

**GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION  
NORTHEAST REGION "B", NH DISTRICT  
CHAPTER "F"**



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**CHAPTER DIRECTORS MESSAGE**



*Here we are in the midst of August and another busy month!*

*July was busy for a number of members, with Wing Ding and the NE Convention. Hope those that went to either or both, had a good time with safe travels.*

*As of yet we (Dee&I) haven't made it to an Ice Cream ride..last one in July we had intended to, but got side tracked with the arrival of a new grandson. 1<sup>st</sup> one in August we completely forgot about. Next one is the 25<sup>th</sup>..hopefully we'll remember and weather will co-operate.*

***Capture the Flag;** As of the time of writing this..Chapter E has the "Flage". Wonder who will get it next???????????*

*Like to promote a non-GWRRR ride for August 27<sup>th</sup> in Newport, NH. It's the "Ride for the Fallin" in honor of Justin Rollins.*

## **General Information :**

**Registration:** Saturday, August 27th, 8 am - 10:15 am at Newport Middle High School

***Rain Date: August 28th***

**Admission:** \$20 single rider, \$30 double rider. [first 150 to sign in get free t-shirt, one t-shirt per bike]. T-Shirts will be available for purchase prior to and at the ride for those that would like to purchase them.

**Admission for bands and food ONLY (non-rider):** \$15 for food and band (non rider)

**Start time:** Riders will leave promptly at 10:30am after the blessing of the ride and safety rules are given. Return time is approximately 2:30-3:00pm.

The ride this year is dedicated to the "all current and retired Police and Fire Department personnel " with special thanks to those who were touched ten years ago by the tragedy of 9/11/01.

All current and past members of the Police and Fire service will be able to ride free of charge. .

*Septembers Chapter meeting will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 (note new time)...at DHMC. Bring a picnic lunch and join us for a "Mystery" ride (weather permitted!).*

### ***Bill's tip of the Month***

*BE SEEN...Try to make yourself as visible as you can so those shareing the road can see YOU!!!!!!*

*Help support our sponser's...let them know you saw them in the GWRRA-F Newsletter*



*District Director's Message*



*Sorry I didn't get to do a newsletter this month,  
with the rally, and wingding and now Dick is in the hospital.*

**Regional Notes:**



See The Beacon <http://www.gwrra-northeastregion.org/node/39> for the Regional Newsletter  
Ed & Dottie Bahrenburg  
**Northeast Region Directors**

I hope everyone got back safely from Wing Ding 33. Dottie and I had lots of FUN attending the events. We extended our stay a few days before and after Wing Ding to do some sightseeing as we knew we would not get much of a chance during Wing Ding itself. Knoxville is a beautiful area especially once you got away from the traffic and tourist areas.

As this was our first WD as Region Directors, we were not really sure of what to expect. We had lots FUN meeting the other Region Directors, many who were also new to the position. We managed to share stories and got to know even more FRIENDS who share similar values, successes and opportunities. Our Operations meeting was held on Monday and it was the first time we met all of the Region Directors and the National team. We also met Abel Gallardo who is the GWRRA President (pro tem).

The most important piece of information for the members that came out of the meeting is the new "Target Training" that will be made available to all GWRRA Officers focusing on the duties of their specific position and how to interact with the Team. Please review Director Stiger's article in the August 2011 issue of Wing World for many of the details.

On Tuesday during Wing Ding, we were involved with the Couple of the Year selection. Our Region B Couple, Rich and Doreen did an outstanding job. Many of the Region Directors commented to us about what a great couple they were and what a good job they did in the interviews. Unfortunately, they were not selected as the International Couple of the Year and a couple from Region D, Kirby and Sandy White, were selected. The new International Couple of the Year will be attending the Bi-State Convention to be held in Syracuse in August. Sandy and Kirby are a great couple. Make sure you take the time to say "hi" at the Bi-State Convention. The rest of the week was taken up with the Light Parade and Grand Parade duties as well as a few other minor things. A HUGE Thank You goes out from Dottie and I to all who helped with the parades. A special thank you goes out to PA-I, our Region Chapter of the Year who brought 30+ people to help with the Grand Parade. Also, a big Thank You goes to Al Stahl, NY District Educator, who organized the judging of the Light Parade. I am in the process of developing a tips sheet for the parades and I will soon be contacting those District Directors who managed sections during the parades. We did have some bumps along the way which due to their help were quickly fixed.

At Wing Ding several notable awards were given out. Allen Cyr, Maine District Director was named a Senior District Director. Bob Chevalier, Chapter Director ME-A, was named a Senior Chapter Director. Congratulations Allen and Bob! The Region received a Leadership Training award for Excellence in Training --- Thanks to all the instructors and members who took classes. Mark Bennett, the Rider Educator from Maine received a Rider Educator of Merit Award. Region B received the Most Improved in Classes and Students Taught award. This was due to the great work by Keith Price, our Region Medic/ First Aid Team member. Also at Wing Ding, Region Educator, Tim Grimes became a Master Instructor Trainer and Al Stahl the Rider Educator from New York became a Master Instructor. The Northeast Region is certainly doing well in the training areas!

At Wing Ding opening ceremonies, Mike Stiger, Director of GWRRA, announced the location of Wing Ding 34 which will be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on July 4-7, 2012. Many of you may have been to a Wing Ding in Fort Wayne, Dottie and I have been twice. It is a great location for Wing Ding with lots of parking and a very large facility. We have already made our reservations. We can't wait...it promises to be another good time.

During closing ceremonies, we were on the edge of our seats as a Region B member, Dwayne Motley from NY-W, was one of the three finalists vying for the 2012 Gold Wing. Three names were drawn and the three people competed in a dart game to determine the winner. Dwayne came very close, but he did not win the Wing. Sorry Dwayne.

Also at Closing Ceremonies, Mike Stiger announced that he had a surprise. The surprise turned out to be the announcement of the location of the 2013 Wing Ding (35). Wing Ding is going back to Greenville, SC, in 2013.

Please make sure to check the Calendar of Events in this newsletter. There are a great number of conventions, parties and celebrations that sound like a lot of fun. You and your Chapter may want to pick a few and add to the fun.

As I finish this article, Dottie and I are ready to head to Lewiston, ME, for the New England All Districts Convention. We can't wait for the lobster! Hope we see you there. If not, we will be at the Bi-State Convention in August and the PA Convention in September.

Ride Safe and Keep the Joy in the Journey,

Ed & Dottie Bahrenburg, Northeast Region Directors

### ***UPCOMING EVENTS:***

August 14<sup>th</sup> NH-E Anniversary party

25<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream ride...6pm

27<sup>th</sup> Ride for the Fallin...Newport,NH reg 8-10:15

September;

8<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream ride

11<sup>th</sup> Chapter meeting 11:30

18<sup>th</sup> NH-E Hobo Stew