# KENTUCKY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATIO

**GWRRA KENTUCKY** 

## **Inside Kentucky**



David and Phyllis Rock of KY-S joined in on a ride with KY-A in October to Midway. There were 9 bikes that enjoyed that ride. The ride started out a little cool, but they were able to enjoy a nice outdoor meal at The Mezzo Italian Café.

David and Phyllis also rode to Barren River Lake, Berea, Rock Island State Park, and Fall Creek Falls State Park in Tennessee, proving to us all that even through these strange times, we can still follow our riding passion.



#### **Links of Interest**

- KY District: <a href="http://www.gwrraky.com/">http://www.gwrraky.com/</a>
- Home Office:http://www.gwrra.org/
- Wing World:
   <u>http://</u>
   <u>wing-</u>
   <u>worldmag.com/</u>
- Wing Ding: <a href="https://www.wing-ding.org/">https://www.wing-ding.org/</a>

## Wing Ding 42

We missed it in 2020, but we will hopefully pick it back up in 2021. Make your plans now to enjoy the long awaited resurrection of our national convention in Springfield, Missouri, June 29th—July 3rd 2021. The trade show, rides, entertainment and fun will be well worth planning for. We hope to see you there!

Register now at: <a href="https://membership.gwrra.org/">https://membership.gwrra.org/</a> Scripts/4Disapi.dll/4DCGI/events/ConferenceList.html? Action=Find Events&

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## **Chapter Directors Report**



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky District
Directors

Welcome to December Kentucky! Leah and I hope you are doing well and are looking forward to a wonderful Christmas. We are aware that most of the chapters had to cancel their traditional Christmas Party due the restrictions imposed as a result of COVID19. We are no exception here in Northern Kentucky and are more than ready to put this all behind us and begin planning for next year.

We just had a Zoom meeting with Jere Goodman, the GWRRA director, Bob Shrader, the director assistant for our territory, and all but one of the District Directors for our territory, where we discussed plans for 2021. Each of the states are moving forward with plans for their District Rally and the plan for Wing-Ding 42 in Springfield Missouri is in full force. Leah and I are pleased to announce that Kentucky is also moving forward with plans for our rally (The Blast), which is scheduled for August 19, 20, and 21 in Lawrenceburg, KY. We will keep you posted on the details.

Kentucky is also moving forward with plans for the 2021 Ride-In, which will be hosted by Chapter G in Northern Kentucky on June 4 and 5. For those who would like to camp, we highly recommend making your reservations early. We are camping at Big Bone Lick State Park and reservations can be made at <a href="https://www.reserveamerica.com">www.reserveamerica.com</a>. You can look at the campground map and pick your site in advance. Leah and I are camping on Site #4. Although the Ride-In was cancelled last year, many of us kept our camping reservation and enjoyed a great weekend of camping, where we practiced social distancing, while still getting to enjoy the company of our GWRRA friends. I tell you that, because we will more than likely due the same if restrictions force the cancellation of the Ride-In and we would love to have even more of our members join us.

As mentioned last month, Leah revived the district Facebook page for members to be able to share information with each other, post pictures, and use it as another way to stay in touch. We already have 187 people following, which includes people from out of state. If you would like to join, go to GWRRA of Kentucky Member's Page and see what is going on.

We have been discussing the Operations meeting, which we are planning to host on February 6<sup>th</sup>. The format is yet to be determined and will be dependent upon the restrictions that are in place at the time. Our goal is to have a face-to-face meeting, however we will plan to use a Zoom Call as a back-up. We would like to encourage you to save the date for now and we will keep you posted as we move forward with the planning process.

Leah and I encourage each of you to stay in touch with your Chapter Director and their staff. They are each tasked with making difficult decisions as they balance hosting activities and maintaining your safety during this very challenging time. We can't thank them enough for all that they do to support you, the members.

As a reminder, please check the district web site often at <a href="www.GWRRAKY.com">www.GWRRAKY.com</a>. There you will find updates on activities as well as current newsletters. Have a very Merry Christmas and stay safe!

## **District Educator Report**



Rick Artmayer

District Educator

I hope everyone is safe and well after the Thanksgiving Holiday. For most of the year I have been writing about the Levels program and the advantages of participating. Many members are part of the program, but with the absence of monthly gatherings, it can be easy to forget one's current Level status, or all of the classes one has completed in the past. Fortunately, every participating member can check their status and history via the GWRRA website, any time, night or day. I will explain how you do this.

- 1. Go to the GWRRA home page (gwrra.org)
- 2. Under the logo at the top of the page is a blue bar of 10 tabs. Move your mouse over the Programs tab. This tab should turn gray and expand across the page with eight tabs.
- 3. Move your mouse to the Rider Education tab and click on it. You should be taken to the Rider Education home page.
- 4. On left hand side of the page will be 15 light blue tabs. Click on the My R.E. Information tab. This should take you to the Levels Database login page.
- 5. Enter your username and password and click submit.
- 6. If you do not know your username and/or password, click on "I need help logging in" at the bottom of the login box. You will be taken to the Member Login Help page, which explains what information is required and where to find it. There is also an option to have your password emailed to you.
- 7. Click on Return to Login to go back to the login page.
- 8. Enter your username and password and click submit. You should now have access to the Levels Database and see your name and city, state, and country of residence. If you are part of a Family Membership, then every member of your family will also be listed.
- 9. Click on View to be taken to your personal information. The top section shows your Member Information like name, address, phone, and email. If any of this information needs to be corrected, call the home office and they will correct it. The bottom section of the page shows your personal Levels information. Only the most current data is shown here. To see all your completed training classes, move your mouse over the word <u>History</u>, or click on All History. If you think any of your information in the bottom section is incorrect then contact me, your District Educator, and I will be happy to help you get the information updated.

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With the 2020 riding season all but finished, now is a great time to reflect on what you have done I the past, and plan for what you want to do next year. The Rider Education Database is a great tool to see your past accomplishments, and to assist you to know what you need to plan to meet your goals for next year.

Did you know a herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest animal, and when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest that are killed first? This natural selection is good for the herd, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cell. Excessive intake of alcohol, as we all know, kills brain cells, but naturally it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, the regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brains cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. That is why you always feel smarter after a few beers.





Online classes have been put on hold for October, November, and December 2020. The University will be presenting classes online, once again, starting in January 2021. If you have a suggestion for a class to be presented online, please contact Interim University Director, Lorrie M. Thomas at Iorriemthomas@aol.com. If you are a University Instructor or University Trainer and are interested in receiving instruction on presenting online, please contact her, as well.

### **Senior Awards**



Rick and Liz Broadway

Former Kentucky
District Directors

Greetings all! I just wanted to make this my last official/unofficial act as the Kentucky District Director lol.

While Liz and I where the District Directors we had the honor of nominating some very deserving and hardworking members for Senior Awards. The first was Jeannie McKenzie to Senior District Trainer. Next was Jerry and Luanne Williams to Senior District MEPC and Rick and Leah Cridlin to Senior Chapter Directors. A big congratulations to these folks.

We wanted to give these awards out at a special event or a chapter gathering, but due to the pandemic all events and gatherings stopped. These folks worked very hard for many years volunteering their time and energy to the Chapters, District and GWRRA. Their dedication and selflessness helping Liz and I at the District level and the Chapters was outstanding. We could not have done all the things required of us without them. Please let them know what a great job they did and congratulate them on becoming Senior Award recipients. You Guys ROCK!!!!! Thank you for all you have accomplished and continued success in all your future endeavors.

## **Congratulations!**

Annually, GWRRA will recognize and honor outstanding Directors who have distinguished themselves through performance and dedication above their peers. Once an Officer achieves Senior status, they qualify to be further recognized by being selected to receive the "Merit Award"







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## Dave and Roxie Wilkinson

District Member Enhancement Coordinators and 2019-2020 Couple of the Year









## District Membership Enhancement and District Couple of the Year

Hello everyone... We hope you had a very nice Thanksgiving. We cooked a traditional holiday meal for just the two of us and we'll enjoy leftovers for quite a while!

We're looking forward to a Christmas Celebration much like our Thanksgiving was. There will be no gift exchanging or stockings this year for our family...HOWEVER we'll give to a charity in all our names. How about "KY.gov. donations?" It will help our fellow Kentuckians with things like rent, utilities, etc. And yes we will decorate our home inside and out like always. And we'll keep using our 'green lights' outside to remember all those who have gone on to a better place.

We want to thank all of you chapter directors for responding to our request for the names of your 2021 COY/ICOY of the year. We have ordered your new medallions and name plates. Please let us know if you have a specific date you will need them.

I know we will have chapter get-togethers and visitations to other chapters and state rallies too in 2021. It will be great for the couples to represent their chapter at other chapter visits. It's about time isn't it?? Just have some FUN!!

In the meantime we all can be looking for FUN things to do together as a chapter. National GWRRA has a new online feature called "Here's the Scoop!" Chapters from across the US and abroad have submitted their favorite chapter activities for you to think about and try! You can also get it from your local Chapter Director or MEPC. We send each of them a copy each month. It has only happened for the past two months and Kentucky has had a 'FUN IDEA' listed in each month so far.

There were also some helpful 'FUN' things to do in the WING WORLD.

We wish for you all to have a very safe Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year 2021.

We are looking forward to being able to see you face to face in the near future (there's a vaccine coming to your town!)



FOR MORE INFO ON BENEFITS, VISIT GWRRA.ORG

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

## TRIAL MEMBERSHIP

Free Months



## You will receive:

- Rescue Motorcycle Towing of 35 miles
- · 4 months subscription to Wing World magazine
- Opportunity to participate in Chapter Life

### 2021 GWRRA Events



## Ride In

The 2021 Ride-In is scheduled for June 4th and 5th at the Big Bone Lick State Park. Campground reservations can be made at www.reserveamerica.com. Campground events will center around the loop at sites 2-14. Details about hotels will be available at a later date. Please check back later for more details.

## Wing Ding 42

Wing Ding 42 will be held in Springfield, Missouri June 29th through July 3rd at the Springfield Expo Center. Register now online at www.GWRRA.org



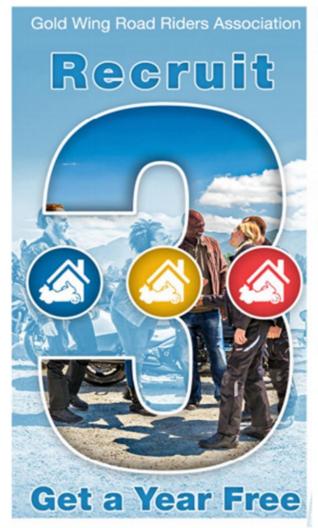
### The Blast



The 2021 Blast is scheduled for August 19th through the 21st in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. It will be held at the American Legion Post 34, 725 West Broadway Street. For more information about Lawrenceburg, please go to <a href="www.visitlawrenceburgky.com">www.visitlawrenceburgky.com</a>. Please check back later for more details.

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Start Date: 2/1/2020

Recruit 1 Household



= 1 month free membership

Recruit 2 Households



= 1 additional month free

Recruit 3 Households



1 YEAR FREE MEMBERSHIP





www.GWRRA.org 1-800-843-9460



### Get on the Level

#### GWRRA Level System

#### Basically there are four levels:

- 1. Safety by Commitment
- 2. Safety by Education
- 3. Safety by Preparedness
- 4. Safety by Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness

#### Gold Wing Road Riders Association

**Rider Education Levels Program** 

"THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF RIDER EDUCATION"

Each level requires that you are a member of the GWR-RA and you have completed the previous level. The rider and co-rider requirements for each level are as follows:

#### **Level 1: Safety By Commitment**

#### Rider and Co-Rider requirements:

The expressed commitment of the Rider or Co-Rider to strive for and practice safe riding.

#### **Level 2: Safety By Education**

#### Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have a current motorcycle license.
- Have completed an approved on-bike Rider course within the past three years.

#### Co-Rider requirements:

- Have 5,000 safe miles.
- Have completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years.

#### **Level 3: Safety By Preparedness**

#### Rider requirements:

- Completed a formal approved on-bike Rider Course within the past three years.
- Maintain current First Aid, CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.
- Carry a First Aid kit on the motorcycle.

#### Co-Rider requirements:

- Completed an approved Two-Up Rider course or GWRRA Co-Rider seminar within the past three years (a sanctioned PLP is not allowed to be used for this Level).
- Maintain current First Aid or CPR or MEDIC First Aid certifications.

#### **Level 4: Safety By Commitment and Preparedness**

#### Rider requirements:

- Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding.
  - Proper riding apparel, a.k.a.: proper riding "gear" will include, at a minimum, a DOT (FMVSS 218)/Snell (M2010) /
    ECE 22.05 approved helmet (approved standard applicable to the local area), eye protection, long sleeved jacket/
    shirt (no "riding pull on/off sleeves"), long legged sturdy pants, full fingered gloves and over the ankle footwear.
     Some have coined the acronym ATGATT standing for All the Gear, All the Time.

#### Co-Rider requirements:

- · Have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles.
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding (see definition in the Rider section above).

## **Team Kentucky**

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## **Our Kentucky Chapters**

Note: Please contact Chapter Directors before visiting their chapter. Due to COVID 19 some chapters are not meeting at this time. When meetings resume, there could be changes or limitations to the meeting space.

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KY -	MEETING DAY	TIME	LOCATION	WEBSITE
A	2nd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Mark's Feed Store 6501 Bardstown Rd. Fern Creek, KY 40291	
С	3rd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 124 Marketplace Dr. Lexington ,KY 40503	www.kybluegrasswing s.org/
G	2nd Tuesday	6:00 pm Eat 7:00 pm Meet	American Legion Post 4 8385 US Hwy 42 Florence, KY 41042	www.chapterg.org/
Н	lst Friday	6:30 pm Social Time 7:00 pm Meet **Dinner to Follow	UK Extension Shelby County Office 1117 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY 40065	www.shelbyvillegoldw ings.com/
K	3rd Sunday	4:00 pm Eat 5:00 Meet	Golden Corral 1320 North Green Street Henderson, KY 42420	
s	2nd Sunday	4:00 pm Eat 5:00 Meet	Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701	
Т	3rd Saturday	6:00:00 PM Meet	Carriage House 624 James Trimble Blvd, Paintsville, KY 41240	www.facebook.com/ Gwrra-Chapter-KY-T- Big-Sandy-Wings- 128027183940433/
Y	lst Thursday	6:00 pm Eat CST 7:00 pm Meet CST	Majestic Family Restaurant 700 S. 6th Street Mayfield, KY 42066	www.freewebs.com/ yducks/

#### **District Newsletter**

Rick and Leah Cridlin KY District Directors

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

GWRRAKY.COM

Ride Safe

Be Safe

**Practice Social Distancing** 

Check in on your friends and family

We can't wait to see you at the next gathering!

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