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FROM THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR

Rick and Elizabeth Broadway



Greetings all! Liz and I hope your holidays were fantastic. We want to thank everyone for your thoughts and prayers for the passing of Liz's father. We are looking forward to a new and exciting year in the District.

We want to invite all the members to attend the District operations gathering. There is a lot to share with you and some proposed changes to make it a great riding season for 2019. We will be meeting at First Christian Church in Shelbyville KY, 1000 Eminence Pike. Just a reminder please check the GWRRA web page for the new officer's hand book. This is your best tool to help you as an officer and a member. Officers please take some time and look through it, so you are up to date on the changes.

Liz and I want to welcome John and Sheila Main as the new Directors of Chapter A. Liz and I wish you and the chapter great success in the years to come. Thank you to John and Beth for all their hard work and dedication to Chapter A.

The District is working on the next location for the Blast in 2020. We are planning more riding in a great new location. Nothing happens without all the Chapters and the District Team working together. The District Team will be working on a new way to stay up to date with the Chapter Directors in the future. More to come on that. Thank you for all you do and your support.

Let's get ready to have some fun in 2019

ASST. DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Leah and Rick Cridlin



February 23rd is our Operations Meeting for Kentucky. The meeting will be at First Christian Church Shelbyville, in Shelbyville, KY from 9:00am - 4:30pm. We will be discussing the KY Ride In and the KY Blast. Please plan to bring ideas to share to make the Blast a more rider friendly event. The District staff really would like suggestion to encourage more participation. Please visit the KY District web page for more details. If you are unable to attend, please email Rick and Liz Broadway or us to forward your suggestions.

Have you posted your ride schedule for your chapter this year? It is really a great way to let your members be more involved. They are able to plan which events they are able to attend. We all lead busy lives, and the more time we have to plan the better for us.. Make sure to plan a variety events to include the interest of everyone. If it works for your chapter, that is what its important.

Rick and I continue to enjoy visiting chapters around. Today we were in Elizabethtown. There are good people all over GWRRA in Kentucky. Thanks for all you do to continue to make KY a great district.

Leah and Rick Cridlin

KY Assistant District Directors

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THE DISTRICT TRAINER'S CORNER
Jeannie and Buddy McKenzie



DISTRICT RIDE EDUCATORS
Bill and Susan Mucha



How to Avoid an Accident on a Motorcycle

Many people enjoy the freedom and adrenaline rush that riding a motorcycle can give you. However, riding a motorcycle is very dangerous if you're unprepared. First, take a motorcycle safety course in your area to learn how to ride safely. Next, always be aware of the road conditions and dodge any obstructions. Avoid common driving mistakes by paying attention to the cars around you. Finally, ride safely by wearing safety gear and maintaining your motorcycle.

1 Complete a motorcycle safety course. No matter your skill level, you can benefit from taking a safety course. These courses teach you how to avoid accidents, how to crash safely, and how to deal with the aftermath. Many countries have motorcycle safety organizations or government agencies that offer safety courses. Do an online search to find one in your area.

- For example, the Motorcyclist Safety Foundation offers beginner and advanced courses all over US.
- In England, the government offers "Enhanced Riding Schemes," or courses that are designed to improve a rider's safety

2 Behave as if no car can see you. Many drivers have trouble spotting motorcycles on the road, whether because of a blind spot or because they're not paying attention. Whenever you're driving near a car, assume that the rider cannot see you. For example:

- Stay away from potential blind spots by riding in front of or behind a car.
- When a car is backing up, assume they won't see you in time to stop. Let them finish and then continue on your way.
- If a car is merging into your lane, give them space. If they can't see you they will run you over.

3 Pay attention to the wheels of other cars. If you're not sure where a car will turn, look at their wheels. The angle of the wheel will indicate where they want to go next. This information can help you avoid many accidents. For example:

- You will be aware of cars trying to turn left on top of you.
- A rider can see whether a driver will try to change lanes at an intersection.
- If the car is backing up, you will know what direction they will most likely go.

4 Watch out for any obstructions in the road. This can include cars, rocks, and other debris. By being watchful, you will give yourself enough time to avoid anything that you see on the road. For example, if you're riding on a small country road, keep an eye out for any cars parked in your lane. Other dangerous road debris include:

- Patches of gravel
- Puddles of water
- Oil on the road
- Large branches on the street

5 Check your mirrors often. Be aware of what's going on behind you by checking your mirrors. It can always be tempting to keep the eye on the road in front of you. However, you can benefit from knowing what's going on behind you. For example:

- If a car is speeding, they may come up behind you quickly and startle you.
- A car behind you may turn on their blinker, indicating that they may merge on top of you if you don't pay attention.

Article from Wilke web page
Bill Mucha
Ky District Educator

COUPLE OF THE YEAR COORDINATORS

Allen & Lisa Merritt



Hi everyone,
Hope you all had great Holidays.
The year is starting out great learning new things all the time.
At Feb Ops meeting we will have info to give out about Couples.
New Resumes, and new info.

If your Couple can not make it to ops, please bring their contact info with you.
We are working on new games for our events. We have been listening! You all want new games, more active games and most of all fun. So, if you have any new game you wish to play let us know we will try and get it in.

All suggestions are welcome, more input more fun for all.

See you at ops.
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FROM THE MEPC
Jerry & Luanne Williams



Hi GWRRR Members,

We hope you will join us for the upcoming OPS Meeting on Saturday, February 23 in Shelbyville. This is a great opportunity to find out the background on how our Kentucky Chapters are operated and talk with the District Staff and fellow GWRRR members. Please join us!

Please ensure your Membership is current—GWRRR has a lot of benefits!!

Jerry & Luanne Williams
KY DISTRICT MEPC

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VENDOR COORDINATOR
Ray and Kathy Conrad



Hello, well the District meeting is just around the corner, hope all can attend. Rick and Liz have asked for Ideas of the upcoming events, so If you can't make it pass them on to those that are attending in your chapter.

The weather is very strange they are calling this a bipolar winter, it cannot make up its mind if it wants to be cold or warm, I prefer the warm myself. We cannot wait until spring when all the rallies begin. We always look forward to Spring Fling to start things

off, but until then keep visiting your chapters and try and capture the Plaque. I know they will all welcome your visits.

See you at the next gathering.

Ride safe.

Ray and Kathy Conrad



DISTRICT COUPLE OF THE YEAR
Dan and Rita Bondurant

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
Danny Drane



Another month and we are going to head into spring and riding with a storm! The ground hog says early spring and he had best deliver! Bev and I have the trike ready to roll, we did our service last fall. Now is the time to get that done..... if you have not.

Newsletter news publish date is the same as last year, 10th of the month each month. Please let me know if you need me to send reminders to an email we DO NOT have right now. Also, if you get your article from another resource, that is fine btw, please credit that resource in your article.

We all know about the annual meeting of the Ky district this month in Shelbyville. What you don't know is I have been asked to take new portraits of the Couple of Year for each chapter. So.....I will bring my portable lights and setup (Rick need a room maybe) so I can do these. This is important for how we look to those who are not members. I will also take new photographs of the staff at this time. Please be sure

to have your COY badges and emblems. If you need to borrow or bring what you may have from previous years. Staff shots should be in your vests.

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KY CHAPTER GATHERINGS

Chapter A Meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at Mark's Feed Store 6501 Bardstown Rd. Fern Creek, KY. 40291. Eat @ 11:00 AM and meet at Noon.

Chapter C Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Roosters. 124 Marketplace Dr. Lexington, KY. 40503. Eat @ 11:00 am, Meet @ 12:00 noon.

Chapter G Meet on the 2nd Tuesday at the Dave & Buster's 781 Heights Blvd Florence, KY 41042 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm

Chapter H Meet on the 1st Friday of the month at UK Extension Shelby County Office 1117 Frankfort Road Shelbyville, KY. 40065. 6:30 pm Social Time, Meet @ 7:00 pm.

Chapter S Meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at Shoney's, 1046 Executive Drive, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701. Eat @ 4:00 pm, Meet @ 5:00 pm.

Chapter T Meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at Carriage House Ramada Inn Paintsville, KY. Meet @ 6:00 pm.

Chapter Y Meet on the 1st Thursday at Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th St. Mayfield, KY. 42066 Eat @ 6:00 pm, Meet @ 7:00 pm.

CONVENTION/RALLY SCHEDULE

Ops Meeting this month