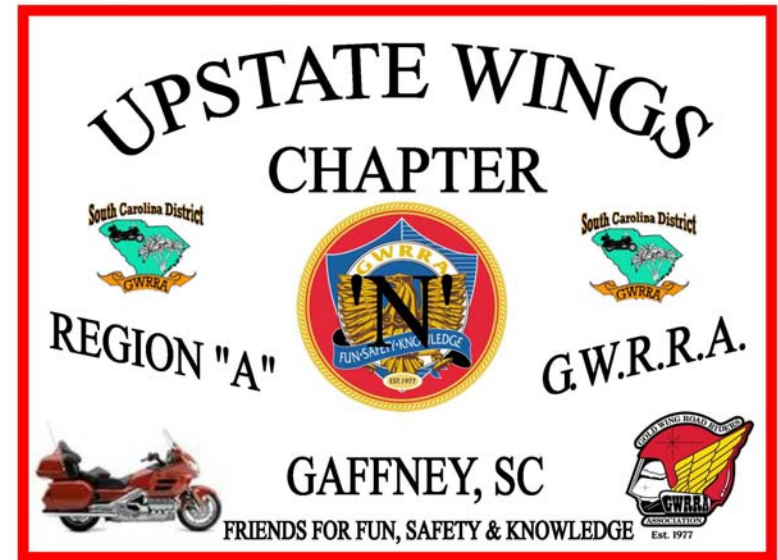


# Upstate Wings

NOVEMBER 2011



## *GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION*

**REGULAR CHAPTER GATHERING  
SCHEDULED**

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

**EAT @ 6:00 PM**

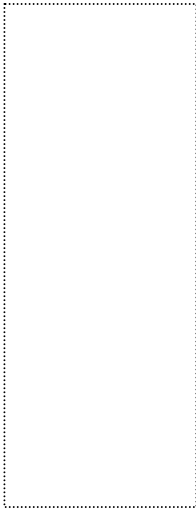
**MEET @ 7:00 PM**

**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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Goody Store	Tim Deason	864-529-1416
Host	Roger MaHaffey	864-487-5580
Needy Family Project	Vacant	
Secretary	Bernie Kobylski	
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Membership Enhancement		

### CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S CORNER

The year is all but at its end and we have many things to be thankful for this year, including the opportunity to continue to meet new people as we ride the roadways of this great country of ours. The Holiday seasons are about to begin and life for many will become hectic. Even more than normal as we prepare for the end of one year and the beginning of a new. I hope that each of you will take a few moments to reflect on the good in your life and those close to you and even those you may have touched in some un-measurable manner this past year. People will see you for who you are in the worst of times and in the best of times and that is what defines us as individuals.

Before the year comes to a complete end, there we as a Chapter have some unfinished business, there will be a Christmas Parade in Gaffney on Saturday December 10, that we are registered for based upon the request of our Chapter members please refer to the rides section of this news letter for specific details. Following the parade we will be holding our Christmas party at 6:00 pm (*details below*). Would like to add a special thank you to Candie and Larry Williams for opening their home for the Christmas festivities.

Remember even though holiday schedules can be extremely difficult for some and hectic for others, show respect to others just as we do while riding the highways, it may make a difference in someone's life and who knows maybe our own.

Chapter Staff members, the annual District Meeting will be held in Charleston, SC. at host hotel for the SC Convention on Saturday January 14, 2012. Please mark your calendar for this event so we can begin 2012 well informed.

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

**MARK YOUR CALANDAR**

**SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Nov. 25, 2011 .....	100 MPH Club Ride – Charlotte Motor Speedway 3:00 pm First group of bikes out \$25.00 donation for 3 laps on the track behind a pace car.
Dec. 10, 2011 .....	Chapter gathering Christmas Party 6p Candie and Larry Williams Home
January 14, 2012 .....	Chapter Gathering @ Colonial Fish Camp Eat @ 6pm meet @ 7pm
January 14, 2012 .....	District Meeting in Charleston, SC. 8:00 – 4:00

**QTY on Hand**                      **Description**                      **Price Each**

	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

**GWRRRA PRODUCT INVENTORY**

If you are interested in any of the merchandise, please contact Don Stewart.

**Reminder Project Gold Door Prize Providers**

**We will be drawing for Project Gold Months during the Christmas Party for 2012.**



**GOOFY AWARD:**  
Mildred Mahaffey

**Mildred, I am not sure how this one can be topped, Letting another man unzip you pants. People will be talking about this one for a while.**

**SC District Staff**

**District Director**  
**Charles & Kathy Coleman**  
864-423-5999 (cell)

**District Educator**  
Jesse & Sue Sammons

**District Trainer**  
Larry & Mary Rosselot

**Couple of the Year**  
Judy & Bill Dunaway

**Assistant Directors**  
Buddy & Kim Summer

**District Treasurer**  
John & Janet Crabtree

**District Ambassadors**  
Faye Hood & Steve Smith

**District Webmaster**  
Dennis & Sue Defendi

**Assistant Directors**  
Joe & Nadine Cooper

**SC Goodie Shoppe**  
Doug & Faye Skipper

**Membership Enhancement**  
Dale & Charlie West

**District Public Relations**  
Larry & Sandra Kelly

**SUNSHINE REPORT: Loretta Kobylski**

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Roger Kuykendall 10-7  
Lynn Humphries 10-11  
Jamie Mahaffey 10-20

**ANNIVERSARY:**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**  
**ACTIVITIES / RIDES CALENDAR of EVENTS**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2011**

**100 MPH CLUB RIDE – LOCATION: CHARLOTTE MOTOR SPEEDWAY – CONCORD, NC. TIME 3:00 TILL LAST BIKE**

**\$25.00 cash. (PER BIKE) , BRING A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO RECEIVE A PATCH FOR YOUR VEST SHOWING THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE 100 MPH CLUB. THIS IS A TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION**

**EMAIL THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING:**

**[The100mphclub@rocketmail.com](mailto:The100mphclub@rocketmail.com)**

**DECEMBER 2, 2011 Return December 4**

**Tim and Debbie, Bernie and Loretta will be traveling to Gatlinburg for the Christmas parade. Hotel: BelAire Hotel, Please call Loretta if interested in going.**

**DECEMBER 12, 2011**

**Gaffney Christmas Parade**

**We had a lot of members express that they wanted to ride in this years Christmas Parade.**

**We will meet at the Gaffney Library (E. Rutledge) @ 9:00 am then travel to the entry point for the parade at Corry St & Limestone St. for the beginning of the parade. Special Note: Once the parade begins there will be no swerving, figure 8's. You may be asked to provide proof of insurance and a valid driver's license. CAN NOT THROW CANDY or any other items unless walking.**

**DECEMBER 12, 2011**

**CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Christmas party will be a little different this year, for our active members. We will be charging \$10.00 per person to help defray the costs of this event. We will also be asking that you bring a dessert and drink that can be shared by others.**

**We will be having a Chinese Christmas gift exchange. Gift Value \$25.00 Men bring an Men's Gift and Women Bring a Woman's Gift. (If you would like to participate)**

**We must have an accurate count of those wishing to attend this event by December 1, 2011. If you do not commit for the meal by this time you will not be expected for the meal. If you would like to come following the meal that is okay as well. We still need to know your intentions by December 1 deadline. Thank you.**

**JANUARY 14, 2012**

**District Annual meeting. Location Charleston,SC. Wingate Hotel**

**Anticipated starting time 8:00- 8:30am anticipate finish 4:00pm. This may make it difficult to return in time for our Monthly Gathering.**

**APRIL 28 – 30 2012**

**Catch the Spirit is the theme. Chapter Challenge will be a display of people in the chapter who have either served in the Armed Forces who have helped with the vets. More info to come. Rally will be in Charleston at the Wingate Hotel**

## *Autumn Motorcycle Hazards*

Predictable and cyclical changes occurring at this time of year to create unique risks for motorcyclists. While it may temporarily be ridiculed by the unusually hot weather and sunny skies, the unstoppable reality is that the leaves are falling, temperatures are dropping and the daylight is decreasing. Let the road. The dried leaves can camouflage bumps and road irregularities. Wet leaves are slippery and may appear unexpectedly in shaded areas. Be especially careful during the autumn scenic rides as conditions can change.

Cut the light of day. Take special care to make sure the bulbs in the headlights, turn signals and brake lights are working and the lenses are clean. Wear high visibility reflective to be as clear as possible.

The reflection of the sun. Along with that, because the trees are barren of leaves, the patterns of light and shadow can be like riding a strobe light and distraction.

Deer migration and mating season. Pay special attention to dusk and dawn.

Tires are cold. While the tires harder compound rubber tour are generally better suited for cold weather, sports tires are not. The sportier tires, softer rubber. This is fantastic when it is hot and gives good adhesion characteristics to help traction.

Cold aisles. The cold is exhausting and, in turn can cause more damage than a moderate intake of alcohol. Even when you are using a good team and keep the temperature, the temperature has its price. You do not realize when you're riding, especially over long distances and can be surprising when you stop to realize how tired they are. Stay hydrated and take regular rest stops to help with this.

Improper use of equipment. Grouping with a series of layers can be a great strategy to cope with fluctuations in temperature during the day. Heating equipment is a fabulous invention. Layers that are needed and less effective – and comfort – extends the driving season.

Icy road surfaces. Frost in the morning means that the concrete may have a thin layer of ice and can lose traction. When the temperature drops at night, be especially aware of crossing bridges and shady areas, as ice goes first. Be prepared for changing conditions, even during the day if you are traveling through mountains and changing elevations.

Pilots less. Be more cautious and alert.

Insulation. Seasonal businesses close and rest stops and favorite watering may not be available. Planning a result of contacts in gas service, accommodation, food and emergency....

Secondly:

As colder weather approaches be sure to layer your clothing. When you get cold you are paying attention to the fact that you are cold and not paying attention to your driving and surroundings.