

# GWRRRA

## GEORGIA

# CHAPTER H

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### Welcome to 2018

At the beginning of a new year a lot of people make promises to themselves to do something differently than they did the previous year. In other words, make a resolution. I don't know about most of those people, but I have stopped that custom because I never follow through. I do make one promise to myself every year that I do my best to complete and that is to ride more. I do plan to keep that "resolution" in 2018. In the past I have written many newsletter articles trying to encourage more people to join us on the rides we take. That has not proven to be very effective as noted by the number of people that go on the rides. This past year I tried a different approach by simply stating that I would like to go on a ride and sometimes you would offer suggestions for a ride you would like to take. Most of the time I would make a suggestion or simply state that I was going to ride to an event or restaurant and see who would come to the departure location to go with us. In most cases, that too was not very successful in getting people to participate. Chapter H is your Chapter and the staff try very hard to provide fun things to do and find fun places to visit and of course try to go to restaurants that we all enjoy. Since the methods we have tried in the past have not proven to create more interest in riding, we are asking for your input in offering places to visit or

rides to have that you would like to try. We have written articles in the past about levels of participation and we would like to thank those that do participate and would love for more people to take advantage of our rides. If your level of participation only includes coming to the monthly gathering, that is great, but if you would like to participate more but do not want to suggest a ride at the gathering, please give me a call or send an email and we will be glad to bring it up for consideration. We want you to get all you can out of your membership and your Chapter so if the level at which you are participating is satisfactory to you, we appreciate that and we will continue to offer fun rides and invite you please join us whenever you can.

Bill and Betty Livingston



*Don't ride flat!!  
Check your tires and tire pressure before each ride.*

## New Year but Same Rider Safety Concerns

Christmas has gone and New Years has passed but Ride Safety Issues and concerns always last. Every time you get on your ride you need to be 100% mentally and be mindful of the potential hazards that await you when you twist the throttle and release the clutch. There is always the normal things such as oncoming traffic, traffic entering from the side, and oh yes critters 2 legs, 4 legs, large, and small. But, this time of year there also winter hazards. Rain, Sleet, and snow. This stuff freezes when the temp is 32 degrees or below. Ice often blends in with the road "black ice". It is hard to spot so probably a good idea to stay off the roads. Also remember that even though the temp rises above 32, road areas shaded from the sun don't often thaw very fast. So if you are out beware of the shaded areas. Not uncommon to see ground on the east side of the road and snow for several days on the west side in the shade. So think before you ride, dress for the slide, and then enjoy the ride, weather permitting.

Ride Safe Rich Morgan

## Motorist Awareness

*Talk Motorist Awareness every chance you get.  
It doesn't happen if we don't do it!!*

## Anniversaries

Bill & Betty Livingston Feb 27th



## Birthdays

Sheila Andrews Jan 3rd

Frank Barron Jan 4th

Durwood Pollock Jan 5th

Joann Cannon Jan 16th

Gary Sapp Feb 24th

## Rides

- 8th Moultrie Monthly Meeting—Leave Moree's Store on Moultrie Hwy at 5:30PM
- 19th Tifton Monthly Meeting—Leave EnMarket on Clark Ave at 6:00PM
- 22nd Chapter H Monthly Meeting

## Group Ride Rules of the road

- *2 second Stagger*
- *Follow Lead*
- *Check 3, 9, and 6 o'clock*
- *Listen to Drag*

## Lets Rally

2018 Ga District Rally

August 2 - 4, 2018.

Georgia Baptist Conference Center Hotel  
Chattahoochee National Forest  
462 Sonrise Way  
Toccoa, GA 30577