



# CRYSTAL COAST WINGS

## Chapter F Jacksonville NC

October 3, 2007



Gold Wing Road Riders Association

“Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge”



Hello from your Chapter Directors

As I sit here typing the first of many newsletters as your Chapter Director, I started thinking about what it takes to have a fun chapter? I made a couple of phone calls to some friends that were once chapter directors and they confirmed what I always believed. A chapter is only as good and as fun as the members in it. Elva and I are very excited and looking forward to our upcoming time as NC-F Chapter Directors. Our line up of chapter officers that will be working for the Chapter are:

- Chapter Directors – Wayne & Elva Grant
- Assistant Chapter Directors – Randy & Bobbi Cavender
- Rider Educators – Allen & Faith Cook
- Chapter Treasures - Charles & Frances Packer
- Chapter Public Relations – Ed & Bennie Clemmons

Open Positions:

- Sunshine Couple – help keep up with members birthdays/anniversaries/ illness
- Recruiting / Membership retention
- M.A.D Coordinators – Motorcycle Awareness Division

The Chapter does not run it self, it takes active and caring members to make a chapter fun.

September is almost over and this is what the chapter was up to. **September 8<sup>th</sup>**: Bill Wilson got the chapter involved with the New Bern MS ride. Randy, Allen, Wayne and 4 members from Chapter D (New Bern) met at the IHOP in NB for breakfast and a briefing from Bill about our assignments for the MS Ride. The people bicycling really appreciated us being out there and looking after them during there ride. Great Job Bill, please count us in for next year. **September 9<sup>th</sup>**: Bill returned to New Bern for the second day of the MS ride. Allen, Randy and I headed to White Lake to assist in a Diva’s Triathlon. The money that was earned for our assistance will be donated to the O’Berry center.

September 14<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup> found Allen and me on the road to the Tanglewood State Park to assist with the Tour to Tanglewood in Greensboro, NC (another MS ride). This is something that Allen and I have done in the past. I hope that other Chapter members will be interested in participating in this ride next year (Free camping).

September 20<sup>th</sup> thru 23<sup>rd</sup> NC-F headed to the mountains and Wings over the Smokies. A total of 13 members made the trip (Ed, Bennie, Kurt, Randy, Bobbi, Jan, Mike, Chris, Kevin, Charles, Francis, Elva and I). I believe everyone had a great time. Elva and I headed out on the 18<sup>th</sup> where we met up with James and Nell Meredith (NC-Q). On the 19<sup>th</sup> we put side stands up and headed out for the Cherohala Skyway. What a fantastic ride, once on the skyway there was 36 miles of the most beautiful scenery I have ever seen. On the 20<sup>th</sup> we headed down Hwy 276 from Waynesville NC to Hwy 64 and to Schroaders Honda in Henderson NC (Yes, the Dealer that is in Wing World mag). What a place, they had more Goldwings in the showroom then I have ever seen. After some time of drooling we finally made it to the rally. Soon after arriving we were met by the rest of the chapter. Upon completion of some shopping at the vendors we headed to Granny's Chicken Palace for an outstanding dinner, and after refueling we ended up at the hotel where the laughter, ice cream and good times got underway.

September 21<sup>st</sup> went to breakfast and off to Deal's Gap to Slay the Dragon. Some of our members really earned their t-shirts. Our Chapter was caught on film by [www.killboy.com](http://www.killboy.com) and [www.us129photos.com](http://www.us129photos.com). After some dinner the chapter headed back to the rally to work our assignment of parking lot duty (NC District pays the chapter for working). Who would have ever thought that we would have so much fun? Thank you to everyone that attended. Elva and I hope that next year we will have more members that will come and enjoy the fun.

September 22<sup>nd</sup> once again found the chapter on Hwy 276 and then 64 and then to the rally for some last minute vendor time and then closing ceremonies where NC District gave away a new Goldwing and matching trailer away. Sorry to say no one from NC-F won the bike, but we were all in the running until they called the first number. There is always next year, and with that said please start your plans to attend next year and enjoy the fun.

Our Chapter fundraiser for the O'Berry center is tentatively scheduled for January 1<sup>st</sup>. We are in need of help. To make this event a success it will take us all pulling together. We have the following teams to help make this happen:

**Assignment      Team Captain**

Kitchen detail – Bobbi Cavender

Registration – Charles & Francis Packer

Road Captain – Allen Cook

Gift/prizes – Randy Cavender

Please search your hearts and contact one of these team captains. This is NC-F's only fund raiser and we need to make it better then ever.

Wayne & Elva Grant

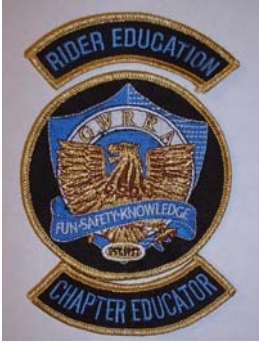
NC-F Chapter Directors

*"It's better to arrive 10 minutes late, than to die 5 minutes early"*

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## GWRRA RIDER EDUCATOR



## From Your Rider Educators:

### From your Chapter Educators:

“CHECK YOUR TIRES”, now that is a running joke around here, but it does have a very good meaning! Everyone needs to check their tires before every ride and if you are going on over-night trips, you should to check your tires daily!! I know it is a pain in the rear to do, but it could save you some heartache down the road. Just a quick personal experience: Faith and I were out for Labor Day Weekend in the Foothills of the Smoky Mountains, tooling down the roads and visiting friends at the NC Zoological Park! Well, woke up the next morning to get on the road and checked the tire pressure. The rear tire was down to 32 PSI, so I aired it up and decided to check the tire. Lo and behold I found a 1 ½ inch nail going right through the tire!! Luckily I carry a Tire Plug Kit and a mini Compressor on the bike, and we were able to do the repair and limp home with no problems. Remember “CHECK YOUR TIRES”.

Be safe and see you on the road!!

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

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## CHAPTER COUPLE



Hey all! Fall is here and it is getting cooler! YEAH!! Not much happened in September. Some of us have helped out or fellow Chapter, NC-Q with a couple of Triathlons and we assisted with the New Bern MS Ride on the 8<sup>th</sup>. A bunch headed off to play in the hills and visit the Wings over the Smokies Rally. Glad everyone made it home safely! Faith and I have also taken over as the Chapter Rider Educators as well as being the Chapter Couple!

See you on the road!!

*Allen and Faith  
Chapter Couple*

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## ASSISTANT CHAPTER DIRECTOR



Hello from the ACD corner.

Boy, does time ever fly by. We waited all year for Wings over the Smokies and it just flew by. We had 13 members attend this year from our chapter, I can't say that this is a record for Chapter F because I don't know, but I can say that it is more than we have had in a number of years. It was great and made our parking lot directing duties much easier.

This year was much better than last year for a number of reasons. The foremost reason that sticks in my mind is that my Better Half was able to attend this year. I always have more fun when she is able to share the experiences of the Smokies with me. Did I mention that we all had fun? It was a blast. We had several First Time Attendees and they were able to experience the Tail of The Dragon themselves. The pictures are on the web to prove it and the smiles stayed on their faces for awhile.

I know that everyone would like to take the time to thank District for doing a fantastic job as always. They make sure everything runs smoothly and that the vendors are there for us to spend our hard earned money, sometimes more than we realize, ahem. I'm not saying Gold Wingers like lights and chrome, but some of our member's bikes do shine and glow in the dark. Just ask Wayne.

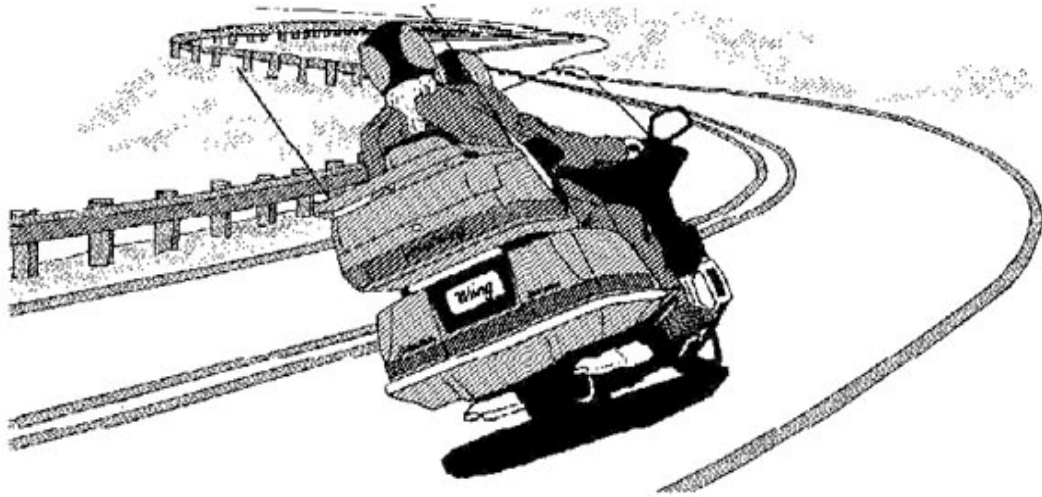
On a sad note, eight of our District members passed away this year including one of our own. Thank you Ed for lighting a special candle for Ray and being there to represent Chapter "F". It did mean a lot to all of us.

Now that Fall is here we all should be mindful of the changing weather and the hazards that come with the changing seasons. Be cautious of leaves on the roads especially when they are wet and slick and it seems that more and more of our furry friends like to be targets on the roads for us.

Until next month, Bobbi and I would like to wish everyone a safe and fun riding experience. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step so take care.

Randy and Bobbi Cavender

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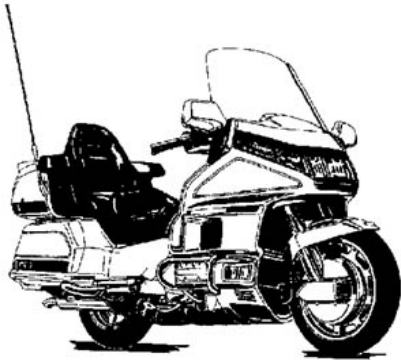
## HIGHLIGHT

The Highlight for September would have to be Wings Over the Smokies. We had 13 members at this year's Rally. The weather was beautiful ranging from cool crisp mornings to hot muggy afternoons. Chapter F was in charge of the parking detail for the talent show this year. It was a pretty easy and fun. Good job to all who took part. We managed to get in several days of riding the twisties. The Smokies provide breathtaking vistas around every turn. Wayne and Elva did a fantastic job of coordinating some rides that were unforgettable. We rode Deal's Gap again this year and also Rt 276. There were twists and turns, waterfalls and lots of rock cliffs to be seen. I think everyone had a fantastic time.

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## Follow The Plaques!



### Region N Plaque

The Region N Wanderer Plaque is currently at Chapter TN-Y in Murfreesboro, TN, Sloans Supercenter 2233 NW Broad St. It will be available for capture on Saturday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, Eat at 8:00 am and meet at 9:00 am .

### Tar Heel Traveler Plaque

The Tar Heel Traveler is with NC-S, Lenoir. It will be available at their next monthly meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> at AJ's Prime Sirloin Steakhouse, Hwy. 321 N. (Blowing Rock Blvd.). Eat at 6:00 PM, meet at 7:00 PM.

### Eastern Traveler Plaque

**The Eastern Traveler is with NC-B, Goldsboro. It will be available at their next monthly meeting on Thursday, October 11th at Wilber's Barbecue, 4172 E. Hwy 70. Eat at 6:30 PM, meet at 7:30 PM.**

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# Happy Birthday

October

Bryan Allen Oct 12

Charles Packer Oct 23

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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# 2007 North Carolina District, Region N, & Nearby Events Calendar for Oct, Nov & Dec

<i>October</i>		
4 - 6	VA District Rally	Salem, VA
12,13,19,20	NC-B2 Haunted Hayride	Winston-Salem, NC
20 - 21	Couples Get-A-Way	TBA
27	NC-B2 Haunted Hayride	Winston-Salem, NC
<i>November</i>		
<i>December</i>		
1	Gifts On Cycles	Butner, Goldsboro, & Morganton, NC

Throughout each year, the NC GWRRA Chapters and members hold fundraising events and make personal donations to support 3 State Centers through parades, presence, and donations in a program called Gifts On Cycles. The events take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in December.

**O’Berry Center is one of five regional facilities that serve the developmentally disabled population of North Carolina. O’Berry presently serves approximately 291 individuals who reside in group homes on the campus. Each of the group homes serve from eight to sixteen persons ranging in age from 18 to 86. The majority of the individuals are adults and many are medically fragile and experience other disabilities such as hearing, visual, speech, seizures, and ambulation or contracture concerns. No matter what functioning level or disability, everyone loves to receive gifts and to be recognized in a special way. And for the past ten years that the Gold Wings have been coming to O’Berry Center, you have made a difference in the lives of the individuals we serve.**

**For 2007, the events are scheduled for Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. I will provide a wish list for the residents in next month’s newsletter.**

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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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