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# QUEEN CITY WING RIDERS NEWS

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## Inside QCWR News!

Spring Fling has come and gone  
Now is the time to start planning  
For the Ohio Rally in June.  
We will be there, will you?  
Pre-Registration Deadline is June 7<sup>th</sup>.



## Let the fun Continue!

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

### Tidbits from Tim



Hello everyone. It looks like Mother Nature is finally getting her temperature regulated. Do you think the cool weather was compensating for a hot flash? Speaking of Mothers... I hope everyone remembered to celebrate Mothers Day with family and friends. Mothers Day is certainly a day to count our blessings for those very special people that seem to take care of everything.

On to Gold Wing news...I am glad to hear everyone made it back from the Tennessee Rally without any major mishaps. The weather was a little unseasonable but, none the less, the true spirit of GWRRA lives in friends having fun, safely, and maybe learning a bit or two in the mean time. Anita and I were very sorry to miss the ride as I was working that weekend. We are hoping to be there next year.

Our next big ride is Memorial Day. Jeff and Becky Weddle have a great ride planned for this extended weekend. Beautiful scenery, good food and friends, doesn't get much better. We won't be back long before we will be heading to Ashland for the Ohio Buckeye Rally. Chapter L will provide gate security on Friday from 7:30 AM-11:30 AM. We'll have sign up sheets at the May meeting for this. Anita and I plan to camp at the rally site this year so we can stay close to the action. We are looking forward to the rally as it is always a great time. I know that our state staff has been working very hard to make things a huge success.

The latest news from GWRRA National Headquarters is that Donald Brock has been named the new Executive Director effective May 16. Mr. Brock has a long history in the GWRRA organization and we are looking forward to his many years of experience as he begins his tenure as our organizational leader.

Well that is all I have for now. We hope to see all of you at or May meeting.

Ride safe...

Tim Kendrick

### Notes from Mrs. T

April showers bring May flowers.... Well I am waiting for the sun to come back out for those flowers to grow. Wonder what you get with April snow? Well the good news is that everyone made it back from Spring Fling safely. I think they needed some defrosting but everyone was okay. I am so looking forward to some warmer weather so we can actually get in some riding. Don't forget Mother Day this month.



For those of you lucky enough to still have your mom around, make sure she knows how special she is to you. And for those of you whose mothers have left this world they will know your thoughts and prayers are there for them. (Oh yeah, husbands I know she is not your mom but those children she had for you make this day very special) Don't forget to acknowledge this your life will be much better if you do.

Hope everyone will be able to make our meeting this month...and just maybe it will be on bikes! I will sign off for now. Take care.... Mrs. "T"



Anita

### Pins & Patches

Hi Everyone! L Yes, we are happy to announce some new additions to Pins & Patches this month. The first arrival is a Chapter L shirt which commemorates our 20 year anniversary. The T-shirt comes in blue and features a logo that was designed by our very own Jim Pennington. It comes in a wide range of sizes, which we will have on display at our next meeting.

My personal favorite is the middle child who is a lightweight jacket. The jacket is fleece lined and comes in 6 different colors. It especially looks nice in royal blue with the L Yes logo on it. Last to arrive is a button down shirt in a new color called chino. It can be ordered in both men and ladies sizes.

Be sure to stop at our display table and we will be glad to introduce you to the triplets. Hope to see everyone at May's meeting.



Tom & Barb Burns

## RALLIES AND CONCIERGE

The lid was blown off the rally season with the Tennessee Spring Fling. Reliable sources have reported that the weather was not very good for riding but was just fine for rallying and/or just having fun. Last year it was 85 degrees, but this year brought bone chilling riding conditions and even snow. Why is this? Several scientists believe we are on the brink of a new ice age. There is evidence of glacier advancements on a worldwide scale, and increased volcanism in many places. About eighty percent of all volcanism is under water causing ocean warming. Ocean temperatures jumped 10 to 18 degrees just prior to the last ice age, and are increasing today. This ocean warming leads to increased evaporation, which causes increased storms, flooding and blizzards. It is the added moisture and snowfall that triggers a new ice age. More snow on the ground perpetuates itself by reflecting solar radiation back into space, while steadily lowering the temperatures. Another signal is that the Earth's magnetic field has weakened by 10 per cent in the last 150 years, and could actually reverse itself, just as it has many times in history. According to science writer Robert W. Felix and others, the transition between a warm period and the following ice age can occur in as little as ten years.

The summer of 2004 was one of the coldest on record. In several northern states, it was the coldest. On the plus side, we can apparently look forward to more comfortable summers in years to come, especially those who expect to be doing more work around the house. More days of rain should mean more days to kick back, relax and resume retirement. When we are of a mind to get out and ride between the storms, we should be able to ride longer distances without needing as many breaks. Even though we have only a few years left before the food, beer, etc. runs out, we can surely expect that all but the last one or two will be really good ones.

At the time of this report, ten rooms remain on our reservation for the Buckeye Rally. However, the group reservation will expire on May 7, about a week ago as you read this. You may still be able to book a room at the Amerihost, but it needs to be *expeditious*. Plenty of rooms are still available for the Wing Ding Rally.

**MAY 20-22: INDIANA SPRING WARM UP** Bloomington, IN., 4-H Fairgrounds

**JUN 17-19: BUCKEYE "WINGS IN THE VALLEY"**  
RALLY Ashland County Fairgrounds Ashland, OH.  
Amerihost Inn 419-281-8090

**JUL 04-07: WING DING XXVII** Fort Wayne, IN., Quality Hotel (20 rooms) 260-484-7711 – "Chapter L of Ohio" Group

**AUG 05-07: MICHIGAN RALLY** Midland County Fairgrounds Midland, MI.

**AUG11-14: West Virginia RALLY** Cedar Lakes Conference Ctr. Ripley, WV.

**AUG 26-27: KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS BLAST RALLY** Executive Inn Paducah, KY.

**SEP 15-18: REGION D HILLBILLY HOOT** Calhoun County Fairgrounds Marshall/Battle Creek, MI.

**SEP 22-24: WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES** Asheville/Fletcher, N.C.

**OCT 06-09: VIRGINIA RALLY IN THE VALLEY** Salem Civic Center Salem, VA

Our revised rally schedule for 2005 has been posted to the Chapter L web site ([www.gcwr.org](http://www.gcwr.org)) and is also available as hard copy on our events table at the gatherings. Concierge information is also available on the table. Thanks for pausing here and we hope to see you at the next gathering, if not elsewhere.



Walt (The Ground Hog) and Diane Hart



### Rider Education & Motorist Awareness

By Tom Runck

Congratulations to the following drivers who completed the Experienced Rider Course at Scarlet Oaks on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>: David Heim, Tim Kendrick, Greg Hauck, Howard Ploegsma, Carl Hauser, Jim Beeber, Judy Wyckoff, Marshall Goodman, and Mike Murdock. They had a beautiful day to ride and I think everyone enjoyed the revised format of the class and especially the "no test" option. Thanks for stepping up to make sure that your skills are up-to-date and don't forget to notify your insurance company about your completion of this class. Most offer some sort of discount for completing it.

For anyone interested in the Basic Rider Course (BRC), Cris Hauser has arranged for another class. The classroom instruction will be held on Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> and the range work on

Sat.-Sun., August 27-28. Get in touch with Cris if you are interested in taking this class.

I came across the following article that is very relevant to the beginning of riding season. It is about Limits. As we begin to ride each year we not only need to check out our bikes for wear and tear or changes but we need to make sure that we are in tip top shape too. What has changed about us over the long winter? Do we need to make changes in how we ride or set new limits for ourselves? Something to think about, for sure.

### Limits

by Jackie Vaughan

Everything in life has limits. When we were young, we had bedtimes that were far too early, especially on a summer night, or when something good was on TV. As we got older, curfews and the frustrations of limited spending money chafed us. We were pretty much controlled by how often and how long we could borrow the car. Still, we stretched and broke the limits with only minor repercussions.

As riders we have limits, too, and these, unlike legal limits such as speed and right-of-way, can only be stretched so far before the consequences become very dire indeed. These limits are our personal limits, the limits of our machines, and the limits of our environment. To ride safely, we must know these limits and ride within them. This would be a fairly easy task if the limits were fixed and separate. However, they are each highly variable and intertwined so that one can affect the others.

Personal limits change constantly. There are the slow, but perceptible signs of aging when we finally don glasses that eventually give way to bifocals and when hearing dims. As we reach the over-the-hill age of

40, night vision begins to lessen. With any luck, skill and experience provide compensation.

MRC:RSS:	First Aid:
ERC: 9	CPR:
Parking Lot Prac:	Co-Rider: 1
Trailer Course:	Trailing/Tour Video:
Side Car:	Talk at Chap. Mtg: 48
Trike Course:	Other:

Not even the young among us are immune to personal limits. We are all susceptible. These limits can be imposed by physical conditions such as fatigue or emotion or by medications, both over-the-counter and prescription. New prescriptions can have unexpected side effects, and drug interactions

can produce terrifying reactions. Medications should be carefully discussed with doctor and pharmacist before we ride. Getting all prescriptions filled at the same pharmacy lessens the chance of a conflict or overdose not being spotted. Recreational drugs create dangers that should be obvious.

Over-the-counter drugs frequently pose problems. Almost every label on allergy medications carries the warning, "May cause drowsiness. Do not operate heavy machinery while taking this medication." By heavy machinery they don't mean bulldozers or tanks. They mean cars and trucks and motorcycles and riding lawnmowers and anything else where a drowsy, dizzy or uncoordinated operator could have an accident. Almost every skill needed to safely operate a motorcycle is affected by such medicines.

Even when we're at our physical best, our motorcycles pose limits. Obvious ones are type and power. A fully loaded touring bike is not made to ride over sand dunes at the beach, nor is a two-up 125-cc bike safe on the interstate. Even the best-maintained bike is subject to routine wear and tear. New tires are slick until the mold release wears off. Cheap tires can offer poor traction under even optimum conditions. Brake pads wear. A poorly cared for bike is two-wheeled disaster.

Even when our bikes and we are in tip-top condition, the environment can sharply define our limits. A twisty back road is a joy on a warm sunny day. The same road on a cold, wet night is a rider's nightmare. Cold can dull our reflexes and slow our reaction times. Numbed hands operate controls more slowly and with less feedback, making full-braking stops less effective. Nature can brush a road with sand or mist it with rain or fog. Our only choice is to slow down and to avoid any sudden changes in speed or direction. We should never be so dumb that we don't realize it is time to get off the road.

Our limits, the limits of our machines, and natural limits, all combined in endless permutations, are part of the challenge of motorcycling. Knowing these limits and riding within them are part of the responsibility of motorcycling. And that is part of the joy of motorcycling. Copyright © 2000 by Jackie Vaughan.

I hope to see you at our next meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Tom Runck,  
Chapter Ride Educator  
Master Tour Rider # 3605

## Chapter Treasurer

By Pat Runck

The infamous April showers turned into SNOW showers and just in time for the ride home from the Tennessee Rally. Glad to say that this year I was snuggled on the couch in my family room. As much as I love to ride, the thought of braving 40-degree temperatures on the ride home just didn't sound like fun at all. Hope everyone had a good time and arrived home safely. There's always next year...

As usual, the Tennessee Rally kept our attendance down at our April meeting. With the beautiful 70+ weather we enjoyed on April 20<sup>th</sup>, a lot of people were wise to head down to Tennessee early. We had 48 people join us for what turned into a very fun night. For some reason I just remember doing a lot of laughing and boy did that feel good. If you remember last year this time we were anticipating the arrival of the dreaded cicadas. Hard to believe that was a year ago.

Our lucky membership draw winner was Brenda Pennington and she went home with \$10.00 extra to spend at Spring Fling after she rang one of "L's Bells". You just might be the winner this month if you drop your current GWRRA membership card in the jar at the sign-in table. Speaking of lucky, the winner of our traveling door prize was Pauline Boderone. Fred Meyer, our winner in February, brought it back filled with all kinds of neat stuff including a camera and film. Thanks, Fred, and congratulations, Pauline!

Even though our attendance was down a bit, we still had plenty of door prizes to give away thanks to the following people: Roy & Kathy Richard, Bige Napier, Jim & Brenda Pennington, Tom & Pat Runck, Jack Elsen & Pauline Boderone, Sam & Donna Peterson, Bud Hensler, Andy & Janet Andrea and Fred Meyers. Thanks so much for your generosity!

Thanks also to Fred Manning who was our official first "deputy" on Fred Hick's staff – passing the "bucket" to collect the donations from our meeting participants. Since Sheriff Hicks is traveling the US in his RV, we will be adding deputies to help with our monthly collections. Thanks to Deputy Manning for stepping up to serve!

Don't forget to bring in your non-perishable food items and also gently used or new clothing for our Christmas in July collection. You get an extra door prize ticket for bringing in something. Also, May is -01 month at Chapter L so that means that Anita and the rest of the gals will be running the show at

our meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>. It is sure to be a fun night and I hope you plan to join us.



Don't forget that May is also the month we honor our mothers (May 8<sup>th</sup> this year). U.S. president Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating the second

Sunday in May as Mother's Day on May 14, 1914. There is a tradition that calls for wearing carnations on Mother's Day – a red one if one's mother is alive and white if she has died. Don't forget to tell your mom how much she means to you (if you are fortunate enough to still have her here) or if she is no longer alive, honor her memory in some way meaningful to you. And...Happy Mother's Day to all you moms out there!

I hope to see you at our -01 meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Your donation of door prizes would be greatly appreciated too. See you soon and remember...together we can have one "L" of a good time.

Take care,



Pat  
Treasurer &  
Master Tour Rider #4900

## SUNSHINE

By Pauline Boderone  
Paulines' Preposterous Poetry



THIS IS THE MONTH OF MAY.  
SO THE CALENDAR DOES SAY.  
TELL ME PLEASE,  
DO NOT TEASE,  
WHERE DID THE WARM WEATHER GO?  
DOES ANYONE OUT THERE KNOW?



### May Birthdays

- 1 Richard Leffler
- 1 Bobbi Harless
- 2 Fred Baurichter
- 5 Kristina Albert
- 6 Kristina Darkins
- 8 Janet Andrea
- 9 Norma Brown
- 11 Linda Elsen
- 12 Joe Schmidt

15 Roy Williams  
18 Ed Packard  
19 Robin Hauser  
20 Brenda Pennington  
20 Walt Hart  
27 Sandy Schmidt  
29 Kathy Peck  
30 Mary Napier



### May Anniversaries

4 Ted/Carol Colgate  
19 Bud/Peg Smith  
25 Roger/Terry Feiler  
30 Kirk/Ronda Doebrick

## Membership Enhancement

The Harless & Hauser Report

When you enter, sign in and please drop your membership card in the jar while you are at the sign-in table. Each month we giveaway **\$5.00**, **\$10.00** or **\$15.00** to one lucky member, but you can't win if you don't have a **current GWRRA** membership card. That's why you need to drop your card in the jar for the drawing. If your card is drawn from the jar you will be given the chance to ring a bell to determine the prize amount you win. The winner for April was Brenda Pennington. She won **\$10.00**. That's all you have to do. Your card will be returned to you by the end of the meeting. If we run late we will have it at the sign-in table after the meeting.

Remember new members and visitors should feel comfortable and welcomed by everyone so if you see someone new or that has not been around for awhile say Howdy and show them that you are glad to see them.

If you have been to one of our meetings in the last twelve months, all Chapter L needs you to do is check off your name on the printed list. **If you bring a guest**, 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.

**RECRUITING**-If you are not aware of it GWRRA has a new recruiting offer. Each time you recruit someone his or her name and yours goes into a drum for a drawing. The Grand prize could be a brand new **Honda Goldwing, Silverwing or**

**wholesale cash equivalent.** Plus the recruits qualify for the rewards program also. Your membership will be renewed one year for recruiting **three (3) new memberships.** You can get up to three renewals. Check out the Free Renewal program in the latest issue of Wing World.

If anyone who now receives the newsletter, by regular mail and would like to receive it by E-mail (this would save us a lot on our postage and copying expenses). Just let us know at the membership sign-in table and give us your E-mail address.

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 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 regular Chapter L, gathering which will be our May 18th at **7:00 PM.** at the Lakeridge Conference Center. Contact Tim or Anita for information 513-829-7163.

**Remember to always ride as though the other guy cannot see you, chances are he doesn't.**



**Rick & Bobbie  
Carl & Cris**

## Chapter "L" Ride and Event Calendar

The Weddle & Williams Report

Hey wingers how are you? I cannot believe how freaking cold it has been. We just broke another low temperature this morning. What is up with that? What about the weather for the Spring Fling? It was the worst weather we have had in the 5 years that Becky and I have been going. Let's hope for brighter warmer weather for the rest of the riding season. Speaking of riding, here we go.

- **1<sup>st</sup> of the month Dinner Ride** was great. We would like to thank Rick & Bobbie for planning the May 1<sup>st</sup> dinner at Riley's'. The food was great and the company is always the best. If you can join us in June the ride will be on June 5<sup>th</sup> and we'll have more details and a sign-up at the next Chapter L meeting.

## Upcoming Rides & Events:

**1<sup>st</sup> of the month dinner ride in June** will be lead by Bud and Peggy Smith. It will be a mystery dinner ride meeting at the Miami Park-n-Ride at 3:00 with dinner at 5:00. Thanks Bud and Peg for covering for Becky and I.



**Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** E-2 Cruise-in meet 10 a.m. @ Bob Evans on Colerain. After Cruise-in join Jeff & Becky for "Save Room for Dessert Ride".

**Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**. \* Blessing of the Bikes... Leaving from Bob Evans on Colerain @10:00 AM. Call Hauser's for more information 851-0714

**Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** \*Day ride with Andy & Janet Andrea ... Andy plans to **leave** the Miamitown Park & Ride on St Rt. 128 at 1pm, so arrive early for the planning meeting. They'll ride some beautiful back roads the end with dinner at Delaney's around 5pm. If you plan to meet for dinner please let Andy & Janet know so reservation can be made. Delaney's is located on Stateline Road at St Rt. 50.

**Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>** Indiana Rally – Roy & Kathy Richard are leading a ride to the Indian Rally. Leaving from Miamitown (St Rt. 128) Wendy's at 8:00 AM, Saturday, May 21 to ride to the fairgrounds in Bloomington, Indiana. Return trip will be "On Your Own" contact Roy or Kathy for additional information (513-741-3548)

**May 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>** Memorial Day Ride... The Weddle's Weekend Ride is fast approaching, if you think you'll be riding, be sure to contact Jeff or Becky for route info and accommodations. I hear it is a great weekend and a beautiful way to start the summer ride season.

**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** X2 Treasure Hunt (fundraiser) meet at Bob Evans on Colerain @ 11a.m. – Carl Hauser

**Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** "Trike Ride" with Roy & Kathy Richard - Leaving from Bob Evans on Colerain Avenue at 11:00AM, for an afternoon ride (all bikes and trikes are invited) - Roy and Kathy Richard (513-741-3548)

**June 17 – 19<sup>th</sup>** Ohio Rally is fast approaching. Walt & Diane Hart have the Hotel info in process. Contact the Hart's for more info and be sure to **pre-register**.

**Saturday & Sunday July 30 & 31<sup>st</sup>** plan to join Roy and Sheli Williams in Chillicothe, OH. We are planning to see "Tecumseh". Plan to leave on Saturday morning, riding back roads to Chillicothe and checking in at the "Christopher Inn" around 2:30- 3pm. The cost will be \$118.00 per couple for the outdoor drama, your accommodations for the night and breakfast the next day. Final reservations must be made by July 1<sup>st</sup>. We'll have a sign up sheet at the next meeting.

We still need a volunteer to schedule a ride on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Your schedule shows a

"Weddle Day Ride". This has been cancelled. The Weddle's are planning a trip to HONDA HOOT. Let us know if you might be interested in planning a day ride. This is a great opportunity for someone who has never planned a ride and would like to jump in! There are plenty of experienced planners who would be happy to help!

Jeff & Becky  
Roy & Sheli

## **GOLD WING RECIPE REVIEW**

By: Fred Meyers

Italian Meat Loaf



We all know that most pasta dishes are pretty quick to prepare. Just boil some noodles and garnish them with any thing from olive oil to meatballs. Well, speaking of meat, here is an Italian meat loaf that is delicious and can be served with a side of pasta, garlic bread and vino.

1-10oz package chopped spinach  
1-10oz package frozen green peas  
1C Italian bread crumbs  
1/4C milk  
2# ground round  
1# sweet Italian sausage  
1 medium onion diced  
2 eggs, well beaten  
1T salt  
1/2t leaf basil, crumbled  
1/2t leaf thyme, crumbled  
1/2t ground nutmeg  
1/2c freshly grated Parmesan cheese (or the Kraft kind)  
1/2c pine nuts or shelled pistachios (or diced water chestnuts)

Drain the thawed spinach; pick up in hands and squeeze as dry as possible. Combine with breadcrumbs, milk, beef, sausage, onion, eggs, salt, basil, thyme, nutmeg and cheese. Mix lightly with hands or a wooden spoon until ingredients are just blended. Fold in nuts and peas.

Divide the mixture in half and gently pat into two 10" long loaves on a cookie sheet or in a baking dish. Don't pack tightly as this tends to make a tough loaf.

Bake at 350 degrees for 1.5 hours, basting frequently with pan juices. Cool in pan, brushing occasionally with pan juices.  
Extra loaf can be wrapped in foil and frozen for a meal later on.

Bon Appetit!

## **MS-150 WE NEED YOU**

What is the MS-150? It is a two-day fully supported 150-mile bike tour that begins with breakfast and entertainment at the brand new Roberts Conference Center. The 2005 MS 150 is excited to offer a 50 mile a day option for our friends who still want the challenge of a bike tour but aren't up to 75 miles a day.

The "tour de farms" weaves through beautiful scenic farmland, backcountry woodlands and over several historic covered bridges on its way to the University of Dayton where riders will stay overnight in spacious air-conditioned suites. The fun at UD will include swimming, bowling, billiards, movies, handmade milk shakes, a raffle, and a live band!

After a hot breakfast on Sunday, in our private café riders will head back to the Roberts Conference Center for a family and community carnival complete with cotton candy!

As in years past, GWRRA will be supporting the MS-150 with Safety. We man intersections and other potentially DANGEROUS spots on the route to warn the riders of these dangers. This year there are over 100 turns on the route and we need your help manning the most dangerous ones. The event starts at 7:30 AM, with a mass exit from the Roberts Conference Center on Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>.

The Roberts Conference Center is located on I-71 & Rt. 68 at Exit 50. We will be spending the night at the University of Dayton. Then will return to the Roberts Conference Center on Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>. If you can help us out on this weekend, or any part of it, give me a call, (513- 851-0714) or e-mail (hauseriii@fuse.net) we will find a spot for you.

**Carl & Cris**



### **CHAPTER L's ERC is great fun, and a great success.**

by Judy Wyckoff  
A-2 Chapter Educator

Chapter L sponsored an extremely successful Experienced Rider Course (ERC) on Saturday, April 16, 2005. The nine participants were: David Heim, Tim Kendrick, Greg Hauck, Howard Ploegsma, Carl Hauser, Jim Beeber, Martin Siegal, Marshall Goodman, and me.

I don't believe we could possibly have had nicer weather! When I left home it was 37 degrees,

which is just a little cool, but the sun was shining and it was a short ride, so it wasn't bad at all. The temperature gradually rose to a beautiful 75 degrees by the end of the afternoon.

On my way to the ERC, I stopped at McDonalds to top off my coffee and it seems that was a mistake. When I arrived at the Scarlet Oaks campus on East Kemper Road, most of the guys were already there and when I took my first sip of my coffee, I was immediately told that I was not allowed to drink and ride unless I brought enough to share. There was also some discussion about the lack of doughnuts. Al, one of our instructors, stated that this was the first GWRRA ERC he had taught, that didn't provide doughnuts. General consensus was that the Chapter Director dropped the ball on that one, but we didn't hold it against Tim since he is still a little new to the job. Wyn who was a rookie at teaching the ERC assisted Al. I think she did a nice job for her first time.

We filled out all of our paperwork including the necessary motorcycle endorsement on our drivers' licenses, proof of insurance, and the T-CLOCS inspection. I was so happy that when I washed my bike the day before I just happened to notice that one of my headlights was out. Knowing that the 1800 headlights burn out often I had a replacement in my trunk. I was able to get it changed with a phone call to Jim Pennington (thanks Jim). I was so happy I noticed it was out. How embarrassing would it be to show up to an ERC course with a headlight out? I aired up the tires, had a full tank of gas, and oil change a couple of weeks ago. I was ready. Don't ya know it; my headlight was out again the next morning. I'm not so sure they believed me when I said I had changed the bulb the day before. Carl and others worked with it. It burned for awhile and then went out again for good. So much for my trying to be prepared.

We did our warm-up ride, weaving and turning, slow riding, pause and go, riding over a two by four, and riding with one hand (which by the way is a great deal harder than you think). Riding down the road with one hand is a piece of cake. Try the offset cone weave with one hand. It is very challenging.

We progressed to my nightmare, slow speed U-turns in a small space, AKA the box. I think I finally did it one time. I love watching the riders do it seemingly effortlessly. Great job guys! Each time I take the ERC I improve on that a great deal. I am improving the head turn and am determined to master those slow speed turns! Later we moved on to higher speed turns where you could choose from



three different turns, tight, medium, and fairly wide. You can add a little speed on those and I am much more comfortable on those.

Later in the day we progressed to working on quick stopping (close to a panic stop), swerving to either direction on command, and starting into a curve, then imagining that there is an obstacle in our way and having to do a quick stop. The emphasis there was to make sure you straighten up your bike completely before stopping. That was one of my favorite drills. Learning to stop after going into a turn is really important, and something that does not necessarily come naturally. If you don't straighten up that bike, there is a good chance you will go down.

The new format of the ERC makes both the written and the riding tests optional. We gladly opted to not take the tests and call it a day. And a great day it was. I think we all learned some things that will help us improve our riding skills and be safer riders out on the roads.

This is my third ERC and I highly recommend one of these classes to all riders, and co-riders (they can be taken two-up). You can never be too well prepared.

Thanks Al and Wyn, and all you guys for a great class and a great day.

And remember, "Safety Is For Life".

Judy



## Chapter Historian – Ohio Couple of the Year 2005

By Jim Pennington (and Brenda too)

Well, what happened last month? Seems that we were really busy with my mother in the nursing home and just didn't get a newsletter article to Cris. Our apology ... just couldn't fit in the time.

Several members of Chapter L attended the Spring Fling in Tennessee recently. We ran into many old friends from TN including Zearl & Jane Black, Sam & Nancy Winters, John & Louise Koty, Tom & Kathy Peck, Tom & Carolyn Jarrell and many others. We saw SW Ohio members everywhere, especially those from L, A-2, E-2, X-2 and of course, the Ohio District Staff. Ohio District won the award for the most members registered from out of Region N. Thanks Ohio members for

registering for the rally. It seemed like everyone had fun, bought chrome or some other goodies from the vendors and some even found a break in the weather to have a ride or two. Everyone had some very drizzly times at the rally and a chilly; no make that downright cold ride home. We need to reflect on some history here and some of the older chapter members can remember some very cold, rainy, icy and otherwise unpleasant rides coming back from the Spring Fling. We've all made it though and had something to talk about later!

We've lost another former member. The older members of the chapter remember Ed Koch. Ed had been very sick with cancer for quite sometime. Ed lost his battle on Monday April 25, 2005. Several members gathered to pay their last respects to our friend Ed and to give a hug to his wife Barb. Ed was an active rider until his illness and enjoyed traveling. In 1994 we met up with the Rich & Nancy Hesse group that included Ed and Barb up in New Hampshire. Ed had arranged motel rooms for us and I don't think I've had a motel room for \$36 a night before or after that trip. Ed was a terrific negotiator when it came to spending a few bucks on motels. Anyway, even though Ed gave up motorcycling, he did not forget his friends. Chapter L used Ed's business for embroidery work for our Chapter shirts until recently. I am sure a card would help Barb make it through this time. If you would care to send her a card, her address is:  
20263 Alpine Drive, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025.

Brenda is on the countdown to retirement at the end of this month and when that happens we, as District Couple of the Year, plan on visiting various chapters and chapter events as we can this year.

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift. That's why it's called the present! Life is short, ... have to get time to find some longer roads and make some more history.

Jim (AKA Road Runner)



Don't forget to register for the Ohio Rally coming in June. See attached registration form for your convenience.

Don't forget to bring your can goods or clothing for Christmas in July. We are still collecting.

## Scrapbooks

Becky Weddle

A quick note for the scrapbook, **SEND PICTURES!** To be more specific, send pictures of wingers having fun, enjoying rides, doing the rally thing, eating, doing the cruise-in thing, more eating, dancing, laughing, sleeping, and cross dressing. You know the "normal" stuff. I want to keep the scrapbook for '05 as current as possible so I won't hate this job next January. Please help. You can E-mail them to: [Blkbltbec@fuse.net](mailto:Blkbltbec@fuse.net) or

You can mail them to:

Becky Weddle  
1084 Belvoir Lane  
Cincinnati, OH 45238 or

Bring them to a chapter meeting!

We'll chat later, **Bec**

## BRC Course

By Cris Hauser

Back by popular demand is the Basic Rider Course (BRC). I contacted Joe Burke with the Great Oaks and he has assured me that we will be having a class for GWRRA members & friends. The class will be held at Diamond Oaks on August 24<sup>th</sup>(5:45 p.m.) and August 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> (1:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

Those of you who have contacted me and put your name on the list, I am now collecting the registration fees. Checks need to be made payable to "**Great Oaks**" for \$25.00.

Please email me with the following info: your name, address, phones number & birth date so that I may complete the registration forms. My email address is [hausercr@fuse.net](mailto:hausercr@fuse.net). If you do not have email you can call me at (513) 851-0714 or see me at the next meeting to get the registration form completed.

**Cris**

## Watering Hole

Hello fellow Goldwingers! Be sure to stop at the watering hole and buy a cold soda pop a hot cup of freshly brewed coffee or a cup of hot tea while attending the Chapter L May monthly meeting. It's the annual "01" meeting night so Kathy will be tending the bar. See you all at the Lakeridge Conference Hall, Wednesday evening, May 20th at 7:30 PM. Happy Riding.

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# Ohio Buckeye Rally – Wings In The Valley

June 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005  
Ashland, Ohio Fairgrounds



Complete this page in its entirety and mail with fees before June 7th, 2005. Events Pins for first 1500 registered.  
Make check or money order payable to: GWRRA of Ohio

**Mail to: Roger & Penny Hurley, 201 Southview Ln., West Milton, Ohio 45383 Tel (937) 698-4443**

**Explanation of Fee Entitlements**

**Full** – Entitled to full participation in ALL activities and events at the Rally. On-site Full Registration fees will be \$5 higher per person.  
**One Day Admission (on-site):** \$12 members, \$15 non-members – Admits person to grounds only with NO entitlement to participate in activities or events.  
**One-Day Admission with Bike Show Entry (on-site):** \$17 members, \$23 non-members, permits participation in the Bike Show event. Arm Bands will be checked at each event.

Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration – Member \$25 Per Person \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Qty: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration – Non Member \$30 Per Person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Qty: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration – Ages 13 To 16 \$5 Per Person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Qty: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration – Number of Children Ages 12 and Under Free

**Camping per Unit**

Motorcycle transported units, including tents: \$10 for entire Rally \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 All RV's: \$10.00 Per Day Day's \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Fees cover Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights only. Campers will be permitted on grounds **No Earlier** than Thursday at noon without making special arrangements with the District. Additional fees for camping prior to noon Thursday will be collected by the fairboard. GWRRA reserves the right to remove any marking, roping, or barricading of the camp deemed excessive or inappropriate to the best interest of all.

**T-Shirts (Short Sleeve)**

Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ X Large \_\_\_\_\_ \$12 Each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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**T Shirts – (Long Sleeve)**

Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ X Large \_\_\_\_\_ \$16 Each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 XXL \_\_\_\_\_ XXXL \_\_\_\_\_ \$18 Each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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No shirts may be ordered after June 1, 2005, but can be purchased on site For a slightly higher cost.

**Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Note: Refunds after May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005 subject to \$10 fee. No refunds after June 1, 2005 without District Directors approval.**

Driver \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Passenger \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Driver Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passenger Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Meeting Location</b>	<b>Day/Time of Meeting</b>	<b>Chapter Directors</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
A-2 Hamilton	K of C Hall 930 Hamilton-Cleves Rd.	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:30 PM meeting, early to eat	Debbie Winkler	513-661-1226
E-2 Eastside	New England Club 8100 block Beechmont Ave (Rt. 125)	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month 7:30 PM meeting	Ken & Nancy Fread	513-899-3020
F Fairborn	Rousch's Restaurant Main Street, Fairborn	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month 9:30 AM	Jerry & Barbara Martindale	513-934-2513
G-3 Eaton	Eaton Fire Dept Station #2 Lexington Road W	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 7:00 PM	Noel (Putt) & Marcia Lindsey	937-839-4064
J Dayton	Fuddrucker's 8850 Kingridge Dr., Dayton	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month 7:30 PM	Norm & Sherry Zintz	937-435-2172
K Troy	Troy Church of the Nazarene 1200 Barnhart Rd (SR 55 & Barnhart)	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month 9:30 AM	Mike & Deby Hoff	937-440-6950
R Greenville	Ohio Coop. Extension Office 700 Wayne Street	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month 10:30 AM	Carl & Diane Gilpin	937-548-0439
S-2 Springfield	Rescue 95, Route 68 (1/2 mile from Young's Dairy)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:30 PM	Marilyn & Bob McNeely	937-484-3355
T-2 Trotwood	Trotwood Church of the Brethren 208 Main Street (Wolf Creek/ & Main)	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 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	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 9:00 AM	Al & Donna Hoffman	513-932-0934
G Kentucky	Ryan's Steak House I-75, Exit 182	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:30 PM	John & Julie Harris	859-727-8575
G2 Indiana	The Reservation Restaurant Milan, IN	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month 7:00 PM	Ed & Shelly Snapp	812-576-2105

*Tim & Anita Kendrick  
Chapter Directors  
352 Palmsprings Dr.  
Fairfield, OH 45014*



**L** *Yes!*

*Don't forget our Chapter Meeting on  
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May 2005 ☺

