



**GoldWing Road Riders
Association
Chapter Z
Straits Area Road Riders**



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Chapter Happenings –

I know of only one birthday this month and it is mine. We will be going to a matinee dinner show with friends out here in Arizona. I know we will have a great time. The District Rider Ed has come up with tentative dates for the ARC (Advanced Rider Course) and TRC (Trike Rider Course). We have taken both and highly recommend them. The tentative dates are in the Rider Ed article for this month.

Chapter Gathering –

The next Chapter Z Gathering will be March 27 at the Senior Center in Wolverine. The meal starts at 1:00. The annual campout will be discussed after eating.

Important Dates 2022 –

Any Registration Forms available can be found later in the newsletter

Wingless Weekend – March 11-12, Chelsea, MI

Chapter J2 Blarney Bash – March 26

Chapter Z Campout – June 3-4

Chapter V Biker Bash June 9-11

North Section Campout – June 23-26

Wing Ding – June 28-July 2

Chapter Q Campout – July 29-31, Aune Osborn Campground, Sault St Marie, MI

Michigan District Rally – August 18-20, St Louis, MI

Rider Ed –

Almost spring!

Colleges, high schools, and government complexes are being contacted with a couple date choices given to them to choose the best for them. These places charge little, if any, fee, so if their events take priority, we have to adjust to them. ARC's and TRC's will be scheduled at each venue. A registration form will be made available as soon as we have each date chosen by the venue.

Tentative dates:

Ionia on May 28 or May 7

Pontiac June 4 or June 25

Grayling are July 16 or July 9

Sault Ste Marie is August 6 or August 13

Stockbridge is being contacted again to see if their parking lot resurfacing will still fit our needs of completely clear space with no parking lot lights, abutments, or islands, placed.

The Motorcycle Safety Foundation has a lot of great information and can be found through a search for Motorcycle Safety Foundation online. Although we have found that DOT in some states, including Ohio, provide bumper stickers, signs, and information free to anyone who requests them, Michigan is one that does not. So I use this website a lot to gain information, although not free materials.

A common theme I've been seeing in other motorcycle magazines is to ride within your skill level and situational limits. I think this is just as important for me as an older member as it is for a brand new rider. My health may not have changed in the past year, but from five years ago, I certainly have added aches and pains after a day of riding. Rider courses are a great refresher, most of all because you are practicing away from traffic. Yes, some of our Rider Courses have parking lots that have divots, low spots, maybe even one obstruction. That means they are not perfect, but I think it also means that we learn to handle our bikes on uneven surfaces and even on wet surfaces and in windier conditions.

Hoping to see you all at Wingless Weekend. Please feel free as a chapter or as an individual to donate a prize to the Rider Education games; they are greatly appreciated and all funds received through the games stay with Michigan Rider Education. You all provided \$798.10 for the Send Your Instructor to Camp fund, which allowed for an instructor to go to this camp, along with funds previously raised. That \$798.10 was raised through the incentive program of Keep Jan Smith Quiet for \$200 per hour. On Friday, March 11 from noon to 5 please visit the Rider Education tables at Wingless Weekend because four out of those five hours will be silent (at Jan's end of the tables, anyway!)

Stay safe,

Dennis

Michigan Senior District Educator



GWRRA

Chapter J2

Presents the

Blarney Bash

March 26, 2022



When and Where
12:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Clare VFW
145 Wilcox Parkway
Clare, MI 48617
Location subject to change
\$10.00 per person



Who will be the next
Leprechaun King and Queen?
(Previous royalty eat for free this
year - RSVP to Char)

DRAWINGS & CONTESTS

Rider Education dolls and clock
Irish Auction
Irish Dessert Contest (open to all)
Coloring Contest
Costume Contest
NEW! – Centerpiece contest – if
you'd like to create an Irish
centerpiece for your chapter's
table, they will be judged. Must
contain green, chapter designation
and be size appropriate

Dinner @ 4:00 pm
Beef and Chicken Stews
Salad/Breads
Beverages
Desserts from the
Contest



Presentations:

- J2 Couple of the Year 2022
- J2 Individual of the Year 2022

*Please Join us for a Wee Bit of
Shenanigans*
RSVP by March 15th

Phil and Char Smock, CDs
pcsford@yahoo.com
989-737-6533

Clark and Sandy Wentz, ACDs
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989-948-7320

Funds to support:

Recruiting to GWRRA
Motorist Awareness
Through
Parade participation
Area Co-op Educational Events
Motorist Awareness programs



Soo Locks Campout
Friday & Saturday July 29-30, 2022

Aune-Osborn Campground, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan

Friday Dinner—Burgers, Dogs, Salads, Dessert & more **6 ish pm**
Saturday Breakfast- Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Coffee, Juice & more **7:30-8:30am**
Saturday Dinner— Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Coffee, Dessert & more **6 ish pm**
Sunday Continental Breakfast – Muffins, Rolls, Coffee, Juices **Early till 9am**

Total Food Cost \$35.00 per person

50/50 each day, Chinese Auction Saturday & Bon Fire every night...

Saturday Guided Ride- leaves 10am, \$5 per bike & draw upon return. Prizes awarded at dinner. Light parade at dusk and ice cream at bonfire.

Reservations: Mail form to **Frank King** for lot assignment, 1-day \$33, 2-days \$66, 3-days \$99 & so on for each day you wish to Camp (dump station on site) & Bike tenting \$33 a night & doubling up permitted per site, Bikes only (Water/Elect all)

Diving Directions from South: I-75 North exit 394, turn left (Overpass) to first stop (Portage Ave), turn right go 3.8 miles to Aune-Osborn Campground on left; watch/ look for signs.

from West: US-2 East or M-28 East to I-75 North, **Follow** Directions from South.

GPS: Aune Osborn Campground: 906-632-3268 / 1225 Riverside Dr, Sault MI 49783

On St Mary's River between Canada & United States, enjoy ships from all over the world, Ferries, Personnel Water Crafts, Fishing & so much more for you to see...

Call early as sites are sold out in January

Frank King 906-440-2133 or frking72@gmail.com
Deb King 906-632-6644 or debik73@gmail.com



Soo Locks Campout & Registration

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ Email _____ Chapter _____
Sharing Camping- Motorcycle Camper Yes / No _____
Camping- \$33 per night X number of nights--- TOTAL COST = \$ _____
Lot Size needed- RV, 5th wheel, Travel Trailer _____ Feet long.
Check in Date _____ Check out Date _____
Number of people, staying at Hotels - _____

Saturday night light show & parade at 9pm



Come join us for fun

Frank King --- 906-440-2133 or frank72@gmail.com

Deb King --- 906-632-6644 or debik73@gmail.com

**January 6, Sites go on sale, "year" sold out January 30,
Call I'll save you one, if I can...**

Make check payable to; Chapter Q

Mail Check to;
Frank King
Chapter Q
PO Box 725
Sault Sainte Marie, MI 49783-0725



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Michigan District Wingless Weekend

March 11th & 12th 2022


Comfort Inn & Village Conference Center

1645 Commerce Park Drive - Chebea, Michigan

(734) 433-8000

Theme: *Hawaiian Luau*



Wingless Weekend Registration Form			Please Type or Print CLEARLY	
Riders Name: _____	GWRR # _____		Removal Date: _____	
Co-Riders Name: _____	GWRR # _____		Removal Date: _____	
Address: _____				
City: _____	State or Prov. _____		Zip Code _____	
Telephone #: _____	E-mail: _____		Chapter: _____	
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY January 15, 2022				
<small>EARLY BIRD DRAWING - One Couple Will Win 2 Free Registrations To The 2022 District Rally In St. Louis, MI</small>				
All Registrations MUST Be Postmarked On or Before February 15th 2022 Registration Limited to 250 Persons				
<small>No Onsite Registrations.</small>				
GWRR Member	X \$15.00	CDs & Life Members	X \$10.00	Non-GWRR Member: X \$20.00
Registration total:				<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
Dinner Buffet: \$30.00	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	Includes Gratuity - Buffet: Grilled Chicken & Beef Bourgingnon		Benquet total: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
<h1>SKITS</h1>			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> For Special Dietary Requirements, call Dave or Carolyn at (989) 662-3397 </div>	<h1>FUN</h1>
			<h2>GAMES</h2>	
Payment Method: Check or Money Order:		Money Order # <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	Check Number <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	
Make Check Payable To: GWRR DISTRICT-MI <small>Mail Payment To: Eddie McDougle GWRR DISTRICT-MI Treasurer - 17515 Louise - Southfield, Michigan 48075</small>			TOTAL DUE: <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	
<small>I/We Do Agree To Conform And Comply With The Ideals Governing This Rally, And I/We Further Agree To Hold Harmless GWRR, Co-Sponsoring Organizations, And / Or Any Property Owner (s) For Any Loss Or Injury To Self Or Property In Which I/We May Become Involved By Reason Of Participating In This Rally. I/We Also Agree To Assume Responsibility For Any Property Which I/We Knowingly Damage. I/We Have Read This Entire Form.</small>				
Rider Signature: _____			Rider & co-rider must sign	
Co-Rider Signature: _____			Date: <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	
			Date: <input style="width: 80px;" type="text"/>	
<small>Revalids After February 15th By District Director's Authorization Only. Please Do Not Reduce Or Alter This Form</small>				
YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING YOUR OWN ACCOMMODATIONS				
<small>Special Rates at Comfort Inn & Suites: \$99/NIGHT + tax Two Queen Beds (or 1-King if available) (All Rooms Include Hot Breakfast Buffet) MENTION "GOLD WINGS ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION" FOR \$99 ROOM RATE To reserve Your Room, You MUST call 1-734-433-8000 to make your reservations. Special Hotel Rates Are In Effect Until February 7, 2022 Limited Rooms available. </small>				



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION



Renew your commitment to friends
for **fun**, **safety** and **knowledge**!

Renew your membership for **2 years**
& receive **4 months free**

\$25
value

Renew your membership for **3 years**
& receive **6 months free**

\$45
value

USE PROMO CODES: **RENEW2YR** or **RENEW3YR**

Renew your membership by calling **800-843-9460**
or renew online at **www.membership.gwrra.org**

RENEW WITH GWRRA TODAY!

offer ends 12/31/2021

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE TO DISTRICT EDUCATORS,
DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS**

March 15, 2021

The GWRRA Rider Education Program Team continues to explore different ways we can better serve the Membership during our collective recovery from the unexpected challenges caused by Covid 19.

GWRRA Rider Education Program policy for any GWRRA Member in the Levels Program who's *last on-bike course was "Range Only"* requires their *next on-bike course* to be a "Full" course (with both a classroom and a range portion) to be eligible for level course fulfillment.

Due to the continued lack of classroom space available to accommodate Federal, State and Local distancing guidelines, temporarily, any Member with a rider course expiration on or after January 1, 2020 may renew their Level by participating in another Range Only class until December 31st, 2021.

Because many of us may be starting to ride again after a year or more, this decision was made to make it possible for more Members to participate in the valuable on-bike skill practice necessary to ride safely and proficiently.

We do encourage those Members able to attend a Full Rider Course when offered to do so in support of your District's Rider Education Program and the Instructors who teach them. These courses are proven to be beneficial for all riders regardless of individual riding experience.

The RE Team posts all GWRRA Rider Education events submitted by Districts including rider courses and MEDIC FIRST AID (MFA) on the Association's event page: <http://qwrro.org/events/> where you can perform a search to learn what is available in your area.

We also suggest Members contact their District Educator for more information about what will be available throughout the year. Please take advantage of any courses and classes available to you.

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 Advisor 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.

Let your motorcycle friends know about the Trial Membership.



The form is set against a background image of a winding road with several motorcycles. At the top left is the GWRRA logo, a circular emblem with a motorcycle and rider. To its right, the text reads "FOR MORE INFO ON BENEFITS, VISIT GWRRA.ORG". Below this, the text "GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION" is centered. The main title "TRIAL MEMBERSHIP" is prominently displayed in large, bold, black letters, underlined. To the right of the title, the offer "4 Free Months" is written in a large, stylized font. Below the title, a list of benefits is provided. At the bottom, there are several lines for personal information, including name, address, city, state, zip code, phone, and email. A referral section is also present, with fields for "Referred By" and "Member Number". The final instruction is to mail the form to a specific P.O. box in Phoenix, AZ.

 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

Name: _____ Corider: _____

Address: _____
(Street Address)

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: (_____) - _____
(Area Code)

Email: _____

Referred By: _____ Member Number: _____

Mail to GWRRA-PO Box 42450, Phoenix, AZ 85080-9942