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As I write this, we are only 9 days away from our 2nd annual ride and I want to thank everyone who has registered for the event. It looks like we are going to have a large group and the weather is looking good. With the fall weather it will be a great time to take those mountain rides. I would like to thank Carlos for the job he has done on planning the rides for each day. I know that you will enjoy them.

We have had some changes that we have no control over. One is the rates at the Gateway Inn. With the Covid 19 pandemic, the Inn is having a hard time keeping the doors open and cannot honor the cash rate they had previously quoted us. All rates will be \$99.00 + tax. This will make the total amount 115.88. I hope that everyone will understand. I know this is \$15.88 more than we had quoted to start with, but it is better than not having a place to stay. Covid 19 has put so many places out of business. We are lucky that we can have the Ride In this year. I ask that we just make the best of what we have and have a great time

Hope to see you all the 9th and 10th of October!

Frank & Melinda Brothers District Directors



LIFE MEMBERS AND NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Questions about GWRRA life memberships have been asked recently and I am going to try to clear up some of them.

There are two classifications for life members, they are <u>Life Members</u> and <u>New Life Members</u>. <u>Life Mem-bers</u> are GWRRA members that had 20 years of continuous membership by the year 2004. If your 20 years of continuous GWRRA membership came after 2004, you are classified as a <u>New Life Member</u>.

<u>Life Members</u> pay no yearly membership but if they want the Wing World magazine, they must pay an annual fee of \$30.

<u>New Life Members</u> must pay a reduced annual membership fee of \$30 which includes the Wing World magazine.

I hope this clears up any confusion about life memberships and life membership fees. If you have any questions feel free to contact me and if I can't answer your question, I will attempt to get you an answer. Questions about your membership dates or your GWRRA file information must be directed to GWRRA headquarters in Phoenix.

Norman & Wendy Morton Asst. District Directors Membership Enhancement Coord.

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Meet Greg Bailey

My wife, Mickey, and I are both retired educators, serving 31 years in the classroom. We spent many of our summer breaks traveling all over the US and have traveled in all 48 contiguous states on our Wings. We currently ride a 2018 Goldwing Tour DCT and love it.

We reached Life Member status in 2013. We've been members of GWRRA since 1993 and served as District Treasurers under District Directors Rick & Rhonda Stephens from 2005-2007. We have been a member of several chapters on the south side of Atlanta over the years and are participating members of Chapter B2. Greg currently serves as the B2 webmaster.



The Time Has Come!



Good Weather, Please!

As I write this article, it is just ten days until the Georgia District's 2nd Annual **"Come Ride With Us"** Riding Rally. Weather always plays an important part in the overall success with any GWRRA Rally or Event. When dates are selected... usually a year in advance, there is no way to predict what the weather will bring us. But, just ten days in advance, we can begin to get a semi-reliable indication of what Mother Nature has in store. As I checked the long-range forecast this morning, I was very pleased to see that things look extremely favorable for October 8-10. Hooray!!!

Of course, things could change; but, rain or shine, cool or hot... the big event will occur. The only thing that we really need to have great FUN is you! I don't have the most recent count of preregistrations, but the count is very impressive. We also have a large number of registrations from out of State. I received an email from a friend in Florida yesterday that said they had ten folks coming up from their Chapter there. WOW! I also know we have a bunch coming in from South Carolina and Alabama too. As the saying goes, "the more the merrier."

With such a big turnout expected, I hope we have a bunch of entrants in our "Stew Cook-off". Remember, any kind of stew is acceptable... as long as it is homemade! Just bring a Crock-Pot full, so others can enjoy your creation. Cherie and I will be bringing a batch... probably a beef stew... and maybe a little spicy (if I can sneak some special spices in when she's not looking). LOL. Probably not. Instead, I'll likely have a little something that those desiring a little heat can add.

If you didn't volunteer to help, it is never too late... and the Georgia District Team can always use an extra hand. After you arrive, just offer your assistance to any District Team Member... we'll certainly have something that you can help with. After all, we have registration, ticket sales, food serving (Friday and Saturday), ride staging and more. I think you will find that being an active participant will add to your FUN!

Carlos Lozano Asst. District Director District Webmaster



Motorcycle Helmets and Speed

Did you know that helmets aren't designed to protect you at speeds above 13 mph? I bet you are thinking that sounds crazy. Let me explain ...

The 13 mph speed does not apply to your forward speed, only the speed at which your head hits the ground.

When you sit on a motorcycle, your head is usually no more than 6 feet off the pavement. If you drop something from 6 feet high, it's going about 13 mph when it hits the pavement—slower if the drop height is lower. How fast you're going forward when that happens is largely irrelevant. In other words, it's the vertical speed that matters, not the horizontal speed. This is why a racer can crash at insane speeds, hit their heads and then get up and walk away.

Of course, all bets are off if you hit something other than the ground—like a curb or a tree while sliding at high speeds. But in the majority of motorcycle crashes the first and only thing your head hits is the ground—from less than 6 feet high.

Wear a good helmet and Ride Safe!

Murry & Dawn Cail District Rider Educators





GWRRA - Georgia District Presents our 2nd Annual



"Come Ride With Us"

A Riding Rally

<u>Where:</u> 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) <u>When:</u> 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: Member Number:
Signature:
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Signature:
District: Chapter:
Total Registration: Number of Attendees: x \$10 =
Ticket Section
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