



GWRRA Chapter K Newsletter

April 2012 Edition

GWRRA Chapter K
Editor

Gold Wing Road Riders Association

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association is a social organization for owners and riders of Honda Gold Wing and Valkyrie motorcycles. Come and join our “family” for “Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge”. This organization welcomes all motorcycle brands to join in the fun for safety and knowledge. GWRRA members enjoy the freedom of belonging to a non-profit, non-religious and non-political organization.

Chapter K-NY is a local chapter of GWRRA members and is within the Region B area. Region B includes the following Districts (States): Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Chapter K April Gathering

Well we met at another new location, Sweet Hollow Diner, in Melville, NY 11747 for the April 17th gathering. We are trying to find a central location for all GWRRA Chapter K members to be able to join us on a regular bases. We are also trying to find a location where we can also run seminars. This diner offers a rather small area so we are still on a hunt for a better location.

Richie Aylward had a few new members introduce themselves and tell a little about themselves. We welcome all members and are glad you could join us.

CD Richie Aylward opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Prior to the meeting the earlier arrivals were entertained by a video of a “Alien Life Form”. Those of you who can remember that many years ago there was a weekly sitcom called “Alf” which stood for “Alien Life Form”. A time when UFO’s were on everyone’s mind and ET was a great hit among the American public. Well your Chapter Director thought that “Alf” would make a great “**MASCOT**” for Chapter K. As many of you know, GWRRA, chapters compete for points to be considered the most active and participating chapter among our GWRRA Region B. So our furry friend “Alf” sat among the group overseeing our meeting and will continue to be our **Mascot** while CD Richie is your Director.



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- What’s new in the Chapter
- What’s new in our New York State District
- What’s new in GWRRA
 - Seminars
 - Meetings
 - Ice cream socials
 - conventions



Americade June 4-9, 2012

June will bring Americade. No matter how many times we attend this event, we still love it. The riding, friends, food, and scenery always bring a smile to our faces. The NY District will once again host the GWRRA booth at the Tourexpo trade show. It will be in the Million Dollar Beach lot. If you are shopping there, please stop by to say hello to our friendly volunteers. We thank all of the members that have volunteered their time to staff the booth.

(District Newsletter)



Your Chapter members Bob and Cathy Turner and Richie and Claire Aylward will be volunteering on Tuesday and Thursday for the GWRRA booth at Americade, be sure to stop by and say hello.

**Wing Ding 34
Entertainment**



An evening of music, dance and comedy theater with Vocal Trash!
All prize ticket proceeds go to this year's charity, "Ride For Kids"

Wing Ding 34 - July 4-7, 2012

Wing Ding is the first week in July. It will be here before you know it. It is in Fort Wayne, which hosted this event in 2002 and 2005. They did a great job. Many people may ask "why would I want to go to Indiana?"

Well, we can tell you that the Fort Wayne area just plain works well for

Wing Ding. It is easy to get around, the facilities are fantastic, the community loves us, and there are plenty of interesting attractions to see in the area. Parking is not a problem at all, either. In 2002 our Grand Parade went through residential areas. People were lined up four deep at the edge of the street waving signs telling us how much they love us. We will never forget that. GWRRA has done a very good job listing the events and attractions. We will see you there!

(District Newsletter)

***“ you must
be the change
you want the
world to be”
- Gandhi***

Be sure and put the date on your calendar and plan to join us this July for a really great trip. We plan to be assisting at this event and hope for more Chapter K members who will be joining us. We have volunteered to assist at the Leadership Training seminars and at the “Bike Light Show Parade” which should be a really fun event, whether you decide to enter or just enjoy watching the show. Wing Ding34 has planned many fun dinners, tours and events. Maybe we could add a couple of days before and / or after and make some interesting stops on the way there or back.



BI-STATE CONVENTION 2012

The Bi-State Convention is August 16-18 in scenic Mount Olive, NJ. We are hard at work planning this event. Everything we are doing is designed around FUN. The theme is "Turn Back the Clock". The Friday night entertainment will be a contest where Chapters re-create old-time radio bits. If you saw the movie "Seabiscuit", or listen to Greg Bell media on XM radio channel 82, you will know what we mean.

By the way, who's on first?....

The [Bi-State Registration Form](#) is in this newsletter. We encourage you to participate in the optional meals on Thursday and Friday evenings, so we can have as many friends as possible in one room. The food at the Holiday Inn Rockaway-Budd Lake is excellent. Great food and great friends, what a combination for FUN!

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This convention is a very important convention because NY and NJ are sponsoring this convention as a joint venture. Our own Bob and Cathy Turner (NY Assistant Directors) are featuring the Friday night entertainment of "Turn Back the Clock" which is going to be lots of fun. Richie and Claire Aylward (NY Leadership Trainers) will be assisting with the Leadership Training Program, so all attendees will have a wonderful selection of seminars to choose from. We are very lucky to have many new seminar presenters who trained at the April New Jersey Fun Shop taking their IDCP trainings so they will be presenting at the Bi-State Convention and will complete their certification with GWRRA as Leadership Trainers.



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Chapter Educator Rob Bellasai presented a "Group Riding" seminar and discussed with the members how important it was to ride in a safe environment. He stressed that each rider participant was responsible for knowing and understanding the ride specifics so that there will be no misunderstandings and everyone will be on the same page. Our "Skills Group Ride" is scheduled for Sunday, May 6, 2012 meet at 8:30am for a ride briefing and kickstands up at 9:00 am at the Sweet Hollow Diner at 100 Broadhollow Rd., Melville, NY 11747.

Rob Bellasai distributed a diagram of the May 6, 2012 ride so members could familiarize themselves with the route. It was discussed that a stop will be planned to go over the rides pros and cons.

Chapter K displayed their new banner at the New Jersey Fun Shop on April 21, 2012.

CD Richie Aylward again did a \$5.00 raffle drawing for all those members who wore their GWRRA Chapter K patch. The 50/50 chapter proceeds were \$22.00.



March:
Bob Dipolito

April:
Mike Dezago

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GWRRA NY/NJ BI-STATE CONVENTION

AUGUST 16-18, 2012



Holiday Inn - Budd Lake – Rockaway Area
 1000 International Drive North
 Budd Lake, NJ 07828
 1-973-448-3910
MENTION GWRRA BI-STATE CONVENTION WHEN BOOKING

Convention Highlights:

- Rides to scenic areas throughout northern New Jersey, southern New York, and eastern Pennsylvania
- Full schedule of events starts Thursday morning
- Thursday evening Ice Cream Social, Bike Show, and Comedy Clips
- Friday Evening Dinner and Old Time Radio Fun with Greg Bell (Sirius Radio Show Personality)
- Saturday evening Banquet
- Sunday morning Level IV breakfast
- Local Attractions: Land of Make Believe, Delaware Water Gap, Motorcyclepedia museum, Lakota Wolf Preserve, Wild West City, International Trade Center, Space Farms Zoo and Museum, Stokes Forest, Tomahawk Lake Waterpark, Waterloo Village, Lake Hopatcong, Allamuchy State Park, and more
- Rider Education Seminars
- Medic First Aid Basic Plus Course
- Leadership Training
- Life Skills Seminars
- All Vendors and Activities on-site
- NY and NJ Couple of the Year Selection
- 11 miles from Rockaway Townsquare Mall

Still need convincing? Or maybe need a little more information?

NY District Directors Paul & Suzette Wood (585)-343-8903 gwrranydd@gmail.com
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Visit gwrranj.shutterfly.com or www.gwrra-ny.org for additional information and registration forms

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2012 NY/NJ Bi-State Convention Registration

Rider: _____ GWRRA#: _____
 Rider Email: _____ Cell# _____
 Co-Rider: _____ GWRRA# _____
 Co-Rider Email: _____ Cell# _____
 Child: _____ GWRRA#: _____ Child: _____ GWRRA#: _____
 Address: _____ City/State/ZIP: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Region: _____ District: _____ Chapter: _____
 Position(s): _____

| Full Registration | | Qtys | Totals |
|--|---|--------------------|--|
| Adult GWRRA Member (\$54 after July 22) | Includes Saturday Banquet | 0 x \$49 | \$0.00 |
| Adult Non-Member (\$59 after July 22) | Includes Saturday Banquet | 0 x \$54 | \$0.00 |
| Children (Ages 6 to 15) | Includes Saturday Banquet | 0 x \$20 | \$0.00 |
| Children under 6 | Includes Saturday Banquet | 0 x N/C | N/C |
| Indicate planned Wednesday arrival for packet pick up | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Special Event Registration | | | |
| Thursday Night Dinner and Fun Gathering | Pre-Register by July 22 ^m | 0 x \$22 | \$0.00 |
| Friday Night Dinner followed by Old Time Radio Fun | Pre-Register by July 22 ^m | 0 x \$30 | \$0.00 |
| Daily Registration | | | |
| Day Pass GWRRA Member | *no meals included* | 0 x \$13 | \$0.00 |
| Day Pass Non-member | *no meals included* | 0 x \$15 | \$0.00 |
| Day Pass with Banquet | (Saturday Only) Includes Saturday Banquet | 0 x \$37 | \$0.00 |
| Rider Education -- Courses Requiring Pre-Registration | | | |
| Medic First Aid Basic Plus Course | Friday 9-4PM (Refund After Completion) | 0 x \$20 | \$0.00 |
| Indicate attendance at Sunday Level IV breakfast *Level IV's only* | | | <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Convention T-Shirts (Men's Sizes Only) | | | |
| S | 0 | M | 0 |
| L | 0 | XL | 0 |
| 2XL | 0 | 3XL | 0 |
| 4XL | 0 | | |
| | | 0 x \$12.50 | \$0.00 |
| | | Grand Total | \$0.00 |

Award Consideration: If you would like to be considered for an award, please enter the requested information.
 Oldest or Youngest Rider (Enter birth date): _____ Co-Rider (Enter birth date): _____
 Most Miles Ridden (One Way): _____

Cancellations in writing and postmarked by July 22, 2012 will be refunded -- No phone or verbal cancellations will be accepted.

**Mail your completed registration form along with your check payable to:
 "GWRRRA Bi-State Convention" to Bob and Carol McGrady, 5 Parkhill Street, Jackson, NJ 08527**

I / WE AGREE TO HOLD HARMLESS THE GWRRRA AND ANY PROPERTY OWNERS FOR ANY LOSS OR INJURY TO SELF OR PROPERTY IN WHICH I / WE MAY BECOME INVOLVED BY REASON OF PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT.

SIGNED (FOR SELF & GUESTS) _____



WHO'S WHO IN GWRRA

Chapter Director: Richard Aylward - Contact: raphco@verizon.net

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NY Assistant Directors: Robert & Cathy Turner and Gary & Donna Cork

NY District Leadership Trainers: Richard & Claire Aylward

Regional Directors: Ed & Dottie Bahrenburg

Regional Leadership Trainers: Eileen and Tim Guile

Meetings and Gatherings

Chapter K Meetings held the Third Tuesday of the month at

Sweet Hollow Diner

100 Broadhollow Road, RT. 110

Melville, NY 11747

Phone 516-449-8299

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GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATIONS

Our Motto

“FRIENDS FOR FUN SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE”

GWRRA NY District's Ride In 2012



PRESENTED BY
CHAPTER W
RIDING AROUND THE
FINGER LAKES
OFF EXIT 44 OF THRUWAY

Friday May 18
Finger Lakes Race Track &
Casino
Buffet open 6:00—10:00

Fish Fry Buffet at the Fin-
ger Lakes Race Track and
Casino for early arrivers

Saturday May 19
Bristol Fire Hall
Registration opens 8:30am
Rides leave 9:30 and 2:00

Full day scheduled: Am
and Pm guided rides and
activities. Noon Chicken
BBQ, meet old and new
friends

Sunday May 20
Cheshire Fire Hall
Breakfast runs 8:00-11:00

Pancake Breakfast before
returning home

See the Ride in Website for:

- Maps
- List of Canandaigua preferred hotels , motels and B & Bs
- Links to Finger Lakes Points of Interest

<http://www.gwr-ra-nyw.org/ridein2012>



Rescue Truck and Trailer available



**New website
coming
soon!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2012 MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 6, 2012 Sunday "OBI Group ride" 8:30am, ride briefing meeting, Kickstands up 9:00am Sweet Hollow Diner, Melville, NY 11747

May 8, 2012 Gathering, 7:00 pm Sweet Hollow Diner, RT#110, 100 Broadhollow Rd., Melville, NY 11747

May 18-20, 2012 Chapter W sponsor **Ride-In** Finger Lakes, NY - just West of Canandaigua Lake

July 4-7, 2012 WingDing34, Fort Wayne, IN (big trip of the year) may extend dates TBD

July 26-28, 2012 New England Convention, Rutland, VT

August 3-5, 2012 Bi-State Convention, NY,NJ District, Budd Lake, New Jersey

September 6-8, 2012 Gettysburg, Pennsylvania Convention

September 21-23, 2012 Ride Out, Lake George, NY

October 19-21, 2012 Campout New Jersey

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