Chapter T Texas District South Central Region H GWRRA

July 2016



WINGNUT

Each month, Chapter T, awards this coveted award. In June it was awarded to Carleen G. If you are not riding, you are not winning.





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Greetings Chapter T,

Well summer is almost gone. Hope you have all been careful out in the heat. We had a great ride on July 16th to Newman's Castle in Bellville. The weather was great going down and a little hot coming home. What an amazing place. It is being built by one man and some helper's. The bread and pastries at Newman's bakery are also very good. Thank you for suggesting this ride, Jerry P.

The next event on our schedule is the Chapter Education Day August 13th. It will be held at the same place at the college. The same time, 8am-4pm, same schedule, breakfast, classes, lunch, and classes for a great day of Friend's for Fun, Safety and Knowledge. Look for email with final schedule and class in the next week.

Our itinerary for Wing Ding is finalized and has been sent out. If you decide between now and August 24th you would like to join us, you still have time to go along or meet us anywhere along the way. We have maps available if you are interested.

Please keep T-Fest our you mind and start gathering items for the silent auction and plan on attending. We have several registrations and even one from out of state. Let's make this year bigger and more fun than ever!

Right after our return from Wing Ding is the rally for Chapter K2 in Castorville, on September 17th. We want to go and support them in their first rally and help them be successful. Some of us are planning to go down and camp for the weekend with chapter O. Ask us for details if you are interested in going with us.

The end of September is Oklahoma District Rally on 29 Sep-1 October. Then T-Fest on 8 October. Mississippi District is 13-15 October as well as Chapter H rally on 15 October. So there are lots of things still to do before the end of the year, as the weather starts to cool down some.

Remember to keep hydrated as you are out and about in this heat.

See Ya Ridin

Jim and Alvalin

Rider Education

"Safety is for Life"

THINGS TO DO BEFORE GOING FOR A RIDE

We all have seen the acronym: T-CLOCS: T--TIRES & WHEELS; C—CONTROLS; L—LIGHTS; O—OIL; C—CHASSIS; and S---SIDESTAND. We use this to inspect our bikes and trikes each time before we get on it to ride. If you are not doing this inspection, now is the time to start. It does not take any time and can be done while sipping your riding jacket. To have a safe ride and trouble free trip, a good T-CLOCS inspection is required to make sure your motorcycle is in top condition. As you already know, T-CLOCS is a simple acronym used to remember motorcycle components that should be examined during a pre-ride inspection. The components are <u>T</u>ires and wheels; Controls, such as levers, throttle and switches; Lights and other electrics; Oils and other fluids; Chassis, suspension and other drive-line components and finally, Stands.

Since we have a T-CLOCS for our motorcycles, let's have a check list for the rider too and we can call it: T-CARE.

T-CARE

- <u>T</u> **Training**. Develop the knowledge and skills to ride safely and handle unexpected situations through class room training and supervised practice sessions. Fortunately, we have many experienced and trained riders in GWRRA to help us develop safe riding skills. The GWRRA Levels program is a good way to be recognized and be acknowledged for being a trained, safe rider.
- <u>C</u> Conditioning. Fatigue is a major factor for your safety during a ride. It's hard to stay alert and focused to what's going on around you to make quick and correct decisions when fatigue sets in. It's easy to say "get some exercise and lose that weight", but reality usually dictates otherwise. We all know our limits so take a break if you find yourself getting fatigued. When riding in a group, if you're tired, call for a break. I guarantee that someone else in the group is tired also and will be grateful for a rest stop. As we grow older, we may find that we are no longer bullet proof and may require medications to stay in a healthy condition. If you find yourself losing focus and becoming fatigued due to a medical condition, take a break or call for a break to medicate and recover.
- <u>A</u> Attitude. The gray matter between your ears is another major factor for safe riding. Don't ride when you find yourself distracted from the job at hand. If you're angry or otherwise distracted, stop, collect your thoughts and get in a good place mentally. Stays focused and use the SEE (Search, Evaluate, Execute) method to stay aware of any situations around you so you can react quickly and safely. If you have a co-rider or are in a group, think of the others around you to keep them safe also.
- <u>R</u> Riding Risks. There are many factors that add to the risks of riding a motorcycle. Traffic, weather, road conditions, directionally challenged (lost), fatigue, experience, skill, attitude, etc. are all part of conditions that can affect safe riding conditions. When planning a trip, keep in mind a plan to reduce risks as much as possible. Even when just riding to the store, wear a helmet, boots, gloves, layered riding clothing, gloves and a carry a first aid kit, tools and a cell phone.
- E- Expectations. The GWRRA motto is Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge. We have a lot of fun riding with our friends and welcome all who want to ride with us. We want everyone to enjoy handle bar therapy with us and to arrive safely to the end of the ride. This just doesn't happen; it takes a lot of hard work by a lot of volunteers in GWRRA to live up to this motto. So, commit to riding safe, keep enhancing your skills and knowledge and someday, you too can be a volunteer to help others to have safe riding fun with us.

Rider Education

"Safety is for Life"

Time to ride, drink plenty of water, use sun screen and be safe.
See Ya' Ridin',
Dale and Carleen Garrett
Chapter Educators
On a personal note:
If we are not at this month's gathering, it means that my niece has a new baby, and we are in Tyler taking care of my 93 years young mother.
Dale and Carleen



Save the Date

2016 DATES TO REMEMBER



Jul 16 Castle near Bellville, Tx

Aug 31-Sep 3 Wingding 38, Billings, MT

Sep 17 Chap K2 Rally in Castorville

Sep29-Oct 1 OK District Rally

Oct 8 Chap T, T-fest

Oct 13-15 Mississippi District Rally

Oct 15 Chapter H Rally







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July 2016

Sun		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 Breakfast Ride	4	5 Taco Tuesday ride	6	7	8	9
10 Breakfast Ride	11	12 Taco Tuesday ride	13 Chapter T2	14	15	16
17 Breakfast Ride	18	19 Taco Tuesday ride	20	21	22	23
24/31 Breakfast Ride	25	26 Taco Tuesday ride Chap T Meet- ing	27	28	29	30



1st –Ingeborg + Bill C.



13th –Harriet F. 23rd –Jeff H.



August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Breakfast Ride		9 Taco Tuesday ride Chapter T2	10	11	12	13
14 Breakfast Ride	15	16 Taco Tuesday ride	17	18	19	20
21 Breakfast Ride		23 Taco Tuesday ride Chapter T meeting	24	25	26	27
28 Breakfast Ride		30 Taco Tuesday ride	31			



11th- Mary Ann & Henry B

18- Violet & Rick S.



9th-Ingeburg C.

25th- Henry B.

25th-Jeanne K.

31st-Penny M.



September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Breakfast Ride		6 Taco Tues- day ride	7	8	9	10
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4th- Kay & Richard Mc



9th-Patti M.

17th -Young B.

24th- Richard Mc

24th- Chet R.

28th-Pat F