Happy Independence Day everyone! What an important day to remember how brave the Founding Fathers of this Country were and the fight they fought against tyranny and oppression to start this Great Country on its way 240 years ago!

It has been a very busy summer thus far. The Mount Equinox ride looks to have been a success. Check out Carole Sheehan’s article and photos later on in this newsletter.

I hope that everyone that is planning on attending this year’s New England States Rally in Lebanon has registered and is planning on taking part in the various activities that are planned. With that being said, I ran the Ben & Jerry’s Guided Tour Route a couple of weeks ago and I’m excited about the route and the scenery. All we need are people to sign up for the ride and I need volunteers to help with the ride as leaders and tail gunners in case we have too many to take in one group.

The ride will be held on Friday July 22nd. Staging will begin at the Host Hotel at 9AM with kick stands up at 9:30. There will be a 20 minute break along the way up and we will be arriving at Ben & Jerry’s around noon. Lunch will be there at Ben & Jerry’s. We will re-assemble at 1:30 with kick stands up at 1:45 with a totally different route for the way back. There is even a shorter direct route for those that want to go straight back to the hotel on their own. The entire route with the exception of the last 5 miles will be on secondary roads, many of which have been recently paved. I will have a sign-up sheet at the Chapter Gathering.

I’m told that there will be a dunking booth at this year’s New England States Rally. Save up your duckets so you can try and dunk your favorite GWRRA Directors. OH MY!!!

We will have a guest at this month’s Chapter Gathering. We will be joined by Shawn Menard, Owner and Technician at Menard Motorsports over in Brentwood. Shawn specializes in Honda Gold Wings and is a Honda Red Level Service Technician and worked for the Nault’s Honda organization for 17 years as their top Gold Wing Technician. Shawn has recently gone into business for himself and is seeking out all GWRRA members in Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. He will be speaking to us and taking questions during our Chapter Gathering on the 10th.

Time is fast running out for the Chapter NH-G Weekend Away at Mendon Mountain View Lodge on August 19th, 20th and 21st. Don’t wait till the last minute to make your reservations. Look for the flyer for this event later on in this newsletter.

Don’t forget to check with Chapter Store Keepers Bob & Kaye Hamel and get your official Chapter NH-G patch for your vests.

On Sunday the 10th after the Chapter Gathering, I will be leading a ride to Western NH, but will end up for a late lunch in Eastern NH at the Yankee Smokehouse in Ossipee. After lunch, some more riding and Ice Cream at Morrissy’s Front Porch in Wolfeboro. Let’s all hope for good weather.

See you Sunday the 10th at the Greenside!
GWRRA NH-G WEEKEND AWAY

WHEN:
Friday, August 19, 2016
Saturday, August 20, 2016
Sunday, August 21, 2016

WHERE:
Mendon Mountain View Lodge
5654 US Route 4
Mendon, Vermont 05701
Phone: (802)-773-4311
http://www.mendonmountainviewlodge.com

RATES:
• Singer or Double - $60.00 per night plus tax
• Breakfast - $10.00 per person, add at time of reservation
• Reserve no later than July 16, 2016

TO BOOK RESERVATIONS:
• Call (802) 773-4311
• Ask for Reservation for Group: Carole Sheehan, GWRRA (or Gold Wind Road Riders)
• Optional: Add breakfast for Saturday, August 20th to your reservation

Friday, August 19th
Ride to Mendon VT with a
Lunch stop
Dinner - Open

Saturday, August 20th
Breakfast – Mendon Mountain
View Lodge ($10 per person – optional, must be added to hotel reservation)
Ride:
Green Mountain Gaps
Dinner at Lodge
Cost per person: TDB

Sunday, August 21st
Breakfast: Sugar & Spice
- Order off menu, Individual
Checks
Ride: Return home

Lodge Amenities:
• Sauna & Hot Tub
• Outdoor Pool
• Common Room
• Game Room - Foosball, Air Hockey and More

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Nobody has more Fun than “G”!
The GWRRA Chapter NH-G June Gathering was held on June 12, 2016 at the Greenside Restaurant in Tilton with 24 in attendance. Guests were Ron & Suzie Black, Chapter Directors from NH-E over in Jaffery, and new prospective members Deb Shepard & Joe Tinker from Tilton, N.H. We welcomed back NH-G “Snow Birds” Gary & Sandy Williams, and Roger & Bev Kindred.

District Director Ed Heath spoke about the Dunking Booth that will be at the New England States Rally in Lebanon this year. Assistant Chapter Director Carole Sheehan spoke about the Chapter NH-G overnight event to be held over at the Mendon Mountain View Lodge on August 19th through the 21st.

Chapter Store Keeper Bob Hamel did a banner business selling back patches and rockers and of course the new official Chapter NH-G Chapter Patch, as well as taking order for Official Chapter clothing.

The mid-month Chapter Dine-Out was held on June 22nd at Patrick’s Pub and Eatery in Gilford. There were 20 in attendance.

Recognition was given to Carol Cloutier, the NH-G Newsletter editor for her work for the Chapter in putting out a “Magazine Quality” newsletter each month. Good Job Carol!

The 50/50 drawing of $30.00 was won by Beryl Reid. Afterwards, Chapter Ride Coordinator John Sheehan led Chapter G over to the seacoast and Carole’s parents welcomed us to their “Cottage on the Sea” over in Seabrook. Then John took us on a tour of the coast, through Strawberry Banke and Portsmouth, and then over to Newicks on Dover Point for some seafood. After dinner we went up through Rochester and over to Thousand Oakes for ice cream before we broke up and headed home.

That's all for this month……
**Emergency Information Form**

**GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION**

**RIDER EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Emergency Information Form**

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Do Not leave an emergency message on an answering machine - contact must be made directly to a person.

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[attach office card if available]

| Local Police Department: |  |

Sign here to authorize emergency medical treatment by a [doctor, hospital, EMT] when direct authorization cannot be given:

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**Nobody has more Fun than “G”!**
From the Assistant Chapter Director

What A Month!

June certainly proved to be a great month to really kick off the riding season. I want to thank everyone who turned out to make it a great month to ride with friends.

“Celebration of the Lupines”
We departed Tilton on Saturday June 4th with 15 bikes and 24 folks in attendance from NH-G, NH-A & NH-E.

The weather could not have been more perfect and we hit no traffic on the back roads.

We had a great lunch at Polly’s Pancake Parlor, a horse ride at Sugar Hill and a beautiful ride home with ice cream along the way.

We lost a few folks along the way as they had to get other places but everyone seemed to enjoy the day.

Meeting & Seacoast Ride
We met on June 12th and after a good breakfast, meeting to catch up on “all the goings on” 12 bikes departed for a ride down 132, thru Bear Brook State Park and a stop at Deerfield Leathers…with only two U turns! We continued on 107 through the small towns to the Seacoast. A bio break on the beach included views of the ocean from the dunes, helping out a bridal shower upright their ice cream cart which blew over due to the winds and some wonderful chats with Carole’s parents who got the opportunity to see what GWRRA is all about. We continued on to Newick’s for an early dinner and the Lone Oak in Rochester for ice cream. It was a long ride/day but the last chance to get such a ride in before the beach season hit. We lost a few folks along the way as they had to get other places but everyone seemed to enjoy the day.

NH-G Monthly Dine Out @ Patrick’s Pub
We met at the restaurant on June 22nd with 15 members in attendance with a short ride to the Holy Cow for Ice Cream.
Mount Equinox Skyline Drive
Saturday the 25th was our last chapter ride for the month. We started with six bikes and had a surprise rider, John Raymond from Canterbury who is a member of our chapter. We hope to see more of him this year! It was a really nice ride up with a little bit of a turn around but after a short while we were back on track after a brief stint on I91 which only put us about ½ hour behind schedule. The weather was amazing; the views at the top of Mt. Equinox were nice, though a little hazy. We stopped for lunch at Bob’s Diner and ended up for ice cream at the High Tide in Hillsboro for ice cream. After that we all went home different ways and arrived home right on schedule.

Ride Safe and Have Fun!

Carole Sheehan
Assistant Chapter G Director

“I Just Wanna Ride”
Most of you already know my mantra …

“I Just Wanna Ride!”

But with riding comes responsibility. Carole and I participated in the Road Captains course taught by Dick Bernier of NH-A. I don’t know if it is a coincidence but all the other Couples of the Year were also in attendance, plus Bob Reid, members from NH-A and Tom and Kathy Fallon, chapter directors for NH-T. It was a filled room.

The course was really informative and we are so glad we participated. Being a Road Captain is a great responsibility and the course gave us all a new understanding on how to be better Ride Leaders and Tail Gunners and how to keep our riders safe.

Great Communication is the cornerstone to a successful and safe ride. We learned the proper words to be used in certain circumstances and the importance of keeping the CB chatter between members of the ride down to a minimum.

Part of the course required us to break into two ride teams and perform two exercises on the road.

   • It is important to get all the bikes off the road and into the parking lot as quickly as possible.
   • Most of the time we pull, choose our spot and start to back in. Most of the time the next bike in line has to wait for you to finish before beginning the same maneuver.
   • The proper way is to pull in and get in backup position but wait to back up until the entire team is ready and the Road Captain will raise his hand and everyone backs up at the same time.
   • Road Test – where the ride leader and tail gunner positions changed so everyone on the ride had a chance to do both positions.

This not only increases the safety of all the riders but also is quite impressive - especially to onlookers.

July Ride & Event Schedule

Sunday, July 10th
Monthly Meeting @ Greenside Restaurant (Lochmere Golf Course) 8 AM Breakfast / 9 AM Meeting

Thursday, July 21, 2016 - Sunday, July 24, 2016
New England Rally
West Lebanon Inn, West Lebanon NH
**Registration Required

Wednesday, July 27
NH-G Monthly Dine Out @ 405 Pub, Laconia NH 6:00 PM

Keep the Dirty Side Down.

John Sheehan
Chapter G Ride Coordinator

Nobody has more Fun than “G”!
Welcome to GWRRA Rider Education

Bob Reid
Chapter G Educator

PROTECT YOUR EYES

Hello fellow wingers! I know we’ve all had a chance to get one or two rides in already. We did our TCLOCS, looked the bike over and it’s ready for another summer but what about YOU? Are you all set for the riding season? Have you replaced that old helmet you have been meaning to for a couple of years? Jackets good? Gloves ok? Boots or ankle height shoes ok? How about your eyes? A good windshield and helmet shield are a good start but we need the best protection for our eyes that our pocketbooks can afford. We only have one set of eyes. I am legally blind in one eye so I try to do anything & everything I can to protect my eyes at all times.

Some of the damaging things are wind & dust, but the worst is UVA and UVB rays. This UV ray exposure can lead to molecular degeneration and cataracts. Another UV related problem is a growth called Pterygium. This growths begins on the white of the eye and may involve the cornea. Eventually the growth may block vision. This is more common in people who work or play outside in the sun and wind. There is also corneal sunburn called Photokeratitis which is a result of high exposure to UVB rays with long hours at the beach or skiing without protection. Reflections off the water and snow can cause this.

You can protect your eyes from these damaging UV rays in two ways:

1. Knowing and understanding the dangers they cause.

2. Wear proper eye protection.

Good sunglasses that offer 100% UVA & UVB protection. Most sunglasses offer some protection but not many offer 100%. You need to look and read about the glasses you are looking to buy to make sure what their level of protection is. In this month’s issue of Wing World there is an ad for Eagle Eye sunglasses that have a 99.9% protection rating. The price is not bad also so that’s a bonus.

As you can SEE it’s worth the time and money to protect those baby blues. Oh, and another thing, when you’re off the bike and not wearing your helmet you should wear a wide brim hat and good sunglasses!

Be safe, Bob

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<td>Foliage Ride and Dine-Out through Eastern N.H. Optional: Meet at the Tilton Diner for breakfast at 7 AM. Line up at Dunkin Donuts at 8AM. KSU at 8:30 AM. Ride to Lincoln, N.H. to board the Hobo Railroad. $16.00 per person. Enjoy an 80 minute round trip train excursion through a woodsy setting along the banks of the Pemi River. Train departs Hobo Jct. station at 64 Railroad Street, Lincoln N.H. We can enjoy a Hobo picnic lunch onboard or have lunch at the Woodstock Inn around the corner after the train ride. Ride led by Chapter G ride coordinator John Sheehan.</td>
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10-8-2016 Fryeburg Fair Ride (Runs 10/2-9). Meet at Tilton Dunkin Donuts at 8:00 AM. KSU at 8:30 AM. Pickup group at Citgo station on the Alton Traffic Circle at 9:30 AM. KSU at 10:00 AM. Pick up last group at Morrissey’s Front Porch in Wolfeboro at 10:30 Am. KSU at 10:45 AM. Arrive at the fair around noon. Enjoy the food and activities. Regroup at 4 PM with KSU at 5:30. **Ride leader to be determined.**

10-9-2016 October NH-G Gathering at the Greenside Restaurant, 360 Laconia Road, Tilton, N.H. Kangamangas Foliage Ride following with lunch at the Yankee Smoke House, Ossipee and Ice Cream at Morrissey’s Front Porch in Wolfeboro. **DRESS WARM!! Ride led by Chapter Ride Coordinator John Sheehan.**

10-??-2016 NH-A/NH-G/NH-E Holiday Season Kick-Off Get Together Pot Luck at TBD. 6 PM till whenever.

11-13-2016 November NH-G Gathering at the Greenside Restaurant, 360 Laconia Road, Tilton, N.H. Ride following, weather permitting. Destination TBD.

12-8-2016 Chapter NH-G Annual Holiday Dinner at the Greenside Restaurant, 360 Laconia Road, Tilton, N.H. Social hour 6-7. Dinner at 7 PM. Announcement of the 2017 Chapter NH-G Couple of the year. More to follow.

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**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to all those listed below

July 1 Phil & Linda Allard
July 7 Bruce Garry

*Chapter G Wishes You All The Best! Remember, We can’t post your Birthdays and Anniversaries if we don’t know the dates. Let us know.*

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**Nobody has more Fun than “G”!**
How much stuff could a pack rat stuff, if a pack rat could stuff “stuff”? Of course it would stuff as much stuff as pack rat could stuff if a pack rat could stuff “stuff”! Or how about this one?? Is a four pound robin fat? Okay, okay, the real saying is about a woodchuck, but that would not fit the analogy for this article as well as pack rats. The reader says, “Okay, another repetition of the old carrying weight of a motorcycle”. And would be mostly correct, but this article is going a little different direction to get to the conclusion of “packing”.

We have all seen motorcycles on the highways stacked with every imaginable item that could be bungeed or tied onto the frame and seats. I mean everything, from musical instruments to yes, the proverbial kitchen sink! There is so much “stuff” that if the motorcycle fell over, there is no place to grab hold to lift it back up on its wheels, let alone be able to lift the load in the first place. Then there is the question about load security, and sometimes I wonder if these riders had ever taken “knots 101” let alone thought about motorcycle stability in difficult situations. Motorcycling “Grapes of Wrath” is what it all resembles!

Road trips have already begun, including our chapter here in Montrose, so this discussion remains timely as riders/co-riders prepare for major vacations, motorcycle rallies, Wing Ding, and similar events. There have been many seminars given on how to pack a motorcycle, namely a Gold Wing for us in the Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA). Deciding what to pack, and where to put it for two people on a motorcycle can be an exercise in frustration at times, but given other alternatives addressed later, we can alleviate this painful exercise. Anyway, the main discussion pertains to weight, namely not so much how much we can stow, but how much weight can we add to the motorcycle over and above what should be stated somewhere in the manual, or on the frame, and in saddle bags. Speaking of which, each saddlebag has its own weight limits as well as the rest of the motorcycle.

Step one therefore is to ascertain just how much weight we can add to the unit as it exists stock before deciding the “what” to load onto and into the places to carry the “necessary” luggage. Step two therefore is to determine the permitted weight versus the payload weight. Unladen weight includes the bare machine, fueled and ready to ride. The payload includes everything you intend to take with you including the rider, the co-rider, and any needed gear. The payload is determined by subtracting the unladen weight of the motorcycle from the permitted total weight. Follow that?

Using the Gold Wing GL 1800 as our example (all motorcycles have their own unladen and payload weights) lets determine what our motorcycle has for carrying capacity. According to my manual, the dry weight (ABS) is 798 pounds. Adding 5.8 gallons of fuel adds another approximate 45 pounds, for a total unladen weight of 843 pounds. Weight capacity as stated in the manual is 425 pounds. This figure is also found by the formula stated above found on the frame of the motorcycle. Remember, this net poundage also includes rider and co-rider! Think about that for a minute or so, and picture in your mind the body images we so often see on motorcycles. All too often the total permitted weight is exceeded as soon as the rider and co-rider get on board! How much “stuff” can safely be packed on board? Even if this scenario has some wiggle room, throw in the rain gear, and couple of water cups and the machine is over loaded.

Conversely, my Suzuki 650 DL has a permitted weight of 945 pounds, and unladen weight of 575 pounds, which using the formula gives me a usable capacity of 370 total pounds. Fully clothed, with safety apparel, figure approximately 220 pounds without putting anything else in or on the motorcycle, giving me a net payload 150 pounds; which as I do not ride this machine two up, leaves me with enough room for a few tools, extra riding gear, water, and so forth. If I add another person on the machine, I am most likely exceeding the permitted weight limits.
Why is this so important? Safety, as each motorcycle manufactured is designed with specific weight limits built into the machine to allow the suspension, steering, tires, transmissions, etc. to operate within the frame limits designed to carry the needed pieces and parts. Overloading the motorcycle reduces ride comfort, reduces steering response, reduces cornering limits, and essentially just plain detracts from everything including the riding experience. Sure, we can try to compensate with heavier rated tires, more tire pressure, heavy duty suspension, etc. but that is just putting lipstick on the pig so to speak. The permitted total weight is still exceeded, which is not how the manufacturer designed the machine, or expected it to be operated. Of course there are those motorcycle owners who figure they know as much or more than those overpaid motorcycle engineers who most likely never rode a motorcycle in their life, and etc. On the other hand, we have those test riders who can be found in many motorcycle magazines who go out with malice aforesought to place motorcycles of all types through operational paces that are designed to test the limits of what the motorcycle can “take” and how it performs under those tests. This information does not conflict with the manufacturer’s data, and enhances the data on what we the common rider can expect from the motorcycles we ride. Who are we to believe, John Q. Motorcyclist who is likely found on internet sites touting all kinds of bad data, or the manufacturer and those who actually find out what really works and what does not work on any unit they test? I believe you know the answer to that question, so will not belabor the point.

How then do we get around the hefty weight issue, and still get our “stuff” where we are going and back? This portion of the topic at hand has been visited many times over the years, so I will not spend a lot of time discussing these points in extreme detail. Most of the riders/co-riders in our chapter already take advantage of some of these points being mentioned, so this part is mostly a reminder. Also, I do not intend to insist that those who do not use the items listed below must adhere to the ounce in loading a motorcycle with what are deemed necessary items. Penny and I rode for many years using different methods of transporting our “necessary” without real difficulty or overloading the motorcycle. Without further ado here are a few ways to avoid the “Grapes of Wrath” look and compromising motorcycle performance.

First of course and most obvious is a trailer to tow along behind the motorcycle carrying the majority, if not all, of the extra items deemed necessary, which leaves room and weight availability for those items needed quickly such as rain gear, or the extra liner, or cool vest. There are many models and makes available, so it is up to the rider/co-rider to decide which fits their needs. Second, use of a rack fastened into the receiver if installed along with a bag or other device to pack items into while on the road. The only major point of this means is that the weight on the receiver will affect the motorcycle in curves, especially those sharp in nature. So a word to the wise, watch the weight. Third, send the “stuff” to a destination that allows having clean items available, and then send the “dirty” items home the same way. Finally, remember laundromats can be found along the way, or motels may also have the equipment to wash and dry items needing cleaning. A little prior planning along the way can then allow light packing, and yet have the means to keep items in clean serviceable condition.

There you have it in a nutshell so to speak. Just a hint, do we really need the kitchen sink? The key is to pack, repack, and then repack again leaving all the un-needed “stuff” at home. If something is really needed that was left behind, or becomes unusable, there are stores along the way to resupply.

I wish to thank David L. Hough for his article in Motorcycle Consumer News which addressed this month’s topic, along with the formula regarding how to figure out the weight issue.

And as always, RIDE WITH PRIDE AND CONFIDENCE!
Our National Motorist Awareness Coordinators, Mike and Barri Critzman, recently forwarded a YouTube video link to their worldwide network of Motorist Awareness coordinators. It’s a very brief, but very effective, reminder sponsored by Volkswagen.

Before you read on, take a moment to use your computer, tablet, or smart phone to watch it.

https://youtu.be/m3a-hOwPLxQ

Now that you’ve seen it, what is your immediate response?

Did you think, “What was Volkswagen trying to do? Provoke a theater full of coronary attacks?”

Did you think, “What a dirty trick! Hacking into all those phones with an unwanted robo call!”

Did you think, “That bunch of young people won’t be affected…they’ll go right on texting and driving.”

Or did you think, “Thank goodness somebody is trying to get the message across!”

Bit by bit, we’re all seeing and hearing public service messages focused on getting the message out to motorists that distracted driving (especially texting while driving) is a very dangerous practice. But how effective are these televised and broadcast messages?

There’s a cynical voice within my head that says these effective are mostly a waste of time and bandwidth. You’d have to be blind not to see the evidence. Look around at every traffic light. Folks with cell phones cradled against their ears. Folks looking down into their laps where their text devices are tweeting. Folks thumb-typing with both thumbs, their knees holding the wheel.

But simultaneously there’s a hopeful voice in my head trying to drown out the negative prattle ringing in my ears. The hopeful voice argues that every Motorist Awareness presentation we make, every awareness brochure or bumper sticker we distribute, and every casual conversation we use to spread the safety message may save somebody from injury or death. I prefer to pay attention to the hopeful voice and disregard the cynics. Someone once said, “T’is better to light just one little candle than sit and curse the darkness.”

I wonder what that theater crowd talked about after they’d seen the Volkswagen demonstration. Did they talk about it? Were they shocked by what they saw? Did they shrug it off? Did they hit auto dial as they pulled out of the theater’s parking lot?

Yes, I wonder. Do you?
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FOR SALE: 2010 Pearl Hot Rod Yellow GL1800 and Escapade 25 cubic foot trailer. Trailer is a 2004, painted in 2010 to match bike. Trailer has upgraded undercarriage. 63,000 miles on bike. Miles will add as I ride it often. Well maintained, garage kept, really good shape. Extras include, but not limited to, a Garmin 2720 with mounts and power for either passenger or driver, Tulsa windscreen (have stock one), Baker wings, full set, including mirror wings, Directional lights on mirrors, chrome lighted trunk and saddlebag moldings (have stock ones), J&M passenger controller, passenger transformer boards, 12 volt receptacles in left pocket and always hot one in the trunk, trailer hitch (vertical) with isolation harness, headlight modulator, headlight “eye brows,” LED lights, Eastern Beaver fuse panel in trunk, Honda CB radio, headlight modulator. Have a lot of extras I will include for a nominal price. Front and rear wheel, with new bolts for front brake disks, new HJC helmets with headsets, summer and winter jackets and rain suits, oil, filters, crush washers, Lift and more.

Really want to sell all as a package, rather than part things out. Local pickup preferred, but I can deliver on your dime, within a “reasonable” distance. We can negotiate.

Bike alone worth 14,000+. Asking 16,000 for everything. (Bike and trailer) Other items we can negotiate. More pictures available.

Contact Sean at 978-927-2246. Or email to seanginny@comcast.net  No text please. Leave a message and I will call back.
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Ed Heath
(603) 393-5674

[website information]

For more information, subject to change

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I/we have read and understand this application. I/we hereby agree to conform and comply with the ideals governing this rally and agree to hold harmless GWRRA, co-sponsoring organizations, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation in this rally. I/we also agree to assume responsibility for any property which I/we knowingly damage.

Rider Signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

Rider Name (print): ___________________________ Age (optional): ______ GWRRA#: _______ Exp. Date: ______

Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ State: ___________ Zip: ___________

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Registration Information

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Number of Full Registrations GWRRA ($55) ______ Life Member ($50) ______
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Total for Reg. $ __________

Optional Friday:
Italian Pasta Feast
Number of registrations ($20.00/pp) Total Number ______
Total for feast $ __________

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Number of S/M/L/XL shirts ______ @ $23 = ______
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Total for Shirts $ __________

*Shirts are short sleeve polo’s – add’ll products TBD

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED $ __________

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