



The Battlefield Buzz



Virginia District Chapter-E Fredericksburg, VA

Region N

Chapter Director Claude Revely

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Chapter "E"

Greetings and salutations. As 2014 comes to a close in less than 60 days, I like to reflect on the past year's mileage I put on my GW. Granted it was far less than previous years due to unforeseen obligations but nevertheless, it's the quality not quantity. Having the wind blow through my long blond...no, my medium curly....no, on my face, is and forever will be a joy! Only riders know the true freedom of the open road. And I for one wished I had more opportunities to do so and I know many of you do also. Now it is getting to the time that some of us will garage our favorite two wheels for the next 3 or 4 months waiting for the first glimmer of spring. You're not alone but there is our Gatherings - to join those with liked emotions! Your chapter will still meet as normal and it will be good therapy to be around other riders/co-riders longing for spring. So come on out and share your memories, show us those family photos, tell us your future ambitions for destinations. Maybe, just maybe, someone with the same desired locations may team up and have a joint adventure! And invite your riding friends along.

Claude

As I told those at the leader's meeting, I will remain in place for another year. After an hour call talking with Dennis he advised that if I truly want to step down, to do so with a deadline and if no one came forward to start the paperwork to close the chapter. There was other personal advice but the gist of it was to enjoy the time. I wasn't because I'm the kind that worries about the numbers...other's wanting to participate, to make a successful chapter. Instead of throwing in the towel...here we go again! To have you all as part of the team lifts a tremendous burden. Most of these positions are volunteers and with that I am asking you to let me know if you're still willing to continue? Believe me, I



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CHAPTER VA-E**

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Chapter's Social Gathering every 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 pm at the Golden Corral, meeting @7:30 p.m.

Address: 10320 Spotsylvania Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22408

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know the efforts it takes and I don't want this to be a burden on any of you that will stifle your participation.

We will need your help for the upcoming Christmas Party. If you can come help set up on Dec. 6th at 10 am, please do. I will go by the storage facility and pick up the decorations and meet you. Those that can, will you reach out to Carol and Carole to see what assistance they may need with food. Thanks again for those willing to continue on the team and those not, thanks for your volunteerism! We greatly appreciate it!

Claude Revely,
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Larry Gray
Chapter Educator

The First and Greatest (Motorcycle Riders') Commandment

What rule or guideline is the most important commandment for ensuring our safety as motorcyclists?

How about never mix alcohol and riding? Or, always ride your own ride? Or, never ride without a helmet (and other riding gear)? Or, always maintain a two second following distance? Or, always ride such that you can safely stop in the distance ahead of you that you can see to be clear?

We could have a pretty good debate, I suppose. In fact, I bet the rider who lost control and crashed his bike an hour ago while reaching down to scratch a mosquito bite on his ankle would argue the most important commandment has something to do with mosquitoes.

I think the most important commandment is that we develop, use, and hone an effective riding strategy. The Motorcycle Safety Foundation espouses SEE – Search, Evaluate, Execute (I talked about that at last month's chapter gathering and pointed out that during the search phase MSF now teaches that you should look for escape routes as well as looking for surface conditions, markings/signals, and other road users). Maybe you remember SIPDE – Scan, Identify, Predict, Decide, Execute. They're really the same thing, Scan and Identify are components of Search and Predict and Decide are components of Evaluate. Your strategy might have a different acronym but surely it includes each of the SEE components.



Let's review those components. Search does not mean to merely look around at your surroundings -- that would just be observing or sightseeing. We need to be more aggressive. We need to look for traffic signals/markings, road conditions, clues about what other road users might do, and escape routes. We need to pay particular attention to the things ahead of us but we can't neglect periodic checks in our mirrors. What we learn when searching is the input to our strategy -- if that input is incomplete or faulty, our safety is at risk -- garbage in, garbage out. Be aggressive when you search. Remember: signals/markings, road conditions, other road users, escape routes.

Once we've got some input to work with, it's time to evaluate. This is not a leisure activity either. What we want to do is take all of the facts and clues gathered during the search phase and figure out how they could mix together into the worst possible outcome (worst possible relative to us). If we see an oncoming left turner at the intersection, we've got to assume he doesn't see us and will turn in front of us (an easy evaluation because we know the statistics here and we, correctly, belabor the point often). But we also have to observe the pothole in the adjacent lane and figure out how to protect ourselves against the driver in that lane who will swerve into our lane at the last moment to avoid it. There are probably a dozen different bad things that could happen in the next few seconds and we must foresee them all and decide how to react to maximize our safety. The darn trouble is that of the hundreds of bad things that could happen on any given ride, maybe none of them actually do happen and we start to get complacent. Evaluating is hard work but we cannot afford to get complacent; don't let yourself do that.

Executing is the physical part of SEE. We would like to keep this part as unspectacular as possible. A spectacular quick stop or swerve probably means we did a poor job searching and evaluating. What we are striving for is searching and evaluating that leads to executing more in the nature of adjusting our speed or lane position or maybe communicating with a horn beep or flash of the brake lights. Not a spectacular, last moment maneuver.

Whatever strategy you use, always use it and try to refine and improve it. That is the first and greatest motorcycle riders' commandment in my opinion and I'm sticking to it.

[Of course, the real first and greatest commandment can be found in Mark 12:30. Thought I ought to mention that so you don't think I'm a heathen.]

Larry



Honda recalls 126K motorcycles for a 2nd time

Honda Motor Co. is recalling 126,000 motorcycles for a second time because their brakes can malfunction.

The recall covers Honda's GL-1800 motorcycles for model years 2001-2010 and 2012. A problem with the secondary brake master cylinder can cause the rear brake to drag, potentially leading to a crash or fire.

Honda had received 533 complaints through July 24, including reports of eight small fires. There have been no reports of crashes or injuries as a result of the problem.

Honda originally recalled the motorcycles in December 2011 but continued to receive complaints. It says in documents filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that the "root cause has not been determined" and it is continuing to investigate.

Honda will send a letter to each motorcycle owner explaining how to look for the problem. Motorcycles with the defect can be taken to the dealer for inspection. Owners will get a second letter when repairs Honda is recalling about 126,000 of its GL 1800 motorcycles for the second time because the rear brake can drag and possibly cause a fire, according to a report Honda posted on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website. The action covers the 2001-10 and 2012 model years.

The original recall in December 2011 was prompted by 26 complaints and reports of two fires, Honda said in a report at the time. But within months, some owners complained to the safety agency that the recall did not work.

"Approximately one mile after departing the dealership the motorcycle began feeling sluggish," one owner wrote in a complaint to the agency in April 2012. "I inspected the motorcycle and found the rear brake disc very hot with a burnt brake odor along with visible scuffing to the brake disc."

Honda said it decided on a new recall after receiving four complaints last year of fires on motorcycles that had already been recalled. Honda said it was not aware of any injuries or crashes related to the problem, but it had received 533 complaints related to dragging brakes.



Tech Tips From the Webdude

Rob Hardisty, Webmaster - Chapter E



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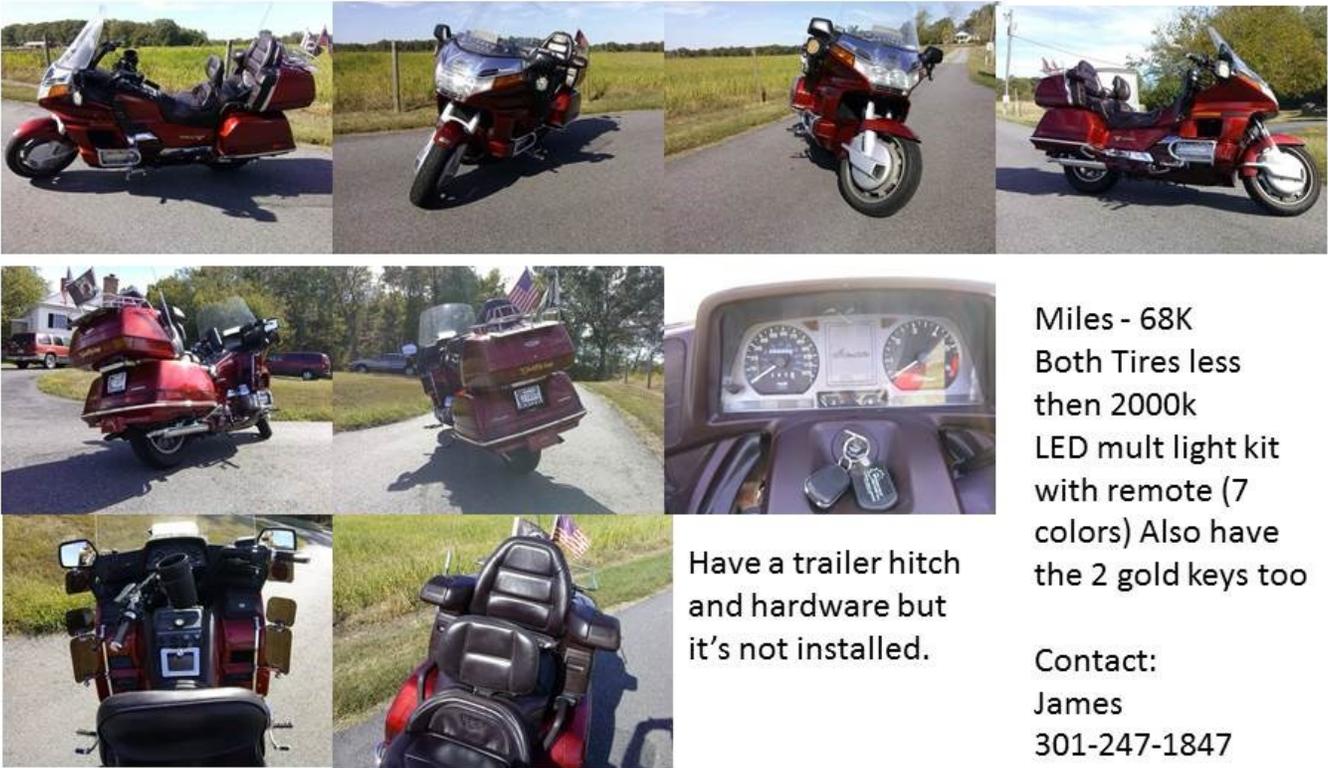


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For Sale

1995 Goldwing For Sale \$5500.00



Miles - 68K
Both Tires less
then 2000k
LED mult light kit
with remote (7
colors) Also have
the 2 gold keys too

Have a trailer hitch
and hardware but
it's not installed.

Contact:
James
301-247-1847

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November Birthdays



30 Ellen Smith

November Anniversaries

**1 Claude & Debra Revely
3 Rob & Brooke Hardisty
19 Charlie & Ellen Smith**



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VA-A Chapter A WebSite	Northern Virginia	Mary O'Connor (11/09)	703-378-3873 eMail: maryoc4429@aim.com	2nd Wed. - 7:30 pm - Commons Community Center, 5701 Roberts Parkway, Burke, VA 22015
VA-B Chapter B Website	Virginia Beach	Bob & Ann Lutton (8/11)	757-641-5510 eMail: b.lutton@verizon.net	2nd Wed. - 7 pm -BUFFET CITY, 3877 Holland Rd, #416, Va. Beach, Va. 23462
VA-C Chapter C Website Chapter C Facebook	Hampton/ Newport News	John Newbauer	757-827-0834 e-Mail grdnman1@verizon.net	2nd Sun. - 7 pm - Angelo's Steak & Pancake House, 755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News
VA-D Chapter D WebSite	Richmond	Allen & Debbie Dowell (01/13)	04-222-1303 eMail: dowellmickey@comcast .	4th Wed. - 7 pm - Candelas Pizzeria & Ristorante Italiano 14235 Midlthoian Turnpike 804-379-0910
VA-E Chapter E WebSite	Fredericksburg	Claude Revely (01/14)	540-207-7646 e-Mail: seadogw@att.net	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm - Golden Corral, 10320 Spotsylvania Ave, Fredericksburg, VA
VA-F Chapter F WebSite	Winchester	George & Brenda Tincher (01/09)	571-934-7067 eMail: tincher@comcast.net	4th Sun. - 9am - Golden Corral, 120 Costello Dr., Winchester (phone: 540-667-6329)
VA-H	Abingdon	Paul & Dorothy Baker (11/1-	276-628-6047	2nd Tue. - 7 pm - Abingdon Moose Lodge, US19,
VA-I Chapter I Website	Manassas	Tom & Kathy DeWispelaere (2/11)	703-361-3373 eMail: tjdewisp@yahoo.com	2nd Sun. - 10:00am - Great American Buffet, 8365 Sudley Rd., Manassas
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VA-L Chapter L Website	Chesapeake	Jeff & Carm Stobie (01/14)	e-Mail: carmjas03@verizon.net	4th Tues. - 7:00 pm -Pops Diner Co., 1432 Greenbrier Parkway, Chesapeake, VA
VA-O Chapter O Website	Williamsburg	Joe Dickson & Karrin Frankie (01/05)	757-872-0690 eMail: widetrack48@cox.net	4th Sun. - 5 pm - Belgian Waffle & Steakhouse, 14700 Warwick Blvd., Newport News
VA-R Chapter R WebSite	Harrisonburg	Tim & Pam Hoysratt (01/14)	540-471-0098 e-Mail: timhoysratt@comcast.net	1st Sun - 3 pm - Golden Corral exit 247A, Rt. 33 E. 2 miles off I-81, Harrisonburg
VA-U Chapter U WebSite	Hanover	Rob & Cheryl Ramsey (01/13)	276-806-8290 eMail: gwrva.vau@gmail.com	3rd Sun. - 3 pm - Anna's Italian Restaurant, 7009 Mechanicsville Tnpke, Hanover Village Shopping
VA-V Chapter V WebSite	Bedford	Alice Miller (01/13)	540-580-0257 eMail: OtterRidevaV@gmail.com	3rd Sun. - 3 pm - Fellowship Hall of St. John's Episcopal Church, 314 N Bridge St, Bedford
VA-W Chapter W Web-	Chester	Bill Martyn	804-241-6910 eMail: wmartyn@aol.com	2nd Tue. - 7 pm - Pietro Pizza - Italian Rest., 2601 Osborne Rd, Chester
VA-X Chapter X WebSite	Salem	Tony & Vickie Ayers (1/10)	540-293-4982 eMail: goldwingpa@gmail.com	1st Sat. - 3 pm - EVANGELICAL METHODIST CHURCH, 1920 LUCAS ST. SALEM, VA
VA-Y Chapter Y WebSite	Leesburg	Wil Bell (06/13)	703-929-8329 e-Mail: gwravaycd@gmail.com	3rd Sun. - 5 pm - Betucci's in Ashburn, VA, 44042 Pipeline Plaza

November		
November 7 ??	VA-J Chapter Fundraiser Celebration	South Boston, VA
December		
December 6	<i>VA-E Christmas Party</i>	Fredericksburg, VA
December 13	VA-D,W,U, Christmas Party Pocahontas State Park	Chesterfield, VA
December 14	VA-O Christmas Party	Williamsburg, VA
December 31	VA-D,W,U New Year Eve Dinner	<u>Chester</u>



VA-E

“Christmas Party”
And Dinner

Join us for our
annual Chapter
Christmas
party!

December 6th at 6:pm

COME OUT AND MEET SANTA!!!

Please RSVP by **November 21st** to seadoggw@att.net.
Gift exchange and dancing too!!!!



Other Chapters News & Events



VA-U Fun Weekend



WHAT and WHEN: Two day of training in all areas of the GWRRA University Program. Training includes: **SAT:** MFA, **SUN:** LTP, MEP, and REP
Sat: 21 Feb 2015 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Medic First Aid Training (Times Estimated)
Sun: 22 Feb 2015 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM LTP, REP, MEP (Times Estimated)

Meals will be provided for both days of training....what...it is a SURPRISE...Participate to find out!!!!

Where: Ashcake Volunteer Fire Department
8375 New Ashcake Rd
Mechanicsville, VA. 23116

HOTEL INFORMATION

Comfort Suites, Glen Allen, 10601 Telegraph Road, Glen Allen, VA, US, 23059
Group Name: GWRRA, Rate 85.00 plus taxes
Rates Avail: Friday, 20 Feb 2015 & Saturday, 21 Feb 2015
POC: Ken Taylor: 703 819-6766, email: gldwing_rider@verizon.net

MEDIC First Aid REGISTRATION

Cut across dotted line and mail registrations to: Ken Taylor, 18845 Pier Trail Drive, Triangle, VA 22172.

Class registration is \$30.00 with a max registration of 12. Please make checks payable to GWRRA VA

Rider: _____ GWRRA #: _____ Chapter: _____ Position: _____

Co-Rider: _____ GWRRA #: _____ Chapter: _____ Position: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Registration: \$30.00 X _____ Total: _____ .

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At Chapter E, we emphasize that we indeed are a team of riders/co-riders interested in Goldwings, riding and most of all having fun. Some think that we are mostly interested in eating!! You will need to join and be the judge! Come on out and join us!

We would love to see you. We meet to eat at 6:30 p.m., meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. The third Wednesday of each month at Golden Corral, 10320 Spotsylvania Ave., Fredericksburg, Va., 22408.

Visit these National and Local sites for more information

<http://www.region-n.org/>

<http://www.gwrrava.org/>

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Since we are changing
our Chapter Colors to

NAVY BLUE

I thought I would change
the colors of the newsletter
to reflect that change

I am stepping down as newsletter editor the end of December. As before I have enjoyed doing the newsletter, but due to family obligations, I am unable to continue. I will publish one in Dec, providing I have articles to put in it. It might be late, as I will wait for pictures from the Christmas Party to put in it.



Since the chapter is still continuing, I am still available to embroider anyone's shirts if you would like. Just bring them to me at the monthly gatherings.

Kathy

