



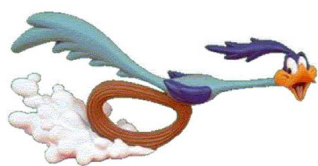
G2 ROADRUNNERS

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"

Visit the Chapter G2 Web Page at <http://www.g2txroadrunner.org>

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- Chapter G2 meets the First Tuesday of every month at Buffet Palace, 3202 IH-30, Greenville. There is a second meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at Napoli's Pizza, 701 Hwy 78, Wylie. Eat at 6:00 PM, meet at 7:00 PM.
- Unless otherwise noted, Chapter G2 Group Rides will depart from the Valero at 4303 Joe Ramsey Blvd, Greenville, Texas.

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WORDS FROM THE WIGGINS

Jim and Barbara Wiggins, Chapter Directors

We don't have much new information this month. All my volunteer activities have been postponed due to the COVID-19 threat. Scheduling of events everywhere is still in flux as the world-wide effort to control the virus progresses. At present, several counties in the immediate area have issued "shelter in place" efforts which curtails Chapter functions.

The Texas District has started rolling out a new club management software program called Groupworks. They will get invitations sent out and the contact database loaded so we can start to use it. It's supposed to ease communication at all levels of GWRR. For more info, see <https://www.groupworks.com/>. There's also an hour-long video on the Texas district website if you want to see how it's being set up. If you want to be an early "guinea pig", let me know and I'll send you an invitation to join. Right now, there just a few of us on it doing a bit of testing.

GWRR is offering a **Free** four-month trial membership. The application form is enclosed with this newsletter. Please let any prospective members know of this offer.

The next Texas District Rally will be in Kerrville at the Y.O. Ranch Hotel and Convention Center from 30 April to 2 May 2020. The latest info is available at <http://www.gwrra-tx.org/2019Info/2020RallyPage.php>. You can make reservations by clicking on the YO Ranch logo. Kerrville is a great area to ride. Registration information is available on the website.

Wing Ding 42 will be in Springfield, Mo. June 30 – July 4, 2020 at the Springfield Expo Center in Springfield, Missouri. You can register for the event "early bird" packages and for notifications when updates occur at the following site <http://42.wing-ding.org/>. George has investigated hotels in the area. Contact George for more info if interested.

Get involved with the chapter! It's fulfilling and FUN.

Please email or call if you have an activity or ride you'd like to plan and we'll try to get it set up.

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Chapter Directors, Texas Chapter G2

GWRRA TEXAS DISTRICT CHAPTER G2 GREENVILLE, TX

GWRRA MISSION

Dedicated to our Motto;
Friends for Fun, Safety and
Knowledge, GWRRA
Members enjoy the freedom
of belonging to a not-for-
profit, non-religious and non-
political organization.

GWRRA VISION

Gold Wing Road Riders
Association [GWRRA],
founded in 1977, is
recognized as the world's
largest single-marquee
motorcycle association in the
world. GWRRA provides
safety, technical, and
educational services to its
Members world-wide.

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G2 ROADRUNNERS

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<http://www.g2roadrunner.org>

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GWRRA-ChapterTX-G2

Chapter G2 Meetings:

On the first Tuesday of the month, G2
meets to discuss Chapter, GWRRA
and ride information at The Buffet
Palace (3202 I-30, Greenville, TX
75402) This has been the main chapter
meeting historically. Dinner at 6:00pm,
meeting starts at 7:00.

On the Third Tuesday of the month,
folks closer to the Metroplex have an
opportunity to gather together at
Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie. (701 N
Hwy 78, Wylie, TX 75098) - (972) 442-
4653. This is for passing information
shared at the Greenville meeting and to
enjoy the company of others we get to
see less frequently. Gathering starts at
6:00 pm.

Local Area Chapter Gatherings

Chapter	Location	Meeting Time	Meeting Location	Meeting Day
Chapter G2	Greenville	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Buffet Palace 3202 IH-30, Greenville	1st Tuesday
Chapter G2	Wylie	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Napoli's Italian Restaurant 701 Hwy 78, Wylie, Texas	3rd Tuesday
Chapter M	Arlington/ Mansfield	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 1724 Hwy 287 at Debbie Lane, Mansfield	1st Thursday
Chapter P	Granbury	6:30 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 317 Hwy 377 E (at Overstreet), Granbury	2nd Thursday
Chapter R	D-FW	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	Spring Creek Barbecue 315 West SH-114, Grapevine, Texas	4th Thursday
Chapter W2	Waxahachie	6:00 PM (Eat) 7:00 PM (Meet)	TaMolly's Mexican Restaurant 1735 Hwy 77, Waxahachie	3rd Thursday

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Information contained in this list is correct at the time of printing. To see a current list, visit: <http://gwrri.org/nationalofficers.html>.

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Rider Education Corner

By Scott Polhemus

Deer regularly cross the highway in this area. Slow down and be ready to stop.”



It's great to see so many folks enjoying the road more frequently this winter with the *benefit* of “global warming” and a lot more warmth from our increasing arsenal of heated clothing! Last month I recommended we continue to focus on managing those motorcycle riding risks we can most easily control such as, our riding skills, protective and highly-visible clothing and good maintenance. As we move into slightly warmer weather, I'd like to emphasize mental alertness and situational awareness.

In a Rappahannock News article written late last year, Marshall Jones noted that Virginia ranks seventh in the nation with respect to deer-vehicle collisions, and recent State Farm Insurance claims data reports that such collisions have increased 6.3 percent nationwide. While other animals and wildlife cause crashes, deer are by far the biggest problem and represent an average of three out of every four accidents.

As my Dad mentioned at our last monthly meeting, crashes with deer are most likely to occur between October and February, coinciding with breeding season and migration. In addition, a secondary peak period occurs in May and June. As you would expect, such accidents occur most frequently in the rural areas

where we generally prefer to ride with 55 mph or higher speed limits. Most accidents happen during hours of darkness or at dusk or dawn.

As TX-B readers would expect, motorcyclists need to be especially alert to deer. Each year in the US, about 29,000 people are injured and more than 200 people killed in deer/vehicle collisions. An estimated 1.5 million deer are killed, annually, resulting in more than \$ 1 billion in property damage

While most accidents involved passenger vehicles, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety reported that a study of 147 fatal crashes occurring 2000-2002 revealed that in more than a third of the cases the striking vehicle was a motorcycle, even though automobiles typically outnumber motorcycles on the road by about 40 to 1. In reading the Wisconsin DOT website, I learned that in 2006 only 2.6% of passenger cars and 1.2% of utility trucks involved in Wisconsin deer crashes resulted in a fatality or injury to an occupant.

However, 87.7% of their motorcycle-deer crashes resulted in a fatality or injury to a motorcyclist. Five of Wisconsin's seven motor vehicle/deer crash fatalities in 2006 were motorcyclists. What can we do to reduce our risks? In an article Art Friedman updated for Motorcycle Cruiser magazine, he offered the following good advice:

- Deer travel in groups. One deer means there are probably more, so even if the one you see is off the road and going away, slow way down immediately.
- Heed deer-crossing signs, particularly in the seasons and times of day when deer are active. Slow

down, use your high beam, and cover the brakes.

- If riding in a group where deer crossing signs are posted, increase the spacing between riders. This will reduce the potential for a rider who hits a deer from taking other riders down with him/her.

- Deer and other wild animals are designed to be hard to see. Aside from the flickering white tail of some species or reflection from an eye, they simply disappear. However, this absence of reflected light can also tip you off. A “hole” in a white fence or wall or “missing” roadside reflectors at night might be an animal. A reflector that “blinks” might also indicate an animal passing between you and it.

- If an animal has been injured, stay away. It may attack or injure you unintentionally if it comes to and tries to escape.

- If a collision appears imminent, do not swerve. Braking hard right up to the point of impact is good, but you want to be stabilized if you do collide, which will give you the greatest chance of remaining upright.

- Wear protective gear. As with other crashes, no one plans to hit an animal. The only way to be ready when it happens is to be ready on every ride.

Scott Polhemus

Chapter Educator

This article was reprinted from *The Touring B News*, April 2009—Ed.

SHIRT AND HAT SALE

The Chapter has some hats and shirts available. Designs vary a little since they were ordered at different times, but most are a variant of the front and back shown in the picture. The back is the large logo while the front has the G2 designator on the left breast. Let me know if you're interested and I'll bring to a gathering or arrange some other so you can see them or take more detailed pictures.

Jim Wiggins— contact info in the staff section.

Item	Size	Qty	Price
Blue Long Sleeve Tee	M	3	\$15.00
	L	8	\$15.00
	XL	3	\$15.00
			\$15.00
Blue Short Sleeve Tee	M	1	\$15.00
	L	1	\$15.00
	2X	1	\$15.00
Blue Polo Shirt	M	1	\$30.00
Embroidered hats		3	\$15.00
Yellow Short Sleeve Tee	M	1	\$12.00
Yellow Windbreaker	M	1	\$12.00



Coming Events

Date	Chapter	Event	Location	Contact/E-Mail	Phone
April 30-May 2	★	Texas District Rally (see flyer in this newsletter)	Y.O. Ranch Kerrville, Texas	Jim Woodul txdd@gwrra-tx.org	254-634-4658
May 28–30, 2020	★	Missouri District Rally (see flyer in this newsletter)	Branson, Missouri	Bob and Jan Wills moddirector2022@gmail.com	720-333-0153 720-351-6663
June 30-July 4	★	Wing Ding 42 https://www.wing-ding.org/	Springfield Expo Center Springfield, Missouri	GWRRA National Office	800-843-9460

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Roaring TWENTIES



**YO Ranch Hotel
And Convention Center
2033 Sidney Baker St.
Kerrville, TX 78028
877-967-3767**

**Reservation Code: GWRRA
Before April 20th, 2020
One Breakfast \$99.00
Two Breakfast \$109.00**

**Texas District Rally
"Roaring 20's"
April 30-May 2, 2020**

**Y.O. RANCH HOTEL
& CONFERENCE CENTER**



Reservations for YO Ranch Hotel can be made on line or by Phone. Visit the Texas District Web page at **www.gwrri-tx.org**

Rally Pins to the first 200 registered
All Pre-Registrations must be postmarked by **April 20th 2020**
No refunds of registration after April 20th 2020
Pets allowed with deposit.

District _____	Registration form _____	Chapter _____	Miles Traveled _____
Rider _____	GWRRR# _____	Exp:Date _____	DOB: _____
2 nd Rider/Co Rider _____	GWRRR# _____	Exp:Date _____	DOB: _____
Address _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____	Phone #() _____
Rider's e-mail _____		2 nd Rider's e-mail _____	
DESCRIPTION (All On Site Registrations will be an additional \$5)			
<u>GWRRR Pre-Registered Member</u>	_____	PRICE	TOTAL
<u>GWRRR Life Member</u>	_____	\$30 ea	_____
<u>NON-MEMBERS</u>	_____	\$20 ea	_____
<u>Child 15 years or younger is FREE with registered Adult</u>	_____	\$40 ea	_____
			GRAND TOTAL
<u>Level IV will be a gathering after breakfast on Saturday Morning.</u>			
<u>Meals will be on your own with discount coupons for selected restaurants.</u>			
<u>I/We are planning to attend the follow on trip to Big Bend Sunday May 3rd to Wednesday May 6th Yes _____</u>			

Waiver: I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRR, the Co-Sponsoring Organization, and any Property owners for any loss or injuries to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this event. I/We also agree to assume responsibility for any property I/We knowingly damage.


Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

2nd Rider/Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____


Sign form and Mail with payment (payable to GWRRR-Texas) to Texas District, PO Box 10438, Killeen, TX 76547-0438

APRIL 2020

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

 <i>April Observances</i> Alcohol Awareness Month Car Care Month Couple Appreciation Month Keep America Beautiful Month National Humour Month Physical Wellness Month Prevent Animal Cruelty Month			☾ First Quarter 1 National Fun Day National One Cent Day	2	3	4
5 Palm Sunday	6	☺ Full Moon 7 Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville	8 World Health Day	9 1st day of Passover Happy Anniversary RB and Pat Wilson	10	11
12 Easter	13	☾ Last Quarter 14 National Gardening Day	15 Income Tax Day	16 Last Day of Passover	17	18
19	20 Chinese Language Day 中□□言日	21 Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas	● New Moon 22 Earth Day	23	24 Arbor Day <i>Plant a tree, a shrub, or a Bush</i>	25
26	27 Morse Code Day --- ··· -.- - - ···	28	29	☾ First Quarter 30 Texas District Rally—Kerrville (April 30–May 2) <i>Be there or be square.</i>		

MAY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May Observances Arthritis Awareness Month Better Sleep Month Jewish American Heritage Month Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month National Military Appreciation Month National Smile Month Older Americans Month Strike Out Strokes Month					1 Texas District Rally—Kerrville (April 30–May 2) <i>Be there or be square.</i>	2
3 Motorcycle Mass and Blessings of the Bike National Public Radio Day	4 Star Wars Day	5 Cinco de Mayo Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville	6 ☺ Full Moon	7	8 Military Spouse Appreciation Day Batman Day May Day	9 National Moscato Day
10 Mother's Day 	11 Eat What You Want Day	12	13 Donate a Day's Wages to Charity	☾ Last Quarter 14 Stars and Stripes Forever Day	15 National Bike to Work Day	16 Armed Forces Day
17	18	19 Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas	20 National Rescue Dog Day	21	● New Moon 22 National Maritime Day National Road Trip Day	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26 National Blueberry Cheesecake Day	27 National Senior Health and Fitness Day	28	☾ First Quarter 29	30 Hug Your Cat Day
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Missouri District Rally

at Angel Inn
May 28th to May 30, 2020
Branson, Missouri

'Wingin the Ozarks'

Bob & Jan Wills, District Directors
Jan's cell (720) 351-6663 Bob's cell (720)333-0153
moddirector2022@gmail.com



Photo by: Noraleen Hord Wingin the Ozarks

Host Hotels:

Southern Oaks Inn	Angel Inn	Econo Lodge
3395 Shepherd Hills Exp. (417) 335-8108 \$61.99/night + tax Pet friendly \$25/1X Fee	3311 Shepherd Hills Exp. (417) 334-2300 \$62.99/night + tax No Pets	3269 Shepherd Hills Exp. (417) 335-6776 \$59.99/night + tax Pet friendly - \$10/night

Campers: Willow Tree RV Park, 3381 Shepherd Hills Exp., (417) 334-8890

All Pre-Registration forms must be post marked by: April 30, 2020.
NO REFUNDS after May 15, 2020.

Full registration includes: Free lunches and 3 dinner vouchers valued at \$32.00.

1st 400 registrations receive a free rally pin.

Registrants before 4-30-2020 receive DUB card for \$250.00 drawing. Huge 50/50 drawings daily, give-away tickets to shows, gift baskets and much more!



Registration Form – Please print clearly

Rider: _____ State: _____ Chapter: _____ GWRRA # _____ Exp.Date: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone #s: (H) _____ (C) _____ Email: _____

Co-Rider: _____ State: _____ Chapter: _____ GWRRA # _____ Exp.Date: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone #s: (H) _____ (C) _____ Email: _____

Please complete the items you want:

GWRRA Member Registration	\$35	X	_____	=	\$	_____
GWRRA Member Registration after 4/30/20	\$40	X	_____	=	\$	_____
Non-Member Registration	\$40	X	_____	=	\$	_____
Non-Member Registration after 4/30/2020	\$45	X	_____	=	\$	_____
15 & under (w/paying adult)	\$20	X	_____	=	\$	_____
District Director, COY, IOY	\$20	X	_____	=	\$	_____
MFA Course	\$20	X	_____	=	\$	_____

	S	M	L	XL	\$13	X	_____	=	\$	_____
Rally T-shirts	2X				\$14	X	_____	=	\$	_____
(Short sleeve, Gildan Ultra, Safety Green color, large	3X				\$15	X	_____	=	\$	_____
logo on back, small logo on front, crew neck)	4X				\$16	X	_____	=	\$	_____

TOTAL (enclosed): \$ _____

**Make checks payable to 'Missouri GWRRA' and send
to: Carol White, 605 Della Street Versailles, MO 65084**

Email: mrnash23@sbcglobal.net

Liability Release (ALL registrants must sign) I agree to hold harmless GWRRA, the co-sponsoring organization, and any property owners for any loss, injury to self/property by any reason by participating in this rally.

Rider signature: _____ Date: _____
Co-rider signature: _____ Date: _____



FOR MORE INFO ON BENEFITS, VISIT **GWRRA.ORG**

GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

TRIAL MEMBERSHIP

4^{Free} Months

You will receive:

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

Yes! I would like a 4 month free trial membership to GWRRA

Name: _____ Corider: _____

Address: _____
(Street Address)

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: (_____) - _____
(Area Code)

Email: _____

Referred By: _____ Member Number: _____

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