



# Gold Wing Road Riders Association Georgia District Bulletin



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Frank & Melinda Brothers, District Directors

As we wind down 2019 I know there have been a lot of changes this year. I hope for the better. Melinda & I have had a lot of ups and downs trying to get everything worked out that needed to be done. We believe we are on the right track to make 2020 a great year. We thank everyone for their support in the changeover of leadership. Without your support we would not have made it all work out.

To start 2020 out we will have our Officer meeting on February 22, 2020, at the Perry Recreation Department, 1060 Keith Drive, Perry, GA 31069.

We will start our meeting at 12 noon. This will be about a 3 hour meeting. We are starting at noon so everyone will have time to get there and not have to stay over on Friday night unless you want to.

We will be out no later than 3:30 pm so most can get back home before dark.

Please make your plans to attend. All Chapter officers need to be at the meeting. All members are welcome. Please have a late breakfast or a early lunch before you arrive. We will have some snacks. We will not break for lunch.

We will be starting the new Traveler plaque on its next journey under new rules that will make it easier to capture.

All chapter Directors need to have their total number of participating members from Nov. 2018- Nov. 2019. Please get this information to Norman Morton at [georgiamecnem@gmail.com](mailto:georgiamecnem@gmail.com) by Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 2019.

There will be a 50/25/25 at the Officer meeting.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Frank & Melinda Brothers  
Georgia District Directors

It's beginning to feel a lot like winter.

### **The Wind Chill Factor**

While it's cool to ride all year, being cold is not good. It's surprising how fast feeling a little cold can turn into a dangerous situation. You can develop hypothermia while you are riding. It's defined as when your body's core temperature falls below 95 degrees.

If you were riding 55 mph with a temperature of 35 degrees, what would be the wind chill factor? (check the chart on next page) You can lose body heat real fast at that kind of wind chill number.

### **Understanding the Risk**

Hypothermia is especially dangerous on a motorcycle since it greatly diminishes mental and physical riding skills. It's important to realize the decline in your ability to ride safe.

### **Some Symptoms of Hypothermia**

- Uncontrollable shivering
- Numbness
- Weakness
- Loss of fine motor skills
- Mental confusion
- Loss of consciousness

### **Tips to Stay Warm**

- The goal is to preserve your body's core temperature and not expose your skin to the cold airstream.
- Always pack extra cold weather gear.
- Plan to do most of your riding in the daylight. Temperatures drop quick after sunset.
- Check the weather forecast before you go.
- Dress in layers.
- If you perspire in your gear, you will chill faster.
- Use electric riding gear.
- Make frequent stops to get out of the cold and warm up.
- Fuel your body—eat a hot meal and drink warm non-alcoholic beverages.
- Remember to check on your co-rider. They get cold, too.

Stay warm and ride safe!

C. Murry & Dawn Cail  
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# MOTORCYCLE WINDCHILL CHART

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## TEMPERATURE (FAHRENHEIT)

STOPPED	50 °F	45 °F	40 °F	35 °F	30 °F	25 °F	20 °F	15 °F	10 °F	5 °F	0 °F
5	48	42	36	31	25	19	13	7	1	-5	-11
10	46	40	34	27	21	15	9	3	-4	-10	-16
15	45	38	32	25	19	13	6	0	-7	-13	-19
20	44	37	30	24	17	11	4	-2	-9	-15	-22
25	43	36	29	23	16	9	3	-4	-11	-17	-24
30	42	35	28	22	15	8	1	-5	-12	-19	-26
35	42	35	28	21	14	7	0	-7	-14	-21	-27
40	41	34	27	20	13	6	-1	-8	-15	-22	-29
45	40	33	26	19	12	5	-2	-9	-16	-23	-30
50	40	33	26	19	12	4	-3	-10	-17	-24	-31
55	40	32	25	18	11	4	-3	-11	-18	-25	-32
60	39	32	25	17	10	3	-4	-11	-19	-26	-33
65	39	32	24	16	10	2	-5	-12	-19	-27	-34
70	38	31	24	16	9	2	-6	-13	-20	-27	-35
75	38	31	23	16	9	1	-6	-13	-21	-28	-36
80	38	30	23	16	8	1	-7	-14	-21	-29	-36
85	38	30	23	15	8	0	-7	-15	-22	-30	-37
90	37	30	22	15	7	0	-8	-15	-23	-30	-38
95	37	29	22	14	7	-1	-8	-16	-23	-31	-38
100	37	29	22	14	6	-1	-9	-16	-24	-31	-39

SPEED (MPH)

WINTER GLOVES
  HEATED GEAR
  FROSTBITE



## 2020 Georgia Traveler's Plaque Rules

### Norman Morton MEC

The purpose of the Georgia District Traveler's Plaque is to promote visitation among chapters, to provide an incentive to get as many chapter members as possible to participate, to instill a fun competition between chapters, and provide a method of having fun for all Georgia GWRRA members. The 2020 Traveler's plaque will begin its journey with the chapter that surrenders the 2019 traveler's plaque at a year ending Georgia District event. The initial offering must be made during the month of February 2020. The plaque must be offered on Saturday or Sunday between the hours of 11:00am and 3:00pm in order to allow as many members as possible to participate. All current GWRRA members are qualified participants except the Georgia District Director. All other District team members qualify if they depart with the chapter they sign in with. All participants signing in under a chapter designation must depart from the same designated point of departure.

The chapters will provide the District MEC with the average number of members attending their gatherings from November to November by the first week of December. Since most chapters don't have gatherings during December it will not be counted. This number will be the chapter base number used during the year for capturing the Georgia Traveler's Plaque. When the yearly chapter base numbers are given to the District MEC they will be posted to the District Website.

The base number is to be calculated by adding all members on the sign in sheets from November to November. The total will be divided by twelve (12) and this is your base number for the year. (Example 360 divided by 12 equals 30).

The chapter with the highest percentage of their base number of members participating in their attempt to capture the traveler's plaque will be the winner. Base number 30 and 10 members at capture equals 33%. If two chapters have the same percentage the chapter who traveled the farthest from their monthly gathering place will be the winner.

The chapter offering the plaque for capture will calculate the percentages and document all necessary on the Plaque Log sheet. The log sheet must always accompany the plaque.

The chapter offering the plaque for capture will not be eligible to win the plaque until the winning chapter has given it away.

In the event no chapter attempts to capture the plaque the chapter offering the plaque will be declared the winner.

The chapter capturing the plaque the most times during the year will receive the retiring plaque and the district will pay the yearly charter fee for that chapter. In the case of a tie the chapter with the highest percentages will be the winner.

The chapter that captures the plaque must announce within 48 hours when and where the plaque will be offered for capture and shall not be more than 30 days from date of capture. It is the responsibility of the capturing chapter to notify the District Director. Frank Brothers 706-491-5205