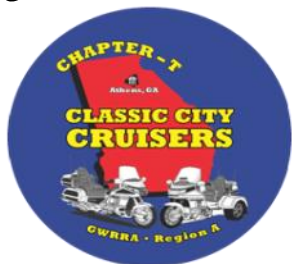


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We have just got home from our camping trip/picnic which was a great way to start the month off. We had a good group of campers and a few others came up for the picnic on Saturday. The weather on top of the mountain was cool and wet. We all cooked our meals together and ate as a group. We enjoyed all the conversations around the campfire.

We had a fantastic turn out for our plaque giveaway at the Chop House with 150 +/- 1 or 2. We took over the entire restaurant inside and outside. It was AMAZING !!!! Thank you to all of you that came out to help with this event and for the door prize donations. Everyone seemed to enjoy seeing all their fellow Gold Wingers.

I keep hearing how much you all want to ride so here you go. We have several rides planned for this month, please come out and join in on the fun.

**Monday, August 11th**  
Chapter Meeting at Locos

**Saturday, August 16th**  
Meet at the Race Trac on Hog Mountain/Hwy 441 ...Stands up at 8:30AM  
We will be riding up to Buford, GA for Chapter D's Fun Day Rodeo & Bar B Q.

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**Sunday, August 24th**

Meet at the Race Trac on Hog Mountain/Hwy 441 ...Stands up at 8:30AM  
We will ride up to Amicalola Falls State Park and have a chapter picnic.

**Come on out and join in on the fun. Didn't you join GWRRA to RIDE?  
Ok let's go !!!**

**Important Notice**

We are also in the planning phase for our Road Captains Course, as soon as it is finalized I will let you know. We need **ALL** of you to take this class, even if you took it years ago.

**As usual please watch your email or listen for a phone call for more information on rides and dinners.**

**“You have to participate to enjoy chapter life”**

**Next Monthly Gathering.....Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at:**

**Loco's Grill & Pub 1985 Barnett Shoals Road Athens, GA 30605**

**We eat at 6:00PM and meet at 7:00PM.**



**Ride Safe and Have Fun,  
Debbie and Ralph Stewart  
Chapter T Directors  
2013 Couple of the Year**

## Rider Education

Knowing the fundamentals of group riding is important for a safe uneventful excursion. Learning all we can about safe riding techniques allows us to improve our riding skills for miles of accident free riding. I have included the Motorcycle Safety Foundation tip sheet for group riding.

There are many riders on the road today that have never taken a basic safety course or bothered to even get a proper motorcycle license these riders end up involved in 33 percent of fatal motorcycle accidents.



### **QUICK TIPS: MSF's Guide to Group Riding**

Motorcycling is primarily a solo activity, but for many, riding as a group -- whether with friends on a Sunday morning ride or with an organized motorcycle rally -- is the epitome of the motorcycling experience. Here are some tips to help ensure a fun and safe group ride:

**Arrive prepared.** Arrive on time with a full gas tank.

**Hold a riders' meeting.** Discuss things like the route, rest and fuel stops, and hand signals (see diagrams on next page). Assign a lead and sweep (tail) rider. Both should be experienced riders who are well-versed in group riding procedures. The leader should assess everyone's riding skills and the group's riding style.

**Keep the group to a manageable size,** ideally five to seven riders. If necessary, break the group into smaller sub-groups, each with a lead and sweep rider.

**Ride prepared.** At least one rider in each group should pack a cell phone, first-aid kit, and full tool kit, so the group is prepared for any problem that they might encounter.

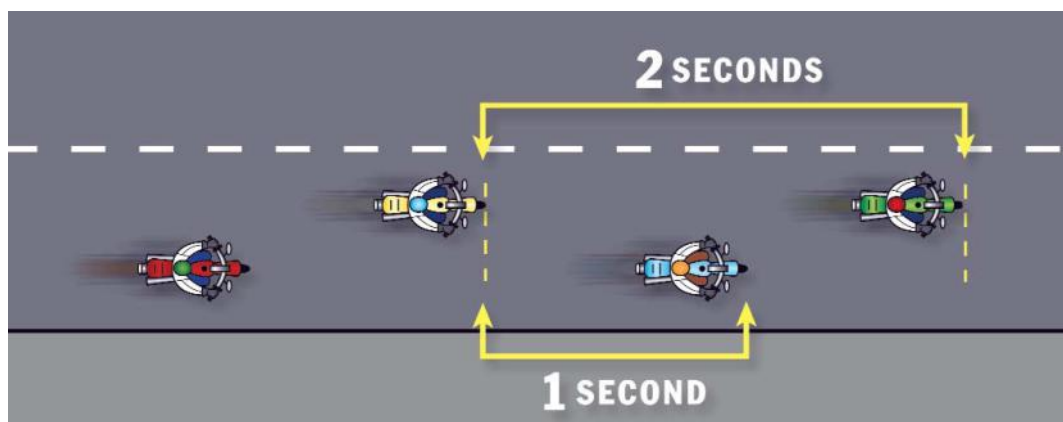
**Ride in formation.** The staggered riding formation (see diagram below) allows a proper space cushion between motorcycles so that each rider has enough time and space to maneuver and to react to hazards. The leader rides in the left third of the lane, while the next rider stays at least one second behind in the right third of the lane; the rest of the group follows the same pattern. A single-file formation is preferred on a curvy road, under conditions of poor visibility or poor road surfaces, entering/leaving highways, or other situations where an increased space cushion or maneuvering room is needed.

**Avoid side-by-side formations**, as they reduce the space cushion. If you suddenly needed to swerve to avoid a hazard, you would not have room to do so. You don't want handlebars to get entangled.

**Periodically check the riders following in your rear view mirror.** If you see a rider falling behind, slow down so they may catch up. If all the riders in the group use this technique, the group should be able to maintain a fairly steady speed without pressure to ride too fast to catch up.

**If you're separated from the group**, don't panic. Your group should have a pre-planned procedure in place to regroup. Don't break the law or ride beyond your skills to catch up.

**For mechanical or medical problems**, use a cell phone to call for assistance as the situation warrants.



Gary  
Rider Educator

## Classifieds

All ads must be submitted by a current GWRRR Member. Ads will run in the Newsletter for three months unless notified of the sale of the item/s listed. It is the responsibility of the owner to notify the Newsletter Editor when an item sales.

## GWRRA ?

What does GWRRA mean to you? Maybe the question should be what GWRRA means to me? When we first joined back in 2004 we was looking for folks to ride with, little did we know that it would become our second family. We have gone from being new riders and motorcycle owners to having owned three trikes and a 2 wheeler (Charleen thought she wanted to ride her own) to where we are now.

Back to the original statement or question. What does GWRRA mean to me - well it means a lot. First there is the organization itself. By paying the annual membership fee along with the fee for Rescue Plus we get a great magazine, we get hotel & motel discounts (did you know that?) and the list could almost fill this entire article, but those are the reason we associate with the Gold Wing Road Riders Association. I could list the times we were rescued by the Rescue Plus, or I could talk about the time I sent Stu, you know the guy in WingWorld, a question about my trike and holly moley it was published in WingWorld for all to see. Or, I could talk about the My Chapter that never let me go more than a few days without somebody contacting me during 2013 when I was waylaid and could not ride - heck I could not even walk for the most part of the year! Or, I could talk about two Georgia Chapters that welcomed Charleen and I to our new "Home" when we decided to move closer to the Grand Kids.

But I guess I have to say, is the thing that GWRRA means the most to me is,

The friendships we have developed during our Chapter Rides, our visits to other Chapters, going to the Districts Rallies (or Rallyventions as they are now being called) and the Wing Dings we have attended.

So, what does GWRRA mean to you?

Hope to see you on the road,

Ride Safe,

Garland



### French Dressing

1/2 tsp garlic powder, 1/4 tsp minced onion flakes, 1/3 cup ketchup, 1/4 cup vinegar, 1/3 cup sugar, 1/2 cup vegetable oil, 1/2 tsp salt, 1/2 tsp celery seed.

Blend all ingredients together in blender, pour in sealable container (pint jar works great) and store in refrigerator.

## Upcoming Events

- **August 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter T Gathering at Loco's**  
1985 Barnett Shoals Road Athens, GA.
- **August 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter D's Fun Day** 10am - 2pm  
Buford, GA. **Meet at Race Trac** on Hog  
Mountain/Hwy 441 ...Stands up at  
8:30AM
- **August 24<sup>th</sup> PICNIC** ride to Amicalola Falls  
State Park. Stands Up: 8:30AM **Meet at Race**  
Trac on Hog Mountain/Hwy 441 ...Stands  
up at 8:30AM
- **Aug 29<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> Weekend At The Opry** Labor  
Day Weekend 2014 Nashville, TN
- **September 26, 27, 28** Wings Over The Smokies  
Hotel: Great Smokey Inn (828) 497-2020
- **September 27<sup>th</sup> Advanced Leadership Program**  
9 AM McDonough Baptist Church 352  
McDonough Road, Fayetteville, GA
- **September 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Region "A" Rally.** Eu-  
faula, AL.
- **October 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Mississippi District Rally**  
Gulfport, MS.

Diane Baldwin 8/5  
Joseph Martin 8/12  
Ray Hemphill 8/28



*Happy Anniversary*



Glen & Joyce Argo 8/5  
Cody & Jeanne Dawley 8/9  
Alan & Jeanna Phillips 8/26  
Dave & Pat Salum 8/3



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**FRIENDS for FUN SAFETY and KNOWLEDGE**



# August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Paul Dawley	2 Camping
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Chapter Gathering		13	14	15	16 Chapter D Fun Day
17 Chapter Pic- nic	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Weekend At	30 the Opry
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# September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Chapter T Gathering	9	10	11 Region	12 "A"	13 Rally
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Wings	26 Over The	27 Snokies
28	29	30				