



The Texas District News

Texas District Newsletter

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Riding"

From the District Director

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Happy Thanksgiving Texas,

2022 has been a mixed bag. Many of us have experienced losses of friends and family, Family finances have been strained, and disposable income has become hard to come by. Fuel prices have risen, fallen, and remain very unstable. All of this is tough on a fairly expensive hobby and lifestyle that we all share.

2022 has also become the year where GWRRA decided to close shop, leaving its members in a state of limbo. All this combined sounds so negative, but, anyone with a bit of faith knows that nothing worth having is easy. The friends and family that come along with a membership in a motorcycle organization are a hardy breed. These are the folks you can that will always have your back. They will stick with you after a flat until the tow truck arrives. These are the friends that will head out to rescue both friends and strangers when the need arises. The two new motorcycle organizations that have so far

arisen to fill the gap that GWRRA has left are full of promise and hope, mainly because they're made-up of GWRRA members, and no dissolution of the original organization can change that.

This year I am thankful for all of you, no matter which organization you have chosen, or which direction you will head moving forward. Weekly I see chapters getting together socially, and to get back out on the road doing what we to do. Both the district and chapter leadership has expressed in the weeks and months after wingding, to just keep doing you have done in the past.

Donna and I wish you a wonderful Thanksgiving where we get to appreciate both the good and the bad, as one cannot exist without the other. Sometimes the ashes of a disaster are the perfect fertilizer for new growth.

Dan and Donna Rymarz
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EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Our Vision:

A simple, fun, riding, social association of like-minded motorcycle enthusiasts

Our Motto:

Friends for Fun, Safety & Riding

Our Mission:

To provide to our Membership a fun and social environment that focuses on the love of motorcycling.

To bring the world together around that passion while helping them to be safer and mindful when riding a motorcycle.

To be a family-oriented, non-religious, non-political association, respectful of each other's beliefs.

Enjoying the ride together with like-minded motorcyclists.

Our Core Values:

FAIRNESS: All issues should stand the test of "is it fair?"

COMMUNICATIONS: The more we share information and communicate about our common love of motorcycling, the more we will all learn and benefit. **TEAMWORK:** Working together forward our common vision, motto and mission keeps us focused and gives us the ability to become exceptional.

QUALITY: To be the best we can, treating all the way we would want to be treated, holding each other in highest esteem and respect in all we do.

ATTITUDE: We are each responsible for our own attitude. Strive to be positive, constructive, respectful, enthusiastic and creative in all interactions with members or public to enhance the relationship and promote our motto.

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



Anita M. Alkire, CEO

Bruce Beeman, president

Jim Berry, Director, Region B

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Chapter Staff as of April 23, 2022

| Chapter | Area | Chapter Leadership | Contact Info |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--|--------------|
| E | Tyler | Director = Kaufman, Karen Treasurer = Martin, Tom | 636-485-4319 |
| G | Tomball | Director = Deluke, Joe & Tammy Assistant Director = Norwood, Brian Membership Enhancement = Larry & Sally Dresch Treasurer = Stan Brown Ride Coordinator = Greenway, David | 713-498-3201 |
| G2 | Greenville | Director = Wiggins, Jim and Barbara Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Barbara Wiggins Treasurer = Augustas, George Ride Coordinator = Wiggins, Jim and Barbara | 903-217-4066 |
| H | San Antonio | Director = Griffin, Keith & Milligan, Paula Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Smith, Dan Treasurer = Charles Fleming Ride Coordinator = Charles Fleming | 210-478-8928 |
| J | Orange | Director = Kimbrough, Randy Assistant Director = Jeanis, Charles & Kathy Membership Enhancement = Dorothy Thomson Treasurer = Pierson, Debbie Ride Coordinator = Open | 409-201-1955 |
| K2 | Castroville | Director = Michael Pineda Assistant Director = Open Membership Enhancement = Open Treasurer = Charlotte F Ride Coordinator = Open | 210-707-8411 |
| M | Arlington/ Mansfield | Director = Smith, Leo & Margaret Assistant Director = Schoenthal, Chris & Lynn Membership Enhancement = Seguin, Jeff Treasurer = Greenwood, Mark Ride Coordinator = Hasiak, Patrick | 757-753-3715 |
| M2 | Spring | Director = Gresak, Scott & Linda 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 April 23, 2022

| Chapter | Area | Chapter Leadership | Contact Info |
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| <u>S2</u> | League City | Director = <u>Newman, Scott & Debbie</u> Assistant Director = <u>Cox, Steve</u> Membership Enhancement = Koerber, Beth & Tom Treasurer = <u>Scholes, Jim & Genie</u> Ride Coordinator = Open | 281-534-1864 |
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Membership Enhancement Coordinator

By Gary and Becky Wheatley

With so much confusion, which I am sure is going through most members' minds, where do our chapters or individual riders go from here?

FYI, all is not lost. As we receive members that sign up for Eagle Wings Motorcycle Assoc., (by monthly) we are planning on sending out new members information to their local chapters or at least the closest chapter from where they live. We are planning on adding multiple chapters as we go forward.

In order to be a chapter, the group would have to have a Chapter Director and a Treasurer if you are planning on having money changing hands throughout the chapter. I have found in my experience that the more members you have engaged and active in your chapter or group keeps it strong and a few people don't have to do everything, which causes burn-out!!!

If you know of an area that would be good for a new EWMA chapter location, get in contact with me.

I wish safety for all riders and co riders no matter which way you decide to go. If I can help you in any way, give me a call, text, or email whichever works for you !!!!

Gary Wheatley / 713-859-6589 / txmec@gwrra-tx.org

Ride Coordinator

Sam Belinoski

Tips to make your motorcycle holidays better

Choose a destination and a route that suits you and your bike

If you are planning to motorcycle for the holidays make sure your bike is comfortable. You can always make some modifications to improve the comfort level of your ride, but you don't want to make any major changes at least 2 weeks before the ride. Choosing the right destination for you and your bike is key.

Choose the right clothing; don't overdress

What you choose to bring on your motorcycle road trip fairly depends on the location and climate you are planning to visit. You should always be prepared for any kind of weather. It's best to have the essential motorcycle clothing equipment. This will allow you to travel safely and be comfortable along the way.

The nature and length of your trip will help decide the diversity of your clothing. Wearing something two days in a row (other than your underwear, please!) can be the norm. Bringing one pair of jeans for repeat wear during evening outings is not a big deal – you're travelling by motorcycle and that's a great excuse, should someone notice. Roll your clothes, don't fold them. You can roll jeans and a shirt together and slide them into your saddlebag much easier than folded clothing, and this will help in reducing wrinkles if it matters.

Less is more

The more you bring, the more weight you'll add to your motorcycle. In this case: less is more. Make sure your tires are in good shape and that they can go the full distance. If you have any doubt, change them before you leave. Check and set your tire pressure for riding with luggage and a possible passenger in mind.

Brake! Take a break

Don't push yourself to the limits during your motorcycle holidays. During the long hours on the motorcycle without a break, you can get frustrated and end up with saddle sores. Know when your body is asking you to take a break and don't skip it!

Sam Belinoski

Assistant District Directors

Lyle and Sheri Altes

Happy Holidays

With the holidays upon us we know everyone is getting really busy and it is a crazy time of year. On top of all that Chapters have to start looking at the new year and the changes that have come about, and make plans accordingly. We know that this is a tough time of the year to do any planning so why not schedule a chapter planning meeting after the first of the year, that is what the District is doing this year as well. First you can decide if you still want to have a monthly social gathering, since meetings are not required anymore, but we have heard from several Chapters that they still plan on having monthly gathering's where they can get together and visit and pass on information and just have fun with friends.

Also, at your planning meeting it is a great time to discuss future rides, ride In's, rallies, or other events your Chapter might be planning for the upcoming year, also look at getting together with other Chapters around you to possibly doing joint rides, meetups, or other events. Working together helps bring the Chapters closer together and make event planning much more fun and less work for all, plus joint events tend to bring in much more participation from our members and others who we always welcome.

One last thing you should discuss at your planning session is recruiting, we know some Chapters are already actively working on that, but it is going to be a big subject through out the organization. The District is going to make it one of our priorities during our planning session and for the upcoming year. We hope to have ideas and resources available for the Chapter's by the first part of February, we will also be looking for ideas from all of you, all ideas are good please pass them along to Dan & Donna Rymarz or us and we will figure out how to use those ideas District wide.

Also remember we are here to help the Chapters so if you need any assistance in anything including planning for rides and events help in getting the Chapters together, or anything else in general, we and the entire District staff are here for you so let us know what you need.

We wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. Enjoy your family and friends and if you get a chance to ride please ride safe

Lyle & Sheri Altes
Texas District Assistant Directors

Coming Events

| Date | Chapter | Event | Location | Contact/E-Mail | Phone |
|---------------------|---------|---|--|---|--------------|
| December 10 | ★ | North Texas Toy Run | Main Event 407 Hwy 114 W Grapevine, Texas | https://allevents.in/grapevine/200023510648209 | |
| February 12 | ★ | North Texas Bowling Challenge | Lion Lanes Ennis, Texas | Bobby Williams and Joetta Oliver | 972-978-7744 |
| April 13-15 2023 | TX-O | Chapter TX-O Bluebonnet Rally | Ladybird Johnson Municipal Pa Fredericksburg, Texas | Ken & Teri Burnett director@goldwingaustin.org | 512 497-1259 |
| April 20-22 | *LA* | Mardi Gras Madness | Morgan City, LA | Fritz and Johnette Beter dd@larevelers.org | 504-469-3178 |
| April 27-29 | *TX* | Texas District Rally “Yellow Rose Rally” | Y.O. Ranch Hotel Kerrville, Texas | Dan and Donna Rymarz txdd@gwrra-tx.org | 469-669-9191 |
| May 18-20 | *AR* | Arkansas District Rally | Quality Inn Convention Centre Harrison, Arkansas | Randall Drake treasurer@argwrra.org | 479-224-6240 |

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Above: On November 12, several North Texas Chapters participated in a Multi-Chapter Ride to Old Mexican Inn and Cantina in Corsicana. Photo by José Soto, Chapter T.

FORMER GWRRA NORTH TEXAS MEMBERS BOWLING CHALLENGE

**Brought to you by CHAPTER “G2” and
Hosted by Bobby & Joetta Williams**

February 12, 2023

Registration 11:00 AM, Bowling time 11:30 PM

Lions Lanes 2303 W Ennis Avenue, Ennis TX

COST IS \$20.00 PER PERSON & INCLUDES 3 GAMES & SHOES (IF NEEDED)



**Men and Women First & Second Place game CASH prize
(Bobby Williams and Joetta Oliver are ineligible to win prizes)**

This is a FUN Raiser, not a Fund Raiser.

**Plan on bringing as many of your chapter members as possible,
Even if they don't bowl**

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Membership Application

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ ST/PV: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

USA _____ Canada _____ Other _____

Member Phone number: _____ Member Email: _____

Select One:

Individual Membership: 3 years \$65.00, 2 years \$45.00, 1 year \$25.00

Family Membership (2 or more people in household): 3 years \$80.00, 2 years \$55.00, 1 year \$30.00

I currently own the following motorcycle brands: (please select all that apply)

Honda Harley-Davidson Indian BMW Yamaha Ducati Triumph Other

New Member – Who referred you to us? Name _____ Member # _____

Where did you hear about us? (Example: magazine, website dealer, etc.)

Signature _____

Signature _____

Make check payable in U.S. funds to Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association and mail to 6635 W. Happy Valley RD., Suite A104-443, Glendale, AZ 85310