FROM YOUR CHAPTER DIRECTORS

Wolfgang & Connie Gless

A Harty Hello to All:
Well August is here and that means Summer is starting to come to a close, but we still have some good riding in front of us.

Talking about riding, the trip around Lake Superior was a great success except for a large kick-up on the second to last day of the ride. We were about 26 miles from St. Ignace when Rex stated he has a flat. Yes, the rear tire of Rex’s bike was flat. He had picked up a machine screw somewhere and a slow leak put his tire flat. The screw was removed, a plug was installed but when we tried to air up the tire, no go. We thought maybe the bead had broken down but later found out that tire had sprung another leak, so no fix. Do you know no one within 50 to 100 miles of Mackinaw City had a tire for his bike? We finally got a hold of a great GWRRA member who trailer the bike to the hotel we were staying at in Mackinaw City. Next time you see me ask me about Rescue Plus, the comment will not be positive. Rex ended up renting a U-Hall to get it home. The good news of the trip is that the ride around the lake was positively gorgeous, great roads in Canada. The country side was very pretty and over a hill and around a corner you came in view of Lake Superior and what a sight. The weather for the most part was good with a little rain for a part of the day on Wednesday. The temperatures were cool in the mourning but very nice the rest of the day. We saw waterfalls that were great. Ask someone that went to see their pictures. Just FYI, the two border crossings were a breeze, no problems what-so-ever. If you ever have the chance, do the ride, it is well worth it but a take few more days than we did.

The Corn & Sausage roast at the Whalen’s was again a great time. We ate, talked and played some Corn Hole. If you missed it plan to attend next year.

Ok, as of the last meeting all dinner ride dates are filled so come ride with us. There are only 6 dinner rides left, join us, they are fun.

And don’t forget the Ronald McDonald House Ride on September 7th. We will be meeting at the RMH in South Bend @ 10:00 am.

Until next time RIDE OFTEN & RIDE SAFE.
Wolf & Connie CD
Greetings to all,
First of all, condolences to Carl on the passing of Rhonda. Hugs and prayers in the coming days.

Make sure you stay hydrated on these hot days. We have been able to enjoy some great riding. Great to see our ride calendar completely filled in, again as Jim Whetstone graciously filled in an unexpected hole. Lake Superior ride is in progress. Wishes of safety and great memories follow them. We are excited to be heading to Nashville soon for Wing Ding 41. Seeing friends on the way, we'll make a week of it.

Upcoming events:

Dinner rides on August 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. Kickstands up at 6:15 from Discovery School.

Next dinner meeting will be September 5th at Perkins.

Due to busy schedules, the lake day at Whetstones has been cancelled.

Wing Ding 41 in Nashville, TN from August 27th to 31st.

Ronald McDonald celebration on September 7. Meet at Ronald McDonald House at 10am with your pop tabs and goodies for the patients. Contact Vern with any questions about getting to the right place. Jim will then lead a ride.

Game night at Chutes on September 21st @ 5pm. Bring a dish to share and be ready for some fun competition.

Happy trails to all,
Don and Cindy
Wolfie opened the August meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

He then mentioned that there was no old business to discuss and turned it over to Don to talk about upcoming events.

Don reminded everyone that the annual Corn & Sausage roast would be in just 2 days at Whalen’s starting at 4 PM. He asked if anyone needed directions to their house.

He then mentioned that Wolfie’s ride around lake Superior starts the day after the Corn & Sausage Roast and that everyone is to meet at Wolfie’s for a “kickstands-up” at 8AM.

The Ronald McDonald ride was discussed with Jim Whetstone mentioning that everyone should meet at the rear of the Skyway Plaza where RMH is located. Vern will be there to let everyone in through the rear entrance, which is locked on weekends.

Deb Whetstone asked that the “Lake Day” at their house on Shavehead lake be canceled for this year due to other commitments.

Bob Chute reminded everyone that there will be a Game Night at their house on September 21st at 5PM. Bring a dish to pass.

Wolfie mentioned that Dumbo will be staying with him for another month, but that he, Dumbo, would be on the lookout during the Around the Lake Ride.

Vern gave Udderly Fantastic to the entire group who provided one of the stops for the Progressive Dinner. He mentioned that he is aware that this is a lot of work for each of the participants. Since he couldn’t actually give Udderly to all three, he decided to give it to Whalens. He mentioned, though, that ever one of the recipients should participate in the next selection.

With that Wolfie asked if there was anything else for the group. There being nothing, he adjourned the meeting.

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**Corn & Sausage Roast**

This year’s Corn & Sausage Roast was, again, a huge success. The weather was absolutely gorgeous, and, as usual, the food and fellowship was great. With the warm weather, many of the attendees went swimming in Whalen’s pool. Thank you to Tom and Connie for hosting this event, again. If you’re an O2 member and didn’t attend this year you should consider it for next year. It’s always a good time.

**Wolfie’s Lake Ride**

From what I understand, the Lake Ride was a success, with a couple of “incidents”. I won’t repeat it, but you can see Wolfie’s summary of the ride on page 1. Thank you to Wolfie for organizing and leading this ride. I wish I could have gone.
What’s Coming Up

Summary

September 7 . . Ronald McDonald House Ride Whetstone. Meet at the rear entrance to the Skyway Plaza at 10 AM.

September 21 . . Game Night, Chute 5PM  Bring a dish to pass

November 1 . . Holiday/Birthday Party

Thursday Dinner Rides

Well, riding season is finally upon us. As a reminder to everyone, we meet in the back of Discovery Middle School off of Ash Road, just north of the toll road. Departure time is 6:15 prompt

Here is a list for the rest of the year:

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Ronald McDonald House

The annual Ronald McDonald House Ride is coming up again on September 7th. Meet in the rear entrance to the Skyway Plaza at 10:00 and Vern will be there to let everyone in.

Game Night

Chutes will be hosting a Game Night at their house on September 21st at 5PM. Bring a dish to pass.

Birthday & Anniversaries

Anniversaries:
No anniversaries in September

Birthdays:
Sept 12 . . Joseph Yeager
Sept 17 . . Connie Whalen
Sept 25 . . Vern Daly

Holiday/Birthday Party

The combined Holiday and Birthday Party is scheduled for November 1st. I will post details here when I know more about location and time.
Got an item that you would like to sell? Advertise it here in the “For Sale” listing of the newsletter. This publication is seen state wide and could help to locate someone that is looking for your item.

Your Chapter Store Representative: Cindy Norman

Chapter items for sale:
Hats ............... $13.00
Chapter Flags ..... $12.00
Gold Wing Clocks .... $15.00
Various pins, patches etc. also available. See Cindy for details.

GL 1500 Cover
I have a GL1500 full cover that I used on my 1500 when I still had it. If anyone is in need of a cover please let me know and I’ll bring it to a chapter meeting and you can have it. I don’t know if it will work on an 1800, but it seems like it should as the size is not all that much different.
Vern Daly

Ronald McDonald House
I know I probably sometimes sound like a broken record, but I want to remind everyone that we continue to use a LOT of the various single-serve type items on the coffee cart every day. So PLEASE, when you go to the store, be on the lookout for sales on any kind of single serve items like the chip variety packs, drink boxes or pouches, cookies, pretzels, pudding, fruit cups, etc.

I also want to invite anyone who would like to accompany me on my rounds taking the coffee cart around to the various children’s hospital units to contact me and I’ll set it up. I think if you could see how appreciative everyone is to see the cart come around you’d have a much greater appreciation of the work we do and you’d better understand the need for these items. I work every other Wednesday from 9:00 to 12:00 and I’d be glad to take any of you with me on my rounds. Who knows, you might even like it enough that you’d decide to volunteer. It’s NOT hard work and it’s only one three-hour shift every other week.

Vern

Changes and Corrections
There was a “Lake Day” originally scheduled for August 17. That has been canceled.

Please note that changes and corrections will not be repeated, so be sure and check last month’s newsletter to make sure you didn’t miss anything.
It’s WING DING time!!!!!!!!!! As of this writing we’re about 6 weeks out from GWRRRA’s greatest show on earth! YEA!!!! We can’t wait. Debbie has her binder started with all the things we want to do and see. Besides the vendors, rides, games, vendors, shows, contests, vendors, 50/50, Couple of the Year ceremonies, and vendors did you know Wing Ding is chock full of Rider Courses, MFA/CPR classes, and dozens of rider ed modules? That’s right, there’s a smorgasbord of rider ed learning all jammed into a glorious 4.5 days of fun! Wing Ding has full up rider courses and range only courses (for those of you whose last rider course was a full course) for all types of bikes and trikes. It’s pretty neat to take a rider course from someone outside your district to see how they present the materials and riding instructions. You also can meet fellow riders and co-riders from all over the GLOBE! There are several options available so you can get yourself current in your Levels while also enjoying all the sites at Wing Ding (did I mention they have vendors there?!?!?!?!?!).

The only caveat is you have to pre-register for the rider and MFA/CPR courses. Class sizes are limited and are on a first come first in basis. The cost for the rider and MFA/CPR courses is $50 but in the past you received a ticket after you completed the course to take back to the convention center to get a big ‘ole honking refund on some of the class costs. And you know the Rider Ed area is located right near ………… the VENDORS!!!!!! Look in the back of your current Wing World magazine where they have all the Wing Ding scoop to find the registration details. The specific classes they are offering are:

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All the range portions for the classes will be done in the mornings to keep you out of the heat of the day. So go grab your Wing World and get yourself registered for some world class training!

Until next time…….

Rick and Debbie Warmels
Indiana District Educators
This isn’t just a hobby. It’s who I am.

Rider gets it.

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