

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 had our first gathering in a while at Napoli's Italian Restaurant in Wylie on June 16th. Nine people were able to attend. It was great to see familiar faces and we got to meet Eric and Lorie for the first time.

We will not meet at Buffet Palace on July 7th since they are not open for dine in. Barb and I are looking for an alternate location and will let everyone know via email and Groupworks if we are going to meet. We will also confirm whether we will meet at Braum's for the Ice Cream Social on July 14th. I will send an email and Groupworks notification if we meet in July.

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 be extended if deemed necessary."

GWRRA has scheduled a Virtual Wing Ding since the physical Wing Ding was canceled for this year. It will be conducted from July 1st starting at 1PM CST through July 4th using Facebook Events. There are no specifics as I write this, but the following info is on their Facebook Event page. "Since Wing Ding 2020 has been cancelled we didn't want to miss out on some of the Wing Ding fun. Join us for awards and recognition for our amazing volunteers, seminars from Rider education and leadership training. We will have new things each day so come back

often. We will have presentations from vendors and more....." Link to participate and more information is:

https://www.facebook.com/events/

1121266288254077?active tab=about.

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 "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.

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. At some point before the class, you will get an email with the meeting ID so you can log into the class. 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 help.

GWRRA 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.

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

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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.

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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

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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

By Scott Polhemus

aving the opportunity to talk to a truck driving instructor from a local truck training school, I was informed of some good points of interest for us.

Don't believe everything you hear or read, like "If you can see my mirrors I can see you." Your seeing the mirrors will not mean the driver can see you. The driver must be looking for you to see you. Yes he may look in his mirrors every few seconds, but there is a lot going on in front and the driver may miss you before you are in the "No Zone". The driver is looking for the same items as a Gold Wing rider; upcoming hazards and how to avoid them, scan for paths that will allow you the least problems. Maintain a space cushion, do not tail gate, and allow time to stop.

A lot of similarities? Truck drivers are as busy as motorcyclists to avoid the road problems. When you follow a large vehicle, there is a lot of assumption that the driver can see you. If you are about ½ mile to the rear, they may see your headlight. If you are closer, the blind spot grows to where you must be in another lane for them to see you. The right side of the vehicle is the worst side for blind spots. If you decide to pass a vehicle on the right side, remember to move far right and pass with speed, and hopefully you eyes will make contact with the drivers. Large vehicles start with SUV's and grow. Even cars have blind spots. Passing a truck is something I think I have been doing okay. Have you ever started to pass a truck and he comes into your lane in a hurry?

You get upset and hopefully you have time to avoid the collision or having to take to the berm of the road. The truck is loaded 30,000 to maybe 60,000 (30 ton). Trucks are on the move, as the job usually has a time frame for delivery. They don't see you as well as you may think. Remember, we ride defensively, not offensively.

- Move to the left lane after checking the lane with your mirror and doing a head check.
- Next watch to see if the vehicle you are passing may be closes the vehicle in front of them which they may be also getting ready to pass.
- Move as far left of the vehicle you are passing as you can.
- If you are in a staggered formation, form a single file as you pass.
- If you are the lead bike, pick up the speed and go far enough to allow the entire group to pass the vehicle. As the lead bike increases speed, the gap between each motorcycle will increase; just remember to re-adjust your spacing when you get back to the staggered formation.
- Once the rear bike is at least 400 feet in front of the vehicle you just passed, and it is safe, move back to the right lane. Again, the no-zone is 400 feet in front of the vehicle also.

I have mentioned speed, and the reason to speed up is to get rid of the hazard as soon as you can. You must speed up to a comfortable and desirable legal speed. The drivers also like for us to get out of their problem areas quickly also. Six or eight bikes passing on cruise control can create a hazard for all. If you get to the point you are not passing the vehicle and just hanging beside it, either speed up to pass or slow to drop back behind the vehicle, if it is safe to do. Check the mirrors and head check for a fellow winger or unwanted tailgater.

Scott Polhemus

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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





ired of being broke and stuck in an unhappy marriage, a young husband decided to solve both problems by taking out a large insurance policy on his wife and arranging to have her killed.

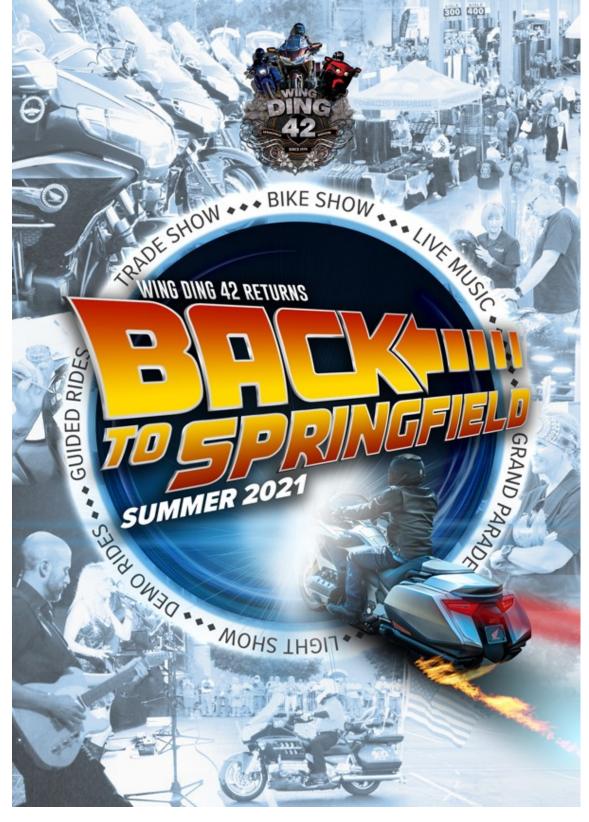
A "friend of a friend" put him in touch with a nefarious underworld figure, who went by the name of "Artie." Artie explained to the husband that his going price for snuffing out a spouse was \$5,000. The husband said he was willing to pay that amount, but that he wouldn't have any cash on hand until he could collect his wife's insurance money.

Artie insisted on being paid in part up front. The man opened up his wallet and displayed the single dollar bill that rested inside. Artie sighed, rolled his eyes, and reluctantly agreed to accept the dollar as down payment for the dirty deed.

A few days later, Artie followed the man's wife to the local Safeway grocery store. There, he surprised her in the produce department and proceeded to strangle her with his gloved hands. As the poor unsuspecting woman drew her last breath and slumped to the floor, the manager of the produce department stumbled unexpectedly onto the scene. Unwilling to leave any witnesses behind, Artie had no choice but to strangle the produce manager as well.

Unknown to Artie, the entire proceedings were captured by hidden cameras and observed by the store's security guard, who immediately called the police. Artie was caught and arrested before he could leave the store. Under intense questioning at the police station, Artie revealed the sordid plan, including his financial arrangements with the hapless husband.

And that is why, the next day in the newspaper, the headline declared: "Artie Chokes Two for a Dollar at Safeway."



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JULY 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
National Baked Bea National Blueberrie National Grilling M National Outdoor M National Picnic Mo National Watermelo National Women's	s Month Ionth Ionth nth on Month		National Postal Workers Day	2	Dog Days Begin Independence Day (observed) Earth at Aphelion (farthest from Sun)	© Full Moon 4 Independence Day
5	National Fried Chicken Day	Chapter 62 Gatheking Buffet Parace Cheenville	8	9	10 National Motorcycle Day Happy Birthday! ★Eric Flynn★	National Slurpee Day (7/11)
C Last Quarter 12 National Pecan Pie Day	13	Bastille Day Ice Cream Social Braum's Greenville 07:00PM (TBA)	15	16	Disneyland opened (17 July 1955) National Peach Ice Cream Day	18
19	• New Moon 20	Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas	Happy Birthday Jeopardy! Host Alex Trebek b 1920	23	24	25
26	▶ First Quarter 27	28	National Chicken Wing Day	National Cheesecake Day	31	

AUGUST 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
American Indian H Medic Alert Month Motorsports Aware National Immunisa National Parks Mon National Panini Mon National Peach Mon Orange Month	eness Month tion Awareness nth onth	RB Wilson Tommie Elliott	Birthday 26 27 29			Respect for Parents Day Air Force Day
American Family Day	© Full Moon 3 National Watermelon Day	Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville (To Be Announced)	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	19	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



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