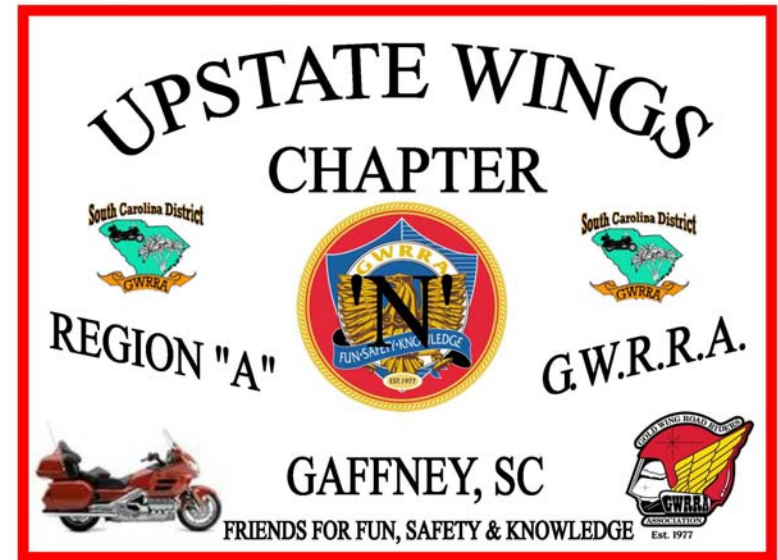


Upstate Wings

JANUARY 2011



GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION

**REGULAR CHAPTER GATHERING
SCHEDULED**

THE 2nd SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

EAT @ 6:00 PM

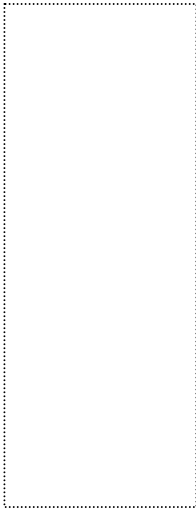
MEET @ 7:00 PM

LOCATION: COLONIAL FISH CAMP

1607 Cherokee Ave., Gaffney, SC, 29340

www.chapternsc.com – CHAPTER WEBSITE

**Chapter "N" Directors
Don & Susie Stewart
102 Eastwood Circle
Gaffney, SC. 29340**



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Friends For Fun, Safety and Knowledge

Chapter "N" Staff

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Ride Coordinator	Vacant	
Treasurer	Mildred MaHaffey	864-487-5580
Phone Tree Coordinator	Candie Williams	864-487-5928
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Host	Roger MaHaffey	864-487-5580
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CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S CORNER

The beginning of a new year is upon us. 2010 ended with a Flurry (alright SNOW) and the New year began with SNOW and ICE, leaving us yearning for that warm sun and planning our next great riding adventure. While we wait we have time to prepare for the new riding season. As we prepare we might think of some of our favorite travel locations, during the January gathering, ride suggestion sheets were handed out and a few were returned, I will bring the sheets to the February gathering for those who did not get a chance to fill them out and return them.

As long as we have ride ideas we can set plans for the riding season month by month. This worked out last year to offer some great rides including Cades Cove, Gatlinburg and Helen GA. I would like to thank each of you who entered ride suggestions for 2010 and participated in the adventures.

We also tried a new point based Chapter participation and High Mileage award, thank you for your patience as we worked out the details and thank you for your participation. It was a close race this year and I will divulge the results during the February Gathering of who the winner was for 2010.

It is my hope and desire that we can move forward in 2011 with even greater participation and new ideas for rides, it is also my desire to try and make our activities enjoyable for all who participate.

As a Chapter we will need to focus on some fund raisers for this year, our funds are dangerously low. This is not a bad thing, we have donated to Harbor of Hope as our Charity, along with Ride for Kids, and we have had a lot of gatherings and events this past year where the Chapter furnished the refreshments and it is only right to enjoy ourselves. Moving forward in order to fund these events we will need everyone's participation on fund raisers for the new year so that we can continue this trend.

I am excited about the new year and what it may hold in store for us all. I would also welcome any input on how we could make OUR Chapter better from meetings to rides. Please feel free to critique my performance as a Chapter Director as well. The goal we have set is to make this Chapter enjoyable for members and guests alike.

Have Fun riding, stay warm and I look forward to our next gathering.

Until we meet again.

Ride Safe and have fun. Don & Susie Stewart

FEBRUARY Door Prizes. VALENTINES DAY THEME

Thank you for all who brought Door Prizes to the January Meeting. If each one of us could bring one door prize, it is a good bet that every one in attendance would receive a prize. Thank you once again for your participation.

MARK YOUR CALANDAR
SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON SCHEDULED EVENTS

January 15, 2011	District Meeting in Charleston for District and Chapter Officers
January 22, 2011	Capture the Plaque Chapter F Easley
January 22, 2011	Chapter Staff Meeting 6:00 pm @ Colonial Fish Camp
February 12, 2011	February Chapter Gathering Colonial Fish Camp 6pm eat, 7pm meet
April 15 – 17, 2011	Carolina Thunder Biker Retreat
April 28 – 30 2011.....	South Carolina District Convention
May 27- 30, 2011	Rolling Thunder Washington, DC Memorial Day Weekend
July 6-9 2011	WingDing Knoxville, TN

QTY **Description** **Price Each**
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Hand

0	Cotton Face Mask	\$ 5.95
1	American Flag	\$ 8.95
2	Region 'A' Patches	\$ 6.00
46	Chapter Patches	\$ 6.00
8	4" Chapter Patches	\$ 4.50
7	SC patches	\$ 5.50
0	Eagle Patches	\$ 7.50
2	Large Helmet Stickers	\$ 1.00
1	Small Helmet Stickers	\$.50
4	Association Pins	\$ 4.50
33	Chapter N Bars	\$ 2.50
1	Vest Chain	\$ 12.50
1	Chapter Bar Pins	\$ 5.00
1	Chapter 'N' Hats	\$ 10.00
4	10" Black & Gold Patch "Round"	\$ 14.00
7	2" Black & Gold Patch "Helmet"	\$ 4.00

GWRRA PRODUCT INVENTORY
 If you are interested in any of the merchandise, please contact Don Stewart.

Reminder Project Gold Door Prize Providers

February 2011 – Frances Littlejohn

- March 2011 – Don & Susie Stewart
- April 2011- Tim & Debbie Deason
- May 2011 – Don & Susie Stewart
- June 2011- Mike & Lynn Humphries
- July or Aug Bernie & Loretta Kobylski
- September 2011 – Leroy Dunlop
- October 2011 – Larry & Candie Williams
- November 2011 – Roger & Mildred Mahaffey



GOOFY AWARD:
 Roger Kuykendall

Project Gold Winner: Loretta
Chapter Pride: Loretta
50/25/25 Winners: Roger Kuykendall / Don Stewart

Member of the Month:

SC District Staff

District Director Charles & Kathy Coleman 864-423-5999 (cell)	District Educator Jesse & Sue Sammons	District Trainer Larry & Mary Rosselot	Couple of the Year Ron & Becky Lees
Assistant Directors Buddy & Kim Summer	District Treasurer John & Janet Crabtree	District Ambassadors Faye Hood & Steve Smith	District Webmaster Dennis & Sue Defendi
Assistant Directors Joe & Nadine Cooper	SC Goodie Shoppe Faye Skipper	Membership Enhancement Glenn & Donna Bumgarner	District Public Relations Larry & Sandra Kelly

SUNSHINE REPORT: Loretta Kobylski

BIRTHDAYS:

Larry Williams Jan 4
Mildred Mahaffey Jan 10
Susie Stewart Jan 15
Maxine Dunlop

ANNIVERSARY:

Cliff & Betsy Jan 29

ACTIVITIES / RIDES

**January 15, 2011

DISTRICT STAFF and Chapter Staff Meeting Charleston, SC.
Wingate Hotel.

** January 22, 2011

Capture the Plaque Chapter "F" Easley Location Mutts BBQ, eat @ 12:00, meet @ 1:00pm
Chapter will depart Gaffney @ 10:45 sharp from Kangaroo Gas Station Across from Hamricks (Exit 90 I-85)

** January 22-23, 2011

OCP Training in Charleston: Location Host Hotel for SC Convention. Event is free except for Room and Meals. *This training session is open to Chapter Officers and any interested member.* If interested please contact Larrt Rosselot or the GWRRASC.com web site for a sign up form. Must be registered to attend.

** January 22, 2011

CHAPTER Staff meeting 6:00pm Colonial Fish Camp

** April 15 – 17 2011

Carolina Thunder Biker Retreat Weekend Batesburg/Leesville SC. See Don if interested.

**April 28 – 30 2011

South Carolina District Convention – Charleston, SC
FIESTA (FESTIVAL) of WINGS

**May 27-30 2011

Rolling Thunder 2011 Washington, DC
Hotel in Manassas, VA.

**July 6-9 2011

Wing Ding 2011 Knoxville, TN Are you planning to go? A few of us may make an over night trip to Knoxville. If interested please make it known.

**AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2011

August 26 - September 4th or 5th, 2011 Mike and Lynn Humphries are planning a ride to Maine anyone interested please see Mike or Lynn. (10 day trip planned).

RIDER EDUCATION
Chapter Educator – Loretta Kobylski
RIDER ED 'GIMME 5'

TOPIC: End of Season Cycle Maintenance

Whether the riding season in your area lasts only four or five months, or as long as ten months, most of us will let our motorcycles remain unriden for a long enough period of time that it is best to prepare it for a season of rest.

November typically brings weather throughout the northern tier of states that is not very good for motorcycling. Most parts of this great country of ours experience two or more months of weather that is not considered part of the riding season. The air temperature alone gets cold enough to cause hypothermia without adding the wind chill from sitting atop a motorcycle while blasting down the road at legal speeds – even at 45 mph. And many areas will have snow on the ground before the month is out. Some of you may be cold-blooded enough to prolong the season a few extra weeks, but for most, there is a period each year when your motorcycle becomes a lonesome friend sitting quietly in the garage.

Before you park it for a season of inactivity, this is a great time to get your end of season maintenance done. It is recommended that you change the oil and oil filter to remove contaminants – dirt, deposits, acids and moisture – that can lead to corrosion inside the engine. Other fluid levels should be checked for proper level. If the fluids are due for replacement based on miles ridden since the last change (check your manual and service history), this is a good time to do that and any other maintenance tasks that you may have been putting off.

Your mechanic likely is not very busy at this time of year. He (she) would probably appreciate your visit, too! And you know your bike will be better for it. Then when spring comes next year (it is not that far off, after all!), you'll be ready to go without a visit to the mechanic before planning your next big ride. After you get it back from your mechanic, fill the gas tank and add the appropriate amount of fuel stabilizer (such as Stabil) before parking your Wing. Wash and wax the bike and inflate the tires. The battery should be disconnected from the motorcycle (negative terminal first) and trickle charged at least every 30 days, per your Gold Wing Owner's Manual. (Refer to your battery charger manual for more charging details.) Take good care of your Wing, and your Wing will take good care of you!

Ride Smart & Be Safe!

Bruce & Melissa Thayer
Former MI Asst. District Rider Educators
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