



Virginia District Times

Gold Wing Road Riders Association



My, It's a beautiful day in the (Virginia) neighborhood!

Aside from a few thunderstorms, the weather has been wonderful for riding these last few weeks. So hopefully, you've been able to get out and about, go on chapter rides, and visit other chapters. But as nice as the weather is right now, the heat and extreme humidity are coming. So when planning upcoming rides, make sure you have built your breaks near places you can cool off. Visitor centers on the highways, shopping centers and malls when going through a town, or even a well-shaded park if traveling off the beaten path. And of course pack lots and lots of water. When Kathy and I travel, we will freeze most of the water the night before to keep everything cold without having to carry ice packs, and we also pack the single-serve Gatorade powders to add to the water bottles to help us fend off the effects of extreme heat.



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Now, you might be wondering, why we are harping on the same subject our District Educator will be? It's because everyone in GWRRA should be discussing rider safety. Not just the District Educator, not just your Chapter Director or Ride Coordinator - everybody. Think about it, when you go on a group ride, you want everyone to arrive safely, right? Not just the ones who are in the levels program, or just the ones who have earned their Master Tour Rider, or just the Chapter Officers ... EVERYBODY. And while not everyone in GWRRA will have the same level of commitment to the Rider Education program, that doesn't mean we shouldn't share basic safety tips such as the simple ones listed above. Some riders are new and may not have ridden much. Others are very experienced and may even be a Life Grand Master Tour Rider, but still need reminders. And of course some of us just don't like to admit that we can't ride as long and hard and carefree as we used to when we were younger. It's good to have someone else in the group looking out for us as well.

Rally in the Valley. Wow, attendance is up, the hotel is excited to have us, and we have a lot of new things going on, thanks to our new venue! By the time you read this, the pre-registration for Rally in the Valley will have passed, but we know that many of you will be registering on site. And while the Trike class is full, there are a couple seats available in both the ARC and CPR/MFA classes at this time. IF, and this is an important IF, you are on-site by 1pm on Thursday and space is still available, you can sign up for the ARC class; for the CPR/MFA class you need to be on-site and registered by 4pm Thursday.

Based on the increase in pre-registrations, everyone is as excited about this year's Rally in the Valley as we are. So everyone ride often, but ride safe, and we'll see you in a few weeks!

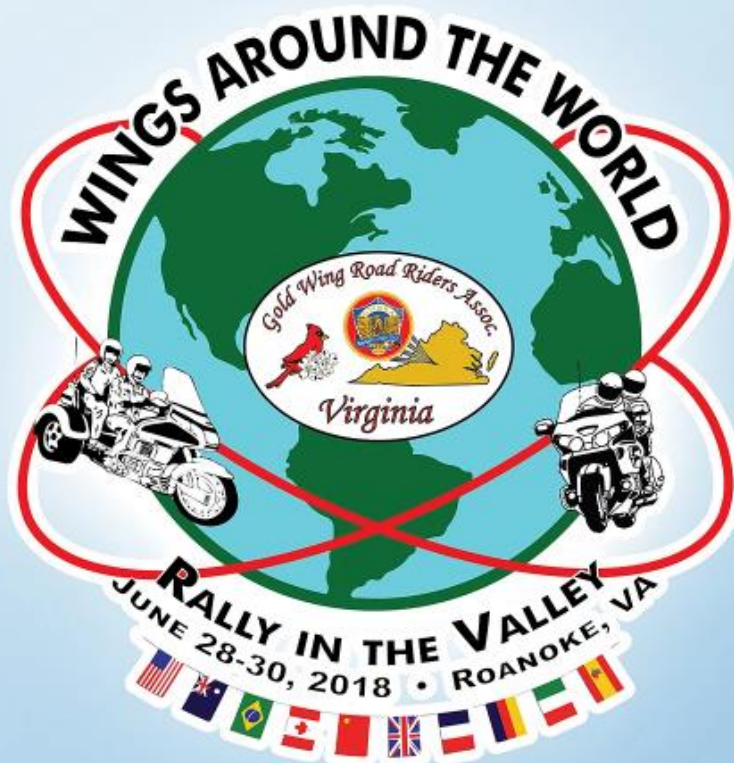
ATGATT: Because sweat dries faster than skin heals.

Keep the shiny side up,

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GWRRA Virginia District presents
RALLY IN THE VALLEY 2018

WINGS AROUND THE WORLD

JUNE 28-30, 2018 • A WEEKEND OF FUN WITH FRIENDS AND MOTORCYCLES

**NEW
LOCATION!**

**Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center
2801 Hershberger Rd NW, Roanoke, VA**

**LOTS of Fun & Games • CASH PRIZES • Hospitality Room • Door Prizes
ARC and Trike Classes • CPR/First Aid Class • Excursions • Raffles
Grand 50/25-25 • Daily 50/50 • Master's Breakfast • & Much More!**

**Registration form will be available soon at gwrrava.net or
contact jskinner8482@gmail.com for more information**



**It doesn't matter what you
ride, only that you ride.**



Ice Cream Social
sponsored by Tom McGrath



Do You Have the Time and Dedication to be a Trainer?



Do you like talking with people? Do you like meeting people? If so, perhaps you should consider stepping forward to take the first step at becoming a Trainer for GWRRA.

But before you consider taking the first step, do you have the time and dedication to be a Trainer? Being a Trainer is not easy; it takes dedication and time. The dedication is towards our members; are you dedicated to present training to a myriad of people not just within your Chapter but at the District and National Level.

Are you dedicated to the principles of GWRRA to present the best training possible to allow our members to remain informed and make decisions about the hobby we all enjoy? Are you dedicated to stay abreast of changes in training material and review the material to ensure you present the material in a clear and concise manner, so all attendees can understand it?

Do you have the time it takes to be a Trainer? Do you have the time in your schedule to be a dedicated Trainer? The process to become a Trainer takes time; it can take months for you become a Trainer. The process has several steps that must be completed before you get in-front of a classroom. You may have to travel to attend the Instructor Trainer Certification Program (ITCP).

Have you ever attended a seminar or module and thought “I would have said or done it differently” ... There is nothing wrong with that; in fact, that is what I said to myself. Have you attended training specifically because it was being presented by a Trainer you enjoy presenting material; that Trainer can be you. GWRRA is looking for people who have the time and dedication to become Trainers.

If you are going to Rally in the Valley, please consider attending some training; there will be Training on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Please see the schedule below:

Thursday

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm: Co-Rider, Lorrie Thomas (VA-L)

Friday

9:00 am – 1030 am: The Dangerous Epidemic; Distracted Drivers, Zach Bon (VA-L)

1030 am – 1200 pm: Levels Program (OCP recommended), Dan Clark (VA-L)

1200 pm – 1:00 pm: Trailing, Jeff Stobie (VA-L)

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Communications (OCP recommended), Denise Copeland-Blake (VA-O)

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Motorcycle Crash Scene Response, Kathleen Mahan (FL2-G)

Saturday

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Co-Rider, Karen Bottoni (VA-L)

11:00 am – 12:30 pm: Adding Fun to Socials, Denise Copeland-Blake (VA-O)

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Chapter Finances (OCP recommended), Sherry Morgan (VA-L)

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm: We're Doing What? Dennis Easton (VA-L)



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Share the Road: May was Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Summer fun is now, with high temperatures and rain, and motorcycles already can be seen cruising in your local neighborhoods. May is (was) Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

Government agencies and safety organization are reminding both motorists and motorcycle drivers to practice safety while on the road. "As more and more people enjoy the fun and excitement of motorcycling, we want to remind both motorcyclists and motorists to share the road safely".

When we attend our fellow chapter's fund raisers and support them in their endeavors, we ensure that they will support ours. There are lots of other fund raisers in other Chapters of Virginia to ride and support. Just check out the schedules for any chapter close to you or even if you want to head out for a ride, another chapter social / event / fund raiser could be a great destination. Why not make the 2018 riding season the reason to visit other chapters in Virginia.

Negative or Positive attitudes could make a big difference in a chapter or event. Have you ever sat back and looked at yourself and thought about how others see you? Do they see you as a positive person always ready to get out there and bring on the Fun at the chapter? These are very special people and need to be part of the Fun team in the chapter. On the other hand, if you feel you come across as negative and always complain about things, then take the time to turn it around. When you do think negative, also think what I can do to turn the negative into a positive. Yes, it can be done, but it takes hard work. I know as I am one of the types that go to the negative side of things. I found that if I bring the positive people around me, their FUN side helps me to move away from negative to positive. That is when the Fun and creative side comes out. It only takes one person with a Negative mind to mess things up for others to enjoy themselves.

Allen & I joined GWRRA to have FUN and with the help of the positive people in the chapter. (You) can make a chapter one of the most FUN chapters to be in and others will wish their chapter is as much fun as ours. All it takes is you to say I am a positive person and then practice being positive and let others see your positive side. This will make you the positive person that knows how to have FUN and that everyone wishes to be around.

Let's make sure you have your room booked and registration sent off for "Rally In the Valley". You talk about FUN! District has made it for you, all you have to do is come and enjoy yourself with the FUN. District Team has work very hard to make this happen just for you. Allen & I hope to see more & more VA Chapters to come out and support the Team that's making the FUN just for you.



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Motorcycle deaths increased by almost 50% last year!



... in Virginia! According to a report from the Virginia Department of Transportation there were 107 motorcycle deaths in 2017, while there were only 72 in 2016. Some recommendations from Virginia were for motorcyclists to “alert and focused and wear your safety gear and helmet” while reminding our four wheeled friends to “keep an eye out and scan the roadway to look for motorcyclists that may be sharing the roadway”.

While at Chapter B-1's event yesterday I got to witness a new program GWRRA introduced being used and it is a great way for all riders to practice on their bikes in a safe, controlled environment. The League of Aces was drafted as a way for members to compete with each other at Rally's without feeling pressured to compete in the Amazing Challenge areas. A really cool feature of the new program is that you don't have to even compete with it, you can pick a few exercises to set up, get some experienced riders to assist with the explanation and demonstration and allow riders in attendance to practice and see some of the things their bikes are capable of. GWRRA calls this the Pursuit of Excellence and is part of the Shiny Side up program. In total, there are 15 exercises with varying levels of difficulty but all are completely doable by anyone willing to listen to the brief and apply the principles.

Most riders that I talk to, tell me what scares them the most in a practice setting like this is dropping the bike in a tight maneuver. I totally understand that but let me put your mind at ease. The tightest circle or U-turn a rider is asked to do in the Pursuit of Excellence program is 24 ft. Which also happens to match the U-turn box that MSF uses for larger bikes. But to put your mind at even more ease, that is actually 6 feet more than a Goldwing was expected to do in the Pro class of the Top Gun or Amazing Challenge competitions. I promise you a Goldwing can complete a circle in 18 ft of space with practice. But you don't have to do that in this new program. You get 6 more feet of room, let's not forget that you are in a controlled environment so if you miss the mark and go wide the worst you do is run over a cone. There are no obstacles that will hurt you or your bike in the process. One more thing, this isn't a competition so you don't have to worry about the pressure of winning a medal. All participants are winners as they hone their skills.

At B-1s's event, Leroy Gross got some help from Andy Brazelle and Ray Pierce to set up 3 events for riders to practice on their bikes. They chose to use Exercises 4 & 5 (Full Range Weave), 6 (Obstacle Avoidance), and 8 (U-Turns). All three exercises are great ways to hone your skills, see what your bike or trike is capable of, and boost your confidence so you don't get as scared if you have to use the skill in the real world.

I arrived late in the morning to the event so I didn't get to see the bulk of the riders go through early in the day, but after lunch the invite was extended to more riders. Because of this, Karen Bottini from Chapter L gladly



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hopped on her Harley Davidson Trike to take advantage of the opportunity to practice. Judging from the smile on her face as she completed the full range weave I'd wager she was having a good time. One question she had before starting was, is this set up so a trike can go through and she quickly discovered that her trike fit just fine and she was doing great riding through the gates. At the U-turn event she had no problems spinning the big Harley around. My favorite part was watching her and listening to her comments at the obstacle avoidance exercise. She commented that she really wanted to do it as its not something she experiences a lot in the real world and wanted to see how her trike handled the maneuver. I personally think its great that she doesn't experience it a lot, but I also think its great that she (and the riders in the morning) wanted to practice it. After all, practicing things like obstacle avoidance help better prepare us as riders in case we do need to use it.

Events like this are great ways to practice our skills, in between the times we take additional courses like the ARC, TRC, Trailering, etc... And by practicing these skills we can hopefully reduce our chances of becoming another statistic that gets reported on at the end of the year. I'm sure some of us wouldn't mind being famous, but I also imagine that none of us want to be famous because we were part of a motorcycle accident report.

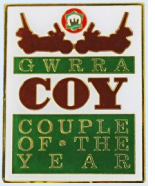
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GWRRR Membership Enhancement Program



Next Steps to International Couple of the Year Selection Process

2018 marks a whole new beginning for the International Couple of the Year Selection Process. District Couples are being selected at their annual District Rally and Selection Process. We know as District Couples, MEC's and our new MEP Team Assistants, you are excited to discover what is next to come and what you should be doing to prepare. Here is a brief breakdown of the steps you need to take before the International Couple of the Year Selection Process begins in January 2019.

District Couples

- You have just been selected as your District's Couple of the Year. Now just relax.....take a breath and savor the moment. You have done an amazing job.
- Contact your District MEC and give them your name and contact information so they have your information on file.
- Continue adding to your resume at upcoming rallies and events.
- Read and become familiar with the Couple of the Year Handbook. Learn about the International Process, how it works and what is required from you. Ask questions of your District MEC.
- You have until the end of November to decide whether you wish to participate at the International level or stay exactly as you are. This is your decision to make, without pressure. Your MEP Assistant will be in touch in December.
- Most of all.....ENJOY! This is YOUR time!

District MECs / COY Coordinators

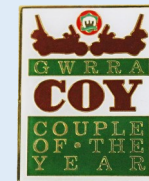
- Thanks to your efforts, your new District Couple has been selected. Your hard work and dedication to the Couple of the Year Program is to be commended.
- Contact your District Couple and gather their contact information. Forward this information to the MEP Director immediately after your District Selection Process.
- You should be familiar with the COY Handbook so you are able to answer any questions your District Couple may have.
- Work with your District Couple to see if there is some way you can help them with any courses, or seminars that they may require to enhance their resume.
- Without any pressure, talk to and answer any questions your couple may have regarding their decision to move forward.
- In December MEP Assistants will be contacting you to confirm names and contact information for your new District Couples.

MEP Team Assistants

- Become familiar with the COY Handbook and knowledgeable about the COY Program
- Contact all the District MEC's within your COY territory to introduce yourself and confirm District COY contact information.
- In December, contact all District Couples to give them information, answer their questions about moving forward.
- In January, set up Zoom meetings with all your applicable DCOYs to prepare them for the upcoming Selection Process.
- Work as a team with the other MEP Assistants to gather judges.
- Arrange interviews for March & April. Make sure you prep each District Couple so they know what to expect at every step. Moderate all Selection Process interviews.
- It's time to HAVE FUN! Thanks to your efforts, this will be a rewarding and fun experience for your Couples!



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Part 2: Our 2017 District Couples—Where do they go from here?

2017 District Couples

- You were selected in 2017 as your District's Couple of the Year. With last year's reorganization and the change in the Couple of the Year Program, you have not had the opportunity of participating in the International Selection Process. Now there are 2018 Couples being selected and you are probably wondering "what happens to us"?
- Well, if you are interested in stepping forward to that last important step, don't you worry—we have you covered! We have established a policy of "No Couple Left Behind". All 2017 District Couples who never had the opportunity to participate at their Region Selection Process are eligible. If you would like to participate in the International Couple of the Year Selection Process which will take place next year, we are giving you that opportunity.
- For 2019 only, some Districts will have two District Couples participating in the International Selection. Both 2017 and 2018 District Couples will participate as equal participants, side by side with all the other District Couples within their Territory.
- You will not be left behind. You will follow the same rules and guidelines as all the other participants. You have equal standing in this process.
- So contact your District MEC or COY Coordinator as soon as possible to let them know you are interested. You have until the end of November to confirm your intention to move forward.
- Follow the same instructions as outlined in our Next Step Part 1 bulletin as it applies to our District Couples.
- We are waiting for you!

No Couple Left Behind



Including our
2017 District Couples
In the 2019
ICOY Selection Process



Rally in the Valley has moved!! Come join us in sunny June this year at the Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center for the 30th annual Rally in the Valley!

And be sure to attend opening ceremonies **Thursday** evening followed by a pizza party at the Mill Mountain Star.

- Welcome Pizza Party on Thursday
- COY Reception Friday afternoon
- Door Prizes
- CPR / First Aid
- Bike Show
- ARC & Trike Courses
- Hospitality Room
- 2018-2019 Virginia District Couple of the Year Selection on Saturday
- Poker Run
- Grand 50/25-25
- Chapter Basket Raffle
- Ice Cream Social Friday night
- Friday evening Entertainment, and more!



All dates and times are subject to change.

ARC/Trike Classes

We are offering **ARC & Trike** classes. The classroom portion will be **THURSDAY** at 2pm, the range portion will **FRIDAY** morning at 9am. The cost for either course is \$50 (Co-Riders are free). **For this advanced class, you will be using your own Motorcycle or Trike. Full riding gear, CUR-RENT Motorcycle license, proof of insurance & Registration are required to take either class.**

Master's Breakfast

You worked hard for your Level IV in Rider Education, so come join us at the Master's Breakfast on Saturday morning, June 30th. \$12 per person, and must be pre-registered.

CPR/MFA Class

We will be offering a CPR/Medic First-Aid class at RITV on Friday, June 29, 2018. The course will begin **PROMPTLY** at 7:30am. The cost for the course is \$30 per person. Maximum of 12 for the class, and must be pre-registered.



Host Hotel: Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center
2801 Hershberger Road
Roanoke, VA 24017
(540) 563-9300

Hotel rooms **BEFORE** May 28th: \$85 per room

Call hotel reservations at **800-325-3535** and ask for special "GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS" rate.

Rooms after May 28th will be at regular hotel rates.

June 28-30, 2018

**Sheraton Roanoke Hotel
& Conference Center**

2801 Hershberger Road, Roanoke, VA 24017

Come join us for a weekend full of fun and friendship; gather with old friends and make new ones! Take a Rider Education seminar, play some games, and go for a ride in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Win prizes, go on a Poker Run, take in a bike show, and enjoy yourself!



RITV 2018 Schedule

Thursday, June 28

12:00 5:00 Registration Open
12:00 5:00 Vendors Open
1:00 5:00 Poker Run Table Open
2:00 5:00 Hospitality Open
2:00 5:30 ACR - Classroom Portion *(must be pre-registered)*
2:00 5:30 Trike - Classroom portion *(must be pre-registered)*
2:00 3:00 **Co-Rider Seminar**
3:00 4:00 WINGO
6:00 6:45 Opening Ceremonies, Daily 50/50 Drawing
7:00 Ride to Mill Mountain Star *(8 miles, 15-20 minutes with traffic)*
7:30 ??? Pizza Party at Mill Mountain Star

Friday, June 29

7:30 12:30 CPR/MFA Class *(must be pre-registered)*
8:00 5:00 Registration Open
9:00 4:00 Poker Run Table Open
9:00 1:00 ARC & Trike - Range Portion @Roanoke Regional Airport *(must be pre-registered)*
9:00 10:30 **Coaching Your Team**
9:00 1:00 Register for Best Dressed Competition at MEC Table
10:00 5:00 Hospitality Open
10:00 11:00 Fun & Games with the Virginia MECs
10:30 11:00 Bake-off competition *(ALL entries must be dropped off to the hospitality room by 10am)*
10:30 12:00 **Levels Program**
11:00 12:00 WINGO
12:00 1:00 **Trailing**
1:00 2:00 Best dressed/International Best Dressed Competition *(Please sign up at MEC table)*
1:00 2:30 **Communications**
2:00 4:00 Chapter Table Decorating Setup
3:00 4:00 Couple of the Year Reception (open to all current and former Couples)
3:00 4:00 Fun & Games with the Virginia MECs
4:00 5:00 Couple of the Year Interviews
4:00 5:00 **Motorcycle Crash Scene Response**
4:00 5:00 WINGO
7:00 9:00 Live Entertainment with Rosalie Boyles & Friends
8:00 Ice Cream Social & 50/50 drawing

Saturday, June 30

7:30 9:00 Master's Breakfast *(must be pre-registered)*
8:00 3:00 Registration Open
8:00 2:00 Vendors open
9:00 1:00 Poker Run Table Open *(ALL hands must be turned in by 1PM)*
9:00 10:00 **Co-Rider**
9:30 11:00 Couple of the Year Selection
10:00 3:00 Hospitality open
11:00 11:30 Bikes Categorized for Bike Show (Bike wash station at hotel loading dock, all bikes must be in place by 11:30)
11:30 1:00 Bike Show and Voting
11:00 12:00 **Adding Fun to Socials**
12:30 2:00 Line Dancing
1:00 2:30 **Chapter Finances**
2:00 Old Dominion Precision Drill Team Performance @ Roanoke Regional Airport Parking lot
2:00 3:30 **We're Doing What?**
2:00 Silent Auction Closes
2:30 Chapter Basket Tickets Drawn
2:45 3:15 Candlelight Ceremony Practice
3:15 4:00 WINGO
4:30 6:00 Closing Ceremonies, Grand 50/25-25 and Grand Prize Drawing





CONTEST RULES FOR RALLY IN THE VALLEY 2018

TABLE DECORATING

- Open to all Virginia GWRRA chapters, winning chapter receives \$50 cash
- Table will be set up in the Turin Ballroom. You have from 2pm to 4pm on Friday to decorate ONE table.
- Table decorations must fit the overall Rally theme and/or your chapter assignment
- Table size is standard 6'x 2.5' banquet table.
- Decorations have no limit in height, but must be stable and able to stand on its own as tables may not be against a wall. Table decorations may touch, but not drape onto the floor or create a trip hazard.
- No lit flames or balloons allowed.
- Once set up, please do not remove anything until after Friday night entertainment so everyone can enjoy them. Decorations may be left overnight as the ballroom can be secured, however, all decorations **MUST** be removed by the end of closing ceremonies on Saturday.

BEST DRESSED

- Two Categories (GWRRA & International), two classifications (Couple and Chapter); winner of each receives \$25 cash
- All participants should pre-register at the MEC table

Best Dressed GWRRA

- Open to ALL GWRRA members
- Two Classifications: Couple and Chapter
- Each COUPLES participant must wear a vest with the 10 inch GWRRA back patch, 4 inch GWRRA front patch, and GWRRA membership pin
- Each CHAPTER participant should have a shirt or vest with GWRRA logo and their Chapter logo.
- Participants may be requested to turn around to allow judges to see outfits.
- Participants will be judged on appearance, poise, and uniformity of apparel (shirt color, placement of patches, pins, etc.)

Best Dressed Rally Theme (International)

- Open to ALL GWRRA Members
- Two Classifications: Couple and Chapter
- Each participant must be dressed in a coherent theme representing a single country, but costumes do not have to match
- Participants may be requested to turn around to allow judges to see outfits.
- Participants will be judged on appearance, poise, and uniqueness of attire, and how well judges feel it represents the chosen country.

*** A couple may participate both as a couple and with their chapter, and all participants may enter both the GWRRA and International competition, HOWEVER, all judging will be held back-to-back, and will not be delayed to allow for costume changes. If you are a quick change artist and want to be in more than 1 competition, fine, but you must be ready when called.*

CHAPTER BASKET COMPETITION

- Each basket ticket will be sold for \$1 for 1 ticket or 6 tickets for \$5. Each chapter will receive 50% of the proceeds from their basket. Chapter with the most tickets for their basket receives 100% of their proceeds.
- Basket ticket sales will start at 12noon Thursday, and close 2pm on Saturday. Winning ticket drawn 2:30pm Saturday. If winner not present, basket will be brought to closing ceremonies. Winner still not present, new ticket will be drawn.
- Each chapter may submit only ONE basket for the raffle. Multiple baskets will be combined into one 'prize'.
- Basket does not have to follow the Rally theme.
- Basket may be any size or shape and in any type of container (does not have to be a basket) but as folks ride to the rally, try to size it to fit in a motorcycle trailer.
- Basket **MUST** be wrapped so that contents cannot fall out, and donating chapter **MUST** be identified.
- It is helpful to have a list of basket items on either a separate sheet next to the basket or one that's easily read inside the wrapping and includes an approximate value, but is not required.
- While a small bottle of wine/beer that fits the basket theme (i.e. a food basket) is acceptable, alcohol cannot be the primary focus of the basket. GWRRA does not promote alcohol at events.
- Baskets must be presented to either the registration desk or the District MEC **NO LATER** than 9am Friday morning, but the earlier the better.





COY BASKET SUBMISSIONS

- Each basket will be put up for Silent Auction. Silent Auction will open at 12:00pm Thursday and close at 2:00pm Saturday
- Basket may be any size or shape and in any type of container (does not have to be a basket) but as folks ride to the rally, try to make sure it would fit in a motorcycle trailer.
- Basket must be wrapped so that contents cannot fall out, and donating couple **MUST** be identified.
- It is helpful to have a list of basket items on either a separate sheet next to the basket or one that's easily read inside the wrapping. Approximate value is helpful but not required.
- Baskets should be themed as directed by the District COY and/or MEC.
- While a small bottle of wine with a food-themed basket is acceptable, wine (or any other alcohol) cannot be the focus. Remember that GWRRA does not promote alcohol at events.
- Baskets must be presented to either the registration desk or the District MEC **NO LATER** than 9am Friday morning, but the earlier the better.

RITV BAKE-OFF

- Open to ALL registered Rally in the Valley attendees; winner receives \$25 cash.
- **A participant may have more than one entry**
- Baked goods must be in the designated category (or categories). For Virginia members, this is a dessert from your chapter's assigned country. For members outside Virginia, any International dessert is acceptable.
- All entries should have the participant name and chapter taped to the **BOTTOM** of the entry.
- All goods to be entered must be delivered to the Hospitality Room between 9am and 10am on Friday. Bobbie Jo Harrison of VA-K is in charge of the judges, but if she is not available when you arrive, make sure whomever you hand it off to knows that it is for the **JUDGING**, and not the general food table. After the judges have sampled all entries, the remainder will be dispersed through the Hospitality Room.

BIKE SHOW

- Open to ALL registered Rally in the Valley attendees; winner of each category receives a plaque, Best in Show receives plaque and \$25 cash. Bikes entered in show will also be in a random drawing for \$25 cash.
- There will be 7 categories of classification, and judging will be People's Choice. Each Rally attendee may vote for 1 bike per category. There will not be an option to purchase additional votes.
- The Bike show is Rain or Shine, unless the weather is detrimental to safely riding the motorcycle to move it into position.
- A bike wash station will be provided by the hotel at the loading dock.
- All bikes must be in the show area by 11:30am Saturday to compete.
- Once the bike is in the show area, there will be no more cleaning allowed.
- Bikes must be placed on their center stand, and left in place until 1pm Saturday.
- Do not interfere with anyone else's bike. Violating this rule will disqualify your bike from the show.

POKER RUN (prizes TBD)

- All rally attendees will receive 1 Poker Hand sheet with their registration. Winner determined per standard 5-card Poker Hands, without suit ranking or wild cards. Ties will be decided by random drawing.
- 1st place, 2nd place, and possibly a booby prize for worst hand will be awarded.
- Five cards may be drawn at the poker run table.
- If attendee goes on the poker run, and brings back to the poker run table a receipt, brochure, card, or selfie from the two designated stops on the poker run, the attendee may draw 2 additional cards at no cost.
- If attendee elects to not go on poker run, they may purchase up to two additional cards for \$1 each.
- No attendee can submit more than 1 poker hand; no poker hand can have more than 7 cards drawn.
- All poker hands must be turned in **NO LATER THAN 1pm** on Saturday.





All Chapters Picnic

September 15, 2018

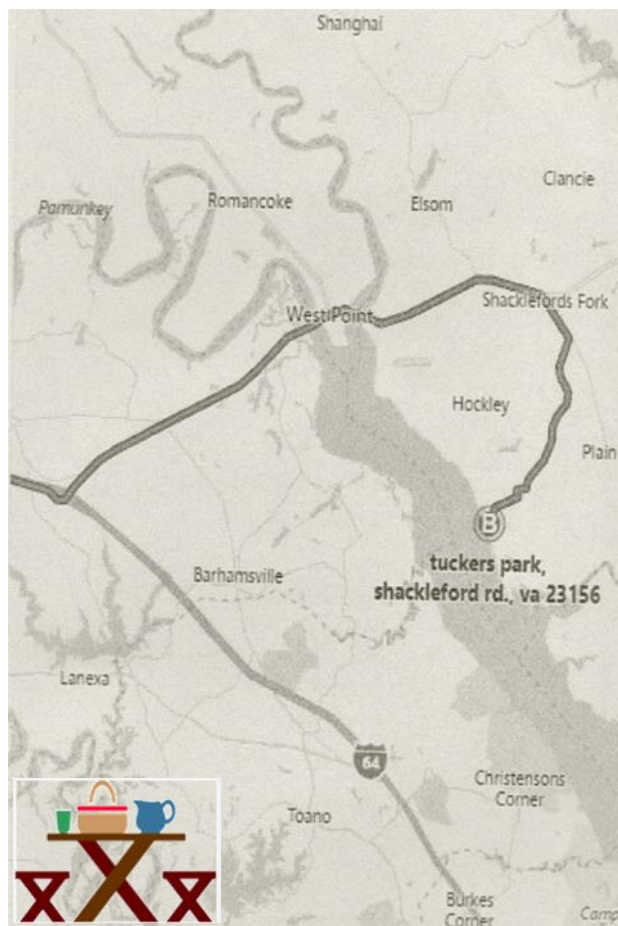


Tuckers Recreation & Marine Park

Rt.666 - 244 Barn Rd. Shacklefords, VA. 23156

(10:AM- 3:PM)

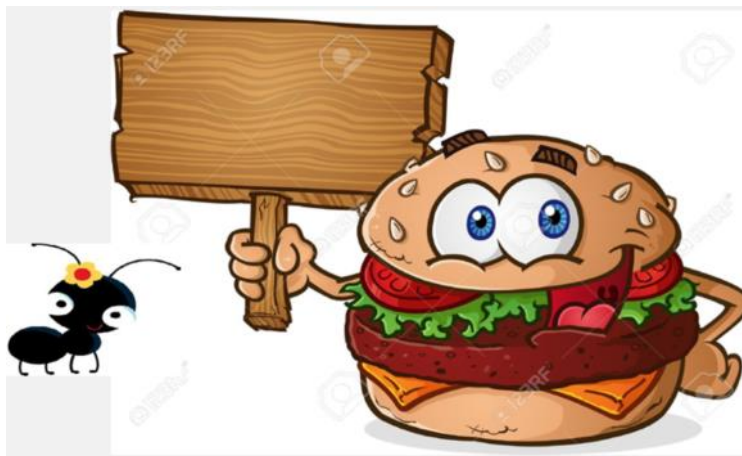
2018 Chapter Couples of the Year,
would like to “Welcome” you to our annual appreciation Picnic.
We would love to see as many GWRRA Chapters and new faces
as we gather here at this annual vent.



“Dessert Auction”

Join in the dessert auction and Fun!

Bring an Auction Item!



Please bring a Covered Dish or Dessert!
We Need head count from all Chapter Directors

Deadline: September 9, 2018

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District Couple: Steve & Sherry Morgan

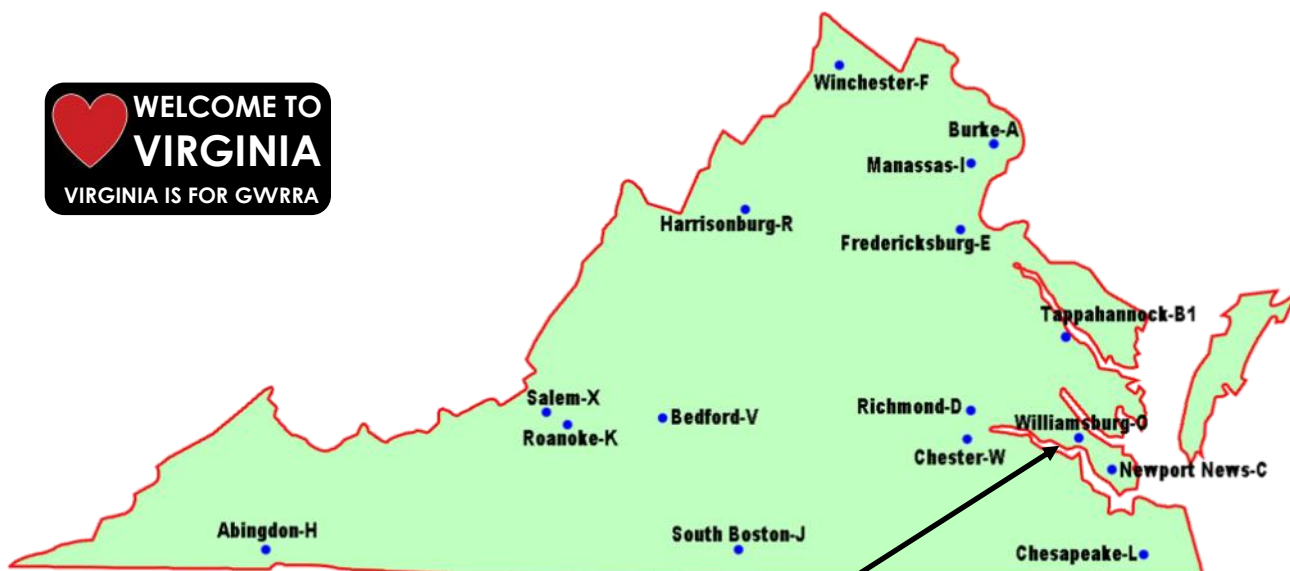
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VIRGINIA CHAPTERS

CHAPTER	LOCATION	CHAPTER DIRECTOR	PHONE	SOCIAL GATHERING
VA-A	Burke	Mary O'Connor director@gwrravaa.org	703-378-3873	2nd Wednesday
VA-B1	Tappahannock	Jim & Beverly Evans jevansez@gmail.com		3rd Sunday
VA-C	Newport News	Dave & Donna Huey DHUEY1800@cox.net	757-719-0668	2nd Sunday
VA-D	Richmond	Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet fritz.sassine@gmail.com	804-938-9183	4th Wednesday
VA-E	Fredericksburg	Gordon Combs gorcom@msn.com	540-840-0394	3rd Wednesday
VA-F	Winchester	Stephanie Davis davis.stehanie80@yahoo.com	540-664-6430	4th Sunday
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VA-I	Manassas	Mack and Tracey McMillan mack.mcmillan52@yahoo.com	571-338-5418	2nd Sunday
VA-K	Roanoke	Bobbie Jo Harrison threewheelcruzin@verizon.net	540-309-0566	2nd Monday
VA-L	Chesapeake	Zac & Angie Bon zachkbon@gmail.com	757-581-0908	4th Tuesday
VA-O	Williamsburg	Ray & Tammie Pierce gwrravaochapterdirector@cox.net	757-268-6286	4th Sunday
VA-R	Harrisonburg	Gary Hoover hoov@shentel.net		1st Sunday
VA-V	Bedford	Jonathan Whitworth otterridevav@gmail.com	540-425-0028	3rd Sunday
VA-W	Chester	Linda Carlyle lindaredwing05@verizon.net	804-652-9520	2nd Tuesday
VA-X	Salem	Larry Stanton larry25022@gmail.com	540-922-1401	1st Saturday



2015, 2016 2017
FRIENDLIEST CHAPTER
VA-O Williamsburg



Date	Chapter	2018 Event
Jan 1	Holiday	New Year Day
Jan 20		VA District Ops Meeting at the North Garden Ridge Volunteer Fire Company
Jan 27	<u>Virginia</u>	Medic First Aid / CPR Class—Middle Peninsula Regional Airport, West Point
Feb 8—10		Maryland Winter Thing Ocean City, MD
Feb 23-25		WASHINGTON D.C MOTORCYCLE SHOW WALTER E. WASHINGTON CONVENTION CENTER
Feb 24	<u>F</u>	VA-F Crazy Supper
Mar 3	<u>Virginia</u>	Couples of the Year Meet & Greet at Big Mouth Rest. 4338 S Laburnam Ave Richmond
Mar 11		Daylight Savings Time Begins
Mar 17	<u>K</u>	VA-K Chili Cook-Off Vinton Senior Center, 820 E. Washington Ave.
Mar 24	<u>Virginia</u>	Medic First Aid / CPR Class—Dulles Public Safety Center
Apr 7	<u>X</u>	VA-X Spaghetti Dinner Evangelical Methodist Church, 1920 Lucas St. Salem, VA
Apr 12-14	<u>Tennessee</u>	Tennessee District Rally “Spring Fling”: Ranada Inn, Pigeon Forge, TN
Apr 21	<u>A</u>	VA-A Picnic in the Park Shenandoah National Park Mile Marker #37, Pinnacles Picnic Area
May 5	<u>L</u>	VA-L Cruise In For Safety Chesapeake Square Mall
May 12	<u>D</u>	VA-D Celebrating Mom - Dorey Park Henrico, VA
May 19	<u>V</u>	VA-V Chick’n Pick’n
May 28	Holiday	Memorial Day
May 31-Jun 2	<u>Missouri</u>	Wingin The Ozarks MO District Rally Branson, MO
Jun 4-9	<u>New York</u>	Americade 35 – Lake George, NY
Jun 9	<u>B1</u>	VA-B1 Scavenger Run Tappahannock Airport, Airport Rd Tappahannock, VA
Jun 16	<u>O</u>	VA-O Casino Picnic New Quarter Park, Williamsburg, VA
Jun 16	<u>A</u>	VA-A Poker Run
Jun 18		International “Ride To Work” Day (3 rd Monday in June)
Jun 28-30	<u>Virginia</u>	Virginia Rally In The Valley at the Sheraton Roanoke Hotel & Conference Center
Jul 4	Holiday	Independence Day
Aug 16-18	<u>Kentucky</u>	The Blast—Kentucky District Rally Cave City
Aug 28-31	<u>Wing Ding</u>	Wing Ding 40 : Knoxville, TN
Sep 1-2	<u>Wing Ding</u>	Wing Ding 40 : Knoxville, TN
Sep 3	Holiday	Labor Day
Sep 15	<u>Virginia</u>	All Chapters Picnic—Tucker’s Beach 244 Barn Rd, Shacklefords, VA 23156
Sep 22	<u>W</u>	VA-W Party in the Park Point of Rocks Park Shelter 4 Enon Church Rd Chester, VA
Sep 27-29	<u>N C</u>	NC District Rally Haywood County Fair Grounds 758 Crabtree Rd. Waynesville, NC
Oct 6	<u>C</u>	VA-C Fall Sprawl Extravaganza 485 Simmons Lane. White Stone, VA
Nov 4		Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov 22	Holiday	Thanksgiving Day
Dec 25	Holiday	Christmas Day



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