



G2 Roadrunner NEWS

GWRRA Region H "South Central Texas District

Chapter G2 Greenville, TX

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Happy New year G2!

With 2016 upon us, we are given an opportunity to start fresh and change that which we desire to change. Commit to things we would like to accomplish, and over all try to reach goals we set for ourselves. I share with you my 2016 goals and ask my friends to help me to reach and improve myself as well as to do some soul searching on what you want out of 2016.

1. Recommit to losing weight – after joining GWRRA over 2 years ago I rediscovered my love for eating tasty food. I had just lost over 60 lbs. and was feeling healthy, happy, and a bit manly. After enjoying the fantastic dining opportunities that GWRRA chapter life introduced me to, I have gained back over 25 lbs. and my health is showing a sharp decline. I want to reverse this trend and rediscover self-control, and lose not only the 25 I gained, but another 25 to get just under 200 lbs.
2. Ride more - Prior to becoming a chapter director in that year just prior, I had ridden close to 25,000 miles and enjoyed the long hours in the saddle, seeing so much more than I ever had in my 47 years prior. This past year has been about 10,000 miles, and I want to get back to seeing stuff outside North Texas. I know rain this year has impact the riding, but anyone that knows Donna and I, knows we do ride in the rain.
3. Grow G2 - grow it from the current level to one that will allow it to survive beyond my tenure as Chapter Director. I wish to find folks to volunteer to take some of the duties that now fall on the very few, and to find folks willing to step up and make this chapter their own.
4. Strengthen relationships – When Donna and I ride we are inseparable and enjoy the time away from worldly distractions. When we were just members of G2 / Z2 we were gaining close friendships with many people both in and out of G2. I am renewing my efforts to keep and make new friends, I am committing to riding more and keeping Donna and I at the forefront of my attention to make sure there is always a “WE” in weird.

This is my short list, what is yours? I hope it is a commitment to friendship, fun, and safety. There is so much out there to be seen, and I am sure we can find stuff even Tommie has never be too before!

Ride safe and often,

Dan Rymarz – G2 Chapter Director

Educator's Corner

Greetings and Happy New Year Road Runners,

This is the start of 2016 and hopefully it will be a great year. First, I changed my motorcycle Insurance Company from Progressive to RideNow Insurance. The physical address is: RideNow Insurance, 3333N. Arizona Avenue, Chandler AZ. 85225. PH. 1 888 743 3669. Web address is :www.RideNowInsurance.com. They are licensed to sell in Texas. RideNow Insurance is an Independent Insurance Agency representing many great insurance companies in thirteen states. Including but not limited to: Encompass, Progressive, Safeco, Foremost, American Modern, Dairyland, Allstate (AZ). The reason for my change is Progressive upped My motorcycle insurance from 750 a year to 1500 a year. They wrote me a policy with Dairyland for 730 a year for the same coverage. I did not change any other Insurance I have over but looked into others but I already had the best deal. Point of the whole reference check around before you renew. There may be a better deal.

District Educators are selling Tickets for a Raffle.

The raffle starts this month! We have printed the tickets and will be distributing them at the Mid-Winter roundup on Jan. 9 in Temple.

Texas Rider Ed is raffling off a YETI package that will include a 50-quart cooler, 2 insulated tumblers, and 2 insulated coasters.

Funds raised will stay with Rider Ed. and will help offset the cost of Levels pins and patches, Medic First Aid supplies, Rider Course costs, the Level 4 luncheon, and other expenses.

Tickets will be \$5 each, 3 for \$10, or 8 for \$20. They are numbered and stapled in packets of 25.

Texas District Educators, Randy and Kathy Reese recommend Rider magazine. One of my favorite writers is Eric Trow who writes a monthly article called *Staying' Safe*, His common sense stories always seem to resonate with me and cause me to consider how I ride. He has a blog with a lot of entries that should give you many ideas for your talks and newsletter articles. Check it out - <http://www.stayinsafe.com/blog/>.

Mike and Barri Cristman, our international Motorist Awareness directors needs our help. They would like to make a quilt to be raffled off next year at Wing Ding in Billings for Motorist Awareness. What they need from each chapter is a 6"x 6" square of cotton material that has something on it that helps show what is unique about that chapter. No text for chapter letter or state needed just a picture, or something that is unique to that chapter. I'll give you an example, Chapter K in Metairie Louisiana rides in Mardi Gras parades every year. They could have Mardi Gras beads or something like that embroidered. Arkansas Chapter E could have an Ark Hwy 7 sign. The ideas are limitless. Please use a safety pin to attach the chapter letter and state. Get the squares to me by the end of February 2016.

This is the flier for the raffle:

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Motorist Awareness Quilt Raffle

What:

1. **100% Cotton fabric** - That represents the area of your chapter & what makes your chapter special. No wording of your chapter.
 - Printable fabric (With a photo of a landmark etc.) This is available at most hobby & some office supply stores. Also leave room at bottom for info (#3. Below)
2. 7" to **6 1/2"** Square (will be a 6x6" finished block)
 - If using printable fabric make sure it is centered
3. Attach (safety pin) **a piece of paper** with **Chapter**____, **District**____, **Region** ____ on it - There will be hand embroidery done on block later with this info

When: **Feb 15 to 26, 2016**

Where: Send; Mike & Becky Stevenson

28 Dunleith Dr.

Destrehan, LA 70047

Why: Region Motorist Awareness Team has to send them to Home Office.

Final thought for this month deals with safety gear. I have recently read articles including reader's inputs to motor cycle magazines, how the safety equipment will not keep you from getting injured in higher speed crashes. Examples are padding along with tear resistant material in motorcycle gear keeps you from road rash but does nothing to keep internal injuries from happening, i.e. bleeding, damaged organs or broken bones. As I have mentioned in the past there is computer controlled riding suits for racing bike riders which can cost in excess of 4 thousand dollars. They reduce the possibility of some injuries but do not prevent all injuries from happening. There is a standard that Helmets must pass (DOT). Should there be a standard for the rest of your gear? If there was a standard for gear would it protect you in all cases? In the case of helmets even the best helmet you can buy will not protect you in all cases. There is the chance you hit too hard, in the wrong spot or the wrong angle and will damage to your brain.

Always remember that riding a motor cycle involves risk. The only way to avoid being in a crash is to effectively manage risk. That way you do not have to test how well your protective gear works. Till next month ride safe.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthday

Anniversary

George Augustus 01-24

None



GWRRA North Texas 2016 Bowling Challenge



Registration begins at 11:00am
Bowling Begins at Noon
Plano Super Bowl
2521 K Ave, Plano, TX 75074



Raffles with a
Grand Prize of a New Set of Tires from Maxim
Mounted and Balanced!

50 / 50 drawings, silent auctions, awards and prizes etc !

\$15 per person
Includes three games
and shoe rental

Chapter with the Highest team average
gets to host this event next year!

Sunday, February 28th

January 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Dec	28	29	30	31	1 Jan	2
					11:30am New Year lunch Babe's in Garland Ride afterward	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering Cotton Patch Cafe, Greenville		6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "M" Monthly Gathering Mansfield		8:00am - 5:00pm Mid Winter Round up! Temple Texas
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
				6:30pm Abuelo's in Plano		11:00am Mystery Ride from Greenville Valero CANCELLED!
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering at Napoli's in Wylie		6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "W2" Monthly Gathering Waxahachie		9:00am Progressive motorcycle show, Dallas, leaving Princeton Cafe 5:00pm - 8:00pm Bowling at Allen Bowl 1011 S. Greenville, Ave., Allen, TX
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "R" Monthly Gathering Grapevine		6:30pm Dinner at San Miguels Grill, 506 W University, McKinney TX		
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February 2016

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March 2016

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28 Feb 11:00am - 3:00pm GWRRA North Texas Bowling Tournament, Plano, TX	29 Mar	1 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "G2" Monthly Gathering Cotton Patch Cafe, Greenville	2	3 6:00pm - 8:00pm Chapter "M" Monthly Gathering Mansfield	4	5
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