

KENTUCKY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



GWRRRA KENTUCKY

Inside Kentucky



For the first time in a long time, Kentucky has a budding new chapter. The chapter assembled last year under the dreaded emergence of COVID-19 and has faced unprecedented challenges launching their group.

Bruce and Kathy Hensley , Chapter Directors and their staff , Greg Leslie and Charlie Willett are working hard to make a successful launch in 2021. They are off to a good start by winning the traveling plaque kick-off for the year

They have all the required staff, a meeting place, a cool patch design, and the support off all of the Kentucky chapters. Henderson county is also included in the Kentucky Crossroads Crossword challenge, so many of us will have a chance to explore their beautiful county.

The District staff is excited about welcoming them into our GWRRRA family. This is the year to make it happen,



Links of Interest

- **KY District:** <http://www.gwrraky.com/>
- **Home Office:** <http://www.gwrra.org/>
- **Wing World:** <http://wing-worldmag.com/>
- **Wing Ding:** <https://www.wing-ding.org/>

Wing Ding 42

Plans are almost complete for the national convention in Springfield, Missouri , June 29th—July 3rd 2021. The trade show, rides, entertainment and fun will be well worth the ride. We hope to see you there!

Register now at : https://membership.gwrra.org/Scripts/4Disapi.dll/4DCGI/events/ConferenceList.html?Action=Find_Events&

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Chapter Directors Report



Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky District
Directors

Spring is just around the corner, and with it comes riding season. Leah and I are excited about getting back to some sense of normalcy when it comes to participating in events with our GWRRA family. We recently held our annual Operations Meeting via Zoom call, and want to thank all those who took the time to attend and provide input.

During the Ops Meeting we discussed the Ride-In, which will be hosted by Chapter G at Big Bone Lick State Park on June 4 and 5. All of the events will be held outside where social distancing can be observed and a good time should be had by all. More information about the Ride-In can be found on the district website at www.GWRRAKY.com where you will also find details about camping and the host hotel. Check it out and make plans to join us.

We just received confirmation that Wing-Ding is a go and we are looking forward to attending. As stated last month, Kentucky has been tasked with running the GWRRA store on Thursday. We hope you will consider donating some time to help out. It really is a good time.

We also discussed some changes to the visitation and traveling plaque programs during the Ops Meeting. The scoring for the traveling plaque was changed to award 3 points to the chapter winning the plaque instead of 2 points. This was done to give more advantage to winning the plaque and eliminate the disadvantage during the month a chapter has to present the plaque.

The visitation program was given a lot of thought and I appreciate all the input I received prior to making any changes. The main theme I heard from the members is that there should be some emphasis put on riding. The scoring was changed to allow a chapter to participate with only 2 members attending instead of 3, and bonus points will now be awarded for those who ride to visit another chapter. The bonus points will be awarded to each rider or co-rider who arrived on 2 or 3 wheels. During the Zoom call, this was discussed as the BOB (Butts On Bike) bonus, and will reward those riding with extra points. The more members who ride, the more points earned. Please don't be discouraged from attending in a 4 wheeled vehicle, as points are still awarded for the number of chapter members attending, so every member and every point counts.

Chapter Directors Report... cont.



Unfortunately, we are still under meeting restrictions due to COVID, so we haven't started either the Traveling Plaque or Visitation Program for 2021. During the Ops Meeting, we did draw to determine which chapter will start off with the traveling plaque and a big congratulations goes to Chapter K, who will be the first destination to capture the plaque once we can begin visiting.

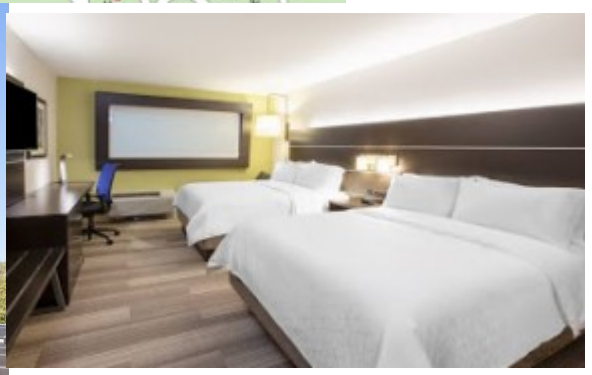
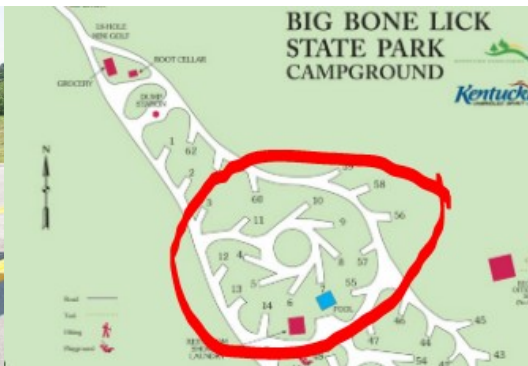
We are also moving forward with planning for the Blast and have a meeting scheduled with officials in Lawrenceburg, so we hope to have more information on that soon. Again, please check the district website for updated information.

Rick and Leah Cridlin

Kentucky District
Directors

There is a lot going on in Kentucky and we hope to be able see you all in person in the very near future. Until then, stay safe!
Stay safe!

Kentucky Ride-In Accommodations



District Educator Report



Rick Artmayer

District Educator



This month I would like to get back to the Levels program. The fourth level is known as **Level IV: Safety By Enhanced Commitment and Preparedness**. Level IV is the most prestigious of the REP levels and is referred to as Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the highest commitment of the Rider and/or Co-Rider to safe riding and preparedness. This commitment is shown by a demonstrated history of safe miles and current certification in both First Aid and CPR. These Master Tour Riders and Co-Riders are the finest examples of the highest commitment to safe motorcycle operation and preparedness.

In past articles, I have discussed the meanings of commitment (Level I), and preparedness (Level III). Now let us investigate the meaning of enhanced. In the Meriam-Webster dictionary, we find the definition: to increase or improve in value, quality, desirability, or attractiveness. Enhance was originally formed from adding the prefix *in-* to the Latin word *altus*, meaning "high", and evolved in Middle English to mean "to raise", not so much in a physical sense but more in a figurative sense.

We see examples of enhancement all around us, every day. With our motorcycles, we install safety chrome and lighting accessories to enhance the visibility and style. As individuals, we style our hair, choose our clothing, eat, and exercise, all in ways to make ourselves noticed, to enhance the way we are perceived, to be the best we can be. In our careers and in our hobbies, we constantly look for ways to be more efficient and accurate, to enhance our skills, to become the "master craftsman" of the task at hand.

Those who move on to Level IV are the "master craftsmen" of GWRRRA. The Master Tour Riders and Co-Riders are shining examples to the rest of the membership. They are individuals who are caring, trained, and prepared, with the experience to back it up. They become ambassadors for the organization and examples for others to follow. To advance to Level IV, one must be current in Level III for one year and have taken both First Aid and CPR training, have 25,000 Safe Miles and must be committed to riding with "Proper Riding Gear" at all times. GWRRRA provides special recognition to celebrate the Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider commitment each year at the District Rally and Wing Ding.

Level IV is the only level in the REP program that requires a one-time financial commitment of \$35.00 for each participant. For this you will receive a "Special Triangular" patch with dark blue border (a Black and Gold patch is available for an additional \$8.00 if you prefer) and your individual Master number embroidered on it, to further enhance your appearance to others.





Leah Cridlin

District MFA Coordinator/
Instructor



District Medic First Aid

A MFA class will be held on April 11, 2021, 1:00 - 5:00pm at the American Legion in Florence, KY. There are 6 spaces available. If you would like to attend please visit the District webpage for a registration form.

If your chapter would like to host a MFA class, you need to have a location that allows for social distancing, and space for a screen to project video or a large monitor/TV. A minimum of 4 members are needed to host a course. Please contact me for available dates.



Pins n' Patches

Hi! For those I have not met, I'm John Keiter , and I'm your new District Pins n' Patches coordinator.

Chapter Directors / Chapter Pins n' Patches : Call me / text me (859)640-2704 or email me (jbkeiter@gmail) or all your district needs.

We have a good summer coming up. 2020 is ancient history.

Please ride safe and BE safe!

John Keiter

District Pins n' Patches
Coordinator





Happy New Year to all. 2021 will bring many updates and improvements to the University. Online classes will return and there is even training being prepared on how to present classes online. Lorrie Thomas, the University Director, and her team are working hard to provide training for chapter leadership and members alike. Good Stuff is coming soon!

Training Videos

Co-Rider

This instructional video addresses the preparation of the co-rider for the motorcycling experience. Areas of focus include the personal preparation, riding gear, motorcycle equipment, and riding techniques – the do's and don'ts of riding as a team. This video qualifies the co-rider for Levels II - IV

Trailerling

Gold Wingers are the experts when it comes to trailerling behind touring bikes. This video presents and overview of various types of trailers, hitches, wiring, safety chains, suspensions, wheels and riding techniques

Touring and Braking

“High siding” can be the worst phrase in motorcycling. This video reviews several aspects of riding with emphasis on proper cornering and braking techniques to assist the rider in preventing the dreaded ‘high side’

Slow Speed Riding

Gary Sanford presents a comprehensive video seminar with demonstrations of slow speed riding techniques. Learn to have better control with confidence.

District Educator, Rick Artmayer is working on a sharing program for these videos. If you are interested in viewing any of these videos, Please contact ky.de.educator@gmail.com



Dave and Roxie Wilkinson

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

District Membership Enhancement

Hello everyone,

MEPC and District Leadership is still not sure we've solved the question about how to award winners of the **Newsletter of the Month, Quarter and Year**. What are the Guidelines for this?

We've previously given all the information we think will help provide the tools for producing the highest quality publication for the benefit of the chapters' members, but we still have questions about what's fair in scoring so everyone has an equal chance to win. All of the guidelines and score sheets that were provided for the chapters still remain for guidance but some chapters have had an advantage in the number of contributing members, for example. We'll continue to work on finding a solution for this and will let you know what we find. So please stay tuned.

District Couple of the Year

We recently sent an e-mail to the Chapter Directors and Chapter Couples of the Year to ask for candidates for District Couple of the Year 2021-2022. We're very pleased that all of our chapters have Couples of the Year and some have Individuals of the Year too!! We're looking forward when we can all get together for chapter get-togethers, visits among chapters, having "Digger" make the rounds to different chapters, going to the District RIDE-IN and to the District BLAST in Lawrenceburg. It will happen. We need to see each other!

Kentucky needs to have a District Couple of the Year. We are not permitted by National GWRRA guidelines to continue for yet another year. So we ask that any chapter Couples of the Year who are willing to do so would please help keep this program alive by filling out and sending in your resumes to us by the RIDE-IN, June 4-7.

We've had a **boatload of fun** as District Couple and we know you will too. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!

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Vendor Coordinators



Spring is on the way and we will all be out riding soon. We are actively planning for the Blast in Lawrenceburg and hope that you will make plans to join us.

Stay safe and we'll hope to see you soon!

Ray and Kathy Conrad

Kentucky District

Vendor Coordinators

2021 Kentucky Ride Challenge

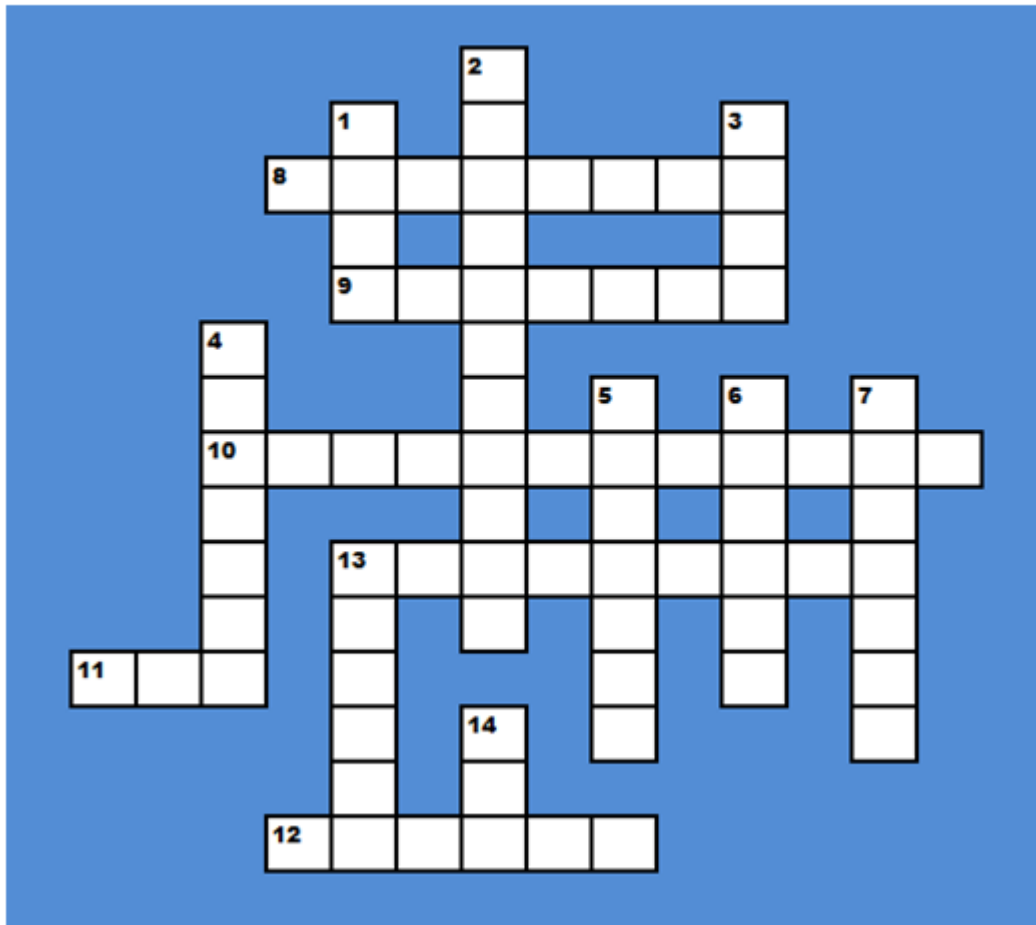
It's time for some FUN!!! This year the District Staff is issuing a riding challenge to our members with the hope that you will get out and enjoy the beauty and wonder of our great state, and have FUN doing it!

The challenge was issued at the annual operations meeting marking the beginning of the event. Members will have until The Blast in August to complete the puzzle. This will give everyone the entire riding season to make the trip, and it may take that long for some. Although it's true that it is only a crossword puzzle, this one will not be a daily endeavor. The resident county of all Kentucky chapters each contain destination points for the puzzle clues.

Make it an individual or group ride, or even a chapter event, but don't forget your required "thumbs-up" photo. And most of all, HAVE FUN!!!!



Kentucky Crossroads Crossword



Down

- 1** N37*58.267' W084*32.189'
6th Line 4th Word
- 2** N38*12.650' W085*12.957'
5th Line Last Word
- 3** N37*50.464' W087*35.611'
8th Line 4th Word
- 4** N37*52.944' W087*33.462'
1st Line 3rd Word
- 5** N38*08.126' W085*34.790'
5th Line 3rd Word
- 6** N37*48.883' W082*48.421'
3rd Line 1st Word

Down

- 7** N36*44.485' W088*38.136'
3rd Line 3rd Word
 - 13** N39*04.194' W084*52.154'
3rd Line 4th Word
 - 14** N36*44.969' W088*38.187'
11th Line 3rd Word (front)
- * = Degrees

Across

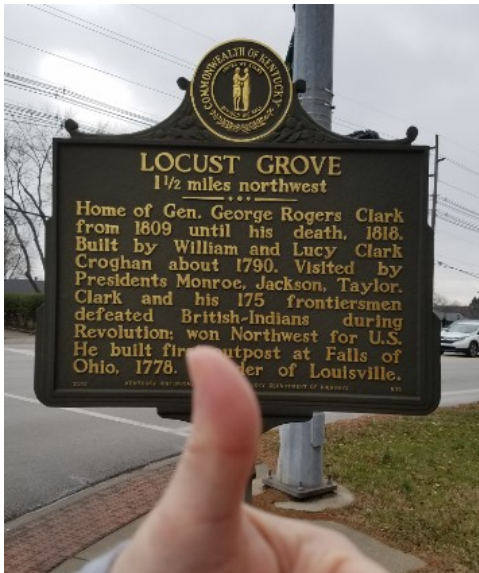
- 8** N38*12.699' W085*12.784'
5th Line 6th Word
- 9** N37*42.488' W085*52.400'
(mkr #1912) 8th Line 6th Word
- 10** N37*41.585' W085*51.495'
5th Line 5th Word
- 11** N37*57.048' W084*21.379'
9th Line 3rd Word (front)
- 12** N39*00.025' W084*48.747'
7th Line 2nd Word
- 13** N38*15.541' W085*45.310'
5th Line 3rd Word

Kentucky Crossroads Crossword

Instructions

- ◆ Follow the coordinates to the destination.
- ◆ Locate the correct highway marker.
- ◆ Take a picture of your “thumbs up” in front of the sign.
- ◆ Use the text on the sign to locate the word for the puzzle.
- ◆ Repeat the above until your puzzle is finished.
- ◆ Submit your puzzle to newsletter_editor@gwracky.com
- ◆ If your puzzle is correct your name will be placed in a drawing at the Kentucky Blast.
- ◆ If your name is chosen, you will be required to submit your “thumbs-up” photo from select a puzzle number.
- ◆ Enjoy the ride!

Sample



Coordinates are in DMS format

Help entering coordinates in Garmin: <https://support.garmin.com/en-US/?faq=MqzJQ9sS8r7e111Ri6Zlw5>

Help entering coordinates into Imaps: <https://www.iphonefaq.org/archives/971696>

Count lines down and words across

Marker number in lower right cor-

**Kentucky Ride-In “Old Fashioned Fun”
June 4-5, 2021
Hosted by: Chapter G, Northern KY**



Join us in beautiful Northern KY for a weekend of winding back roads, a picnic, music, guided rides, games. We have something for everyone.

Accommodations:

Host Campground: Big Bone Lick Historic State Park – 3380 Beaver Rd, Union, KY 41091
Make your reservations on-line through Reserve America or call 859-384-3522 - \$30.00 per night

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites, 7905 Freedom Way, Florence, KY 41042

Reservations can be made by calling the hotel direct, 859-980-1700

Please mention the KY Ride In when making your reservation to receive the room block rate. Two Double Bed room rate is \$99.99 per night and a King Bed room rate is \$89.99. The restaurant onsite is available for breakfast. (Not included in the room rate.)

Friday Activities

- 10:00am Registration/Check in Big Bone Picnic Shelter
- 3:00pm Guided Ride with Dinner (pay as you go)
- 6:00pm Pack your Own Picnic Dinner
- 7:00pm Boone County Dulcimer Society Performance
- 8:00pm 50/50 Drawing
- 9:00pm Good night

Saturday Activities

- 9:00am - Registration/Check in Big Bone Picnic Shelter
- All Day Activities include:
- Games/Motorist Awareness/Rider Ed/MEPC
- 10:00am Check in/10:15am Departure Guided Rides
- 2:00pm On Bike & In Park Scavenger Hunt
- 5:00pm - 50/50 & Games Prizes
- 6:00pm – Pizza Party & Dessert (included w/registration)
- Dusk – Bonfire/Movie & Popcorn at Campsites

Registration: \$10.00 per person

Mail Registration to:
Rick and Leah Cridlin
1601 Drake Ct, Hebron, KY 41048
859-534-5292
Makes checks payable to: KY GWRRA

Rider: _____ Co-Rider: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Chapter: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

****Times and activities are subject to change based on weather and the Governors Guidance due to COVID 19****

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 www.visitlawrenceburgky.com. Please check back later for more details.

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Recruit



Get a Year Free

How it works:

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.GWRRR.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 GWRRA 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).

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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.

KY -	MEETING DAY	TIME	LOCATION	WEBSITE
A	2nd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 10430 Shelbyville Rd. #7 Louisville, KY 40223	
C	3rd Saturday	11:00am Eat 12:00 pm Meet	Roosters 124 Marketplace Dr. Lexington ,KY 40503	www.kybluegrasswings.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/
H	1st Friday	6:30 pm So- cial Time 7:00 pm Meet **Dinner to Follow	UK Extension Shelby County Office 1117 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY 40065	www.shelbyvillegoldwings.com/
K	3rd Sunday	1:00 pm Eat 2:00 Meet	Shoneys 2452 US 41 Henderson, KY 42420	
S	2nd Sunday	4:00 pm Eat 5:00 Meet	Shoney's 1046 Executive Dr. Elizabethtown, KY 42701	
T	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	1st 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

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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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