

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Northeast Region

THE GREEN TEAM

CHAPTER NH G



2011

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Monthly Get Together every second Sunday of the month at **THE FAMILY TREE RESTAURANT 927 Laconia Rd (Route 3) Tilton** - 8:30am unless otherwise noted.

Remember, no Get-Together in December



Chapter Director Words



It's hard to believe that we are into December, and Denise on and I hope everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday. I had the opportunity to assist with Christmas Village on Sat Dec 3rd and one of the first visitors through overheard me talking about GWRRA and they spoke to me about becoming a member once again. Look forward to hearing from them. You never know when you will find a new member for GWRRA

Our best wishes go out to Andy Tarbell from Chapter A as he recuperates from a recent heart attack.

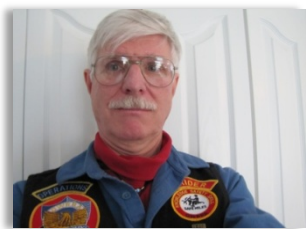
Donna and Ernie Brown profiled as Chapter G couple of the year in the Region B newsletter. What a great honor for them to be

recognized.

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on Thursday December 8th at Our Family Tree Restaurant starting at 6:00. For those who would like to participate, we will be collecting non-perishable food items for MIX Cash and Cans and / or an unwrapped toy for TOYS for TOTS. A question came up as to whether the toys collected would benefit the children in the Lakes Region area. I have spoken to a representative from Toys for Tots and it was explained to me that ALL toys collected are distributed to children in NH until 3 days before Christmas and AFTER all orders have been filled and then the toys are shipped to our "sister" states of Maine and Vermont. Vermont has a severe need do to Hurricane Irene devastation to the state. They further stated that the greatest need in NH is in the North Country and then the other area with the greatest need is in the Lakes Region area. So there is a great chance that the toy that you donate will stay in the area.

As a reminder, there will be no breakfast meeting for December. Our next monthly meeting will be on January 8th 2012

Denise and I wish everyone in the GW family a Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.



Rider Education **Accident Management**

Help your fellow riders by thinking ahead, being prepared

By: Cash Anthony

After an accident, the people you ride with want to be useful. They will feel helpless enough if they aren't medical professionals with adequate gear to start making a difference, for in serious accidents, first aid seems superficially valuable or is even impossible to render. If they have access to communications and to important information, however, they can still help save your life. In light of Karen Miller's accident last November, here are some tips I gleaned from dealing with an emergency situation. The first four are offered to enable your fellow riders to help you immediately, the rest over the longer term.

- Carry a cellular phone when you ride, if possible. If you don't have one, ask who in the group has one and where on the bike it is kept.
- Carry legible ID and keep it current. If you've moved since your driver's license was issued, you can get a ticket for failing to update it -- as well as cause confusion about such basics as

"where does she live?" Check or sign the organ donor box on it, if you would want to donate in a worst-case scenario.

- Carry a list of medications you take routinely and keep it current. List allergies or medical conditions that EMS techs/doctors need to know about to treat you.
- Carry a list of persons to contact and their current telephone numbers, including area codes. If those living with you are likely to be hard to reach, or you live alone, friends who ride with you should be able to figure out easily who to call from information on your bike or your person. (Even if they can gain access to your home by taking your keys from the scene, it doesn't mean they can find your address book.) Karen had thought to carry names and telephone numbers of relatives and friends with her, which saved her fellow riders a lot of stress after LifeFlight left, when they started the notification process.

Hospital and emergency personnel will presume that an unconscious person has given them consent to save his or her life. But even when a rider has a close family member who can legally take over subsequent medical decisions (as far as the hospital's lawyers are concerned), your fellow LSL members may still be uncertain about which family member should be given your valuables, your keys, your jewelry, and access to your home -- especially if the family members argue about it when they get together to meet the witnesses and pick these items up.

It is unfortunately only a cheerful fiction that all of a downed rider's brothers and sisters and in-laws will be getting along splendidly the week that an accident happens -- not to mention the new lover and the ex-spouse. Would you want your cousin who's on parole rummaging through your mail while you're laid up? If you have no skeletons in your closet of relatives, you can ignore these suggestions. But for many of us, there are some troublesome realities among our relatives. So, for the longer term...

- Have a durable Power of Attorney prepared appointing someone close to you to be in charge of your business and legal affairs, in writing. "Durable" means the person designated can act for you even if you could not act for yourself (i.e., if you were unconscious, or sedated for a long time). This is not a "form" document that you can buy, but it is usually inexpensive to have it prepared. "Close" means living in your area as well as close by relationship: if someone is making decisions critical to your well-being, he or she will be better informed after talking to your doctors face to face, if possible.
- If you have given someone verbal authority to act for you in an emergency, do not leave written authority appointing someone else. Revoke conflicting Powers of Attorney and have a correct one prepared. Then tell someone who rides with you whom you designated! If you don't want to discuss this every time you go out, put a copy of the durable Power of Attorney with the list of phone numbers on your bike, or leave it with someone who is on that list of persons to notify in case of an accident.

If you're riding with someone who goes down and are helping at an accident scene, get the name of the investigating officer in charge and find out where the vehicles are going and where the accident report will be. Take photos if you can. Retrieve the rider's ID, insurance card and personal items from the bike and protect them. Find the lists of phone numbers and medications as soon as possible.

Riders who witness a serious accident will be somewhat in shock even if they were uninjured. If you are managing an accident scene where a friend has been hurt, let bystanders help you as well as your friend, if they can. Don't rush to get to the hospital once your injured friend has been removed. Take time to collect yourself before riding again. Have a drink of water (shock can make you dry-mouthed), and try to remember to thank the emergency personnel and any bystanders who helped you, before you leave.

Meet New Hampshire Chapter —G'sll Couple of The Year —Say hello to Ernie and Donna Brownll



The Couple of The Year Program is one of the —BESTll and certainly the most beneficial programs your chapter can get involved in within the G.W.R.R.A.. The Couple of The Year Program is recognition based; every chapter has a couple that deserves the prestigious title of —Couple of The Yearll. Selecting a couple proves your support of your chapter members and enables your entire membership to see firsthand how much you appreciate what they do and how well they do it. We would like you to meet one of these wonderful couples right now. It is our

pleasure to introduce you to Ernie and Donna Brown, of N.H. G Couple of The Year 2011-12.

Donna and Ernie have been married for 35 years and are the proud parents of two sons and even prouder grandparents of 3 lovely girls and a wonderful boy.

Donna and Ernie enjoy all of their free time together, sharing their passion for shooting darts and riding their 1982 GL-1100 burgundy Goldwing.

They joined Chapter —Gll in 2007 and have had a second home ever since, participating in as many events as possible and supporting the chapter whenever time allows.

Ernie is still working and Donna boasts being semi-retired, going in simply on an as needed basis. In addition to a full time job and multiple hobbies Ernie has served the community of Meredith, N.H. as a volunteer fireman for 29 years, and yes, Donna is an active participant in the ladies auxiliary as well. Ernie and Donna are very honored to have been asked to represent their home Chapter N.H. —Gll as Couple of The Year 2011-12. We had the pleasure of speaking with Ed Heath, C.D. and he could not say enough about Ernie and Donna and all they do for fellow members and how wonderful they are, always giving of themselves.

We are honored to have had the opportunity to introduce all of you to these wonderful folks. Make sure you stop by Chapter G's gathering and give them a GREAT BIG congratulatory hug and say Thank You to them for being ambassadors for the Gold Wing Road Riders Association.

We would love to see Ernie and Donna get involved in the New Hampshire District Selection Process we know they would do a great job and have a wonderful experience while having FUN with all of their friends.

We know all chapters have couples that deserve the honor of representing their chapter as Couple of The Year, select your special couple today.

—The more involved you get, the more FUN you will havell

Ride safe!

Mike & Nancy Mandell

N.E. Region —Bll Membership Enhancement Coordinators

Wings Over the Smokies

It was announced today that there will be a change in the name and location of Wings Over The Smokies in 2012. It will no be known as Wings over North Carolina and it is moving 2 1/2 hours south east to the Cabarrus Arena & Event Center in Concord, NC. www.cabarrusarena.com Even the town wants to get involved by closing down some streets for the light show and light show parade. The arena has more than 150,000 sq. ft. of temperature controlled event space, 2,500 parking spaces and an 11 acre lawn.

The address of the center is:
4751 Highway 49 North
Concord, NC 28025

District Directors Message



“So remember while December Brings the only Christmas day, In the year let there be Christmas In the things you do and say.”—**Anonymous**

It hardly seems possible that it is December already and 2011 will soon be just a memory. As the Holiday Season approaches Dick and I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for all your hard work and dedication to GWRRA during the past year. We know how valuable your time is, and we realize the commitment it takes to keep the NH and VT Districts in operation. It is with great sadness that we must announce that Chapter F in Lebanon, NH will be closing as of December 31st. We would like to thank, Bill and Dee Bascom, Chapter Directors and Bob Ammel, Treasurer for their assistance in keeping the chapter open through 2011. Thanks to Bob and Madalyn Sprague who have dedicated so much time and assistance to

Chapter F in the past.

The 2012 New England Districts Convention flyer has been posted however, there have been some problems with the telephone numbers of the Holiday Inn. Corrections are being made, so you may want to wait a few days to look at the revised flyer before making your Hotel reservations.

We would like to send our Get well Wishes to Andy Tarbell, Andy suffered a heart attack on November 17th and is now recovering quietly (Yeah right, Andy quiet, probably not) at home as Mary watches over him.

We are sure that everyone is busy getting prepared for the holidays with shopping, cooking, decorating, cards, and a never ending list of things to do but, please take a moment to reach out to those members who have lost loved ones in the last year or two, their holidays probably will not be so merry, and remembering them could help them get through a difficult time.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas, May you be blessed with Love, Joy and Peace as we celebrate this beautiful season, and may your days be merry and bright!

Take a moment to relax with a cup of coffee, tea or cocoa and take the Christmas Trivia Quiz, Answers are found on Page

[Christmas Trivia Quiz Questions](#)

1. Question 1 - Which popular Christmas song was actually first written for Thanksgiving?
2. Question 2 - What were the names of the Three Wise Men?
3. Question 3 - Which Saint is the character of Santa Claus based on?
4. Question 4 - What were the names of the original eight reindeers? (Rudolf came later!)
5. Question 5 - How do you say 'Merry Christmas' in France?
6. Question 6 - Which American government agency tracks Santa's sleigh on Christmas Eve?
7. Question 7 - What is the most popular holiday plant decoration in America?
8. Question 8 - What is the best-selling Christmas recording of all-time?
9. Question 9 - How many sides does a snowflake have?
10. Question 10 - 'Good King Wenceslas looked out on the Feast of Stephen'. When is the 'Feast of Stephen'?
11. Question 11 - What festive drink made with milk, cream, sugar and beaten eggs?
12. Question 12 - What color of Christmas did Elvis Presley sing about?
13. Question 13 - "A Christmas Carol" was written by Charles Dickens in 1843 - How long did it take to write?
14. Question 14 - If you received all of the gifts listed in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" song how many presents would you get?
15. Question 15 - Who first recorded "Jingle Bell Rock" in 1957?
16. Question 16 - What's the name of the Christmas carol about evergreen plants?
17. Question 17 - Who recorded "Driving Home for Christmas"?
18. Question 18 - Who was 'The Boss' who sang 'Santa Claus Is Coming To Town'?
19. Question 19 - In the song 'Christmas is coming' who are what are getting fat?
20. Question 20 - Who first recorded "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth" in 1948?

District Educator



This month we are reviewing the criteria for the Rider Education LEVEL IV. Level IV is the most prestigious level within the Rider Education Levels Program and is referred to as Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider. It represents the highest level of commitment by the Rider and/or Co-Rider toward safe riding and preparedness. This commitment is shown by a demonstrated history of safe miles, continuing education and current certification in both First Aid and CPR. These Master Tour Riders/Co-Riders are the finest

example to everyone of the highest level of commitment to safe motorcycle operation and preparedness.

Level IV of the Rider Education Levels Program, the Master Tour Rider, was designed for those special caring individuals who desire to "be all they can be" with regard to motorcycle safety. The requirements are more stringent than Level III and require a greater commitment. These individuals are caring, trained and prepared with the experience to back them up. It is realized Level IV is not for everyone, but for those who desire to be of greater service to their fellow man, it is the correct prescription.

Cost: \$35.00USD for each participant (8.00 USD additional cost for Black and Gold)

Receive: "Special Triangular" patch with dark blue border and your individual Master number embroidered on it.

Why desire to be a Level IV Master Tour Rider? It's a worthy goal. Being prepared to save a life is a high calling indeed! These individuals are shining examples to the rest of the GWRRA membership. Others aspire to practice the same commitment as displayed by those who have

attained Level IV. For that reason, because these individuals are ambassadors to the members at all levels, GWRRA provides a special gathering to celebrate the Master Tour Rider commitment each year at Wing Ding.

Rider Requirements:

- Be a current GWRRA member.
 - Be a participant in Level III of Rider Education Levels Program and have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
- Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles (40,000 km).
- Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
 - Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding. Proper riding apparel, a.k.a.: proper riding "gear" will include, at a minimum, a DOT approved helmet, eye protection, full-fingered gloves, over-the-ankle foot protection (boots preferred), with the balance of the body fully covered (leather or abrasion-resistant attire preferred; denim accepted.) Jackets or shirts should be a single piece of apparel and not be modular (i.e., not "riding sleeves"). Some have coined the acronym ATGATT standing for All the Gear, All the Time.
- Submit a completed Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider Application Form (N.9) with written recommendation from the Chapter Educator or other validating GWRRA Officer along with the appropriate fee to your District Educator. The application will continue to final approval by the Region Educator. Once approved, the application is sent to GWRRA International Headquarters at:

GWRRA Masters Program P.O. Box 42450 Phoenix, AZ85080-4250

Co-Rider Requirements:

- Be current GWRRA member.
 - Be a participant in Level III of Rider Education Levels Program and have been current in Level III for at least one full year.
 - Have ridden a minimum of 25,000 safe miles (40,000 km).
 - Be current in both First Aid and CPR certifications.
 - Wear proper riding apparel at all times while riding (see definition in the Rider section above).
 - Submit a completed Master Tour Rider/Co-Rider Application Form (N.9) with written recommendation from the Chapter Educator or other validating GWRRA Officer along with the appropriate fee to your District Educator. The application will continue to final approval by the Region Educator. Once approved, the application is sent to GWRRA International Headquarters at: GWRRA Masters Program P.O. Box 42450 Phoenix, AZ85080-4250
- Don't forget

Special Days

Happy Birthday to;

Carol Cloutier 12/18

Chris Barrett 12/29

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TONY HEATH

2011 RIDE SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	MEETING PLACE
12/8/11	Thursday	Chapter Christmas Party Family Tree – Winnisquam	6:00 pm	Meet there
12/11/11	Sunday	NO MONTHLY MEETING		

Christmas Trivia Quiz Answers

- Which popular Christmas song was actually first written for Thanksgiving? **Answer - Jingle Bells**
- What were the names of the Three Wise Men? **Answer - Caspar, Balthazar and Melchior**
- Which Saint is the character of Santa Claus based on? **Answer - Saint Nicholas**
- What were the names of the original eight reindeers? (Rudolf came later!) **Answer - Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen.**
- How do you say 'Merry Christmas' in France? **Answer - Joyeux Noel**
- Which American government agency tracks Santa's sleigh on Christmas Eve? **Answer - NORAD**
- What is the most popular holiday plant decoration in America? **Answer - Poinsettia**
- What is the best-selling Christmas recording of all-time? **Answer - White Christmas**
- How many sides does a snowflake have? **Answer - Six**
- 'Good King Wenceslas looked out on the Feast of Stephen'. When is the 'Feast of Stephen'? **Answer - December 26**
- What festive drink made with milk, cream, sugar and beaten eggs? **Answer - Egg Nog**
- What color of Christmas did Elvis Presley sing about? **Answer - Blue**
- "A Christmas Carol" was written by Charles Dickens in 1843 - How long did it take to write?

Answer - Six Weeks!

14. If you received all of the gifts listed in "The Twelve Days of Christmas" song how many presents would you get? **Answer - 364**

15. Who first recorded "Jingle Bell Rock" in 1957? **Answer - Chuck Berry**

16. What's the name of the Christmas carol about evergreen plants? **Answer - The Holly and the Ivy**

17. Who recorded "Driving Home for Christmas"? **Answer - Chris Rea**

18. Who was 'The Boss' who sang 'Santa Claus Is Coming To Town'? **Answer - Bruce Springsteen**

19. In the song 'Christmas is coming' who are what are getting fat? **Answer - The Geese!**

20. Who first recorded "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth" in 1948? **Answer - Spike Jones**