

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Georgia District Bulletin



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Where has the year gone? It's now August and our Ride In is just 2 months away.

All Chapters need to be planning what stew they will enter in the Stew Cook-Off for Friday night.

It needs to be homemade and brought in a crock pot so we can keep it hot. It can be any kind of stew as long as it is homemade. The District will supply the bowls and utensils for the meal; we will also have crackers as well. If you would like to bring condiments to add to the stew that would be great. Let's see if we can have a big turn out for our Stew Cook-Off.

The District will provide a meal on Saturday Night of Sloppy Joes, Cole Slaw, potato chips and a dessert.

We only have a few camping spots left so make your plans now and get your reservations in ASAP.

Attached is the form and it is only \$10.00 per Member.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone Oct. 8-9 at River Vista RV Park in Dillard, GA!

Ride Safe

Frank & Melinda Brothers
District Directors



Meet Newton and Trisha Landrum Couple of the Year for Chapter GA-B

Newton says: I bought a new Honda CB550 on August 17, 1975 and began riding. The first 8 months I rode approximately 25000 miles and then purchased a Kawasaki KZ900. My second date with Trisha was on my KZ900 to Stone Mountain. Later I purchased another Honda CB550 in 1993 and rode it until I purchased a Suzuki 2001 750 Katana. Then I bought a 2001 Suzuki Volusia 800. That is when I really started doing a lot of riding. By 2011 the bike had 100,000 miles plus and was in mint condition. In 2011 Honda announced a new model Goldwing and I purchased my first Wing on Halloween weekend of 2011. It is a brilliant blue and now has almost 100,000 miles.

In 2012 Trisha and I attended Wingding in Greenville, SC and joined GWRRA. I met the Chapter B Director by chance at O'Charlie's while he was admiring my Wing. He gave me his card and that weekend we attended their annual summer picnic in Blairsville. In the spring of 2013, I was asked to be the ride coordinator. In the fall of 2013, I became the assistant director. Next, after our 30th anniversary party for the chapter, I was asked to become Chapter B Director August 1, 2015. I kept this position until 2019 year end. During my time as Chapter B Director, I was also part of the Southern Stars and Stripes Drill Team and performed many events.

In 3 long rides, we have visited 4 Canadian provinces and 48 states. Our longest ride was 30 days and 8900 miles with going through Glacier National Park up into Canada to Vancouver, down the west coast into California and turning east to Lake Tahoe. Then we headed south to Las Vegas and onto El Paso. Over to Grapevine for Wingding. We visited Fort Worth, San Antonio and New Orleans and back home. I have been to 3 of the 4 corners of the United States, including Key West. After these long rides, I have become disenchanted of doing short rides. A short ride for me is 350-450 miles in one day with no overnight. I have ridden so much in the Southeast, that on rides I have challenged people to take me on a road that I have not been on. Ride captains rarely succeed. With this experience, I can put a day or week long ride together in just a few minutes. I love the Goldwing and when someone asks me about the Wing, I describe it as a Honda Accord that I paid extra to not have a roof and 4 wheels.

We enjoyed leading the Marietta Chapter B and look forward to spending more time with our new grandson. We appreciate the opportunity to represent our chapter as Couple of the Year.

Trisha says: I retired almost 4 years ago after working for Bank of America for 29 years, GMAC Commercial Finance for 7 years and Insperity for 9 years in the Human Resources industry. Since retirement Newton and I have been doing a lot of traveling. We enjoy seeing our beautiful country on our Goldwing with another Chapter B couple (Dennis and Lou) and cruising. In fact, we will be going on another Goldwing cruise the last week of February along with 2 other couples (Ken & Ruthann and Terry & Sherry) from Chapter B.

Since I am a Co-Rider and primarily see the back of Newton's helmet. I appreciated the Co-Rider course offered through GWRRA. I highly recommend that course to all Co-Riders. One of the things I learned was how to use the kill switch in case of an emergency. While attending Wing Ding in Huntsville, AL I got to observe Newton's riding skills when he dodged pieces of a tire that exploded off a tractor trailer in front of us while we were going about 70 mph. I truly appreciated the skills he had acquired that day because I observed them up close and personal as pieces flew by us and he missed them all.

Our 1st grandchild, Oliver was born last October and now we make frequent trips to Aiken, SC to visit him. We are having so much fun being grandparents now. I am also learning to quilt, and my first project was a baby quilt for Oliver.

We enjoyed our 4+ years as directors and have developed wonderful friendships through GWR-RA. We are leaving our roles as Chapter Directors for Chapter B but in our place, we have a wonderful new Chapter Director, Rick Woodford. We worked with Rick years ago with the Atlanta





Hot Weather Riding Tips

Murry and Dawn Cail, Georgia Rider Educators

- 1. Take frequent rest stops. This is a motorcycle ride, not a race.
- 2. Don't drink alcohol and avoid coffee or sodas that contain caffeine—these can increase the rate of water loss.
- 3. Don't take salt tablets. They draw water into the stomach instead of distributing it to the rest of the body.
- 4. Make sure you have sunscreen for your face and any exposed skin.
- 5. Carry water or other fluids with you and put them someplace where they will not get too hot to drink. One thing I do is take a water bottle and put it in the freezer the night before. Then you will have a cool drink for hours.
- 6. Make sure you have some good sunglasses that provide ultraviolet light protection for your eyes.
- 7. Don't forget about your bike. Make sure all your fluids are topped off and you have T-clocked your bike or it might be a long hot walk back home or for help.











Breaking News!!

You asked and the University listened!

The GWRRA University announces the roll-out of <u>GWRRA 101</u> ~ Everything you wanted to know about GWRRA and its policies and procedures. Registration for the September workshop is open now.

Open to everyone. This workshop will give you the tools and insight to under-stand the GWRRA Handbook and workings of GWRRA. The GWRRA 101 class will "bust" the myths of long-standing assumptions within our Association and provide a better understanding of where to find the cor- rect answers and from whom.

To register go to the GWRRA University website: gwrradot.com and click on tab GWRRA 101. This will take you to the registration form. The class size will be limited so please register early. If you are unable to attend all 4 sessions, please wait and register for a workshop when you are available for all the sessions.

Register early. Once your registration is received you will receive a confirmation via email with the ZOOM ID. Each session will be approximately 2 hours long and via ZOOM. All 4 sessions <u>must</u> be attended for completion.

For additional information or questions please contact: Clara Boldt, Director of the University at toledotriker@gmail.comor 319-240-4269.

Clara Boldt Director of the University

GWRRA - Georgia District Presents our 2nd Annual



Come Ride With Us"

A Riding Rally

Where: River Vista Resort

20 River Vista Dr, Dillard, GA 30537

Call (706) 746-2722 for Campsite Reservations

(Ask for GWRRA rate; rates drop as more campsite are rented)
Hotel Rooms are available at Gateway Inn and Suites
64 White Oak Ln, Dillard, GA 30537 (rate not yet available)
Call (800) 204-1816 for Reservations (Use Group Code GWRRA)

When: October 8-10, 2020

Don't miss out on the **FUN**!!!!

- Advance Registration is only \$10 (Prior to 9/8/2020); \$15 On-Site
- Daily 50/25/25 Drawings
- FUN Outdoor Games
- Daily GUIDED Rides
- Self Guided Rides
- Friday Evening Couple of the Year Selection
- Friday Cook-Off: (menu TBD) (open to all members); Judging at 4pm; Meal at 5pm (while the food lasts)
- Saturday Evening GOURMET Sloppy
 Joe Dinner w/ coleslaw & desert
 (included with registration)
- Saturday Evening MAP Awards
- Plus, lots more FUN!

"Come Ride With US" Pre-registration Form

Registration Section

Liability Release: All Registrants Must Sign - We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, the co-sponsoring organization, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by any reason by participating in this Event.

Name: Mer	mber Number:
Signature:	
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Signature:	
District: Chapter:	
Total Registration: Number of Attendees:x \$10 =	
<u>Ticket Section</u>	
Advance Purchase: \$5= 8 Tickets; \$10= 25 Tickets; \$20= 60 Tickets	
(Onsite: \$5= 6 Tickets; \$10= 20 Tickets; \$20= 50 Tickets)	
Thursday 50/25/25: \$;	Tickets
Friday 50/25/25: \$;	Tickets
Saturday 50/25/25: \$;	Tickets
Total Ticket Dollars: \$	
Total Enclosed: (Registration + Tickets): \$	
Email (or cell number) to send confirmation:	
Make Check Payable to: GWRRA - Georgia	
Send registration with check to:	Traci Thrasher, GWRRA-Georgia
	1060 Peacock Drive
	Bishop, GA 30621

Preregistration Helps the Georgia District. We hope that you will consider preregistering!

Pre-registration Ends September 8, 2020