

G2 ROADRUNNERS



June, 2019

Website: <http://www.g2txroadrunner.org>

Facebook: GWRRA-ChapterTX-G2 or the direct link below:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/411645738982367/?ref=group_header

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.



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

I hope you all got a chance to get out during the beautiful weather we've been having before the latest round of storms. Hopefully, all the high winds and tornados missed you.

Five people showed up for the gathering at the Buffet Palace this month and ten were able to make the gathering in Wylie.

The Texas District Rally was in Paris May 16-18. Barbara and I commend the TX District staff for the hard work to pull it off without a hitch, even with the inclement weather on Saturday. See the separate article for more details on the rally.

Pictures from the rally are posted at

<https://gwrrachapterg2photos.shutterfly.com/pictures>

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. You can make reservations from the Texas District web page <http://gwrra-tx.org/> Just click on the Y.O. ranch icon on the home screen. Special rates of \$99 per night have been arranged. If you're an artistic type, the District is having a contest to produce a logo for the rally. Theme should be something to do with vision since it's in 2020. The winner of the logo contest will be announced at the 2020 Mid-winter conference. More details to come.

Remember to inspect your bikes. A T-CLOCS inspection checklist is available here:

https://msf-usa.org/downloads/T-CLOCS_Inspection_Checklist.pdf

Vickie always needs articles, recipes, or anything else for the newsletter. I'm sure she'd appreciate any help you can provide.

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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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Quinton & Vickie Pierce – June 10th

A LITTLE HUMOR

Thanks to George Augustas for submitting this month's funny.

The Cuckoo Clock

Just after I got married, I was invited out for a night with "the boys." I told my wife that I would be home by midnight ... promise! Well, the BS was flowing and the beer was going down easy, and at around 3 a.m. drunk as a skunk, I went home.

Just as I got in the door, the damn cuckoo clock started and cuckooed 3 times. Quickly I realized my wife would probably wake up, so I cuckooed another 9 times. I was damn proud, having the quick wit -- even when smashed -- to escape a possible conflict.

Next morning my wife asked me what time I got in and I told her 12 o'clock. Whew! Got away with that one!

She then told me that we needed a new cuckoo clock.

I asked her why, and she said, "Well, it cuckooed 3 times, said 'damn it,' cuckooed another 4 times, farted, cuckooed another 3 times, cleared its throat, cuckooed twice, and giggled."

FLAG DAY JUNE 14



2019 Texas District Rally

The district rally was held in Paris at the Love Civic Center 18-20 May. George, Harry, Barbara and I rode/drove to the rally together from Greenville. I'd packed our bike trailer to take some items for the Chapter Pride table. After looking at the weather prediction for Saturday, we decided to have Barbara drive her car and not take the trailer. Bill and Sharon joined us at the Civic Center.

We took a direct route to Paris via 224/24. All was going well until we happened upon an 18 wheeler accident that brought us to a complete stop for a while. Eventually, the road was cleared, and we proceeded on to Paris with no further issues.

During the opening ceremonies, the site of the next rally was revealed. It will be held at Y.O. Ranch and Convention center in Kerrville. That's a great selection with many good MC roads. George got to participate in the "Eiffel Tower" race by throwing a die and advancing the number he threw. He won the first heat but unfortunately, his luck changed in the second heat, so he was the runner-up. The opening ceremony was followed by a meal at the convention center. Very tasty.

Friday, Barbara and I rode to pre-selected sites to take our picture to enter a participation contest for Paris sight-seeing. The sites included the "chrome mustang", The Eiffel Tower with hat, Jesus in Cowboy boots monument, white buffalo monument and the dragon statue in front of Paris Junior College. We also toured downtown while going to all the stores participating in a downtown vendor walk. Each store had tickets to try to match to the ones we were issued. Unfortunately, we weren't lucky but did get to see some interesting shops. There were also several classes. The light show and parade were held around the square in downtown Paris Friday evening followed by an ice cream social sponsored by South Main Iron. This shop has numerous bikes of several brands and other toys for sale located in an old upgraded building. It's worth a visit to look around and while there, go across the street to Swaim's hardware, a real old-fashioned hardware store.

The American Trucking Association brought their "Share the Road" truck to display. Beautiful truck (2018 Mack) that was in the parking lot with motorcycles arranged around it that couldn't be seen from the driver's seat. Two drivers were with the truck and gave insight into what you could and could not see if operating the truck. We got to sit in the cab and the drivers explained some basics about the cameras, electronic logs, stopping distances, and fielded questions from us. Thanks to Scott Finnell (District MAP Coordinator) and the American Trucking Association for the display. It was very educational.

As predicted, Saturday morning had threatening weather, but it held off long enough for the Advanced Rider Course to be completed. Unfortunately, some bike games could not be held. George won a bike game by default since he was the only one that was able to complete it due to weather. Most of the attendees hung around the convention center Saturday afternoon since the weather was bad. Closing ceremonies were conducted Saturday evening which included presentation of various statistical and chapter pride table awards, drawings for raffles and participation awards. Dawn and Tom Sprague were introduced as the new Couple of the Year for the Texas District. Another great meal rounded out the evening.

Pictures (mostly by our good friend Donna Rymarz) are posted on the TX District website at <http://www.gwrra-tx.org/2019Info/2019RallyPics-2.pdf>

Barbara and Jim Wiggins

Hello Texas Riders!

Riding season is back in full swing in Texas. If you missed the District Rally last week in Paris, you missed some great rides! District Ride Coordinators Butch and Marie Schmit put together several great loops and a photography challenge that was enjoyed by everyone who participated.

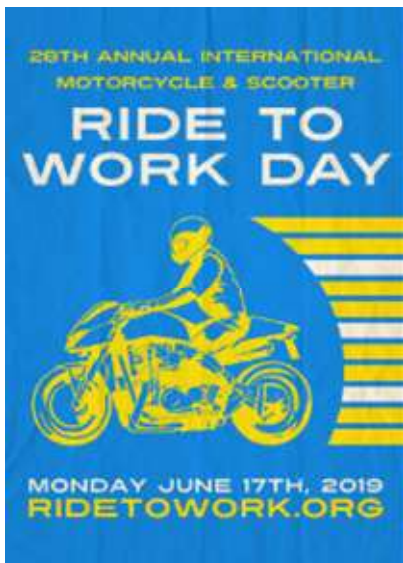
Many chapters are planning extended rides the next few months. Our chapter is heading out for a week trip to Palo Duro Canyon in early June. It is always a good idea, especially if you are riding as a group, to review basic Group Riding skills before leaving. GWRRA has an excellent Team Riding seminar and Ride Captain training available to help everyone feel more comfortable riding with a group.

Even if you don't take a class, there are several good resources out there that can help you plan a safer group ride including:

- The Motorcycle Safety Foundation has a free manual www.msf-usa.org/downloads/Group_Ride.pdf
- Markel Insurance <https://www.markelinsurance.com/resources/motorcycle/group-riding-tips>
- Motorcycle Legal Foundation <https://www.motorcyclelegalfoundation.com/motorcycle-group-riding-tips/>
- Motorcycle Touring Tips <https://www.motorcycltouringtips.com/motorcycle-group-riding-protocol/>

Plan your rides carefully, communicate well to your members, and have fun!

Putting on my Motorist Awareness hat for a moment, another event that I always try to promote is:



28th Annual Motorcycle and Scooter Ride To Work Day Monday, June 17th 2019

Goal - To encourage record-setting numbers of riders to participate.

Spread the word by every means possible - word of mouth, print ads, web banner ads, blog posts, news and magazine articles, press coverage, Facebook, Twitter, Youtube...

Help make this the largest, most impactful Ride To Work Day to date!

Public service ads, web banners, posters and more free propaganda material at: www.ridetowork.org/ride-to-work-day-ads

Help spread the word about the 28th Annual Ride To Work Day and increase public and governmental awareness about the societally positive values of transportation and utility riding.

More information on RTW Day is available at the Ride To Work Day website: <http://www.ridetowork.org>

Enjoy the weather while it is still relatively pleasant. Take frequent breaks. Stay hydrated. Enjoy our sport.

Ride Safely, Ride Often, and HEY!!! Be careful Out There!

Randy and Kathy Reese
Texas District Educators
2017-18 International Couple of the Year
All The Gear All The Time

Classifieds

Tommie has three hitches for sale. Two are for 90-degree receivers and one for a straight receiver. Tommie said the prices would be very reasonable so give him a call at (214)802-5046 if interested.





HCTO Ride for the Cure



June 29, 2019

8:30 am Registration- 10:00 am Kickstands up

Registration/Donation fee for Motorcycles and cars **\$20.00** each

Starting location: 2500 Stonewall St (parking garage), Greenville, TX

After party location: **Corner Street Pub 2702 Lee St, Greenville, TX**

Cash or Checks only please

Donuts and Coffee provided at registration, ride will stop for self-pay lunch/snack

After party will include live entertainment, auction items, 50/50 raffle and door prizes.

HCTO Relay for Life Team will be selling luminarias to honor your loved ones

Featuring Charlie Brookins riding with the 'Double 7 Band'



CHAPTER "W" COOKOUT

**50/50
TICKETS**

Your Chapter is invited to join us for lunch. We will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs, side dishes and desert.

\$7.00 per person and bring your own drinks plus we will have drinks for sale.

Park Entry \$2.00 – paved parking

June 15th - Lunch starting at 11:30 till ??? We have rented the pavilion and it is right on the lake.

Oak Thicket Park – Lake Fayette
4819 TX-159
Fayetteville, TX 78940

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DOOR PRIZES

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Entertainment Coordinator	Open Position	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, June 4

6:00pm

Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville

Tuesday, June 11

7:00pm

Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, June 18

6:00pm

Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie

Tuesday, July 2

6:00pm

Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville

Tuesday, July 16

6:00pm

Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie

Tuesday, August 6

6:00pm

Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville

Tuesday, August 20

6:00pm

Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY!**