



# G2 ROADRUNNERS

October, 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**

Welcome to another edition of the G2 newsletter. Our scheduled publication was a bit late last month due to Wing Ding 40. Fortunately, Vickie (our newsletter editor) just reminded me that I needed to give her something to publish. Seems like I just did that, but time has flown by this month.

Weather has been a big factor riding the last few weeks. Barb and I managed to avoid most of the heavy downpours, but David rode to a PGR mission just a few miles from his house and got caught in a downpour on his way home. He got to ride in water more than a few inches deep with very poor visibility. Thankfully, he made it home safely.

Six people came to the ice cream social on the 11<sup>th</sup> at Braum's. George graciously donated the Braum's gift cards he won by identifying baby pictures of Barbara and me to provide the ice cream treats for those with birthdays the last quarter.

We had the annual garage sale September 15<sup>th</sup> at David and Shirley's house. Though we were considering calling it off because of threats of bad weather, we went ahead with the plans and it worked out well. We did sell some things, but the best part was visiting with each other and the customers during the event. Everyone seemed to have a good time. We got to pass out some safety brochures, bumper stickers and Wing World magazines in addition to snacking on some delicious baked goods. Thanks to all of you that donated items to sell, baked goodies and attended the sale. A special thank you to David and Shirley for all the work they did to make the day a success. Eric stopped by in a Citizens on Patrol car since he volunteered to patrol that day. Bobby and Joetta also dropped by but missed the photo op.

Seven people attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday gathering at Napoli's in Wylie. Unfortunately, Barbara and I couldn't attend due to another commitment. Bobby and Connie attended for the first time. Hopefully, they can make the next gathering, so Barbara and I can meet them. Apparently, the restaurant was very busy and noisy during this meeting. Hopefully, we can meet in the separate room at the restaurant next time.

Tom Sprague (Texas District Webmaster) has updated the District website. Look at the link on the home page regarding trial memberships to GWRRA and the forms linked at the bottom of the page. It's a new initiative to allow dealers to offer a four-month trial membership to GWRRA when someone purchases a touring bike (any kind). There's also a form for individuals to offer the trial membership to the buyer if you sell your bike. Link to the TX District site is <http://gwr-ra-tx.org/>

**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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# G2 ROADRUNNERS

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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.

## Cornering Safety

Fall is the time of year when the turning leaves can be very beautiful – unless they are piled up in a corner where you are entering. Then they can be very hazardous. Make sure to look through your curves so you can avoid a low-side situation. On the same topic of cornering, here some information from the *Look Learn Live* folks:

Contrary to popular belief, most motorcycle fatalities do not occur in a collision with another vehicle at an intersection. A higher percentage involves motorcycles running off the roadway in a curve then striking a fixed object. If you are uncomfortable during road speed turns, increase your skill through training and practice. Classes on cornering are available in Texas and the practice is fun.

If you find yourself coasting through corners with the power off, you have entered the turn too fast for your comfort level. Enter the next turn slower and add throttle as gently and early as possible through the turn.

Your vision is the key to your survival in cornering. If you are approaching a blind curve due to a sight restriction of any kind, **slow down!** You do not know what's lurking just around the bend.

The proper use of your vision through a turn is a skill! Turn your head before the corner starts and look far through the turn, keeping your head and eyes up. This will help you relax on the controls and see any issues far in advance lace your bike near the back of the parking spot so drivers can see your bike before pulling into your spot.

Enjoy the gradually cooling weather and stay safe!

Randall Reese



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# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ione Whipple-Oct.18

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Tommie & Judy Elliott-Oct.16



## FUN FACTS

- In the U.S.A., October not only marks the onset of the festive season but is also celebrated as the National Pizza Month, Popcorn Month, Pork Month and Sausage Month.
- One plain milk chocolate candy bar has more protein than a banana.
- One pound of tea can make 300 cups of the beverage.
- Snails produce a colorless, sticky discharge that forms a protective carpet under them as they travel along. The discharge is so effective that they can crawl along the edge of a razor without cutting themselves.
- Whale hunting is strictly prohibited throughout the entire state of Oklahoma.
- The new iPhone costs \$999.00 the entire Cracker Barrel menu costs \$887.71.



**Garage sale participants. (Eric, Bobby and Joetta missed the photo op)**

### **Jim's Maintenance Tips of the Month -**

- 1) I rode the Gold Wing to town Tuesday to a meeting but stopped at the post office on the way. I came out of the post office, got on the bike and turned the key. Nothing happened! The bike was totally dead! No lights, no displays or anything else. Since I was in a hurry to get to the meeting and a friend happened to drive up that was on his way to the same meeting, I locked up the bike, called Barbara to bring the trailer to town just in case and went to the meeting. After getting back to the bike to see what the problem might be, I discovered that both positive and negative battery terminal screws were loose. I tightened the screws, and all was well to ride the bike home. I'll admit to not checking the terminals since the battery was changed a year ago, but I'd had NO indication of any impending problem. I noticed that the terminal screws with this battery only had flat washers on them so added a lock washer to each after getting home. That should take care of that issue in the future. You might want to check your terminals to avoid a similar problem.
- 2) Check your tire pressures. The cooler weather has made all my vehicles need a bit of air to get them to the proper pressures.

# 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.



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# 5<sup>th</sup> annual WINGERS-N-WAVES 2019



## January 25, 2019 – 6 nights of WOW!

Mark your calendar and come sail away with us on the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Caribbean **WINGERS-N-WAVES**. The Independence of the Seas will depart from Fort Lauderdale and travel to Nassau, Labadee & Jamaica. You will have the opportunity to meet Chapters from all over the US and Canada!



Our special group rates **include port taxes**, based on double occupancy. The rates are subject to change until booked. Please book your cabin with **WINGERS-N-WAVES** to ensure you're included into the special functions, parties, group dinners & Winger perks!



Oceanview Balcony cabin - \$788 per person

We promise to book your cabin at the lowest price at the time of booking and guarantee the best possible price. We will honor Crown & Anchor rates and special discounts if offered at the time of booking. Only a \$250pp deposit and the final payment is 10/20/18.

**GWRRR Wing Ding 40 will give a FREE WINGERS-N-WAVES cruise for two at closing ceremonies! Check out our Annual Alaska Cruisetour, Viking River Cruise & Australia & New Zealand! All Wingers and friends are invited to join our group!**

**LIMITED SPACE – CALL TODAY TO RESERVE YOUR CABIN (386) 299-7535**

For full event details: [WWW.WINGERSNWAVES.COM](http://WWW.WINGERSNWAVES.COM)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Tuesday, October 2**

6:00pm

Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville

### **Monday, October 8**

Columbus Day (regional holiday)

### **Tuesday, October 16**

6:00pm

Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie

### **Wednesday, October 31**

Halloween

### **Sunday, November 4**

Daylight Saving Time ends

### **Tuesday, November 6**

6:00pm

Gathering at Buffet Palace in Greenville

### **Sunday, November 11**

Veterans Day

### **Monday, November 12**

Veterans Day observed

### **Tuesday, November 20**

6:00pm

Gathering at Napoli's Restaurant in Wylie

### **Thursday, November 22**

Thanksgiving Day

### **Friday, November 23**

Black Friday