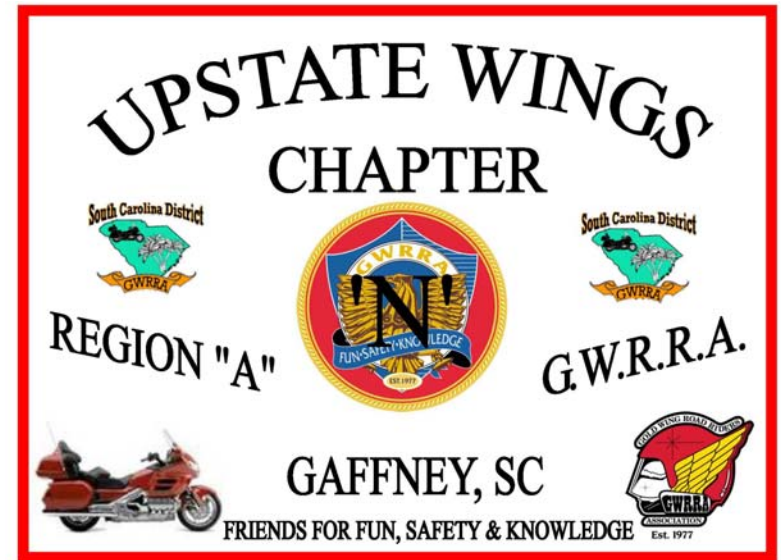


# Upstate Wings

JUNE 2011



## *GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION*

**REGULAR CHAPTER GATHERING  
SCHEDULED**

**THE 2<sup>nd</sup> SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**

**EAT @ 6:00 PM**

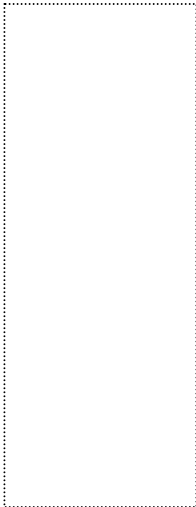
**MEET @ 7:00 PM**

**LOCATION: COLONIAL FISH CAMP**

1607 Cherokee Ave., Gaffney, SC, 29340

**[www.chapternsc.com](http://www.chapternsc.com) – CHAPTER WEBSITE**

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



**GWRRA**

**Friends For Fun, Safety and Knowledge**

### Chapter "N" Staff

Chapter Director's	Don & Susie Stewart	704-614-2374 Cell Phone 864-488-0930 Home
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Rider Educator	Loretta Kobylski	864-472-6178
Ride Coordinator	Vacant	
Treasurer	Mildred MaHaffey	864-487-5580
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Membership Enhancement		

### CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S CORNER

I believe June has been one of our busiest months thus far as a Chapter. We began with a Yard Sale on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> where we met early and worked hard for most of the morning. I am happy to report that all of the hard work paid off and we were able to remove a lot of stuff from our homes and garages and turn it into a profitable day for the Chapter. I would like to extend a special thank you to Candie and Larry who graciously provided their truck and trailer to haul all of the materials for the yard sale. Thank you to Tim Deason and Frances Littlejohn as well for coming out and spending the morning helping out. The following weekend we began with a trip to Anderson to try and capture the plaque. Unfortunately we came up short and Chapter G (Charleston) left with the plaque.

However, during our gathering we were visited from Chapter A and they came bearing gifts or shall we say one hot gift the HOT TAMALE'. As a result of this fine gift I feel it is in our best interest to share this with others since it is in such HOT demand. We will head out Saturday morning to deliver this TAMALE' to a deserving Chapter.

Don't forget, our ride this month to Stone Mountain GA. Candie has hotel details for those traveling, Susie and I will not be able to join you for this trip, we will be heading out for a well deserved vacation. We are also going to be on the look out for the Plaque in Charleston, as soon as the date is posted we will be contacting everyone to make arrangements to travel to Charleston to try and capture the plaque. We will be on our twelfth attempt.

Please mark you Calendar for our annual Pool Party at the Mahaffey's Saturday August 13, 2011. We will be contacting each of you for items to bring to this Gala Event to help make it a success and fun for all.

A special thank you to our chapter members who have stepped up to participate in our chapter events. It truly make a great ride and event when we can share in it together and have fun as a group.

Have Fun; stay safe, we look forward to see you all at our next gathering.

Until we meet again.

Ride Safe and have fun. Don & Susie Stewart

Thank you for all who brought Door Prizes to the March. 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**

June 16 – 18, 2011.....	WING Fling Duluth GA
June 25, 2011 .....	Stone Mountain Over Night Ride
July 6-9 2011 .....	Wing Ding Knoxville, TN
JULY 9, 2011.....	CHAPTER GATHERING – CANCELLED Due to WING DING
Aug 13, 2011 .....	Chapter Pool Party Details to be announced
Aug 29, 2011.....	RIDE For Kids Ashville, NC.
Sept 15-17, 2011 .....	REGION ‘A’ Convention Eufaula, AL
Oct. 13-15, 2011.....	Mississippi Convention Tupelo MS

<b>QTY on Hand</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Price Each</b>
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	Cotton Face Mask	\$ 5.95
	American Flag	\$ 8.95
	Region ‘A’ Patches	\$ 6.00
	Chapter Patches	\$ 6.00
	4” Chapter Patches	\$ 4.50
	SC patches	\$ 5.50
	Eagle Patches	\$ 7.50
	Large Helmet Stickers	\$ 1.00
	Small Helmet Stickers	\$ .50
	Association Pins	\$ 4.50
	Chapter N Bars	\$ 2.50
	Vest Chain	\$ 12.50
	Chapter Bar Pins	\$ 5.00
	Chapter ‘N’ Hats	\$ 10.00
	10” Black & Gold Patch “Round”	\$ 14.00
	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**

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:**  
Lynn Humphries

**I think Goofy has found a permanent home  
Lynn truly loves having him around**

**Project Gold Winner: Steve Smith**  
**Chapter Pride: Steve Smith**  
**50/25/25 Winners: Roger Kuykendall, Frances Littlejohn**

**SC District Staff**

<b>District Director</b> Charles & Kathy Coleman 864-423-5999 (cell)	<b>District Educator</b> Jesse & Sue Sammons	<b>District Trainer</b> Larry & Mary Rosselot	<b>Couple of the Year</b> Judy & Bill Dunaway
<b>Assistant Directors</b> Buddy & Kim Summer	<b>District Treasurer</b> John & Janet Crabtree	<b>District Ambassadors</b> Faye Hood & Steve Smith	<b>District Webmaster</b> Dennis & Sue Defendi
<b>Assistant Directors</b> Joe & Nadine Cooper	<b>SC Goodie Shoppe</b> Doug & Faye Skipper	<b>Membership Enhancement</b> Dale & Charlie West	<b>District Public Relations</b> Larry & Sandra Kelly

## SUNSHINE REPORT: Loretta Kobylski

### BIRTHDAYS:

Don Stewart	June 4
Chris Stewart	June 8
Ed Darwin	June 10
Steve Smith	June 24

### ANNIVERSARY:

Frances and Larry Littlejohn	June 2
Mike & Lynn Humphries	June 6
Bernie & Loretta Kobylski	June 9
Jim & Judy McClanahan	June 28

### ACTIVITIES / RIDES CALENDAR of EVENTS

#### **\*\*June 11, 2012**

**CAPTURE the Plaque LOCATION: CHAPTER 'A' CHAPTER 'G' took the plaque to Charleston.**

#### **June 25, 2011**

**Over Night Ride to STONE MOUNTAIN GA.**

Parking \$10.00 per Motorcycle Plus cost of individual attractions. To further discuss @ June Gathering  
183 miles 3 hour approximate ride.

#### **\*\*July 6-9 2011 WING-DING-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.

**PLANS:** Several Riders are planning to ride to Wing Ding leaving Friday. Spend the night and travel in Saturday morning and spend the day. Some riders are planning a Saturday night stay as well.

#### **\*\* AUGUST 13, 2011 Chapter Pool Party at Roger and Mildred Mahaffey's Home**

**Details To follow. We will need help with Entrée and Side Dishes from all who attend.**

#### **\*\* AUGUST 28, 2011 RIDE 4 KIDS**

We will need to depart Gaffney by 6:15am – 6:30am it will take us approx 1hr 30 min to get to site.

**Registration opens @ 7:00 am, Kick Stands up @ 9:00 This is a Rain or Shine event**

**Minimum Donation is \$35.00 to ride.**

#### **\*\*AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2011**

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

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#### **\*\*\*\* SPECIAL NOTE \*\*\*\***

There are Church groups taking up donations of clothing and household supplies, food and water to be sent to Joplin MO. If you have anything or would like to donate please contact Don Stewart so he can make arrangements with Jim McClanahan for delivery.

Fishermen, golfers, athletes at outdoor venues, and motorcyclists are all at a higher risk of injury and death due to lightning strikes than the average population. With common sense, knowledge, and a plan, you can reduce your risks.

The following safety tips are from the [National Lightning Safety Institute](#):

1. **Plan** – When you first see lightning or hear thunder, activate you’re emergency plan. Now is the time to go to a building. Lightning often precedes rain, so don’t wait for the rain to begin before suspending activities.
2. **If outdoors** – Avoid water, high ground, and open spaces. Avoid all metal objects including electric wires, fences, machinery, motors, power tools, etc. Unsafe places include underneath canopies, small picnic or rain shelters, or near trees. Other unsafe outdoor areas include all metal objects like flag poles, fences and gates, high mast light poles, and metal bleachers. Where possible, find shelter in a substantial building. If lightning is striking nearby when you are outside, you should crouch down, and put your feet together. You should also leave about 15 feet between people.
3. **Suspend activities** – Wait at least 30 minutes after the last observed lightning or thunder.
4. **Hair standing on end** – If you feel your hair standing on end, and/or hear “crackling noises” – you are in lightning’s electric field. If caught outside during close-in lightning, immediately remove metal objects (including hats and helmets), place your feet together, duck your head, and crouch down low in a baseball catcher’s stance with hands on knees.
5. **Injured persons** – People who have been struck by lightning do not carry an electrical charge and are safe to handle. Administer First Aid if you are qualified to do so and call 911.

The [National Weather Service](#) (NWS) in their message on Lightning Safety also includes motorcycle specific recommendations.

Being stranded outdoors when lightning is striking nearby is a harrowing experience. Your first and only truly safe choice is to get to a safe building. If you are on a motorcycle and cannot get to a safe shelter, follow these last resort tips. These will not prevent you from being hit, just *slightly* lessen the odds:

- Do **NOT** seek shelter under tall isolated trees. The tree may help you stay dry but will significantly increase your risk of being struck by lightning. Rain will not kill you, but the lightning can!
- Do **NOT** seek shelter under partially enclosed buildings like picnic shelters.
- Stay away from tall, isolated objects. Lightning typically strikes the tallest object. That may be **you** in an open highway.
- Know the weather forecast. If there is a high chance of thunderstorms, change your plans.
- Stay away from metal objects, such as fences, poles, umbrellas, and backpacks. Metal is an excellent conductor. The current from a lightning flash will easily travel for long distances.

Protect yourself when on a motorcycle or dirt bike:

- Carry a portable Weather Radio or listen to commercial radio.
- If you see threatening skies in the distance and you are passing a safe location, pull over and wait 30 minutes after the last thunder crack.
- If you can turn around and get away from the storm, do so!
- DO NOT ride into a lightning storm!

If you absolutely cannot get to a safe building, here are some last resort choices:

- Wait out the storm below an overpass. **DO NOT** touch steel girders. Move away from your bike. Remain on dry surfaces if possible. Overpasses are engineered structures and are likely to be properly grounded. Although an overpass is likely to be higher than the surrounding landscape, if it is struck by lightning, the electrical current will likely be channeled safely into the ground.
- High tension wires: If high voltage electrical tension wires cross the road, you may want to seek shelter directly underneath these wires. Do not get too close to the large metal towers which hold up these wires. Stay at least 50 feet away. Electric companies design these high tension wires for lightning strikes. If lightning should strike the wires or towers, the current is designed to safely go deep into the ground.
- If you are caught in the open and lightning is occurring within five miles, **STOP** riding, get off of your motorcycle, find a ditch or other low spot and sit down.
- Motorcyclists should move at least 50 feet away from their bike.

**TO ALL OF OUR CHAPTER TRAVELERS.**

**WHEN TRAVELING, PLEASE COLLECT YOUR UNUSED SHAMPOO, SOAPS AND LOTION FROM YOUR HOTEL ROOM, A SUGGESTION WAS MADE THAT WE COULD THAT WE COULD USE THESE ITEMS FOR CARE PACKAGES FOR THE SENIOR CENTER HERE IN GAFFNEY AT CHRISTMAS TIME. WE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED AS TO OTHER ITEMS THAT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL AND USEFUL BETWEEN NOW AND CHROSTMAS TIME.**

**SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE BRING THEM UP AT OUR NEXT GATHERING OR CALL ME DIRECTLY AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.**

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