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Chapter NC-C2

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“The Wingin’ News”

Meetings held at PARKSIDE CAFÉ in Pine Level the 1st Tuesday of each month: It is Located on Hwy 70 ALT East, I-95 Exit 97, 2 miles on the right past the Robbins Nest Restaurant. We eat at 6:30 and meet at 7:30 PM.

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From your chapter team leader,
Frankie Medlin



As I sit down to write my article for September, my heart strings pull in many different directions. My daughter-in-law has just had surgery that changes both her and my son's dreams for being able to have their own children. Of course, as a mother, my heart breaks for them. Since over thirty years ago, my husband and I struggled to have both of our children, I really do understand how much this hurts both of them. I ask for your prayers for both Drew and Beth as she heals from her surgery and he tries to be a nurse taking care of her. Another direction my heart strings are pulled is for my only niece as she sits by her month old little girl in ICU at Duke. Emma was born with a hole in her heart and a heart valve that was not fully developed. She will have surgery Monday, August 25th, which is supposed to take about five hours. I ask for your prayers for Emma, her mama and daddy, her grandparents, my daughter Candis, my son Drew, my daughter-in-law and me as we pray for this beautiful little girl. As all of this has been going on, my baby brother was admitted from ER at Wake Med at Cary for complications from having his gall bladder removed last week. He had emergency surgery to correct a leakage of bile into his abdominal cavity. Please pray for him, his wife and two sons as he recovers from this. My aging Mother is struggling trying to deal with all of this, so she needs your prayers, also.

As we all know, when life becomes hard with extra daily burdens, our family is always there for us. Our Goldwing Family is no different; they are always there for us, too. We are there to support one another and to share our burdens with one another. We have something in common, we all know how good it feels to get on our bikes and ride as we feel the freedom it gives us and the enjoyment we get. The daily burdens seem to be lighter as we feel nature around us in a panoramic view. Thank you all for allowing me to share and for being there to support me.

During the month of August we had a couple of really great rides. One was to Yoder's Dutch Pantry near Grifton, NC on Saturday, August 9th. The other one was to Albemarle, NC for T2's School Tools Ride. Several of our members enjoyed visiting some of our fellow chapters during August, too.

Our chapter has twenty-two members signed up to attend "Wings Over the Smokies". Our Chapter Couple of the Year is going to participate in the District Couples Selection on Friday, September 26th and all twenty-two of our members will be there supporting them. C2 has been assigned their work schedule to work all day Saturday, but we are hoping to get a chance to ride a little before we have to head back home on Sunday. At our meeting on Tuesday night, September 2nd, we will plan our group ride to Cherokee, so be sure you are there to help plan this great ride to the mountains. We plan to travel to Cherokee on Thursday so we can check in to our rooms Thursday evening. Wings Over the Smokies is almost here.

Charles and Sue Langley, our wonderful Chapter Couple, have continued to visit fellow chapters and have continued to capture the Couples Plaque for the East every chance they get. Sue is scheduled to have eye surgery on her other eye on September 8th.

Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you, Charles and Sue, you continue to do such a good job.

Our great Newsletter Editor Judy Bankston continues to do a great job doing our newsletter. Points are given to each chapter newsletter for articles written by different staff members and also for articles written by members. Please consider writing an article for our newsletter. If you have any items of interest to GWRRA members, please send them to Judy for our newsletter.

Our dinner ride for September will be on September 20th. Let's plan our ride at our September gathering. Be sure to be there to help plan it. Come with your ideas for our ride.

I hope all of our visitors and new members will be with us at our September meeting on September 2nd. Be sure to make all of them feel welcome. If any of you bump into people in your daily adventures, be sure to tell them about our group and how much fun we have. Invite them to come visit with us or come ride with us. If any of you have a ride you would like for us to go on, please share it with us at our meeting.

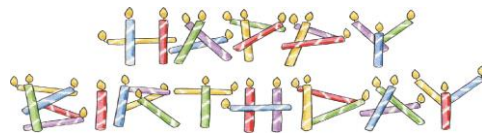
Come join in on the fun at Wendy's on Friday nights. Come when you can. Fun multiplies and divides when we share it with others.

For those of you outside of our chapter, we invite you to come visit with us at our gathering anytime. If you have visited us or are a regular visitor each month, please continue to come and visit. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at Parkside Café, 2176 US Hwy 70A East, Pine Level, NC. We hope to see you.

For our newest members, we continue to need your new ideas and energy that continue to rejuvenate our seasoned members. This cycle continues to need to be fueled.

Let's ride for FUN, FRIENDS and SAFETY.....RIDE SAFE!!

Frankie Medlin,
Your C-2 Team Leader



Sue Langley September 19



Charles and Sue Langley September 27



From your Assistant Chapter Director, Tom Tipton

When we all travel across our GWRRA District (North Carolina) to other chapter meetings it makes one proud of being a part of something bigger than one's self. In just the short time I have traveled our Great District, I have met lifelong friends from other Chapters. The kind of friends that one makes can only be made by visiting the other fine Chapters that our District has to offer.

I do understand that every one's schedule is different and sometimes it makes it hard to visit all the chapters as I and others try to do. It does get very expensive just in gas alone not to mention the meals. To me the return one gets by visiting the closer chapters is worth the expense. One thing that I have noticed happens when one starts to visit other Chapters. It becomes very addictive!!!!!!!!!! Visitation breeds visitation!!!!!!!!!!!! It also gives one a good feeling to see the eyes light up when someone comes in for a visit from another Chapter. I have made so many good memories while visiting. It would take all day to tell of the many I have made just while visiting. I do understand not everyone wants to or feels a need to visit. I do see the light at the end of the tunnel that visiting shows me. We must understand that visitation is one of the many key factors and not limited to a Chapter surviving as a fruitful and growing Chapter.

I do wish I could snap my fingers and make that happen I have tried that. You know what? It did not work. It takes hard work by so many people to survive at the Chapter level. To speak of the District level, etc. would be for another person at another time. At this time that is above my pay grade(ha ha).

So the hard reality of the continued well-being of our Chapter C-2, is to visit, inviting new prospective members, help new members understand the workings of a Chapter, getting involved with our Chapter's functions as well as other Chapter's functions. I have found many of us guilty of this and not very proud of, being quick to criticize other members.

I do know in my heart and soul they only want the best for our Chapter, too. Important as it sounds and most of the time overlooked is to help our Chapter Leadership.

Proud to be your ACD

Tom T.

FROM YOUR CHAPTER COUPLE: CHARLES AND SUE LANGLEY



Hey dear friends,
Wow! Another month has again quickly passed and a lot has happened since the last newsletter!!!



Charles and I attended the 2014 Couples Picnic and with thirteen other couples enjoyed the fun, food, and fellowship. District treated us royally!!!! While there, our NC District Director "Goose" came to Charles and me to compliment our chapter newsletter. A big THANK YOU goes to Judy Bankston for a job well done!! A big day for your Chapter Couple and your Chapter; wouldn't you say?

We had lots of fun, as usual, at our C2 August gathering. It was our pleasure to have Corky and Allison back in N.C. and with us.



"Yoder's Dutch Pantry" is a very good place to visit. It has a yummy Mennonite restaurant and a hardware, home and farm supply store that we were amazed with. Our chapter had a fantastic time.....even if it was raining by the buckets.



As you can see, Lilly from the New Bern chapter joined us there. Seems that Charles had lots of advice or ideas that he is sharing with Lilly! She is very special to us.



Yoder's has a showpiece in this Oldie Goldie. Take time out to go there.....oh, by the way.....it is in the middle of nowhere but you can get there from anywhere!!!



Our chapter had lots of fun on the Tools for Schools at Albemarle. What a great way to help our school children. The ride and luncheon was wonderful. From there we went to Wilmington's gathering. That proved to be a long day on the road!!



Charles and I have chosen to participate in the Couples Selection this year. We just want to thank our chapter for always giving us tons of support in this choice. Our goal is to represent C2 in the best possible way, one that shines the light on our chapter and GWRRA.

Thank you to everyone for making a difference to others!! Keep smiling and keep safe. We love you,

Charles and Sue



September Chapter Gathering Changes

Chapter X2 Wilkesboro is going to be trying out a new meeting place for our next meeting (Sept. 13th), still eat at 1 and meet at 2. The address for the new place is Cagney's Kitchen, 1200 Central Street, Wilkesboro, NC.

Morganton is going to change their meeting from Sept. 27 to Sept. 20 because of WOS.

Chapter I Asheville will not have a meeting in September, due to Wings.

EAT and MEET

Frankie Medlin, Chapter Director, welcomed everyone to the August NC-C2 gathering. Frankie opened with prayer for the sick and blessed our meal.

The Eastern Traveler Plaque was awarded to NC-F2 Garner. A Pineapple cake, made by Sue Langley, was raffled off. Cindy Bryant of NC-Z Rocky Mount won the cake. The Couple's Plaque was won by Sue Hays of NC-S2 Sanford. A meal ticket for the Couple of the Year was won by Lewis Britt of NC-U2 Laurinburg. A Welcome Home gift bag was presented to Corky and Allison Lee. Corky and Allison have just returned from a 50 day (11,000 miles) trip around the United States.

Tom Tipton, Assistant Chapter Director, welcomed the visitors. Present at the August gathering was NC-P2 Forest City, NC-F2 Garner, NC-S2 Sanford, NC-D2 New Bern, NC-U2 Laurinburg and NC-Z Rocky Mount. NC-C2 had a total of 51 people present. This was great.

The Vest Drawing was won by P-2 Forest City. Frankie recognized all the Chapter of the Year Couples. Nonie Roberson, Sunshine Lady, celebrated the birthdays and anniversaries. Nonie always does a fantastic job.

Jim Hairr reminded everyone of the Myrtle Beach Trip. It is scheduled for 24th and 25th of October. Jim reminded everyone to make their reservations.

The Chapter Educator, Sammy Langley, spoke on cornering and said to be sure to check your levels. Take offered courses when possible. A lot of courses will be offered at Wings Over the Smokies.

50/50 winners \$50.00 Jim Hairr, NC-C2 Smithfield
\$50.00 Pat Joyner, NC-D2 New Bern

Reporter
Linda Hairr

It is the honor of Ray & Sandi Garris, Dave & Gwen Carter and ours, Bob and Karla Greer, to announce Tommy & Gayle Wilson as Membership Enhancement Program Assistant Directors for Couple of the Year effective immediately.

Send them your congratulations at ghwilson208@gmail.com.

Alan & Carolyn Little
Region N Directors



Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge

Do You Know Your Tires? Deciphering Sidewalls

Have you tried to read those hieroglyphics on the sidewall of your car's tires? If you are replacing trike tires, do you know what size tires to ask for? Deciphering the information from a tire's sidewall can be a confusing exercise. For most of us, it ranks right up there with decoding the Egyptian markings on a mummy's tomb. Let's take a look at the markings on a tire and break them down.

The U.S. Department of Transportation markings signify that the tire meets DOT tire-safety standards. The DOT markings help track the tire in the same way a lot number tracks a food product. □□The first two characters designate the tire manufacturer and plant code. This could be important if the tire receives a safety recall.

□□Characters three and four denote tire size.

□□The fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth (optional) characters identify the brand as well as other characteristics important to the manufacturer

□□The final three numbers (four beginning in 2000) denote the date the tire was produced. The first two indicate the week, and the last numbers specify the year.

The most important part of the tire is *AIR PRESSURE*. You must maintain proper air pressure. Low pressure will cause excessive wear, improper handling and creates drag on the tire as if you had the brake applied on that wheel with the low tire. This causes overheating and expansion of the tire cords with the possibility of a blow - out.

Many motorcycles have a decal of air inflation pressures with and without loads. If you do not have a decal, check your owner's Manual. If you do not have an owners Manual look on the sidewall of the tire it is located there also. However, the tire pressure on the sidewall references the *MAXIMUM* allowable tire pressure for the *MAXIMUM* rated load. This pressure would typically be too high for normal operation.

Ride Smart & Be Safe!

Charles Langley, C-2 Chapter Educator





From the Brain of your Webmaster.....C a n d i s M e d l i n

Greetings dear friends another month has flown by and this time last month I was preparing for a lot of first in my life.... First flight, I don't like flying, first time out of the country on a mission trip, which I loved and will definitely do again, first marriage proposal, which I turned down (long story).



Some of you may not know this but at the time of our meeting last month I was staying at Mission of Hope in the town of Titanyen, Haiti and working in the village of Source Matelas (which translates to water mattress). Mission of Hope was officially founded in 1998. It has since grown from a small mission located on a barren piece of land, to a fruitful organization that now houses an onsite orphanage, medical facility complete with prosthetics lab, school, and church. Through partnerships, the Mission also serves outside of its property by helping other orphanages, churches, and schools throughout the country.

Wanda and Esau, two of the kids that I feel in love with, both of which begged me to bring them home with me. It broke my heart to leave them.





The photo on the left is our church group at Sunday night service. The one on the right is the rest of the team we were on which ended up the first week all summer that there had been more than one group from North Carolina at one time and there were 3 of us together.



The left is sunset on our first night in country. The right is sunrise on our last day there.



We were split into 2 groups along with the other two groups from NC. Our group built a latrine which will service 8 houses in the village. The other group help finish putting up walls and a roof for a house.



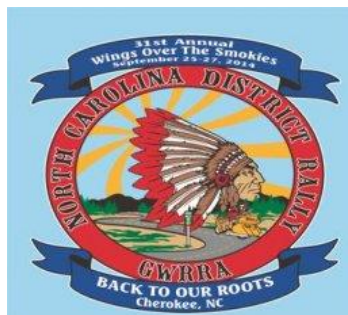
This was our mode of transportation for the week which was slightly challenging to get in and out of.

Thank you to all of you that prayed for or thought about me and my church group while we were gone. They were really felt and appreciated. Now that I am back, I have enjoyed a few days of riding and hope to soon put a few solo miles under my belt.

If you haven't been coming to marbles at Wendy's on Friday nights or it has been awhile since you have been able to join us; please come any Friday you can and be sure to bring a few friends along. We always enjoy teaching new people how to play. I don't know about anyone else but that is a highlight of my week and I hate the nights I can't be there because I have to work. With all of the extra hours I have been putting in at work, playing marbles really is the highlight of my week.

As you continue to have any thoughts or ideas on how we can improve or better serve C2 or any others that may visit our website, please let me know. I still need pictures of all our members' two wheel, three wheel or four wheel rides for our photo section so that we can show how diverse our group is and to show that no matter how or what we ride, we would love to have anyone join us for lots of fun and fellowship. You can email me at nc_C2_smithfield@yahoo.com.

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Wings Over the Smokies

September 25 – 27, 2014

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

Friday nights – Game night at Wendy’s in Selma (Come play marbles or any other game.)

September 11th Ride- Let’s plan to meet at Wal-Mart on Hwy 70 headed toward Goldsboro at 5:15 PM on September 11th to ride in Greenville’s 9-11 Ride. We will line up for the ride at the back of Sam’s Club in Winterville.

September 20th Dinner Ride -- (We need to plan where we want to go for this dinner ride at our September gathering).
Both of our beach rides that were schedule for May and June were postponed. Let’s talk about rescheduling these rides.

We are supposed to donate a basket for WOTS door prizes. I will bring a basket to our September gathering. Each of our members should bring something to put in the basket that could be used on the bike or that could be enjoyed while riding the bike. Thanks ahead of time for helping to fill our basket.

September 25th-27th – WINGS OVER THE SMOKIES
We need to talk about our plans for riding to Cherokee as a group at our September gathering.

Remember, we can have more than one Dinner Ride a month. If anyone has somewhere you would like for us to plan to ride to, please let Frankie or Tom know and we will make plans for the group to go.

**Region N
“Pot of Gold” 50/50**

Selling 50/50 tickets through October 11th

Drawing will be held at the Virginia District Rally



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7 F Jacksonville 3	8 C Charlotte 730 X Wake Forest 730	9 B2 Winston Salem 730 (chg Mayflower Rest) P2 Forest City 730 Z Rocky Mount 730	10	11 A Greensboro 730 T2 Albemarle 730	12 Game night at Wendy's	13 L2 Mooresville 10 X2 Wilkesboro 2 U2 Laurinburg 6
14	15 D2 New Bern 730 W Eden 730	16 E Cary 730 L Gastonia 7 M Salisbury 7	17	18 F2 Garner 730 H2 Durham 730 E2 Eliz City 730	19 Game night at Wendy's	20 S2 Sanford 11 M2 Hendersonville 9 Y Morganton 7 Q Wilmington 6
21 O2 Hickory 6	22	23 R Thomasville 730	24	25 -----WINGS OVER N Burlington 730	26 THE SMOKIES	27 I Asheville 10 2014-----
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