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

Last month, Andy C won.



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Chapter of the Year honors go to Chapter "T"

Naturally those of us who are regular members of Chapter T, know that we are in the best Chapter of the Honda Gold Wing Road Riders Association. In fact, I believe, if you don't think that your Chapter is the best then you should find another chapter. The best thing about Chapter T is that everyone takes some ownership of their Chapter.

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August 28th

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When there is a need we all rise and meet, and usually exceed that need. THAT is what makes this Chapter great, the people and our unselfish motive to make each other better, safer, happier and more knowledgeable. The only thing better than knowing your Chapter is excellent is

when someone else notices also. So, Congratulations Chapter T! You have been named the Gold winner of Texas District 2018 Chapter of the Year! Next time you're out on your bike, throw a fist in the air and be thankful that you are Chapter T! ,,, then hurry and grab the bars,,, they're all crazy out there!

Andy Cavnar



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Where do you Practice?

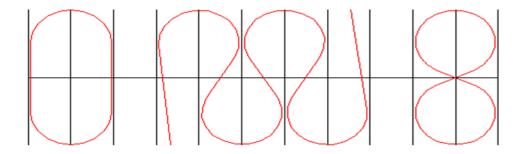
Randy and Kathy Reese *Texas District Educators*

I often ride by a water park in our area that has a huge parking lot. About once or twice a month I see a large group of police officers out in the back of the lot practicing maneuvers. It is really a sight to see when up to 25 bikes are all running the course at once. Some of the maneuvers are quite complex and done at a quick pace, but I noticed most of the exercises were relatively simple and done at a slow pace. They looked very similar to the parking lot practices that GWRRA promoted for many years

I rode in and visited with several of the officers about their constant training and practice and heard many responses that supported the ideas of safety that GWRRA supports. They understand that even the most basic skills can lose their "edge" if not practiced often. They felt that low-speed maneuvers are much more important (and sometimes challenging) to master than higher speed, complex maneuvers. I told them about some of the activities we do to sharpen and maintain our skills including parking-lot practice, skill challenges such as Shiny Side Up, the Amazing Team Challenge, Drill Team courses for Novices and Trikes, and the Top Gun field events.



They were fully supportive of our programs and encouraged me to promote anything that helps sharpen our skills for the road.



I am lucky enough to live on a quiet cul-de-sac and often spend 3-5 minutes before leaving for a ride practicing slow and quick turns, figure eights, weaving, and U-turns. It helps me get focused on riding before I head out. We also have a middle school around the corner where Kathy and I can go find a segment of parking space lines we can use for practicing our maneuvers. There is a lot you can practice in a small space and it is fun! You can be fancy and use cones or tennis balls halves to mark your course, but most maneuvers can be accomplished without them.

Talk to your chapter and try to schedule some practice riding. Just Google parking lot practice for lots of ideas and games. With this hot weather, you can still have some fun on your bike and not have to get very far from home!

Ride Safely, Ride Often, and HEY! Be careful out there!

Randy and Kathy Reese

Texas District Educators

2017 International Couple of the Year

"Eat to Ride, Ride to Eat"

AUG.BIRTHDAYS JULY ANNIVERSARYS

1st Gary T.

None

25th Jennie K.

31st Penny H.





"Yes, sonny, that's my bike. You can never be too old to be cool."



Mark your Calendars

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19-21 July - Washington District Rally - Cashmere, Wa

19-22 July - Sturgis Kentucky Bike Rally – Sturgis, Ky

24 July - Chapter Gathering – Killeen

26-28 July - Montana District Rally - Missoula, Mt

August 2018

9-12 August - Roadrunner Touring Weekend - Roanoke, Va

28 August - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

28 August – 1 September – Wing Ding 40 – Knoxville Tn

September 2018

20-23 September – New York District Rally – Watertown, NY

25 September - Chapter Gathering - Killeen

<u>26-29 September - Bikes, Blues, and BBQ Rally – Fayette-ville, Ar</u>

<u>27-29 September – Oklahoma District Rally – Lawton Ok</u>

28-29 September – Iowa District Rally – Fort Dodge, la

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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