



The Texas District News

GWRRR Texas District Newsletter

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"

From the District Director



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Welcome to 2022 GWRRR members, I'm hoping everyone is having a good beginning to the year. It certainly has been a crazy one, both with health issues, and chapter financial documentation, there has been very little time to relax. First, I'm going to touch on the latest version of COVID and how it affects us in GWRRR, and our chapter get together. Obviously most of us are in either category of age or preconditions, where COVID has been at the forefront of our thoughts and actions. Obviously everyone's health must be the most important thing we consider when having a chapter meeting or chapter gathering or even a ride. We have all been through quite a bit over the last two years, but the thought of locking ourselves back in our houses, eliminating all social activities, and returning to a life of isolation is one action I don't see myself participating in at least not very long. Donna and I had COVID December of 2020 and then again in December of 2021. This is a Christmas present we hope to not repeat in 2022. We've been double vaccinated. Our infection at Christmas this past year was pretty much a nonevent; we have had colds that had more impact. Each chapter will have to figure this out for themselves, but do keep in mind if folks have been vaccinated and avoid going out when they're not feeling well, there's no reason that we can't continue something close to business as usual. And especially riding. If you're riding closer than six feet to the bike in front of you that's probably a bigger concern for safety than passing COVID from bike to bike. So my suggestion is to be safe, respect the

concerns of others, but be prepared to start opening up and getting back to regular life.

The next order of business will be taking place, or at the time this newsletter is printed, will have taken place on January 22nd. This is our midwinter roundup which historically used to take place in person at a location central in Texas. Due to COVID last year and great success, we decided to do this again via Zoom. Mid winter roundup is the time where we get together, swear in the new staff for 2022, close out the books on 2021 both financially and procedurally. There'll be plenty of discussion on the different roles in a chapter and how we can make the most of existing processes define new members have more fun and spend more time riding. A chapter without activities is nothing more than dinner theater. Make sure to do the things that you enjoy doing. make sure to do the things that build memories and friendships.

I'm looking forward to 2022. I think we can make a really good difference in the state of Texas. There are opportunities for growth, opportunities for education, and opportunities to rekindle that love of writing we all joined four in the beginning. May God bless you all this year with health, wealth, and friendship.

Be Safe, Be Healthy, Get Active!

Dan and Donna Rymarz

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Chapter Staff as of January 1, 2022

Chapter	Area	Chapter Leadership	Contact Info
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<u>H</u>	San Antonio	Director = <u>Griffin, Keith & Milligan, Paula</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Smith, Dan Treasurer = Charles Fleming Ride Coordinator = Charles Fleming	210-478-8928
<u>J</u>	Orange	Director = <u>Kimbrough, Randy</u> Assistant Director = Jeanis, Charles & Kathy Membership Enhancement = Dorothy Thomson Treasurer = Pierson, Debbie Ride Coordinator = Open	409-201-1955
<u>K2</u>	Castroville	Director = <u>Michael Pineda</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Open Treasurer = Charlotte F Ride Coordinator = Open	210-707-8411
<u>M</u>	Arlington/ Mansfield	Director = <u>Smith, Leo & Margaret</u> Assistant Director = Schoenthal, Chris & Lynn Membership Enhancement = Seguin, Jeff Treasurer = Greenwood, Mark Ride Coordinator = Hasiak, Patrick	757-753-3715
<u>M2</u>	Spring	Director = <u>Gresak, Scott & Linda</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Gresak, Linda Treasurer = Andrew Woodward Ride Coordinator = Tim & Kathy Bryan	281-386-7800
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Chapter Staff as of January 1, 2022

Chapter	Area	Chapter Leadership	Contact Info
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<u>T</u>	Killeen	Director = <u>Soto, Jose & Celest</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Open Treasurer = Brooks, Tim & Young Ride Coordinator = Open	646-258-5308
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<u>W</u>	Ft Bend Harris County	Director = <u>Shah, Ashar</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Gottlieb, Glenn Treasurer = Suzanne Neal Ride Coordinator = Coleman, Robert	248-227-2816
<u>W2</u>	Waxahachie	Interim Director = <u>Rymarz, Dan</u> Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Open Treasurer = Byler, James Ride Coordinator = Open	469-669-9191 972-679-3944

Please forward this information to the Membership.

Gold Books coming with April's mag

This year, *Gold Book* service directories will be delivered with the April magazine. Some are bundled in clear plastic alongside your magazine. Others are mailed alone. With the pandemic and paper shortages, we have had a difficult time getting this yearly publication to print with our March mag, the month it is usually published.

The *Gold Book* includes Member names and phone numbers by state and town, along with six codes from “A” to “F” and “T” that designate which service or services, such as tools or tent space available, you will provide to other Members in distress while traveling. **The newest service code “T” stands for texting.** This code allows other GWRRA Members to know that they can text to your phone number.

Remember also that there is a *Gold Book* app available to Members. Download it from the Google Play Store or iTunes store. You can also access the book online at www.goldbook.gwrra.org.

Sincerely,

Jere and Sherry Goodman
Directors of GWRRA



GWRRR ***UNIVERSITY UPDATE*** ***January 2022***



Randy and Kathy Reese

Texas District University Coordinators

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Texas District Education Weekend

Good Morning Texas Gold Wingers!

The past 18+ months have had a big impact on our training opportunities. It seems like every time we think we are seeing a downturn in the pandemic levels and can start planning live Riding Courses, Seminars, and Modules, another strain pops up that forces us to become more cautious and explore ways to deliver training in a safer, alternative manner.

For the University, we offered 19 different Seminars and Modules online throughout the Spring and Summer of 2020. Classes ran two per day, five days a week, for six months and were attended by over 2000 participants. We currently have seven Texas Instructors that are certified for online instruction.

We are also promoting offering classes before or after Chapter Gatherings and during a Bike Clinic where members can attend a class in addition to working on bike maintenance. Remember, all University training is free and open to members and non-members alike (great recruitment tool). Riding Courses and Medic First Aid classes usually have a small charge to cover materials and expenses.

Finally, we have not held a District Education Weekend since 2019 but we hope to hold one this spring (possibly in March). We are in negotiations for a location and date and will release details as they are confirmed. In the past we have offered 1-2 Riding Classes, MFA classes, a Ride Captain class, Co-Rider class, and 3-4 seminar/modules. Depending on the response it can run one or two days. If you have a particular need or class you would like to see offered, please contact Dan Rymarz, Leo Smith, or Randy Reese with your suggestions.

Have a Safe and Happy 2022!

Randy and Kathy Reese

Rolling Thru '22

Leo Smith, Jr. —GWRRA Texas District Educator

2021 is behind us and we are already rolling through '22. That sure has a nice ring to it doesn't it? Some chapters continue to be actively participating in riding and gathering while others have put the breaks on for a while. Whatever the reason; unpredictable and crazy weather patterns, COVID surges, job obligations, etc., now may be the time for your chapter to request training. Many courses can be taken inside following current CDC and state guidelines and restrictions or online. A change in the CPR/First Aid training is still in the works, details have not yet been finalized. Now is a great opportunity to update or keep your level current. The GRACE PERIOD for maintaining your current Level or advancing (if applicable) is JULY 15, 2022. Those members not signed up for the Levels Program yet can easily get started by committing to ride safe and filling out a N.7 application found online at GWRRA.org, type in N.7 Application in search the bar. After completing it, have your CD or any officer sign it, then submit it to me for approval and final processing at txed@gwr-ra-tx.org Whether signed up for the Levels Program or not, training in various motorcycle related areas is offered to all members. One of the main pillars of GWRRA is KNOWLEDGE. We gain knowledge through education, application and experience. GWRRA prides itself on offering training to promote safe riding skills, safer roadways and a better image of motorcycling overall. In the grand scheme of things we are all just one link in the chain. It takes more than just one link, one person or one District Educator to promote knowledge and safety in order to keep our organization strong. We all must do our part.

I want to thank all the wonderful instructors for volunteering your time and talents to keep us moving along.

Several members have contacted me requesting information from The Rider Education database. As of this writing it is currently down and under construction for upgrades. Please be patient, I am told it won't be too much longer before it is back up and running. At that time the Quarterly Levels Reports will be sent out. Don't let this hinder you from requesting training!

We'd like to recognize these Texas members who have joined the ranks or increased their level in the 3rd and 4th Quarter 2021. Congratulations for your achievement!

Chapter	Name	ááctLevel
P	Walt Songer	3
P	Toni Songer	2
U	Scott Hays	4
U	Debbie Hays	4
N2	Robin Thacker	Life Grand Master (LGM)
P	Terry Kelly	2 → 3
P	Holly Kelly	2 → 3
R	Don Walker	2 → 3
R	Karen Walker	2

At the end of this article is a revised form, previously used to help make tracking chapter education and safety activities and events easier for reporting. CDs, ACDs, CSEAs, Ride Coordinators, please use this and keep it up to date so that when quarterly reporting is due you don't have to dig through sign-in sheets and ride rosters etc.

Thank-you in advance for everyone doing your part so that we can Roll Thru '22 smoothly!

Leo & Margaret Smith

Ride Coordinator

What is the role of a Chapter Ride Coordinator?

The focus of a Chapter Ride Coordinator needs to be on riding. The Chapter Ride Coordinator coordinates chapter rides. As an Officer, and part of the Rider Education Program, the Ride Coordinator needs to believe and participate in our Rider Education program and be at least

- 1) a Level 2
- 2) a Road Captain.

The role is not the same as the previous role of the Chapter Educator as there are no reports. Your energy and focus are on planning or helping assisting planning all variety of rides that suit your Chapter Participants.

As you get ready for a ride, you will conduct an informative Rider Meeting to encourage safety, i.e. vehicle inspections, 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 in sharing GWRRA's benefits of safety as developed through our Rider Education Program.

Keep in mind the reason we all own our motorcycles, the fun of being on the road and riding with our friends. You just make it safer and a lot more fun.

Sam Belinoski

Coming Events

Date	Chapter	Event	Location	Contact/E-Mail	Phone
2022 January 22	TX	Mid-Winter Round-Up	Via Zoom call	Dan Rymarz txdd@gwrri-tx.org	469-669-9191
March ?	TX	Texas Training Day	Killeen, Texas	Leo and Margaret Smith txed@gwrri-tx.org	757-753-3715
March 17-19	FL	Florida District Rally http://www.gwrri-florida.com/rally.html	Hilton Orlando Altamonte Springs, Florida	Rick and Madalena Buck rmbuck@tampabay.rr.com	813-943-5231
April 7-9	TX-O	Bluebonnet Rally (coming soon)	Fredericksburg, TX	Ken and Terry Burnett director@goldwingaustin.org	512-497-1259
April 7-9	LA	Louisiana District Rally (registration coming soon) (See flyer in this newsletter)	Clarion Inn Morgan City, LA (new location)	Fritz and Johnette Beter dd@gwrri-la.org	504-469-3178
April 28-30	TX	Texas District Rally (See flyer in this newsletter.)	Y.O. Ranch Hotel 2033 Sidney Baker St Kerrville, Texas	Dan and Donna Rymarz txdd@gwrri-tx.org	469-669-9191
May 19-21	AR	Arkansas District Rally	Quality Inn Convention Ctr Harrison, AR	Louis and Pam Wofford director@argwrri.org	479-883-2621
June 28-July 2	*	Wing Ding 43	Shreveport Convention Centre Shreveport, LA	http://gwrri.org https://wing-ding.org/	800-843-9460
October 29-29	OK	Oklahoma District Rally	Ponca City, Oklahoma	John and Shawn Irons Ironline3414@gmail.com	405-747-4618



JANUARY 2022

FUN IDEAS FROM OUR GWRRRA MEMBERS

Kentucky District

SO TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD!!

That's how one Kentucky Chapter begins its get-together!!

So far...we've had a FROZEN BANANA RIDE, in December and lunch (brrrr but sunny), a BLACKEYED PEA RIDE, on New Year's Day, (warm, sunny) and lunch, and many other chapter group rides.

We gathered many, many boxes, bags, toys, cash and gift cards and loaded two trucks and a large trailer for the tornado victims in western Kentucky. Talk About Something Good!!!!

It's a new year and we will be able to have more **Fun** with get-togethers, day rides, weekend rides, **Kentucky Ride-In** weekend, and visiting other District Rallies and of course Wing Ding!!

All our chapters seem to be in the dreaming and planning mode...

Louisiana District

District Remote Bowling Tournament

So you want to have a District bowling tournament without leaving your area? Well there has to be bowling center in your city or close to you.

Chapters needs to pick a team from their Chapter members.

Chapters must have 4 members per team. ALL Chapters MUST have the same number of members per team.

Go to your bowling center and bowl 3 games. Have Fun!!!!

Take a picture at the end of each game and send it to whoever is running the District tournament.

The District Tournament Coordinator will add up all of the Chapters scores and determine the Chapter Winner. If your Chapter has the highest scores,

You Win!!!!

Kansas District

Jan 1, 2022 1:00 PM Helmet time, Ride the Temp—Start at 47th & South Broadway (South of the McDonald's on that corner, behind Club Carwash) in Wichita. Ride the number of miles on the thermometer, then have a bean feed at Joe Gattenby's 741 W.51st St South, Wichita, Kansas, at 4:00 p.m



Gold Wing Road Riders Association Updating Personal Information at Home Office



If you have moved, have a new email address, or a new telephone number, you need to update this information at Home Office. This information was once taken care of by your Chapter, District, and Region Membership enhancement Coordinators. It is now necessary for each individual Member to update his/her own personal information.

You can do this one of three ways:

1. Call Customer Service: 1-800-843-9460
2. Email Customer Service: CustomerService@GWRR.org
3. Go online: <http://www.gwrra.org/members>

To update your information online: Go to <http://www.gwrra.org/members>

If you have never logged on to this site, you will first need to obtain log-in information. This can be done by clicking on the Welcome (Log-in) page where instructed.

After you complete this process you will receive an email with your user name and password.

After you have received your user name and password return to the Log-in page and on the left side of the screen click on “Manage My Records”.

Click Continue. Enter your user Name and password.

Click Continue. At the Choose prompt you will need to arrow down and select the option you need to change.

After you have made your changes you will need to click the Submit Changes button. This will update your information. When you have completed all the changes you need to make, be sure to log off.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Customer Service at the phone number or email address listed above.

“Recruit a NEW Member”

Ed and Linda Johnson

International Directors

GWRR Membership Enhancement Program

Grand Prize
2-\$500
Daily
50/25/25

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RIDES
Visit A
Gator Farm

RIDES
Tour A
Plantation Home

April 7-8-9, 2022
Come Early April 6th
For Our SPECIAL Guided Tour

Clarion Inn
520 Roderick St
Morgan City, Louisiana 70380
985-385-2200 ask for GWRRA Rate
Special Rate of \$130 a night
If Booked Through The Host Hotel Only

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Mardi Gras
Costume Ball with Costume
Contest

Cookie Bar
Contest Open
to ALL

Escorted Lighted
Bike Ride To
Downtown

Cooking With
Pam J

Day
Ride
To
New
Orleans

RIDES
Cajun Dinner
Night

COY Selection

RIDES
Bingo

Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!

For more Info:
Website gwrra-la.org - Email dd@gwrra-la.org - Facebook: GWRRA Louisiana - Groupworks: LA District

2022 Louisiana GWRRA District Rally

Morgan City, LA

April 7th, 8th & 9th, 2022

The Louisiana District GWRRA Team wishes to invite you back to Cajun Country for **GOOD FOOD, GOOD FRIENDS, FUN and a lot of RIDING**. Your presence at our last Rally was **GREAT** with many memories for all of us. We appreciate all of your efforts that made our last **Rally and 3 Day Tour** a success. Please invite your friends to enjoy the **FUN** of The Mardi Gras Madness Rally in Louisiana in our **NEW CITY AND HOTEL**.

The **“Clarian”** ^[sic] will serve as our Rally site and Host Hotel. The people in Morgan City will be rolling out the red carpet for us so don't miss the **FUN, GOOD FOOD and RIDES**.

Come Early April 6th

For Our SPECIAL Guided Tour

Wednesday's special ride is a day trip to New Orleans.

Ride from the Mississippi River to Lake Pontchartrain.

Ride down historical St Charles Ave, have lunch at a famous New Orleans PoBoy restaurant. Visit a NOLA cemetery and eat Beignets.

Additional Hotel & Camping

La Quinta Inn & Suites - 2018 Allison St. Morgan City, La 70380
985-745-6900

\$89 per night Use code **GWRRA**

Lake End Park RV & Campgrounds - 7100 Hwy 182 East 985-385-4813

\$40 per night. Full hookup to water and 30-50 amps of
Electricity & sewerage.

Fritz & Johnette Beter 504-469-3178

Mike Jastram 225-964-3999 Pam Jastram 225-975-7790

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GWRRA TEXAS



THE YELLOW ROSE RALLY

APRIL 28, 29, 30 2022

Y.O. Ranch Hotel and Conference Center

2033 Sidney Baker Street

Kerrville, Texas 78028

\$99 a night

Reservations: (830) 257-4440

Vendors, Scenic Rides, Games, Bike and Light

Shows, GWRRA Training Opportunities

Friends and Fun, ALL ARE WELCOME!



Texas District Rally
“The Yellow Rose Rally”
 April 28-30, 2022
 Y.O. Ranch Hotel and Conference Center
 2033 Sidney Baker Street
 Kerrville, Texas 78028



Rally Pins to the first 200 registered
 All Pre-Registrations must be postmarked by **April 21st, 2022**
No refunds of registration postmarked after April 22nd, 2022

<u>District</u> _____	<u>Registration form</u>	<u>Chapter</u> _____	<u>Miles Traveled</u>
<u>Rider</u>	GWRRRA#	Exp: Date	DOB:
<u>2nd Rider/Co Rider</u>	GWRRRA#	Exp: Date	DOB:
<u>Address</u>			
<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Zip Code</u>	<u>Phone ()</u>
<u>Rider's e-mail</u>		<u>2nd Rider's e-mail</u>	

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>(All On Site Registrations will be an additional \$5)</u>	<u>QTY</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>GWRRRA Pre-Registered Member</u>		_____	\$30 ea	_____
<u>GWRRRA Life Member</u>		_____	\$20 ea	_____
<u>NON-MEMBERS</u>		_____	\$40 ea	_____
<u>Child 15 years or younger is FREE with registered Adult</u>		_____		_____
			<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	_____

Waiver: I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRRA, the Co-Sponsoring Organization, and any Property owners for any loss or injuries to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this event. I/We also agree to assume responsibility for any property I/We knowingly damage.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

2nd Rider/Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sign form and Mail with payment (payable to GWRRRA-Texas) to: Texas District, 4024 Sunflower Lane, Plano, TX 75024

