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Glenn Wisdom 2017 Chapter S Individual of the Year

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Chapter Gathering: 1st Tuesday of every month, 7:00 PM, Golden Corral, Winder, Georgia Next Chapter Gathering: Tuesday Feb 7, 2017

CD's Corner

The New Year is upon us and it brings the thoughts of a bright new future. What does your future in GWRRA promise? I have had thought about this over the course of the past several weeks. For me, it brings the promise of good friends, great adventures and traveling to places I may have never traveled. Whatever it brings will be well worth the ride!

It seems that everyone talks about their New Year's Resolutions; you know the ones that we never seem to get around to doing, like losing weight or eating healthier. Have you thought about your GWRRA resolutions? Here are a few to get your minds thinking...

Talk about GWRRA to others
Bring in a new member
Work at moving up the levels program or starting the
levels program
Upgrading your riding gear to be safer
Take a GWRRA riding course
Take a refresher course in First Aid
Bring a friend to a Gathering
Visit another chapter
Volunteer to help the chapter

The list could go on and on. It is only limited by our thoughts and actions. My closing thoughts are just this. Chapter S is as successful as the members are active. Joe and I appreciate all the love and support we have received over the past year. 2017 holds the promise of another great year full of fun and adventures. Remember to check the webpage for updates, mark your calendars and get your reservations in early!

Happy New Year and Happy Riding!

Ride safe and Ride often. Janel Piper, Chapter Director



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Rides & Events













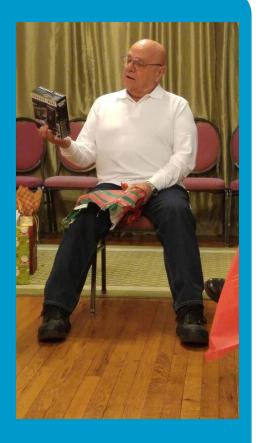


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Rides & Events















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Birthdays





1/7	George	Pettv
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1/12 Barbara Ragonese

1/21 Larry Bernius

1/31 Gloria Farabaugh



1/10 Pam Beck

1/15 Donna Wolbach

1/22 Craig Whitehouse

Anniversaries

1/1 George & Donna Roman

1/22 Craig & Pat Whitehouse

1/3 Glenn & Sherry Wisdom

Calendar of Events

Date	Event
1/1	New Year's Day Ride, Valley Café, Dillard
1/3	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder
1/12	Dinner Ride, Little Italy, Winder
1/21	Chilly Willy/Officers' Conference, Buckner's, Jackson
2/7	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder

GWRRA Anniversaries

Glenn Wisdom has been a member for 5 years.

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Rider Education:

When we were younger, the older parents would talk about how time was flying or just moving on. Now what did they mean by that? We know Christmas seemed so faraway and now as we have gotten a little older, we talk about how time flies and we don't know where it has gone.

We have had a little rain lately and a lot of leaves are on the ground and the road. The weather report is a chance of rain this week-end and colder temperatures are headed our way.

Where are the ice scrapers? Has the antifreeze been checked in the 4 wheel-

ers and the motorcycle? We need to look at the tire air pressure, it gets a little lower with colder weather, check the side walls again for cracks, the tread depth may be good, but dry rot can cause ply/belt separation and this means a flat tire or possible accident while riding.

Dress for success on the motorcycle, everything feels good in the driveway but as the speed increases so does the chill factor and hypothermia.

We have been talking with Frank Brothers, Georgia District Educator. He told us that there are changes coming for all First Aid training and details will be released at the Chilly Willy and Officers Training Conference. Each and every officer is encouraged to attend for all the new



information that will affect each of us.

Hole in the Wall motorcycle repair shop in Oakwood has closed its doors, I will have to find another shop for my repairs. All suggestions are welcomed.

Jimmy and Winona Atkinson Rider Education

Membership Enhancement:

Member Benefits

It takes people to make a Chapter – people with different sizes, genders, races, hair (or lack of hair) styles, you name it. And each of these people bring their unique characteristics to a Chapter to help make it the best that it can be. This is definitely true with Chapter S!

Every year we take the opportunity to look around at those folks that have helped to make our Chapter great and provide suggestions to our Chapter Directors of who we would like to see honored as our next Couple of the Year. There are a lot of folks in our group that help to make Chapter S one of the best in the District, and making a selection from among these for this honor is not an easy task. Remember this is not a popularity contest, nor is it put up for vote, but, your input is important. So think about those that have made a positive impact on our Chapter life, and when given the opportunity, let Janel and Joe who you think might be deserving of this honor. I know

that they will appreciate your thoughts.



Ken & Traci Thrasher Membership Enhancement Coordinator

Motorist Awareness:

Who are you?

Identification, where is yours?

This Christmas I was fortunate to receive a lovely and functional gift. It gives me the opportunity to display my identification easily. As a motorcycle rider I think this is especially important to us all.

We don't like to think about accidents but we must be realistic about the possibilities.

Having our basic information easily available to medical personnel or our

fellow riders is extremely important. This can be done in different ways. There are bright neon colored vests that have a clear pocket on the front. This is a perfect place to put a copy of your license or your basic info. There are jackets that have clear pockets on the sleeves. Or you can laminate a placard and put it on a lanyard.

Whatever you choose to use, PLEASE just do it! Your name, address, emergency contact phone number could save a lot of time. Medical information is very important, especially if you have medication that is vital to your wellbeing. Minutes can save a life.

Our insurance information should also be easily available, both personal and for the bike. Like many things, it's better to be prepared.



On a lighter note, Bob and I hope your Holidays were wonderful. May the New Year be healthy and may all your rides be safe.

Barbara and Bob Ragonese Motorist Awareness Coordinators PAGE 7 SOUTHERN WINGS

Goofy's Scorecard-2016

Jan: Pat-For helping Ken with his zipper

Feb: Vance—For showing up at a ride with Fern's jacket on, and vice versa

Mar: Pat—For setting off the alarm at the Fun Day church

Apr: Glenn 1—For giving Joyce goofy directions to the restroom **May:** Janel—For leaving Joe's keys in the truck at Chapter T Fun Day

Jun: Bob Hayes—For asking Sherry for a good morning kiss

Jul: Glenn 2—For leading the group on a dirt road

Aug: Fern—For ordering food by a picture instead of by name and getting the wrong thing

Sep: Joe — For not having a spare tire for the trailer

Oct: Roger – For looking up gas prices on his phone for SC while in NC

Nov: Larry—For going to the wrong room in the hotel

Dec: Winona—For checking Female for Jimmy on a registration form

Goofy's Adventures

Hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas.

I got to ride home with Winona and Jimmy from the chapter Christmas party. It was a little tight in that small truck with the fishing poles Jimmy stole at the party, but we made it. The next day we made a quick road trip up to Nashville, TN in the car to deliver a gift to Jimmy's mother. I had to sit in the back seat and try to be nice. (Boy, was that hard.)

Things were pretty busy around their house getting ready for family coming in from out of town. I made a new friend he name is Moosey. He even sang me a little song. What a nice guy. As the gifts started to appear under the tree, my curiosity got the best of me. I was caught checking out the bags and was sent to the back room. (Bummer) I really think it was for my safety since Cali, the visiting family pet, likes to play rough.

Although the weather has been warm, we did not get a chance to ride on the motorcycle.

Perhaps in the coming new year, I'll get to take many more rides.

Be Safe,

Goofy









Look who I've been playing with!!



"I Love to Ride"

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Tidbits from the Brok...en Bit Shop – On Switches and Things for Your Wings, Part III

In the Part I article about switches a few weeks ago, I mentioned having had a minor problem with the Diamond's clutch switch at one point. That little micro-switch can be really important in certain circumstances, one of which is when you manage to kill the engine on a steep incline at a busy intersection. Has anyone ever done that? Of course you haven't (?), but the switch will allow you to quickly re-start the bike when it is in gear by simply squeezing the clutch and hitting the starter if you ever do. It is also useful in more routine circumstances, like when you are about to leave a parking lot or something. Whatever the case, it is nice to have it working as intended, but let's talk about a situation where safety is involved. Consider the following:

You have stopped rapidly at a surprise red light on a steep incline, probably forgot to shift down as well, and when the light goes green you promptly kill the engine. To recover, you hold the brake, squeeze the clutch lever and hurriedly push the starter button in hope of getting underway again quickly, but oops (!) nothing happens. Now what?

Chances are pretty good you can get the starter engaged by simply knocking the bike out of gear and trying again, but by then folks will be honking at you and you could be getting yourself into a dangerous situation. What about the truck bearing down on you from behind? If you think about it, that little switch might just help you avoid being run over by the speeding truck while you are stuck at that green light wondering why the bike won't start. In the circumstance I described, the clutch switch completes a circuit to ground that allows the starter to work even when the bike is in gear, provided the clutch is released (lever squeezed). That way you can be underway again almost instantly.

The switch provides a pretty neat function in that it allows you to have the safety interlock that prevents starting the bike in gear and perhaps accidentally driving it off the kickstand with the clutch engaged, while also letting you quickly recover from an engine stall in traffic. Of course, I know none of you experts from Chapter S would ever do either of those things, but it is good to know about the function of the switch anyway, and maybe also how to fix it if it fails, right? Besides, that truck roaring up from behind is a real possibility, and if you are stuck at the light with no power you are sud-



denly a sitting duck! Let's discuss how you can easily restore the switch's operation if it should ever fail on you. You will find the clutch switch just in front of the pivot point for your clutch lever, and right below the clutch master cylinder. It will have two small wires attached with spade lugs. When you find it, you will also see a small Phillips head screw. That is the screw that holds the switch in place, and you can remove it to get better access. It is also useful to disconnect the wires from the switch so you can completely remove it from the bike for easy inspection and cleaning, but note the positions of each wire as you disconnect them for reference when you re-install them later. When the switch is free, put it under some bright light and look for a small rectangular hole on the bottom side. Then get your bifocals out and have a really close look through that tiny little hole. It is only about 1/8 inch in size, but if you look close with good light you can actually see the switch contacts inside through the hole.

Now, let's talk about where that switch lives and several things will come into focus. The poor thing is mounted on the handlebar and exposed to high wind, rain, road grime, and perhaps a few bugs that were intent on committing suicide there. Don't be surprised if you see some of those bug parts stuck between the switch contacts as you peer through that neat little hole. It wouldn't be the first time a piece of non-conducting crud like a bug part has lodged between clutch switch contacts. That is what I think I found in the Diamond's switch when it suddenly malfunctioned one day.

Regardless of what you may find in yours, if it gives trouble the fix usually just involves cleaning those contacts you can see through the hole. If your switch "clicks' when you push the little button on it manually, or by operating the clutch lever before you remove it the odds are good it will be good as new with just a simple cleaning and lubrication job. Here is how you do that.

Remember the supplies I recommended you get to clean those push to talk (PTT) CB transmit switches?????? Guess what? They work here too, but everyone forgot to get those, didn't you? And just in case nobody actually reads this stuff except Fern Oakes (who claims to read every word, by the way), I'll recite the list again. Here is what I use:

- * An aerosol can of electrical point and contact cleaner. I use QD Electric Cleaner marketed by CRC Industries, and available at auto parts stores.
- * An aerosol can of silicone-based lubricant. I use Liquid Wrench Silicone Spray marketed by RSC Chemical Solutions. It too is available at auto parts stores.
- * Old towels or shop rags to keep the aerosols off your painted surfaces.

Use the handy tube on the aerosol can of contact cleaner to squirt a little through the hole on the bottom of the switch and operate the contacts a few times by pushing the little button on it. That should restore the switch's electrical function. Then let it dry a bit and squirt a little of the silicone lube in the same hole and around the button to re-lubricate things. That should do it. Make sure the switch operates freely and makes its little clicking sound and it should be ready to go back on the bike, but you can also easily check its function with a multi-meter if you have one handy. Resistance between the two pins should be very near zero when the contacts are closed and almost infinite when they are open.

Your switch should now be ready to re-install. Just be careful to put the wires back on the right pins, and make sure the little detent tab on the switch seats properly when you put it back on the bike. If it isn't positioned just right it won't work right, and you might even break it when tightening the screw or operating the clutch lever.

Now, go ahead and stall the motor. You can likely restart it so quickly the Harley guy watching from the street corner won't even notice what happened.

Just for Fun - Test Your Skills

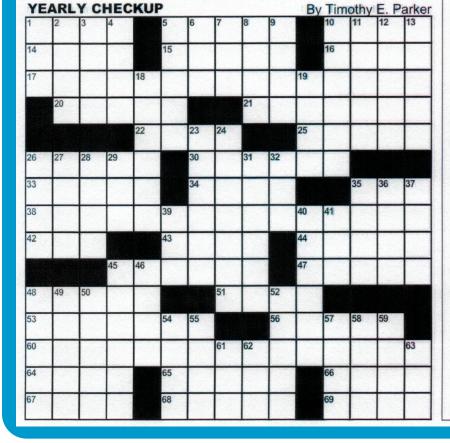
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- 1) mater
- 5) Academy newbie
- 10) Pet with green "hair"
- 14) Having little fat
- 15) Mary of "The Maltese Falcon"
- 16) Brinker with the skates
- 17) Mormons
- 20) Emulate a skunk
- 21) Express disapproval of
- 22) Have a sudden inspiration?
- 25) "Silas Marner" novelist George
- 26) Public speakers' places
- 30) Line from the heart
- 33) "I knew it all !"
- 34) Cuckoo clock feature
- 35) T, in Athens
- 38) Some handy homeowners

- 42) "Mayday!" cousin
- 43) Congers
- 44) "Sesame Street" resident
- 45) Broccoli bit
- 47) Accomplishments
- 48) Between ocean shores
- 51) Sitcom legend Dick Van
- 53) Clinton daughter
- 56) Causing the willies
- 60) How many bills are paid
- 64) "What ___ can I say?"
 65) Carpenter or lumberjack, at times
- 66) Adolescent's outbreak
- 67) Rank, in tournaments
- 68) Square-jawed detective
- 69) Respectful address to a lady

DOWN

- together, now!"
- 2) Grassy grazing expanses
- 3) Damon of Hollywood
- 4) Not behind?
- 5) Coat for frigid weather
- 6) Mind-altering drug
- 7) Approx. for a landing
- 8) Harrelson on "Cheers"
- 9) Scottish Gaelic
- 10) Like sweater weather
- 11) Vietnam's capital
- 12) Preface, essentially
- 13) Selling point
- 18) Interlock, as gears
- 19) Impersonator
- 23) More melancholy
- 24) Emulated a hungry lion
- 26) Dog's "dogs"
- 27) Margarine substitute
- 28) Buck fanciers
- 29) Squid squirt
- 31) Cuddly warm
- 32) Be wrong
- 35) Telephone sound
- 36) Desert descriptor
- 37) Swiss Army knife's array
- 39) Keanu in "The Matrix"
- 40) Turn in coupons
- 41) Fury
- 45) Like a billiard table and some hats
- 46) Eyelid unit
- 48) Ultimate heights
- 49) Oar fulcrum
- 50) Reasoning ability
- 52) Presidential contender of 2004
- 54) Eden-to-Nod direction
- 55) Way, way off
- 57) Travel
- 58) Andean civilization
- 59) Italy's volcano
- 61) "Up, up and away" defunct airline
- 62) Common Market inits., once
- 63) Alter a skirt, in a way



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Sunday	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	Thursday	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
New Year's Day New Year's Day Ride, Valey Cafe, Dillard George & Donna Roman, Anniversary	2	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, 7 pm Glenn & Sherry Wisdom, Anniversary	4	5	6	George Petty, B'day
8	9	Pam Beck, B'day	1.1	Dinner Ride, Little Italy, Winder Barbara Ragonese, B'day	13	14
Donna Wolbach, B'day	Martin Luther King, Jr.	17	18	19	20	Chilly Willy/ Officers Conference Larry Bernius, B'day
Craig Whitehouse, B'day Craig & Pat Whitehouse, Anniversary	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	3 Gloria Farabaugh, B'day	S M 4 5 11 12 18 19 25 26	1 2 3 6 7 8 9 10 13 14 15 16 17 20 21 22 23 24	5 6 7 8 9	3 4 10 11 17 18

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SUNDAY	Monday	TUESDAY	Wednesday	Thursday	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5	6	Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, 7 pm	8	9	Fun Day Set Up	Chapter S Fun Day
Lincoln's Birthday	13	4 Valentine's Day	15	Dinner Ride, Crossroads, Flowery Branch	17	18
19	President's Day	21	22 Was hington's Birthday	23	24	25
26	27	28				

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2000 Goldwing with a Champion trike kit with a trailer.

Only 75K miles, with Easy Steer.

Good rubber, new battery, recent oil change.

Garmin 550, two helmets with headsets,

brand new GWRRA large jacket and some extra riding gear.

This bike has not been sitting around, the owner's son has kept it going.

Asking \$12,000 OBO. If you know someone who has talked about getting one now is the opportunity.

Contact Sid Cohen 706-340-5737 or cateringbycohen@gmail.com







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2017 Schedule of Events

2/7 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 2/11 Chapter S Fun Day, Winder 2/16 Dinner Ride, Crossroads, Flowery Branch Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 3/7 3/11 Chapter Ride, Chop House, Madison 3/16 Dinner Ride, Milo's, Monroe 3/23-25 FL District Rally, Orlando 4/4 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder Chapter T Fun Day, Commerce 4/8 4/12 Dinner Ride, Blazer's, Statham 4/6—7 Beach Boys Concert, Franklin, NC 4/20—22 TN District Rally, Pigeon Forge 4/29 Fragile Children Family Fun Day Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 5/2 5/6-7 SC District Rally, Beaufort 5/11 Dinner Ride, El Centinela, Winder 5/18—20 AL District Rally, Mobile 5/27-29 Memorial Day Ride, Okefenokee Swamp Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 6/6 Breakfast Ride, Yesterday, Rutledge 6/17 6/22 - 24GA District Rally, Dalton 6/29 Dinner Ride, Oyster Bay, Lawrenceville Dinner Ride, Visit Chapter T, Ryan's, Athens 7/6 7/11 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 7/22 Chapter Ride, Buckeye's, Jersey 8/1 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 8/12 Breakfast Ride, Fender's Diner, Cornelia 8/17 Dinner Ride, Blind Pig, Athens 8/21 Solar Eclipse Ride 8/30—9/3 Wing Ding, Grapevine, TX 9/5 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder Lunch Ride, Whistle Stop Café, Juliette 9/16 9/21 Dinner Ride, Hot Rods Diner, Social Circle 9/28-30 NC District Rally, Waynesville, NC 9/30 Chapter A Fun Day 10/3 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder 10/10 Dinner Ride, Fatz, Winder 10/20-22 Fall Leaf Ride, Little Switzerland Area 10/26 - 28Region A Rally, Eufaula 11/7 Chapter Gathering, Golden Corral, Winder

District News

The Hot Potato has been retired for the foreseeable future.

The Plaque has been retired for the rest of the year.

Chilly Willy/Officers Conference will be at Buckner's in Jackson on Jan 21, 2017.

Here is a link to a medical information card you can print out and carry with you:

http://www.medids.com/free-id.php#.VsnDEfHnWi4



Note: No Chapter Gathering in December 12/2 Salvation Army Toy Ride, Cycle World, Athens

Just a few quick notes:

Dinner Ride, Bone Island Grill, Athens

11/16

A quick reminder about door prizes. As a member, the chapter depends on you to donate door prizes the month of your birthday and the month of your anniversary. This helps to supplement the few door prizes that the chapter purchases. Your door prize contribution is very much appreciated.

If you have gone on any fun rides please send pictures and/or articles to Vance via email and we will include in our monthly Newsletter and/or our website.

Ham Radio Classes Forming Now!

Barrow County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will be holding a 5 week course where you can learn everything you need to earn your Technician (entry level) FCC Amateur Radio License.

The Technician license is your gateway to the world-wide excitement of Amateur Radio ...

... and now you do NOT need to learn Morse code!

Classes begin on February 5, 2017 at 2:00 PM at Barrow County Fire Station 6 222 Pleasant Hill Church Road, Winder, GA

Registration is required. Classes are free!

To join, contact: Mike Wolcott, W4WYI 404-281-6581, w4wyi@arrl.net



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