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District Director's Message

Hello NY District,

Once again, we had a great Wing Ding in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Yes, it was HOT. My cell phone thermometer read 106.5 degrees during the Grand Parade staging. The heat kept us from riding much. However, the vendors, seminars, friends, and the support of the Fort Wayne community ensured we had a good time. Chapters NY-K, W, and N were well represented. Members of NY-T, D, and G were also there. Several of the attendees from NY were attending their first Wing Ding. After speaking to them, I am sure it will not be their last.

A lot of official GWRRA business takes place at Wing Ding. Jere and Linda Goodman were named Directors of GWRRA. They are former International Deputy Directors. Jere and Linda are great people, and we wish them well in their new position.

Several awards were presented to New Yorkers. District Educator (and Region B Assistant Educator) Al Stahl and NY Assistant Educators John and Pam Van Deusen received Merit Awards for their Rider Ed efforts in our District and Region. Region B MFA/CPR Coordinators Keith and Elaine Price and their Team received the Merit Award for "Most Improved in Classes and Students Taught". Great job, people!

We thank all of the New Yorkers that assisted with the Wing Ding parades. It was difficult to work in that heat. We deeply appreciate your effort.

Next year's Wing Ding will be held in Greenville, South Carolina. In 2014 it will be in one of our favorite places, Madison, Wisconsin.

The next big event for our District is the Bi-State Convention on August 16-18, in the beautiful Mt Olive/Budd Lake area in New Jersey. We are working hard to make this the most FUN Bi-State yet. Part of the fun will be a plethora of half day rides through this scenic area. Chapter NY-X will lead an all-day ride on that Saturday to the Motorcyclepedia Museum in Newburgh, NY. This ride may also stop at Orange County Choppers. We hope to see ALL of you at the Bi-State Convention!

Ride safe and often,

Paul & Suzette Wood
GWRRA NY Sr. District Directors

A DISTRICT DIRECTORS OBSERVATIONS AT WING DING

Proper riding gear is essential, no matter how hot it is. You never know when a crash will happen. Hot roads will tear off your skin and smash your skull just as easily as cold ones will.

Just because a state's law says helmet usage is not mandatory doesn't mean it's a good idea to ride bare-headed.

It is amazing how quickly dehydration sets in when the temperature is over 100 degrees.

Kick-stands and center-stands sink into pavement very easily when the temperature gets over 90 degrees. Always use a support plate.

Never underestimate the power of the weather in the mid-west.

Bike covers act as sails during windstorms, and can topple your bike.

A Shoei Multi-tec helmet can hold at least 3 inches of rain water when locked to a Gold Wing.

The vent holes in helmets do not drain out rain water.

Waterlogged helmet headsets can be restored to operable condition with a hair dryer.

Wing Ding works so well in Fort Wayne. We enjoy it there so much more that when it was in Nashville or Knoxville.

The friendliness of GWRRA members never ceases to amaze me.

You will never fully appreciate GWRRA until you participate in a Wing Ding.

Paul Wood

District Education



QUICK TIPS: The Importance of Riding Unimpaired by Alcohol or Other Drugs

Theory: Alcohol And Motorcycles Are Incompatible

- At a BAC* of 0.01 to 0.04%, judgment begins to lessen, the drinker is less critical of their own actions, reaction time is slowed, and indications of mental relaxation may appear.

- At a BAC of 0.05 to 0.07%, judgment is not sound, thinking and reasoning powers are not clear, and the ability to perform complex skills is lessened.
- At a BAC of 0.08% or above, judgment and reasoning powers are severely hampered, and the individual cannot complete common simple tasks without error.

Proof: Statistics From Recent Studies (by NHTSA, Florida, Kentucky, and Australia)

- Having any alcohol in one's body increases the chance of crashing by five times.
- Having a BAC greater than 0.05% increases the risk of crashing about forty-fold.
- 46 percent of all motorcyclists killed in crashes were using alcohol.
- One fourth of all fatal alcohol-related motorcycle crashes involve motorcyclists running off the road, overturning, or falling from the motorcycle rather than striking another object.

Explanation: Alcohol Affects Your Ability To “SEE”

SEESm is the acronym for MSF's strategy to help motorcycle riders maintain a safety margin as well as remain ready and able to respond properly to traffic situations. SEE stands for:

- **Search** for hazards that might lead to trouble.
- **Evaluate** how the hazards might interact to create risk; prioritize multiple hazards to deal with one at a time.
- **Execute** an action to maintain a margin of safety.

Alcohol affects these three human elements of safe motorcycle operation by impairing your vision (**Search**), judgment/decision-making ability (**Evaluate**), and coordination/reaction time (**Execute**).

Recommendation: Plan Ahead

- Riders should never mix alcohol with riding. Even low, legal limits of BAC increase your risk while riding a motorcycle.
- Riders who are away from home and decide to drink should either (1) wait until their BAC has returned to zero before riding, even if it means staying overnight, or (2) leave the motorcycle in a secure location and find alternate transportation home.

District Membership Enhancement



Pete Marielle ST-Amour
NY District MEC

TRIAL MEMBERSHIP
It's New and Exciting



Having a Leadership position in our great Association, we are constantly looking at different ways to entice new members to join in. Of course one may not want to shell out fifty dollars for a family membership without knowing a little bit as to what to expect as new member. Last spring

National has come out with a new way to ease between the fears of disappointment. It's now called the TRIAL MEMBERSHIP, it's new and exciting

If a person goes to the main GWRRA [web page](#) they will find a tab offering a TRIAL Membership. The Trial Membership is good for two months and the person receives two issues of *Wing World Magazine* and several informative brochures about the Association, benefits, and how GWRRA can serve them. The TRIAL Membership is limited to one TRIAL Membership per year/per household.

The TRIAL MEMBERSHIP will increase the attendance at Chapter Gatherings, Events, rides and other functions. The prospective member has shown interested in our GWRRA Association. They want to know what is our Association has to offer. The second thing is for the Chapter Membership Enhancement Coordinator (MEC), Chapter Director (CD) to contact this person and tell them about the Chapter, its coming up rides, Gatherings, and any other Events the Chapter may be having and invite them over.

The contact information for TRIAL Memberships is currently being sent through the Membership Enhancement chain from National to your District MEC than to the Chapter level. If you are the Chapter Membership Enhancement Coordinator (Chapter Director if no MEC is on the Chapter TEAM) only if a TRIAL Membership is issued and is allocated to your Chapter designation will you receive an Email from me requesting that you contact these new Members. Email could be issued any day of the month.

Just imagine how you would feel if you accepted the offer of a TRIAL Membership and a fellow Member contacted you and invited you to a Chapter Event. Chances are the TRIAL Membership will turn into a Full or Associate Membership and you would have an additional Member for your Chapter. What an opportunity, don't let any Member slip away, who knows we may be looking at a future CD down the road.

It's good business to add this TRIAL MEMBERSHIP address to your monthly newsletter on a monthly basis http://gwrro.org/free_trial.html

District Training



NY DISTRICT
LEADERSHIP TRAINERS



WOW! We cannot believe it is August already. Wing Ding 34 has come and gone. I hope everyone took a seminar or two while at WD34. If you attended WD34 you know how much fun it was. HOT! Definitely! The temperature 'yes' and so was all the vendors and shoppers. Every time you turned around there was something new to see and do. This convention was really packed with lots of fun and interesting things, and lots of seminars to bring back knowledge to your family, friends and chapter.

Everyone in our chapter that attended WD34 came back with big smiles on their faces. We met a lot of

friendly people in Indiana who were very warm and welcoming. The temperature was extremely hot and the locals were there with bottles of water and were very considerate in the stores outside of the convention center.

That's the spirit that brings people together and each helps one another. Best of all everyone had a chance to concentrate on learning something new. Since you did not have to concentrate on daily chores, you could take time for yourself and take that seminar you are always going to take but somehow cannot fit it in your schedule.

Did you fill up your Tri-fold cards with instructor's initials as you took different seminars? Did you miss a couple seminars to fill a section like "Chapter Life" so you can receive a "Chapter Life Bar"? Well do not fear, because NJ-NY Bi-State Convention held in Mount Olive, NJ is being held August 16-18, 2012. We have lots of great seminars planned so be sure to attend. Not only are they doing lots of rides in a beautiful part of New Jersey but you will be able to fill your cards and earn your bar so hurry and register, it is coming up fast. Do not miss this convention, as it is also packed with lots of fun and excitement.

The summer has so many chances to invest in yourself you do not want to miss out.

We are studying and training and look forward to meeting each of you. Please stop in and introduce yourself. Let us know what seminars you liked best. We need your input. We are working together for a better tomorrow.

See you all at the NJ-NY Bi-State Convention August 16-18, 2012.

Richard and Claire Aylward
NY District Leadership Trainers
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"You must become the change you want the world to be" - Gandhi

District COY Coordinators

August Greetings

From

NY District Couple of the Year Coordinators



By the time you are reading this article the Bi-State convention will be upon us. We were very proud of our 2011-2012 NY District Couple of the Year, Eileen and Tim Guile. They did a super job at the Region B Selection!! They are great ambassadors for GWRRA and we know that all of our NY District members supported them during their reign as the District Couple.

We want to invite all of the NY District members who are at the Bi-State Convention to attend the Couple of the Year Selection. We will honor all of our NY Chapter Couples at that time, whether they have chosen to participate in the Selection process or not. It is an honor to be chosen as a Chapter

Couple and all of our NY couples have done a great job in promoting the fun we have as GWRRA members.

Unfortunately Brian and Melody, NY-X Chapter Couple, experienced a fire in the storage facility at their apartment complex. Their Gold Wing, along with other personal items was lost. This was a very distressing and disastrous event. At this time their energy and time are being spent on locating a new bike and dealing with the consequences of the fire. We understand the reason they decided not to participate in the Selection. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Hopefully their chapter will select them as Chapter Couple again next year and they will be able to participate in the 2013 Selection. We could tell after our Meet and Greet at Americade that Brian and Melody would definitely make a wonderful District Couple. Their enthusiasm for GWRRA was very evident. We wish them the best!

Since being NY District Couple in 2009-2010 we have met so many fantastic GWRRA members from other Districts. In June we received a call from Cindy and Evan Parton from North Carolina. They are members of the Motorcycle Travel Network and were heading to our area on the way to Wing Ding. Of course they wanted to see Niagara Falls on the way. What a wonderful couple!! Cindy and Evan are the NC District MEC. They are former NC District Couple of the Year. We had a ball!!! They rode with us to our NY-H gathering and even took a longer ride along Lake Erie with three of our NY-H couples. We have made a lasting friendship with yet another GWRRA couple. As you can see from the photo, Cindy is holding, Lulu, the Couple of the Year Mascot. She is pink and the NC chapter couples are raising money and promoting cancer awareness as many of them have had or are battling cancer. What a wonderful project for such a worthy cause.



As your District Couple of the Year Coordinators we are here to help your chapter and/or Chapter Couple of the Year in any way we can. If you have any questions or need more information about the Couple of the Year Program, please feel free to contact us at rkelly48@gmail.com or at 716-830-9569

Be Safe and Enjoy the Ride!
Bob and Sandy Kelley

Around the Region

Hello Everyone,

We would like to thank you and all of the members from Region B for all of the hard work during the Parades.

We were very proud of Region B when we are approached from others from the International Team and the Region Team to ask us how we get so many from the Region to help at Wing Ding. It is because of you and the membership that the Light Parade & the Grand Parade went off so smoothly.

Job...WELL DONE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Tom & Renee Wasluck
Region B Directors

News from National



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Press Release



Gold Wing Road Riders Association Announces Red Roof Inn And Motel 6 As New Discount Benefits Added To Our Membership Program



Phoenix, AZ (July 9, 2012) Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) is pleased to announce two new Member Discounts to our Benefit Program. GWRRA has contracted for Members to receive a **15% discount** with **Red Roof Inn**, and a **10% discount** with **Motel 6**.

Red Roof Inn has over 350 hotels across 41 states in the U.S. Take advantage of accommodations like free Wi-Fi, HBO, ESPN, CNN, and pets stay free! You will find great rooms, comfy beds, budgetconscious rates, and nice people devoted to making your stay a great one.

Make your **Red Roof Inn** reservations 1 of 3 different ways to receive your discount:

1. Online through GWRRA'S Red Roof Inn website at www.redroof.com/partners/gwrro
2. Call **800-RED-ROOF (800-733-7663)** and use/give them promo code: **614341**
3. On site at any **Red Roof Inn** location, by giving them promo code: **614341**

Motel 6 is proud to partner with GWRRA to offer a 10% discount on your next stay. Take advantage of the partnership by booking your reservation at Motel 6 where you'll find clean, comfortable rooms at the lowest price of any national chain. **We'll leave the light on for you.** ®

To make your **Motel 6** reservations and receive your discount*, go to:

Online: <http://gwrro.org/benefits.html>, call: **800-4-MOTEL6 (800.466.8356)** or on site at any **Motel 6** location. **Mention Corporate Code: CP564470 to receive your discount!**

*Some Motel 6 locations & dates may be excluded.

GWRRA, with its motto "**Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge**," is a not-for-profit organization with over 72,000 Members in 53 countries, and 4,000 volunteer leaders providing rider education and social structure, along with organizing events, conventions, rides and meetings throughout the year. Visit GWRRA's Web site: www.gwrro.org or call **(800) 843-9460** or **(623) 581-2500** (in Phoenix) for more information.

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NY Chapter Information - <http://www.gwrroa-ny.org/chapters.htm>

Chapter D http://gwrroa-ny-d.org/		
Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Bill & Julie Spencer Marcellus, NY 315-673-2641	Robert & Christine Makai Liverpool, NY 315-506-0340	Euclid Restaurant , upstairs Route 31 & Morgan Rd Clay, NY 2nd Wednesday Dinner at 6 pm Gathering at 7 pm
Chapter F		
Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Ronald & Patricia Schroth Breesport, NY 607-739-5421	Richard & Lois Brown Burdett, NY 607-546-4111	Ichabod Lounge (back of Manos' Diner) 357 Elmira Road Ithaca, NY 3rd Saturday @ 10:00 am
Chapter G http://www.tiptopwebsite.com/gwrroa		
Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Mike & Carol McGinness Ballston Lake, NY 518-376-8061	Jerry Deyoe Rensselaer, NY 518-465-3051 Bobbi Hardman Albany, NY 518-608-5892	Wolf Road Diner 219 Wolf Rd Albany, NY Last Wednesday Dinner @ 6 pm Meeting @ 7 pm

Chapter H

<http://www.highwayhobos.com/>

Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Keith & Elaine Price North Tonawanda, NY 716-625-9577	Bill & Dorothy Hardenbrook Kendall, NY 585-281-2414	The Wilson House Restaurant & Inn 300 Lake St Wilson NY 1st Sunday @ 10:00 am

Chapter K

<http://www.gwrri-ny-k.org>

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Chapter L

<http://gwrranychapter1pictureplace.shutterfly.com/>

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Douglas & Linda Eighmey West Hurley, NY 845-679-7423	Deborah & Fred Stein Catskill, NY 518-945-2716	Koch's Restaurant 969 Main St Leeds, NY 2nd Friday Dinner @ 6:00 pm Meeting @ 7:15 pm

Chapter N

<http://www.gwrri-ny-n.org/>

Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Steve & Katy Nutting Saratoga Springs, NY 518-587-1076	Ken & Donna Granger Greenwich, NY 518-692-7525	Carl R's Cafe / Restaurant Corinth Rd. Exit 18 West Glens Falls NY 3rd Friday Dinner @ 6:15 pm Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Chapter T

<http://www.gwrra-ny-t.org>

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David & Linda Fletcher Stittville, NY 315-865-4458	TBD	Vienna Hotel 2805 New York 49 (Rt 49 & Rt 13) Blossvale, NY 4th Thursday @ 7:00 pm

Chapter U

<http://mysite.verizon.net/imtruble4sure/>

Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Cliff & Nancy Schaal Salamanca, NY 716-354-2045	TBD	Belle-View East 7 E. Main St, Falconer, NY 1st Sunday Lunch @ 2:00 pm Meeting @ 3:00 pm

Chapter W

<http://www.gwrra-nyw.org/>

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Greg & Dee Eames Pittsford, NY 585-334-7609	Larry Helber Webster, NY 585-737-6914	Panorama Restaurant 730 Elmgrove Rd Rochester, NY 3rd Thursday Dinner @ 6:00 pm Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Chapter X

<http://hudsonvalleywings.org/>

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Paul & Sheryl Breau Newburgh, NY 845-562-8327	Alex & Natalie Borrero Newburgh, NY 646-752-1761	Gateway Diner 1292 Rt-300 Newburgh, NY 3rd Sunday 3:00 pm

Chapter Y

<http://gwrranewyorkchaptershutterfly.com/>

Chapter Directors	Assistant Chapter Directors	Gathering
Andy Pofahl Kirkwood, NY 607-725-4545	David & Michelle Perry Chenango Forks, NY 607-765-7744	Gramma's Country Cafe 3599 State Route 79, Harpursville, NY - 1st Tuesday @ 6 pm

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Diamond Point - 518-668-5334

Rooms starting at \$85.00 night

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