

April 2016



**Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Chapter CA-1R - South Orange County, CA**



Chapter CA1R South Orange County, CA

Monthly Gathering Place:

Mimi's Cafe

22651 Lake Forest Dr,
Lake Forest, CA 92630

7:00 AM Breakfast

8:00 AM Meeting

First Saturday of the Month

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Chapter Miles for 2016 far:

26,772

Chapter CA1R communicates on channel 31

Community Spirit

We continue to collect the following at the monthly gatherings:

Toiletries

Pull Tabs

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From the Chapter Director's Chair

Kenny & Sharon Devor - Chapter Directors

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the flowers is?

Our Rally in the Valley was a HUGE success. We had 180 registered attendees that all had a marvelous time.

We had Rides available, great quality vendors (Sharon and I spend a fortune), the Gold Angels put on an outstanding demonstrations with over 100 viewing guests in the audience, a low fat Ice Cream Social, and of Course, the pièce de résistance, Laugh-In in Laughlin show.

A Big Seal Thank You to all who gave hours, days, and some who gave weeks and months to make this event the best attended and the most fun rally in California. It took everyone to make this event as successful as it was.

Now that Rally in the Valley 2016 is history, it's time to start thinking about Rally in the Valley 2017 – It's only 11 months away.

As you all know, I had a close encounter with a horse one week before Rally in the Valley. I got on the business end of the horse in error and got kicked in the leg. As they say in show Biz, the Show must go on. So I hobbled around all weekend in Laughlin while taking pain meds and antibiotics. I want to thank all those who consistently encouraging me to sit with my foot up. I listened, well most of the time I listened and got off my leg. Well, the Monday following RIV, I had Sharon take me to the doctor who immediately sent me to the Kaiser ER room. I was admitted to the hospital and spent three says on heavy intravenous antibiotics to help with the cellulitis. Upon returning home I was told to keep off and keep it elevated. Luckily, this week was Spring Break for the school and I did not have to use too much of my personal time off. Things are getting better, I am up and around as tolerated, and now it will just take time for

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everything to heal up. Thanks to my GWRRA family for the ongoing love and support.

At the March Gathering I was away in Phoenix Arizona attending a GWRRA workshop on Leadership. I was one of 70 participants to this wonderful training. I learned a lot of new things and made a lot of new friends from other states. One of the highlights was my host family. I was able to spend two nights at the home of Bob, an AZ-R member. He was a gracious host, took me out to dinner, escorted me to another AZ chapters meeting. I also had the opportunity to check out the Home Office which was a real treat. I'm sorry I missed our gathering but I had a great time and learning experience in Phoenix.

Well the fun never stops with CA-1R and I encourage everyone to pay special attention to our website calendar. As we go over dates and events at gatherings, sometimes plans will change and the event calendar has all the most up-to-date and current information on all events. Please take a look at our calendar often and schedule time to spend with your GWRRA Family

Final Word

All rides, regardless of the length of the journey, require a commitment to ATGATT

Life = All The Gear All The Time

Kenny and Sharon



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Bill Himebaugh - Chapter Educator

Rides and Rally

JUST THE FACTS MAAM

I thought I would pass on a few factoids about GWRRA Rider Education that you may or may not know. First, GWRRA is a “Not for Profit” organization. As such, we devote 51% or greater of our resources toward Rider Education. As a chapter educator, I am expected to submit regular reports to our District Educator, Linda Harmon. Below is a description of the reports:

F6 reports - These are submitted monthly and compile chapter statistics such as seminars, training sessions, changes in Rider Education Level of members, and events where rider education was employed or discussed. Mona Levig provides me the number of people attending our chapter meetings and Rob Levig sends me the number of rides/events and number of riders.

F10 reports – These are submitted as events occur and are used to update training, level requirements and Hi Mileage miles. So if you complete an Experienced Rider Course, I will complete an F10 report informing District of your new expiration date (3 years from date of training completion), the type of training provided and any update of levels and pins or patches to be awarded.

N9 Reports – These are submitted as events occur and are used to apply for Master (Level 4) status.

N7 Reports – These are submitted as events occur and are used to apply for Levels 1, 2, and 3 status.

Newsletter Article – Every month, I write a Rider Education article for our chapter newsletter (such as this one).

N23 Report - Because we have no Motorist Awareness Director in our chapter, the Chapter Educator is required to submit this report quarterly to update our efforts in support of Motorist Awareness.

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Should you wish to find out *your* Rider Education status, expirations, levels and dates, you can easily access them from the Rider Education database. All the information you need is on the mailing label of your WingWorld magazine:

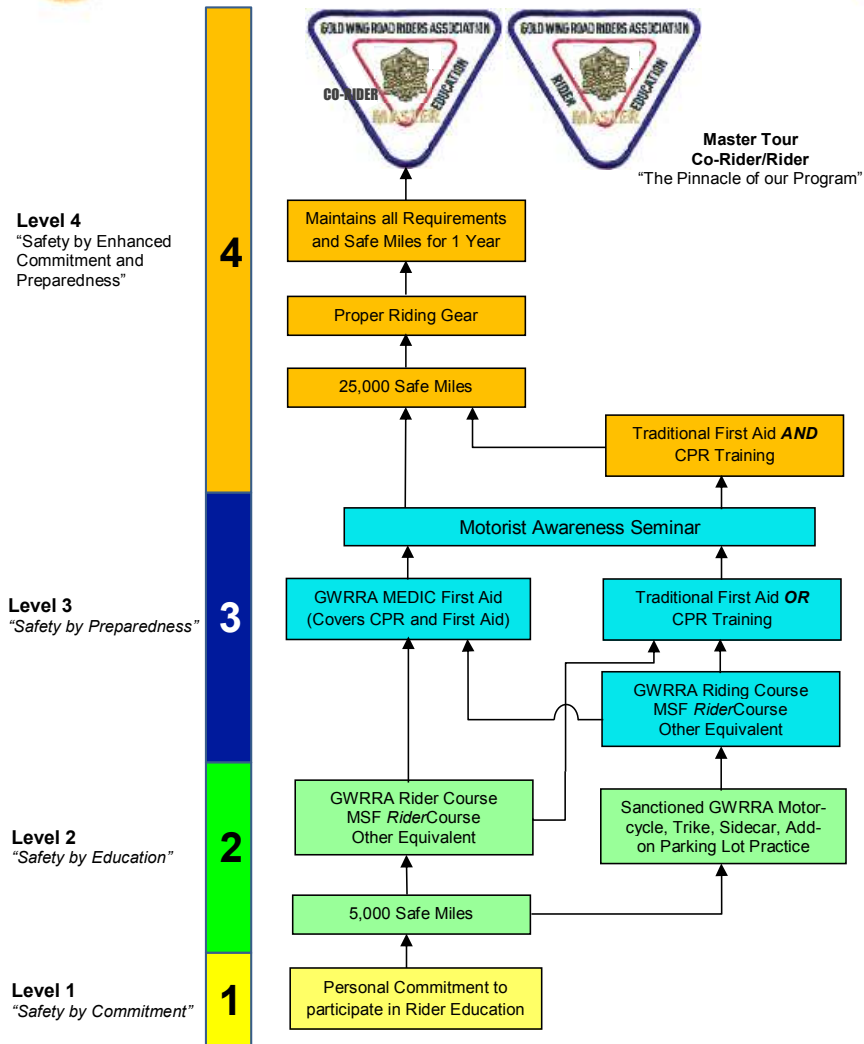
1. Enter URL: re2.gwrri.org/login_mem.php
2. Under User name enter your GWRRA member number
3. Under password, enter your house number, the 2 digit month and 2 digit year of your membership expiration date (all on the mailing label)

Your status is provided and pending expirations are shown as yellow, expired as red and green if up to date and not shortly due for update.

Of course, any questions should be directed to your Chapter Educator...oh yeah, that's me.



Gold Wing Road Riders Association
Rider Education Levels Program
 "The Building Blocks of Rider Education"



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Message from your Tour Director – Rob Levig

18th Annual Rally in the Valley... is now in the history books! I can't tell you how many people I heard say that this was "one of the best", especially the entertainment. When it became show time... our cast members stepped it up a few notches and really out did themselves. The vendor show was really good too. Expect to see a lot of bikes with really bright HID headlights as the vendor selling bike lighting did really well. My highest praises to everyone who participated in making RIV a success.

We had 4 bikes ride to Laughlin on Thursday and we took the route through 29 Palms to Amboy then on to Laughlin. Perfect weather and the flowers are starting to bloom in the desert. If you've never gone that route, you are missing an enjoyable ride. Good scenery and very little traffic. The pizza and fellowship at George and Cathy's place in Bullhead was great and really hit the spot after riding 5+ hours. Thank you George & Cathy for your hospitality.

We've had 3 Mystery Brunch rides (would have had 4, but rain got in the way) and I'm getting good feedback. The intent of the rides is simple. Just get out for a few hours with friends and enjoy a leisurely stroll through some back roads of OC, then grab a bite to eat before heading home. This seems to be a good recipe to get our members back in the saddle again on weekends and I plan on having 2 rides on the calendar every month in addition to getting back to having longer rides after our monthly gathering starting in May. I could sure use your help suggesting a route/destination, and leading a ride if you can.

Here is what's happening in April to look forward to:

Saturday April 2 – Chapter Gathering AND White Elephant Exchange (no ride afterwards). Doors open at 7:00 for breakfast. Meeting at 8:00.

Saturday April 9 – CA1A (Lancaster) is having their Rally. CA1A supported us at RIV- let's support them.

Tuesday April 19 – Tour and Staff meeting. 6:00 at Mimi's for dinner – meeting after. Bring your ideas!

Saturday April 23 - Mystery Brunch. Let's go for a short ride! Meeting at Cook's Corner (El Toro/Silverado Canyon). KSU 8:00

Sunday April 24 – CA1Q (Buena Park) is having their Rally. CA1Q supported us at RIV- let's support them. Their event is being held at a park in Silverado

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Canyon (about 3 miles east of Irvine Lake so it's a close, fun ride with fantastic scenery.

Saturday April 30 – CA1K (San Fernando Valley) is having their Rally. CA1K supported us at RIV- let's support them.

That's all folks! – Rob Levig

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Hello California,

March was an exciting month! It is good to hear of all the chapters being visited and the riding going on as you get your "Football Stickers" for the District Game. We have enjoyed visiting chapters and will continue as much as time allows.

One of the highlights of March was the Rally in the Valley. The wonderful weather, friends galore, great prizes and vendors, and fabulous ice cream sundaes filled the weekend, but the highlight, in my opinion, was the entertainment. CA-1R out-did themselves this year with the "Laugh-in in Laughlin". We have a lot of talent in California, which CA-1R gave a good example. GREAT JOB!

Speaking of talent, we are looking for talent from California to represent our district at Region Rally in Albuquerque in GWRRA's Got Talent. You should be receiving information from your CD's, if you haven't already. Since our district rally is after Region Rally, we will have talent auditions submitted via video to our MEC's, Steve & Alma Sprengle. Hope many of you talented people out there will share your talent with us. Make sure you have made your reservations for Region Rally, May 27-29. Preregistration ends May 1. California needs to pack the house as we support our District Couple and Individual of the Year. This year you get a 2fer, 2 rallies in one, Region F and NM District Rally combined. Let's show them how California supports our GWRRA friends and family!

April will be a busy GWRRA month as we start out the month with CA-1A's rally, April 9th, "Happy Days with CA1A", a 50's theme. They always put on a great event with lots of great prizes. You won't want to miss it. We then are heading out for Phoenix, for "40 to Phoenix" April 14-16. It is always great to see old friends and meet new ones from across the country. The month continues with "Rendezvous with Q", April 24th, another fantastic event with rides, great food, and FUN. Anytime you hang with "Q" is a great time. A few days later, April 30, is the "Mother's Day Run" with CA-1K. They never disappoint us, offering great riding on twisties and beautiful scenery, and wonderful Mexican food...an event you won't want to miss. On the same day, April 30, CA-2Q changed their plans from a Garage sale to a ride. If you would like to join them on what should be a great ride, call their CD, Don Kuellmer, for the info. I'm sure they would love to have you join them.

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Our California District Rally, "Gold Wing Super Bowl" is in pre-season training, getting ready for a Fantastic event of FUN and games and rides. Register early for discounted prices and rooms are available now for registration. Don't forget, if you attend Region Rally & Wing Ding, your names go into a TRIFECTA special drawing when you attend CA District Rally. Let's pack the stadium (I mean the hotel). Don't get sidelined...participate.

With all this being said...this year looks to be a GREAT year. Thank you California!

Nancy & Bob Clark

CA District Directors

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<i>Nancy Martin</i>	4/3
<i>Maura VanStrien</i>	4/6
<i>Stacy Diaz</i>	4/9
<i>Bill Himebaugh</i>	4/23
<i>George Neuman</i>	4/24



March Monthly Gathering At a Glance

Monthly Chapter Get-together

Meeting Date: March 5, 2016

Chapter Members	23
GWRRA Visitors	6
Non GWRRA Visitors	0
Bikes	3
Trikes	0

50/50 Winners

Tom Lorenz	\$33
Mary Kay Wilson	\$34

Birthday/Anniversary

Rob Levig	\$10
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Donation raffle

Novella Vandal	\$10
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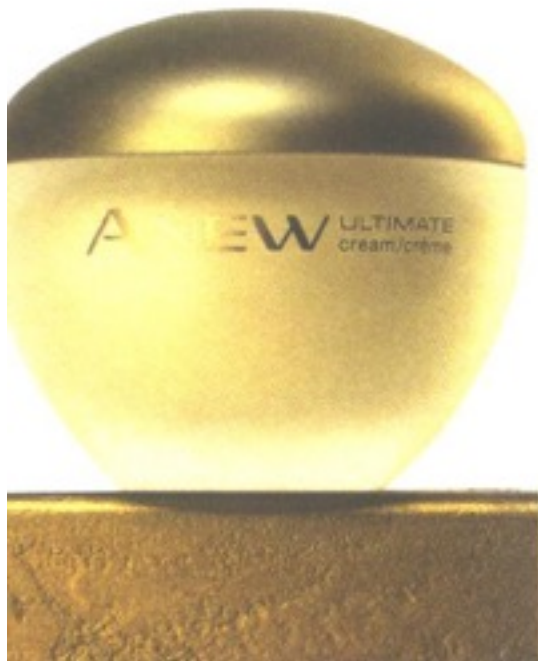
Door Prize Donors:

Vern & Novella Vandal
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Tom & Vicki Lorenz
Mike Trevor

April 2016 Observances

- 4/1 - International Fun At Work Day
- 4/2 - National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day
- 4/3 - World Party Day
- 4/4 - Tell a Lie Day (and that's the truth!)
- 4/5 - Go For Broke Day
- 4/6 - National Tartan Day
- 4/7 - No Housework Day
- 4/8 - Draw a Picture of a Bird Day
- 4/9 - Name Yourself Day
- 4/10 - National Siblings Day
- 4/11 - National Submarine Day (let's all go to the beach and watch the races)
- 4/12 - Big Wind Day
- 4/13 - Scrabble Day
- 4/14 - International Moment of Laughter Day
- 4/15 - Rubber Eraser Day
- 4/16 - National Eggs Benedict Day
- 4/17 - Blah, Blah, Blah Day
- 4/18 - International Juggler's Day
- 4/19 - National Garlic Day
- 4/20 - Look Alike Day
- 4/21 - National High Five Day
- 4/22 - National Jelly Bean Day
- 4/23 - Lover's Day
- 4/24 - Pig in a Blanket Day
- 4/25 - East Meets West Day
- 4/26 - National Pretzel Day
- 4/27 - National Prime Rib Day
- 4/28 - Kiss Your Mate Day
- 4/29 - National Shrimp Scampi Day
- 4/30 - National Honesty Day

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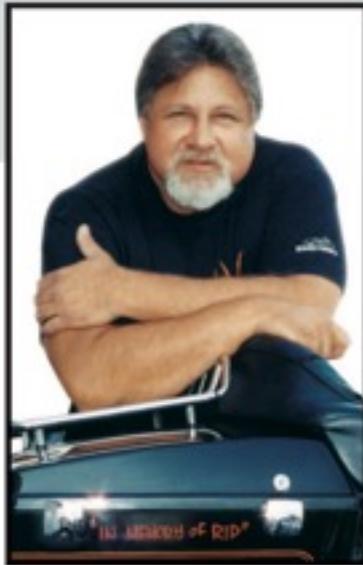
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