sun) Ohio Rally, Xenia Ohio

For more information call Jeff Weddle 513-922-3142



June 18th (Wednesday) Chapter L Meeting

Lakeridge Conference Center at 7:30 P.M.

The BUCKEYE RALLY

See you at Chapter L's meeting on Wednesday May 21st. Until then keep the shiny side up.

Gary & Donna Kuchera

May 2003

GWRRA Members Memorial



Memorial Day 2003



Memorial Day is quickly coming up this month. We always remember our military and especially the veterans who died in the numerous wars & conflicts abroad as well as the 9/11 terrorism perpetuated by extremists against our country. Now, with the Iraq war slowing down, take a moment in remembrance of those who died so that we may be free.

When you stop and contemplate it, life is really too short. Just when we think we have everything, ... soon we have nothing. In memory of those who had ridden with Ohio Chapter "L" and that have passed away, we say thanks for memories.

This year there are a few more empty saddles, so we have added those names to the continuing list of GWRRA members and friends who rode with Ohio Chapter "L".

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, Former Ky. State Director*

Jim Schonnegge

Mark Loggains

Bruce Taylor

Larry Shacklin

Tom Oxier

Pat Nickerson

** Gene Schweitzer, Former Ky. State Director*

Dennis Moffett

John Kennedy

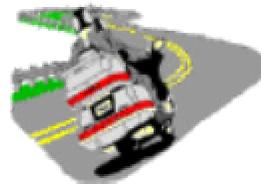
Duke Frazer

Dick Pettit, Former Ohio L CD,

Barry Zobel, Former Ohio L Asst. A/R, 1989 Ohio COY

Joyce Jones, Ohio L Coordinator & Former E-2 Area Rep

Bob Ulrich



Remember the ride...



* Members of KY G who also participated in Chapter "L" rides and activities.

May 2003

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Meeting Location</u>	<u>Day/Time of Meeting</u>	<u>Chapter Directors</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
A-2 Hamilton	K of C Hall 930 Hamilton-Cleves Rd.	4 th Tuesday of each month 7:30 PM meeting, early to eat	Bill Stumpf	513-539-7271
E-2 Eastside	New England Club 8100 block Beechmont Ave. (Rt 125)	1 st Thursday of each month 7:30 PM meeting	Dave & Cathy King	513-742-0937
F Fairborn	Rousch's Restaurant Main Street, Fairborn	4 th Saturday of each month 9:30 AM	Jerry & Barbra Martindale	513-934-2513
G-3 Eatons	Eaton Fire Dept. Station #2 Lexington Road W	3 rd Saturday of each month 7:00 PM	Noel (Putt) & Marcia Lindsey	937-839-4064
J Dayton	Fuddruckers 8850 Kingridge Dr., Dayton	4 th Thursday of each month 7:30 PM	Darrin & Molly Ebright	937-427-8832
K Troy	Troy Church of the Nazarene 1200 Barnhart Rd (SR 55 & Barnhart)	1 st Saturday of each month 9:30 AM	Mike & Deby Hoff	937-440-6950
O-2 Sidney	Peoples Federal Bank, Sidney	3 rd Sunday each month 1:00 PM	Kathy & Jim Crager	937-492-0491
R Greenville	Ohio Coop. Extension Office 700 Wayne Street	2 nd Sunday of each month 9:00 AM	Carl & Diane Gilpin	937-548-0439
S-2 Springfield	Rescue 95, Route 68 (1/2 mile from Young's Dairy)	3 rd Thursday of each month 7:30 PM	Don & Linda Friessen	937-325-7906
T-2 Trotwood	Trotwood Church of the Brethren 208 Main Street	1 st Monday of each month 7:30 PM	Norma & Charlie Tobias	937-854-1851
X-2 Middletown	Kings Activity Center-Otterbein off SR 741, north of SR 63	Last Saturday of each month 9:30 AM	Phil & Sandy Yaple	513-988-0880
G Kentucky	Ryan's Steak House I-75, Exit 182	2 nd Tuesday of each month 7:30 PM	Joe & Linda Mattioli	859-356-6702
G2 Indiana	The Reservation Restaurant Milan, IN	2 nd Thursday of each month 7:00 PM	Ed & Shelly Snapp	812-576-2105

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MAY 2003 ☺

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*Don't forget our Chapter Meeting on
May 21, 2003 - details inside!
Sending this to -*