Foothills Wings - TN-M



August 2022

Tennessee District Chapter TN-M, Lenoir City



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Monthly gathering

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month, eat at 6pm, gathering at 6:30pm.

Lenoir City Shoney's 1100 Highway 321 North Lenoir City, TN Just off I-75, exit 81.

Please join us at 6pm for dinner before the gathering, in the Shoney's back dining room.

We hope to see you at our monthly gathering, and all are welcome.

TN-M, chartered March 20, 1985

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2022 Couple of the Year Mel & Renee McInerney

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2022 Individual of the Year

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Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

Chapter Director's Spiel

Well, we're still reeling from the news about GWRRA closing, but there are a lot of things going on in the background that are encouraging to those of us that want to continue "something".

As I learn more, I will do my best to keep everyone informed.

We had a very interesting and productive July gathering on the 12th. Obviously, the main topic of discussion was the closing of GWRRA and how it affected the Districts and more importantly the chapters, and we discussed us in particular.

The main decision made during the gathering was that we all wanted to continue the chapter and doing what we've been doing, getting together, riding and socializing. It

was a unanimous decision of those present to continue the chapter as we have been, with just whatever minor "tweaks" might be possible to fit within any of the new restrictions of a possible "parent" organization.

Also, by now all of those individuals that are shown on the official chapter membership roster from GWRRA Headquarters received my email about building a whole new chapter membership roster of only those members that specify they want to continue participating with the chapter and receiving information. I have already received a significant number of replies from our core group of members, stating they want to continue, which is awesome. We will be anxiously awaiting news of a possible replacement organization, which is being looked into right now by a select group of high rollers.

If you have any questions about any of what's going on, please feel free to contact me, and I will answer if I know, or I will do my best to find out and let you know.

We've still got several rallies to go to, I haven't heard anything different, so all the Districts with upcoming rallies/ride-ins are still planning on having them, so we still plan on attending these rallies: the KY rally Aug 25-27, the NC rally Sep 08-10, the GA ride-in Sep 15-17, the AL rally Sep 29-Oct 01, the VA rally Oct 06-08 and finally the MS rally Oct 13-15. These are all rallies we've enjoyed many times in the past, and we sincerely hope plans work out that we can continue to enjoy them in the years to come.

And on the subject of Districts, we know of several that have already indicated they intend to keep working as before. The TN District Director, Gary Hamilton, announced that the scheduled "TN Spring Fling Rally" for April 27, 2023, is still on. Please see the flyer and registration form further below in this newsletter.

Hope you're all doing well, and we hope to see you at some chapter event soon, take care, stay safe, **Brian & Loretta Richards, TN-M Chapter Directors**

Assistant Chapter Director

The announcement at Wing Ding that GWRRA will be closing its doors was a bit of a shock. But we will continue on. Our friendship and camaraderie will go on. I look forward to seeing all of your smiling faces at our chapter meetings, chapter rides and dinner rides.

Russ Wools, TN-M Assistant Chapter Director

Chapter Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Hello Fellow Wingers. We hope you are doing well and riding as often as you can. Although it has been extremely hot, we have had some very good rides. Renee and I followed Russ up to Kentucky on the Distillery Tour ride and had a great time. We stopped at 4 distilleries on Saturday July 16th and passed several others. Although we did not actually tour the facilities, we went into the gift shops for souvenirs. We spent the night in Bardstown and included a trip to the Kentucky Gun Co. located in town. I was interested in seeing the place as I had purchased from them on-line before. They have everything from guns, ammo, and powersports. Our return trip on Sunday took us

thru many small towns in central southern Kentucky and northern Tennessee. Great Ride Russ. Thank you. (See photos below.)

The Bush Bean Ride on Sat. July 23rd was pleasant in the morning. There were 6 members on 5 bikes with Russ leading the way. We all had a good lunch at the Cafe and enjoyed the updated museum afterward. The afternoon was very hot, and I think wore us all out till we arrived at the Dairy Queen in Maryville. This was a good last stop before heading home.

We had 7 members attend the Maryville A-2 gathering where we were able to capture the Tennessee Travelling plaque. Chapter C, in Church Hill, TN captured the East Tennessee Travelling plaque so we will be going to their gathering the 3rd Tuesday in August to try to capture that one.

We hope to see everyone at Calhoun's at the marina in Lenoir City this Tuesday the 26th for the Chapter dinner Ride chosen by Russ this month.

It is with sad hearts that we must say good-by to our great Gold Wing Road Riders Association. We were all shocked, saddened, and disappointed by this news at Wing Ding 43. But as all Gold wingers do, we will continue to ride, socialize, and have fun together. There are many plans being worked on for the future. Whether we continue on with a new organization or an existing one we will continue to enjoy this great "Hobby" we have come to love.

The structure of the District and Chapters are changing and evolving but in many ways, they are staying the same. We will still be Foothills Wings and Chapter M.

As part of the chapter changes the MEC position is no longer needed and therefore this will be our last MEC article but certainly not our last newsletter article.

Let us all stay positive as things are re-organized and continue supporting our Chapter and District gatherings and events that we all enjoy so much.

We love you all and look forward to many more rides together.







Mel & Renee McInerney, TN-M Membership Enhancement Coordinators

Chapter TN-M 2022 Couple Of the Year

Renee & I with Brian & Loretta rode to Chapter C-2 in Crossville and were able to capture the Couple of the Year Plaque for the 4th time filling in the last plate on the plaque. Brian has let Gary know that we need a new plaque to start chasing.

Renee & I will proudly continue to represent Chapter M as your 2022 Couple of the Year and continue chasing and capturing plaques with your help.

Mel & Renee McInerney, TN-M 2022 Couple Of the Year

Chapter Clothing/Flags & Hats

Questions about chapter "shirts"? Contact either Marlene or Brian. We also have a couple options for shirts and for where to get them embroidered as desired.

Chapter Flags, with hybrid mounting kit for both antenna and flagpole, and wrapping strap, available from Mark Kohlman through his website: www.motorcycleflagstore.com

• Flags -----\$15.00

Marlene Kinney, Chapter Clothing

Chapter Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to: Happy Anniversary to:

Robert Scott 21-Aug Dennis & Tracy Worley 26-Aug



Happy GWRRA Anniversary to:

Ken Gray 08/06/2003



"Thoughts and Prayers"

Carroel Edgmon, who is presently in the Sweetwater hospital, I've been told she had a stroke, but I don't have any other details at this time.

Renee McInerney, TN-M Sunshine Lady

Chapter Awards & Winners from the July Chapter Gathering

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George Maples & new member Mike Price

STAR AWARD:

Marlene Kinney, for giving a new stuffed animal to Renee McInerney, to replace their chapter mascot bear that came off the bike's trunk during the trip to Wing Ding.

WHOOPS AWARD:

Mel McInerney, for not properly securing their chapter mascot bear that came off the bike's trunk during the trip to Wing Ding.

I'm proud to wear my TN-M Shirt!

Randy Kinney

Chapter M "Out Having FUN!"

Little odometer magic Russ Wools

Turning over 100,000 miles on my bike last August, I looked for the next odometer feat. March, 20th I hit 111,111 with trip odometer at 111.1 miles. On July 5th, with help of my "shortcut to Wing Ding" of 5,300 miles, I reset the trip odometer for the next reading. Returning home from the chapter ride to the Kentucky Bourbon trail I hit the next reading. 123,456, with odometer reading of 789.0 miles. Next stop 200,000 miles.



Russ Wools, TN-M Ride Coordinator

TNM ride to Bush Bean Factory, July 23rd Brian Richards

Our thanks to Russ Wools for setting up a very enjoyable ride to the Bush Bean Factory. We had 6 chapter members on 5 bikes, and we all enjoyed the roads Russ selected, but I think all of us will agree that we could have done without the excessive heat, whew it was hot.

As is our normal practice, the group first met up at the Cracker Barrel back parking lot. While discussing the upcoming day, some "tire kicking", etc., before starting the ride, we noticed something that was a clear indication

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Gold Wing Road Riders Association, TN-M

of just how smooth a Gold Wing rides, see in the photos below the screwdriver sitting on the passenger floorboard, still there after its travel from Loudon to Lenoir City!

When we arrived at the factory, first on the agenda was lunch in their café. We all enjoyed our food, so that was good. Then it was on to the walk-through of the redesigned museum. We all enjoyed standing on the scale and finding out our weight in beans (it's a lot more than you might think).

After leaving the museum and getting back on the bikes, it was some more enjoyable riding until the requisite stop at the Dairy Queen in Maryville. From there we all went our separate ways to home. All-in-all it was a nice day, and some great camaraderie. We hope you can join us on our next chapter ride.





Boy that ice cream hit the spot; it is HOT outside





Loretta's happy, they have a lactose-free Dilly Bar she can enjoy!

TNM dinner ride, Calhoun's, July 26th Brian Richards

Our thanks to Russ Wools for selecting the Calhoun's in Lenoir City. We had a really nice group that showed up to share laughs and fun, and some talk about rides, etc., there were 16 there. It ended up being a very enjoyable evening together. Thanks Russ.













Upcoming Chapter rides & events

(For further info, please contact the CD):

- Aug 06 TN-M ride to Pinnacle, KY for a picnic.
- Aug 09 TN-M Chapter Gathering, Shoney's, eat at 6, meet at 6:30.
- Aug 17 ROMEOS ride, leave from Cracker Barrel at 9:30am.
- Aug 20 TN-M ride to Wheels Through Time.
- Aug 23 TN-M Dinner ride, selected by Bob Fisher, details TBA, 6pm.
- Sep 03-05 TNM ride, Ohio Route 555, New River Gorge
- Sep 13 TN-M Chapter Gathering, Shoney's, eat at 6, meet at 6:30.
- Sep 21 ROMEOS ride, leave from Cracker Barrel at 9:30am.
- Sep 24 TNM ride, Foothills Parkway
- Sep 30 TNM dinner, Renee, Jakes, 6p

Upcoming "District" / "Nearby" rides & events

- Aug 25-27 KY District rally in Danville, KY
- Sep 08-10 NC Rally, Waynesville, NC
- Sep 15-17 GA Rally, Dillard, GA
- Sep 29-Oct 01 AL Rally, Eufaula, AL

Let's support each other, by visiting the other chapters in our Section & area!

<u>Chapter</u>	Eat/Meet	Location	Contact
"A2" Maryville	3 rd Mon, 6p/6:30p	Shoney's, 1021 W Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Maryville	865-376-5090
"B" Knoxville	1 st Tue, 6p/7p	Shoney's, 2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton	423-907-9712
"C" Kingsport	3 rd Tue, 6p/7p	Bob Evans, 2801 Boones Creek Rd, Johnson City	423-383-0339
"C2" Crossville	3 rd Thu, 6:30p/7p	La Costa Restaurant, 138 The Crossings, Crossville	985-201-3791
"F" Morristown	3 rd Thu, 6p/7p	Golden Corral, 2905 W Andrew Johnson Hwy, Morristown	gened4288@ aol.com
"L" Lebanon	1 st Mon, 6p/7p	Shoney's, 814 S Cumberland St., Lebanon	615-784-9772
"O" Cleveland	1 st Tue, 6p/7p	Gondolier Italian Restaurant, 3300 Keith St NW, Cleveland	423-310-5903
"T" Knoxville	4 th Sat, 9a/10a	Down Home Restaurant, 7755 Rutledge Pike, Rutledge	865-712-1848
"V" Chattanooga	2 nd Sat, 9a/10a	Honda Southern Power Sports, 1394 Workman Rd, Chattanooga	423-800-1515



Classifieds

If you have anything you want to have included here, "for sale" or "wanted" ads, please send the information to the Newsletter Editor. We will gladly run any member's ad in the newsletter. A new request each month is required to run in a subsequent newsletter.

For sale, contact Frank Balzer, 865-607-4219 or balzer6509@aol.com



Gerbing insulated, waterproof, electric gloves with all the wiring, men's medium, brand new in package, MSPR \$130.00, will sell for \$70.00



\$250 for all

Helmet cables (7), cycle cables (5), GL1800 spark plugs (6), GL1800 oil filters (2), trunk flagpole, Gold Wing blue paint, trailer gray and bike gray, windshield vent, screws (many) for GL1800 and fenders, asking

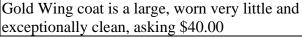
Gerbing heated jacket and pants (needs power cord), size large, worn about two times on rides. Absolutely like *NEW*, no marks of any kind. Retail is \$450, asking \$300.













Heavy black leather (Harley Type), many pockets and zippers, asking \$30.00

Items for sale, contact Brian Richards, 865-249-6173 or barljr@att.net



Nelson-Rigg Rain Pants, 2 pairs, with suspenders, sizes XL and M, used once, they don't fit us comfortably, asking \$25 each.



Kuryakyn Omni Passenger Floorboard for Gold Wing 2018+, new cost \$330, only used a couple times, less than a month, wife did not like them as they forced too much pressure sideways on her bad hip muscles from when she broke her hips. Asking \$150



Vega full-face helmet, almost new, size L, with J&M BT-03 cordless Bluetooth headset installed, \$100.00



Haul Master Ball Mount Hitch, 2" drop, class III, almost new, MSRP \$16, plus Haul Master Trailer Coupler, 5/8" pin loc, almost new, MSRP \$11, asking \$15 for both

Some "Fun" stuff to brighten your day.

Why I Like Retirement!

Question: How many days in a week?

Answer: 6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday

Question: When is a retiree's bedtime?

Answer: Two hours after falling asleep on the couch.

Question: How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb?

Answer: Only one, but it might take all day.

Question: What's the biggest gripe of retirees?

Answer: There is not enough time to get everything done.

Question: Why don't retirees mind being called Seniors?

Answer: The term comes with a 10% discount.

Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire?

Answer: Tied shoes.

Question: Why do retirees count pennies?

Answer: They are the only ones who have the time.

Question: What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire?

Answer: NUTS!

Question: Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic or garage?

Answer: They know that as soon as they do, one of their adult kids will want to store stuff there.

Question: What do retirees call a long lunch?

Answer: Normal.

Question: What is the best way to describe retirement?

Answer: The never-ending Coffee Break.

Question: What's the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree?

Answer: If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.

Question: What do you do all week?

Answer: Monday through Friday, NOTHING. Saturday & Sunday, I rest.



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		GWRRA Members	\$30 x = \$
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GWRRA#Exp	Exp. DateAge	Non-Members	\$35 x
Position	Is this your first TN District Rally Y N	12 Years Old and Under	FREE with a paying adult
Circle all that apply: Male Female 1UP 2 UP Bike Trike	JP 2 UP Bike Trike Sidecar Other	**Grand Prize Tickets	\$1 ea or 6 for \$5.00 x = \$
Co-Rider	State Chapter		Registration Total
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	TNL Lebanon, 6p	TNB Knoxville, 6p				TNM picnic ride, Pinnacle, KY
		TNO Cleveland, 6p				TNN Jackson, 5p
						TNZ Columbia, 8a
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		TNM Lenoir City, 6p				TNE Smyrna, 9a
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				TNG Tullahoma, 6p		TNY Murfreesboro, 9a
				TNC2 Crossville, 6:30p		TNS Portland, 1p
						TNW2 Collierville, 6p
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		TNM dinner, Bob		KY Rally, Danville	KY Rally	KY Rally
		Fisher, 6p			-	TNT Knoxville, 11a
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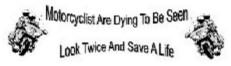
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		TNM Lenoir City, 6p		GA Rally, Dillard TNF Morristown, 6p TNG Tullahoma, 6p TNC2 Crossville, 6:30p	GA Rally	GA Rally TNY Murfreesboro, 9a TNS Portland, 1p TNW2 Collierville, 6p
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Gold Wing Road Riders Association

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