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Chapter NC-C2

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“The Wingin’ News”

Meetings held at PARKSIDE CAFÉ in Pine Level the 1st Tuesday of each month: It is Located on Hwy 70 ALT East, I-95 Exit 97, 2 miles on the right past the Robbins Nest Restaurant. We eat at 6:30 and meet at 7:30 PM.

FRIENDS for FUN, SAFETY, and KNOWLEDGE

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Happy Mother's Day!



From your chapter team leader, Frankie Medlin

The month of April has provided us with some very pretty days, but then we keep getting some very cool nights, too. Colors are beginning to peak out everywhere we travel and even in our very own yards here at home. We have had the opportunity to ride our bikes on some of these pretty days. Some of us were lucky enough to get a little riding in all along during the winter, but had to keep check on our bikes. Since this was my first winter in a long time to have a bike to be totally responsible for, I found out the hard way what happens when you don't crank your bike over a period of a few weeks. During the snowy days, when it was so cold, I didn't crank my bike and didn't have a battery tender on it and guess what happened when I tried to crank it for the first time? Yes, you're right, it didn't crank. My son, Drew came out and helped me push it to the top of the hill in my driveway and yes, gave me a push down the hill as I cranked it by letting out the clutch. I had forgotten about doing it this way, but was reminded quickly. Guess what Drew gave me for my birthday, you got it...a battery tender. This is just a reminder that we do continue to learn things all along when we ride or in this case when we don't ride.

Hope you had a wonderful Easter and some time with your families. We had a new outdoor workshop center that was built and dedicated to one of our members that we lost to cancer. What a great Sunrise Service we had at this new outdoor chapel, as we sang and remembered the true reason for the season of Easter.

Hope all of you have had a chance to check out our web site c2goldwings.jimdo.com. Candis has continued to add stuff to it and usually does something to update it daily. There is a glitch in the link from the NC District site if you try to go to our site from the chapter information. However, if you go from the NC District Homepage and go to Links, then go down to NC District GWRRA Sites, then go to NC C2 Smithfield, our site comes up fine. If you type in c2goldwings.jimdo.com it comes up fine, too. Let Candis know if you would like for her to put anything on our C2 site and she will certainly try to.

We were excited to have new faces again at our April meeting. Charles and Sue had invited a couple that they ran into named Juan and Gladys. We hope they will be back with us again at our May meeting. Clinton and Kathy Bradner and George and Frankie Watson were back with us again and we are hoping they will decide to join GWRRA and will choose our chapter as their home chapter. Please make them feel welcome. We continue to meet people at Wendy's on Friday nights and of course we invite them to come and be with us at our chapter gatherings. If any of you bump into people in your daily adventures that you think may be interested in joining us, be sure to tell them about our group and how much fun we have when we get together.

Speaking of having fun together, we continue to have lots of fun at Wendy's on Friday nights. If you haven't been able to come yet or if you haven't been in a while, come when you can. Fun multiplies and divides when we share it with others.

We thank Joe Straughan for suggesting Ted's Steak House to us for our April Dinner Ride. The food was great, the service was superb, the room was very conducive to great

conversation and the sixteen that went had a great time. We added several places to our Dinner Ride list as we sat and talked. If you haven't turned in two or three names of places to go, please turn them in to me at our May meeting or anytime you see me.

DJ Sawyer has jumped in as a contributing member by starting to collect information about what we are doing or have done in the past. If you have not done so, please make a list of classes or workshops you have taken in the last two years and places you have visited since January 1. Be sure to include rallies you have attended. She will need names of classes or workshops and dates attended. Thank you, DJ, for all you have and are doing. We look forward to Steve being able to be with us one day soon. Steve and DJ went to Riders Education in the East and took three different classes. DJ, we are your new family, just call on us when you need us.

DJ still needs members to work with her on the Chapter of the Year Committee. Please let DJ know if you would like to help with this.

C2 was represented at Monroe's Open House. It was a beautiful day and we enjoyed riding our bikes. Seven C2 members attended and we all had a wonderful day. Let's ride anytime we can, but remember to ride safe and watch all vehicles around you as you ride. Call a friend and see if they can ride, too. We have a lot of adventures to take advantage of in May. Check our May calendar and look ahead at our June calendar for rides, events and visits, we have planned. Check our web site for updates, Candis is planning to keep ride information listed on the web site under Ride Schedule. Keep your email checked for addition rides, visiting and things that come up during the month. If you have something you would like for us to do, just call me. We will put it out there and probably some of our group will want to join you.

If you still haven't gotten your registration in for Wings Over the Smokies for September 2014, go ahead and do so as soon as you can. We are staying at Great Smokies Inn which is next door and one of the four within walking distance to the Acquoni Exposition Center. Connie and Kerney went to Cherokee in April and checked out the Acquoni Exposition Center and also the Great Smokies Inn. They shared with me that Great Smokies Inn looked like a very good place to stay.

If you want to participate in the Ride Pot, Shari will be selling tickets for the ride pot for \$1 each. You can purchase a ticket each time you go on a ride. You can do this at Wendy's on Friday nights or you can email Shari at slangle537@gmail.com and give the money to Shari when you see her. If you have email on your phone, you may want to put Shari's email address in your phone.

Be sure to plan to be at our May gathering on Tuesday, May 6th. Call me or text me at 919-632-2314 or email me at fpmedlin@yahoo.com with any ideas that you would like for us to try.

For those of you outside of our chapter, we invite you to come visit with us at our gathering anytime. If you have visited us or are a regular visitor each month, please continue to come and visit. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at Parkside Café, 2176 US Hwy 70A East, Selma, NC. Hope to see you on May 6th.

For our newest members, we need your new ideas and energy that continue to rejuvenate our seasoned members. This cycle continues to need to be fueled.

Let's ride for FUN, FRIENDS and SAFETY.....RIDE SAFE!!
Frankie Medlin, Your C-2 Team Leader



From your Assistant Chapter Director, Tom Tipton

I hope this article finds everyone well and getting ready to ride. Don't forget to TCLOC your machines before you hit the black top or the black top may hit back!

With our ride schedule starting and not yet into full swing, it would be a good time to read back issues of our chapter newsletters to review the great information that our Rider Educator, Sammy Langley, has presented to us. Who knows the information that you review may be just what you need to get out of a pinch with a four wheeler or bigger vehicles. If you ride a motorcycle, you have a great need for Rider Education. Myself I try to make it a habit to review back issues of our newsletters. There's lots of very good information stored in the pages of the out dated issues. They contain current information of interest for all to review that will never be "Out Dated". Not just Rider Education as important as it is, there are mountains of other important information. Like the travels of our most cherished COY, Sue and Charles Langley, as they represent our chapter with great character and honor. The newsletter also reflects our Chapter Director's steadfastness to have a chapter that our members can be proud to be a part of. The newsletter, if studied, will prove that Frankie Medlin has the best interest of our chapter and members at heart. The review of our chapter meetings by our chapter Reporter is unmatched IMHO, "In My Humble Opinion". Linda Hairr does such a good job. The newsletter always reflects the chapter Special Events Coordinators. They have forgotten more about GWRRA that I and most would hope to learn, as you read about all the events that have taken place. Kearney and Connie Eason have also proved over and over to be a big help to Frankie and our chapter. The lines in the Newsletter that have to do with any Care Bear information, proves that we have the best with Debbie and Nonie. All that marvelous information would not be possible if it was not for the hard work and dedication of our very own Newsletter Editor, Judy Bankston. She seldom gets the attention she deserves. What she does every month for our Great Chapter C2 is a task more like a job that we all take her for granted for what she does for us. So if you have a moment, the next time you see Judy, please give her a heartfelt hug and tell her, JOB WELL DONE! Because without her it would not matter how good or active our chapter is, with the many members it takes to keep the chapter going no one would know, if it was not for Judy. Thanks for all you do!

I do hope every chapter member that rides Motorcycles takes advantage of the safety that C2 strongly adheres to as we ride together and enjoy each ones company, Making unforgettable memories that are stored in the pages of our Newsletters.

Thanks,
Tom Tipton your ACD

FROM YOUR CHAPTER COUPLE: CHARLES AND SUE LANGLEY



Hello everyone,

Newsletter time again, so let's begin! Hope all of you had a wonderful Easter with family and friends celebrating the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. What a great time of the year!

Some of our chapter members have been busy this month visiting other chapters. Seems that it does make a difference, because we had lots of visitors with us at our April gathering. We were happy to see everyone and look forward to next time!

Charles and I have met 3 brand new chapter couples: James and Diane Alexander from Salisbury NC- M were announced at their April gathering.



And by the way, they visited our chapter in April. Thanks for visiting along with your CD Cal and Diane Davis. We were also happy to see their service dogs along for the ride!!!!

Eddie and Gwen Knight are the new chapter couple from NC- A Greensboro. We had the opportunity to meet this lovely couple at their gathering this month, also. The third new couple is Jock and Elana Wuir from Elizabeth City NC- E2. They are really excited and we hope to see all three a lot in the future. We all enjoy meeting new friends.

Here Charles and I present the Eastern Couples Plaque to them at Elizabeth City's April gathering. Roy and Cindy Bryant joined us for a Couples Picture.



On a beach ride Charles and I stopped by to visit our daughter and her family while they were camping out at the beach. We always try to combine family, fun, and food! Oh, by the way, our beach trip was to scout out a ride for our chapter later this year. Now how is that for getting it all in??????



Our congratulations go to New Bern D2 for capturing the Region N Plaque from Tennessee. Everyone is anxious to see where it lands next. Go New Bern!!!

One of the most enjoyable visits we've been on was with Sanford S2 this month. Susan Womack gave the best Riders Ed talk I've ever heard. Thanks, Susan, for such special words of wisdom. Also, Jim and Sue are doing a great job leading their chapter. Keep up the good work Sanford!!!!

Okay enough for this time. Take care and keep your eyes on the road.
Love all of you.... Charles and Sue

MOTHERS

God could not be everywhere, therefore He made mothers.

A mother's love never ages.

The mother's heart is the child's schoolroom.

Her children arise up and call her blessed.



Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge

KNOW YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES From the WI Motorcyclists Handbook
“Accident” implies an unforeseen event that occurs with-out anyone’s fault or negligence. Most often in traffic, that is not the case. In fact, most people involved in a crash can usually claim some responsibility for what takes place. Consider a situation where someone decides to try to squeeze through an intersection on a yellow light turning red. Your light turns green. You pull into the intersection without checking for possible latecomers. That is all it takes for the two of you to tangle. It was the driver’s responsibility to stop. And it was your responsibility to look before pulling out. Neither of you held up your end of the deal. Just because someone else is the first to start the chain of events leading to a crash, doesn’t leave any of us free of responsibility.” Some of those well- known signs along the roads back in the 50’s and 60’s summed up the above situation this way: “He was in the right -- as he sped along -- but he’s just as dead -- as if he’d been wrong.

Now that spring is around the corner and it's a little bit warmer in the garage it may be time to look at your motorcycle and do a T-CLOC inspection. If you take your bike to a dealer for service, they should be doing their version of the inspection. The T-CLOC items are: Tires and wheels Controls Lights Oil Chassis

LEVELS I, II, III, & IV

Don’t forget to keep a check on your levels. Keep them up to date. Plan to update your levels at Wings Over the Smokies during all the classes they offer. Be sure to register soon and take the classes.



Ride Smart & Be Safe!
Charles and Shari Langley
C-2 Chapter Educator

EAT, MEET and GREET

Sammy Langley, Ride Coordinator, opened the April 1st meeting with prayer.

The Couples Plaque was given away by Charles and Sue Langley, Couple of the Year for NC-C2. It was won by Bob and Sybil Yates of NC-D2 New Bern. The North Carolina Eastern Traveler Plaque was won by NC-Q Wilmington. The Couple of the Year Meal Ticket was won by Bob Yates of NC-D2 New Bern.

The meeting was attended by over 70 people. Some visitors were from: Laurinburg, Salisbury, Garner and New Bern. Frankie Medlin, Chapter Director, welcomed new visitors to NC-C2: George and Frankie Watson, Clinton and Kathy Bradner, and Juan and Gladys Bravo. Frankie introduced the NC-C2 members.

We had a co-rider tip from Sue Langley- Take an umbrella along on trips. It comes in really handy when you are waiting in the sun, such as waiting to get on a ferry.

Charles and Sue Langley, Couple of the Year, were presented with a check for the Couple of the Year. Charles and Sue do a lot of visiting and traveling for NC-C2.

Nonie Roberson, Sunshine Lady recognized the birthdays and anniversaries for April. Sammy Langley, Chapter Educator, gave some tips for riding. Sammy said to take your time and expect the unexpected. People claim they do not see motorcycles. Try to identify every car as a hazard. "Wear all the gear – all the time." The number for the Rider Educator was 68.

A Ride Pot of \$26.00 was presented by Sharie Langley, half of the Ride Coordinator. Frankie Medlin, Chapter Director, won the ride pot. The Vest Drawing was won by Mike Thomas of NC-C2 Smithfield.

A technical tip was given by Tom Tipton, Assistant Chapter Director. Tom said to flip your lights from bright to dim occasionally to help insure you will be seen.

Frankie decided to retire the "Chips-O-Boy" game. There was \$97.00 in the game which is being donated to O'Berry.

A Dinner Ride is planned for April 19, 2014 to go to Ted's Steakhouse in Clinton. The ride is to be led by Joe Straughan.

A Chocolate Morsel Cake was baked by Dottie Baker and donated to be raffled off. It was won by Frankie Medlin of NC-C2 Smithfield.

50/50: \$45.00 was won by Dianne Davis of NC-M Salisbury

\$43.00 was won by Dianna Alexander of NC-M Salisbury

\$43.00 was won by Faye Holton of NC-F2 Garner

Reporter
Linda Hairr



Judy Bankston: May 17

Eddie Lewis: May 21

Candis Medlin: May 23



From the Brain of your Webmaster.....C a n d i s M e d l i n

“We are family”, I am reminded of this song often when I think about our C2 family. With Easter just behind us, I hope everyone had sometime to spend with our respective families and truly think about what the day means to us. Easter always reminds me that there is always sun after the rain and joy after the pain. This season as we think about the sacrifice of Easter and what was done for us; let’s thank those who do things for us on a daily basis, be it the little things like bringing us a drink on a hot day or helping when we have other issues. It has always been a tradition in our family whether on vacation or here at home, to attend a sunrise service at our church or a church nearby on Easter. This year was special for us at our church, as we had a new outdoor chapel dedicated in memory of a member who lost his battle with brain cancer; his brother did all of the stone work.



We haven’t had a bunch of pretty days to ride in the month of April; but some of us have ridden as much as weather would allow. The saying goes, “April showers bring May flowers”; here’s hoping that the rainy weather we have had, will lead to a good growing season for our flowers and for those of us that try to have a garden.

As some of you may know, I recently took the BRC course at JCC. I have enjoyed being a rider and will continue to do so, especially on long rides, but felt that I need to learn to drive as well. For someone who is terrified of being on a bicycle because of something that happened in childhood.....(if you want the story I will share it with you later), learning not to be scared was a bit of a challenge, specially feeling that every move I made was being graded. A big thank you goes out to Tom **for insisting that he take the BRC course with me, knowing that I would probably be less nervous with someone I knew there and also for not letting me quit when I got**

frustrated at lunch time on Saturday; after finally getting a bike I could shift out of 1st. A big thank you goes out to Charles and Sue: Charles for taking my bike and going over it with a fine tooth comb and making it not only run safely but fast from what I have heard, Sue for sharing your husband with those of us that don't know much about much. My bike and I are from the same year so we should have fun learning each other's quirks. Pictured below is the bike I learned on.



As you continue to have any thoughts or ideas on how we can improve or better serve C2 or any others that may visit our website, please let me know. I would like to request any pictures you are willing to share to put on our site; email me at nc_C2_smithfield@yahoo.com. I still need pictures of all our members' two wheel, three wheel or four wheel rides for our photo section so that we can show how diverse our group is and to show that no matter how or what we ride, we would love to have anyone join us for lots of fun and fellowship.

Let's Ride,
Candis Medlin
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Jim and Judy Bankston May 14th

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

Bring your copy of your May Newsletter with you to our May gathering so you can make notes on your calendar for special events or rides for May and June. Flyers for upcoming events are on the NC GWRRA web site and are now on our own C2 web site c2goldwings.jimdo.com/ under Rally Flyers.

Friday nights – Game night at Wendy’s in Selma (Come play marbles or any other game.)

May 1-3 – SC District Rally (Is anyone interested in going?)

May 3rd – Patrick Henry Girls and Boys Home Ride. Is anyone interested in going?

May 4th – Triangle Ride for Kids (Is anyone interested in going?)

May 4th – Freedom Memorial Wall Dedication 10AM – 3PM (Ronald Barbour will have a plaque dedicated on the wall this year. Worship Service is at 10:30 and Memorial Dedication is 1:30-3PM) Is anyone interested in going?

May 10th – High Point Open House 9AM-1PM and come back by S&J Soda Shop for Afternoon Ride

May 17th – Fayetteville Mini Rally, let’s plan a ride there for this fun day....
See flyer on our web site

May 24th – All day beach day (ferry ride and dinner ride)

May 29-31st Hillbilly Hoedown (Catawba Meadows Park opens Thursday at 8 am for camping and we will have camp site set up from Thursday morning until Sunday morning. If you are staying at a motel, you can still gather with us at the camp site at Catawba Meadows Park.) See flyer on our web site

June 7th – Kennel’s Beach and Tryon Palace Ride (all day ride and dinner)

- Eden “First Responder Event” (If we have members that want to do this, we will have to reschedule our Kennel’s Beach and Tryon Palace Ride
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June 12-14 – Both WVA District Rally and GA District Rally (Is anyone interested in going?) See flyer on our web site

June 21st – R Thomasville Care Bear Ride – this is a good ride, we take teddy bears on this ride and lunch is provided (see flyer on our web site)

June 28th – Mike’s Farm Dinner Ride

MAY						
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18 O2 Hickory 6	19 D2 New Bern 730 W Eden 730	20 E Cary 730 L Gastonia 7 M Salisbury 7	21	22 N Burlington 730	23 Game night at Wendy's	24 I Asheville 10 Y Morganton 7 All Day Beach, Ferry and Dinner Ride
25 K2 Fayetteville 2	26	27 R Thomasville 730	28	29 Park opens for camping for	30 Hillbilly	31 Hoedown
JUNE						
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