

March 2015



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



## Chapter CA1R South Orange County, CA

*Monthly Gathering Place:*

Hometown Buffet

1008 E. 17th St

Santa Ana, CA

8:00 AM Breakfast

8:30 AM Meeting

First Sunday of the Month

March 2015

Chapter Miles for 2015 far:

**19,746**

Chapter CA1R communicates on channel 31

Community Spirit

We continue to collect the following at the monthly gatherings:

Toiletries

Pull Tabs

## March 2015

Mike & Gayle Davis - Chapter Directors

Rally in the Valley is just a few short weeks away. Seems like we just started planning our annual event! We are still looking for volunteers to help, a one or two hours shift from our chapter members would be appreciated. If you'd like to volunteer and haven't yet, please let us know.

The registrations are coming in, hotel accommodations are arranged, all the events are planned, and the rides are all mapped out. Now it's time to have a little breather until March 27<sup>th</sup> and the fun begins.

If you're riding to the rally, please let Kenny know your plans so we can schedule departure places and times. We haven't been to Mesquite in many years. This is shaping up to be a great time!

Here's a reminder of what was announced at the last gathering about our April and May meetings. Due to Easter falling on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in April AND the annual Los Angeles Ride for Kids on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in May, we will combine our April and May gatherings on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Same time, same location.

We hope to see you in Mesquite.

Mike & Gayle

Have fun and ride safe!

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## RIDING THE OUTSIDE TRACK

Perhaps one of the most common mistakes I see in riding is path selection. Those of you who took the Streetmasters course have been trained on this topic when covering “Delayed Apex”. However, like all training, if we don’t practice it, we tend to forget. Motorcycles have a lot more room to maneuver in the lane. So which is the best place to be? Inside edge? Outside edge? The center track? Really, it depends. When we ride we call the parts of the lane the tracks. If you hear a group leader call out “Pothole center track”, you can expect a divot in the center of the lane. We all know that we stagger our formation when riding on a road two or more lanes on each side. That stagger formation defines our track in the lane. What about when we are riding alone or in single file through turns and canyons?

When I ride alone, I chose my track based upon the location of the lane. If I’m in the carpool lane, I ride on the right track near the center. This keeps me visible and out of the center track oil slicks. If anyone moves in, I still have room to maneuver. In other lanes I stay just off center. I really hate the oil and antifreeze.

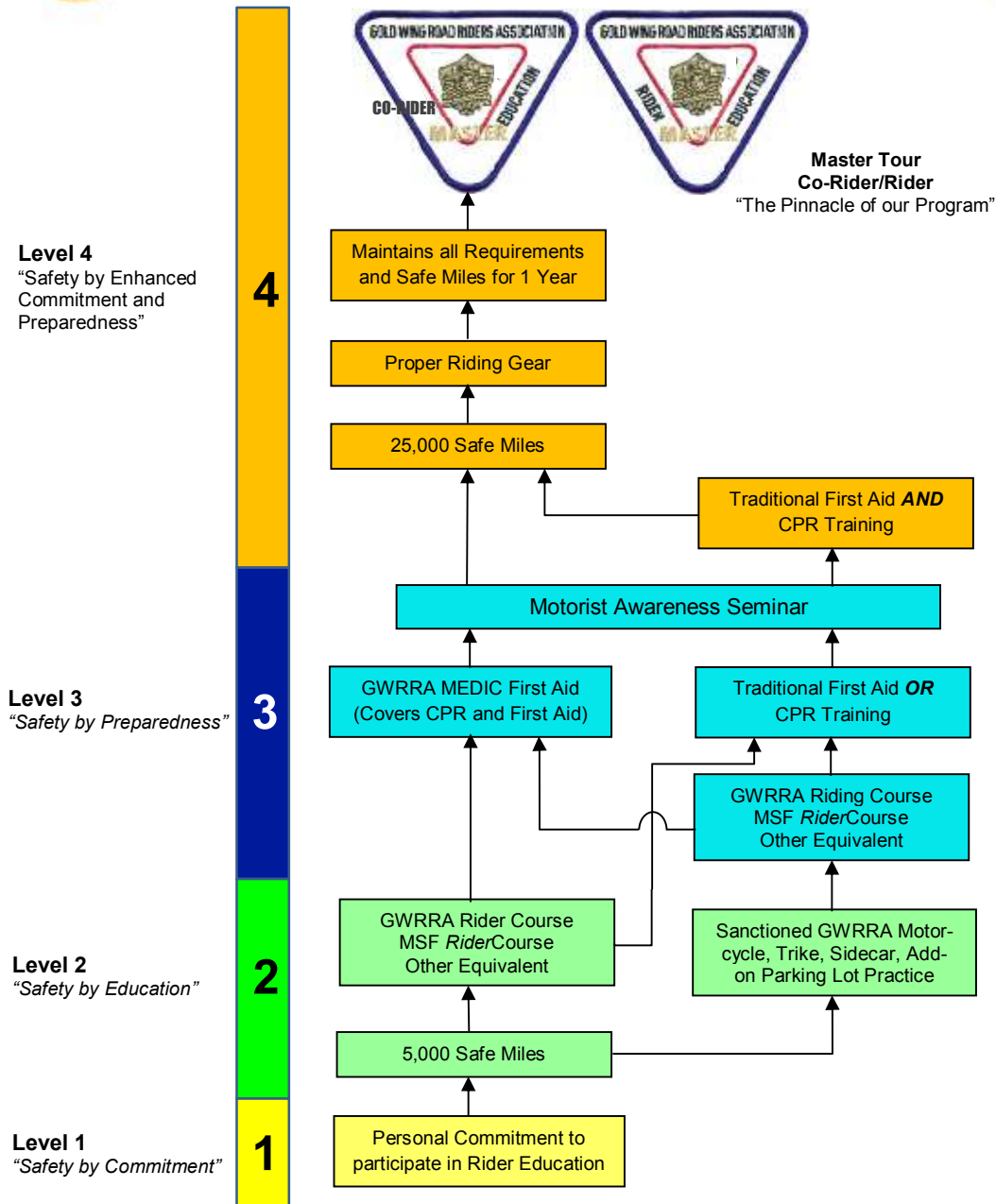
Riding canyons is a bit different. Here we have blind curves and each turn is followed by another. So, to make my ride smooth, I stay in the outside track. That means that if the road goes left, I am in the right track. If it is banking right, you will find me in the left track. Perhaps the most obvious advantage is that I see on-coming traffic before I would have in another track. I also see the next turn, so I am more ready to change tracks. On curves banking left it may seem a bit dicey at first. After all, you are putting yourself closer to oncoming traffic. What helps though, is that you are leaning away from the traffic with room to move in. As you accelerate through the turn, you are set up for the next one. If you go inside into a turn, the forces will pull you outside at the end of the turn and force you to slow in order to stay in the lane. This means more brake wear and more money. Think about hanging in the outside track and see how it works for you.

Bill Himebaugh

Chapter Educator



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Kenny“Your” Tour Director

When life throws you a curve – Lean into it!

Hello Seals!

In order to make things more convenient for members that are attending rides, we have added meet-up points for chapter rides. Here are all the possible meet-up locations (ctrl-click the location name for a map)

[Hometown Buffet](#) (for our monthly meeting - first Sunday of the month)

1008 E. 17th St., Santa Ana (food, gas)

(New) [Broken Yolk](#) (for rides heading south)

28621 Marguerite Pkwy, Mission Viejo,, CA 92692, (Avery Exit on Marguerite) (food, gas)

[Keno's Restaurant](#) (for rides heading east)

5750 E. La Palma Ave, Anaheim Hills (just off 91 fwy at Imperial) (food, gas)

[Polly's Restaurant](#) (for rides heading north)

2660 N. Main, Santa Ana (off I-5 on Main, next to Red Roof Inn) (food, no gas)

(New) [Carrows Restaurant](#) (alternate for rides heading North) (Food, Gas)

16931 Magnolia Street, Huntington Beach

February events were fun and exciting. We saw many of you at these spectacular events and missed even more of you. Please take a look at our calendar and see what fun events, rides, and exploration we have in store for you in the coming months.

Here is what we have been doing since our last gathering:

- 1) Super Bowl Party and Pot Luck
- 2) Chapter CA11 Valentine Run Rally
- 3) Food with Friends at Johnny Rebs in orange
- 4) Tour and Staff meeting at Denny's

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### 5) First aid and CPR training

#### March Calendar Awaits:

- March 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter Gathering
- March 1<sup>st</sup> Ride to Museum of Tolerance
- March 8<sup>th</sup> 12:00am – Daylight Savings Time – Spring Ahead One Hour
- March 11<sup>th</sup> Food with Friends at Rose Canyon Cantina in Trabucco Canyon
- March 27, 28, 29<sup>th</sup> RALLY IN THE VALLEY

#### Glimpse into April Happenings:

- April 5<sup>th</sup> Chapter Gathering – CANCELED (Easter Sunday)
- April 11<sup>th</sup> Chapter CA-1A Coyote Roundup Rally in Lancaster
- April 16<sup>th</sup> Food with Friends at Chile's (Ride for Kids Fundraiser)
- April 18<sup>th</sup> Ride to Joshua Tree National Monument
- April 19<sup>th</sup> CA-1Q Rendezvous at Silverado Park, Silverado Canyon
- April 21<sup>st</sup> Tour and Staff at Denny's on Alicia
- April 26<sup>th</sup> Chapter Gathering
  - April and May meetings combined Due to Ride for Kid of May 3<sup>rd</sup>

At the last Tour and Staff Meeting we calendar a lot of events for the year. I am in the process of adding these events to the master activity calendar which is available on our website. Please watch for these events and plan on attending.

Come On! You Know You Want To Go!

Check our chapter website for additional information and calendared events. The website has the most accurate and up to date data on everything CA-1R. Here's the link to get you there quickly <http://www.gwrra-ca1r.org/calendar.html>

As you review the calendar be sure to click the events. This will give you all the needed information for the ride, allow you to RSVP, and you can click the link to add it to your personal online calendar.

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We call u-turns adventures!!

Don't you??

Leading a group ride can be tough. In addition to monitoring the group, the traffic, the weather, the road conditions and a myriad of other things, you also have to endure the good-hearted razzing that goes along with the inevitable U-Turn. If you were at this year's Officer's Conference in January, you saw me stand up in front of everyone and announce the 2015 California District Rally was going to be held at the Marriott in Visalia. Here comes the U-Turn: The Marriott had a minimum requirement of 75 rooms and was willing to give us those rooms for a rate of \$89. When the actual contract was presented to us to sign, the Marriott was only willing to guarantee the first 75 rooms at that rate and everyone else would have to pay their regular rate of \$119 per night. After several weeks of discussions and the Marriott's unwillingness to budge on the matter, Pam and I have decided to move the venue to another location. In all good conscious, we just could not create a two tier cost structure that would penalize at least half of our attendees \$100 over the 3 days. We are in negotiations with the DoubleTree in Bakersfield and hope to be able to announce a signed contract in just a few days. I guess it just goes to show that no matter how well you know the route, you still may end up having to make a U-Turn in order to get where you want to go.

On another positive note, this year's Officer's Conference was an extreme success. For the second year in a row, we had officers from each of the 22 chapters in attendance and it was a wonderful opportunity to network and get the latest information out to all of the chapters.

At CA-11's Valentine's Day run, Chapter CA-1A was announced as the District Chapter of the Year. Bob and Nancy Clark as the District Couple of the Year, and Ken Parmann is this year's Individual of the Year were also recognized. Pam and I, on behalf of the entire District Staff would like to extend our congratulations to all of the winners for a job well done and we know that you will represent well at the Region Rally!

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Please mark your calendars for The Rally in the Valley, March 27-29, in Mesquite, Nevada. As always they put on a great rally. Just another reason to get out and ride, their theme this year is Beach Blanket Wingo!

Until next month, ride well and ride often.

Vincent and Pamela Puterbaugh

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*Norm Fleet*      3/2

*Rich & Kristi Moore*      3/18

*Tom Brower*      3/8

*Tom & Sharon Brower*      3/24

*Patty Wear*      3/24

*Rob & Mona Levig*      3/31

*Ron Foglesong*      3/26

*Jim Wilson*      3/27



**February Monthly Gathering At a Glance**

**Monthly Chapter Get-together**

Meeting Date: February 1, 2015

Chapter Members	28
GWRRA Visitors	5
Non GWRRA Visitors	0
Bikes	5
Trikes	0
Side Cars	0

**50/50 Winners**

Cathy Diaz	\$41
Guy Lefebvre	\$41

**Birthday/Anniversary**

Jackie Neuman	\$10
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**Donation raffle**

Cathy Diaz	\$10
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**Door Prize Donors:**

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George & Jackie Neuman

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### March 2015 Observances

- 3/1 - Peanut Butter Lovers' Day
- 3/3 - I Want You To Be Happy Day
- 3/4 - Hug a GI Day
- 3/6 - National Frozen Food Day
- 3/11 - Johnny Appleseed Day
- 3/14 - National Potato Chip Day
- 3/15 - Everything You Think is Wrong Day
- 3/16 - Everything You Do is Right Day
- 3/17 - Submarine Day (hmmmm - the sandwich or boat?)
- 3/25 - Waffle Day

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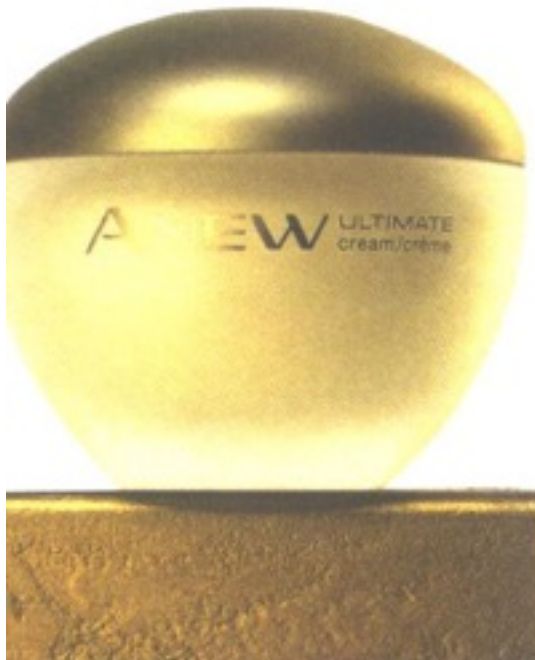


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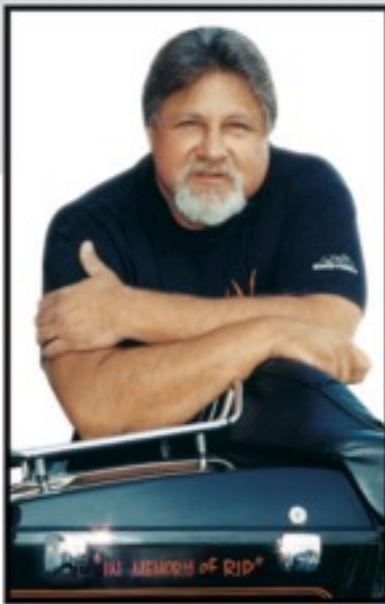
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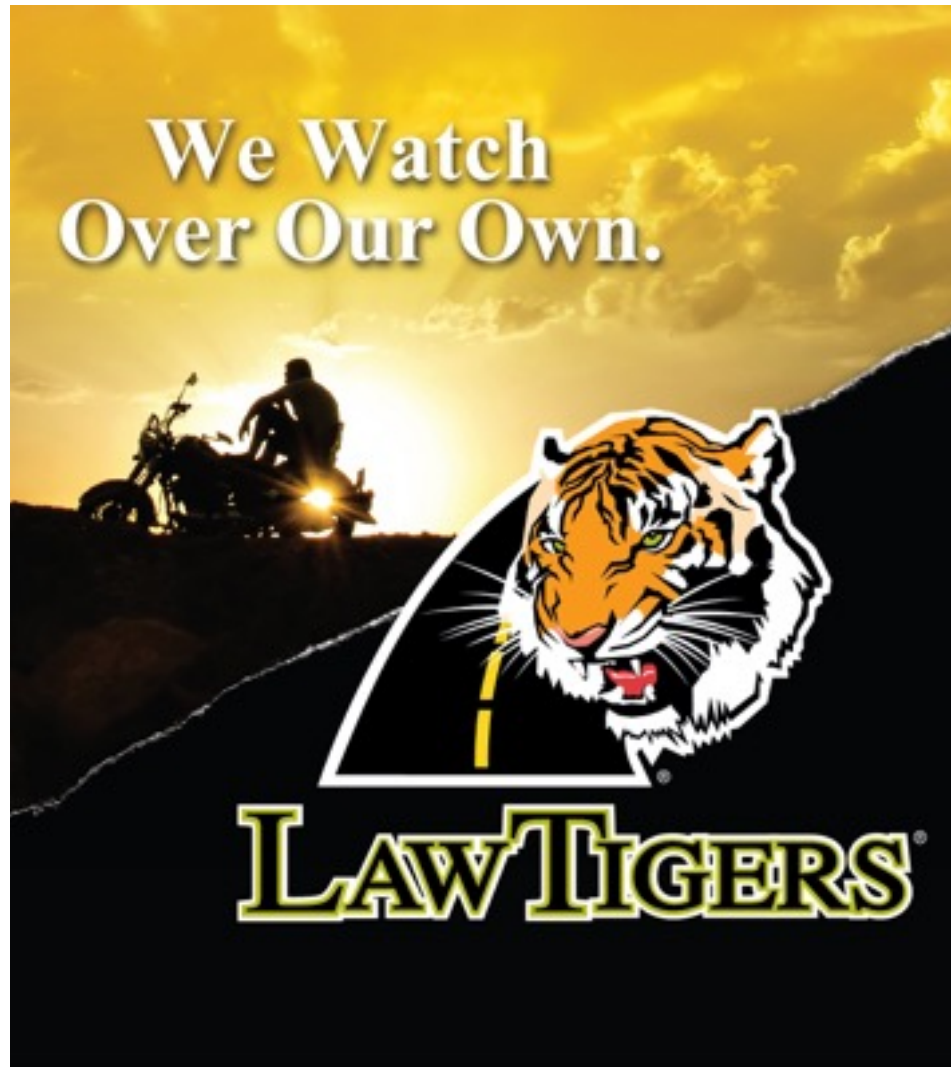
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