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**Chapter FL1-A2 Information**

**General Membership Meeting**  
Second Thursday monthly  
At  
Golden Corral Buffet  
Dinner at 6:30 pm  
Meeting at 7:30 pm

**Supper Rides Every Third Thursday**

**We miss you when you're not there!**  
**Welcome to all visitors and new members!!!**  
**We're glad you're with us!!!**

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**Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge**





## CD GOLDLINE

Hi Fellow Gold Wing Lovers:

Boy it's 2009 already! 2008 was a great and eventful year for a lot of us in FL1 A2. In spite of the sicknesses, hospital stays, and accidents we still had a lot of fun

We joined hands and not only put on our annual Rally, we had a Charity Poker Run for St Jude's, and participated in the Panhandle Getaway! We were able to attend not only the State Rally but also the Region Rally! and Wing Ding! What a year!!

We had many weekly rides and a lot of evening Dinner rides. Danny Pippin says GWRRA is known as The Gold Wing Restaurant Raiders Association, can't argue with him on that. We all love to eat. We ended the year with our annual Christmas Party and gift swap. Those in Attendance included Jack & Carol Schardine----Charles & Linda Couch----Buck & Carol Harris----Lenton & Leucetia Stephens Mr. Bob-O-Lou Carraway--Steve & Suzy Conrader----John & Janice Gargus---Daniel & Judy Allen Sonny & Ann Rollo-----Richard & Sandy Fulton---Dave & Pat Ventry-----Marvin & Jo Nell Culverson John & Florence Ferrell----Greg & Carolyn Campbell--Stan & Debbie Bailey---Ron & Fran Brower Mr. Keith Bolan-----Ed & Peggy Budzina-----Mr. Ray Henley---AND our Guests of Honor, our own AAD's Nate & Danelle Kinion..

Richard & Sandy Fulton were visitors, but hopefully will be GWRRA Members soon!  
Daniel & Judy Allen, Stan & Debbie Bailey are new members to our chapter and friends of Greg & Carolyn Campbell.

There was a misunderstanding that caused Stan & Debbie Bailey to actually miss the party and I want to extend to them my apologies and hope to see them a lot in 2009!

Here's wishing not only The Canopy Road Cruisers, but also all our Friends here in the panhandle, and all Gold Wingers everywhere A Joyful, Healthy and Prosperous 2009!

Ride Safe and Enjoy the Ride

Lenton and Leucetia Stephens



Walt Overlander, Rider Ed. FL1-B

Yesterday as I was again teaching a trike experienced rider class, I again noticed a couple of things that concern me. Our GWRRA trike riders, as a whole are very proficient. However, there are a couple of areas that I would like to address.

The trike has an abnormal amount of rubber on the ground for a motorcycle and therefore, lots of traction for the rider's use. The lesser of the two things I would like to address with trike riders is maximum braking. With all of that rubber on the ground, most trike riders don't use the front brake much and therefore are prone to not use it in a panic stop. I would like to see all of our GWRRA trike riders spend time in an open lot practicing maximum use of both brakes. It could save you from a bent front fender somewhere, because, even with those big tires on the back braking for you, a lot of your braking power is in the front contact patch. Remember that with sharp braking weight is transferred forward giving you increased traction with the front tire and therefore more stopping power than you may think. Ignoring the front brake as a habit could hurt the rider in a panic stop, because he or she will do what they habitually do, and that could be: not using the front brake at all, therefore not using a good part of their stopping power. A better practice is to use all of the brakes all of the time.

A second concern is that during sharp turns that are sharp enough for the tires to begin to protest, riders and co-riders do not react. By reacting I mean that the rider and co-rider should be ready to move to the inside of the turn to help the bike stay planted firmly on the road surface. One of two things can happen when the turn becomes overly sharp and either can be dangerous. One, the inside wheel could lift and present the very real danger of a tip over if the turn angle is not reduced. Two, both rear tires could lose traction and the rear of the trike could slide out beginning a spin. To counteract each of the above scenarios, movement of the rider and co-rider to the inside of the turn moves some weight



from the outside wheel to the inside one. In a sharp enough turn, at the point just before the inside tire begins to lift it is no longer holding traction and all of your defense against a slide out is on the one outside wheel. To make matters worse both riders have most of their weight on the outside pegs and boards, pushing more weight to the outside of the turn. If you have ever seen trike or sidecar racing, then you have seen their riders move their weight drastically to the inside, allowing them to take corners at higher speeds. If our GWRRA trike riders would spend some time practicing the movement to the inside of the turn, then when the occasion arises, and the tires begin to protest with the whoosh and static of tires staining to keep their grip, the rider and co-rider would be familiar with what to do to minimize the danger. So-o-o riders, please find some time to practice these two techniques that could aid you in crash avoidance some time in the future.

Remember, one of the best crash avoidance ideas is improving our ability to be seen. The more conspicuous you are, the better your chances are that no one will pull out into your path of travel. Headlight modulators, bright clothing, reflective strips and bands on your clothing, and judicious use of lights and signals really helps.

## **A.D.D. Report**

*From: Nate & Danelle Kinion*

Well, it is January 2009 and time once again for the Chapter Director's conference in Kissimmee.

We want to thank Walter and Jane Vaughn for their years as Chapter Directors of Chapter FL1-Q, Milton. They did an excellent job. We want to congratulate Don and Pauline Prideaux for stepping up to the new Chapter Director position of FL1-Q, Milton. We know they will do a good job, also.

Congratulations are in order for Jim and Debbie Ripley of Ft. Walton Beach, FL1-E2, 2009 Couple of the Year, Carlos and Loraine Cerna, Pensacola FL1-D, 2009 Couple of the Year, and Milton FL1-Q 2009 Couple of the Year, Jim and Linda Sauls.

We want to thank Bobby Odom of the Panama City Chapter for putting together a MAD picture for us to help promote motorist awareness.

Our first Panhandle rally for the year will be February 20-21, 2009 in Tallahassee FL1-A2 at Lake Talquin.

Don't forget to make your reservations now for the Florida District Rally in Kissimmee, March 12-14, 2009, where the theme is Under the Sea. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Ride Safe.

Nate and Danelle

## **TIME WAITS FOR NO ONE**

Author Unknown

Imagine there is a bank that credits your account each morning with \$86,400. It carries over no balance from day to day. Every evening the bank deletes whatever part of the balance you failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out and use every cent, of course!

Each of us has such a bank. Its name is TIME. Every morning you are credited with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, whatever of this you have failed to invest into good purposes. It carries over no balance. Each day it opens a new account. Each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against tomorrow. You must live in the present on today's deposits. Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness and success.

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift. That's why it's called the present.

## 2009 GWRRA EVENTS



Jan 10-11	CD Conference	Kissimmee FL
Jan 17	FL2-L Chapter Rally	Lakeland FL
Jan 25	FL2-D Four Chapter Breakfast	Melbourne FL
Feb 8	South Florida Ride For Kids	Pompano Beach FL
Feb 14	FL1-T Poker Run	Inverness FL
Feb 20-21	Lakeside Rally	Tallahassee FL
Mar 12-14	Florida District Rally	Kissimmee FL
Mar 26-28	Alabama District Rally	Pelham AL
Mar 29	FL1-E2 Am Diabetes Assoc. Poker Run	Ft Walton Beach
April 4	FL1-B Road Rally & Fun Day	Seffner FL
April 18	FL1-W Green Eggs & Ham Poker Run	Orlando FL
Apr 30-May 2	South Carolina District Rally	Myrtle Beach SC
May 9	FL1-F2 Poker Run/Motorcycle Rally	Ocala FL
June 11-13	Georgia District Rally	Hiawassee GA
Nov 14	Florida District Rider Ed Fair	St Petersburg FL

### ***LOCAL DINNER RIDE SCHEDULE*** ***(All Rides Depart at 6:30 pm)***

#### **Departure Points**

- #1 - Hardee's at North Monroe Street & Capital Circle NW
- #2 - Circle K at Hwy 20 & Capital Circle West
- #3 - Circle K at Woodville Hwy & Capital Circle SW
- #4 - Shell Station at Woodville Hwy & Capital Circle SW
- #5 - Citgo Station at Hwy 90 & I-10 East (Cross Creek)
- #6 - Publix at Thomasville Road (Hwy 319) & Bradfordville Road
- #7 - Pilot Truck Stop at I-10 West & Hwy 90



January Birthdays  
 Gus Daniels – 1/18



January Anniversaries  
 Ray & Linda Henley – 1/11

Carolyn Campbell – 2/3 Hugh Waller – 2/12	February Birthdays Karen Share – 2/3 Margaret Parmer – 2/22	Durell Daniels – 2/8 Gary Allen – 2/27
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February Anniversaries  
 None

**KUDOS**

**WELCOME**

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**NEW BIKE CLUB**



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