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Region N NC District GWRRA NC – C2, Smithfield, NC Chapter NC-C2

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# "The Wingin' News"

Meetings held at PARKSIDE CAFÉ in Pine Level the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month: It is Located on Hwy 70 ALT East, I-95 Exit 97, 2 miles on the right past the Robbins Nest Restaurant. We eat at 6:30 and meet at 7:30 PM.

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## From your Chapter Team Leader, Frankie Medlin



How do I say Thank you enough to all of you? The last time I wrote this article to you, I was writing an article for the April C2 Newsletter. I wrote about plans for the month of May, June and July and how busy these months were going to be. Well, that was before I took a ride on my trike on a beautiful spring day on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Little did I know that ride would be the beginning of what could have been the

end for me. I was riding my 2008 Honda Goldwing Trike when an unexplainable accident happened totaling my trike and sending me to Critical Care at Wake Med from April 11fh till April 26<sup>th</sup>, then to Medical holding until April 29<sup>th</sup> and then to Brian Center - Clayton Rehabilitation Center, 204 Dairy Road, Clayton, NC 27520. I came home from Brian Center on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and am very glad to be home. I will be receiving more rehab at home for the next several weeks. I still have a ways to go and lots of healing to do, but I am on the mends. I have more to be thankful for than is possible to imagine.

I wrote a Thank you and put it in the May NC District Newsletter. If you have not read it, please take time to read it and please understand how much I want to thank you for your thoughts, prayers, loves and concerns since April 11<sup>th</sup>. We still don't know what caused the trike to flip, but we are still looking for answers.

God has lots planned for me to do. Life is too short, so I got my email, text and smart phone going. Join me, let's don't miss a thing. Again a great big thank you!!!!!!

My life for the last two months has been an example of what GWRRA family is about. Not only have I been showered with all kinds of remembrances but Tom and Linda Tipton stepped up and took over and kept C2 going just like it needed to go. Tom held the May chapter meeting and did a wonderful job. Thanks to all of C2 for what they all have done to keep things going. I look forward to our June Chapter Meeting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Hope to see all of you there. That is on Tuesday night right after the Hillbilly Hoedown on May 29 and 30. Hope to see you there, too.

After we enjoy the month of June and the riding that can be enjoyed, we have the Wings Over Smokies to enjoy July 9-11th. Even if you haven't registered to go, it isn't too late. Get your registration in and let's meet up in Cherokee and have a good time. Remember, this is our NC District Rally and we all need to help work to make this the best rally possible. So, sign up to work if you haven't done so already.

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

Love,

Frankie Medlin Chapter Director NC-C2, Smithfield Chapter fpmedlin@yahoo.com



From your Assistant Chapter Director, Tom Tipton

We have been waiting for news every day that Frankie was going to be sent home!!!!!The time is here! By the time everyone reads this she should be home! She has had a long road to recovery and some more rows to hoe before she is 100%. We all wish her a speedy rehab.

Linda and I have enjoyed stepping up to take care of C2 business while she has been out. We look forward to her fulfilling her tenure as C2 Team Leader. We also would like to thank C2 for your support.

We as a GWRRA Chapter continue to visit and represent C2 in chapter visitation, with a little wood chasing added in. Even with limited members visiting we continue to be able to get the WOOD! C2 has been visiting on a relentless schedule. A big THANK YOU goes out to all the members that have joined us and for the ones that have not we are looking forward to joining US! Thank You C2

Tom & Linda T Proud to be your ACD



Shari Langley Member Enhancement Coordinator for NC-C2

GWRRA Anniversaries for June: Jim and Judy Bankston



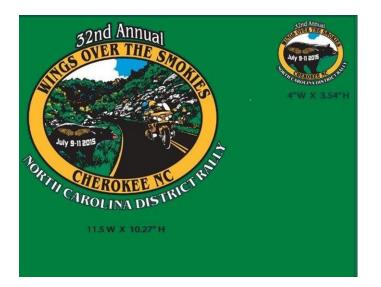
Tom TiptonJune 1Joe AustinJune 15Kerney EasonJune 27

Sammy and Shari Langley June 11

### Sudoku

Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one each of the numbers 1 through 9

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#### EAT and MEET

In the absence of C2 Chapter Director, Frankie Medlin, Tom Tipton, Assistant Chapter Director, opened our meeting by welcoming all Chapters present which were as follows: Fayetteville NC-K2, New Bern N-D2,Wilksboro NC-X2, Wilmington NC-Q, Garner NC F-2 and Greenville NC-D. Each shared upcoming events, meeting times, locations and Dates.

Sue Langley led in prayer for all needs represented including the recovery of Frankie and blessed our meal tonight. Tom shared that he and Linda visited Frankie Monday night and says she is making progress in rehab at Brian Center in Clayton. Please continue to prayer for. Sue Langley, Ride Coordinator, reported on rides in April. No rides have been scheduled for May due to Fayetteville K-2 Mini Rally on the 16th and the Hill Billy Hoedown in Morganton May 29 and 30. Debbie Lewis acknowledged May birthdays and anniversaries for C2 members and our guests. We were reminded by Tom of the July Wings Over Smokies. Please register and secure rooms if you have not done so. As we saw the email from Bob and Dorothy Richards, District Directors, the worker hours have been extended from two hours to four hours due to lack of participation.

Couple of the Year plaque was won by Corky and Allison Lee, Fayetteville NC-K2 and will be at Greenville NC-D Thursday May 7. Couple of the Year Meal drawing was won by Jane Deloreto, Greenville NC-D.

Vest Drawing was won by Joe Austin, Smithfield NC-2. Also Smithfield NC-C2 won a plaque for "Most Out of District" from the Tennessee Rally when some of our members attended in April. In the absence of our Chapter Educator, Sammy Langley, Kenny Baker gave information concerning taking allergy medications this time of the year and it could affect your mental alertness while riding. Also he reminded us to check tire pressure as weather has changed. David Knight, Garner NC-F2, mentioned to keep our first aid kits up to date. Tom reminded us to keep all personal information up to date and on your bike. Tom as Motor Awareness Coordinator mentioned the Road Captain course is very helpful. His tip was: take extra time to check with your riding group and if you notice anything unsafe or incorrect mention it and get it corrected ASAP. As an add-on Tom reviewed his accident history since acquiring his new trailer. Recently was a 3rd time but not as bad as the other 2. He relived his reactions, which was very descriptive and most entertaining as he held our attention. Thankfully he and Linda were not hurt! It is quite possible we all learned from his incidents, if nothing else but how to "keep your cool"! As the old saying goes "it is better to laugh than to cry". And we did just that as well as being sympathetic!

Door prizes were given out by Tom, Jim Bankston and Kerney Eason. There were 16 visitors and 17 members present. 50/50 winners were: \$33.00 Kenny Baker NC-2 and \$33.00 Linda Tipton NC-2.

Reporter: Dottie Baker

#### Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge





## The Panic "Stop"

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 reapply 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 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.

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

# June 14<sup>th</sup> Flag Day





2015-2016 NC-C2 Chapter Couple Tom and Linda Tipton



We are enjoying representing C2 as the Couple of the Year..... Chasing the Couples Plaque and enjoying visiting chapters is at the top of our list for having fun and being able to spend time with old friends and for making new ones.

Being Couple of the Year for C2 is very rewarding. The other couples around the District have all become very good friends. The Chapter Couples are very thoughtful and do a very good job trying to make every visitor feel at home. Linda and I both are trying to do the same for C2.

We both enjoy the many travels and visits we have shared with our escorts. Thank you! ..... making visitors feel like family when visitors come to visit. We are very proud of C2 for doing such a good job at that!

2015 Chapter Couple of the Year Tom & Linda Tipton



Wings Over the Smokies July 9 – 11, 2015 Cherokee, NC



WING DING 37 September 3 – 6, 2015 Huntsville, AL



Greetings from your Road Captain and Ride Coordinators:

News from the Road Crew....we have been riding a lot recently! Tom, Linda, Charles and I really enjoyed the Tennessee Rally. We were joined by Dale and Jane, current couple, and Will and Beth, last year's couple from the Greenville chapter for a wonderful ride home. Since then we have enjoyed their company many times riding here, there and everywhere. They are great friends!!!!

We would also like to share that Jim and Judy joined us on a ride to the New Bern meeting. Having a radio on a 4 wheel (cager) makes it seem like a big motorcycle is tailing us! Thank you for going with us, love you folks! Looking forward to more rides with you.

This is our oldest daughter, Deborah, riding with her daddy.....I know, she was not properly dressed with long sleeves, long pants, and boots. No excuses....but it was a short ride on Harker's Island last Sunday evening. Just to let you know, only daughters ride in my seat!!!!

Never know where we will go. Just join in for the fun!!



Love you, Charles and Sue



#### From the Brain of your Webmaster......C and is Medlin

Family.....

A couple of months ago, I wrote about what family means to me. Over the last six weeks, my brother and I have really experienced family groups surrounding us with love, thoughts and prayers like we have not experienced before in our adult life. We thank you again and again for all your thoughts, prayers, love and concerns.

I have heard my Mother and Mr. Ronald say many times "Love the one you are with". Now I have experienced exactly what that means. So, now I will say to you, "Love the one you are with". You will never know whether you will have that opportunity again, so be sure you always do just that.

We feel like we have experienced a large miracle... That is how our family feels about Mother (Frankie Medlin). She has come a long way and is continuing to work to get back to where she came from. We believe that all of our prayers have helped to make this miracle happen. God has truly blessed our family.



Let's remember there is safety in numbers when we ride, always have someone with you or make sure if you can't there is someone who knows where you are going and how long you plan to be gone.

Let's Ride – for fun, for fellowship and keep safety on the top of your list.....

You can email me and/or send a picture to nc\_C2\_smithfield@yahoo.com.

Let's Ride, Candis Medlin 919-815-6824 SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

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

May 29-30th Hillbilly Hoedown (Catawba Meadows Park opens Thursday at 8 am for camping and we will have camp site set up from Thursday morning until Sunday morning. If you are staying at a motel, you can still gather with us at the camp site at Catawba Meadows Park.) See flyer on our web site

June 13<sup>th</sup> – C2 Dinner Ride

June 21<sup>st</sup> – FATHER'S DAY

July 9-11, 2015 NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT'S 32ND ANNUAL "WINGS OVER Your Adventure Begins" in the heart of the Great Smoky Mountains at the Acquoni Expo Center located at 1501 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, N.C. You'll ride to places such as Deals Gap (The Tail of the Dragon), the Blue Ridge Parkway and Cherohala Skyway. Visits to Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge and Dollywood are a must. Tour the Wheels Through Time Museum, "the world's premier collection of rare and historic American vintage motorcycles."

**October 1-3, 2015** 27th Annual Rally in the Valley Come Discover America at this year's Rally in the Valley! Held at the Holiday Inn Tanglewood in Roanoke, Virginia. Our Rally has something for everyone. Numerous vendors, ERC & Trike courses, Lighted Bike Show, guided and unguided rides through the surrounding Mountains including the Blue Ridge Parkway. Pre-registration prices till September 25, but don't wait. For more information, visit our website at <u>www.gwrrava.org/RITV.html</u>.







It has been nice getting out to Chapter Gatherings, Events and Rallies and seeing everybody out having a good time, enjoying GWRRA, what it has to offer and the many friends.

The first Rally of the season in Region N is now in the books. Tennessee was another great time. Many thanks to Gary, Patty and all the Staff that worked so hard to make sure that everyone had a good time. At closing ceremonies they adopted a new State song, "Watermelon Crawl". Not sure why, I guess you have to ask Patty about that one. They also announced that for the 2016 Rally they will be back in Pigeon Forge! I for one am excited about returning to that part of the world.

The first of this month Kentucky kicked off a new Chapter. Chapter B-1 in Bowling Green. This is the second new Chapter this year for Region N, and the second B-1! What a coincidence. They had a great turnout and are well on their way to becoming a strong Chapter in Kentucky.

There have been some recent changes in the National Staff. Tony Van Scheik has stepped down and been replaced by Bob Berry as Director of Rider Ed. Bob Greer has stepped down as Director of Member Enhancement. They are currently accepting applications for that position. If you know of someone interested have them get in touch with Ray Garris.

As I said, folks are getting out, visiting and having fun....isn't that what GWRRA is all about?

Mike and Angie Mitchell

#### Fathers

Man cannot live on sports alone!

The way to a man's heart is through his stomach.

The way to a dad's heart is with the batting of eyelashes.

A man's home is his castle.





Finally spring has arrived. We are looking forward to riding more this year. Last year it seemed to rain most weekends which is when we have the opportunity to ride. Since our last newsletter article we attended the Durham H2 Swap Meet and Rocky Mount Z's Blessing of the Bikes. Both events had a good turnout and great food. Thank you H2 and Z for providing us with food, fun and fellowship. Check out the events calendar on gwrranc.org to see what other fun events are coming up.

We want to welcome our newest Chapter Team Leaders- John and Lena Bryant and Walt and Bernadette Snider. John and Lena are the new Team Leaders for NC-X Wake Forest. Walt and Bernadette are the new Chapter Team Leaders for NC-F2 Garner. Please show them your support and help them in any way you can.

Times change and often we have to make changes along the way to keep our chapters and members engaged. There are three reasons we are who we are. First and foremost is to ride our motorcycles. Plan chapter rides. Get out and visit other chapters and plan fun rides. Give everyone a chance to enjoy. If someone wants to go someplace new - check it out. Second is for Educational benefits. Some members get tired of the same old same old with Rider Ed so mix it up do something new. Play a game with your talk. Do charades with hand signals. Third and what will outlast the rest is the friendships that we build as we travel and play together. Remember the word "Friends" does come first in our motto. I have to go back to our first meeting of Tony Barker. Tony told us it doesn't matter if you're 9 or 99 if you have two people together that love motorcycles you have a conversation and a friend. He was right. I hope we can keep it that simple. We love our motorcycles and we are friends in GWRRA be-cause we share that love.

Wings Over the Smokies® is fast approaching. We need your continued support to make your District Rally a success. We still are in need of workers for the rally. Please let your chapter team leader or Dorothy "Mother Goose" Richards know if you would like to donate a couple of hours. Come share your love of motorcycles, ride the mountains have fun and make some new friends. We will be "Smiling in the Smokies".

Until next time Be Safe, Be Smart, and Be aware of your surroundings.

NC Assistant District Director - East Bobby and Susan Womack

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