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“Acting” CD’s Corner

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January was a transition month for NC GWRRA. After 4 years as District Directors, Roy & Cindy Bryant passed responsibility to Glenn & Joy Kennedy. In the east Tom Tipton assumed the role as Assistant District Director. Thanks are in order for each & all, as they are volunteers working for us. Closer to home Donna Strallow passed the baton to Linda Cooke, Treasurer. And, later this month Dave & Kay will take over as our chapter directors. Thanks go out to them all.

Our annual ride planning session was well attended. We held the long anticipated member appreciation dinner prior to the ride planning session. The dinner was catered by Mama Mia in Apex. We had plenty of food, and everyone seemed to enjoy it. That was evidenced when the leftovers were snatched up to go home. Ride planning was done as in years past, but when we finished July rides, we took a break for dessert. Then, it was back to planning the rest of the year. You can see the fruits of our effort looking at the ride calendar on our website.

The NC GWRRA Officers Conference was held in Greensboro. Our new district directors were the master of ceremonies. Plaques were retired; new plaques were launched ... without any rule changes. Recognition was given to individuals & chapters based upon accomplishments. Breakout sessions were held to train new chapter officers. And, tickets for the WOTS motorcycle raffle were distributed to the ADD’s. So, NC GWRRA will be requesting our support in selling motorcycle tickets in 2020. A suggestion was offered to staple 5 tickets together ... selling in groups of five when possible. [Spend \$5 for 5 chances to win a motorcycle.] But, single tickets could be sold when necessary. Those that did this last year advised that it made selling tickets easier.

Our dinner ride was to Yarborough’s in Sanford. As expected, it was in the low 50’s riding to dinner, but it dropped to mid-low 40’s on the way home. Those of us on bikes enjoyed a slower ride home. In between, however, we had some great sandwiches, sides, and – wait for it – ice cream!

Then, the following weekend we headed out to Myrtle Beach for our Wingless Weekend. We stopped at Shuler’s BBQ in Latta, SC on the way to MB. Everyone raved about the food! It’s located about 5 miles east of I-95 on SC-38 (about 15 miles south of the boarder). It was so good that I have this marked in my mind for future treks up & down I-95. Thanks got out to Ron & Leslee for providing access to the Wyndham Resort (Seawatch Plantation) in MB. This resort offered multiple 2 bedroom condos for the 11 members on this beach getaway. We had dinner at the Carolina Roadhouse, but the show season start was a week away. Still lots of fun!

2020 NC-E

- MEC needed
- Newsletter editor needed
- COY preferred
- 50/50 Ticket Sales



Be safe out there

Rod & Maxine

Upcoming Events

- Feb 12th NC-E Sweet Treat Ride 7:30 pm @ Apex Harris Teeter
- Feb 14th Valentine's Day – don't forget!
- Feb 15th NC-C2 Chili Cook-off 9 am @ Smithfield Moose Lodge
- Feb 18th NC-E Chapter Gathering 6:30 eat; 7:30 meet @ Cary IHOP
- Feb 22nd NC-E Dinner Ride 11 am @ Apex Harris Teeter
- Mar 8th Daylight Saving Time Starts – dinner rides shift to Sundays @ 4 pm
- Mar 11th NC-E Sweet Treat Ride 7:30 pm @ Apex Harris Teeter
- Mar 14th Emerald Isle St. Patrick's Festival
- Mar 17th NC-E Chapter Gathering 6:30 eat; 7:30 meet @ Cary IHOP
- Mar 21st NC-H2 Swap Meet @ Mebane

Visits

- Feb 11th NC-Z Rocky Mount
- Feb 13th NC-A Greensboro
- Feb 17th NC-D2 New Bern
- Feb 20th NC-H2 Durham
- Feb 23rd NC-K2 Fayetteville
- Feb 27th NC-N Burlington

What Is All That?

So, discussion at the ride planning meeting covered diverse topics. Some expressed a desire for more day rides; some want to pursue more local chapter visits. So, as Maxine & I seek to advertise the May 3rd Ride for Kids event, we (or I alone) plan to visit these surrounding chapters this month. Given the season, I expect most may be done via 4 wheels, but the fact that GWRRA is a motorcycle oriented group, I will take my trike when safe & convenient to do so. Anyone want to go?

That brings us to March 14th on the calendar. Maxine & I will be at Emerald Isle that weekend ... it's a tradition for us. Any NC-E member that wants to do a day ride to the beach is welcome to join us. It's a small festival, but it packs a lot of fun. From the Raleigh area it's about 2.5 hours to Emerald Isle. If the weather cooperates, it's a dash to the beach; enjoy time at the festival or beach; and a ride home ... no overnight required.

Sad News

Vernon Dudley, NC-F2 CD, passed away late yesterday afternoon. Vernon had a series of medical issues last year. Recently, he went to the hospital for a hernia repair. Following that surgery, some complications extended his stay, but he was expected to be discharged to go home yesterday. Obviously, there was a sudden turn of events. Our condolences go to Verna & the family. Vern & Verna were some of our early acquaintances when we joined GWRRA 20 years ago. They were the GWRRA International COY about the time we were stepping up as the NC-E COY. More impressive (to me) was Vernon loved to ride his bike ... all over the USA. Over the years our paths would cross somewhere in the USA as often as at our respective chapter meetings. And, he always greeted everyone with a huge smile. I will miss seeing him on the road.