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Calendar of Events:

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September 2020 Battlefield Event Calendar

Date	Event Information	Type	Location	Time
1	Chapter Team Leader	Meeting	Ledo's Pizza	1900
4	Fall Sprawl (VA-C) ***	Camping	White Stone VA	
5	Fall Sprawl (VA-C)	Chapter Event		
7	All Chapters Picnic Head Count Deadline	District	See Flyer Below	
12				
15	Brooke Hardisty	Birthday		
16	Chapter Gathering	Meeting	All American Buffet	1800
18	Lyle & Barbara Schrupf	Anniversary		
19	All Chapters Picnic	District	See Flyer Below	1100-1500
22	Trudey Girod	Birthday		
26				

October 2020 Battlefield Event Calendar

Date	Event Information	Type	Location	Time
3				
5	Jim Girod	Birthday		
6	Chapter Team Leader	Meeting	Ledo's Pizza	1900
9	Dan & Martha Jo Fritz	Anniversary		
10				
11	Charles Smith	Birthday		
12	Frankie Chapman	Birthday		
17	Barbara Schrupf	Birthday		
21	Chapter Gathering	Meeting	All American Buffet	1800
22	Dave Calahan	Birthday		
24	Lisa Bryant	Birthday		
28	Jeff Burke	Birthday		
28-31	Virginia District in the Valley	Rally	Lynchburg VA	

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E-team

Here is my attempt to encourage you with caution observed.

As part of your leadership team, we are doing everything to keep our E family safe. Our planning for any social activities is done with your health in the forefront. Know that when we are together in the future, we will explore every possible way to maximize social distancing.

I do encourage you to join us with some of the events and rides being sponsored throughout the area. I know it is hard to commit in this time...know we are not going to do anything to compromise your health or financially.

So, as you enjoy a spectacular newsletter prepared by James, look at the upcoming events and hope you will join one.

Be safe and stay healthy in all you do, and we look forward to being with the full group in the future.

Submit your newsletter articles and content to James at vaebattlefieldnews@gmail.com.

Be safe and stay healthy and Ride Safe,

Claude



Assist Chapter Director:

Gordon Combs



The ROMEOS (*Retired Outstanding Motorcyclists Enjoying Outdoor Scenery*) were out riding again on July 30. In attendance were Gordon, Claude, Butch, Frankie, Eddie, Nolan, John and a new couple that just joined with us, Mack and Pat. We departed Fredericksburg at 9 am and rode into Stafford where we were given a tour of a NASCAR Team garage by Gordon (who is the Director of Public Relations for Brandonbilt Motorsports). Then we proceeded on all back roads (see the map picture) to Front



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Royal where we stopped for lunch at Roy Rogers. After filling our tummy's, we headed over to Fort Valley Rd

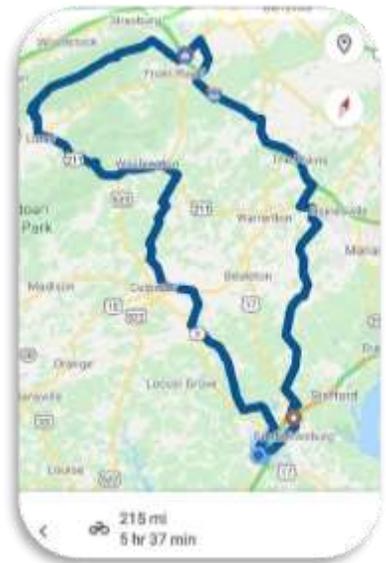


for a ride down the valley between the Blue Ridge and Appalachian Mountains. We ended up in Luray, then took RT 211 over the mountain and Skyline Dr down to Sperryville where we stopped for gas. From there, we took all back



roads clear back down to Central Park in Fredericksburg. I put 215 miles on my bike and 7 hours door to door which I did not count in miles but in

smiles 😁



At Rally In The Valley

A way to clean out your garage and closets of Motorcycle Parts, Clothing and Accessories at the First Annual Rally in the Valley Flea Market!

Friday, October 30th , 10:00 – Noon.

A 6' table is included. Bring your own bank to make change. Tag your treasurers and be prepared to haggle. All tables must be attended during the duration of the sale. To reserve a table or for further information, please contact Dan Clark at Wingernut93@aol.com by September 29th.

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VA Chapters: 2020 Location List

Chapter	Area / Location	Chapter Director	Phone Number & Email	Monthly Gatherings
VA-A	Burke The Ponds Community Center 9837 Burke Pond Lane, Burke	Mary O'Connor (11/09)	703-635-6775 maryoc4429@aim.com	2nd Wed. 7:30 pm
VA-C	Newport News Anglo's Steak House 755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News	Dave & Donna Huey (01/18)	757-719-0668 dhuey1800@verizon.net	2nd Sun. 4:pm
VA-D	Richmond Candelas Pizzeria & Ristorante Italiano, 14235 Midlothian Tnpk., Richmond	Fritz Sassine & Iris Guillet (01/18)	804-938-9183 fritz.sassine@gmail.com	4th Wed. 6:pm
VA-E	Fredericksburg Great American Buffet 1780 Carl D Silver Pkwy, Fredericksburg Central Park Shopping Center, exit 130 off I-95	Claude Revely (01/19)	540-207-7646 Knightwing263507@gmail.com www.battlefieldwings.com	3rd Wed 6pm
VA-F	Winchester Golden Corral, 120 Costello Dr., Winchester	Stephanie Davis (08/14)	540-664-6430 davis.stephanie80@yahoo.com	4th Sun. 8:am
VA-H	Abingdon Abingdon Moose Lodge US19 Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon	Paul & Dorothy Baker (11/01)	276-628-6047 09nellie@comcast.net	2nd Tue. 7:pm
VA- I	Manassas Great American Buffet 8365 Sudley Rd. Manassas	David & Robin Hotaling (1/20)	646-406-1200 Rah889195@yahoo.com davidsgoldwing02@gmail.com	2nd Sun. 9:am
VA-K	Roanoke Great 611 Steak Company 3830 Franklin Rd., Roanoke	Jim Dailey & Susan Stuppiello (6/19)	540-230-0511 DaileyENT@yahoo.com susanstuppiello@gmail.com	2nd Mon. 6:pm
VA-L	Chesapeake Pops Diner 1432 Greenbrier Parkway, Chesapeake	Dan Clark & Lorrie Thomas (1/20)	757-343-1783 (D) 954-599-5178 (L) Wingernut93@aol.com lorriemthomas@aol.com	4th Tue. 6:pm
VA-O	Williamsburg Denny's Restaurant 409 Bypass Rd. Williamsburg	Ray & Tammie Pierce (04/14)	757-268-6286 gwravaochapterdirector@cox.net	4th Sun. 4:pm
VA-R	Harrisonburg Location to be Announced	Gary Hoover hoov@shentel.net (01/18)	540-742-1751 Judy Russell tiggerly13@hotmail.com	1st Sun
VA-V	Bedford NO FOOD Bedford Church of God 1212 E Main St, Bedford	Jonathan Whitworth (04/17)	540-425-0028 OtterRideVAV@gmail.com	3rd Sun. 2:pm
VA-W	Chester The Patron Cantina 12211 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Chester	Sheila & Jim Hazen (06/18)	804-396-9088 (S) 804-396-9089 (J) sheila_hazen@hotmail.com hazenjs@hotmail.com	2nd Tue. 6:pm
VA-X	Salem Evangelical Methodist Church, 1920 Lucas Street, Salem	Larry Stanton (01/15)	304-922-1401 Larry25022@gmail.com	1st Sat. 3:pm

Chapter Safety Tips:

ROAD TRIP MISTAKES

- 5 ERRORS YOU MIGHT MAKE ON YOUR NEXT TRIP

by WingStuff • July 17, 2020

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Riding long distances with nothing but an endless stretch of road ahead - your cares, cars and concerns left behind - is oftentimes revered in the Gold Wing community. Iron Butt riders are given high praise and esteem. Many of us long for the days when we will have enough free time to trek across the country or finally check elusive destinations like Hawaii or Alaska off our lists.

Maybe we don't have a month to spare on a long trip but certainly a week or even an extended weekend to ride a few hundred miles and back. Yes, that's doable, right? We start to prepare, plan and research our upcoming trip. We want to be sure we get all our ducks lined up in a row. There are some of us, of course, who are more spontaneous and don't like to over-plan or overthink it. Whether you prefer planning, "winging it", or somewhere in between, there's a good chance you might make one (or more) of the following mistakes on your next tour.

1. Too. Much. Stuff.

Pro Tip: Use a scale to weigh items. This forces you to ask yourself, "Is it that important to lug this thing cross-country?"

There are many of us (you know who you are) who on the side of packing too much gear. It's typically the rider who wants to be ready for any situation. They bring a change of clothes for every day they're gone, plus some extra for just in case. They throw in several jackets, pants and a handful of ear plugs.



While it's great to have everything you might possibly need on your trip, the fact of the matter is that it's really difficult, sometimes impossible, to fit it all on a Gold Wing (Unless, of course, you are towing a trailer). Plus, storing an excessive amount of gear can negatively affect handling.

For longer rides, we suggest that you pack enough clothes for half the length of your trip and wash them in the middle of it (or wear clothes twice if you don't sweat in them too much). Obviously, if it's only for a few days you should be fine. Bring one jacket with a liner that can handle warmer or cooler weather and a set of Frogg Toggs to wear over it if you think it might rain where you will be riding (or a spare trash bag might do in a

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pinch). Frogg Toggs are lightweight and take up less room compared to a waterproof riding jacket. Lastly, bring travel size versions of items like shampoo, toothpaste or a compact towel. For the low maintenance riders a bar of soap just might do the trick.

Also consider compartmentalizing items using WingStuff Saddlebag and Trunk Liners or plastic bags. Are you a collector? Leave some extra space for the "stuff" you might purchase along the way.

2. Not Having A General Trip Plan

Pro Tip: Add a couple "buffer days" to your trip to account for unforeseen stops. If that's not possible, consider reducing your trip mileage

There are riders out there, especially experienced ones, who fall victim to overconfidence in their ability to "just Wing it." As many of us well know, things happen out there on the road and it's good to be at least somewhat prepared. There are a handful who are true "Free Spirits" who enjoy getting lost or caught in a rainstorm, but the majority of us want a smooth, stress-free experience.

Our general rule is the longer the trip the more planning it requires.

Going for a day ride close to home? You don't need to pack clothes or map out a route. All you really need is your riding gear, wallet, phone and some sun screen. Did I forget anything? Taking a weekend trip? Time to start packing some clothes but not as much as, say, a month long ride. See, the longer the trip the more preparation needed.

At a minimum we think it's a good idea to have a notion of how long the trip will take and where you will be riding during certain times.



I went camping in the Yosemite Valley this past May. As part of my planning I checked the weather forecast and saw that they were predicting snow one of the days. Snow in May? If I failed to check the weather before leaving I might have packed for warmer temperatures and found myself in a stressful (and freezing) situation.

There was another time (in my younger days) that I rode down through Mexico's Baja peninsula to stay at a "beachfront lot" that belonged to a friend of a friend. Turns out, not only was it not beach front, but it was full of prickly plants, rocks and trash (and most likely some varmints and vermin too). I probably should have made sure it was an ideal camping spot before investing my time, energy and money for the trip. Instead I relied on others to plan the trip and had an "it'll work out" attitude, keeping my own planning to a minimum.

One final aspect to poor or no planning is the time to distance ratio. Say you're on a two month long trip from your hometown of Springfield to Nashville, Tennessee and back. In the first month you absolutely loved every small town you came across and stopped to explore them. As a result, you are halfway through your trip time-wise but only a quarter of the way regarding distance.

You see the problem? The back half of your trip will leave you with little time to explore because you're going to be spending long days riding just so you can get back home in time. Obviously, if you don't have time constraints (i.e. you're retired) then this might not affect you. Either way, be sure to consider the pacing of your trip so you have ample time to relax and reflect after riding a stretch.

3. Not Being Flexible (Refusing to Deviate From Your Plan)

On the opposite side of the spectrum is over-planning your trip and following it down to the letter. Listen, it's good to have an idea of where you will be going and how long that will take, but some of the best memories are made when we lean in to an unexpected turn of events.

The trip to Mexico I mentioned earlier? Once we found out our camping spot was a death-trap, we could have turned around and headed home. After all, we were in a foreign country and this was before Google Maps and Yelp. However, we decided to reexamine our options over some ceviche and chips and salsa. While there, we heard from the locals about a lovely beach where we could camp and that's exactly what we did! Best of all, we met several other friendly travelers who let us ride their ATVs, borrow their kayaks and ride in their ultra light. IF we had rigidly stuck to our (ill-formed) plan we would have missed out on all that great fun.



Point being, sometimes we have to open ourselves up to the possibility of an impromptu, spur of the moment change of plans. Because oftentimes they end up being our most cherished adventures.

4. Traveling with Another Rider or Group Having Never Done It Before

Pro Tip: Before committing to a group trip, meet as a group and clearly communicate your expectations, riding styles, preferences etc. Don't be afraid of politely declining if you think it won't be a pleasant experience

It's one thing to travel with someone new for a day or even a weekend. If they have riding quirks or habits that don't align with yours you can probably tolerate it for that amount of time. It's an entirely different situation, however, when riding long distance. There's an initial period at the beginning of the trip when everyone tends to be polite and on their best behavior. A week or so into the trip and the niceties usually go out the window and we simply are who we are.



Maybe they talk too much, not enough or perhaps they're too loud for your liking. Maybe he's on his phone all the time or he keeps interrupting you while you're on the phone. He forgets to cancel his turn signals. He blasts

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his music for the world to hear. He rides too slow or too fast. He rides too aggressive or too conservative. He refuses to lane split in traffic. He keeps lane splitting, leaving you way behind. There are a million different ways another rider might wear on your nerves over time because we all have unique personalities and riding styles.

That's why it's so important to spend some time taking several short-distance trips alone as well as with others to get a feel for your difference in riding preferences. Before heading out on your road trip, we also recommend you sit down with your prospective fellow riders and talk all this out. What time do they like to get up and hit the road? Are they more the scenic route type or "A to B" type rider? Are they more conservative or aggressive? Do they like to stop a lot along the way?

In other words, do you have similar goals, attitudes and riding skill levels? Are you like minded when it comes to motorcycle rides? If so, chances are you will get along fine on a longer trip. Remember, you are taking time off work, possibly time away from family and likely spending a good amount of money on a long-distance ride. You're investing a lot. So you might as well make sure it's the best experience it can possibly be. Clearly communicate your rules for the road and make sure you come to some form of agreement with the other riders.

5. Too Much Focus On the Destination

Pro Tip: Instead of planning around destinations, focus more on route

Are you ready for one of the most over-used cliches in the motorcycle world? You know the one...It's not about the destination, it's about the journey. It's said so much that for many of us it has lost its meaning. So try and trick your brain into hearing it for the first time: It's not about the destination, it's about the journey. We know that this is true, but being human, we tend to forget it.

We get so excited to plan our trip and the places we want to explore, we have a habit of forgetting that the whole point is to get on our Wing and ride; to be out there on the open road. To shift this way of thinking, instead of focusing on destination, we recommend that you focus on route. What's the most scenic way to get there? Chances are, you will

have a better overall experience this way.



If you are too focused on getting to a specific place by a certain time and feel rushed or anxious, you lose focus and run the risk of making a costly mistake while riding. Having goals for your trip is smart planning, but don't sacrifice the adventure for them. Above all else, make sure that you stay in the moment and enjoy the ride!

Chapter Ride Coordinator/Educator:

Lyle Schrupf

Accident Management

This month I want to talk to you about something that I pray you never encounter or have to deal with that is Accident management. After an accident, the people you ride with want to be useful. They will feel helpless enough if they aren't medical professionals with adequate gear to start making a difference, for in serious accidents, first aid seems superficially valuable or is even impossible to render. If they have access to communications and to important information, however, they can still help save your life.



- Carry a cellular phone when you ride, if possible. If you don't have one, ask who in the group has one and where on the bike it is kept.
- Carry legible ID and keep it current. If you've moved since your driver's license was issued, you can get a ticket for failing to update it -- as well as cause confusion about such basics as "where does she live?" Check or sign the organ donor box on it, if you would want to donate in a worst-case scenario.
- Carry a list of medications you take routinely and keep it current. List allergies or medical conditions that EMS techs/doctors need to know about to treat you.
- Carry a list of persons to contact and their current telephone numbers, including area codes. If those living with you are likely to be hard to reach, or you live alone, friends who ride with you should be able to figure out easily who to call from information on your bike or your person. (Even if they can

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gain access to your home by taking your keys from the scene, it doesn't mean they can find your address book.)

- Have a durable Power of Attorney prepared appointing someone close to you to oversee your business and legal affairs, in writing. "Durable" means the person designated can act for you even if you could not act for yourself (i.e., if you were unconscious, or sedated for a long time). This is not a "form" document that you can buy, but it is usually inexpensive to have it prepared. "Close" means living in your area as well as close by relationship: if someone is making decisions critical to your well-being, he or she will be better informed after talking to your doctor's face to face, if possible.
- If you have given someone verbal authority to act for you in an emergency, do not leave written authority appointing someone else. Revoke conflicting Powers of Attorney and have a correct one prepared. Then tell someone who rides with you whom you designated! If you don't want to discuss this every time you go out, put a copy of the durable Power of Attorney with the list of phone numbers on your bike, or leave it with someone who is on that list of persons to notify in case of an accident.

If you're riding with someone who goes down and are helping at an accident scene, get the name of the investigating officer in charge and find out where the vehicles are going and where the accident report will be. Take photos if you can. Retrieve the rider's ID, insurance card and personal items from the bike and protect them. Find the lists of phone numbers and medications as soon as possible.

Riders who witness a serious accident will be somewhat in shock even if they were uninjured. If you are managing an accident scene where a friend has been hurt, let bystanders help you as well as your friend, if they can. Don't rush to get to the hospital once your injured friend has been removed. Take time to collect yourself before riding again. Have a drink of water (shock can make you dry-mouthed) and try to remember to thank the emergency personnel and any bystanders who helped you, before you leave.

Again I pray this never happens

Ride safe

Lyle



Fun Stuff:

Golf - Word Search

Z Q U M F O R E Z A R D G C K R C
P H V S N Z F M L Z P R V D R R H
R T P W Y O D S A G N I W B E Q I
R G O H T S R L G K A V V K T M P
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D O U J G N Q C J S K R E F U G W
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- BALL
- BIRDIE
- BOGEY
- CADDIE
- CHIP
- CLUB
- COURSE
- DIVOT

- EAGLE
- FAIRWAY
- FORE
- GREEN
- HANDICAP
- IRON
- PUTTER
- ROUGH

- SLICE
- STROKE
- SWING
- WEDGE
- WOOD

Smells Fishy 1 - Word Search

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- CARP
- CATFISH
- CRAB
- GUPPY
- HALIBUT
- HERRING
- LOBSTER
- MARLIN

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- PICKEREL
- PIKE
- PIRANHA
- PLANKTON
- SEAWEED
- SHARK

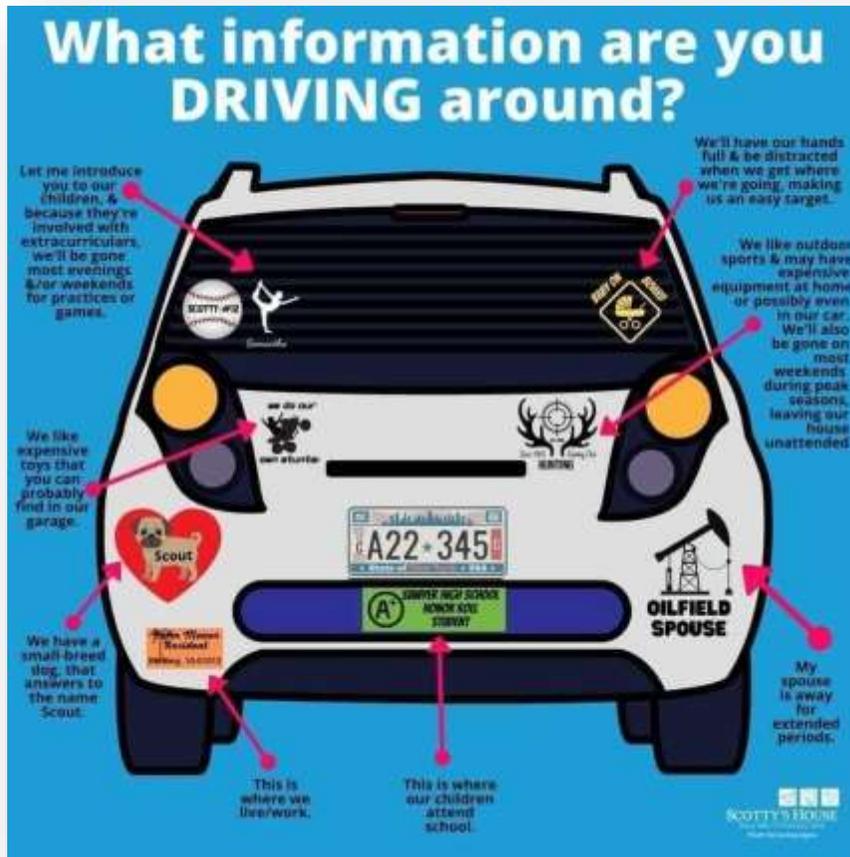
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- STURGEON
- SWORDFISH
- TROUT

Sudoku #609 (Easy)

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Sudoku #610 (Easy)

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Rallies:



Lynchburg Grand Hotel
601 Main Street, Lynchburg Virginia 24504

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Rally in the Valley!**

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- COY Reception Friday afternoon
- Door Prizes
- Modules/Seminars
- Bike Show
- On-Bike Courses
- Hospitality Room
- 2021-2022 Virginia District Couple of the Year Selection on Saturday
- Poker Run
- History Tours of Lynchburg
- Saturday 50 / 50
- Ice Cream Social Friday night



The ARC (Advanced Rider Course) classroom portion will be THURSDAY at 2pm, the range portion will FRIDAY morning at 9am. The TRC (Trike Rider Course) classroom portion will be Friday at 1pm, the range portion will Saturday morning at 9am. Cost for either course is \$50 (Co-Riders are free). Full riding gear, CURRENT Motorcycle license, proof of insurance & Registration are required to take either class. **MAXIMUM OF TWELVE PER CLASS**
NO REFUNDS UNLESS CLASS IS CANCELED BY INSTRUCTOR

Master's Breakfast
Be recognized for your achievements at the Master's Breakfast on Saturday morning, October 31, \$12 per person. Must be pre-registered. There will be a guest speaker, gifts and door prizes.

CPR/MFA Class
We will be offering a CPR/Medic First-Aid class at RTV on Friday, October 30, 2020. The course will begin PROMPTLY at 8:00am. The cost for the course is \$30 per person. Maximum of 12 for the class, and must be pre-registered.



Room rate includes breakfast.

Reserve by September 29, 2020. After that date, reservations will be taken on a space available basis. Price remains the same, \$110.00 per night. Call hotel reservations at 434-528-2500 and ask for the special "GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS"

Pre-purchase your Saturday night 50/50 tickets!

Drawing held Saturday during closing ceremonies. **Must be present to win.**
25 tickets for \$10 = \$ _____ OR 60 tickets for \$20 = \$ _____ OR 100 tickets for \$30 _____

2020 RALLY IN THE VALLEY SHIRTS:

Choose of shirt style, all shirts will be white with 2020 Rally in the Valley logo.

SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT:

S, M, L, XL, 2XL - \$14 (3XL - 4XL - \$17)

(R) (size) (Amount)

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SHORT SLEEVE GOLF SHIRT:

S, M, L, XL, 2XL - \$20 (3XL & 4XL - \$23)

(R) (size) (Amount)

(R) (size) (Amount)

LONG SLEEVED T-SHIRT:

S, M, L, XL, 2XL - \$18 (3XL & 4XL - \$19)

(R) (size) (Amount)

(R) (size) (Amount)



There is no guarantee that all shirt sizes will be available on site

Rider: _____
Co-Rider: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
Are you a current or former COY? _____ Is this your first time at Rally in the Valley? _____
Arriving on: Wed Thu Fri Sat

Registration Prices	Received Before	Member	Non Member
Early Bird	7/15/20	\$25	\$30
Pre-Registration	9/15/20	\$30	\$35
Regular / On Site		\$35	\$40
Day Passes/On Site		\$20	\$25

Children 6 to 12 are \$10 each; Children 5 & Under are free

Adult Member \$ _____ x _____ = _____
Adult Non-Member \$ _____ x _____ = _____
Children 6 to 12 \$10 x _____ = _____
Total (see above pricing schedule)
+ Includes meal & \$5 cancellation fee
+ 20% refund after October 1, 2020

Please make checks payable to: GWRRA Virginia District
Send registration with payment to: GWRRA Virginia District
Roman Perry
331 Paine St
Newport News, VA 23608-2023

Registration Fee \$ _____
Master's Breakfast \$ _____
ARC Class \$ _____
TRC Class \$ _____
CPR/MFA Class \$ _____
Saturday 50/50 \$ _____
T-Shirts \$ _____
Total \$ _____

RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned)
I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, The Virginia District, the Lynchburg Grand Hotel and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

From Our Members:

This page could be yours.
Submit your article, pictures
for everyone to enjoy...



STEEL WARRIORS VETERANS MC

PRESENTS

The 7th Annual

HORSES FOR HEROES RIDE

TO BENEFIT

LONESOME DOVE EQUESTRIAN CENTER, Powhatan, VA

*Helping Veterans overcome their physical and mental impairments
through horseback activities and achievement.*

SATURDAY, September 5, 2020

\$20.00 per Rider/\$10.00 per Passenger

Includes lunch, live music, vendors, door prizes

Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle

*Registration begins @ 9:00 am

Kickstands Up @ 11:00 am

From West Creek Athletic Sport Complex

12575 West Creek Parkway, Henrico, VA 23238

For Vendors or Information:

Call Sam, 301-807-9305

Visit our Facebook page @

Steel Warriors MC-Battlefield Chapter

Visit our website @ www.steelwarriorsmc.org

Music by PUMP HDUSE BLUES *Please follow CDC guidelines

Event Is Rain or Shine



Outdoor Social Distancing With Geocaching

Hello friends and family. I know we have been social distancing for months now and our lives have changed because of it. We are still trying to live our lives as normal as we can while taking care of ourselves and our loved ones.

Lisa and I have been camping at the river, working around the houses and even doing some geocaching here and there. Some of you may have heard of Geocaching and some may have not. I started geocaching when I was in the navy and my girls were small. It was a way to get the family out of the house on weekends and explore nature and the area around where we lived. Back then, before smartphones, we would use a handheld GPS to find the caches but now there are apps you can use to go treasure hunting so to speak.

Geocaching is the world's largest treasure hunting game.

Founded in 2000, Geocaching HQ is dedicated to inspiring and enabling adventure, exploration and community through a unique combination of outdoor recreation and location-based technology. The game's passionate community of millions of players use the Geocaching® app and GPS-enabled devices to find cleverly hidden containers called geocaches and share their experiences with others. Today, there are more than 3 million geocaches in over 190 countries. www.geocaching.com

There are various types of caches to find as you can see by going to the website above. I have been caching on and off for years and have even hidden a few myself. While caching you must always beware of "Muggles"; they are non-geocachers...you don't want your treasure stolen do you?

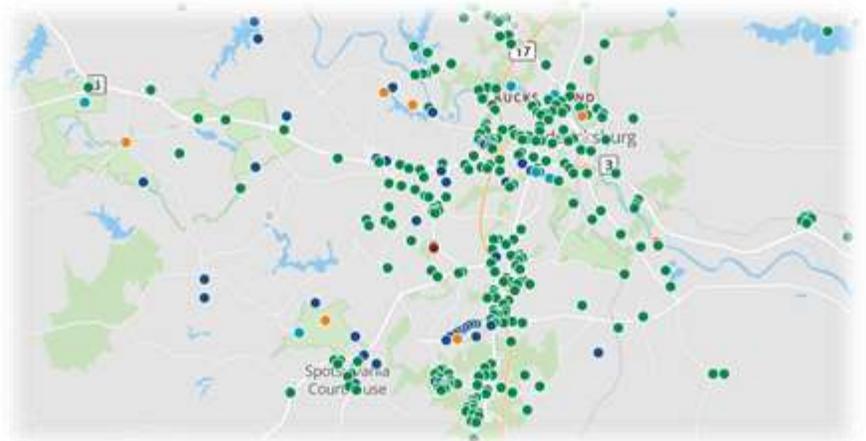


A couple of years ago Lisa and I were trying to find something to do one weekend. We were exploring different ideas and I suggested we go geocaching to which she replied "What the heck is geocaching, James?" So in September 2018 the treasure hunting began!!! We've been having an awesome time. We have both the Geocaching app and the c:geo app on our phones. An account needs to be created on geocaching.com to use either. They link together so you can explore the world of caching without having to print the cache (OLD School) like before. The apps will let you search the area near you while you are driving down the road. Lisa every now and then will do just that. Then I get this "Ohhh there's a cache nearby." We have done this while visiting family in Florida and Colorado or while just out exploring the area for a new place to fish or camp. I love when she does this...I am known for not taking the most direct route or listening to my GPS while traveling. I'm sure my GPS hates me because it's always recalculating. Hey, it's about the journey not the destination, right?



Lisa 1st Geocache Find

As you can see by the map here, Fredericksburg, VA has just a few geocaching spots.



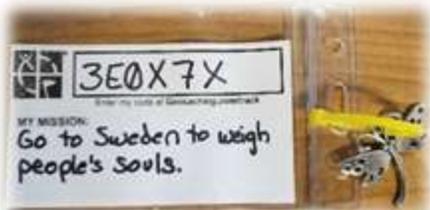
This picture was taken while we were out one weekend looking for a new fishing spot (yes the cache was under this rock).



This cache was in a 3D-printed container created by the owner of the cache but containers can really be anything and I mean anything. We have found caches in a peanut jar, pill bottle, water bottle, ammo box etc. Some folks even hide micro or nano caches that have been made to look like part of the box or sign they are hidden on/in. A difficulty and terrain rating from 1 to 5 are assigned to each cache based on how hard it is to find. Some caches have items inside; the rule is if you take something, leave something. You may even find Travel Bugs (TB) like these while caching. Some TBs are intended to travel from cache to cache and others have a stated mission like the one we found in Loudon County, VA that is trying to get to Sweden. Each TB has a tracking page online where you can see where it's been and where it goes and sometimes post pictures of you and the TB. I've even seen kids use geocaching as a school project to see how far their travel bug can go.



Travel Bug



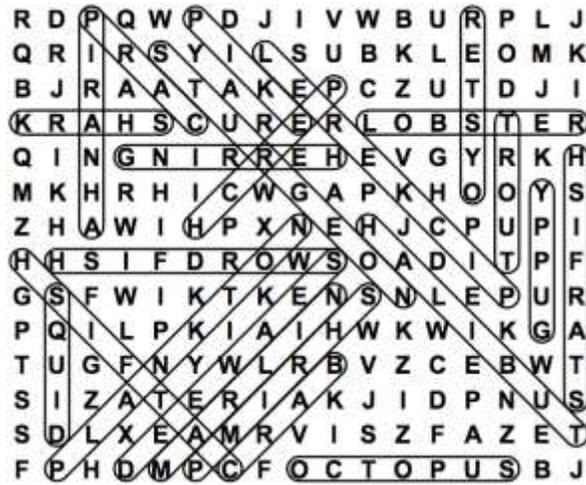
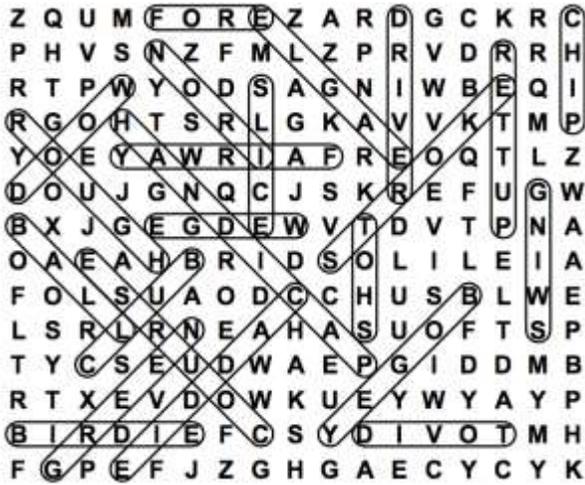
If you have kids, grandkids, or are just looking for something to do outside one weekend give it a try... you might just find yourself a new hobby.



Happy Caching,

James & Lisa

Answers:

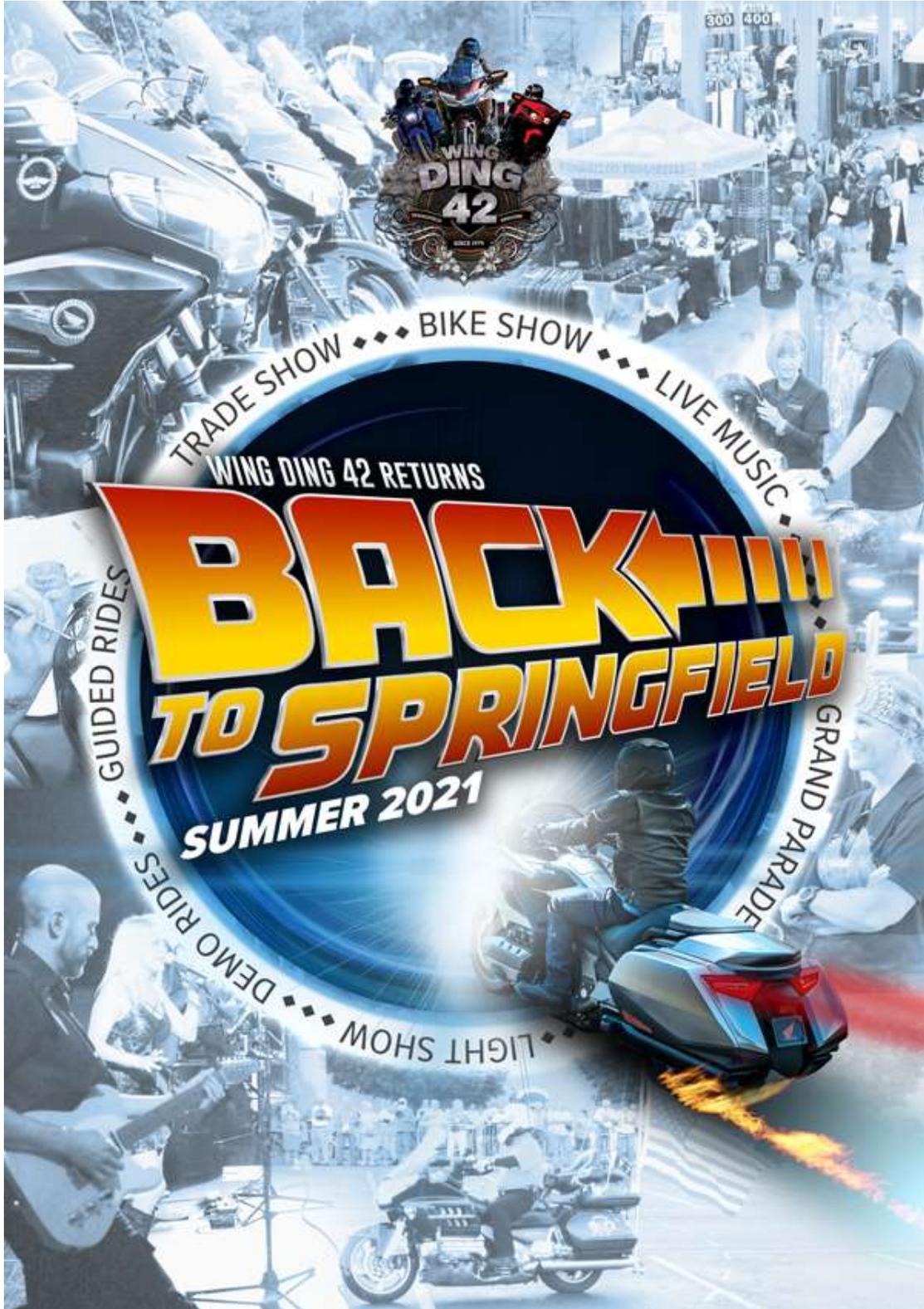


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Wing Ding:



Event Flyers:

**** Gordon and Claude will be riding down ****



Fall Sprawl

September 12, 2020
485 Simmons Lane
White Stone, VA



Cost: \$18 Per Person - Pre-Registered
\$23 - After August 15th

Current Chapter Couples Free

Registration - 9am to 12pm
Lunch around 1pm
Awards after lunch

Saturday **STEAK** lunch!

Steak - Baked Potato - Salad - Drink - Dessert
Bring your own plate, knife & fork

Spend the entire weekend starting on Friday if you like (no additional cost)

- Friday Night Weenie Roast (or bring your own brats)
- Saturday Night Pot Luck
- Saturday "Entertainment"
- Sunday Morning Brunch



Chapter C Fun

Crusty Derby Race on Saturday!

Chapter Challenge



The first ~~500~~⁵⁰ steaks are guaranteed.

If you register by August ~~29~~¹⁵th you will be entered into a drawing for \$50.

Pre-Registration Deadline - August 15th 29th

Cost:
\$18 per person pre-registered, \$23 after August 15th
(Current Chapter Couples Free)

Attending _____ x \$18 = \$ _____

Attending _____ x \$23 = \$ _____

What day are you arriving? _____ Fri _____ Sat
If camping, please check what type:

_____ Tent/Pop Up _____ RV _____ 5th Wheel

How do you want your steaks cooked? Indicate the number of steaks:

___ Rare ___ Med Rare ___ Med
___ Med Well ___ Well Done ___ Raw (uncooked)

Please make check payable to GWRRA VAC and mail to:
GWRRA VAC
PO Box 1266
Yorktown, VA 23692

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Organization: _____ Chapter: _____

I/we agree to confirm & comply with the ideas governing this event, and I/we further agree to hold harmless GWRRA VAC or any property owner for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason or participation in this event. Everyone attending must sign.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____



ALL CHAPTERS PICNIC



SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

We will celebrate each other and especially our Couples of the Year, past and present.

Back by popular demand

\$5 to Park

\$0 to Party

11am to 3pm



Deserts To Share



Chapter Challenge Games

Fully Catered
Lunch
Menu will be
posted later



Location



Twin Lakes State Park is near Farmville, about an hour southwest of Richmond.

To get there, take U.S. 360 West of Burkeville to Route 613 (Indian Springs Rd.). Then go east on Route 629 (Twin Lakes Rd.).

Its address is 788 Twin Lakes Rd., Green Bay, VA 23942-2525.

Latitude, 37.174829, Longitude, -78.273242.

<https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/twin-lakes>

In the heart of central Virginia, this 548-acre, historic park offers many cultural, environmental and recreational activities. Overnight accommodations include a 33-site campground and 11 climate-controlled cabins. Visitors enjoy swimming, fishing, hiking, boating and lakeside picnicking.

RV—Tent—Cabins for Rent—Those that can, bring chairs—Powell has seating for 65

Chapter Directors:

Please put this on your Chapter calendar and pass on the information at your Gatherings.

We will need a head count by September 7, 2020