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# "The Wingin' News"

Meetings held at PARKSIDE CAFÉ in Pine Level the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 July 4th !

# From your chapter team leader, Frankie Medlin



I am sitting here wondering where the first half of 2014 has gone. It's already time for us to talk about what we want to do during the last half of 2014 that we haven't had the time to do thus far this year. I shared with you in my June newsletter article how my pain began in my leg and how it led to surgery on May 20<sup>th</sup>. I am very happy to tell you in this month's article that I still have had no pain and that with Physical Therapy

three days a week; my back is getting stronger every week. The plan is for me to be able to start riding short distances by mid-July. I can't wait. I have been able to be out and about some over the last month. I want to thank everyone for the prayers, thoughts, cards, phone calls, visits and well wishes. You have helped to make time pass quicker for me and helped to keep my spirits up. Thanks to Tom Tipton, our Assistant Chapter Director, for helping to keep things going over the last couple of months. Thank you, to my wonderful Gold Wing Family for everything all of you have done.

I hope all of you have a wonderful July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday and if you are traveling, that you have a safe trip.

I was able to be at the June Chapter Gathering thanks to Candis for carrying everything to the meeting and helping me set up for the meeting. Thanks to all of you for all you do to keep C2 active and well. I have missed traveling and visiting all of our fellow chapters and most of all missed the Hillbilly Hoedown as well as K2 Mini Rally. I look forward to getting back out and about some during July and hopefully will be back to normal by August.

Our wonderful Chapter Couple Charles and Sue Langley have continued to visit fellow chapters and are great ambassadors for C2. Thank you, Charles and Sue, you continue to do such a good job. Thanks to all those from C2 that went to K2 Mini Rally and to those that went to the Hillbilly Hoedown to represent us.

Tom Tipton and Candis Medlin attended the Member Enhancement training session in Durham last Saturday and have lots of information to bring back to our chapter. We will have a chance to hear what they have learned when we meet and eat on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you, Tom and Candis, for going at the last minute when spots were available.

Candis continues to work on our C2 web site when she has time. She has done a wonderful job taking care of me before and since my surgery, so she may have missed something here and there. If you notice something that needs changing or updating, send her an email and she will get to it as soon as she can. Thank you, Candis, for all you have done.

I hope all of our visitors and new members will be with us at our August meeting. Be sure to make all of them feel welcome. If any of you bump into people in your daily adventures, be sure to tell them about our group and how much fun we have. I was able to join in on the fun at Wendy's last Friday night. 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.

For those of you that went on the ride to S & J Soda Shop, hope you all enjoyed the ice cream. I can't wait for us to go there again, so I can go. Jim, let us know when we can go again.

I hope all of you have gotten your registration in for Wings Over the Smokies for September 2014. If you need any help with anything, let me know.

Please plan to be at Parkside on Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> to help us plan for the next six months.

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, Pine Level, NC. Since we are not having a regular July meeting, we hope to see you in August.

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



Mike Thomas July 4 George Watson July 11





# From your Assistant Chapter Director, Tom Tipton

ATGATT = all the gear all the time

We all are having thoughts of summer vacation....... We need to remember that other people are thinking of the same thing.

All roads will have more traffic on them making for a HAZARDOUS travel by all.

So, take an extra moment before making a movement in traffic.

That stop sign that we all just do a rolling stop through - we all need to start doing a full STOP at every traffic signal and stop sign.

We are all "GUILTY" of taking advantage of time saving moments in our travel, WE THINK?

All we are really doing is adding one more chance to get hurt or to hurt someone else! We could change this now just by doing it the next time we ride or drive.

For this vacation season and every other day, we should take just one more moment to be as safe as we could possibly be.

Something from my Military Days ..... Remember this: "the use of POSTHASTE alone will never save a life",

Knowledge, Training, Planning, Situations, will always need to be used with POSTHASTE.

Proud to be Your ACD Tom Tipton

## FROM YOUR CHAPTER COUPLE: CHARLES AND SUE LANGLEY



Hey Dear Friends,

This is dedicated to our fearless leader, Frankie. All of us are just as anxious for your recovery time to be over as you are. Just hang in there until you can ride that trike once again!!

This month has been short and sweet. We have been to a lot of meetings and enjoyed all of them.



One of our favorite was joining the Wilkesboro chapter and going to Hot Springs N.C. Jim, Linda, Charles, and I met them at Wilkesboro about 10 am on Friday morning and the ride was on from there!



The ride leader knew every crook and turn to Hot Springs and it was a fantastic ride. No names mentioned here, but it was next to being on the ocean with all the ups and downs to ride the scenic route. What fun we had, even if we did get a little sea-sick ooopppsss......I mean mountain-dizzy!!!!!

#### **GWRRA crowd at Hot Spings, NC**



Caught up with other Goldwing friends at the Rest Area on the way home, the same ones that were in Hot Springs when we arrived on Friday. Now how great is that!!!!



It's so good to be riding with friends again! Love you all,

Charles and Sue

## EAT, MEET and GREET

Frankie Medlin, Chapter Director, remembered the people that we need to keep in our prayers. Frankie thanked everyone for standing in for her in the May meeting. Kenny Baker, NC-C2, returned thanks for our meal. The NC-C2 Chapter Couple of the Year, Charles and Sue Langley, were recognized. The Chapter Couple plaque was won by Shawn and Donna Lane of NC-F2 Garner. The meal ticket was won by Charles Langley of NC-C2 Smithfield. Remember, our Chapter Couples are the ambassadors for their chapter.

Tom Tipton, Asst. Chapter Director, introduced our visitors. We had one visitor from Dunn, Don Wolstad. Don was invited by Joe Straughan. Birthdays and anniversaries were announced by Nonie Roberson, Sunshine Lady. We would like to thank Debbie Lewis for mailing cards for the NC-C2 Chapter. It was also noted that D.J. Sawyer made the chocolate cake to be raffled off tonight.

Frankie reviewed upcoming rides which were posted on the calendar. Jim Hairr was asked to lead a ride to Mike's Farm on June 28th. It was decided to meet at Exit 79-Benson on June 28th. Kick stands up at 2:30 p.m.

THE JULY NC-C2 MEETING WILL BE CANCELED.

The Vest Drawing was won by Charles Langley NC-C2 Smithfield. It was announced that NC-C2 now has CALLING CARDS for members. Sammy Langley, Chapter Educator, talked about Braking. Also keep your head and eyes up in curves. Always check tires and tire pressure before leaving for a ride

The Cake Drawing was won by Jo Ann Hall of NC-D2 New Bern. Jo Ann shared the Chocolate Cake with everyone. It was very good.

50/50 \$37.00 Margaret Robbins and Terry Dean NC-Q Wilmington

\$45.00 Joe Straughan NC-C2 Smithfield

Reporter Linda Hairr







# Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge

### SUMMER RIDING

We are into the great time of the year for some hot summer riding. There are many areas that have not been as fortunate to have good riding conditions. All the adversities of riding have been out there. Some of the unfortunate have had the high winds, floods, tornados and cold weather. Make sure you look at the weather forecast for the entire area you will be riding into before leaving. Even for short day trips. More than once I have seen it rain on one side of the street and not the other.

### WHAT TO CHECK

With the large amounts of moisture, we have had this season; there may be a few parts on the Gold Wing that will need attention. We have drain tubes to be emptied, cables to check for lubrication. Side stands and center stands that have run in water for many miles, may need some lubrication. If you pull a trailer, take a look at you electrical connection. If the connector is green and gritty inside from the road wash, repair it or replace it. The road wash will affect the trailer ball and ball mount. Grit will attach to them as I can a "Snickers" bar. If you have a receiver style hitch, the ball mount and receiver hole will also need cleaned.

While I am on the subject of water, remember your body requires a lot of water on hot days as we ride. I was one who loved to stop for a thirst quencher. I was under the opinion that my desired drink relieved my thirst problem while adding my electrolytes back into my body. I found out that the drink I like so well was mostly sugar. Not all drinks are helping. Check the ingredients. Some more of the "too late smart" – "too soon old"

## LEVELS I, II, III, & IV

Don't forget to keep a check on your levels. To 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 & take the classes.

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





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

Summer is now upon us and the weather has been hot and pretty most afternoons even if you do have to dodge a few evening showers. It's time to get out and do some riding and with an awesome group like ours take a few minutes to call a friend or two and invite them along for the journey.

As I write this article, I have ridden my own bike once and although I was nervous, I had a wonderful time once I started getting the feel for it. I have been assured that as stubborn as my bike can be if I can get it down I should be able to ride anything. I feel sure the more I ride the more comfortable I will be. I plan on trying to do some practicing at least once a week with my coach till I feel confident enough that I can keep up with the crowd and drive without slowing everyone down. I'm sure that coach will tell me when he feels I am ready to ride alone as well as with the group. For now I am just happy to be back traveling whether I'm driving, riding or in a car; it's nice to have mom feel up to traveling again.

If you haven't been coming to marbles at Wendy's on Friday nights or it has been awhile since you have been able to join us; please come any Friday you can and be sure to bring a few friends along. We always enjoy teaching new people how to play. I don't know about anyone else but that is a highlight of my week and I hate the nights I can't be there because I have to work.

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 919-815-6824 nc\_C2\_smithfield@yahoo.com

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

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

July 2-5<sup>th</sup> - Wing Ding (Madison, Wisconsin) Is anyone interested in going to Wing Ding.

July 12<sup>th</sup> – Dinner Ride (We need to plan where we want to go for this dinner ride at our July 1st meeting).

Both of our beach rides that were schedule for May and June were postponed. Let's talk about rescheduling these rides on July 1<sup>st</sup> when we get together.

July 19<sup>th</sup> – Winston Salem Care Bear Ride (flyer on NC web site) Meet at Honda of WS at 9:30 AM

July 26<sup>th</sup> – Greensboro Chapter Poker Rally and Tire Safety Event (flyer on NC web site) Registration starts at 9 AM and meeting is at 1 PM.

August 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> – Kentucky District Rally (Is anyone interested in going to this district rally? Check out the flyer for this rally, Hog Calling and Chicken Clucking Contest, reckon we have a chance at this.)

August 16<sup>th</sup> – T2 Albemarle Chapter "School Tools Ride"

If anyone has somewhere you would like for us to plan to ride to, please let Frankie or Tom know and we will make plan for the group to go.

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