

G2 ROADRUNNERS

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"

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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 will not meet at Buffet Palace until further notice since they are not open for dine in. I will send a notice via email / Groupworks if we decide to meet at Napoli's this month.

Rider Education program – We have a new contact point for the Rider Education program. Please see the flyers regarding this and the recently established Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor position. Let me know if you are interested in the CSEA position.

GWRRA Levels program - GWRRA has extended the expiration dates of training for those participation in the levels program. "Members participating in the Rider Education Levels Program who have expired or will expire on or after January 1st, 2020 are granted a grace period that has been extended until December 31st, 2020 allowing time for the Member to take part in one or more of the following courses or classes to bring their level up to date: • GWRRA (or RE Program approved alternative) on-bike course • The University's Co-Rider seminar • GWRRA MEDIC FIRST AID® (or MFA Program approved alternative) class. The grace period will not be decreased and may 1 be extended if deemed necessary."

2 Chapter P has several lunch rides planned for August. See the notice in 3 Groupworks at https://app.groupworks.com/#/posts/75473 for more information.

4 Chapter R has planned a fall ride to the Grand Canyon and beyond from September 26th- October 5th. See the notice in 5 Groupworks at https://app.groupworks.com/ #/events/50471 for more information.

Oklahoma District Rally previously scheduled for September 24-26th 2020 at the Civic Center in Muskogee, OK has been 9,10 cancelled. They have rescheduled it for September 16th-18th 2021 at the same 11 location.

Wing Ding 42 has been rescheduled for June 29 – July 3, 2021 at the Springfield

Expo Center in Springfield, Missouri. You can register for the event 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.

GWRRA is offering free GWRRA training using the Zoom teleconferencing application. Schedule of online classes is available here: https://gwrradot.com/onlineclass-calendar/ It is a great way to interact with others and gain a few tips about riding and GWRRA administration. To sign up for a class, go to https://gwrradot.com/ and click on the "crawling" banner. That will take you to a signup page to enter your member number, Chapter, District, and email and allow you to select a class, date, and time. Upcoming classes include Riding in the rain, Riding in the heat, Team Riding and others. The Zoom application runs on any platform including personal computers, and mobile devices. If you need any help setting it up or testing your installation, give me a call and I will try to

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Get involved with the chapter! It is fulfilling and FUN.

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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),
found in 1977, is recognized
at the world's largest single
-marque motorcycle
association in the world.
GWRRA provides safety,
technical, and education
services to its Members
world-wide.

CHAPTER STAFF Chapter Directors



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Assistant Directors Position available

Treasurer and Newsletter Editor pro tem



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GWRRA-ChapterTX-G2

Chapter G2 Meetings:

GroupWorks:

https://app.groupworks.com/*/groups/4534

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

TEAM GWRRA

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

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Rider Education Corner

Balancing and Steering

by David Hough

ounter-steering—the technique we use to balance and steer our two-wheelers—is a subject of controversy among motorcyclists. There are riders around who don't believe counter-steering works at all. Others agree that it works, and we're willing to attempt to explain how it works. Some of us know it works but prefer to not get embroiled in heated discussions. Yet others are so frustrated by years of confusion that they wish the term had never been created. Let's see if we can unravel some of the mystery.

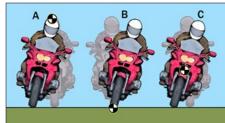
In its simplest terms, counter-steering is steering the front wheel opposite to the direction you want the motorcycle to lean. But that's not the complete story. To get a better grasp of how two-wheelers are balanced and steered, we'll need to wade through some additional concepts.

I've had some riders deny that countersteering can work. They realize that if you steer the front wheel toward the left and hold it, the bike will quickly roll over to the right until it hits the ground. Furthermore, with the bike leaned into a curve, most of the time the front wheel is pointed toward the curve, not away from it. So, how can you counter-steer and still control lean angle? What you do is momentarily steer away from the curve to cause the bike to lean. Then, when the bike has leaned over to the angle at which it will make the desired radius of turn, you ease up on the grip to allow the front wheel to re-enter and then turn slightly toward the direction you want to go. The important point here is that the counter-steering push is very brief, perhaps just a half second.

It might help to redefine lean as "roll", using airplane terminology. After all, you can roll the bike *up* as well as *down*, or roll from right to left. So, how does countersteering cause the bike to roll down or up? Imagine a bike from a front view. Does a bike roll around its tire contact patches, or around the rider's head, or around its center of mass? And why should we care?

The reason we should care about how it works is that we don't have any reasonable way to control roll other than steering the front wheel. If you think about it, a motorcycle can roll around any center. If a strong wind blast hits you from one side, the bike will roll downwind, around the tire contact patches (as in bike B). To counter a

wind blast you could steer the front wheel downwind, and the bike would roll around the rider's head (as in bike A). Normally the bike will roll more-or-less around its Center



of Mass (as in bike C). The point is; the only powerful technique you have to control roll is steering the front wheel.

The reason this works is that the bike has inertia that resists the mass moving off center from the direction it's headed. The wheels have less mass, so when the front wheel is steered in one direction, the top of the motorcycle reacts by rolling in the opposite direction. It's not just a matter of waiting for gravity to pull more on one side, but that front tire traction actually forces the bike to roll around its Center of Mass (COM.)

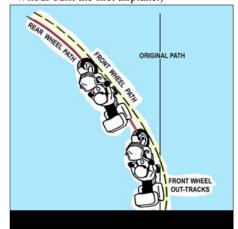
A good demonstration of this is to balance a stick vertically on the palm of one hand. A broomstick will work fine-with the bristles up. Notice that to keep the stick balanced, you have to move your palm opposite to the direction you want the stick to lean. For instance, if the stick wants to fall over to the right, you must move the bottom of the stick even farther to the right to get it rebalanced. You'll find that a broomstick with the bristles on top will roll more around the top (like bike A). In other words, you move the bottom of the stick and the top stays in almost the same place. That's because the bristle end of a broom is heavier, so the COM is closer to that end. With a motorcycle, the COM is lower-approximately between the rider's knees.

Steering (Unbalancing)

Steering a bike involves unbalancing it, to cause it to roll toward the direction you want to go. For instance, if you want to go left, you must roll the bike left. You can do that by momentarily steering the front wheel toward the right, until it rolls over to an angle you predict is about right for your speed and radius of turn. Then you ease up on the steering pressure to allow the front wheel to point slightly toward the curve. With the bike leaned and turning, gravity and centrifugal force are balanced.

Let's observe that as you counter-steer,

the front tire tracks out away from center. Then as the bike rolls toward the curve and you allow the front wheel to re-center, the front tire describes an arc similar to the rear tire, but somewhat toward the outside. We describe this as the front tire "out-tracking." This is nothing new; it was observed a few years ago by Orville Wright, a bicycle manufacturer (before he and his brother Wilbur built the first airplane.)



You can test this for yourself by riding your bike through a puddle of water and then making a turn. Park the bike and walk back to observe the tire tracks. You'll see that the front tire made a quick swerve, and then tracked an arc outside that of the rear tire. Another important part of this experiment is to note that the initial counter-steering swerve is very short. Most of the time while turning, the front wheel is pointed toward the curve. That's one reason why many motorcyclists have difficulty understanding counter-steering.

David L. Hough is one of the few motojournalists who focus on riding skills. He has been writing about skills for more than 30 years, notably as a contributing editor to Motorcycle Consumer News. Dave has written several books about motorcycling, including *Proficient Motorcycling*, *More Proficient Motorcycling*, and *Street Strategies*.

Reprinted from Road Gear

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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



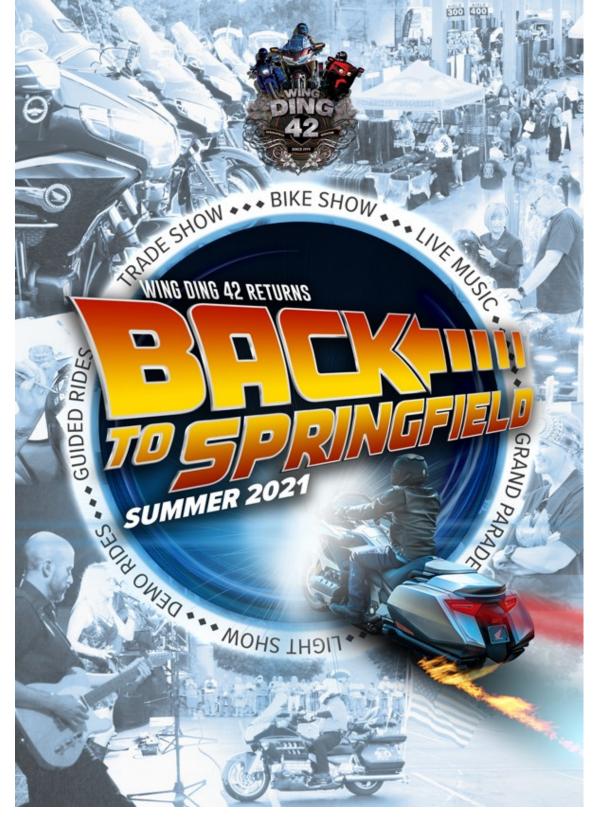
Tommie has a XL helmet complete with wired earphones and microphone to give away. He used this helmet with his Gold Wing. Contact Tommie at (214) 802-5046 If interested.



Coming Events

Date	Chapter	Event	Location	Contact/E-Mail	Phone
June 29-July 3 2021	*	Wing Ding 42	1.1.0	GWRRA National Office https://www.wing-ding.org	800-843-9460

This information is provided for the convenience of Chapter G2 members. Information is obtained from the Texas District web page and other sources. No warranty is made with respect to the accuracy of any information on this page, the calendar pages, or any other page in this newsletter, and the staff of Chapter G2 shall not be held liable if any information is incorrect. You are advised to verify the accuracy of this information prior to attending any listed event. This information is subject to change without notice. Rev. 26 July 2020.



REGISTER FOR WING DING Click Here or call 800-843-9460

To ALL GWRRA Texas District Officers, Chapter Participants and Members:

While the search for a TX District Educator continues, the GWRRA Rider Education Program Team leadership will serve the TX Membership as the resource for RE program related questions, concerns, suggestions, and comments. **Effective July 25, 2020 until further notice:**

Contact: Susan Huttman, Team GWRRA Director, GWRRA Rider Education Program director-re@gwrra.org home: 828/855-0677 cell: 828/368-2249 regarding:

- ❖ GWRRA Officers' Handbook-Section J-Rider Education Program content
- Member Levels Program Participation
 - o Level criteria
 - o Level forms
 - o RE Database and My RE
 - o Masters' Program
- High Miles Program (not associated with the Levels Program Safe Miles)
- GWRRA Rider Course Program
 - o Course availability and alternatives approved for Levels Program
 - o GWRRA Rider Course Instructors
 - Rider Course Instructor Criteria
 - Rider Course Instructor (RCI) Certification Process
 - RCI Opportunities
 - RCI Recertification
- GWRRA Rider Education Program Member Recognition

Contact: John Kuehl, GWRRA Rider Education Program Assistant wingit2up@gmail.com

home: 219/464-4663 regarding:

- Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisors
- ❖ RE Program Knowledge Level Evaluations Administration
- ❖ RE Program GroupWorks Administration

Contact: Laurel Kuehl, MEDIC First Aid Director, GWRRA Rider Education Program mfaasstdir@gmail.com home: 219/464-4663 regarding:

- ❖ MEDIC First Aid® (MFA) Program
 - o MFA class availability and class alternatives approved for Levels Program
 - o MFA Instructors
 - MEDIC First Aid® Instructor (MFAI) Criteria
 - MFAI Certification Process
 - MFAI Opportunities
 - MFAI Recertification

We will maintain ongoing communication with TX District Directors, Chapters and Team GWRRA to ensure the needs of all GWRRA Members residing in Texas are met whenever possible and ensure they receive the service they deserve.

Copies to: TX District Team, Team GWRRA, GWRRA Director, GWRRA RE Program Team

July 25, 2020 Susan Huttman, Team GWRRA, Director, Rider Education Program

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CHAPTER SKILL ENHANCEMENT ADVISOR



Job Summary

The role of Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (CSEA) is to proactively support Member/Participant by providing them with information they can consider on ways to become skilled, prepared and safer riders and co-riders.

Encouraged Responsibilities

- Serve as an example by being actively engaged in the Levels Program.
- Monthly, or as often as possible and weather permitting based on Members interest, put on an on-bike skills day with skill practice, bike games for riders and co-riders.
- Team with the Chapter Ride Coordinator to promote the importance of best riding practices at chapter gatherings, rides and events.
- Utilize the quarterly Chapter Levels Report provided by the District Educator to support the Members and assist them in achieving milestones and earning recognition.
- Communicate directly with the District Educator to advocate for classes and courses to serve any chapter participant with an interest in progressing in the levels program, becoming a more proficient rider and being better prepared to respond to emergency situations.

Qualifications and Skills

The Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor:

- is not an officer; and the position is not mandatory.
- has a basic knowledge of the GWRRA Rider Education Program
- is appointed by the Chapter Director
- is interviewed by the District Educator
- completes a Confidentiality Agreement
- is a current Level II Rider or Co-Rider
- receives guidance and support from the District Educator
- communicates with the District Educator directly, keeping the Chapter Director in the loop to assure the needs of the chapter participants are met. Remember, the Chapter Skill Enhancement Adviser is an active participant on the Chapter staff and primary direction comes from the Chapter Director
- does not have access to the RE database and relies on the District Educator for the information.

Goal: To provide the membership with the basic support needed to participate meaningfully and successfully in the GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level.

Susan Huttman-Director RE Program

Approved by GWRRA July 9, 2019

AUGUST 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
American Indian Homedic Alert Month Motorsports Aware National Immunisat National Parks Mon National Paach Mon National Peach Mon Orange Month	ness Month tion Awareness onth	RB Wilson	Birthday 26 27 29			Respect for Parents Day Air Force Day
American Family Day	© Full Moon 3 National Watermelon Day	Chapter Ge Gathering Buffet Ralace Greenville	5	6 Hiroshima Day	7	8
9	10 National Lazy Day	C Last Quarter 11 Dog Days End	12	13	14 V-J Day	15
16	17	• New Moon 18 Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas (To Be Announced)		20	Senior Citizens' Day	22
23	24	→ First Quarter 25 National Banana Split Day	26	27 LBJ Day (Texas)	28	Happy Anniversary!
30	31					Bill and Sharon Godwin

SEPTEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Shirley Hale Judy Elliott Harry Whipple	18	Chapter C2 Gatheking Buffet Ralace Ancenville	© Full Moon 2 V-J Day	3	A National Wildlife Day Stand Up To Cancer Day	Be Late for Something Day
6	7 Labor Day	8	9	C Last Quarter 10	9/11 Remembrance Day	Clean Out Your Garage Day
Celiac Awareness Day Grandparents Day	14	Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas (TBA)	Happy Anniversary! Joe and Brenda Holt	• New Moon 17 Constitution Day	POW/MIA Recognition Day	19 National Clean Up Day
20 Wife Appreciation Day	21	22 Autumn Begins	The First Quarter 23	24	25	26 Johnny Appleseed Day
27 Gold Star Mothers Day	28	Happy Anniversary! Harry and Ione Whipple	30		Apple Month Be Kind to Editors a Classical Music Mo Healthy Aging Mon National Chicken M National Service Do National Potato Mo National Recovery	nth tth Ionth og Month nth



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

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