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Chapter FL1-A2 Information

General Membership Meeting

Second Thursday monthly
At

China Super Buffet
2698 North Monroe
Dinner at 6:30 pm
Meeting at 7:30 pm

Dinner 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



ED GOLDLINE

Hi Fellow Gold Wing Lovers:

We had another great month of chapter rides. Many have started summer vacations. Johnnie and Janis Gargus just returned from about a 7000 mile trip which gives them bragging rights now, since they have ridden in all 50 states on their Wing. Good Jobs Guys!! Marvin planned an exceptional ride to Albany where we visited the Ray Charles Memorial Park, the Aquarium and had a great lunch at Blackbeard's. On the way home we stopped at a roadside vegetable market, out in the middle of the boonies, and enjoyed some wonderful soft ice cream. We especially enjoyed the Pond House Dinner ride.

Steve and Suzanne Conrader joined Leucetia and myself to attend the Leaders certification program this month! Not sure where, but we're all approved by the corporate office to lead you some place??? This is a new program to get everyone on the same page and update us all on the Association ideas of where GWRRR wants to go. An excellent class full of great information. We all enjoyed it very much!

We are in a big rush to pack as tomorrow Jonell, Marvin, Pat, George will join us to go to Wing Ding! Due to the extreme heat we all plan on towing our wings to Des Moines. Several side trips are planned. We will try to get some good pictures of trip to bring to the July Meeting.

Don't forget we meet the third Thursday this month because of this trip. See you there.

Look to see you at an event / ride real soon!!

Lenton & Leucetia Stephens

Safety Corner
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Why We Ride: The Joy of Motorcycling

What's the allure of motorcycling? One rider attempts to explain...By [Stephen M. John](#)



Released from the steel cage of the automobile, motorcyclists experience scenery firsthand, rather than through the frame of a vehicle windshield.

What attracts people to motorcycling? When faced with the numerous personalities of both riders and motorcycles, there may not be a single answer. Despite the differences between touring rider and hill climber, chrome-encrusted cruiser and nimble Grand Prix race bike, there are some universal attributes that get under the skin of the motorcyclist and feed the desire to ride.

Freedom is often cited as an attraction, but what does that mean? Compared to driving a car, [riding a motorcycle](#) offers freedom from the constraints of four-wheeled physics. When a car negotiates a turn, it leans to the outside of a corner, struggling to maintain its former direction of travel. A motorcycle leans into a corner.

This may not sound like much, but until you've experienced both you can't understand the superior grace and simplicity of this mode of travel. Cornering becomes a symphony of precise movements instead of an awkward wallow, working in harmony with the road instead of fighting it tooth and nail.

The Sense(s) of Freedom

Once freed of your steel cage you are thrust into the world to experience a broader existence unfettered by HEPA filters and climate control. Your nose will get a vivid introduction to skunk roadkill and diesel exhaust, but will also revel in bread baking and plants blooming. Your body will feel the thousand tiny impacts of raindrops and absorb the buffeting of the wind. Your skin will feel the gently warming temperature as you crest a hill and drop to the valley floor below. You are no longer huddled behind a wheel disconnected from nature. It's *Lawrence of Arabia* in Cinerama versus a daguerreotype of a camel.

Wrap all this freedom in a lovely ribbon of performance, and you get what experts call fun. Not the fake [hood scoop](#), chrome wheels and racing stripe school of performance. Picture instead a carrier launch and you'll be in the right neighborhood, and you don't even have to pledge seven years of service. Best of all, this astounding performance is dirt cheap. For less than half the cost of most commuter pods you can buy a stock motorcycle capable of 9-second quarter miles. Don't bother figuring the cost for a production car with matching performance, because you won't find one. AMG teamed with [Mercedes](#) to make the CLK-GTR capable of a 9.4 second quarter mile, and it's a steal at a measly \$1,000,000. Performance cars do have the edge in aerodynamics and top speed, but to use them you'll need lottery winnings and the Autobahn.

[Message board: There is enormous joy in the sport of motorcycling. Why do you ride?](#)

All of this freedom and fun doesn't come without a price. First of all, you have to learn how to ride. Given the right training and the right attitude, the skills can be acquired by just about anyone. Want proof? One of my first forays was on my dad's 1975 [Honda](#) CB125S, a ride so mild it's hard to believe it could burn gasoline. I was so overwhelmed I couldn't remember how to stop, and ended up using a conveniently located pickup to do the job. Fortunately the [Motorcycle Safety Foundation](#) (MSF) runs well-organized classes where you can safely learn motorcycling in a pickup-free environment.

A.D.D. REPORT

From: Nate & Danelle Kinion

We hope everyone had a nice Memorial Day weekend. Now we look forward to July 4, Independence Day and Wing Ding in Des Moines, IA.

We want to congratulate Tim Poppell, Rider Educator for FL1-D, Pensacola, Wes Davis, Chapter Director, FL1-O, DeFuniak Springs and Mike Roy, Florida District Rider Education Administrative Assistant for becoming certified instructors under the Leadership Training Program.

We attended the Officer Certification Program in DeFuniak Springs June 12-13. There were 55 members from Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Florida in attendance. Everyone I talked to enjoyed the training very much. Rick and Madalena Buck of Florida and Frank and Linda Teasley and Roy and Anita Fosnight of Alabama all did an excellent job of teaching this course. If you get a chance to take it, I recommend it highly to anyone, whether they are officers or not. You will learn a lot about GWRRA.

Don't forget all of the functions and conventions coming up in the next few months. First, we have the FL1-Q's Zippity Do Dah Fun Day on September 11 and then the Region A Convention in Eufaula September 16-18. The Mississippi District Convention will be in Tupelo October 14-16 and then on November 6 is FL1-D, Pensacola's Green Frog Getaway. Hope to see you at a function or convention soon. Ride safe.

TODAY IS A GIFT THAT'S WHY IT'S CALLED THE PRESENT

Fun Report

GWRRA NEWS



FLORIDA/GEORGIA/ALABAMA/MISSISSIPPI EVENTS

Aug 21	Pirate Feast Rally	Tampa FL
Sep 11	FL1-Q Zippity Doo Dah Funday	Milton FL
Sep 16-18	Region "A" Rally	Eufaula AL
Oct 2	FL1-H Poker Run	Daytona FL
Oct 9	FL1-X Chapter Rally	Orange Park FL
Oct 14-16	Mississippi District Rally	Tupelo MS
Oct 23	FL2-G Pancake Breakfast	Fort Myers
Oct 24	FL1-M Bowling Event	Clearwater
Oct 30	FL1-H2 Howl-O-Ween Harvest Picnic	Orlando
Nov 6	FL1-D Green Frog Getaway	Pensacola FL
Nov 7	Tampa Bay Area Ride For Kids	Brandon
Nov 13	FL1-L2 Poker Run & Fun Day	Wesley Chapel
Dec 11	FL1-S Mingle & Jingle	Zephyrhills FL

2011 EVENTS

Jan 15

FL2-L Mardi Gras Rally

Lakeland

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

Jul 15 – Seminole Wind (Thomasville) – meet at #6
Aug 20 – Tarrer Inn (Colquitt) – meet at #1 - NOTE date on Friday
Sep 16 – Coastal Restaurant (Panacea) – meet at #3
Oct 21 – Homecoming (Thomasville) – meet at #6
Nov 18 – Whippowill (Lake Talquin) – meet at #7
December – Christmas Party – TBA

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 - BP 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



July Birthdays

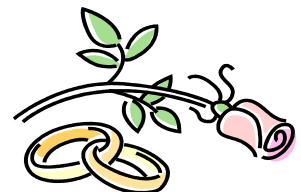
Mike Share – 7/5

Sonny Rollo – 7/29

Peggy Smyly – 7/10

July Anniversaries

Marvin & Jo Nell Culverson - 7/17



KUDOS

WELCOME

Invite your neighbors and friends to our meetings! We'd love to have them visit!!!

NEW BIKE CLUB

Notes From Last Meeting



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