



# The Battlefield Buzz



Virginia District Chapter-E Fredericksburg, VA

Region N

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## Chapter Director

*Thoughts from Gordon and Julie*

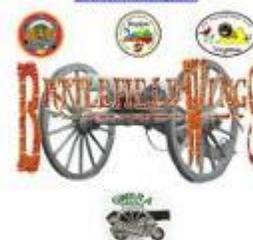
Greetings E Team Family,

My Church has been celebrating a “Season of Giving” this month with an emphasis on what they call ARKS, Acts of Radical Kindness. They even published a list of 100 acts of radical kindness and encouraged the church family to do as many as they could in our community. Many people have told me just how much joy they get from doing these acts and how much the recipients have appreciated it. What I wanted to tell them is that I have enjoyed both ends of “ARKS” since 2002, the year I joined GWRRA and became a family member. You see, the GWRRA family has been an active ARK provider since its inception. Every issue of Wing World has member stories about these acts of kindness, and I have experienced so many from our own chapter since joining. My very first interaction with Chapter E was a maintenance day at Greg and Karen Kestners home. I showed up half way through it and was immediately welcomed. When I asked if someone could fix a crash bar problem I had with my newly purchased wing, they dropped what they were doing and got right on it. I have witnessed many members get the receiving end and many members deliver the providing end of ARKS. This is what family is all about, the giving of one another for the benefit of others. I am so blessed to have both my church family and my GWRRA family.

Julie and I would like to wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving. Take the time to give thanks for all of our blessings, our family and our friends. See you soon, Gordon

GWRRA, REGION N, VIRGINIA DISTRICT CHAPTER VA-E  
BATTLEFIELD WINGS FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

[www.battlefieldwings.com](http://www.battlefieldwings.com)



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

**Address:** 10320 Spotsylvania  
Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA  
22408

**Phone:**(540) 891-2022

September 2013





Join us for our Christmas Party

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

Lee Hill Community Center (same place as the last 2 years)

Everyone is asked to bring dish and a dessert to share.

For the gift exchange, Ladies bring a kitchen/home item,

Guys bring a tool/garage item.

Santa Claus will be there, if you want Santa to give a gift to your little one, please bring a wrapped gift with your childs name on it.

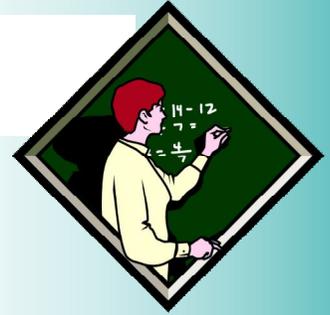
More details forthcoming.





## Chapter Rider's Education

*strategies to live by from Larry*



### Tire Traction

We all depend on tire traction every time we ride. The amount of traction available is dependent on a number of things – at least the following (and surely others I haven't thought of):

- Road Surface (concrete, smooth concrete, asphalt, steel construction plates, painted markings, etc.)
- Debris (gravel, sand, leaves, etc.)
- Road Conditions (dry, wet, snowy, etc.)

Tires (tread, inflation pressure, rubber compound, temperature, etc.)

We use traction for accelerating, braking, and cornering and the more traction available, the better.

There are probably a number of useful things to say about all of these “traction factors” but as we come into the winter season (some of us do ride in the winter), let me direct our attention to tires in general and tire temperature in particular. The Gold Wing tires that we buy (at least I think this is true of all of us) are manufactured from a rubber compound that gives good traction and good wear. Not great traction (like a race tire would have) nor great wear characteristics (like an 80,000 mile car tire would have) but a good compromise between the two for the intended purpose. When we start a ride, our tires are at ambient temperature. Even on a hot day, this is “cold” to our Gold Wing tires. As we ride, the sidewalls and tread flex near each tire's contact patch (that small piece of the tire actually in contact with the road at a particular instant). This flexing generates heat and the tires warm up to an equilibrium temperature where as much heat is lost to the surrounding cold(er) air as is being generated by the continual flexing. Tire manufacturers always try to maximize the performance of their tires at this higher temperature because that is where they are used most of the time.

How hot our tires get is dependent on at least five things (again, I'm probably missing some minor things but I've got the major ones):

- Rubber Compound/Construction
- Inflation Pressure
- Load (weight)
- Speed
- Outside Temperature

The rubber compound and construction of our tires is not something we can change (except by changing tires) so I drop it from further consideration here. Inflation pressure has a drastic effect on temperature because it directly affects how much the sidewalls and tread will flex as we ride. Lower pressure means more flexing and that means higher temperature. When someone has a blowout it's probably because the tire was under inflated, got too hot, and the rubber failed as a result. Over inflation will keep the tire cooler but it will make it harder and this reduces traction (warmer rubber is stickier than cold rubber) and makes for a harsh ride. More weight on the tire means more flexing and more heat (your owner's manual tells you to use a higher pressure if you increase load to keep the tires cooler). Speed also affects tire temperature because as your tires rotate faster each piece of tire is flexed more often. (By the way, that explains why blowouts usually happen at speed.)

## Chapter Rider's Education

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The last variable, outside temperature, also has a direct affect on tire temperature. The tire flexing generates a certain amount of heat energy regardless of the outside temperature. This energy will raise the tire temperature only so much; 25 to 50 degrees is not uncommon at highway speeds. (I took a ride on Route 218 last weekend when it was 40 degrees out. At the end of an hour's ride, my front tire was 73 degrees and my rear tire was 87 degrees.)

And, that brings me to the punch line. In the winter, the temperature of our "warmed up" tires is probably about the same as our "cold" summer ride tires. Therefore, we don't have the traction we are used to having and it makes good sense to take the corners a little more carefully and increase our following distance in the straight-aways. It might also make sense to hasten the warming process at the beginning of a ride by doing some comfortable weaves and extra braking.



Larry



## *Wings and Wheels 2013 Event*

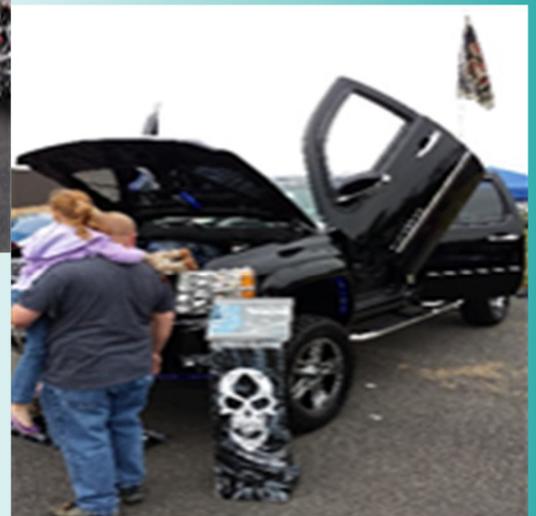
Several members of VA-E chapter attended the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Wings and Wheels show sponsored by the Stafford Rotary at the Stafford Regional Airport on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The event showcase aircrafts of different eras, vintage and current cars and motorcycles, Radio Controlled (RC) air and land vehicles, great food, music, with vendors and local business displays and a multitude of fun activities for the family.

Attendees could showcase their vehicles and/or enter them into the judging for trophies. For the motorcycles, ballots were given to all attendees to select their favorite motorcycle in several categories.

It was a great time (with cooler than expected weather) and an outstanding opportunity to network with the local businesses in the area and make new friends!!! The next event will be October 18, 2014. I encourage all to come out and experience a wonderful event.

*Claude Revoly*

GWRRA 263507



## Chapter E—Couple of the Year

### Eddie and Rosa Seale

On November 1 a group of us went to Shaun's Smokehouse for a Friday night dinner... We had a good time. Charlie and Ellen Smith, Nancy and Butch Groves, Gordon and Julie Combs, Greg and Karen Kestner, Larry, Carol Hayes and Eddie and I. The food was absolutely delicious..

Rosa Seale ☐



# Tech Tips from the Webdude Rob Hardesty

With the holiday season quickly approaching, scammers are looking for new ways to trick unsuspecting individuals by using a variety of mediums, such as email, snail mail, or even phone calls. In the following example, an email targets individuals that are out of work, about to be out of work, or individuals that need to find ways to supplement their income. So it really plays on the recipient's emotions where the awareness could be clouded by an "opportunity", leaving room for mistake because of lack of good judgment.

Some things to notice:

Look at the **from:** field. It says Frank Griffin with some weird email address not relating to anything about this job.

Look at the **Yours Sincerely** at the very bottom. It does not match the **from:** field.

Broken English is almost a dead giveaway. Scammers use tools like Google Translate to convert a message in their native tongue to English but the translations can be rough and hard to read.

Unsolicited emails requesting your personal information. Never provide this information to anyone that you don't have a relationship with. You don't know where this information is really going. Also known as Phishing.

Just remember, remaining vigilant and informed is your first defense to keeping your information secure. Identity theft is still a top concern and the threat just keeps rising as more and more business is handled electronically.

Below is an email that I received serving as a good example of a phishing ploy used to obtain personally identifiable information. If this were legit, then this email would make sense. Common sense goes a long way.

## secret shopper job!!

Frank Griffin (info@fuweifilms.com) [Add to contacts](#)

2:26 PM Dear Candidate,  
We will like to welcome you as a member of our working team. You will be evaluating Wal-Mart Store and any Western Union Location in your neighborhood.  
You will be shopping at Wal-Mart / Western Union close by,

after which you will write a report and send back to us via Email using the following Examples:

- 1) How long it took you to get services.
- 2) Ambiance/Outlook of the Shop/Outlet
- 3) Smartness of the attendant
- 4) Customer service professionalism
- 5) Reaction of personnel under pressure
- 6) Information that you think would be helpful
- 7) Your comments and impressions.

We are going to send you a payment for the assignments this week or next week. You are not to use any money from your pocket and You will also be paid a commission of \$200 for your assignments. This Evaluation can take place five times or more in a week so you can end up earning for yourself, close to \$1000 or more in a week. Payments will be mailed out to you as soon as we get a reply from you with, the following details,

Your Full Name:

Full Address(not po box):

City,State and Zip Code:

Cell Number:

Home Number:

Current Occupation:

Alternate Email address:

The payment will cover your pay of \$200 and the balance payment for the

Evaluation program, you will be given a break down on how to used the funds for evaluation when you receive payment in your mail.All Other

commences. make sure you check your email daily to get any update on when

to start your mystery Shopping. Your prompt response to any email sent to, you shows the ability of a good mystery shopper.



# GWRRA VA-C

## Spring THAW Poker Run

### April 5, 2014



**Rain or shine**

Charles E. Brown Park  
1950 Old Williamsburg Rd.  
Lackey, VA. 23690  
First bike out at 9am  
Last bike out at 11 am

50/25/15/10

**Great Game Prizes**



Deadline for **pre-registration** is **March 22, 2013**

**\$50.00 Cold Cash** drawing for **pre-registered only**



**COST:**

\$10 per person **pre-registered**  
\$12 per person **on-site**  
Kids 6-12 \$5 pre-reg. \$6 on-site  
Current Chapter Couples **FREE**  
Children 5 and under are free



**Awards:**

Largest Chapter (by number)  
Longest Distance traveled on bike  
1<sup>st</sup> Place Poker Run - \$20  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place Poker Run - \$10

**Registration Includes:**

**FRESHLY COOKED PORK BBQ**  
Cole Slaw, Baked Beans,  
Dessert & Soda

Return completed form  
with check to:

**GWRRA VAC**  
**PO Box 1266**  
**Yorktown, VA. 23692**

Rider: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

# Attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rider Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Rider Signature



# Happy Thanksgiving!

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*From your Staff*

# Visit to Barber Motorsport Parke and Museum

A photographic Journal by Jeff Burke Part II





## Schedule of Events

*We have a number of events coming up so please mark your calendars*

Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup> E Team Social Gathering

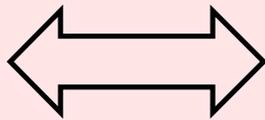
**Saturday November 23rd, - Chow Down for a Cause**  
Enjoy pancakes, eggs, bacon, fruit, coffee, tea or juice for \$5 a person at the Flapjack Breakfast Fundraiser & Silent Auction to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Breakfast is 9-11a.m. at 12100 Chancellor's Village Lane, Fredericksburg, VA. For more info call 540/786/5000

Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> E Team Christmas Party

Wednesday December 18<sup>th</sup> E Team Social Gathering

**Wednesday, January 1, 2014~New year Day Breakfast**

**At Golden Corral, Fredericksburg.**





## Classified Ads / “E” nouncements

# We're Moooooo-ving Again!

GWRRR Chapter I – Manassas is moving our Social Gathering/meeting Location



Please join us on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

At the

**Great American Buffet**

**8365 Sudley Rd Manassas, VA 20109**

**Breakfast at 9AM – Meeting at 10AM**

# 2012—2013 GWRRA Virginia District Staff

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Chapter	Area / Location	Chapter Director * Senior CD	Phone Number & Email	Monthly Meetings & WebSite
VA-A	<a href="#">Northern Virginia</a>	Mary O'Connor (11/09)	703-378-3873 eMail: <a href="mailto:maryoc4429@aim.com">maryoc4429@aim.com</a>	2nd Wed. - 7:30 pm - Commons Community Center, 5701 Roberts Parkway, Burke, VA 22015
VA-B	<a href="#">Virginia Beach</a>	Bob & Ann Lutton (8/11)	757-641-5510 eMail: <a href="mailto:b.lutton@verizon.net">b.lutton@verizon.net</a>	2nd Wed. - 7 pm -BUFFET CITY, 3877 Holland Rd, #416, Va. Beach, Va. 23462
VA-C	<a href="#">Hampton/Newport News</a>	Mel Brooks (01/12)	757-596-7943 eMail <a href="mailto:mrmelb@cox.net">mrmelb@cox.net</a>	2nd Sun. - 7 pm - Angelo's Steak & Pancake House, 755 J. Clyde Morris Blvd, Newport News
VA-D	<a href="#">Richmond</a>	Allen & Debbie Dowell (01/13)	04-222-1303 eMail: <a href="mailto:dowellmickey@comcast.net">dowellmickey@comcast.net</a>	4th Wed. - 7 pm - Candelas Pizzeria & Ristorante Italiano 14235 Midlthoian Turnpike <a href="tel:804-379-0910">804-379-0910</a>
VA-E	<a href="#">Fredericksburg</a>	Gordon Combs (08/10)	540-840-0394 eMail: <a href="mailto:gorcom@msn.com">gorcom@msn.com</a>	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm - Golden Corral, 10320 Spotsylvania Ave, Fredericksburg, VA
VA-F	<a href="#">Winchester</a>	George & Brenda Tincher (01/09)	571-934-7067 eMail: <a href="mailto:tincherg@comcast.net">tincherg@comcast.net</a>	4th Sun. - 9am - Golden Corral, 120 Costello Dr., Winchester (phone: 540-667-6329)
VA-H	<a href="#">Abingdon</a>	Paul & Dorothy Baker (11/1-)	276-628-6047 eMail: <a href="mailto:09nellie@comcast.net">09nellie@comcast.net</a>	2nd Tue. - 7 pm - Abingdon Moose Lodge, US19, Porterfield Hwy, Abingdon
VA-I	<a href="#">Manassas</a>	Tom & Kathy DeWispelaere (2/11)	703-361-3373 eMail: <a href="mailto:tjdewisp@yahoo.com">tjdewisp@yahoo.com</a>	2nd Sun. - 10:00am - <a href="#">Great American Steak &amp; Buffet</a> , 8365 Sudley Rd., Manassas
VA-J	<a href="#">South Boston</a>	Don & Teresa Mitchell (02/11)	434-792-0816 eMail: <a href="mailto:donpmi@yahoo.com">donpmi@yahoo.com</a>	2nd Mon. - 7:30 pm - Roma's Italian Restaurant and Grill, 3403 Old Halifax Rd., South Boston
VA-K	<a href="#">Roanoke</a>	Robert & Barbara Palmer (01/13)	540-580-1514 eMail: <a href="mailto:nannapuddin2x@yahoo.com">nannapuddin2x@yahoo.com</a>	2nd Mon. - 7 pm - Great 611 Steak Co., 3830 Franklin Rd., Roanoke <a href="#">Chapter K Website</a>
VA-L	<a href="#">Chesapeake</a>	Dave & Linda Harris (01/12)	757-576-5779 eMail: <a href="mailto:davenat@aol.com">davenat@aol.com</a>	4th Tues. - 7:00 pm -Pops Diner Co., 1432 Greenbrier Parkway, Chesapeake, VA
VA-O	<a href="#">Williamsburg</a>	Joe Dickson & Karrin Frankie (01/05)	757-872-0690 eMail: <a href="mailto:widetrack48@cox.net">widetrack48@cox.net</a> eMail: <a href="mailto:foxslady@cox.net">foxslady@cox.net</a>	4th Sun. - 5 pm - <a href="#">Belgian Waffle &amp; Steakhouse</a> , 14700 Warwick Blvd., Newport News
VA-R	<a href="#">Harrisonburg</a>	Rex & Rose Hines (01/12)	540-825-9218 eMail:	1st Sun - 3 pm - Golden Corral exit 247A, Rt. 33 E. 2 miles off I-81, Harrisonburg
VA-U	<a href="#">Hanover</a>	Rob & Cheryl Ramsey (01/13)	276-806-8290 eMail: <a href="mailto:gwrva.vau@gmail.com">gwrva.vau@gmail.com</a>	3rd Sun. - 3 pm - Anna's Italian Restaurant, 7009 Mechanicsville Tnpke, Hanover Village Shopping Center
VA-V	<a href="#">Bedford</a>	Alice Miller (01/13)	540-580-0257 eMail: <a href="mailto:OtterRidevaV@">OtterRidevaV@</a>	3rd Sun. - 3 pm - Fellowship Hall of St. John's Episcopal Church, 314 N Bridge St, Bedford
VA-W	<a href="#">Chester</a>	Bill Martyn & Jennifer Knight (08/10)	804-241-6910 eMail: Bill: <a href="mailto:wmartyn@aol.com">wmartyn@aol.com</a> Jennifer: <a href="mailto:willsgirl56@aol.com">willsgirl56@aol.com</a>	2nd Tue. - 7 pm - Pietro Pizza - Italian Rest., 2601 Osborne Rd, Chester
VA-X	Salem	Tony & Vickie Ayers (1/10)	540-293-4982 eMail: <a href="mailto:goldwingpa@gmail.com">goldwingpa@gmail.com</a>	1st Sat. - 4 pm - Shoney's 101 Wildwood Rd, Salem
VA-Y	<a href="#">Leesburg</a>	Matt Caradona (01/12)	703-655-2109 eMail: <a href="mailto:gwravaycd@gmail.com">gwravaycd@gmail.com</a>	3rd Sun. - 5 pm - Betucci's in Ashburn, VA, 44042 Pipeline Plaza

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Fredericksburg, Va.**

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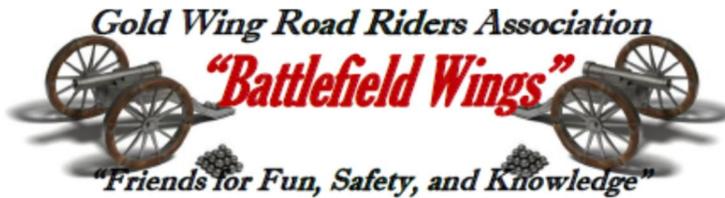
At chapter "E" we emphasize that we indeed are a team of riders/co-riders interested in Goldwings, riding, and most of all, having fun. Some think that we are mostly interested in eating. You will need to join and be the judge! Come on out and join us! We would love to see you! We meet to eat at 6:30pm on the third Wednesday of each month at 10320 Spotsylvania Ave., Fredericksburg, Va. (**38° 14'28.60" N 77° 29' 51.27" W elev. 186'**) The chapter meeting starts at 7:30pm thereafter. We are located in Fredericksburg, VA, about 50 miles south of Washington D.C. and about 50 miles north of Richmond, VA.

*Visit these National and Local sites for more Information*

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

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

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## Editor's Desk

Greetings fellow wingers. I just wanted to remind you that article, photographs and other submissions are welcome to be included in your newsletter. Submissions for the next publications should be received by the first of each month. Any questions regarding submissions can be emailed to me at the address to the left.

I also want to wish you and your families a very **Happy Thanksgiving Day.**



Please submit all articles and pictures to the following address;

**seadoggw@att.net.**

Thanks and safe

riding!!!