



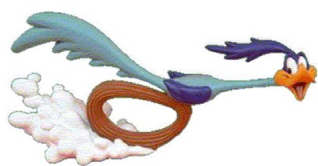
# G2 ROADRUNNERS

*“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

**FLASH! Wing Ding 42 has been cancelled. See the announcement on Page 6.**

**W**e are canceling our Chapter gatherings for May since the Covid-19 issues are still very fluid. At present, several counties in the immediate area have issued “shelter in place” efforts which curtails Chapter functions.

Barbara, George, and I took part in a great new free service provided by GWRRR last week. The GWRRR University has implemented the ability to provide many classes/workshops online using the Zoom teleconferencing application. The workshops are similar in format to what has been provided at Wing Ding, District Gatherings, and the Texas Education weekend where there is a facilitator that controls the workshop, and everyone can participate in the discussion. George was in a different session (3PM versus 6PM) than Barbara and me. Our meeting had about 10 people from the US participating including one person from Alberta Canada. They are currently limiting the classes to about twenty persons per session.

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.

The classes are free for GWRRR members and GWRRR University personnel are working on providing more classes. The classes currently include subjects such as Team riding, Managing Change, Co-rider, Communication, Riding in the Rain, Retention, Riding in the Heat, Mature Rider, A View from the Rear, and others.

GWRRR 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.

GWRRR is implanting a new club management software program called Groupworks. If you have been getting our newsletters or are members of GWRRR-TX Chapter G2, you should receive an email invitation to join our group on Groupworks soon if you have not already. For more info, see <https://www.groupworks.com/>.

**Get involved with the chapter! It's 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-  
religions, 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

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## G2 ROADRUNNERS

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#### WEBSITE:

<http://www.g2roadrunner.org>

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#### 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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# Rider Education Corner

By Scott Polhemus

**W**ell here we are again... It's finally getting comfortable outside, and Mother Nature has left the lawn sprinklers on ... AGAIN! I hope everyone has their rain suits in their saddlebags!

Nothing quite makes you so happy to get somewhere like riding in the rain... Sprinkles are refreshing, but when the frogs start crowding the road to avoid the flashflood in the ditch, it's a bit TOO much of a good thing!

Just a few quick ideas about wet weather riding:

- Give yourself a little extra room. Back off a bit further than you would normally when following cars, wet weather is one of the few times they can stop faster than we can... and the spray they kick up makes visibility even worse than the rain already makes it.
- Make moves a little slower. You're riding with less traction, so accelerate a bit slower and ease onto the brakes a bit slower than normal. While disk brakes don't have the 'brake fade' that drum brakes do, during the rain they take a bit of extra time to warm up and begin working like they should.

- Don't lean as much in the corners, and take them just a little slower. Remember, the harder you lean into a turn, the more heavily you are relying on what little traction you have.
- If it's possible, find a bit of cover and stop and wait for 15 minutes or so after rain begins. This gives the dirt and oils that have built up on the roads a chance to wash away. (Or at least get a bit more diluted!)
- Try to look a bit further down the road than you normally would. This will give you a bit more time to react if something happens ahead of you. It will also allow you to take a second or third look at any developing situation that could be potentially hazardous. (Plan for the worst, and hope for the best!)
- Keep an eye on the clouds. It will give you a little warning if heavy rains are headed your way, or if the weather is going to get REALLY bad in a few minutes. Taking a weekend storm spotter class would probably be a good thing as well; the things you will learn there can be applied to driving as well as riding. It might even help you to avoid getting caught in a downpour, by noticing ugly weather BEFORE you get to it...

## **SEE:**

- Search for potential hazards**
- Evaluate the gathered information**
- Execute any necessary actions to avoid hazards**

During bad weather, or less than ideal road conditions, it becomes even MORE important to practice SEE techniques! Remember the Boy Scout motto: BE PREPARED! It never hurts, and can help you to avoid an accident.

And just in case anyone was wondering... Riding in the rain will NOT make our waistlines shrink...

*Until next month,*



***Scott***

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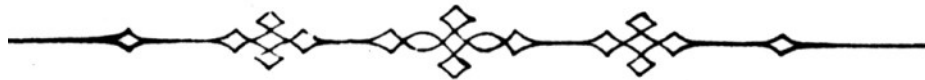


# SHIRT AND HAT SALE

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
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



## **Dear GWRRA Friends and Family,**

After weeks of carefully monitoring the on-going spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), we have made the difficult decision to cancel Wing Ding 42, scheduled to be held June 30 through July 4, in Springfield, Missouri.

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association has been committed to observing the recommendations put forth by public health officials since the beginning of this unprecedented situation. The most current information released by government and health care officials continue with the recommendations to consider postponing meetings and limiting attendance. Therefore, the current environment makes it impossible for us to hold a safe and enjoyable event for our attendees and exhibitors.

We are all truly disappointed by having to make this decision, but the latest guidance from public officials, and continued uncertainty with the current situation makes it clear that the most responsible decision is to put the safety and well-being of our members, volunteers, exhibitors, sponsors, staff and service providers above anything else. We want to thank our members, exhibitors, sponsors, service providers, and the city of Springfield for their commitment and support during these challenging weeks. We will continue to collaborate with the city of Springfield and our service providers through this situation.

In the coming days we will be reaching out to all those who have registered for the event with further details. Please hold off on requesting refunds as we hope to have information on next year's Wing Ding soon and will give you the option to just transfer your registration to 2021. The CVB will be processing all room cancellations at one time. You should receive an email from them soon. If you do not, please contact Carrie Chavez at 417-799-0408. Understand that she is working remote, so please be patient. She will get back to each one of you as soon as she possibly can.

We thank all of you for your support and patience through all of these changes and uncertain times.

**Stay safe and Safe Riding,  
Gold Wing Road Riders Association**

# MAY 2020

SUNDAY      MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY      SATURDAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>May Observances</b></p> <p>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</p>					1 Batman Day May Day	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	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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# JUNE 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 National Cheese Day Old Maid's Day	☺ Full Moon 5	6 D-Day
7 National Cancer Survivors Day Daniel Boone Day	8 Best Friends Day	9 Chapter G2 Gathering Buffet Palace Greenville	10 Happy Anniversary! QP and Vicki Pierce	11 Corpus Christi	12	☾ Last Quarter 13
14 Flag Day	15 National Ride To Work Day (Motorcycles)	16	17	18	19 Juneteenth	20 Summer Begins
● New Moon 21 Father's Day	22 Take Your Cat to Work Day	23 Chapter G2 Gathering Napoli's Pizza Wylie, Texas	24	25	26 Take Your Dog to Work Day	27
☽ First Quarter 28	29	30			 <b>June Observances</b> Adopt a Shelter Cat Month Alzheimer's Awareness Month Cataract Awareness Month Country Cooking Month Cucumber Month Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Month National Seafood Month	





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**

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(Street Address)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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