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GWRRRA - Georgia

June 2009



Wing Fling 2009

Are you ready for a Rootin Tootin Good Time?

It is hard to believe that in just a couple of weeks, Wing Fling will be in full swing. The planning began almost a year and a half ago. We hope it will be an event that you will remember for years to come. We have worked long and hard to bring you a rally you will always remember. There are some special things we are doing this year that we hope you will enjoy. Ron and Susan Larsen, ADDs, have made arrangements with the vendors to offer some special prizes for a Silent Auction; so you can make your bid on some great items. Vicki Watkins, your District Event Coordinator, has come up with some Wild, Wild West Games and a Chapter Challenge that will be a lot of fun for those who decide to participate, as well as for the spectators. She has also developed a couple of games that will give you a chance to win some cash. You won't want to miss the indoor games this year. We have some new games, one of which is a new Wheel Of Fortune game. These games will allow you to win lots of tickets to try your luck at winning some of our great door prizes. Tommy and Vicky Martin, your District Ride Educators, will raffle off a set of tires and also a chance to win \$50.00 to support the Rider Education Programs. June and Jack Gottlieb,

CDs of Chapter J in Hiawassee, have mapped out some great rides to take you through some of the most beautiful areas of North Georgia. They have also planned a Sunset Ride on Thursday night. When you buy your Grand Prize tickets, you will be eligible to win prizes on Thursday night at the dance and costume contest and on Friday night at the talent show. Some of the prizes you could win with your Grand Prize tickets are a set of tires and some cash. Of course, the Grand Prize tickets, drawn on Thursday and Friday night, will go back into the tumbler for the \$1000 Grand Prize and \$500 Second Grand Prize to be given away at closing ceremonies on Saturday night. Of course, it wouldn't be a Georgia Wing Fling Rally without the Bar-B-Que dinner on Thursday night right before the dance lessons by our favorite entertainers, ADDs, JJ and Marcia Etzle. The District Staff have some special entertainment planned for the Talent Show that you won't want to miss. If you go by the Recruitment and Retention table, show your membership card and get a chance to win a free membership renewal and get a free poker hand coupon. There will be a special announcement made at the Talent Show concerning Wing Fling 2010, so make sure you are there to get the news. Please don't forget to bring your Chapter \$500 cash prize ticket stubs for the cash drawing at closing ceremonies.

GOOD THINGS TO KNOW

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10 - Leadership Training - Instructor Development & Certification: Georgia District Rally site in Hiawassee. For more information or contact Dave Aikens at 478-953-4886

June 11-13 - Georgia Wing Fling: A Journey Thru Time to the Old West - "Goldwing Style"; Hiawassee, GA. Visit the Georgia website at www.gwr-ra-ga.com for more information, or, ask any member of the Georgia District Staff.

July 2-5 - Wing Ding 31: Tulsa Expo Square, Tulsa, OK

August 16 - GA-Z Bowling Challenge: Fayette Fun Bowl, 124 N. Highway 85 in Fayetteville, GA. Festivities begin at 12pm. More information to be coming soon.

September 5 - GA-V 10-Year Birthday Party: 1:00 - 4:30pm, Hawkinsville, GA. For more information, call 478-230-1893 or 478-892-2564.

September 26 - GA-Q Burger Burn & Dessert Auction: Museum of Aviation; Warner Robins, GA. More information, contact Frank Ricigliano at 478-953-3886.

October 10 - GA-E2 2nd Annual Fun Day: At the "PONDEROSA", 14120 Mud Road, Brooklet, GA; 11:30am to 2:30pm. For more information, contact Roy Bridges at 912-823-2743

October 17 - GA-L Fun Day: Proceeds go to Breast Cancer Research. Dykes Creek Baptist Church Activities Center, 46 Dykes Creek Church Road, Rome, GA; 10am to 2pm. For more information, contact David Newby at 706-295-1714.

October 24 - GA-A Halloween Fun Day: 10am to 3pm, High Falls State Park, Jackson, GA. Awards and closing ceremonies begin at 2pm. For more information, contact Bob McCroskey at 770-954-1924.

Heartfelt Sympathy To:

- Jack Fredrick and family on the passing of Charlotte Fredrick



Among Our Sick:

- Cheryl Loy - Surgery
- Nina Douglas - Broken ankle and surgery



GA Traveler's Plaque

Chapter GA-L will offer the Traveler's Plaque on Saturday, June 6, 2009 at Western Sizzlin; Rome, GA. They will eat at 4pm and meet at 5pm. The plaque will be given away by 5:30 pm

Region A Wanderer

FL2-E will offer the Region A Wanderer on Sunday, June 21, 2009 at the Corral Grill; located at mile marker "1" of the Florida Turnpike. They will eat at 8am and meet at 9am.

2009 Chapter Couples of the Year

GA-A	Roy & Julie Degler
GA-A2	Gene & Pat Whiddon
GA-B2	Bill & Shirley Morris
GA-C2	Charles & Joyce Shedd
GA-E	Billy & Robin Peoples
GA-E2	Robert & Trish Payne
GA-H	Rich & Marilyn Morgan
GA-J	Ron & Beverly McDonald
GA-L	Marvin & Vicki Seritt
GA-Q	Maynard & Chrys Watson
GA-S	Bob Hayes & Faith Gann
GA-T	Alan & Jeanna Phillips
GA-V	Buck & Dianne Harden
GA-W	Paul & Carey Hancock
GA-Z	Paul & Lorraine Burt

June Meeting Changes

- GA-E - Beginning June 6, they will return to Norris Fine Foods on Short E Street in Thomaston; eat at 6pm, meet at 7pm
- GA-R - They will conduct their June meeting at the River Bend Campground during the Georgia District Rally
- GA-W - In June, they will be helping with Lunch Bag preparation for Ride for Kids, in Lieu of their normal meeting
- GA-G2 - June meeting cancelled due to District Rally



From your District Rider Educators *Tommy & Vicky Martin*



Wow, it has been a couple of busy months as Vicky and I have been trying to get up to speed as your District Educators. For the last year or so, Vicky and I were CD's for GA-T and focusing on more CD stuff and less RE stuff at that time. That being the case, we sort of got behind on the changes being made in the Rider Education Program. As we have been talking to some of the Chapter Educators, it appears that several of them are also not familiar with the changes that have been made.

I will try to cover a couple of changed items, that we seem to be asked about most often.

*** Previous ***

Parking Lot Practice (PLP) Presenter: In the past, some Chapter Educators were evaluated and certified as a PLP Presenter. These PLP Presenters were allowed to hold a PLP for their Chapter; and the GWRRA Members that completed the PLP received a completion card that could be used to advance through the levels program. These PLP Presenter certifications have expired and are no longer valid.

*** New ***

Parking Lot Practice Facilitator Program

A Sanctioned PLP must be conducted by certified Facilitators administered at the District level. The term "Sanctioned" is used to designate if the PLP will be used for the Levels Program.

A Sanctioned PLP can be used to advance to Level 2; or for a one time Levels Program Maintenance.

The sanctioned PLP is good for one year as a Level 2 requirement.

The Sanctioned PLP is good for one year as Level Program Maintenance. Note: This can only be used if the members requirement is expired or within one year of expiration. It only qualifies as a one time, for one year maintenance requirement. The member must take a rider course before they can use this option again.

GWRRA now offers PLPs for all Member's rides; 2-Wheel, Trike, Sidecar, or 2-Wheel Add-On Kits.

(If you are interested in the facilitator program, contact your District Educator.)

Seminar Presenters

Previously, there were members that were evaluated and approved by the District Educator as a Seminar Presenter. These members were issued a card certifying them as such. With this certification, you were able to conduct seminars for the GWRRA Members. Now, if you did not make application to renew your Seminar Presenter status at the beginning of 2009, your Seminar Presenter status has expired. To renew your status, you will have to complete a Seminar Presenter Development Program, unless you qualify for the grandfathering process.

Medic First Aid Program

The Medic First Aid (MFA) CPR/First Aid Program has been established and is growing in many of the GWRRA Regions. We are excited to have five of our own MFA Instructors right here in the Georgia District. One of these instructors will be attending Wing Ding 2009 in Tulsa, OK, to be certified as a MFA Trainer.

These Instructors will be teaching the MFA CPR/First Aid classes at the Wing Fling in Hiawassee, GA. There will be two classes; one on Friday 6/12/09 and one on Saturday 6/13/09.

I hope you find this information helpful. Vicky and I would like to meet you all, so please come by the Rider Ed table and look us up. **Looking forward to seeing everyone in Hiawassee at the Georgia Wing Fling.**

Please Ride Safe,
Tommy & Vicky Martin
District Educators

From your District/Region Leadership Trainers

Dave & Sharon Aikens

By the time you read this, the Georgia District Staff will have had our last planning meeting in preparation for our rally in Hiawassee – Wing Fling. We have some great things lined up to insure that you have a great time. Even if you don't have any talent to display at the talent show, there will be many other things happening that should meet with your approval. We even have some great seminars in store for those of you wanting to improve your knowledge level.


First of all, for those members who can never remember the name of a person they met yesterday (or a few minutes ago), there will be a seminar just for you. The **"Remembering Names"** seminar is one of the more popular and best attended. I am sure if you attend, you won't be disappointed.

For those chapters wanting to put on an event, but aren't sure what they need to do to make it happen, you'll want to attend the **"Planning A Chapter Event"** seminar. This one covers all the bases needed to put on a successful event.

For the new and newer members, we have the **"Helpful Info For New Members"** seminar. It makes no difference how long (or short) a time you have been a member, you will gain a better understanding of our great organization if you attend this seminar.



Sharon and I are looking forward to seeing all of you that we haven't seen since last year's rally. We'll be busy helping to make this a good rally for you, but there's always time for a cup of coffee and a bit of chit-chat. See you there.

Dave & Sharon Aikens





Georgia Wing Fling

GWRRA

A Journey Thru Time to the Old West— "Goldwing Style"

June 11,12,13, 2009

Preregistration is closed. But, you can still register on-site. Come and join the fun!

2009 Georgia Wing Fling
June 11 - 13, 2009
Hiawassee, GA

Come Experience...

A Journey Thru Time to the Old West... "Goldwing Style"