



New Hampshire CHAPTER E

Cyprus Grove Restaurant
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MONTHLY MEETING - 8:00 A.M.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
"WHERE GOOD FRIENDS MEET"

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NH-E Director's Message Pat and Dick Thibaudeau

It is with mixed emotions that we write this month's newsletter article to all our friends in Chapter E. As many of you know effective August 1st, Dick and I will be assuming the N. H. District Direct position. Dick says I have to keep the record straight and that I am the Director, but no matter what he says, I know that he will provide lots of support behind the scenes. It will be our privilege to serve GWRRR in this capacity, and we are certain that we will enjoy it as much as we have enjoyed being Chapter Directors. My biggest fear is that I will not be able to do as great a job as previous District Directors but, I do promise you that we will do our best.

Ted and Karen Zitnay have graciously agreed to be Chapter E's Directors, and we have no doubt that they will do an excellent job and that Chapter E will flourish with their leaderships. We were extremely fortunate to have them as our assistants, and Chapter E is extremely lucky to have such great people as Directors.

We are looking forward to our new duties and to forming new relationships with the other N.H. Chapter Directors. Hazel and Bob have offered to do the District News letter so hopefully we will have district news for you soon. We will still be part of Chapter E and think of all of you as our extended family. You are such wonderful people!
Enough Said!!

Hazel and Bob got to attend wing Ding, in Greenville, and shared some details with us, please be sure to read their article about the event. Next year Wing Ding is in Tulsa Ok., and a couple ladies in the Chapter really want to attend. Who could that be???? Think about attending I am sure it will be a great time.

On July 6th, by popular opinion we changed our ride from the Trolley museum to enjoy Paul's ride to the western part of Ma. Paul and Loretta led six bikes on some back roads of Ma, including parts of Route 66. We stopped for a picnic lunch, then ice cream and we had a great ride, It is unbelievable that Ma, has any roads that are in good condition but, the roads were great and the scenery awesome. Paul tells us that this was one of Roy Bushey's rides so thank you Paul and Roy, it is a great ride!!

On the 13th Bruce Koch led 5 bikes up to A & W in Middlebury Vt. Fred and Lisa joined us for part of the ride, it was great to see them again. We ran into a few rain drops, but the rain went away as soon as we got the rain gear on, (if we could just keep the rain drops away like that all the time) we continued on to A & W. enjoyed lunch, and of course stopped for ice cream. We want to thank Bruce for leading the ride, as our ride coordinator had some unexpected knee surgery. Rod is on the mend, riding already, and was able to attend the rally.

Glad to see that his recovery was so short!!!!

Next was the N.E. Rally, WHAT A GREAT TIME. Good weather, good friends, good food, good riding. There were about 19 members from our Chapter at the Rally. Ron Jones stopped by for a brief time, but we did not have much time to visit with him, hope to see you again soon Ron. Dick and I had a marvelous time and hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as we did. There were some great rides, guided and unguided. The Thursday ice cream social was a fun event, with games and dancing, and if you left early you missed the starring debut of Hazel, Ann Marie and Pat T, as the Singing/ Dancing Divas to an old favorite "Lipstick on Your Collar". Pat B. and a group of guys, got to sing / shake to Jail House rock, but sorry guys, Elvis still has the market on those groovy moves. We are sad that the event passed so quickly we have been talking about it for so long, and now it is over. Mark your calendar for next years Rally, July 16, 17 and 18th, to be held in R.I. The host Hotel will be the Ramada Inn in Seekonk Ma but all rides will be in R.I.

We want to extend our condolences to Steve and Roxanne Provencher on the passing of Steve's mother. Also we send our sympathy to Sue Venne, N.H.- G on the passing of her Father, and to Gale Mayo, MA.-W on the passing of her Mother.

We look forward to seeing you all on Sunday July 26th, at Cyprus Grove, our scheduled ride is to Ma F's Poker Run following the meeting.

Ride Safe, Ride Often
Pat and Dick

Assistant Directors Message

We would like to congratulate Pat & Dick on stepping up to District Directors!!! We know that they are very capable and will without a doubt succeed at the position. Also, we would like to thank them for being our fearless leaders for the past year and a half. They have proven to be very dedicated and a great asset to Chapter E. They are leaving really big shoes to fill. We know that all of our chapter as well as the other New Hampshire chapters will whole heartedly support them in their new position. Again, congratulations !!!!!

Earlier this month we were taken on an awesome ride lead by Paul. Boy, he sure knows how to pick the roads! He found us the smoothest, curviest roads in Massachusetts. We stopped at a little place that had a deli and plenty of picnic tables. Loretta worked her magic and kept the rain away. Her new moves are quite powerful.

We just returned from the New England Rally. It was bigger and better this year. What a great job they did putting this together. The Thursday night Ice Cream Social had over 250 participants. There were games, prizes and dancing. You should have seen Chapter E cutting a rug, and we have the photos to prove it. Pat, Hazel and Anne Marie were right up front lip syncing to "Lipstick on Your Collar" followed by Pat Brems doing his Elvis impression.

Roy led a ride on Friday morning that took us through the Vermont countryside. We managed to keep in sun by the skin of our teeth. Every where we went it had just finished raining. Our bikes might have gotten a little dirty but we stayed dry. Roy was not so lucky Saturday when he, Bev and Bob & Madalyn Sprague had to dodge hail and head for cover. They found an overhang to stay under while they waited out the storm but before they could start out again someone had to come out and shovel the hail!!! Ted led some bikes on a beautiful ride suggested by Roy and luckily we only encountered a few sprinkles on the way home.

Friday night there was a police escorted Goldwing parade to the center of Rutland where the streets were blocked off for a street fair. There were around 120 bikes in the parade and it was quite a sight. It made such an impression on the town that the next morning's newspaper had a large color photo on the front page, above the fold no less.

Saturday night's banquet was packed. There were 356 attendees!!! It's amazing how much the Rally has grown. Nate Evans (VT District Director) read a listing of the different states that were represented at the rally and it was quite lengthy. Some people from Southern Florida rode up on their Wing as well as some from Texas and just about every state in between. Nate and the crew did a great job and everyone enjoyed themselves.

On a sad note, however, missing from the festivities were Steve and Roxanne due to the death of Steve's Mom. Also, Sue & Jim Venne were not there because Sue's Dad passed away. Please keep them in your prayers.

Ride Safe,
Ted & Karen

Our Trip to Wing Ding 30, Greenville, SC

Hazel & Bob Young

We got the Wing packed and were ready to leave on Saturday morning, June 28th. We were going to Glen Rock, PA to spend a few days with our son Doug and family. Actually, Ashlin, the 14 year old, was going to be alone for the weekend, because Dad was working and Mom and Kira were away at a 2 day horse show. We arrived in Glen Rock around 4:00 on Saturday afternoon. We did get wet once on the way. It had been sprinkling and then it started to pour. The visibility got bad so Bob pulled off into a gas station with a cover so wait out the storm. We both put on our rain suits, and once the rain let up, we headed out again. Guess what?? The rain stopped, and the sun came out, and we had to take them off!! We had a short but good visit with the granddaughters and Mom and Dad too.

On Tuesday, July 1st, we hitched up the trailer, said our good byes and were on the road to Greenville, SC. We drove into a traffic back up around the Washington DC beltway, and lost about an hour of travel time. As we were traveling slowly, we noticed a State Cop on the other side of the highway. He had pulled over two guys who were driving a golf cart down the interstate! We had a good laugh over that. Once we got beyond DC, our trusty GPS, Jenny, put us on US Route 29, and what a beautiful drive it was. The road was mostly 4 lane highway and it took us through a few towns, but not too many traffic lights. We stayed on that route until just outside of Greenville. It was nice to not be driving on the interstate. We stopped in Virginia that night with only 280 miles left to our destination.

We were up and on the road by 7:30 AM on Wednesday morning. It was a good travel day, but very hot. We arrived in Greenville around 1:00. We drove to the rally site and registered, then went to the hotel to check in. I unpacked and took a shower while Bob set up the internet connection for our laptop. We got back on the Wing and went to look for a place to eat. I think we were on the wrong end of town because we found a place called the Big Orange; the food was okay, but the neighborhood was "iffy". We ate quickly and then went to find the Bi-Lo center, which was where the talent show was being held. It was located about 10 minutes from the rally site. The J & M party along with closing ceremonies was also held at this center. We discovered that our hotel was within walking distance of the rally site.

On Thursday we went to opening ceremonies and then hit the vendor area. Bob and I went to the Co-Rider Seminar, and then we headed to the Mascot contest. Yes, we entered a mascot, but she did not win. Perhaps you will see her picture in Wing World. We saw Alan and Anna Tidd at the contest. He had a giant moose, and he did not win either. (Alan and Anna used to be District Directors for Rhode Island.) Later we headed to downtown Greenville for a Welcome Party, and the light show. The light show was really good, and the people watching seemed to enjoy the show too.

Friday Morning, July 4th, Bob and I had a little excitement, and we had not even left the hotel. (No, it is not what you are thinking!!☺) We were outside and Bob got on the bike and was getting it ready to back out of the parking spot. I was not on the bike, and that was a very good thing. All of a sudden, instead of backing up, the bike and Bob shot forward, and were headed towards one of the hotel room doors! Fortunately, thanks to all Bob's good training, he managed to turn the front wheel and ended up leaning against one of the cement pillars by the pool. I thought his arm was pinned, but it was not. ☺ A bunch of guys who were standing around ran over to help him get the bike up and move it back to the parking lot. Apparently the clutch did not release, whatever that means. This is a "guy thing", so you will have to ask Bob when you see him. I was very "shook up" for a few minutes. The other good thing about this incident was that we were not parked in our usual parking spot. If we had been, he would have run over our trailer. After the excitement, we drove over to the Rally site and stopped at the Poker Run booth.

We decided to purchase one hand and Bob drew the cards. Well, he ended up drawing four 9's, which meant he would probably win some money. The winners were going to be announced on Sunday at noon time. We had to be present to win. We decided to sign up for a demo ride on an 1800. Bob liked the way it handled; I liked the idea of more room, and the rounded seat for the co-rider. (We don't want you to think it was because of the clutch issue, well maybe it was.) After the demo ride we headed over to the staging area for the Grand Parade. We were going to help and ride in the parade as well. It was very hot and humid-at least 90 degrees in the shade. There was a tent to stand under and plenty of water to be handed out to everyone. Oh yes, the water was being handed out by the Hooter's Girls! They were very cute and dressed for the hot weather. All you guys can use your imagination. The parade was very well run, but GWRRA did not make the Guinness Book of World Records for the most two-wheeled motorcycles in a parade. The number needed was around 860, and there were only 490 give or take. However, there were over 800 bikes and trikes in the parade. Once we got our bike parked downtown, we visited for a while and then decided to head back to the air conditioned hotel. The fireworks were going to be held around 9:30, and it was only 6:30, and we felt like we were standing in a steam bath. We got back to the hotel, took a cool shower and enjoyed an adult beverage. The best part is we were able to see the fireworks from our hotel room!

On Saturday morning, under cloudy skies, we took the 100 mile poker run ride. We rode through some beautiful country and there were some good hairpin turn roads too. We had hoped to get back in time to see the drill teams perform, but we missed them. Earlier in the day we had run into Lorraine and Earl Knight, and Joe & Carol Coyne. They invited us to join them for dinner at the Steak and Ale. We took a run out to Wal-Mart to pick up a couple of things, and then drove to the restaurant. We met up with some other couples and we all spent an enjoyable evening. The plan was to head downtown to the J&M party at the Bi-Lo Center. We were all standing around outside chatting, when we heard the squealing of tires, and the crunch of metal on metal. ☺ A small pickup truck had hit a Gold Wing that was turning into the restaurant. We all headed towards the bike and someone called 911. Fortunately there was a Sheriff in the next parking lot, and very quickly more police, fire and ambulance people were on the scene. As I walked up to the bike, I did not know what I would see when I looked over the top of the bike. There was no blood, and both people seemed to be talking to the emergency personnel. The woman was put in the ambulance to be taken to the hospital, and the guy/driver got up after being checked over. They both went to the hospital to be checked. The bike got moved into the parking lot. It had damage but it was all fixable. This whole procedure took a couple of hours to get through, so it was 8 PM by the time we left the parking lot. So we headed back to our hotel and we went to the laundry room. This was another traumatizing experience for me, but everyone was okay.

On Sunday morning we packed our bags and checked our route for the trip back. We headed over to the rally site to be present for the poker run results. Bob won third place and received \$100.00!! I think that is the first time we have ever won a monetary prize at Wing Ding in the ten years we have attended! We went to closing ceremonies, where we did not win the Gold Wing, went to the ice cream social for volunteers with Bob and Madalyn Sprague and headed back to the hotel. We had a good time at Wing Ding, and Greenville, SC was a great host city.

We had a safe trip home and got rained on twice. I put on my rain suit and the rain stopped, so a few miles down the road I had to take it off again. As we drove up our road, the skies opened up again and we got soaked. Oh well, at least we were not driving in pouring rain all day. That's all for now! We hope you enjoy sharing our trip with us.



Happy Birthday to:

Happy Anniversary to:

JULY

Bruce Koch 26th

AUGUST

Steve Provencher 11th
 Dick "Deputy Frog" Thibaudeau 16th
 Leo Goodwin 27th

AUGUST

Barb & Dave Croteau 11th

Upcoming Events

July 27	Cyprus Grove	8:00	NH-E Breakfast & MA-F Poker Run for Fun
August 3	Stop & Shop	8:00	Kancamangus Highway
Aug 7-9			Wings over the Finger lakes, Newark, N.Y
Aug 9 & 10			Vermont Chapter A Picnic/ride**
August 10			Open
August 17	Best Western	8:30	Ride for Kids
Aug 21-23			Pa Rally, Johnston, Pa
August 24	Horse	9:00	Picnic lunch and Hobo Stew meeting/Fred's Ride

Chapter Educator:



N H E EDUCATOR

RIDING IN THE BLIND SPOTS.....

You're out for a spin on a warm summer night. The Wing and you are cruising along the street really enjoying the ride, even though they're more motorist on the street than you would like. You pretend to not see the heads turning to admire you're shiny WING as you ride on by but it's satisfying to know that your hours of polishing have not gone unnoticed.

So as you see it does pay your ego to have a clean wing to ride and be admired!!!

Be aware of the storms we are having these days Know the area as much as possible in case of a sudden down pour and thunder plus sometimes hail too!

RIDE SAFE SEE YOU THERE
Paul Zamitis N H E EDUCATOR

The Editors:

July's Editors news:

As we were not able to do the New England Rally We did hear it was a great turn out for those of you who attended The weather was fair and I guess I can mention Roy and Bev found a bit of hail. He just keeps getting better and better at finding that wet weather stuff
I know I could not have saved them from that kind of stuff!!!!!!!!!!!!

Stepping up.....That's what I hear PAT Thibaudeau has planned for the NEXT 2 years To be the New Hampshire DISTRICT DIRECTORS Some people are climbers. Seriously though, KUDOS to her. She has an on the ball GENDARME with a whistle and badge for her protection named Deputy Frog

So TED & KAREN will now take the N H E helm and I know they will do a great job.

Not much happening here just watching the skies and hope to ride someday.

Take care See you out there.....

Loretta & Paul Zamitis

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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 3 Kancamangus Highway 8:00 Stop & Shop	4	5	6	7 Wings Over The Finger Lakes	8 Wings Over The Finger Lakes	9 VT-A Picnic Ride Wings Over The Finger Lakes
10 Open VT-A Picnic Ride	11 Steve Provencher's Birthday	12	13	14	15	16 Dick Thibaudeau's Birthday
17 Ride For Kids 8:30 Best Western	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Fred's Ride / Picnic / Hobo Stew Meeting 9:00 Horse	25	26	27 Leo Goodwin's Birthday	28	29	30
31 NH-E Breakfast 8:00 Cyprus Grove Pick Up Ride						



September 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Rick & Donna Lund's Anniversary Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
7 <i>Hobo Stew</i> 8:00 American Legion, Keene	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 <i>NH District Picnic /</i> <i>Memorial Ride</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 <i>MA-W Barbecue</i> 9:00 Best Western	22	23	24 Fred & Lisa LeBlanc's Anniversary	25	26	27 Rod & Barbara Stone's Anniversary
28 NH-E Breakfast 8:00 Cyprus Grove <i>Apple Picking</i>	29	30				