



# "Wing Gazette"

## West Georgia Wings "B-2 Bombers"



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A Chapter of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association, "Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"  
**Southeast Region A - Georgia District**

Chapter B-2 usually meets the 4th Saturday of every month at  
Golden Corral Restaurant located at 6975 Douglas Blvd in Douglasville, Georgia 678-838-4376  
**NEXT CHAPTER GATHERING: Saturday September 24th, 2011 - Eat @ 11 AM & Meet @ 12 PM**

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### Special meeting place & time

#### for Sept 24th only:

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Eat @ 11AM, Meet @ 12PM (noon)



Sue got the Wing Nut hat.

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Ga District Newsletter



# Remotely Norman

Norman Morton, Chapter Director



## Surprise!

We went to the GWRRA Region A Convention (rally ) to represent Chapter B2, Awesome Blue West Georgia Wings (where every month is ice cream month), at the closing ceremony to receive the Region A Wanderer plaque that we won on our trip to Tampa.

B2 had great representation at the rally with Clarence and Sue, Fred and Davida, Woody, Steve and his son Mike, George, Jim C., Mark D., Wendy and I.

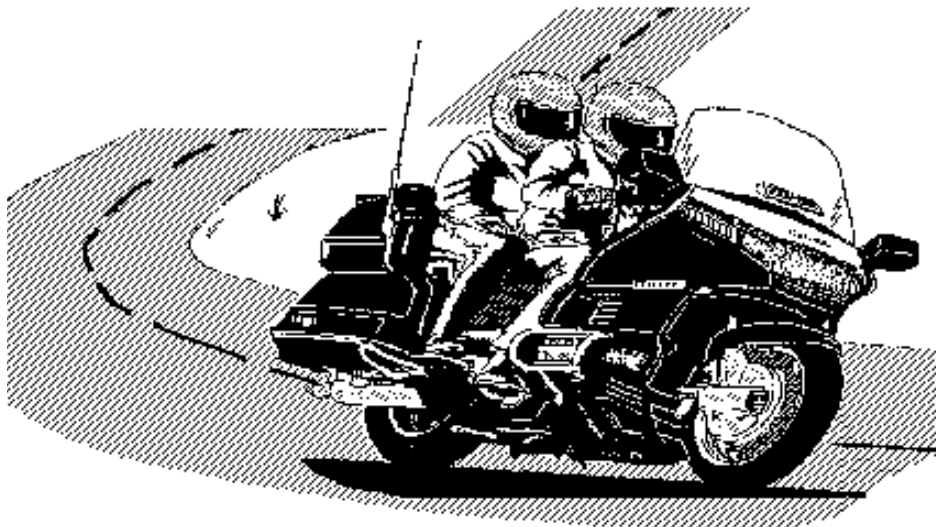
Jim Cater saved prime seats up front for us and B2 was their usual self. (Calm and quiet)

My understanding was that we would be presented the new plaque to start the new year. This was true, but B2 also won the plaque for traveling the most miles in pursuit of the Wanderer plaque during the year and we received a plaque and \$100.00. That was the big SURPRISE. (Sorry Jeff we thought we deserved a celebration party and spent the money there - just kidding get up off the floor)

Jim Cater won first place in the bike show again and Mike (Steve's son) won a \$500.00 certificate from Wing Bling so now he can bling his Dad's bike.

I cannot tell you how proud I am to represent such an awesome group and thanks to all who work so hard to make Wendy and I look good as chapter directors. Everywhere we go B2 gets great praise and recognition.

Remotely yours,  
Norman



# Rider Education Safety Awareness



//// SAFETY //// First when you Ride

## Safety Gear

Are you a MOTGMOTT rider or an ATGATT rider? I regrettably admit that I'm a MOTGMOTT Rider but I'm striving to be an ATGATT. Some people are OTGBITL Riders. What I'm talking about is how often you wear your safety gear. MOTGMOTT stands for "Most of the gear, most of the time" and ATGATT stands for "All the gear, all the time". OTGBITL is one I just made up and I believe it stands for "Only the gear because it's the law", but if the letters don't match, just ignore that. Anyway, I'm in another state (Minnesota) that has no helmet law and I'm not going to hash that out again, but I do want to discuss your PPE or Personal Protective Equipment. (Too many acronyms)

How often do you wear your gear? I ride often with a group that religiously wears their gear. These guys ride aggressively and realize that they are at risk of going down and want to avoid as much injury as possible. I was once told by someone that they would rather "sweat than bleed". That sounds a little harsh but the reality is that you never know what's around the corner to trip you up. As our good friend Pete always says, "You can't put it on after you've gone down". I'm of the philosophy that you have either laid a bike down or you're waiting to lay one down if you ride. Again, I'm not trying to scare anyone, but just point out some obvious realities.

The motorcycle industry has some wonderful equipment on the market that helps overcome some of the reasons identified as reasons riders and co-riders don't wear their PPE. They have produced jackets and riding pants that have several different types of fabric to help alleviate the discomfort of extreme heat. They have really looked at the ergonomics of the gear to ensure that visibility and mobility aren't limited while wearing the equipment.

Below are some pieces of equipment that I would like you to consider wearing every time you throw your leg over the saddle:

- Leather, Kevlar or comparable fabric Jacket with pads on the "First Touch" areas
- Riding Pants with pads on the "First Touch" Areas
- Full Finger gloves (Avoid the Nose Pickers)
- Riding Boots
- Full Faced Helmet

I realize this gear gets hot in our climate during the peak riding months, but it could save you a lot of pain if you go down. Gail did a great job of discussing the importance of hydration at our last meeting and I would recommend whether you wear this much gear or not, you should do everything you can do to stay hydrated.

Thanks again for your time and Ride Smart!

**Paul Johnson**  
**Ga. B-2 ACD / Ride Educator**

# A REMINDER FOR ALL

Debra Ogle

A few weeks ago I was on I-20 coming home from Alabama after making a catfish run. I was nearly to my exit so I stayed behind a truck/SUV and an 18 wheeler. Before I got to the exit I heard a loud “pop” but had no idea what it was so I checked my mirrors and moved to the right of the lane so I could pull off if I needed to.

As I looked forward I saw a large piece of rubber come off one the tires on the big rig and lots of little tiny pieces scatter all over the road. The large piece either bounced in front of the pickup or bounced off of it but it went into the center lane and I only had the little pieces to worry about.

So this is a reminder to not ride beside a vehicle that may have re-caps on them, actually any vehicle, and don't get too comfy in your ride, especially as you get closer to home and everything is familiar.

The unexpected can happen in a flash.

## August Mileage

B2 Member Name	Motorcycle(s)	Starting Mileage August	Aug mileage / bike	August Total	Starting Mileage September	2011 YTD
Rita Goff	Susuki Burgman	7261	1263	1263	8524	1631
Michael Whitlock	2010 1800	21292	2508	2508	23800	14873
Kevin Gardner	2008 GL1800					5495
Dean Watts	2006 GL1800 Trike					2213
Pete Hefele	2008 Triumph Scrambler	14229	96	3525	14325	17674
	1999 1500 w/sc	182735	0		182735	
	1997 GL1500 w/sc	43035	1253		44288	
	2012 Triumph XC800 ABS	496	1922		2418	
	2007 VFR 800 (RWB)	12967	254		13221	
Debra Ogle	1992 w/ sc	92921	160	1887	93081	13678
	2003 1800	45838	1727		47565	
Walt Thayer	1999 1500	106974				1201
	2005 Suzuki M90	2526				
Jeff Poirier	1998 Valkyrie Trike	48817				4577
Susan Poirier	2005 Bergman Suzuki	18401				3925
David Epley	1997 GL1500	182243	1502	1502	183745	1502
GrandPa Bob Campbell	1998 1500 w/ sc	81608	349	349	81957	2906
Clarence Gregory	2005 Motortrike	61022	2828	2828	63850	12645
Randy Siniard		38667	1838	1838	40505	9965
Eddy Nestle	1997 1500 se	61264	369	369	61633	2323
James Steinke	1800 Trike	6040	1110	1110	7150	6128
Paul Johnson	2001 GL 1800	95187	491	491	95678	2686
			0			
Mark Nettke	2005 GL1800					303
Ed Badarzynski (Mr ED)	1998 1500 Motortrike	48740	1144	1144	49884	2079
Norman Morton	2005 1800	74870				11811
	1988 Honda Shadow 1100	42600				
Cheyenne Hayes	1997 GL1500 Trike					3898
Larry McMichen	1998 GL1500	76584	595	595	77179	3676
Paul Holko	1995 GL1500					3
Becky Siniard	2002 Susuki VS800 Intruder	7962	335	335	8297	335
Dick Cross	2010 GL1800					1870
Don Yearwood	2007 GL1800 Roadsmith Trike	28751	2105	2105	30856	8846
Geon O. Taylor,	02 GL1800	72029	2111	2111	74140	7857
George Parker	01 Valkyrie Interstate	83143	1822	1822	84965	1822
Dee Troutman	2007 Yamaha V-Star 650	19629	1657	1657	21286	3564
Jim Cater	1982 Interstate					1641
	1993 Intruder VS800					
Ronald Poole	09 Harley EG Classic					1676
	10 Harley Heritage Softail					
<b>Month Total</b>				<b>27439</b>	<b>2011 Total</b>	<b>152803</b>

MINUTES OF MEETING August 27, 2011  
Susan Poirier

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Clarence and Sue brought us 2012-2013 Mileage Books - Thank you very much

Norm and Wendy have Georgia Maps that were handed out

Monthly B2 Mileage - 15,454 total so far

Boy's Mileage: 1st Place - Woody (Mike) 2,047 miles  
2nd Place - Norm/Wendy 1,561 miles  
3rd Place - Randy/Becky 1,525 miles

Girl's Mileage: 1st Place - Debra O. 1,289 miles  
2nd Place - Susan P 599 miles  
3rd Place - Rita 368 miles (you go girl!)

Paul Johnson - Safety - Please Read Article in Newsletter - "Perfect Practice makes Perfect"

Gail/Dick - Hydration - how to build a camel backpack - WATER/WATER/WATER/WATER...  
very important to drink water (not sodas, juices, etc.)

The Share House - Donations - July - School Supplies - The Share House was very appreciative for all the supplies. Thanks B2

August - Under garments - For Kids and Moms - sizes were given  
September - will be announced later

Alan & Denise Head - Life Skills Seminars are available

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Thank You  
Debra Ogle

I want to say a great big THANK YOU to all who helped out Tuesday night when I needed it.

For Bev being at home and calling Marlene, for Marlene coming to pick me up and take me to the hospital, for Bob and Dale getting my m/c back to Bob's house and for Pete having a safe (and fast) trip back from N.C. where he was attending a Triumph event, and for Cheyenne coming to the hospital to keep me company so Pete could go home. I still have no answers as to what happened but have an appt Tuesday. So far we know that I didn't have a stroke or a seizure and a few other things but don't know what happened or why.

And a great big THANK YOU for the prayers and thoughts and please continue with hopes of finding out what this episode is all about.

Pete has said that he's thinking of getting a "SPOT" for me to carry so he can keep up with me.

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People find themselves in emergencies that make it difficult to think straight. At these times, all emergency personnel who are trying to help you need to know many things about you.

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Emergency personnel would love to know what your last EKG looked like. This gives them critical information on any current heart event you may be having.

A good example of the value of a copy of your EKG is me. I have what is known as an inverted T wave. Don't ask me what it means, I don't know. For me this is my normal and I'm fine. However, if I were not able to speak for myself and tell the medical personnel that I have a weird T wave...they would have great concern over nothing. They would most likely treat me, by lack of knowledge, incorrectly.

When you get to the hospital...they want to know more. What insurance do you have, etc. These are very annoying questions when you don't feel well.

The Vial of Life speaks for you when you can't speak or don't feel well.

**Protect yourself, and all of your family members...all it will cost you is a little time.**

**And it could save your life!**

Jeffrey C. Miller  
Director Vial of Life Project

John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, the second and third presidents of the U.S.  
 both died within hours of each other on July 4, 1826.  
 It was the 50th anniversary of the nation's independence.

# September 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <u>Anniversary</u> John & Lynn Cunningham	2 <u>Birthday</u> Troy Cosby Ed Badarzynski	3 <u>Birthday</u> Mark Nettke
4	5	6	7	8 <u>Birthday</u> Dean Watts Woody Whitlock	9	10 <u>Birthday</u> Gene Newton Gail Cross <u>GA-Q Burger Burn</u> <u>GA Plaque Attack</u>
11	12	13 <u>Dinner Ride</u> Pomarico Pizzeria 7 PM	14 <u>Anniversary</u> Eddy & Lorri Nestle	15 <u>Anniversary</u> Richard & Gail Cross <u>Region A Rally</u> Eufaula, AL Sept 15 - 17	16	17
18	19	20 <u>Anniversary</u> John & Neva Pesce	21	22	23 <u>Anniversary</u> Paul & Lyndi Johnson <u>Birthday</u> Sandi Williams	24 <u>Chapter B2</u> <u>Gathering</u> Williamson Bros BBQ Eat 11am, meet 12pm <u>Region A Plaque</u> <u>Georgia Plaque</u> <u>Heather Poirier's</u> <u>Open House 2 PM</u>
25	26	27 <u>Dinner Ride</u> Highlander Tavern 7 PM	28	29	30	

SHARE House  
 August meeting: \$35.00  
 YTD: \$440.01

Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken winged bird  
that cannot fly. Langston Hughes (1902-1967) American poet.

# October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <u>Dinner Ride</u> Cherokee Cattle Co BP Thornton Rd 3pm
2	3 <u>Dinner Ride</u> Dekalb Farmer's Market BP Thornton Rd 9am	4 <u>Birthday</u> Sue Gregory	5 <u>Anniversary</u> Don & Pat Yearwood Sonny & Sandy Owenby	6 <u>Anniversary</u> Dee Troutman & Linda McGrann James & Deborah Steinke	7	8 <u>Breakfast Ride</u> Beaver Creek Biscuit Co
9 <u>Earl Small Memorial Ride</u>	10	11	12	13 <u>Dinner Ride</u> Huey Luey Hwy 278 in Hiram 7pm	14	15 <u>Cycle for Life Ride</u>
16 <u>Apple Festival Ride</u> QT 61 & 278 8am	17 <u>Anniversary</u> Herschel & Holli Evans	18	19	20 <u>Anniversary</u> Larry & Debbie McMichen	21	22 <u>Chapter B2 Gathering</u> Golden Corral Eat 8am, meet 9am <u>Birthday</u> Randy Siniard
23 <u>Birthday</u> Don Williams	24	25	26	27 <u>Anniversary</u> Billy & Shirley Morris	28	29 <u>Birthday</u> Heather Poirier Bev Thayer <u>Chap L Breast Cancer Fundraiser</u> <u>Sweet Potato Festival</u>
30 <u>Anniversary</u> Lee & Denise Hannah	31 <u>Birthday</u> Henry Moore					

### Door Prize Winners

### Other Winners

Faye & Rich (Chap E)  
Deborah Steinke  
Woody Whitlock  
Carol Parham

Gordon Hancock  
Paul Johnson  
David Epley  
Mary Lou Ross

High Mileage  
**Men:** Woody Whitlock  
**Women:** Debra Ogle

Vest Drawing  
Mr. Ed

50/25/25  
Paul Johnson  
?

Poker Hand  
Debra Ogle

# For Sale

## 2006 VTX 1300S 20,700 Miles Candy Black Cherry

Memphis Batwing windshield - Back rest - Trunk with rack on top - Hard bags - Handle bar storage compartment w/clock & temp, electrical outlet for GPS, etc - Front fender eagle - Highway crash bar with two 30w Halogen Running lights and foot pegs - Kruzer Kaddy #200 chrome cup holder - Diamond chrome grips - 2 Flag poles - Installed (03-08-10) Extreme Super Start ETX14 Battery - New brake pad's front @13.1k, rear @18.5k - New White wall tires front @ 16.1k, rear @ 18.5k - Installed green emphasis lights on engine - 4 1/2 in. handlebar risers - Throttle Crampbuster - Synthetic Mobile 1 MX4T-10-40 oil - Sattlemen gel seat pad - PDF File Owners Manual and Service Manual available.

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**For Sale:**

I have a cousin in chapter M that would like us to put in our news letter that he has a Tulsa Tinted tall windshield that is in new condition he would like to sell. It fits a 1500.  
**His name is Jimmie Yarbrough 229-985-2214 home, 229-890-0452 cell email [2009jimmie@windstream.net](mailto:2009jimmie@windstream.net).**  
He is asking \$50.00  
Thanks Randy

**For Sale:**

I have a 2007 Honda 250 Helix cycle for sale I got it new. I am asking \$3500.  
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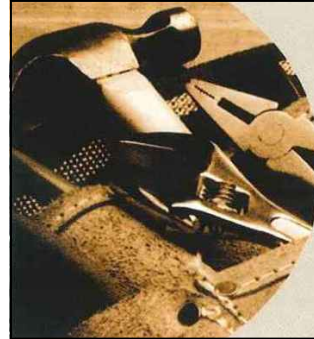
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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Georgia's New ARC Instructors—Roy Degler, Murry Cail, David Newby, Marvin Seritt, Kevin Henkle and Gean Taylor. This is a great accomplishment and will be a big asset for the Georgia Rider Education Program. For more details see the Rider Education article on page 2

Chapter D did an outstanding job with their Poker Run. I joined a group from Chapter T (my home Chapter) to ride the Poker Run. The route was great and we were able to spend time talking with different members and potential members at each stop. Both the start point—Riders Hill—and the end point—R&R Trikes—were very nice locations; everyone was very helpful and friendly. R&R Trikes had Hotdogs, chips, coleslaw, cookies and bottled water for everyone. There were some happy winners of some really nice door prizes and the 50/25/25 drawing. It wasn't me, I didn't win a thing, but we did have FUN and a great ride. The weather was wonderful and the route that Chapter D had laid out for the poker run was excellent. Thank You Phillip, Terri and your entire Team for a Fun Event.

Now, it's just a short time until we will be making our way toward Eufaula, AL for the Region A Convention. We are looking forward to visiting with all our GWRR Friends and Family. There will be plenty of activities to participate in, such as Educational Seminars, Riding Courses, Talent Show, several different Contests including but not limited to the Costume and Mascot Contest.

The Region A Couple of the Year Selection will be held on Friday and we hope that you can be there in support of the District Couples of Region A. Unfortunately, due to the recent loss of Dianne Hickly, the Georgia District will not be competing for the Region A Couple of the Year Selection this year. However, we hope that you will join us as we Honor Bob and Dianne as Georgia's 2011 District Couple of the Year. Bob and Dianne have so proudly represented GWRR, District of Georgia and their home Chapter GA-A, as they have promoted the Couple of the Year Program with Enthusiasm, and Encouragement.

Georgia is responsible for the Hospitality Suite during this event, so drop by and say hello we would love to see you. If you would be willing to help out in the Hospitality Suite please let us know, we still have a couple of open slots to fill.

Mark your calendars for November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and plan to join us for "WIND DOWN". Come and support the 2011 Chapter Couples of the Year as they compete in the 2012 District Couple of the Year selection. We will retire the 2011 Travelers Plaque and present the New 2012 Travelers Plaque. Your District Team will be preparing a free lunch for the members in appreciation for their support. This year Wind Down will be held at the Dublin Civitan Fairgrounds 2593 Hwy 257 South Dublin, GA 31021.

*Tommy & Vicky*

## ARC Happenings

Before sunrise on August 18<sup>th</sup>, six instructor candidates converged on the Richard B. Russell airport in Rome, GA. Four were from Chapter L—David Newby, Kevin Henkle, Murry Cail & Marvin Seritt, one from Chapter B2—Gean Taylor, and myself. We were soon joined by our Master Instructor Trainer, Harry Dollarhide (who is also the Region H Director) and The Region A Educator and Master Instructor, Chuck Reed. Don Boren, the Georgia Asst. District Educator and Trike Instructor, joined us Friday through Sunday as an observer.

Over the next four days the instructor candidates participated in 52 hours of physically and mentally challenging training, culminating in the six candidates being observed and evaluated leading an actual ARC on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>.

Afternoon temperatures on the airport tarmac were in the upper 90's to low 100's each day. Never-the-less seven hearty souls came out to take advantage of the training on Sunday. This time, five were from GA-L—Jerome Poole, Darrell Ray, Jim Hegwood, Randall Brazier and Tim Wilson, one from GA-A—Bryan Douglas, and one from GA-S—Eric Wolbach.

After three hours of

classroom instruction and five hours of being on the range, these sun-burned, raccoon faced individuals—where their eye protection kept them from sun burning—were all smiles and good feelings! The course had been challenging, but it was obvious to all involved how much everyone improved their skills. Ask them about their experiences and they will be very positive in their responses.

At the end of the day the six new Georgia Ride Course Instructors mounted their trusty motorcycles to ride off into the sunset, tired and sore, but filled with a sense of accomplishment and pride!

### Acknowledgements:

To set up an instructor certification course and an actual ARC requires the work and talents of many individuals. Nothing would have happened without the help and support of Chapter L and for that we would like to say THANK YOU! There were some behind the scene individuals that need to be recognized: Sheri Harley not only for allowing me to stay at their home, but also for all of the yummy goodies she made and sent each day to keep us well fed. Not only did Darrell Ray take the ARC, he was there everyday with ice for our water and he made and iced Gatorade

to keep all of us from literally dying in the heat. We cannot forget Al and Peggy Rodgers who allowed Harry and Chuck to stay in their home and Peggy sent some home-made biscuits to help feed the instructors. (After all this is GWRRA and food is a major part!)

It goes without saying that the guidance and instruction from Harry and Chuck was beyond a doubt eye opening and invaluable! Last, but not least the instructor candidates themselves who brought and bought supplies, printed materials, basically did anything that needed to be done. In other words; completely gave of their time and talents working together as a TEAM towards the ultimate goal of instructor certification.

Georgia, I hope you are as proud of all involved as we are. Stay tuned! We are going to be holding ARC's all over the state. So get ready, sign up and come prepared because we now have our very own, home grown, ARC instructors who want nothing more than to help improve your riding skills making you not only better, but SAFER riders!

Be safe—we will see you on the road!

*Roy & Julie*



**Advanced Rider Course**

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**Rider Education Program**

### GWRRA Motto

***“Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge...”***

# SEPTEMBER 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3 GA-E, F2
4	5 HAPPY LABOR DAY!	6 GA-S	7	8 GA-K, M	9	10 GA-B, D, G, P GA-Q Burger Burn & Traveler
11 SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL DAY	12 GA-Q, T	13 GA-X	14	15 GA-D2	16	17 GA-A, C2, I2
				Region A Convention—Eufaula, AL		
18	19 GA-O	20 GA-A2	21	22 GA-H, L	23	24 GA-B2, E2, J, Z
25	26	27 GA-R	28	29	30	Oct. 1 GA-E2 Fun Day

Please see website for times and locations of Chapter Gatherings. Call before you visit to confirm date, time and location.

**Georgia Traveler's Plaque: Chapter GA-Q** picked up the Traveler plaque at GA-D's Poker Run. It will be given away at their Burger Burn and Desert Auction on September 10th.

**Region A Wanderer: Chapter GA-B2**, Douglasville captured the Wanderer! It will be swapped out for the new plaque at the Region A Convention. More details soon!

## Schedule of Events

- September 10<sup>th</sup> — GA-Q Burger Burn: Museum of Aviation, 100 Hwy 247 South, Warner Robins, GA. Contact Frank or Margie Ricigliano at 770-953-3886
- September 15-17<sup>th</sup> — Region A Convention: Lakepoint Resort Lodge, Eufaula, AL.
- September 24<sup>th</sup> — GA-H Rider Education Fun Day, Lee County Board of Education Complex, Leesburg, GA.
- October 1<sup>st</sup> — GA-E2 Fun Day: Pooler, GA Sangrena Woods Picnic Area, 955 Plantation Drive, Pooler, GA. Contact Robert Payne at 912-658-6463
- October 13-15<sup>th</sup> — Mississippi District Convention: Wings Over Tupelo – Hillbilly Style, Tupelo, MS.
- October 22<sup>nd</sup> — GA-O Picnic in the Park: Tift County Recreation Center Pavilion. Contact Barry Ownes at 229-263-7906
- October 29<sup>th</sup> GA-L Fun Day: Dykes Creek Baptist Church, 46 Dykes Creek Church Road, Rome, GA Contact Marvin Seritt at 770-547-2091
- November 12<sup>th</sup> Wind Down. Civitan Fairgrounds, 2593 Hwy 257 South, Dublin, GA 31021.
- February 11, 2012—GA-S Sweetheart Fun Day. Midway Christian Church, 1406 Hog Mountain Rd., Winder, GA. Contact Pat Whitehouse 770-867-2649

## “The Rumble in the Jungle”



Hidden away in northeast Georgia, there is a wonderful place with great mountain views, wonderful accommodations, fantastic amenities, and sumptuous food. We are excited that this will be the location of next years Wing Fling! The Henry E.

Dillard Conference Center will be our home base as we gather for “The Rumble in the Jungle” to share the fun with our GWRRR family.

The Dillard House properties boast great accommodations with almost 100 rooms in all price ranges. With registration at the Dillard House, you will also receive a 20% discount on food at the restaurant. With this great deal, rooms are

going fast. We have over 130 folks already registered, so don't delay!

In case the Dillard House is not to your pleasure, we have some other nearby accommodations ready and willing to meet your needs—the Holliday Inn Express is less than 1 1/2 miles away and just beyond that you will find the River Vista Mountain Village is great for camping and cabins.

See you in Dillard!



**The Dillard House**

## Motorist Awareness



**Motorist  
Awareness**

***“I had everything covered that I wanted to use the rest of my life.”***



**Couple of the Year packets available from GWRRA.**

For those not aware of it, I went down on my wing after leaving the ARC in Rome. With the damage done, my Wing will probably be classified as “totaled.” I have a broken collar bone and am bruises from the impact with the ground. In addition, my helmet will have to be replaced because it suffered damage. However I was wearing all the proper gear when I went down and I do not have any road rash. I had everything covered that I wanted to use the rest of my life. In GWRRA we stress wearing the proper riding gear to give you the most protection. Forget the hot weather or the uncomfortable feeling – wear the gear to protect yourself.

Last month we covered our proper riding gear as a way of helping make the public more aware of our presence. In relation to our riding gear, our riding equipment can also make them more aware of our presence.

We have all used the term “safety chrome” for our accessories. Our Wing draws attention as it is and with the addition of accessories it may draw more. We have all had passing vehicles wave or take pictures of us – such is the lure of our Wings. How about the addition of more lights? The decision of how many and type are up to us. However, we should all be aware of what our state laws are and not violate them. If

you look like a moving bike show, another driver may be looking at the show instead of the traffic. Years ago, I had a wing pull out in front of me. He had a total of 27 lights on the rear of his bike. It was a beautiful sight, but how much of my driving attention was focused on the number and placement of those lights, instead of being focused on driving? Yes, we want the public to be aware of our presence, but for public safety. Is a case like this the correct type of awareness we want? Motorist awareness works both ways.

Ride safe and keep the shiny side up.

*Don*

## Couple Of the Year

Wow! September is here. Where has the year gone? The District convention was just a couple of months ago. Donna and I have been very busy and this is the first opportunity since being asked to step up as the New Assistant District Director and Couple of the Year Coordinator to put an article in our newsletter. We have been attending as many chapter gathering and events as we could. I call this “crunch time”.

Wind Down is just around the corner and that means we will be selecting a new Couple of the Year for the District. The first step in the selection process is you need

to be selected as your Chapter Couple of the Year. Being selected as a chapter Couple of the Year should be viewed as an HONOR not a job or responsibility. I vision every chapter having a Chapter Couple they want to honor. Some things to look at are who does the most to promote the chapter, comes to all or most of the gatherings, wears chapter pride, attends most rides, involved in chapter activities, whatever. If chapter funds are available honor your chapter couple by purchasing a new vest for them with Couple of the Year on it. Purchase the medallions you see other couples wearing. You can get

them on line from national. Just e-mail John Cracchiolo at [johnc@gwrra.org](mailto:johnc@gwrra.org) you can see the whole Couple of the Year package on the web site at [www.gwrra.org](http://www.gwrra.org). Click on the official GWRRA products, then go to the MISC link, go half way down on page 3.

If you have any questions about the Couple of the Year program please contact me. My policy is I hope to have an answer or I will get the answer within 24 hours of receiving the question.

Ride safe and often,

*Sid & Donna*

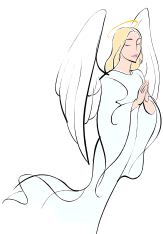
## Among our sick

Julie Degler, surgery—GA-A/District Team  
Don Boren, accident—GA-E2/District Team  
Dave Cole, upcoming surgery—GA-L  
Janet Mackey, testing—GA-R  
Joyce Argo, surgery—GA-S

Betty Andrea, surgery—GA-T  
Linda Fields, illness—GA-T  
Bob Lang, upcoming surgery—GA-T  
Buddy Summers, surgery—SC District Team

## In Memory

Dianne Spencer's Father—GA-S



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