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Tennessee

District Newsletter



Tennessee

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District Directors

Who can believe the year is already half over!!! It has been a tuff few months for us. We both have recovered from our surgeries and also just been exposed to COVID. We are looking forward to being able to ride and hopefully we will be visiting all Chapters in the State, We also hope there will be several from Tennessee going to Fort Smith, Arkansas.

We had a great time at Cumberland Falls for the Spring District Luncheon. The next District Ride will be to Paris, Tennessee, August 16th.

Spring Fling for 2026 will be held in Johnson City at the Holiday Inn, April 23-25. The Flyer should be out soon for Registration.

We hope every one has a memorable 4th of July with family and friends.

Richard & Connie Pendleton
Tennessee District Directors

Middle TN Assistant District Director

Troy & Vickie Hurt

East TN Assistant District Director & Newsletter Editor

We had a great time at the TN District Ride In. Most of us were fooled by the weather (imagine that) and we only encountered a brief rain storm. Good food, good ride and good company. Chapter A2 is looking forward to really good rides that we are adding to our calendar. I hope your chapter calendar is full of rides as well.

Patti Hamilton
East TN Assistant Director

West TN Assistant District Director & American Heart First Aide Coordinator

Hello everyone!

Another month has come and gone. This one marks the first half of the year. It has passed in a whirlwind. We haven't done much lately except enjoy the hot weather and rain.

Just want to take this opportunity to remind everyone to stay safe and stay hydrated when you are out riding. Drink plenty of water and take breaks.

Hope everyone has a great 4th of July

Pam and Charlie Huffman
Assistant District Director
American Heart CPR/ First Aid/ AED Instructors



Event Coordinators

Talent Show Anyone?

Now that I have updated you on the Karaoke contest for Spring Fling next year, I have a question for you. As you know we have not had as much participation in the Talent Show for the past few years as we have had in the past. So here are my questions.

- 1) Do you want us to continue the Talent Show?
- 2) Would you be willing to participate in the talent show?

You can participate as an individual, or as a Chapter. We will not limit how many from one chapter can participate as a separate act unless we have a large number of acts. We are doubling the time limit to 10 minutes instead of 5 minutes.

I really need you to call me, send me an email, or text me your answers to these questions so we can decide whether to continue the Talent Show next year. The talent show has been a big part of our rallies for as long as I can remember. This is a hard decision to make, and I do not want to cancel something that a lot of people enjoy. It is just a matter of numbers and participation. I can't wait to hear your responses.

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Cell phone for text or calls: 615-202-0499

If you text me, please tell me your name in the text.

Max and Renee Thomas

Event Coordinators



Ride Coordinator

Adventure Riding in Georgia

Adventure riding in Georgia offers a unique blend of rugged mountains, lush forests, winding backroads, and rich Southern charm. Whether you're on a dual-sport bike or a

fully equipped ADV machine, this southeastern U.S. state has something for every rider. From the Appalachian foothills in the north to the coastal plains in the south, Georgia delivers diverse terrain and unforgettable scenery.

The northern part of the state is a prime destination for adventure riders. The Blue Ridge Mountains, part of the southern Appalachian range, are home to countless gravel roads, forest service trails, and scenic byways. The Chattahoochee National Forest in particular is a playground for off-road enthusiasts. Routes like the Tray Mountain Road and Winding Stair Gap offer steep climbs, stream crossings, and remote vistas that reward the brave and skilled. The Georgia Traverse, a 390-mile route stretching from South Carolina to Alabama, is a crown jewel for ADV riders. It connects various dirt roads and forest trails, making it a multi-day ride full of camping opportunities and challenges.

Spring and fall are the ideal seasons for adventure riding in Georgia. The summer months can be hot and humid, while spring brings blooming dogwoods and cooler temperatures, and autumn fills the forests with brilliant reds and golds. Wildlife sightings—like deer, turkeys, and the occasional black bear—are common, especially in more remote areas.

Riding in Georgia also offers cultural experiences. Small towns such as Helen, Dahlonega, and Ellijay welcome riders with Southern hospitality, local eateries, and unique history. You can easily balance technical riding with stops at historic Civil War sites, scenic overlooks, or even a quick tubing trip down the Chattahoochee River.

For those new to the area, joining a local ADV group or ride event can be a great way to explore safely. Organizations often host GPS-guided group rides, training events, and rallies that help riders of all skill levels improve and discover new routes.

In short, adventure riding in Georgia is more than just a ride—it's a journey through diverse landscapes, challenging terrain, and vibrant culture. With the right preparation and a spirit of exploration, Georgia can be one of the most rewarding places in the country for ADV motorcycling.

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TN Safety Coordinator

(EDITED RIDER ED 'GIMME 5' – Hot Weather Concerns)

“IT HAS BEEN HOT -- IT IS HOT -- IT WILL STILL BE HOT”

Motorcycle riding is an activity that takes all of us outdoors. For many of us, the riding season is comprised of summer with some spring and some fall periods. For others, the best riding times are during the spring and fall seasons due to excessive heat in the summer months. For all of us, we are likely to be riding in hot weather at least some part of the year. Since too much heat can cause severe medical emergencies, it is important to know how to avoid becoming a victim of the heat. So how do we avoid heat stress, or more severe conditions like hyperthermia, to remain safe? Let's review some warm weather riding tips.

First, make sure you have gear appropriate for the weather. Consider what you will wear to cover your arms while riding. *If you have it, a mesh jacket provides unparalleled ventilation and abrasion resistance.* A denim shirt is another alternative that is fairly light weight and offers better protection than t-shirt material. Protection is important, but keep in mind that when you are comfortable, you are able to focus on the act of riding. Denim is a common choice for long pants, but you might want to think about purchasing motorcycle-specific riding pants for extra protection. Gloves are the other area where the ambient temperature is usually factored into the decision of what to wear. Perforated leather gloves will breathe better than solid leather. Another good choice would be mesh gloves which, like the jackets made of similar material, provide great ventilation coupled with superior abrasion resistance. They are worth considering. Consider carrying a water absorbing collar that you can soak in water and wear around your neck to help keep you cool. Or be prepared to soak and wear your shirt at a rest stop under your jacket in the hottest weather. You may want to consider investing in one of the various types of cooling vest that are available.

Second, plan to maintain your hydration level. *Every time you stop for gas or a rest break in hot weather, take time to drink enough fluids to replace what you lose through perspiration. This should be at least eight ounces per hour during the heat of the day.* You may think that your clothes are not holding an entire cup of sweat that you could wring out of them. And that is probably true. While you are riding, some of your perspiration is soaked up by your clothes and is carried away by the air flowing around you. And some moisture evaporates directly from your skin. It must all be replaced to keep your system hydrated. *A simple way to determine if you are getting enough fluids is to monitor your output at rest stops. In short, if you are drinking frequently but don't*

have to go to restroom at each rest stop, then you probably are not drinking enough. Modify this as necessary for your own situation. Have a bottle of water (sport drinks & etc. are also ok, but no caffeine since it's a diuretic) to drink from whenever you need it. Be sure to refill it at rest stops.

Third, remain aware of your own physical condition. *Exposure to too much heat for too long can result in hyperthermia.* This is the condition where your body cannot properly regulate your internal temperature and your temperature rises uncontrollably. If allowed to reach this state, it is a medical emergency requiring immediate medical attention. The key is to prevent your body from reaching this condition. Watch for symptoms like the absence of sweat in hot weather. This could mean your body has lost too much water and cannot produce any more sweat, the principal means of temperature regulation. Without the ability to sweat, the core temperature of the body will rise quickly. Other early warning symptoms include confusion, headache, dizziness, redness of the skin, often most noticeable on the face. If you notice any of these symptoms in yourself or those riding with you, find the nearest place to sit down, drink lots of water, and relax in the shade or an air-conditioned space. Remove gear and loosen clothing to allow the body to cool itself. Increase the frequency of breaks during the hottest part of the day. And definitely get out the water absorbing collar or soak your shirt at this time. It will help bring your body temperature back down.

With the right gear and travel plans that include frequent breaks with plenty of the appropriate liquid, you can enjoy riding safely even in the hottest weather.

Ride Smart & Be Safe!

Roger & Marie Crowe TN District SC's



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TN Chapter Gatherings
Meeting Day, Time, and Places
(Please send corrections to pagah09@gmail.com)

Chapter A

Last Saturday

Eat at 9:00 am/Meet at 10:00 am, Shoneys Lebanon
814 S Cumberland St Lebanon TN
CD Troy & Vickie Hurt, 615-351-6629

Chapter B

1st Tuesday

Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 7:00 pm, Shoney's
2405 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton, TN
Exit 122 off I-75 (Rt 61-Museum Exit)
CD Stanley Rinehart 423-437-3123

Chapter G

1st Monday

Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 7:00 pm, The Oak Restaurant
947 Interstate Dr Manchester, TN 37355
CD Judy & Terry Schramm 513-284-7783

Chapter O

1st Tuesday

Eat at 6:00 pm / Meet at 7:00 pm, The Juicy Seafood
138 Paul Huff Parkway NW
Cleveland, TN 37312
Shane & Amanda McAmis, 423-310-5903

Chapter Z

2nd Saturday

Eat at 9:00:am/ Meet at 10:00 am at Stan's Restaurant.
1555 Bear Creek Pike Columbia, TN
CD Tommy & Sharon Carroll 931-796-3873
scarroll52@charter.net

Chapter A2

3rd Monday

Eat at 6:00 pm/Meet at 6:30 pm, Shoney's
1021 W Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Maryville, TN
CD Patti Hamilton 865-661-4116

Chapter C

3rd Tuesday

Eat at 5:00 pm/Meet at 6:00 pm, Randal's Restaurant
120 Old Union Rd Church Hill, TN 37642
CD David Kilgore, 423-360-5588

Chapter M

2nd Tuesday

Eat at 6:00 pm / Meet at 6:30 pm, Shoney's
1100 Highway 321 North, Lenoir City TN
CD Brian Richards, 865-249-6173

Chapter X McKenzie Riders

Location of meetings and rides announced via message
CD John and Riezona McComsey.
E-Mail twomulesandawagon@yahoo.com

Chapter Y

3rd Saturday

Eat at 9:00 am / Meet at 10:00 am, Trinity United
Methodist Church 2303 Jones Blvd Murfreesboro, TN
CD Wesley and Cindy Neal, 615-668-4448



Eagle Wings Calendar of Events 2025

July



August

16th **The 3rd Annual TN District Ride-In** to Paris will be at Tom's Steak House from 1- 3 p.m. (CST). John McComsey Chapter X Director has chosen this date for the Paris Ride-In and wishes everyone come and be a part of the fun and fellowship. Mark your Calendar for August 16 for a fun day.

28-30 Eagle Wings Rendezvous 3rd Annual Rally Convention Center Fort Smith AR. Wyndham Fort Smith 700 Rogers Ave Fort Smith, AR 72901
479-783-1000

September

25-27 NC District Rally “Back to the Smokies!” Clarion Pointe Hotel 2807 US Hwy 74 East, Sylva, NC

October

Date TBA TN District Ride. Each chapter will ride their own ride and will meet for lunch at the Fox and Hound Restaurant at 127 Fox and Hound Way, Newport, TN 37821.

16-18 Mississippi District Rally St Martin Community Center 15008 Lemoyne Blvd Biloxi, MS 39532

November

2nd Daylight Saving Time change “Fall Back”

11th Veterans Day

27th Thanksgiving Day



Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association
3rd Annual Rally
Eagle Wings Rendezvous
Aug 28th – Aug 30th 2025



**WE'RE GOING TO
FORT SMITH, AR!**

3 Nights of FUN, FUN, FUN!!!!

3 Days of Rides, Presentations and FUN!

Thursday GRAND OPENING PARTY FUN
Light Dinner and entertainment

Saturday Night is Closing
Ceremonies, Dinner and Entertainment

Friday Night Bike and Light Show Vote for your favorite and enjoy some ice cream!

Let's make this the biggest Rendezvous yet!
We can't wait to see you there!

Registration Fees (onsite \$10 more)	Cost	Qty	Total
EWMA Members	\$45	_____	\$ _____
Non Members	\$55	_____	\$ _____
Day Passes-available for purchase on site			
Dinner Thursday Night (Max seating-360)	\$30	_____	\$ _____
Dinner Saturday Night (Max seating-360)	\$45	_____	\$ _____
Chicken _____ Pork _____			
First Aid/CPR _____	\$25	_____	\$ _____
Pre-Registration Tickets	Cost	Qty	Total
Grand Prize & Mystery Cash—Books of 5	\$10 X	_____	\$ _____
Grand 50/25/15/10— Books of 5	\$20 X	_____	\$ _____

GRAND TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

**All pre-registrations must be
received
BY 8/9/2025**

Make Checks payable to EWMA

Mail completed forms to:

EWMA
Patti O'Neill
2125 Meander
Prescott AZ 86305
Email: ewmacfo@gmail.com
Phone 408-639-0415

\$15.00 fee on all cancellations
No refunds after Aug 1st 2025

CC# _____

EXP _____ CVV _____

Billing Zip Code _____

For more information go to
www.ewma.world.org/rendezvous

Grand Prize:
Donated by KD Cycles

Drawing to be held at Closing Ceremonies on Saturday, you must be fully registered and present to participate.

All Rally events will be held at the St Martin Community Center,
(15008 Lemoyne Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39532, OFF exit 50 on I-10)

Hotels (there is no host hotel)

Baymont Hotel, 8011 Tucker Road, (228) 872-2323
Best Western, 7927 Lamar Poole Road, (228) 875-7111
Comfort Inn, 14001 Big Ridge Road, (228) 872-1600
Country Inn & Suites, 13900 Wilfred Seymour Drive, (228) 818-0001
Days Inn, 7305 Washington Ave, (228) 872-8255
Hampton Inn, 13921 Big Ridge Road, (228) 872-6370
Holiday Inn Express, 7301 Washington Ave, (228) 872-7255
Motel 6, 14203 Cook Road, (228) 244-0232
Quality Inn, 7827 Lamar Poole Road, (228) 818-0300
Super 8, 13838 Wilfred Seymour Drive, (228) 447-4146

Food

There are restaurants nearby that offer a wide variety of food choices. D'Iberville offers many national franchise choices. Ocean Springs has many Mom and Pops restaurants. We plan on having different food trucks on site each day as well.

Vendors, On and Off bike games, Poker Run, Ticket sales, Costume contest, Talent show, Lighted bike show, parade, guided rides, Bingo and on site Food Trucks.
Just to name a few events.



RALLY FOR RIDING AND FUN OCT 16-18, 2025

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