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2002, It's Just A Memory

Where did 2002 go? It went by way too fast and I

didn't get to ride the wing as much as I would have liked to, nonetheless, we had some great chapter events. Beginning with our rally in February, the District Rally, the spring campout, the Mall Bike Show, the Christmas party, and many other events and rides in between. It's time for us to buckle down and start the new year by preparing for our rally which takes place next month. For those of you who haven't volunteered in the past to help with our chapter rally, now is your chance to come forward and experience the joy of working with other chapter members as a team so that we can produce another successful rally, but more

importantly to enjoy the comraderie with other fellow motorcyclists.

At the Christmas Party we presented **Sonny Rollo** with a plaque for **20 years of service** to this chapter. It's people like **Sonny** and **Anne** that make this organization a joy to be in. The old adage of, "You get more out of an organization, the more you put into it", is so true with any association or organization I've ever belonged to, and is certainly true with GWRRR and this chapter.

Ride Safe,
Hugh
Chapter Director

Meeting Dates: January 9, February 13

Staff Meeting: January 14 (7:00 PM)

Western Sizzlin', N Monroe Street, 6:30 Eat, 7:30 Meet

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Awesome Events

Toys for Tots ride was a huge success so I hear. A sore throat kept me from going, so all of my information was second hand. If you have some great photos of this event, I'm sure we would all enjoy them.

The Christmas Party

If you missed it...we hope to see you there next year. As always, Edenbrook provided fabulous food and beautiful surroundings in which to enjoy our Christmas celebration. The club would like to thank Marcy Waller and the wonderful staff at Edenbrook for making it so special. Alas, everyone was so caught up in remembering their gifts that no one remembered their cameras so this moment will be cherished as a special memory to those who enjoyed the evening together.

EDITORIAL CORRECTION:

Karen received her Associate Webmaster Professional certification in April, and her Certified Webmaster Professional designation last month.

Getting to know you, getting to know all about you...yes, I'm looking for a new Member Profile. That doesn't mean you have to be new in the club, just a "not previously published" biography will do the trick. Getting to know more about our members is half the fun! And we look forward to including that fabulous photo you've got hidden away somewhere.

Members' e-mail addresses:

There have been several changes in e-mail addresses lately. You may want to change them in your e-mail address book.

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I love getting special articles. Call or e-mail me to make arrangements.

Wishing you wonderful rides!



Time to Re-Up

from January 2002 printout.
January

Len Martin
Michael Mayer & Chris Moore
Jack Schardine

Sunshine

Do you know a member with illness or death in their immediate family? Call Carolyn Campbell, Sunshine Chairperson, 997- 4901 or e-mail: campbellc@sbcglobal.net (Please note Carolyn now has E-Mail!)

Need A Chapter Shirt or Cap?

Contact Sunny Andrews at
2sunny2@tds.net or
(850) 875 - 6224



January Birthdays

Chris Moore	01/03
Sheila Carroll	01/13
Donna Daniels	01/13
Lettie Stith	01/13
Gus Daniels	01/18
Steve Carroll	01/23
Wesley Shivers	01/24

February Birthdays

Carolyn Campbell	02/03
Karen Share	02/03
Durrell Daniels	02/08
Hugh Waller	02/12
Mary Ann McKee	02/16
Margaret Parmer	02/22
Gary Allen	02/27

January Anniversaries

Ray & Linda Henley	01/11
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February Anniversaries
None

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SCRAPE!!!!

So you practiced cornering all summer using slow, look, lean, and roll. You studied delayed apexes and lines through curves. You learned to

Pre-Load

get your entry speed down so that you could gently accelerate through the beginning of curves and blast your way out of the exit. You

got so good at negotiating curves on your cruiser or tourer, that now you have another problem. Every time you go through a really fun curve your machine scrapes the pavement and showers everyone behind you with sparks and asphalt. You paid a lot of money for your bike and for the chrome that is being ground off and you sure aren't ready to trade it for a sport bike. Besides, letting the metal parts of the bike contact the road can seriously affect control. So what do you do?

First off, when you get back from a sparkly ride, check your suspension. Ideally, your suspension should be in

the middle of its travel with the bike loaded as you normally ride. The best way to check suspension travel is to sit on the loaded bike and have someone else do some measurements. If you normally carry a passenger, get the passenger on board, too.

If you discover that your machine sits too low when loaded, first jack up the shock springs to maximum pre-load, and if that doesn't do it, figure on replacing the springs with stronger ones. Sagging front fork springs may be acceptable with spacers to increase the pre-load. If your suspension has air, carefully add a bit of pressure. Adjusting suspension toward the middle of its travel not only increases lean-over clearance but also helps keep the tires in contact with the pavement.

If you've jacked up the shock springs but your low-slung cruiser still makes sparks, you can either lose some weight, or modify your cornering lines. Within limits, you can adjust where you make the tightest part of your corner. For example, you can follow more of a V-shaped line that decelerates on a straighter entry toward a shorter, slower turn, then exits on a straighter line. Sure, you have to slow way down for the tight part of the V, but you can accelerate harder exiting on a straighter line. This means making a significant adjustment in the middle of the turn. An easier method would be to slow

your entry speed way down and take the entire curve slower.

If you scrape in a curve, be sure to keep your power on. If you take the power off, the bike will try to lean more, putting more weight on the part that is scraping and taking weight off the tires. This will reduce your traction and reduce your control. Maybe the best approach is to slow down and enjoy the ride.

Ben Caldwell (Asheville NC)
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"Safety Is for Life!"

Rider Education Coordinator position is open. Please contact Hugh Waller if you would like to learn more.

Tom Fisher will be stepping down as Rider Education Coordinator. We appreciate all the time and effort he has devoted to the Chapter and great Safety Articles he has provided for the Newsletter.

This Newspaper article appeared back on April 25, 1982

Canopy Road Cruisers Celebrates 20th Anniversary

Gold Wing motorcycle group is fighting 'gang' image

Stressing safety awareness

Twenty years of riding fun and fellowship have flown by. Some, like **Sonny Rollo and his wife Anne** have been there from the beginning providing leadership and support to the FL1-A2 GWRRA Chapter locally known as the **Canopy Road Cruisers**. And they still participate in many of the events. Others like long time member **Charles Couch** have also taken their turn as Chapter Director and have then continued in various leadership roles within the club, providing steady support and advice to newer members as they take over the helm.

Somehow the Anniversary year slipped by without a special event to mark the occasion. So here now, we look back not only at the year 2002, but also those moments that have made the Canopy Road Cruisers a club where people have joined together to enjoy what they love to do. Ride their motorcycles.

I hope you enjoy this small collection of memories.

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Sonny and Ann Rollo from Tallahassee don't have to overload on their tours.



Gold Wing Road Riders

...newly organized in the region, are creating a better image with the four-wheeled public. At a meeting of

the group, there may be from \$75,000 to \$150,000 in motorcycles on the parking lot like this.



Tallahassee Bike Show 2001

Enjoying an outing to Monticello.



Fun in the Sun at Apalachicola

Good people doing good things for our community.



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1995 GoldWing SE, magenta, 60K, garage kept, many extras.
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FOR SALE:

1982 Gold Wing, 200,000 miles, damaged in front end collision. No front wheel or fork. Engine, frame, instruments, rear suspension and wheel in good condition. \$ 700.00 or best offer.

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\$ 5.00

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is waiting for you! We'd love to hear about YOUR adventures. Call Faith Martin at the editorial office: (850) 562 - 9480 or e-mail: aries12@comcast.net.

Articles may be submitted in any word processing program and saved as a .rtf (rich text) or .txt (plain text) file.

R. D. White

Editor's Note:

R.D. was kind enough to send this bit about himself and Linda. He doesn't have a picture available right now, but with any luck we will catch him at a meeting or ride in the near future.

Name: R. D. White

Occupation: Retired March 02, with 35 years service at the Leon County Sheriff's Office.

Significant other: Linda

Children, grandchildren: Together we have three grown children, one grandchild and two great grandchildren.

Pets: none

Bikes owned: Honda Goldwing 1500

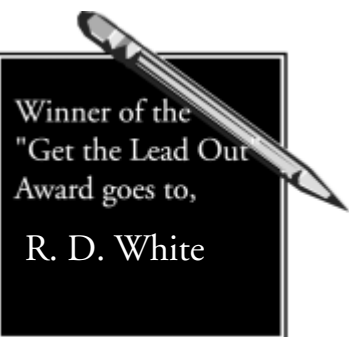
Best/funniest/longest motorcycle trip: The best motorcycle trip was this fall to the Smokey Mountains.

Why I ride:

I ride simply for pleasure.

What I like best about Chapter FL1-A2:

Because of previous commitments I have not been able to participate; but hope to in the future.



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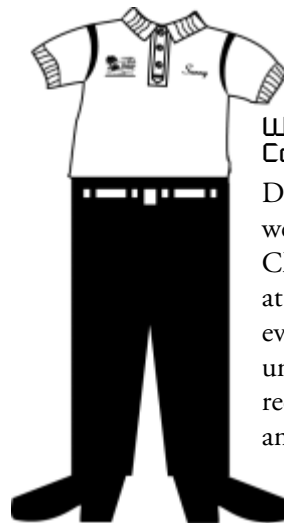
- January 09 Monthly meeting at Western Sizzlin' - 6:30 eat, 7:30 meet
- January 14 Staff Meeting - All Members Invited - 7:00 PM
- January 16 Dinner ride - Homecoming Restaurant, Thomasville
Leave from # 6 - 6:30 PM
- February 15 Dale Green Memorial Fund Day - Tom Brown Park
10:00 AM — 6:00 PM
For the latest information, check out the website
www.dalegreenmemorialfundday.org
- February 22 Chapter Rally - Ramada Inn North

Many flyers are available at the meeting from Hugh Waller. Call Charles Couch or the Telephone Coordinators for more information on scheduled and unscheduled rides!

Departure Points

- # 1: Hardees, N. Monroe
- # 2: Circle K, Highway 20 & Capital Circle
- # 3: Circle K, Crawfordville Highway & Capital Circle
- # 4: Chevron, Highway 98 - Woodville Highway
- # 5: CITGO, Hwy., 90 - I-10 east (Cross Creek)
- # 6: NEW Publix, Thomasville - Bradfordville Roads
CHANGE
- # 7: Williams Truck Stop on Hwy 90 West

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Don't forget to wear your Chapter uniform at other chapter's events! Our uniform is the red Chapter Shirt and black jeans.

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2003 Poker Run Dates

February 15
FL1-J2 Poker Run
Lake City

May 17
FL1-F2 Poker Run
Ocala

May 24
FL1-Y Casino Poker Run
Gainesville

District Rallies 24th Annual

January 4-5
District Staff Chapter
Directors Conference
Brandon

February 8
FL1-M host six-Chapter Breakfast
Clearwater

February 28 - March 9
FL District/FL1-H
Goldwing Getaway
New Smyrna Beach

FLORIDA DISTRICT
RALLY 2003
(March 27, 28 & 29)
Crowne Plaza Hotel
At Sabal Park, Tampa, Florida

April 26
FL1-D Submarine Races
Gulf Breeze

September 2003
Region "A" 2003 Rally
Alpine Helen, GA

April 3-5, 2003
Akabama District Rally
Eufaula, AL

May 1-3, 2003
South Carolina District Rally
Greenville, SC

June 12-14, 2003
Georgia Wing Fling
Hiawassee, GA

Oct. 16-18, 2003
Mississippi District Rally
Biloxi, MS



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