



# CRYSTAL COAST WINGS

## Chapter F Jacksonville NC

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### Gold Wing Road Riders Association



Happy New Year

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Hey Gang,

What a month this has been, chasing plaques, visiting chapters to promote our fundraiser and prepping for January 1<sup>st</sup>. Elva and I have visited a total of 17 chapters in these couple of months and amazing things have happened. We have made a lot of new friends, and had fun doing it. That is what GWRRA is all about. I was very pleased to see at our Christmas party that we had 29 in attendance. That was fantastic. This past year - 2007, has been a good year for Chapter F. We have grown in numbers and the chapter is getting more active. We have had some chapter events and we attended other chapter events and had great turn outs. The question put to me was who decides on what to do or where to go. My answer is, anybody can plan a chapter ride or event. If there is something you want to do or somewhere you would like to go, all you have to do is let someone know. The chase was on this year for the Eastern Plaque. We are tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place with chapter Q. It will come down to a drawing that will be done at the Operations Meeting in February. I would like to thank the NC-F Plaque Pirates for being active this year, and they will tell you it was fun. If you want to be a chapter Plaque Pirate all you have to do is come along.

Elva and I would like to thank all the members who have stepped up to hold positions on the chapter staff. Without you, Elva and I could not accomplish what we have (alone things can be hard, but together as a team we can do anything). We are PROUD to announce that Charlie Harrison and Katie Camero will be our 2008 Couple of the Year. Elva and I would like to thank Faith and Allen Cook for doing an outstanding job as COY (Couple of the Year). Talking with them, they told me that "they had a lot of fun". We would also like to announce the Helen and Gary will be the chapter Sunshine Couple). But a SPECIAL thank you goes out to Charles and Francis Packer for what they do for the chapter almost every day. Just the paperwork alone is amazing. And SPECIAL, SPECIAL thank you goes out to the Chapter members, without you there would not be a chapter.

**We are very excited about 2008 and we have some special things planned, such as:**

MSF – ERC (experience riders course)  
Bike Maint day  
Cook outs  
Dinner rides  
Tour to Tanglewood (MS Bike ride) Campout – Sep 5 - 7  
Wing Ding (Greenville SC) Jul 3 - 6  
Wings Over the Smokies (NC Dist Rally) Sep 18 - 20  
Visiting other chapters  
Rider Education class  
NC Chapter events  
Ice cream socials  
Other GWRRA chapter visits

Until next time,

*Wayne & Elva Grant*

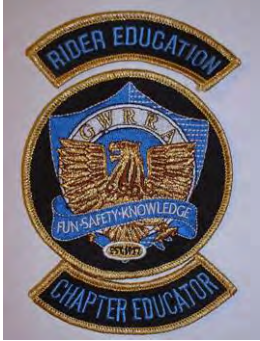
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*(It's all about the Red)*

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## GWRRA RIDER EDUCATOR



### From Your Rider Educators:

“**Watch for the other Guy**” How many times have you heard these words? “I didn’t see him”. I know we have all heard it on TV from friends or even ourselves! I know we all ride those big old bikes with plenty of “SAFETY CHROME”, lights and all the bells and whistles to go along with it, but it is funny how many times we are cut off by motorists not “SEEING” us. Motorists seem to see us but their minds don’t register something smaller than a car. So here are some ways to stay safe.

Use the S.E.E. process:

- S - Search for factors in the area.**
- E - Evaluate the potential risks and options.**
- E - Execute with control and precision.**

**Basically, it is just looking ahead for problems and potential problems, evaluating the problem and taking appropriate actions to avoid the problem.**

Keep a safe distance from the motorist in front of you. Some of the advantages of keeping safe driving distance are:

- **Ability to be seen**
- **Ability to see around and over other vehicles**
- **Time and space to react to road-surface changes covered by preceding vehicles**
- **Time and space to react to vehicles ahead**

When riding next to cars, make sure you are not in their blind spot and unseen, and also ensure you are riding in a track in your lane that allows you to be seen by the motorist in front of you.

When approaching intersections, keep an eye on the other traffic, before going through the intersection and watch out for that guy trying to make a quick right hand turn from around that semi sitting in the right lane.

Remember that there are plenty of idiots out there, so beware of them and don't be a statistic.

Taken from Insurance Information Institute website:

<http://www.iii.org/media/hottopics/insurance/motorcycle/>

According to U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA, <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>), in 2006, **4,810** motorcyclists **died** in crashes, up 5.1 percent from 4,576 in 2005, marking the ninth consecutive year of higher motorcycle deaths. Motorcycle fatalities are at their highest level since 1981. From 1997, a historic low, to 2006, motorcycle fatalities rose 127 percent. In 2006, **88,000** motorcycle riders were **injured** in accidents, 1,000 more than in 2005 and up 60 percent from 55,000 in 1996.

In 2006 motorcyclists accounted for 11 percent of all traffic fatalities, 13 percent of all occupant fatalities and 4 percent of all occupants injured.

Be safe and see you on the road!

Allen and Faith

*Allen and Faith Cook*  
*NC-F Chapter Educators*



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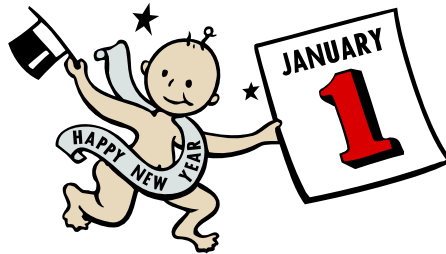
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## CHAPTER COUPLE

Hey all! Well, this year is just about done and gone, and time to ring in the New Year with our Resolution Ride! December has been a good month though! Let see we went after a piece of “WOOD” to Goldsboro and New Bern, and had fun with all our friends there! We had an awesome Christmas Party on the 8<sup>th</sup> with 29 people attending! We did Chinese Gift exchange and it got fun! Charles, sorry that Wayne kept stealing your gift, but that is the name of the game. By the way I still have a Hickory Farm Sausage pack if anyone wants to steal that from me!! HAAA! No really! Steal it, please!!! Hopefully Santa brought everyone everything they wanted for themselves and their bikes. So until next time be safe and see ya!!

See you on the road!!

Allen and Faith  
Chapter Couple



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## ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTOR



Our Next Chapter Meeting will be February 03  
Eat at 2:00 Meet at 3:00  
Logan's Steakhouse  
Western Blvd  
Jacksonville, NC  
PLEASE COME AND JOIN US!

### Hello from the ACD corner.

January 1<sup>st</sup> has come and gone and so has the 2008 Resolution Ride. What a fantastic day we had hosting the ride. The turnout from GWRRA members and guest was absolutely phenomenal. The ride that Allen coordinated took the riders through rural Onslow and surrounding counties. It took about an hour and there were over 100 bikes in attendance. What an impressive site to see that long line of Wings pulling into the Back Swamp Community Center. Our spaghetti dinner turned out pretty darn good, even if I have to say so myself. A tremendous thank you goes to Helen, Pam, Faith, Janet and Elva for all their hard work in planning and executing the event. We had plenty of spaghetti, salad and garlic bread to go around. For those that didn't want spaghetti, there was hot dogs and chili. There were many accolades about the food and the entire event. I think everyone had a wonderful time. It was a lot of hard work but well worth all the hours and labor we put in.

Randy and Bobbi Cavender  
Assistant Chapter Directors

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# HIGHLIGHT

## January 1<sup>st</sup> Resolution Ride



Goldwings at Back Swamp



Registration



Ed receiving Plaque for years of service



Goldwingers line up for Spaghetti

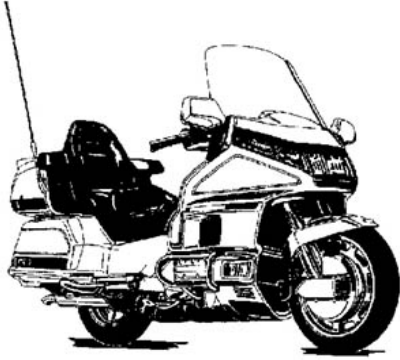


Allen leading the way.

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## Follow The Plaques!



### Region N Plaque

The Region N Wanderer Plaque is currently at Chapter TN-S in Westmoreland, TN. It will be available for capture on Saturday Jan 12th, Eat at 8:00 qm and meet at 9:00 am at the Corner Café 5234 New Highway 31E, Westmoreland, TN.

### Tar Heel Traveler Plaque

**The Tar Heel Traveler is now retired.**

### Eastern Traveler Plaque

**The Eastern Traveler is now retired.**

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## Happy Birthday

January

Gregory Humphrey Jan 26

Nell Meredith Jan 12

Maria Phillips Jan 23

## Happy Anniversary

Kevin Case Jan 16

If your birthday or anniversary was missed, please send me the information so that we can Celebrate you in the future.

If you have any announcements you would like to include in the Newsletter,  
Please send them to Bobbi Cavender at [bcavender@ec.rr.com](mailto:bcavender@ec.rr.com)



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## 2008 North Carolina District, Region N, & Nearby Events Calendar for Jan, Feb & Mar

<i>DATE</i>	<i>HOST CHAPTER</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>
<i>January 2008</i>		
<b>1</b>	<b>NC-F New Years Resolution Ride</b>	<b>Jacksonville NC</b>
<i>February</i>		
<b>2</b>	<b>NC District Operations Meeting</b>	<b>High Point, NC</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>NC-C2 Chili Cookoff</b>	<b>Smithfield, NC</b>
<i>March</i>		
<b>15</b>	<b>NC-H2 Swap Meet</b>	<b>Durham, NC</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>NC-Y2 Poker Run</b>	<b>Monroe, NC</b>
<i>April</i>		
<b>12</b>	<b>NC-W Pinto Bean Rally</b>	<b>Eden, NC</b>
<b>18-19</b>	<b>Down East Rally</b>	<b>Morehead City, NC</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>NC-E2 Poker Run</b>	<b>Elizabeth City, NC</b>
<b>24-26</b>	<b>Tennessee Spring Fling</b>	<b>Pigeon Forge, TN</b>



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## **GWRRA Invites You to Wing Ding 30**

Greenville, South Carolina • July 3-6, 2008

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) is pleased to announce its 30th annual Wing Ding will be in Greenville, South Carolina, next year. The international convention opens Thursday, July 3, and runs through Sunday, July 6, 2008, at the Carolina First Center, formerly known as the Palmetto Expo Center.

Wing Ding is the world's largest convention of owners of Honda Gold Wing and Valkyrie motorcycles, and Wing Ding 30 will highlight a yearlong celebration of GWRRA's 30th anniversary. Previous visits to Greenville were in 1995 and 2001. More than 10,000 Gold Wing motorcycle owners and riders are expected to attend Wing Ding 30, which could generate between \$10-15 million in direct economic impact to the area.

Much has changed in Greenville since GWRRA's last visit. Now owned by the City of Greenville, the Carolina First Center began a \$22 million enhancement plan in 2005 and, with completion scheduled by spring of 2008, is the largest convention center in the state, with 315,000 square feet of exhibition space and 88,000 square feet of meeting and conference space.

Just minutes away, Greenville's award-winning downtown has undergone revitalization as well. Always a visitor's delight—with its array of restaurants, art galleries, theaters and specialty boutiques—the West End district has added an incredible structure called the new Liberty Bridge that spans the scenic Reedy River Falls Historic Park and waterfalls. Other revitalization efforts include the Governor's School for the Arts and a new baseball stadium, West End Field, that is reminiscent of Fenway Park, and home to a fitting sculpture of one of Greenville's own—baseball legend Shoeless Joe Jackson. The area also has more than a thousand restaurants and nightspots.



“GWRRA Members will really enjoy the Greenville area, especially with its citywide improvements since our last visit there,” says GWRRA’s Executive Director, Melissa Eason. “Greenville citizens are excited to have us back, and I’m certain they will welcome us with the same warm, Southern hospitality they have in years past. We’re also pleased to be back on the East Coast and look forward to the opportunity for more Members from that area of the country to be able to join us. So be sure to come help us wrap up a yearlong celebration of GWRRA’s 30th anniversary at Wing Ding 30 in Greenville, South Carolina!”

Accommodations in Greenville range from quaint bed-and-breakfasts to major hotels, including the Hyatt, Hilton, Marriott, and Embassy Suites. The Greenville Convention and Visitors Bureau is handling room reservations for the more than 2,400 rooms in GWRRA’s room block, including the three host hotels. Currently, reservations for the room block can be made online at [www.greenvillecvb.com/housing](http://www.greenvillecvb.com/housing) using a live inventory system that allows you to book directly with your hotel of choice. Host hotel information will be forthcoming.

Managing Director of Event Management Group, Ed Price, in charge of planning the event, adds however, “Though more than 8,000 rooms are now available in the immediate area, as always, we urge GWRRA Members who want to attend to make their room reservations early.”

Visitors to previous Wing Dings held in Greenville have raved about the riding en route to Greenville through the Great Smoky Mountains. Located in the northwestern corner of the state, Greenville enjoys a temperate summer climate, with average daily highs of 89 degrees F and daily lows of 69 degrees F.

GWRRA, whose motto is “Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge,” is a not-for-profit organization with over 80,000 Members in 52 countries, and 4,000 volunteer leaders providing rider education, social structure, organizing events, rallies, rides and meetings throughout the year. Visit GWRRA’s websites: [www.gwrro.org](http://www.gwrro.org) and [www.wing-ding.org](http://www.wing-ding.org) or call (800) 843-9460 or (623-581-2500 (in Phoenix) for more information.

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