



The Texas District News

Texas District Newsletter

"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Riding"



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From the District Director

GOOD AFTERNOON

Here we are at the end of October, and we have just completed our fall ride in in Lindale, Texas. We had over 60 people attend and hopefully enjoy the rides throughout the countryside planned and lead by some of the best ride leaders in Texas. Every evening, we had something to eat, some dessert, a drawing of 25 cubed, and discussed the next day's events. So, many thanks to the Texas District Team and the chapter leadership that came and made this event successful. The amount of assistance everyone was willing to give me with some of my physical issues will not be forgotten.

Also, thank you to all the chapters of Texas who are able to assist with rounding up cold weather clothes, gloves, blankets, insulated socks, etc. Donna and I heavy packed [our] Honda Pilot (one of the big ones) that we will be delivering eastbound to help those affected by the hurricanes in North Carolina and Tennessee. I even think that Donna on her way back home tomorrow from Chicago is bringing donations from our family while she's up there for her sister's 60th birthday. I really liked the way we were able to get together in such short notice and get this donation ready. My intent had been to deliver yet this past weekend, but my lovely bride refused to let me drive to that area without a valid driver's license (it expired while I was fighting my retinal detachment and several surgeries) that area is in a whole lot of hurt and the things we can do to help even if it's small are important.

If you enjoy ride ins, we have one that appears to be the last of this year at the end of November 22nd and the

23rd in Hot Springs Village, Arkansas. More information is coming that we will share. They had been planning some 30-minute safety presentations, one of which was "riding in the heat". We may want to save that presentation for our spring ride in in the middle of April in Kerrville. I'm truly hoping to be riding by that time on my newer Can Am Ryker. I have made the move to three wheels as a matter of safety and not preference, but the most important thing in life is that we adjust to what life gives us. I've had many discussions with folks when we agreed that if we couldn't ride two wheels it would be time to hang it up, but I'm not ready to do that. This new EWMA organization and our welcoming of bikes of all types and numbers of wheels woke me up to realize that I need to ride. It is the therapy that gets me through my days and weeks.

As I know you have all heard, as I have said it several times before, Donna and I will be stepping down as Texas District Directors at the end of December and handing the controls to Lyle and Sherry Altes. I look forward to supporting them in any role or manner the request so long as it allows Donna and I to take our new roles as chapter directors of Chapter R Rally Cats in the north Metroplex. If anybody has any questions or comments, feel free to reach out to us at any point by any communication means you feel comfortable with.

Thank you once again, ride safe, and ride often.

Dan and Donna Rymarz
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Chapter Staff as of September 2023

Chapter	Area	Chapter Leadership	Contact Info
<u>Pine-E Woods Riders</u>	Tyler	Director = <u>Kaufman, Karen and Gene</u> Treasurer = Martin, Tom Ride Coordinator = Chuck Chestnut	314-402-8271
G	Tomball	Director = <u>Deluke, Joe and Tammy</u> Treasurer = <u>Stan Brown</u> Ride Coordinator = Greenway, David	713-498-3201
<u>Roadrunners G2</u>	Greenville	Director = <u>Wiggins, Jim and Barbara</u> Treasurer = <u>Augustas, George</u> Ride Coordinator = Wiggins, Jim and Barbara	903-217-4066
H	San Antonio	Director = <u>Griffin, Keith and Milligan, Paula</u> Treasurer = <u>Charles Fleming</u> Ride Coordinator = Charles Fleming	210-478-8928
J	Orange	Director = <u>Kimbrough, Randy</u> Treasurer = <u>Pierson, Debbie</u> Ride Coordinator = Open	409-201-1955
Hill Country Wings	Castroville	Director = <u>Michael Pineda</u> Treasurer = Charlotte F Ride Coordinator = Donna W	210-707-8411
<u>M2</u>	Spring	Director = <u>Gresak, Scott & Linda</u> Treasurer = <u>Andrew Woodward</u> Ride Coordinator = <u>Tim & Kathy Bryan</u>	281-386-7800
<u>O Capitol Wings</u>	Austin	Director = <u>Jim & Deedee Evans</u> Treasurer = <u>Sheri Altes</u> Ride Coordinator = Ken Burnett / Steven Thomas	512-576-8890
<u>“P” Pleasure Riders</u>	Granbury	Director = <u>Roberts, Christie</u> Treasurer = <u>Graham, Jeff</u> Ride Coordinator = <u>Eddie Roberts</u>	817-279-3928
Rally Cats	Dallas/ Fort Worth	Director = <u>Walker, Don & Karen</u> Treasurer = <u>Moody, Bill</u> Ride Coordinator = Rymarz, Dan	817-821-4388
<u>S2</u>	League City	Director = <u>Newman, Scott & Debbie</u> Treasurer = Karen Rudisill Ride Coordinator = Jim Denton	281-804-1181
<u>Central Texas Wings</u>	Killeen	Director = <u>Gene & Quinta Harris</u> Treasurer = <u>Brooks, Tim and Young</u> Ride Coordinator = Jim and Alvalin Woodul	254-289-6036
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2024 Texas District Fall Ride-In Follow Up

We want to start off by thanking you for attending our 2024 Texas District Fall Ride-In, and to those of you who did not make it to this Ride-In we hope to see you in the spring, at our 2025 Spring Ride-In at the YO Ranch Hotel in Kerrville Tx. April 10 - 12 2025, there will be a flyer and other information coming soon. The Texas District Staff hopes that all that attended the Fall ride-in had a good time and enjoyed some great rides and weather.

As I stated on Friday night Texas District is planning on using our Group Spot App site for anything Texas such as rides, events, newsletters, and a place for pictures, and messaging both group and private. I am adding a link below inviting you all to join this group and feel free to pass the link along to others in your Chapter or anyone else who might be interested in keeping up with what is going on in the Texas District.

Finally, if you have any suggestions on how to improve on future ride-in's or if you have any suggestions on locations in Texas for future ride-in's, please let the following people know: Lyle Altes "laltes@outlook.com", Dan Rymarz "dan.rymarz@outlook.com" or Jim Evans "jdjmevans@sbcglobal.net", or contact us thru the Group Spot App.

Again "Thank You" for visiting, and riding with us we hope you had as good a time as we did.

Lyle Altes
Assistant Director
Texas District
EWMA

<https://go.groupspot.app/U81j>

Skills Enhancement Coordinator

By Randy and Kathy Reese

Team Riding – Using Hand Signals

At the last District Ride-In on September 26-28 in Lindale, we had the opportunity to do a great deal of riding. Several groups went out each day and because of the large number of participants, most groups went out in subgroups of 8-10 for safety.

Our Ride Leaders and Tail Gunners did a great job of keeping us all safe and pretty much all-together throughout the rides.

When we gathered each evening to tell stories and discuss the rides, one of the topics that came up more than once was communication between the different motorcycles. In the early days of touring, there were very few options for telling others what was coming up or getting their attention for hazards, stops, etc. It was mostly done by using hand signals. With the advent of technology, CB radios became the norm (mostly used on GoldWings and other touring bikes) and it allowed the ride leaders to communicate more effectively over greater distances.

As EWMA has encouraged the inclusion of all brands and sizes of motorcycles, and with the introduction of Bluetooth and wireless units (like Sena and Cardo), there are more options for talking between bikes. However, many of the units can only communicate with similar types and frequencies. CB's have slowly been replaced on some bikes and many motorcyclists do not use any type of electronics.

So, when we teach Group-Riding and Road Captain courses, there is always a section on the proper use of Hand Signals. We discuss what many of them mean and how to “pass along” the signals to the folks around us. This prompted me to write this article and include a handout that comes from our EWMA website for all to use. There is a PowerPoint presentation, presenter's guide, and handout available on group riding that you can share with your chapter. We may also offer this presentation at the District Ride-in scheduled for April 10-12 in Kerrville next Spring. After you log-in, you will find it under the Member Resources tab in the Safety/Ride Coordination 30 minute presentations folder. The link is:

https://www.ewma-world.org/content.aspx?page_id=86&club_id=719997

Take a few minutes to review and familiarize yourself with the signals and you'll be surprised how it adds to the safety and enjoyment of riding!

Ride Safely and Ride Often!

Randy Reese, Safety Facilitator

Slow and/or Stop



Arm extended straight down.
Palm back.

Team needs to know this one.

Road Hazard

Point immediately with emphasis. Sometimes done with right arm or a foot.

Team needs to know this one



Indicates Lead Change

Motion someone to come forward



- Arm extended down.
- Palm forward.
- Swing forward from hip in arc.

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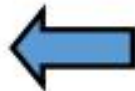
Hand Signals

Handout

Single file



Arm and index finger extended straight up.



Team needs to know this one

Staggered Formation

Arm extended straight up.
First and fourth fingers form
"ram's horn" sign.

Team needs to know this one





Turn signal is on



Repeatedly open and close hand with thumb and fingers extended.

Need fuel or pit stop



Upper arm extended. Forearm straight up and down. Fist clenched. Short up-and-down motion.

COMING EVENTS

Date	District	Event	Location	Contact/E-Mail	Phone
October 24–26	MS	<u>Mississippi District Rally</u>	St Martin Community Centre Biloxi, Miss.	KZ & Terry Kleinheitz ewmamsdd@gmail.com	228-806-0563
November 22, 23	Region B	<u>Region B Ride-In</u>	Hot Springs Village Inn Hot Springs, Arkansas	Jim Berry jimb52073@gmail.com	318-348-1275
March 1, 2025	MO	<u>Missouri Spring Fling</u>	Comfort Suites Rolla, Missouri	Ken Lueckenotte Jan Schanbacher	573-680-6238
March 13–15, 2025	FL	<u>Florida District Rally</u>	Best Western Hotel Gainesville, FL	Frederic W. Kennedy FredandKaren@cox.net	850-232-0365
April 10–13, 2025	TX	Texas District Ride-In (see flyer, page 11)	Y.O. Ranch Hotel Kerrville, Texas	Lyle Altes laltes@outlook.com	512-897-0860
April 24–26, 2025	TN	<u>Tennessee District Rally</u>	Holiday Inn Johnson City, Tenn.	Bob Mack thunderchief452@yahoo.com	865-258-9872
May 15–17, 2025	SC	<u>South Carolina District Rally</u>	Hampton Inn Newberry, SC	Jon J. Horning jjhorning63@yahoo.com	803-924-5243
May 29–31, 2025	MO	<u>Missouri District Rally</u>	Angel Inn Branson, MO	Ken Lueckenotte kluke45@aol.com	573-680-6238
June 12–14	OH	<u>Ohio Buckeye Rally</u>	Champaign County Fairgrounds Urbana, Ohio	Darrin Ebright ohiodd2021@gmail.com	N.A.
June 26–28, 2025	AL	<u>Alabama District Rally</u>	Clarion Inn Sheffield, AL	Danny Baker jdbaker1951@yahoo.com	205-936-7843
August 28–30, 2025	★	<u>Eagle Wings Rendezvous III</u>	Fort Smith Convention Ctr Fort Smith, Arkansas	Mike Melton eaglewings.web@gmail.com	843-847-1444

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WINGERS AND WAVES

Cruise information is for everyone that is interested in going with us in January 2025 from our Texas coast / Galveston, Texas. We are trying to save all from having that air fare to Florida. Past GWRRA members, EWMA members, Wing'd Riders, and non-bikers as well. We just want to get out of colder weather, to the Caribbeans, warmer weather. Please contact Mindy Bubar for the booking. These are Oceanview balcony cabins. The cabins are limited so contact her as soon as possible. Becky and I am hosting the cruise, we would love to see you all.!!!

Gary Wheatley - 713-859-6589 - gary@c21granbury.com CONTACT MINDY BUBAR FOR THE BOOKINGS !!!!

JOIN US!

FALL FUN WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS RIDE-IN

REGION B— EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, NOV 22 AND SAT NOV 23, 2024

HOST HOTEL: HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE INN

4429 N HWY 7, HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE, AR 71909

501-922-9600

ASK FOR EWMA RATE OF

\$86.91 FOR KING (INCL TAX)

\$97.91 FOR 2 QUEENS (INCL TAX)

BLOCK AND RATES EXPIRE ON THURSDAY NOV 7.

HOTEL IS SURROUNDED BY SUPERMARKET, SERVICE STATION, SEVERAL TOP NOTCH EATERIES, ALL WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE. SEVERAL UPSCALE RESTAURANTS ARE LOCATED ACROSS THE STREET IN THE GATED COMMUNITY.

AND FYI, THIS IS NOT A DRY COUNTY.

OPERATING UNDER THE KISS RULE:

NO FANCY FLYER, \$10 PER PERSON PAYABLE BY CASH OR CHECK UPON ARRIVAL,
NO DOOR PRIZES, NO VENDORS, \$0.00 GRAND PRIZE.

MAYBE A SURPRISE GIVEAWAY AND SNACKS.

ONE 50/50 TICKET DRAWING PER DAY.

IT'S ALL ABOUT GOOD RIDING AND FELLOWSHIP.

TWO GUIDED RIDES SCHEDULED EACH DAY WITH MULTIPLE DEPARTURE TIMES.
USE THIS AS A RECRUITING TOOL BY INVITING YOUR NON-EWMA BIKER FRIENDS.

WE WILL HAVE A RECRUITING TABLE.

LAST YEAR WE WERE TOO EARLY FOR FALL COLOR.

MAYBE THIS YEAR, WE WILL BE JUST RIGHT.

**IF YOU PLAN TO COME, PLEASE SEND ME AN EMAIL TO:
JIMB52073@GMAIL.COM OR A TEXT AT 318-348-1275.
WITH RIDER AND CO-RIDER NAME, EWMA NUMBER, CELL
PHONE NUMBERS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION.**

TEXAS



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Yellow Rose Ride-In

April 10th – 13th, 2025

Y.O. Ranch Hotel, Kerrville, Texas

Special Rate \$129 a night (EWMA 2025)

Reservations: (830) 257-4440

Early Registration:

\$ 15 per Person/\$25 per Couple

3 Days of Scenic Led and Self Guided Rides

25-25-25-25, Ice Cream Social,

Drawings & prizes!

Click to Register

<https://form.jotform.com/242893550798170>



WINGERS-N-WAVES
— The Ultimate Travel Club —

Harmony of the Seas

January 19-26, 2025

You are invited to join us on an amazing group cruise departing from Galveston, TX!
The Harmony of the Seas has won more awards than any other ship in the world.
It's the biggest, boldest ship to ever sail from the Lone Star State!



Oceanview Balcony
from \$1,036pp!

Rates are subject to change until booked.

GREAT GROUP RATES:

LIMITED SPACE The following group rate includes port tax and is based on double occupancy.

This cruise is open to all friends and family!

Becky and Gary Wheatley will host this group cruise. Please reserve with us to ensure you are invited to our private parties, special events, group dinners and more!

Deposit - Only a **\$250 refundable deposit** per person when you book at the group rate.

Final payment - due by **October 14, 2024**
*the rates are subject to change until booked or sold out.

HARMONY OF THE SEAS



Date	Port	Arrival Time	Departure Time
Jan 19 - Sunday	Galveston, Texas		4:00 PM
Jan 20 - Monday	At Sea		
Jan 21 - Tuesday	At Sea		
Jan 22 - Wednesday	Coxen Hole, Roatan, Bay Islands, Honduras	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Jan 23 - Thursday	Costa Maya, Mexico	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Jan 24 - Friday	Cozumel, Mexico	7:00 AM	5:30 PM
Jan 25 - Saturday	At Sea		
Jan 26 - Sunday	Galveston, Texas	7:00 AM	

*Itinerary subject to change

LIMITED SPACE - For questions and reservations, please contact
Mindy Bubar • mindy@agroupcruise.com • (904) 613-2205



A Group Cruise

CRUISE RESERVATION FORM

Fill this form using Adobe Acrobat, rename & save the completed form, then attach in an e-mail to mindy@agroupcruise.com

Passenger Information: (Current legal name that is printed on your Passport)

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Cell:(_____) _____ How many people in your cabin: _____

Email Address: _____ Nickname for social badge: _____

Date of Birth Month/Day/Year: _____ Cruise Line Loyalty Number: _____

U.S. Citizen? Yes No Group or Chapter Affiliation: _____

Additional Passenger:

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Cell:(_____) _____ Best time to contact: AM PM

Email Address: _____ Nickname for Social Badge: _____

Date of Birth Month/Day/Year: _____ Cruise Line Loyalty Number: _____

U.S. Citizen? Yes No Group or Chapter Affiliation: _____

Do you have any special needs? Please describe below: (i.e., Medical, Dietary, Limited Mobility, Allergic Reactions, CPAP, Request To Sit At Dinner With Specific Friends, Cabin Assignment Requests, Comments)

Special pricing - based on double occupancy Name of Ship: _____ Sailing date: _____

Inside Cabin Window Cabin Balcony Cabin

I would like to purchase travel insurance through the cruise line: Yes No

A deposit per person is due to reserve your cabin. **(Plus if you would like to add travel insurance.)**

PAYMENT AREA

Credit Card Type: Visa MC American Express Discover

Name on the credit card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: Month _____ Year _____ Security Code: _____

Billing Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Approved amount to charge: \$ _____ Date of reservation: _____

Use the same credit card for the final payment? Please check one: Yes No Contact me for another credit card

Internal Use Only: Date cabin booked: _____ Final payment paid: _____ Confirmation sent: _____



Eagle Wings Texas - Why Join us?

- We are an open motorcycle association that caters to a variety of riders
- We are welcoming toward owners of ANY motorcycle brand or design.
- We are made up of a diverse population of welcoming friendly people.
- We are Built on the legacy of GWRRA and have been promoting safety since 1977
- We have served generations of members with our leadership including the grandchildren of early members.
- We work to participate and serve in community events and charities and have for decades.
- We plan and sponser chapter, state, and National riding events, as well as rallies to reinforce our commitment to safety, fun and friendship.
- Our membership costs are extremely low and we make every effort to ensure money does not get in the way of riding.
- Our members share their experience, and knowledge.
- Mainenance day events can be found where folks work together to keep our bikes in safe condition.
- We visit with other chapters, states and regions to keep the scenery new, and friendships plentiful.
- The national organization works to foster relationships with vendors to provide enhance value, quality products and services for our members.

We want you to be a part of our growing family as we continue to evolve our motorcycle association.

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Membership Application

Member #: _____
For Office Use

___ New Member Application

___ Renewing Member # _____

MM/DD/YYYY

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

First, Last

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____

Primary 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

Payment Method:	Visa	Master Card	Discover	American Express
Name on Card:	Card #:			
Expiration Date:	CVV (security code) on back:		Billing Zip Code:	

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

Honda Harley-Davidson Indian BMW Yamaha Suzuki Kawasaki Ducati Triumph
Can Am Moto Guzzi Other: _____

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

New Member - Who referred you? Name _____ Member # _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

(Note: Only two signatures required for family membership)

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.

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