



# G2 ROADRUNNERS

August, 2018



# 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.

### Words from the Wiggins

It's been a bit slow again this month. We did have two gatherings which are always enjoyable.

Barbara spent another couple of weeks in Indiana visiting her Mom this month, so I was alone to tend to all the things that crop up here. I'm glad she's back home again.

Eight people attended our monthly gathering on the 3rd at the Buffet Palace. George again provided a delicious cheesecake to auction off.

Seven people attended our gathering at Napoli's in Wylie this month. We always enjoy the delicious food and good conversations.

Start gathering up those treasures that you're willing to donate to the annual garage / bake sale. It's from 7am – 2PM September 15<sup>th</sup> in Quinlan @ 326 N Elm St, Quinlan, TX. David and Shirley will accept items at their house starting the week before. Please place a price on any item you're donating so we don't have to do that the day of the sale. Call either David @ 478-397-8395 or Shirley @ 903-441-4005 **BEFORE** you go over to make sure they are home to accept your items.

We're planning on a table reserved for bake sale goodies. I know we have some great cooks in the chapter and the table was popular during past sales. If you'd like to cook up something. Drop an email to Jim, Barbara, David or Shirley if you're willing to contribute. It will help us plan a bit better. Our email addresses are on the "staff" page at <http://www.g2txroadrunner.org>

The website is back up. We had to rehost it to a new hosting service. The website is the same except for the calendar which has changed to a Google calendar. David or I can update it so if you need any updates done, let one of us know. The Google calendar has features that provides map links to the location of the event and an "agenda" button on the far right that produces a listing of entries in tabular form if desired.

Online registration and information for the Wing Ding 40 rally is available at <https://wing-ding.org/> or press the "Wing Ding 40" icon on the first page of the G2 website <http://www.g2txroadrunner.org>. The schedule is released and is available on the wing-ding.org website.

George has planned a route and hotel recommendations to and from Knoxville that includes riding the Cherochala Skyway and Tail of the Dragon on the way to Knoxville. Contact George for details if you're interested in riding with this group. His email address is [gsaugustas@att.net](mailto:gsaugustas@att.net).

**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.**

Jim & Barbara Wiggins

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Chapter Directors

# G2 ROADRUNNERS

## FIND US:

### WEBSITE:

<http://www.g2roadrunner.org>

### FACEBOOK:

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 on 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.

## How Does Riding Style Effect Motorist Awareness

Have you gotten a chance to ride this summer? It seems like we went from 3 great weather days into the depths of the summer heat. But whether you only had a 100-mile chapter ride or a cross-country trip, have you considered that your riding style effects motorist awareness?

Judy and I just returned from a 5-week, 7600 mile trip to Newfoundland. Along the way, I had many miles to consider how our riding style impacts motorist awareness; sometimes for the good and sometimes for the bad. Consider what a motorist thinks when they see a rider. Often on TV and in the movies if you see a rider, it's a bad guy. Not always but very often. First of all, we are glad when they see us but part of our mission in the motorist awareness program is to let non-riders know that we are people just like them. We're not the bad guys. We have jobs, families, responsibilities and people who care about us. If we are riding recklessly, speeding or darting in and out of traffic, we reinforce the negative Hollywood image of riders.

Our motorist awareness program wants to emphasize that every GWRRA member is an ambassador to the non-riding public. I encourage you give that some thought as you prepare for the next ride. When we put on all the gear (even in the summer), we communicate our dedication to safety. When we allow a safe distance between ourselves and other vehicles, we do the same.

I followed Judy almost every mile of our trip. I think she hurt her arm waving at all the truckers we passed along the way. I'm sure they saw her and had a much more positive attitude toward her than they would have if we had cut in front of them in an unsafe manner or used an obscene jester because they blocked the road for 5 minutes trying to pass another truck.

Motorist awareness opportunities are all around us. I hope you will consider your riding style as just one of them the next time to head out on a ride.

Be safe. See you at Wing Ding.

Scott and Judy Finnell

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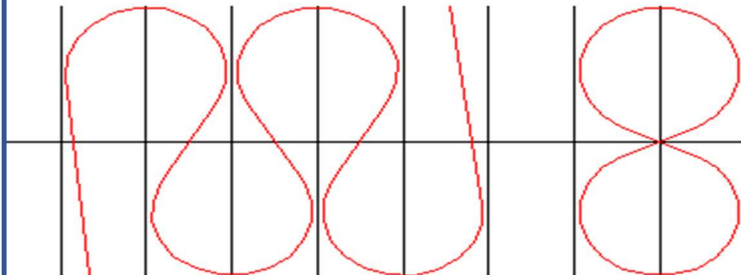
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## Where Do You Practice?

I often ride by a water park in our area that has a huge parking lot. About once or twice a month I see a large group of police officers out in the back of the lot practicing maneuvers. It is really a sight to see when up to 25 bikes are all running the course at once. Some of the maneuvers are quite complex and done at a quick pace, but I noticed most of the exercises were relatively simple and done at a slow pace. They looked very similar to the parking lot practices that GWRRA promoted for many years.

I rode in and visited with several of the officers about their constant training and practice and heard many responses that supported the ideas of safety that GWRRA supports. They understand that even the most basic skills can lose their “edge” if not practiced often. They felt that low-speed maneuvers are much more important (and sometimes challenging) to master than higher speed, complex maneuvers. I told them about some of the activities we do to sharpen and maintain our skills including parking-lot practice, skill challenges such as Shiny Side Up, the Amazing Team Challenge, Drill Team courses for Novices and Trikes, and the Top Gun field events. They were fully supportive of our programs and encouraged me to promote anything that helps sharpen our skills for the road.

I am lucky enough to live on a quiet cul-de-sac and often spend 3-5 minutes before leaving for a ride practicing slow and quick turns, figure eights, weaving, and U-turns. It helps me get focused on riding before I head out. We also have a middle school around the corner where Kathy and I can go find a segment of parking space lines we can use for practicing our maneuvers. There is a lot you can practice in a small space and it is fun! You can be fancy and use cones or tennis balls halves to mark your course, but most maneuvers can be accomplished without them.



Talk to your chapter and try to schedule some practice riding. Just Google parking lot practice for lots of ideas and games. With this hot weather, you can still have some fun on your bike and not have to get very far from home!

Ride Safely, Ride Often, and HEY! Be careful out there!

Randy and Kathy Reese  
*Texas District Educators*  
*2017 International Couple of the Year*



# IN THE KITCHEN

## Paula Deen's Goulash

### Ingredients

- 2 lbs lean ground beef
- 2 medium yellow onions, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 3 cups water
- 2 (15 oz) cans tomato sauce
- 2 (15 oz) cans diced tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons Italian seasoning
- 3 bay leaves
- 3 tbsp soy sauce
- 1 tbsp Paula Deen's House Seasoning \*
- 1 tbsp salt
- 2 cups elbow macaroni (uncooked)
- \*I added garlic powder, seasoning salt, and a little pepper instead.

### Instructions

1. In large pot, cook ground beef over medium heat until browned, spoon off any extra grease.
2. Add onion and garlic, saute until transparent.
3. Add 3 cups of water, tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, all seasonings, soy sauce, and bay leaves. Allow to simmer for 15-20 minutes.
4. Add macaroni and allow to simmer an additional 20 minutes or until tender. Remove bay leaves before serving.

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**My luck is like  
a bald guy who  
just won a  
comb.**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## **BELATED HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**Eric Flynn - July 10**

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

**RB Wilson – Aug. 26**

**Tommie Elliott- Aug.27**

**Quinton Pierce-Aug.29**

# ANNIVERSARIES

**Bill and Sharron Godwin – Aug.29**

# HAPPY RETIREMENT

**Joetta Oliver**

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## GUESS WHO-



Be the first person to guess who this is and win a \$5.00 gift card to Braum's. Send your guess to Vickie at vicpie11@yahoo.com The mystery person, his spouse and QP are not eligible to play. The timestamp on the e-mail will determine the winner. The contest ends at the close of the chapter meeting on Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

COMING SOON  
G2 ANNUAL  
GARAGE & BAKE SALE

**September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 AM – 2:00PM**

**DAVID & SHIRLEY'S**

**326 N Elm**

**QUINLAN**



# FOR SALE

## 2010 Honda Goldwing GL 1800



**Asking \$15,900**

**Garage Kept**

**MUST SEE TO  
APPRECIATE!**

**Mileage: 15,400**

Level 3 GW with Nav System, XM Radio and ABS Brakes. Also has a CB, Heated Seat and Grips plus many extra Kuryakan Upgrades.



**Please contact Judy at 903.883.2448**

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**GWRRA**  
www.wing-ding.org



# Wing Ding 40

**Knoxville, Tennessee, August 28 - September 1, 2018**

**REGISTER TODAY! SIMPLY MAIL OR FAX YOUR COMPLETED FORM**

Contact Member Services at 1-800-843-9460 with any questions.

Please visit [www.wing-ding.org](http://www.wing-ding.org) & click "REGISTRATION" at the top of page.

**TRADE SHOW OPENS AUGUST 29, SEE EVENT SCHEDULE FOR MORE INFO!**

RIDER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

CO-RIDER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GWRRA MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ALTERNATE PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**PREREGISTRATION: (Postmarked before July 23, 2018)**

Number of Life Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**LATE: (Postmarked July 23-August 6, 2018)**

Number of Life Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$22 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Non-Members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$55 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Children 15 and under at the time of the event are admitted free. Cancellations in writing must be received at the Home Office on or before August 6, 2018, and are subject to a \$15 processing fee. No refunds for meal functions, Grand Prize Tickets, 50/20-15-10-5 Tickets, Poker Run, Bike Show, T-shirts or Polos will be given after August 6, 2018. No telephone or verbal cancellations will be accepted.

Please note, only registered delegates may participate in Wing Ding functions, activities and events! You will receive a confirmation via email 24-48 hours after your registration is processed. Please visit our website for hotel and camping information. Armbands, tickets, T-shirts or any other items purchased will be available for pickup beginning the day prior to Wing Ding in the registration area (see website for hours and location).

Day Pass: (sold on-site only) \$22 per person, \$15 GWRRA Members

Day pass fee includes the following:

- One-day pass to indoor Trade Show
- One-day access to Demo Rides on all participating manufacturers' bikes (subject to availability)

**Full registration includes:**

- Access to 'Pre-Event Day' activities!  
**Tuesday 8/28**
- Wing Ding Welcome Party - **Tuesday 8/28**
- 4-day pass to indoor Trade Show - **Opens 8/29**
- 4-day pass to Demo Rides on all participating manufacturers' bikes (subject to availability)
- Access to Seminars and Parades
- Access to Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Access to free Evening Entertainment Event
- Optional dinner and priority seating prior to free Entertainment Event
- Souvenir Event Pin and Pocket Guide
- Exclusive opportunities for tours, dinners and other ticketed events
- Numbered armband for chance at thousands of dollars in great prizes!
- Precision Drill Team Exhibitions and other performances
- Optional Rider Education Safety Courses, CPR Classes and more

**FAX or MAIL this form to:**

GWRRA Member Services  
P.O. Box 42450, Phoenix, AZ 85080-2450  
1.800.843.9460 or 623.581.2500 (Local)  
Fax: 877.348.9416  
Register on-line at: [www.wing-ding.org](http://www.wing-ding.org)

Text WingDing to 555-888 for all the latest news, updates, and special offers! Like us on

# Upcoming Events

## **Saturday, August 4**

8:00am

[Breakfast Ride to Sidekick's Restaurant](#)

## **Tuesday, August 7**

6:00pm

[Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville](#)

## **Tuesday, August 21**

6:00pm

[Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie](#)

## **Tuesday, August 28**

[Wing Ding 40 - Knoxville, TN](#)

## **Wednesday, August 29**

[Wing Ding 40 - Knoxville, TN](#)

## **Thursday, August 30**

[Wing Ding 40 - Knoxville, TN](#)

## **Friday, August 31**

[Wing Ding 40 - Knoxville, TN](#)

## **Saturday, September 1**

[Wing Ding 40 - Knoxville, TN](#)

## **Monday, September 3**

[Labor Day](#)

## **Tuesday, September 4**

6:00pm

[Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville](#)

## **Tuesday, September 11**

7:00pm

[Ice Cream Social](#)

## **Saturday, September 15**

7:00am

[G2 Garage and Bake Sale](#)

## **Tuesday, September 18**

6:00pm

[Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie](#)