Chapter T Texas District South Central Region H GWRRA

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July 2017



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Each month, Chapter
T, awards this coveted award. If you are
not riding, you are
not winning.

Congrats to Robbie
Winfield of CH O for
the month of July
2017



Next Gathering: August 22, 2017

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Hello Chapter T and Friends,

We are so proud to be selected to serve as Chapter Directors of the Centexwings!! We were thrilled by the turnout at the last gathering and hope that we can continue to draw such a great crowd.

We would like to thank Jim and Alvalin Woodul for the support they have given us so far and the leadership of the past. We know you guys will do a great job at District and we look forward to working with you.

We have had a couple of rides the last month and had great turnouts for the ride and purpose. We had 10 members take the trip to Salt Lick to enjoy some great food and take in some of the best roads along the way. We also made a trip to Camp Buckner for the Annual Foster Kids Ride and Fair. We were joined by Gary T on the ride and had some great BBQ and got to see how much fun the kids at the camp were having. As I am typing this we have a dinner ride to Kempner and another Camp Buckner ride before the July gathering. I will let everyone know how they turned out.

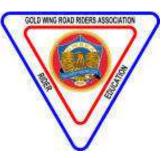
The next big thing on the schedule for Chapter T is T-Fest. It is on 7 October and we have been working hard on getting things set up. I am planning a meeting to talk about what still needs to be done and hopefully fill our volunteer list sheet for all activities. If you have suggestions to help with having a successful rally, please let us know.

Because of the hot weather, we will not schedule any day rides for the month of August unless it's a last minute decision. We will plan on a dinner ride and will look to our members to help find a good place to eat and maybe take a cool ride afterwards. We also would like to look at having an ice cream social and have made coordination with the Killeen Mall for a mall show; just waiting for the right time.

Hope to see you all on a ride or event soon. LeRoy and Andrea

Rider Education

"Safety is for Life"



You may have been hearing things about GWRRA going through restructuring. A lot of rumors are running around most of which at not accurate. The following is a few paragraphs about the Chapter Educators position and some of the new things that are going to happen starting in January 2018. Up until that time everything will be the same as in the past. The following is from a letter from the home office:

As we look forward to our next 40 years we needed to analyze our Association and its needs. In doing so we've decided that a change is needed for us to meet our Membership's expectations, to streamline our communications and provide leadership appropriate to our Membership. In making these changes we focus on fun, social, riding, having less rules and providing united communications with our Members. The change needs to start from Home Office so Home Office is going to lead the way and we are getting this started right now. So I ask you now to follow my favorite saying from Gary Keller, "stay into curiosity and out of judgement".

Thanks!

Anita Alkire, President, GWRRA

We're changing the focus to camaraderie, riding, fun and social and the finances just need to support what we have to do.

What Happens to Rider Education?

Great question. We will cover it more as we discuss the positions in the District, but the primary responsibility for the Rider Education Program will happen at the District level. The District will encourage the Chapter Rider Coordinator keeping them up to date and aware of the goings on with the Rider Education Program and assist as needed to meet the needs of the Chapter. As you read the District Structure you'll understand their new role as well.

District Educator

The District Educator will promote the program of Rider Education. They will write articles to promote the program for Chapter Newsletters. They will be the reporting arm of activities (N6) to Team GWRRA. Paperwork for the levels program will process through this position. The District Educator will work together with the District Ride Coordinator for the benefit of the Rider Education program each following their specific

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responsibilities.

The District Educator will work with the District Ride Coordinator and the District University Coordinator to plan at least quarterly Education events. The Ride Coordinator will create the fun of the ride to the destination and assist the District Educator along with the University Coordinator to plan the education program. The event should be fun and social with education the theme. The District Director will support and the District MEP will provide some of the fun activities to be included in the day/weekend event. If the District puts on a rally, the Educator will work with the Team and volunteers to put on a rally focused on fun, socialization, rides and education that fits each District's needs. This and the education events will be the place to really promote the Rider Education levels Program.

Chapter Ride Coordinator

As we change our focus we need to have someone coordinate our rides. We want this position under Rider Education so this person has to believe and participate in our Rider Education program and be at be least a level 2, which is why they are an Officer of Rider Education. Their role will not be the same as the previous role of the Chapter Educator as we want you to focus your energy on planning all variety of rides that suit your Chapter Participants. As you get ready for that ride you will conduct a very informative Rider Meeting and you will encourage safety, i.e. TCLOCS, group riding techniques; safety clothes and more. You accept the Riders that show and they need to be in compliance with State law. You will encourage, communicate and lead the way sharing GWRRA's benefits of safety as developed through our Rider Education Program. You will not be focused on paperwork but on the opportunities to ride and share. If you sign Members into the program, that is a bonus, but sharing your passion for the ride is your piece of the fun equation.

There will be some growing pains and Carleen and I will be here to stop or assist with any problems that may arise during the New Organizational Structure for GWRRA.

As I said above, we will work hard to see that everything in Chapter T remains the same as this restructuring occurs. If you have any questions I will try my best to answer them, if I cannot then I will go to district to find an answer.

Dale and Carleen Garrett

Rallies and Rides



On 8 July, we took a ride to The Salt Lick in Driftwood, TX. We departed from the Valero Corner Store with 10 members. Joining us were Gary T, Danny/ Peggy T, Stephen/Missy H, Dale/ Carleen G and our newest member Otis H. We headed down Hwy 195 to Florence where we were met by John H of Chapter T2. In Florence we headed over to Leander and were met by Robby/Trish W of Chapter O. From Leander we headed down Nameless Road to FM 1431 and stopped for a short break in Cedar Park. Once we

were ready, we headed down Lime Creek Road for some great twist and turns and very good scenery. The roads were a great relief, since they are less traveled and we could take our time and enjoy them. After we left Lime Creek Road we hit FM 620 and got to view Mansfield Dam on the way to our next stop on Hamilton Pool Road. As quickly as we could, we headed thru Dripping Springs and made it to The Salt Lick right after they opened. We were joined at The Salt Lick by members of Chapter O and they seated us back in a room as far as they could away from the sane crowd. We had a great time socializing and then ordered our food and drinks. The food was great and service there was outstanding. Once

we were finished eating, we split up and made our way back to Killeen via some more great roads. We went back to Hamilton Pool Road and then over to Marble Falls, where we then took FM 1431 over to FM 1174 to Bertram. After a quick stop, we scooted back over to Florence and the back on Hwy 195 to Killeen.

It was a great ride (although it was very HOT!!) and am pretty sure we will make that trip again.



LeRoy and Andrea



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From National:

Wing Ding 39



Please view the August 2017 Wing World Magazine for up-to-date happenings during Wing-Ding 39 in Grapevine, Texas!



From Region:

Region H is still in need of volunteers for Wing-Ding 39. Please go to their <u>Volunteer</u> webpage (http://utility.gwrra.org/volunteer-wing-ding-39/) and help where you can!



From District:

To date WingDing planners have not posted the seminars that will be available. Usually the seminars are not posted until just before Wing Ding starts. Remember to look in the booklet you get when registering. This booklet will have the big schedule and will have a section on what modules / seminars are offered and will be listed by day and time. Normally the only seminars you will have to register in advance for are the 1st aid / CPR and Rider courses.



2017 Save the Date



July 2017

25 July - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

31 July - Camp Buckner Ride for the Kids

August 2017

22 August - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

29 August - 2 September - Wing Ding 39 - Grapevine, Tx

September 2017

26 September - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

28 - 30 September - Oklahoma District Rally - Muskogee, Ok

October 2017

7 October - T-Fest Rally - Harker Heights, Tx

12 - 14 October - Mississippi District Rally - Gulfport, Ms.

14 October - Chapter K2 Rally - Castroville, Tx

21 October - Chapter H Rally - San Antonio, Tx

24 October - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

November 2017

28 November - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

December 2017

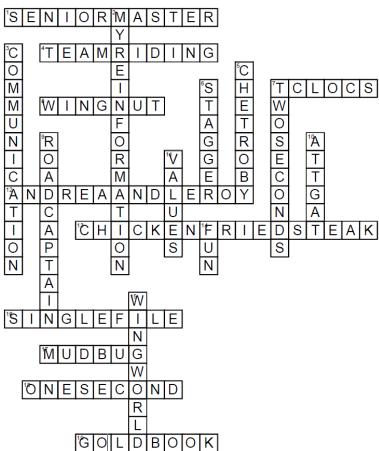
8 December - Chapter Christmas Party
- Harker Heights



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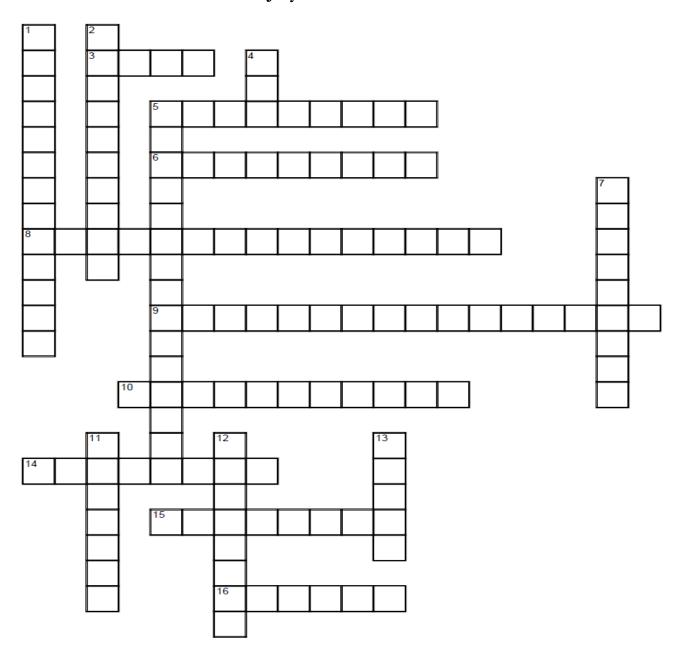
June 2017 (Answers)





- 1. An 8-year-old girl went to her dad, who was working in the yard. She asked him, "Daddy, what is sex?" The father was surprised that she would ask such a question, but decides that if she is old enough to ask the question, then she is old enough to get a straight answer. He proceeded to tell her all about the 'birds and the bees'. When he finished explaining, the little girl was looking at him with her mouth hanging open. The father asked her, "Why did you ask this question?" The little girl replied, "Mom told me to tell you that dinner would be ready in just a couple of secs."
- 2. A piece of straight, clean string goes into a bar and orders a gin and tonic. The barman serves the drink; the string downs it and walks out. Ten minutes later, a dirty, twisted, ragged piece of string walks into the bar. "Here—-are that piece of string that was here ten minutes ago?" asks the barman. "No" replies the string, "I'm a frayed knot!"

July 2017 Puzzle



Across

- 3 Newest Ch T Member
- 5 Multiple planned when riding in Texas
- 6 Another sign of heat exhaustion
- 8 Where we'd like to be when riding in summertime Texas
- 9 In 2018, takes responsibility for all Rider Ed in District
- 10 July 2017 Ride
- 14 Sweet-tooth Social Gathering
- 15 Helps prevent heat injuries in summertime Texas
- 16 A sign of heat exhaustion

Down

- 1 And yet another sign of heat exhaustion
- 2 Region H needs these for WingDing 39
- 4 Summers in Texas
- 5 Soon to fall under purview of District R.E.
- 7 Where to go to see information on WingDing 39
- 11 July 2017 Dinner Ride
- 12 A favorite of horses, now a BBQ
- 13 Thirst quencher when riding in summertime Texas







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Birthdays and Anniversaries



(99), Terry B. (10), Dale & Carleen G. (02)

August: Harold F. September: Bill C. (10)

October: Jim & Alvalin W. (08), Tim B. (99)

Birthdays

August: Gary T. (1), Jeannie K. (25), Penny M. (31)

September: Missy H. October: Jim W. (1), Young B. (17), (3), Don R. (14) Richard M. (24), Chet R. (24), Pat

Anniversaries

August: Rick & Vio- September: Richard

October: Brady & Jeannie (23)

let (18)

& Kay (4)

F. (28)

Congrats to our New Chapter Directors!







Chapter T Team



Chapter Directors:

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Rick Simmons

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Dale & Carleen Garrett

Ride Coordinators:

Danny & Peggy Thacker

Chapter Couple of the Year:

Danny & Peggy Thacker

Membership Enhancement Coordinators:

Danny & Peggy Thacker

Treasurers:

Tim & Young Brooks

Webmaster:

LeRoy Douglas

Newsletter Editor:

Rick Simmons

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