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Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Chapter Gathering
Thursday, March 24, 2011
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Got something to say?

Get the word out in the Chapter L monthly newsletter.

Submissions are welcome from anyone.

Please email your article, pictures and/or announcements to:

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*All submission are subject to approval of subject matter by

CD



From the Chapter Directors

Continuing with last month's article... Now that your bike is serviced and cleaned, it's time to check your riding gear. The most important piece of gear is your helmet. Helmets are only supposed to be used for 5 years; how old is yours? If your helmet has been dropped or involved in a crash it should be replaced. High quality helmets are not cheap, but are worth every penny if it saves your life. Moving on to your jacket, a mesh jacket with some kind of "armor" is the best choice for warm weather riding. Long sleeves, at the very least, should be worn when riding. It is better than bare skin hitting the concrete. Gloves - there is a glove for every motorcycling occasion. Gloves without fingers make a fashion statement, but offer very little protection. Full finger gloves are a much safer choice. Pants - long pants are available in many different fabrics in varying levels of protection. Shorts are just not a good idea on a motorcycle. Boots - talk about choices. There is a huge number of boots available for motorcycle riding. It is recommended that boots be over the ankle and lace up. Now the most dreaded of all motorcycling equipment - the rain suit. There are two kinds of riders: the ones who have been caught in the rain, and those that will be caught in the rain. By leaving your rain suit at home you just about guarantee to be caught in rain. There are a large number of choices for rain suits available at many types of retailers. You want something made for motorcyclists. It should be quick to put on and to take off, and have some reflective material. The weather in this part of the country can change in an instant; keep your rain suit in the bike all the time. Murphy's Law says if you have it you *won't* need it, but if you don't have it you *will* need it. I don't know who Murphy is, but I don't like him very much. Wow, that is a lot of gear! All of this gear helps to manage the risks inherent to motorcycling. Buy the best you can and use it every time you ride!

Kevin Henkle

New Dinner Ride Coordinators!

Ellen Austin & Leslie Kleist have volunteered to take over as Chapter L Dinner Ride Coordinators. If you have any suggestions, please contact one of these ladies to let them know where you would like to eat!

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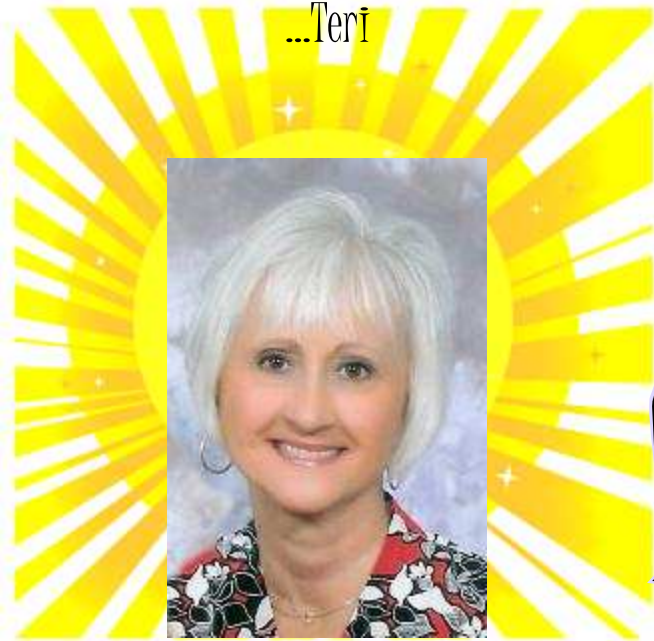
Bike of the Month



This month I thought I'd do something a little different for our Bike of the Month. I thought I'd tell you, our Chapter L participants about me.....YOUR Chapter Director and my experience and current bike. I started riding when I was 6 years old on a Honda Mini Trail 50 in 1970. From that bike I moved on to various other bikes as I was growing up including a Yamaha YZ80, and a YZ125. Before I could legally ride on the street, I started racing dirt bikes and that was a BLAST for a few years until I could get my street license. My first street bike was a 1972 Honda CB350. Boy, I thought I owned the world when I rode that bike! I moved on to a 1984 Honda Nighthawk 650 which I rode for 116,000 miles. That bike and I shared some good times, but that's another story! While there were several other bikes during that time of my life from sport bikes to dual sport bikes the Nighthawk was my right hand for many years. I even went wild for a while and tried my hand at drag bike racing. It was a lot of fun, but mind-boggling expensive. Then I thought road racing might satisfy my need for speed. Finally, I took a few years off from riding - life got in the way, and in 2003 I got Sheri to the Yamaha dealership to "LOOK" at a V-Star 1100. She said "That's what you want?" (she thought I was looking at a speed demon crotch rocket), and thus realizing the V-Star 1100 was a cruiser, she was all for it. Since she had never ridden on a motorcycle, I figured after a few Sunday afternoons I would have the bike all to myself. That couldn't have been further from the truth! She loved it and I couldn't keep her off the back when I started the thing! After riding that motorcycle together for 2 years and putting 43,000+ miles on it together, we visited the International Motorcycle Show at the World Congress Center in January of 2005. After looking at the Ultra Classic, the Venture, and the 1200 LT, we wound up at the Honda display. The Goldwing was so far superior to the rest, and so much more comfortable, we couldn't get that bike out of our minds. So, one Saturday a week or so later, I "ran some errands" and just happened to wind up at the local Honda dealer, who offered to let me take the Goldwing for a spin. I called Sheri - had her meet me at the dealership with our helmets, and once we took that bright yellow banana for quick spin (45 minutes!), we were sold. By 6pm, our white 2005 Goldwing was sitting in our garage! I'd love to list the accessories, but newsletter space is limited so I'll just say....we've added a "few things" to say the least. We now look forward to many years of enjoying life, Goldwing style!

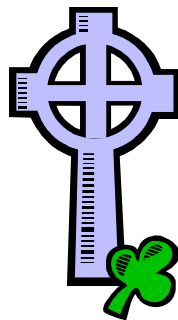
Would you like to suggest a bike for Bike of the Month?
 We are open to suggestions. Please contact Kevin Henkle with your ideas.
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...Teri



Bill Toles	3/15
Jayta Long	3/17
Jerry Taylor	3/21
Bennie Cole	3/25

Allen & Shirley Sales 3/20



- Heartfelt sympathies to Vicki Seritt on the passing of her mother
- Debbie Tucker's mother is very ill, thoughts and prayers to the family.

GWRRA Members

March Anniversaries



Bill & Carolyn Toles	1992
David & Denise Newby	1995
Kevin Henkle & Sheri Harley	2006
Leslie Kleist	2009



If you haven't already done so, make sure to renew your GWRRA membership. YOU are important to us!

Not receiving the Chapter L newsletter in your email?
Please let us know.

We want to make sure that everyone gets to enjoy every issue. Please send an email to Jayta & Diane so that we can add you to our address book.

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Taken from AMA announcement

Tens of thousands of motorcyclists from around the nation could be subject to Georgia motorcycle-only checkpoints if those checkpoints are in place before, during and after Daytona (Fla.) Bike Week, which runs March 4-13.

The questions, which have been posed by the AMA to Deal and other officials, include: How do motorcycle-only checkpoints increase the safety of motorcyclists? Where do states draw their authority to conduct motorcycle-only checkpoints? Is "probable cause" required to stop a motorcycle and, if so, what constitutes probable cause?

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) gave Georgia a \$70,000 grant to conduct one or more roadside motorcycle-only checkpoints. New York state has operated a similar program. The AMA has been tracking this disturbing development of motorcycle-only checkpoints since it first appeared in New York several years ago.

"The AMA believes that the primary source of motorcycle safety is in motorcycle crash prevention and not in arbitrarily pulling over riders and randomly subjecting them to roadside inspections," Moreland said.

"The NHTSA should focus on decreasing the likelihood of crashes from occurring in the first place," Moreland said. "No public money should be applied to promoting such a program without first addressing questions from the motorcycling community," he said.

About the American Motorcyclist Association

Since 1924, the AMA has protected the future of motorcycling and promoted the motorcycle lifestyle. AMA members come from all walks of life, and they navigate many different routes on their journey to the same destination: freedom on two wheels. As the world's largest motorcycling rights organization, the AMA advocates for motorcyclists' interests in the halls of local, state and federal government, the committees of international governing organizations, and the court of public opinion. Through member clubs, promoters and partners, the AMA sanctions more motorsports competition and motorcycle recreational events than any other organization in the world. AMA members receive money-saving discounts from dozens of well-known suppliers of motorcycle services, gear and apparel, bike rental, transport, hotel stays and more. Through its support of the Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum, the AMA preserves the heritage of motorcycling for future generations. For more information, please visit AmericanMotorcyclist.com.

Murry Cail,
Rider Educa-



On February 19 at 4:26 pm, Trey & Amy Cail welcomed Jeffrey Alexander Cail to their family. Jeffrey weighed 16 lbs 14.2 oz and was 20.1 inches long. We're sure Haley will be a wonderful big sister and Murry & Dawn are beaming with pride. Congratulations to the Cail Family!

Didn't make the February meeting? Here's what you missed...

- Murry announced that 51 members of Chapter L are enrolled in the Rider Education Levels Program: 25 Level I; 16 Level II; 6 Level III; 4 Level IV. For more info on this program, contact Murry.
- Final arrangements are being made for Chapter L's Fun Day overnight getaway. Watch for more information soon.



Darrell & Gloria Ray, thanks for visiting with us! We hope to see you again soon.



Michael, Cindy & Gracie Schwartz, we're so glad you are interested in being a part of Chapter L!



Drawing winners at our February meeting were:

Vest Game
Cindy Schwartz

50/25/25
Ann Toles
Kevin Henkle

Door Prizes
Dora Oliver, Leslie Kleist, Vicki Seritt, Harvey Kinsey, James Oliver, Gloria Ray, Cindy Schwartz

Dinner Ride Drawing
Dinner rides start again in March

Monthly Mileage
TBA

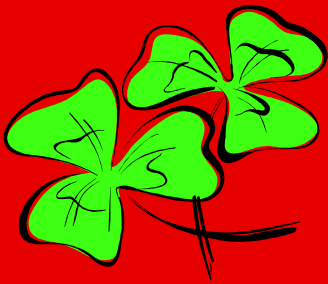


Vicki announced the winners of Chapter L's 2010 "Chapter Participation Contest" at our February meeting: Barbara & Jerry Taylor. The Taylors received a certificate and their next year of GWRRA dues will be paid for by Chapter L. Congratulations Barbara & Jerry!

Do you have suggestions for ways to enhance our member's experiences or recruit new members?

David Newby will be glad to hear any ideas!

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Are you new to GWRRA?

Everything you need to know can be found in the

New Member Orientation Guide

Here's the link:

[www.gwrra-ga.com/
admin/forms/
MemberEnhancement/
NewMemberGuide.pdf](http://www.gwrra-ga.com/admin/forms/MemberEnhancement/NewMemberGuide.pdf)



A few Chapter L members, including Dave & Bennie Cole, attended the Leadership Training held in earlier this month. Everyone had a great time and learned a lot of new things. Watch the calendar for more Leadership Training and try to join the fun.

Leadership Training is open to any GWRRA member. To find out when and where classes are being held, please contact Sheri Harley

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TREASURER FOR 10 YEARS



Being the Treasurer of anything is no easy task, just ask Dawn Cail. After 10 years of fulfilling the Treasurer duties in Chapter L, Dawn is ready to pass on her calculator. She says she wants more time to enjoy her grandchildren and just enjoy riding her bike. Dawn has done a wonderful job and has passed the job on to Kathy Kinsey, who will undoubtedly do a great job as well.

Thanks Dawn for all of your hard work!


Do you have something that you would like to buy/sell/trade?

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Send us your information

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MARCH 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 <i>Dinner Ride Opie's</i>	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Region A Plaque - Tampa, FL
13	14	15 <i>Dinner Ride Outback</i>	16	17 - FL District Rally-Kissimmee	18 - FL District Rally-Kissimmee	19 - FL District Rally-Kissimmee
20	21	22	23	 24 GA-L Monthly <i>Gathering</i> A-2 Irish Get Away - Dublin	25 A-2 Irish Get Away	26 A-2 Irish Get Away
27	28	29	30	31 - AL District Rally-Huntsville	1 - AL District Rally-Huntsville	2 - AL District Rally-Huntsville

When do other Georgia chapters meet?

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>S-Winder</i>		<i>D-Madison</i>		<i>W-Woodstock F2-Martinez/ Augusta</i>
	<i>T-Athens Q-Darner Rob- bins</i>	<i>X-Macon</i>	<i>U-Snellville</i>	<i>K-St. Marys M-Moultrie</i>		<i>B-Kennesaw D-Dawsonville P-Fayetteville G-Columbus</i>
<i>G2-Norcross</i>	<i>O-Tifton</i>	<i>A2-Dublin</i>		<i>D2-Dalton</i>		<i>A-Mc Donough C2-Hinesville D2-LaVonia</i>
		<i>R-Jasper H2-Statesboro</i>		<i>H-Albany L-Rome</i>		<i>B2-Douglasville J-Hiwassee R-Newman E2-Pooler/ Sa-</i>

This calendar shows when other chapters meet (1st Saturday, 3rd Thursday, etc). Mark your calendars to join some of these meetings. I'm sure they enjoy visitors as much as we do!

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