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"The Wingin' News"

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Happy Father's Day!

From your chapter team leader, Frankie Medlin



It seems like it was last week that I was writing my article for the May newsletter and here I am again writing to all of you and getting ready for June. I have done very little riding since I wrote to you last. Some of us got together and went to visit Chapter I – Asheville the last Saturday in April. I had been having a little trouble with the nerves in my left leg all that week, but I just contributed it to the miles on the old body and

just kept pushing on. I noticed more trouble with it all day that day, but I thought it was all the miles we rode that day. Sunday morning I got up and got the bike ready to ride and rode to Sunday School and church, then headed to Fayetteville for their gathering. I noticed more pain in my leg at church, but thought it would go away. While riding to Fayetteville I couldn't seem to get comfortable and just kept adjusting my position. By the time the Fayetteville gathering was over I was ready to ride straight home and put the bike up, I was in so much pain. Each day that week the pain seemed to get worse, so by the end of the week I was back in the doctor's office where I had been for my physical earlier in the week. I spent the next two weeks seeing doctors, getting test run, at physical therapy and finally having an MRI done. The pain had been so bad that it would take my breath away at times, so I had done anything I could to get in a comfortable position, which meant mostly laying around. The MRI results showed a blown out disc, so my next trip was to my Neurosurgeon. He set up surgery for the next week, which was this past Tuesday. The surgery went well and I am home recuperating now. I am following Dr. Garner's orders so that I can be back out riding in a few weeks. This week I am only allowed to lie around, next week I can be up walking around in the house and then the next week I can walk all I am able to outside. I am hoping that I will be able to ride some the next week, which will be the fourth week. I go back to see Dr. Garner the first of that week, so I anxiously await that visit. I want to thank everyone for the prayers, thoughts, cards, phone calls, visits and well wishes. You have helped to make time pass quicker for me and helped to keep my spirits up. Thank you, my wonderful Gold Wing Family.

I hope all of you have a wonderful Memorial Day weekend and if you are traveling, that you have a safe trip.

I want to say a special thank you to Tom Tipton for holding our C2 May gathering in my absence and to Candis Medlin for carrying everything to the meeting and helping Tom set up for the meeting. Thanks to our wonderful C2 Staff and members for carrying on during the entire month of May. I have certainly missed traveling and visiting all of our fellow chapters over the last month. I missed High Point's special day, but heard all about it from our members that went. Mitch, I certainly hated to miss K2's Mini Rally, but again I was proud to hear from the C2 members that went that the Rally was a great day. I have tried to figure every way in the world that I could follow Doctors orders and still go to the Hillbilly Hoedown. Since it is next week and I am not supposed to be out of the house yet, I am still figuring. As all of you know by my testimonials, I love the Hillbilly Hoedown and don't want to miss it.

Continue to visit our web site c2goldwings.jimdo.com and let Candis know if you would like to have anything added to it that she hasn't put on it yet. She continues to work on it when she has time. She has done a wonderful job taking care of me before and since my surgery. Thank you, Candis, for all you have done.

I was excited to hear about the new faces at our May meeting. We hope they will be back with us again at our June meeting. Please make all of our visitors feel welcome. If any of you bump into people in your daily adventures that you think may be interested in joining us, be sure to tell them about our group and how much fun we have when we get together.

I have certainly missed the fun at Wendy's on Friday nights. If you haven't been able to come yet or if you haven't been in a while, come when you can. Fun multiplies and divides when we share it with others.

Thanks to Jim Hairr for leading the ride to S & J Soda Shop. I hope you all enjoyed the ice cream. I can't wait for us to go there again, so I can go.

I hope all of you have gotten your registration in for Wings Over the Smokies for September 2014. Let me know if you need any help with registration or reservations.

Please plan to be at our June gathering on Tuesday, June 3rd. I hope to be there with you.

For those of you outside of our chapter, we invite you to come visit with us at our gathering anytime. If you have visited us or are a regular visitor each month, please continue to come and visit. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at Parkside Café, 2176 US Hwy 70A East, Pine Level, NC. Hope to see you on June 3rd.

For our newest members, we need your new ideas and energy that continue to rejuvenate our seasoned members. This cycle continues to need to be fueled.

Let's ride for FUN, FRIENDS and SAFETY......RIDE SAFE!!

Frankie Medlin, Your C-2 Team Leader





From your Assistant Chapter Director, Tom Tipton

Summer riding is right around the corner so prepare one's self and your corider for the weather changes this time of year. Cooler temps in the morning hours, warmer temps in the mid-day hours to Hot, Hot, Hot, in the afternoon hours all over NC.

Drink plenty of fluids...... take breaks often.

Remember, if riding in a group setting, let the leader in the group know when you're ready for a break. Don't wait until you are "thirsty", that may be your first warning of dehydration.

I do hope and pray, we of C2 have many safe "Miles of Smiles" this riding season.

Let's not forget our members on the mend !!!!!!! Get well and back to riding soon !!!!!!!

See-ya at the Hillbilly Hoedown

Your ACD Tom Tipton

Tom Tipton June 1

Frankye Watson June 2

Joe Austin June 15

Kerney Eason June 27



Sammy and Shari Langley June 14

FROM YOUR CHAPTER COUPLE: CHARLES AND SUE LANGLEY



Hey dear friends,

Every month flies by so fast! The newsletter creeps past me almost every time. Thank you, Judy, for your patience with me. And by the way, everyone does appreciate your fabulous work each month. You go girl!

Another thank you goes to our chapter for praying for all the needs of their friends. Frankie is mending, Charles is on his way to riding again, and Jim is riding! Sounds like we are gonna be "On the Road Again" as Willie sings_____



Roy and Cindy Bryant, Rocky Mount's Chapter Couple

One of the best rides that Charles and I have experienced was to the Tennessee Rally. Charles and I met Roy and Cindy Bryant at Burlington, then the four of us had an excellent ride to Chattanooga, Tennessee for the rally. We rode along beside the river, it was so beautiful! Canoes, rafts, and boats were everywhere- I can only imagine what summer will bring!!!!!



It was great to see a big part of our chapter at Fayetteville Rally. Kearney and Connie, Jim and Judy, Joe and Noni, Tom and Linda, Jim and Linda and Charles and I really had a nice day together. The NC Drill Team provided great entertainment. Until we meet again, ride safe, have fun, and smile all the while!!!!

Love you all, Charles and Sue

EAT, MEET and GREET

Tom Tipton, Asst. Chapter Director, welcomed everyone to the May NC-C2 gathering. Tom asked if anyone had any prayer requests. Please remember our Chapter Director, Frankie Medlin, Frankie will be having back surgery on May 20th. Sammy Langley, Chapter Educator, prayed for the sick and also blessed our meal. There was also a request to keep Charles Langley, half of the Chapter Couple, in your prayers. Charles had back/neck surgery but is doing fine. Tom introduced the NC-C2 staff.

The Chapter Couples plaque was given away. It was captured by Roy and Cindy Bryant of Rocky Mt., NC-Z. The plaque was brought to the NC-C2 meeting by NC-S2 Sanford. The meal ticket for the Chapter Couple was won by NC-C2 Sue Langley. The Eastern Traveler Plaque was captured by NC-U2 Laurinburg.

Kerney Eason, Special Events Coordinator, introduced the visitors. NC-C2 also had a special visitor, Miss Danielle Mitchell.

The Sun Shine Lady, Nonie Roberson celebrated birthdays and anniversaries. Tom thanked Debbie Lewis for sending cards to the sick or for birthdays, etc.

A Butter Pecan Pound Cake was won by Jim Hairr of NC-C2. Judy Bankston baked the cake for the May gathering. Tom thanked Sue and Charles Langley for representing NC-C2. Charles and Sue does a lot of visiting with other chapters. Sammy Langley, Chapter Educator, talked about T-clock checks. Also lights are very important. Be aware that bikes are smaller than cars and the drivers do not see motorcycles. Beware of all motorist. Note: the time for repairs is before you start riding. May is "Motorcycle Safety Month". Tom Tipton gave a motorist awareness tip.

The Vest Drawing was won by Billy Joyner of NC-D2 New Bern. Jim Hairr talked about the S & T Soda Shop Trip scheduled for May 10th. NC-C2 also has a ride scheduled to the NC-K2 Fayetteville Mini Rally which will be held at Lumberton and also to the Hillbilly Hoe Down.

Tom relayed information about Kerney Eason being burned at Garner at the Chicken Wing Ding. Kerney is doing well.

- 50/50
- \$35.00Bobby Womack\$35.00Eddie Lewis\$35.00Alice Manning

NC-S2 Sanford NC-C2 Smithfield NC-D Greenville

Reporter Linda Hairr



Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge



TRAINING

First on the list is braking. It is very important to use both brakes and to use all four fingers on the front brake lever. Why do I need four fingers if I am strong enough to pull the brakes on with one finger? Yep, you sure can. If you happen to need emergency maximum hard braking (application of both brakes without skidding), your fingers that are wrapped around the throttle grip will impede that from happening. Your adrenalin will cause you to apply more brakes than ever and guess what is in the way, FINGERS. I stated stopping without skidding either tire is maximum hard braking. The panic "stop" may be necessary to avoid a collision or to reduce speed quickly before impact. That is why you need to practice good techniques all the time so you have the proper technique

when you have an emergency stop. Gold Wings will skid tires. Always release and re-apply if needed when the front wheel skids. The front tire in a skid is a sure way to end up in a down side slide.

I mentioned a squeeze of the front brake. We can compare it to how you squeeze an orange to get your morning juice. First take ½ of an orange; just apply a squeeze as hard and as quickly as you can to get the juice. Did you get all the juice out of the orange? Did the juice fly all over? Now try slowly and increase the squeeze of the other half of the orange. Did you get a better result? This is how to relate to a squeeze of the front brake lever. "Proper technique" is a smooth and steady squeeze, of the front brake lever with all four fingers. If you are not stopping, fast enough apply a little more squeeze. Your entire grip is in place to perform the squeeze amount you may need.

Head and eyes up in curves, look as far as you can thru a curve, check for hazards. Head and eyes up on straight roads, looking for hazards, head and eyes up constantly in traffic, looking for the vehicles pulling into your lane, changing lanes and brake lights of other vehicles.

While riding in traffic you can reduce your reaction time by covering the clutch and brake levers with all four fingers. The first reaction to any problem is to brake. This is not always the correct answer when riding a motorcycle. This is a habit carried over from driving four wheels. Many riders run wide in a turn. There are many reasons why: too (Looking continued) fast on entry speed, applying the brakes while in the turn, or not looking to the exit. Your eyes will pull you thru a turn, if you continue to look where you want to go. If you look back to see how close you are to the guardrail, you will get closer, maybe too close.

LEVELS I, II, III, & IV

Don't forget to keep a check on your levels to keep them up to date. Also plan to update your levels at Wings Over The Smokies during all the classes they offer. Be sure to register soon and take the classes.

Ride Smart & Be Safe! Charles Langley C-2 Chapter Educator



FLAG DAY June 14



From the Brain of your Webmaster......C a n d i s M e d l i n

As the days get longer and hotter we are starting to see more motorcycles on the road. As I stand behind the counter at work I can't help but look up when I hear a bike rumbling by, I can't help but want to jump the counter and flag them down and ask to ride along. I hope now that things are kinda slowing down at work and at home that I will have more time to ride this summer. After taking my BRC I have yet to have a chance to climb on as a driver and see if I am comfortable enough to ride, and my boss is still holding my bike hostage lol; till he knows I am good enough on it not to hurt myself or others. I thank him for that cause I know he has enough experience to know and to let me know when I am ready to ride on my own, which I hope with enough practice I might be ready to do by the end of the summer.

I unfortunately have been a little lax in the updates to our website and facebook page as of late and hope you can all forgive me. This month should be a better month now that Mom is back on the mend and getting a little better every day. It looks like we won't make it to this year's Hillbilly Hoe Down and hope that all of you have a wonderful weekend of food, fun and fellowship; we will catch it next year.

As you continue have any thoughts or ideas on how we can improve or better serve C2 or any others that may visit our website, please let me know. I would like to request any pictures you are willing to share to put on our site; email me at nc_C2_smithfield@yahoo.com. I still need pictures of all our members' two wheel, three wheel or four wheel rides for our photo section so that we can show how diverse our group is and to show that no matter how or what we ride, we would love to have anyone join us for lots of fun and fellowship.

Let's Ride, Candis Medlin 919-815-6824 nc_C2_smithfield@yahoo.com SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

Bring your copy of your June Newsletter with you to our June gathering so you can make notes on your calendar for special events or rides that we talk about at the meeting. Flyers for upcoming events are on the NC GWRRA web site and are now on our own C2 web site <u>c2goldwings.jimdo.com/</u> under Rally Flyers.

Friday nights – Game night at Wendy's in Selma (Come play marbles or any other game.)

June 7th – Kennel's Beach and Tryon Palace Ride (all day ride and dinner). We will talk about this ride at our June meeting and will decide if we need to reschedule it.

- Eden "First Responder Event" (If we have members that want to do this, we will have to reschedule our Kennel's Beach and Tryon Palace Ride.

June 12-14 – Both WVA District Rally and Ga District Rally (Is anyone interested in going?) See flyer on our web site

June 21st – R Thomasville Care Bear Ride – this is a good ride, we take teddy bears on this ride and lunch is provided (see flyer on our web site)

June 28th – Mike's Farm Dinner Ride

July 2-5th - Wing Ding (Madison, Wisconsin) Is anyone interested in going to Wing Ding? If so, we need to make plans to go as a group.

July 12th – Dinner Ride (We need to plan where we want to go for this dinner ride at our June meeting).

July 19th – Winston Salem chapter event (we will get more information about this before our June meeting

July 26th – Greensboro chapter event (we will get more information about this before our June meeting

If anyone has somewhere you would like for us to plan to ride to, please let Frankie or Tom know and we will make plan for the group to go.

Get Well Soon, Frankie

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