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### South Carolina District



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Greetings Chapter S.

It's hard to believe that we are already into our fourth month of the year. We have so many activities planned for this month and the months to follow that I know there is something to interest everyone, so please look over the calendar and keep your eyes open for emails on some spur of the moment fun.

Last month was a fun filled time for the chapter. We started it out by going to Hartsville for our "SO and SO" meeting. From there Donna and I took a trip to Florida to visit my momma and to attend the Florida district rally. We had a great time and were asked to judge the talent show. I must say that was a blast. At the closing ceremony Donna's number was drawn and she won a set of tires! Yay! That paid for the trip. We had eight members from Chapter "S" attend the rally and there were five chapters from our district represented. Congratulations to Chapter "J" for winning the most people from a chapter out of District and also congratulations to Chapter "P" for taking 2nd place for best banner out of District. Congratulations to South Carolina for being the best District period (of course this is my opinion and I am bias)also.

We visited several chapters for the double points visitation program and so far, it looks like the program is working like the district staff was hoping. We will be making more plans to visit more chapters, so please come join us and remember 2,3, & 4 wheel vehicles are always welcomed.

Five of us took a ride to Waynesville NC, to look for a camp ground for the North Carolina Rally, and we were able to find a site that I think those who want to camp will enjoy. At the moment, we have one open site so if you'd like to camp with us please let me know. You can either call me or let me know this Saturday.

I had several people inquire about us changing our gathering place to the Blue Ocean starting in June. I apologize for the miss wording. We will be using the Blue Ocean for our June gathering only, not a permanent change.

Ride Safe My Friends, Jon & Donna Horning CD

## Anniversaries & Birthdays

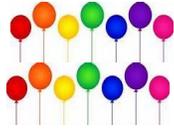
Larry & Kay Rhyne Apr 9

Dee Collyer Apr 11

Bob & Dee Collyer Apr 12

Carol Burrell May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Jon Horning May 5<sup>th</sup>



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>LOCATIONS</u>
Maintenance Day	15 April 9AM	Bumgarner's
Chapter Gathering	15 April 2PM	Ronnie's Newberry
Tenn Dist. Rally	20-22 April	Pigeon Forge Tenn
South Carolina Rally	6 & 7 May	Beaufort, SC

Want More Info  
See our web page:

[www.scsnewberrywings.com](http://www.scsnewberrywings.com)

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A few of us attended Chapter P breakfast gathering on the 8th of April. Jon & Donna, Susan & Shannon, Gordon and his friend, and Marianne and myself met at the traffic circle at 7:30 ... well except Gordon & his friend Wanda. They finally rolled in about 7:50. We did make it to the breakfast just in time for them to run out of plates and silverware and food. We waited while more food was cooked and they washed some dishes, I did thank Gordon for that.

This was a special event for Chapter P celebrating their 20th anniversary as a Chapter. There were many nice memories shared from some of the original members. Commemorative pins were passed out to all attendees. There was a little auction for some vests and a jacket. Our CD Jon bid on a very nice jacket with removable liner and won with a rather low bid. Good job Jon. After the meeting, Chapter P went outside for photos and invited all the guests to get in the pictures as well. The pictures should be on their web page by now.

After the Chapter P gathering Marianne and I had some running around to do in Lexington then home again. Jon was replacing brakes on his 1500 so I popped over to his house to supervise and he put me to work. When that was completed he needed to test them on a road trip so off we went to visit a state park along hwy 176. Nice ride, then I had to be an adult and get home to mow the yard. Wish the test ride could have been a couple hundred miles, the weather was great.

We had a great turnout for our Tuesday night dinner ride to Dempsey's in Clinton. We had 21 people. That was the most I believe, that we have ever had. As usual the food was outstanding and the company even better.

We attended the Florida rally along with some others from our chapter. We had 8 people to represent Chapter S. Marianne and I had fun and I think we all enjoyed the festivities. Jon and Donna won a set of tires except they are for an 1800 not a 1500. So if someone needs a set of GL1800 tires you may want to talk to Jon Horning before they are gone or before Jon decides to buy an 1800 to go with his new tires.

Our trip down was great. We took all back roads and stopped just outside of Jacksonville for the night.

Then onto visit our friends, Rose & George Cobbin Ocklawaha Fl. I think most of you have met George and the six of you in Florida had the opportunity to meet Rose. We spent the night near them at Holiday Inn, in a place called The Villages. A rather exclusive neighborhood for the retired rich guys. Expecting this hotel to be one of the better ones we have stayed at we were very disappointed. We could not stay in the first room they offered us because of the odor. The second one was only a little better. In the morning the women decided they would go shopping while George and I went to Orlando, only an hour away and looked for the rally and hotel. What an adventure. We found the hotel without a problem all I did was check in quick and then George and I headed down the street to where the rally was to be held. That site was closed and under construction. I was not a happy camper. I could not raise anyone on the phone nor could George. So we checked the web pages while eating lunch and found they had moved the location of the rally. I had never heard about this change and had the flyer in hand that showed the original location. I was told I should have asked (someone) before we left if all was the same. I will make sure to do that before going to our rally in Beaufort next month and any other rally in the future. So we made our way to the new location of the rally 17 miles away in heavy traffic on I-4, checked in and found some of our chapter folks.

George and I then headed back to his house so I could grab Marianne and return to the hotel. Since I had reserved a large 2 bedroom condo we decided to invite George and Rose to join us for the weekend. They had just attended their first meeting with a chapter out of Ocala Fl that Tuesday and joined GWRRA through their computer on Wednesday. They were easily coaxed into attending their first rally. I believe we all had a *great* time.

Our return trip home was not my cup of tea at all. Car drivers were crazy all day and by the time we stopped my shoulders and hands were sore from tension. We took I-4 to I-95 and stopped in Savannah for the night. Along the way we did take a side trip to see the ocean above Daytona along A1A. We had breakfast there watching the waves roll in on the beach across the street. That was nice but also busy traffic. Two reasons to stop in Savannah. There is a wonderful seafood restaurant called The Shell House that we have eaten at before and an old friend to visit. From there the decision was made to get off the highway and find those back roads again. Much more relaxing trip from there. The rain found us on last 3 miles from the house but it stopped just before we pulled in the driveway. All in all a great getaway for 7 days.

Wayne & Marianne

# MEC

## Membership Enhancement:

When I read the article in Wing World by Larry and Penny Anthony, I could not help but think of the members of Chapter S. They use the term “JAMs” (Just Awesome members). These are members who aren’t interested in taking a leadership role. They are always ready to help wherever they can. They are happy to help in any capacity whether it is helping organize activities, preparing food and setting up and cleaning up. They are willing to help in any area where needed. Chapter S has the best “JAMs” found in any chapter in GWRRA. Thank you Chapter S members for all you do to enhance our chapter.



Ride safely and enjoy the riding season, Carol Burrell

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## RIDER EDUCATION



### The Rider Education Program

#### Warning:

In our daily lives, we come across warning signs that need our attention. This usually happens with regards to our health. Often, we might think they aren’t important and can wait or if we ignore them they may go away. This can also be the case with your motorcycle. Think about this, you are on a ride and all of a sudden you hear a noise you haven’t heard before. It may not be a big deal but yet again it may be something that can cause a serious accident. You ignore the warning sign. The next ride you go on the noise becomes louder. Now you know something has to be done. You find out if you would have attended to it the first time, the repairs wouldn’t have been so extensive as well as costly. Here are a few things that might need attention. Has it been over five years since you changed the brake fluid in your bike? Are you in need of new tires? Are your **brake pads grinding metal to metal?** Finally check the shifter for wear. It is important to pay attention to the warning signs from your motorcycle. It is the only thing that separates you from the hard pavement.

Jan Joseph Rider Educator

# **EDITORS**

Any notes you want to send do not need to be about yesterday or even last week it can be about a ride you took last month or a place you visited before ...

I am still looking for that writer that will be brave and send me some notes to use here ... or photos of someplace visited ... Come on you can do it ... just start jotting down whatever comes to mind about someplace you have been or our chapter gatherings etc. ... its easy once you start ...

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Wayne & Marianne Shunamon

## **CHAPTER S EDITORS & WEB MASTER**

Next Chapter Gathering  
15 April 2017  
Ronnie's, Newberry SC  
2pm eat, 3pm gathering