



TEXAS DISTRICT NEWS



Special THANKS to all the Goody Booth volunteers from Texas!

Wing Ding Winners from Texas

Texas District is proud of everyone who participated and had fun at Wing Ding in Des Moines. **GWRRR certainly knew Texas was in the house!!**

Bike Show:

- Bob MacBird (TX M2) - 1st Place, GL1000 Custom*
- Howard Halasz (TX M2) - 1st Place GL1000 Show*
- Charles Dunn (TX Z2) - 1st Place, Trike - Airbrushed*
- James Smith (TX Z2) - 2nd Place, Bike & Factory Trailer*



Top Gun:

Merlyn Hartman (TX V2) - 3rd Place, GL1800 Expert

Talent Show:

Jeff Mew (TX P) - 1st Place, Serious (Elvis)

Rider Education:

John Bourg (Region H Educator) - Rider Ed Merit Award

Grand Prize:

Lynn Heene (TX District Trainer) - \$10,000

International Couple of the Year:

*Fred and Mandy Mew
(Texas District Directors)*

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These are all the winners that were brought to our attention. If we have omitted anyone, please notify Fred or Mandy Mew.

If you have pictures of your Texas chapter events, send them to NLE@gwrra-tx.org. You may see yourself on the cover of the *Texas District News*!



From the District Director

Fred Mew

If you missed Wing Ding, you missed a GREAT event full of surprises. Mandy and I were able to ride our goldwings and took advantage of the long route to Des Moines through Arkansas. The mountain roads in Arkansas are always fun and there are plenty of them to keep your interest for a return adventure. Someday, we will return... again!

The first surprise... Iowa wasn't anything we expected! Our dreams of miles and miles of straight roads through corn fields were replaced by gently rolling hills with a variety of constantly changing scenery. It was a very pleasant ride with good roads and the temperature told us we weren't in Texas anymore! The city of Des Moines rolled out the welcome mat for us. During opening ceremonies, we were greeted by the mayor and the governor. They even mingled a little with the crowd after the ceremonies. The citizens of Des Moines were extremely nice and always helpful. We will always remember the good time we had and will include this city on our list to stay and visit again!

Everybody attending Wing Ding this year knew Texas was there. Your next issue of *Wing World* magazine should have the complete list of winners... and for your convenience, the list of Texas winners can be found on the front page of this newsletter. **We are proud of all the Texas members who participated and took advantage of the events, training classes and educational seminars that were offered.**

I want to thank each and every Texas Member that volunteered to work the goodie booth for a couple of hours on Friday of Wing Ding. Hopefully, your name will be drawn during the Region H business meeting in November. You could possibly win a free registration to the next Region H Convention in Plano Texas!

Oh... In case you haven't heard the news... Mandy and I won International Couple of the Year. You might be wondering what that means for Texas District... it's a good thing! *It gives Texas recognition!* We will still continue to travel to different events... the events may just be a little farther away. We look forward to still representing Texas and Region H; now we get to include all of GWRRA! We are really looking forward to the new adventures in our future. How does that affect Texas district? It won't! It's business as usual! The Texas Team is willing and aware they will have to step up at times. I have full confi-

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From the District Director (continued)

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dence in their abilities and they have already demonstrated their willingness and continued dedication to the Texas members.

I want to thank all those Chapter Directors and Assistant Chapter Directors for their participation in GWRRA's mandated Officer Certification Program (OCP). We've received excellent feedback from the training classes and have already noticed positive results from the program. As in all new programs... there will be minor "tweaks" to improve the program as needed. One thing is for sure... it's a continuing education program that will have an *annual* update/revision to maintain certification. All Chapter CD's and ACD's will need to plan to attend one of the available annual training events. These seminars will be offered at Mid Winter Round Up, Texas District Convention, and other scheduled education events throughout Texas, and/or the whole country! All new CD's & ACD's will be required to be certified within their first six months of their appointment. Those current Texas chapters (just a very few) who have yet to attend an OCP will again be contacted one last time for a commitment. Those who do not commit and attend the Officer Certification Program training can look forward to a visit from one of the Texas Team to discuss the future of the chapter.

Other interesting and important information in this month's newsletter include new Region Leadership Program Directors which can be found in the Region News section, and a special e-mail posted in this month's Hero section. We hope to see you at a convention close to you or around the country!

Have fun, ride safe

Fred Mew





Texas District Couple of the Year



WOW! What a great Wing Ding! Of course the most exciting part of the entire event for us was the announcement at Opening Ceremony that our own Region H and Texas District Couple of the Year, Fred and Mandy, had been selected to serve as the International Couple of the Year. We had attended the selection process on Tuesday afternoon and after watching the presentations of all ten Region Couples, we had already made up our minds that Fred and Mandy should be “the chosen ones”.



Of course, as the new International Couple of the Year, Fred and Mandy were chosen to carry the GWRRA flag in the Grand Parade. We were also thrilled to carry the Texas flag. And, our Texas flag was first in the line-up of state flags!



**INTERNATIONAL
COUPLE OF THE YEAR
FRED & MANDY MEW**

We were also pleased to see so many Couple of the Year ribbons and medallions being worn at the convention. They were in evidence everywhere we looked. Chapter, District, and Region Couples were all proudly wearing their ribbons. Of course, our new International Couple was also adorned with theirs. It certainly made a good showing for the Couple of the Year program at all levels. **We'd like to encourage all Couples (regardless of the level you have attained) to wear your medallions every time you attend any GWRRA event.** It not only designates you as having been selected for this honor, but it also helps to promote the Couple of the Year program.



Dave & Jean Simmons
2010 Texas District Couple of the Year
Master Tour Riders 6571 & 6572



Chapter Spotlight

TX Chapter M



Chapter Information

Location: Arlington/Mansfield, Texas

Monthly Gatherings: 1st Thursday of each month at Spring Creek BBQ (1724 Hwy 287N at Debbie Lane, Mansfield). Eat at 6:00 pm; Gathering at 7:00 pm

Chapter Directors: Ken and Karen Olson

Color: Lime Green

Website: www.txmoonlighters.com

Date established: May 2, 1983



Logo: The Moonlighters !!
Motto: Ride Cool !!

Rally: Moonlight Fun Run

August 21, 2010

(Rain Date: August 28, 2010)

Burleson, TX

**(Lowe's Parking Lot- I-35S at
 Alsbury Blvd)**



Mascot: Moon Doggie





Honor Our Heroes

Special Thanks to Texas Goodie Booth Volunteers at Wing Ding

Ricky Frazier

Randy Reese

Joe Milton

Karen Frazier

Kathy Reese

Barbara Milton

Dave Simmons

John Thomas

Mark Heene

Jean Simmons

Donna Thomas

Lynn Heene

Carolyn Barton

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Wanda Osborn

Robin Thacker

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John Osborn

Mike Thacker

A very special **THANK YOU** to all these members who volunteered at the Wing Ding 32 Goodie Booth. If anyone who volunteered is not on the list above, please notify Fred or Mandy Mew as soon as possible.

Region H Directors Harry and Joan Dollarhide will draw 10 names from the list of all Goodie Booth volunteers (from all Districts in Region H) for a **free registration to the 2011 Region H Convention**. These drawings will be held at the Region H Team Meeting in November, 2010.



Honor Our Heroes

Letter from Mike Stiger to Region H Directors, Harry and Joan Dollarhide:

Harry & Joan,

Now that Wing Ding 32 has come to a close, I would like to take a moment to thank you and all the Region H volunteers for manning the Goodie Booth and organizing the Bike Show. You have a wonderful corps of volunteers who unselfishly give of their time and talents to ensure that all Members and guests have a great time at Wing Ding. Please let your volunteers know how much we appreciate them.

Mike Stiger

Director of GWRRA





Honor Our Heroes

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E-mail sent to Texas District Directors:

Hi there, My name is Nancy Wilkins. I am a chapter member of VA-J in South Boston Va. Right now, we have a chapter member in the hospital in Amarillo TX, after being involved in a m/c accident on July 7. Charles was traveling with other members from our chapter, coming back home, after a trip out west, when he lost control of his m/c and rolled with it. He was taken to the hospital in Amarillo. He suffered head trauma and other injuries, and as far as we know right now, hasn't regained consciousness.

The chapter in Amarillo has really come to the aid of our chapter members there. Ray Latta and his wife, let a couple of our members stay in their motor home while waiting with Charles. His wife Marge flew in, and they have been right there for her. They even picked her up at the airport. Our other members had to come home this week, but from what I understand, Marge is still not alone. God bless them. We are all here...praying and wanting to help but are unable to, and it is truly a comfort to know that the folks in Amarillo have. I hope to be able to fly out in a week or 2 to come see her, be with her, but have to wait for my schedule at work to change so I can get 4 days off in a row. It is wonderful that they check on her, feed her, and just are there so she isn't there alone all the time. **I wanted you to know, how appreciative we all are, for Butch and Don who have now returned home and for Charles and Marge Blackman, for someone to be there, when they need someone the most.**

GWRRRA is a good organization, and it makes my proud to be a member. Thank you.

Nancy Wilkins



Honor Our Heroes

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An Update from Nancy:

Chapter A continues to be there for Marge and Charles. Someone has loaned her a car to drive, she has had many offers of help, and countless visits and meals, and I don't even know all of it... probably never will... but I do know it has been a blessing for all of us, as well as for Marge and Charles, during this very difficult time.

Charles continues to show improvement slowly. Each day there are small improvements, and we are grateful for each one. Thank you for your concern, and I can't think of a better group of people to recognize for helping complete strangers who found themselves in a world of it. I just wish I know more to tell you because the whole group has helped, but I only know the CDs names from the website.

Thank you.

Nancy



Membership Enhancement

Carolyn Barton

Member Enhancement Coordinator

If you don't know by now (what planet have you been on?), **our NEW INTERNATIONAL COUPLE OF THE YEAR comes from right here in TEXAS. Yep, our very own Fred & Mandy Mew, Texas District Directors are now International Couple of the Year.** They did an **OUTSTANDING** job of representing Region H, Texas and Chapter R during the selection process. If you weren't there, too bad for you, because you missed a great time.



They were great fun to watch the rest of the week, walking around smiling, meeting, greeting, visiting, showing their buckles and just being "good ole Fred & Mandy". They have set the bar high for themselves and Mandy has to have a new white hat to match Fred's since that seems to have become their trademark. Black just won't work for the summer according to their clothing advisor. It is hard to have to share them with the world, but it is only for a year and then we get them back! They really aren't going away from us, they ARE still TXDD (as I remind them frequently). **WE LOVE YOU FRED AND MANDY AND ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU AND YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS.**

Other than that, I guess Wing Ding was OK. No, really, it was a great convention and Des Moines really rolled out the red carpet for us. We were greeted by the CVC Rep, Mayor and even the Governor. Are we special or WHAT? The facilities were super and within walking distance in a completely covered walkway. Donnie, Linda and I rarely got outside but we forced ourselves to get out and enjoy the cooler temps. Des Moines had been flooded in various parts and the river was up pretty high, but it didn't stop everyone from riding, playing, and enjoying all the city has to offer.

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Membership Enhancement, *continued*

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The Mews, Holleys and I rode up together on a 3 day adventure through the back roads of AR and MO. I was the “chase car” and enjoyed the curvy roads even if I was in the “cage”. If you ever get the opportunity to stay at the Joy Motel in Eureka Springs, AR.....DON’T. Let’s just say it was a quaint experience that we survived. Our stop at Harrah’s in MO was not very fruitful for any of us, but we had a great time anyway.

Next Wing Ding, I will be on my newly acquired trike. I took test drives on several models to decide which conversion to use and decided on the California Side Car which is what I had before. I can hardly wait to get it all done and take it out for a ride. SO, go ahead and make your hotel reservations for Wing Ding 33 in Knoxville, TN, July 6-9, 2011. Some of the hotels are already sold out, so better get it done quickly. We all have to be there to see Fred & Mandy hand over the “crowns” to the next International Couple. Actually, I will be there to MAKE them give it up because I know they are going to try and hold out for a second run.

See what happens when you PARTICIPATE!!!!

Be Happy Trails,
Carolyn Barton
TX MEC





Rider Education

Chet Roby and Maria Collins

Summer Riding:

Texas' summer weather has finally become reality and the importance of understanding the impact on our body and the machines is critical, in preparation for the day's activities.

This past weekend I had the pleasure of enjoying the 95+ heat while participating in an ERC Update for Rider Coaches, at Texas State University, San Marcus. Prior to reaching the course I planned a scheduled stop at Wal-Mart and purchased a 6-pack of Propel Fitness Water; a planned second stop was also made at a near by convenience store, in which ice was added to the cooler. I am now ready for a weekend of training preparation.

Tips for starting your weekend activity may differ, but here are some things to consider as a pre-ride preparation.

Tips for Riders and Co-Riders:

Ensure you carry and drink plenty of water or hydrating liquids. The focus should be on liquid elimination every few hours, thus assuring adequate liquid consumption.

I would like to add one foot note to riding in heat and that is the importance of not only hydrating with liquids (preferably water), but also maintaining a high level of electrolyte consumption, as well. A good sports drink allows the intestines to absorb maximum water intake, with little salt.

Avoid caffeinated drinks (diuretics), such as coffee and colas, which hasten water loss. Remember, if your mouth is dry, you're already dehydrated.

Wear vented, full-coverage clothing, as exposed skin wicks away vital moisture.

When and if possible, use evaporative cooling, such as damp collars, clothing, spray bottles, etc. There are several good products on the market that can be worn to assist in cooling down the body's core. (I.E. Joe Rocket has a Sahara Evaporative Cooling vest that works very well; there is a Bandanna that contains absorbent material and wraps around one's neck. After being soaked in cold water for 5 to 30 minutes, the bead swell, and the comfort of the cool bandanna, around the neck, covering the main arteries leading to the brain, are instantly cooled.)

Evaporative cooling is the cooling off from water, as water is evaporating; cooling the skin cools the blood, which cools down the whole body. Evaporative cooling works best on areas of the body where there are large blood vessels close to the skin: the groin and the neck. A motorcyclist's groin is too close to the engine and too far out of the air stream. That is why wearing something wet around your neck is so important. (Extracted from David L. Hough article "When Your Hot, You're Hot.")

Be sure and wear light, reflective colors.

If possible, time your riding to avoid the hottest hours. (Some riders can tolerate heat better than others, thus ensuing the group's consensus on riding hours is critical.

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Be sure to enter air-conditioned spaces to give yourself breaks.

Wear a well ventilated helmet. (Note: Tall windshields prevent air flow; therefore a vented helmet will perform no better than a non-vented helmet.)

Increase air flow to both the rider and passenger through Air Wings and windshield vents. (If one chooses a tall windshield consider adding a vent.)

When possible, ride back roads, as agricultural areas tend to have more shade.

Tips for Your Machine:

Be sure your bike's coolant is supportive of the owner's manual specifications.

Make sure all liquids and filters are ready for extreme temperatures. Again, check with the owner's manual or your local repair shop to ensure the correct oil viscosity for high speed touring in higher temperatures.

Be sure your battery is fully charged and the charging system is fully functional, as high temperatures actually cause a battery to discharge more rapidly than moderate temperatures.

Give serious consideration to replacing worn or marginal tires before one begins a long tour. Tires wear faster when pavement is scorching, and you lose more critical tread faster at the end of a tire's life than at its beginning.

Always check tire pressures daily, before riding. Internal tire pressures can increase 20 percent when hot, so accurate reading must be taken when tires are cold. Running tires under inflated can lead to premature failure, which can be catastrophic.

Be sure windshields and helmet visors are free from defects. Replacing scratched or gouged windshields and helmet visors should be considered, as scratches or hazed plastic can add to fatigue, especially when you're already stressed by heat.

Drink holds are also noted as a consideration for the Rider and Co-Rider, which can safely be used while underway. Water reservoirs, such as the Camelback brand, can also be a consideration for maintaining hydration.

Carry plenty of cold liquids to keep the body's core temperature down.

Adjust your suspension properly, if hauling a cooler full of ice and drinks. If the cooler rides on the tongue of a trailer, include its filled weight when you measure tongue weight.

Be sure and load liquids low. A pint of water weighs one pound, thus strapping a couple of gallons above the bike's center of gravity can make it top-heavy by 16 pounds and make maneuvering unpredictable.

Tips for the Hot Summer Riding Environments:

Paving sealants (tar snakes) become very slippery when hot. Automobile coolant spills (many times at intersections), steel paving plates, freshly painted road markings, and other pavement hazards

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are more obvious and in abundance during the summer.

A highway construction creates highly unpredictable conditions, so slow down.

Insects are another hazard that can create havoc for the wing's windshields. Take the time to clean your windshield with soft terry cloth and lots of water, on a regular basis, being sure to include your visor or safety glasses.

Critters and/or "road kill" are obstacles that need to be every motorcyclist's focus. Maneuvering around the obstacle is the operative approach, but if this is not possible and impact is inevitable, be sure to hit the animal squarely, as it may be slippery.

Be aware of one's surrounding. If you are in a vacation area or a recreational area with families and children, again look for the unexpected. Have the "rider radar" continuously SEEing. (Searching...Evaluating...Executing).

Passenger cars and trucks are generally air-conditioned, with motorists insulated inside closed windows. Often the air conditioner's fan, coupled with cell phone distractions, and music, ensures a driver's awareness of your presence may be marginal, at best.

Sunburns are uncomfortable and it's an invitation to skin cancer. Use sun block (30 SPF or higher is recommended), on all exposed shin.

In low humidity environments, use evaporative cooling techniques, which was previously noted in the first section (**Tips for Riders and Co-Riders, point #4**).

Know the danger signs of dehydration, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke. Recognize them in yourself and watch for symptoms appearing in your Co-Rider and fellow riders, if any.

Know the differences between the treatments for hydration, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

Dehydration: Your body is losing water and salts faster than you are replenishing them.

Symptoms: Thirst, flushed face, dry and warm skin, dizziness, weakness, cramping extremities, headache, and dry mouth.

Treatment: Stop riding and seek shade or air-conditioning. Drink additional water or specialized sports drinks, with body salts. Note: Persons with heart problems or those on a low sodium diets must be cautious about the intake of sport drinks. Always dilute them 50/50 with water. Rest until you feel restored and consider adjusting your planned distance accordingly.

Heat Exhaustion: This is caused by the loss of large amounts of fluid through sweating, sometimes with excessive loss of salt. Your body no longer can dissipate heat adequately.

NOTE: HEAT EXHAUSTION CAN PROGRESS TO HEAT STROKE QUICKLY.

Symptoms: Sweating, clammy and moist skin, pale or flushed complexion, extreme weakness or fatigue, giddiness, nausea, or headache, irritability. When extreme, vomiting or loss of consciousness can occur.

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Body temperature is normal or slightly elevated.

Treatment: Call EMS (911). Apply all treatments as for dehydration, including restoration of body salts, with sport drinks. (Be sure to following the precautionary information for persons with heart problems or low sodium diets.)

Heat Stroke: the most serious of heat-related health problems is heat stroke and occurs when the body's temperature regulatory system fails and sweating becomes inadequate. There is little warning to the victim that a crisis stage has been reached. the body no longer can dissipate heat at all and severe organ damage may occur if not treated immediately, including death.

Treatment: Call EMS (911) immediately, as this is a medical emergency. Unless the victim receives quick and appropriate treatment, death can occur. Any person with signs or symptoms of heat stroke requires immediate hospitalization and first aid should be immediately administered. Reducing patient's body heat immediately by all means possible is imperative. This includes removing the victim to a cool area, thoroughly soaking the clothing with water, and vigorously fanning the body to increase cooling. Further treatment at a medical facility should be directed to the continuation of the cooling process and the monitoring of complications that often accompany the heat stroke. Early recognition and treatment of heat stroke are the only means of preventing permanent brain damage or death.

I would like to add one final piece of information; dates, location, and itinerary for Education Weekend.

When is Education Weekend...Saturday and Sunday (October 16th and October 17th)

Where is Education Weekend...Killeen Civic and Conference Center, in Killeen, Texas 76542

Note: Shilo Inn and Suites Hotel will provide all participants of Education Weekend a daily rate of \$85.00, plus tax, which includes a full breakfast for each person in the room.

Activity consists of the following, with more specifics and registration to come within the next two weeks.

Trike Riding Course	Trailer Course
First Aid/CPR Refresher	Crash Scene Response
Co-Rider Seminar	Road Captain Course
Motorcycling for Mature Rider	Team Riding Seminar
Trailer Seminar (non-riding)	
Seminar Presenter Development Program	

Safe riding as you keep both wheels on the ground and the body well hydrated.

Kindest personal regards,

Chet Roby and Maria Collins



Leadership Training

Lynn Heene

OFFICER CERTIFICATION UPDATE

At the Leadership Training Program Staff Meeting during Wing Ding it was announced that:

Over 2,100 Members and Officers are now OCP certified.

There has been 90% compliance in 5.5 months.

GWRRA has received almost 100% positive feedback from participants.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations also to the other half of the Texas Leadership training Team, Mark Heene. David and Kathy Orr at Wing Ding awarded Mark his Leadership Training Senior Instructor certificate!

Many riders complete "Iron Butts", riding so many miles in a given time. Maybe we should have an award for the number and longest time sitting in Leadership Training Seminars.

Congratulations to Bette Dawn Sprague, Assistant Chapter Director of Texas Chapter O. Dawn as her friends know her, takes her role as part of the Officer Couple Team seriously; Dawn attended **seventeen** Leadership Training Seminars during Wing Ding. Way to go Dawn!

As a Chapter Director I'm sure you have had interruptions during a Chapter gathering or Team meeting, either intentional or by default. Did you find it hard to get back on track? As leaders we must learn how to manage these interruptions. Interruptions represent one means by which you could very easily lose control.

The most effective way to deal with an interruption that could derail the gathering is to identify it the instant it occurs. To allow an interruption to continue, whether intentionally or by default, risks the prospect of a snowball effect in which the original interruption can spawn chain reactions from other members, all wanting to have their own say.



Your intervention must be swift, brief, and expressed with a decisive tone of voice. But at the same time your voice should carry a ring of warmth in conveying your understanding of how important their opinion is. Acknowledge the person who interrupts by name. Indicate that you will have to stop the person from proceeding. Assure the person that there will be an opportunity to voice their opinion or concern before the current topic is closed. Refocus the discussion back to the topic at hand. Do give them a chance to speak, they may have a valid point to make or concern that could affect the whole Chapter.

Lynn Heene

District Trainer

Texas District Team

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For this article and other news, refer to the Region H Newsletter at www.gwrra-h.org/news

Region H News

Region H Director Harry Dollarhide in coordination with National Leadership Training Program Director David Orr announce that **Steve & Carolyn Cotton** have assumed the position of **Region H Leadership Trainers**. Steve & Carolyn bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the position, including past Oklahoma Directors, and past National Leadership Division Directors.

Please join the Region H Staff in welcoming Steve and Carolyn to your region TEAM.

Steve & Carolyn Cotton reside in Sand Springs, OK.



Dale & Susan Wingrove have stepped down as Region H Trainers and Assistant Region H Directors for personal reasons. Dale & Susan have served the region in an exemplary manner, leading the LTP Team to a higher standard of service to the members. Dale & Susan have also been essential CORE TEAM members contributing to the success of the region TEAM in a manner that will be sorely missed. Please join me in congratulating Dale & Susan for a Job Well Done.

Respectfully, Harry

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GWRRA National News



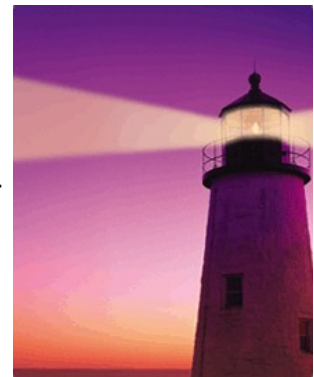
For this and other news, refer to the GWRRA Home Page at www.gwrro.org

WING DING 32 was a BIG SUCCESS!!

As announced at Opening Ceremonies, **WING DING 33** will take place **July 6-9, 2011** in **Knoxville, Tennessee**, so start making plans now!

Excerpts from Volume I, Issue I (June 2010) GWRRA Insight:

The International TEAM has come up with this new GWRRA Newsletter called the **"Insight"**. It will combine informational articles from all three programs into one Newsletter. Additionally, the link to this Newsletter will reside on the Home Page of the GWRRA website, as well as a link from each Program's website. Also, we will send out email blasts to all of the Officers with a link to download it directly. Our goal is to get this information to the people that need it the most, our Chapter Officers. I would like to thank Rick and Madalena Buck, from Region A, for accepting the responsibility of being the editors of the "Insight".



Communication is a major key to our success. If anyone has additional ideas on how we can improve our efforts, please let us know.

Mike Stiger
Director of GWRRA

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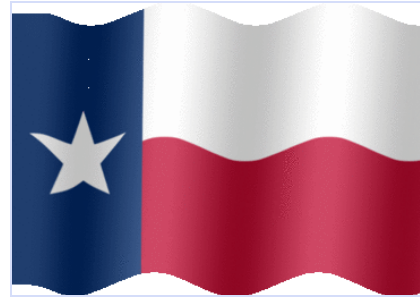
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Texas Chapter I Convention	Marshall, TX	August 13 - 14, 2010
Texas Chapter M Convention	Mansfield, TX	August 21, 2010
Kansas District Convention	Eldorado, Kansas	August 26 - 28, 2010
Texas Chapter R Convention	Keller, TX	September 11, 2010
Texas Chapter T Convention	Killeen, TX	October 2, 2010
Oklahoma District Convention	Muskogee, Oklahoma	October 7 - 9, 2010
Texas Chapter U Convention	San Antonio, TX	October 9, 2010
Texas Rider Education Weekend	Killeen, TX	October 16 - 17, 2010
TX Mid-Winter Round-Up	Killeen, TX	January 15, 2011
Region H Convention	Plano, Texas	March 24 - 26, 2011
Texas Chapter O Convention	Fredericksburg, TX	April 2, 2011
Texas District Convention	Killeen, Texas	May 12 - 14, 2011