



Friends for Fun, Safety & Knowledge



Chapter I
Monthly Gathering

When
1st Saturday
8:30 am Coffee, 9:00 am Meeting

Location
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
4125 Constitution Ave
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Visit Colorado District at
www.coloradogwrra.com

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Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (NEW) - Looking!

Couple of the Year (COY)
Glenn Goode and Alexis DeCrescenzo
Individual of the Year (IOY)
Robbie Bussard

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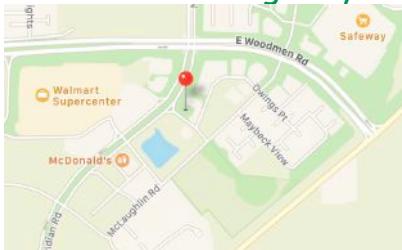
~ From the Director's Seat (a heated seat, of course!)~

The next few months are a bit confusing, so I'll spell it out here:



MARCH MEETING is a regular meeting at the Church on March 7.

APRIL MEETING is a different location because the Church is busy for Easter Week. Our fantastic new assistant directors have arranged for us to meet at the Guadalajara restaurant at 7336 McLaughlin Road. It's off the east end of Woodmen Road before it hits Highway 24. We'll have more details at the meeting



MAY MEETING is going to be our maintenance day and change of command ceremony at Rod's new place. Details and info to follow later. Hey, it's two months away; anything I tell you now will be forgotten by then, eh?

And after that we have meetings, picnics, rides, Wing Ding, and lots more, so don't miss it! Jackie and I are tentatively planning to drop in on Wing Ding for a day on our ride east. We'll also be at the New England Rally in Rutland, VT from July 31 - August 1. Anyone care to join us?

Ride safe!
-Don and Jackie



Springs Wings Assistant Directors

Greetings from your new Chapter I Assistant Directors

Spring and summer time is just around the corner, you know what that means, as GWRRA members the motto is fun, safety, and rides.

Hopefully this year-weather permitting, we should wish for a lot of riding, riding, and more riding with our friends, with fun and safety expected. do you get our gist?

Safely maneuvering thru curves, cruising the straight aways, and powering up mountain passes, just gets your blood to racing, lets make the most of every moment and ice cream.

There are other events such as the yearly Breakfast Ride and the Bridge Ride just for examples. We do hope you can make it!

We would just like to say that we are honored to help our wonderful Chapter Directors out. Time is getting short for Don and Jackie although they have done a marvelous job. Their shoes will be hard to fill but we will try to make them proud and represent the Chapter.

Lookin forward to
riding with you!

Claude and Nancy



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Claude and Nancy Lockhart
Chapter Directors In Waiting



Chapter-I 2020
Couple of the Year
Glenn and Alexis



Chapter-I 2020
Individual of the Year
Robbie Bussard

Birthdays

March 2020

1-Joe Kelly
6-Earl Edwards
8-Don Bush
13-Sandie Erskine
Carmelita Olson
15-Mike Wyman
18-Gene Krull
26-Mark Sullivan
28-Wilma Brown
Don Benuska
30-Dick Reisler
31—Robbie L. Bussard

Anniversaries

March 2020

31-Cliff and Myra Childs

Goodies

Claude & Nancy

Springs Wings Events

Celebrations, Events & Fun!

March 21 - MFA Class, Johnson's Corner

April 4 - Chapter I meeting at Guadalajara restaurant

May 2 - Maintenance Day at Rod's Place

June 30 - July 4 - Wing Ding 42 Springfield, MO

July 10-, 11 - Camping at Strasbourg KOA

July 11 Chapter Picnic

January 2021 (yes, 2021) - Start your planning so you don't miss it

October 2021 -Albuquerque...Balloon Festival now taking reservations - \$80/night for a camping

**Refer also to the Colorado District Calendar
for other dates/events**

Springs Wings Community Service



*Happy
St. Patrick's Day*

2,000 lbs!!



**2020 Goal
2000 pounds**

We've donated...

206 pounds!!

Thank you!



Springs Wings Safety

MOTORCYCLE INFORMATION

By Earl Edwards

I have gathered some information from M.O.S.T. (Motorcycle Operator Safety Training) in regards to tire care. This is one of the most critical items on your motorcycle. Time now to get tires and get ready for maintenance day.

Listed below is a list of **guidelines** for your tire care.



Motorcycle Tire Tread Depth:

- Tire depth gauge calibrated in 1/32 of an inch must be used to measure tread depths on motorcycle tires.
- Readings shall be taken in major tread grooves at five points across the width and circumference at various distances.

A tire shall be considered fails if:

- There is less than or equal to 2/32 at any of the 5 points where the tread measurements were made.
- Any contact of a tread wear indicator constitutes tire failure.
- A localized worn spot that exposes the ply or cord through the tread

A tire that has failed will need to be replaced within 15 calendar days of that date of inspection/notification.

Motorcycle Tire Defects and criteria (physical attributes) - visual inspection

A tire shall have considered "fails" if there is/ are:

- Any cuts or puncture, in any direction, so that the fabric, ply, or cords are visible
- A cut, break, or crack which is
 - In excess of one inch in any direction as measured on the outside of the tire
- A bump, bulge, or knots related to separation
- Tire does not display appropriate Department of Transportation markings

Note: Plugs/Patches shall be in the tread area only. Plugs/patches are not permitted in the sidewall of the tire

A tire that has failed will need to be replaced within 15 calendar days of that date of inspection/notification.

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Motorcycle Tire Flat Spotting

- Tire depth gauge calibrated in 1/32 of an inch must be used to measure tread depths on motorcycle tires.
- Readings shall be taken in major tread grooves at five points across the width and circumference at various distances.
- A tire must pass the 2/32 tread wear inspection in all five areas measured.

On the Motorcycle tire; when there is a variance of more than 2/32 between one point of inspection to another area of the tire then that tire is considered to have developed a flat spot.

- When a flat spot area has been confirmed that tire will be considered having failed.
- A tire that has failed will need to be replaced within 15 calendar days of that date of inspection/notification.

Motorcycle Tire Age:

A Motorcycle tire has a manufactured date stamped onto the sidewall.

Example: 4510 = 45th week of 2010

DOT XX 5Y XX00 2613

DOT	XX	5Y	XX00	2613
Department of Transportation	Manufacturer & Plant Code	Tire Size Code	Manufacturer ID Number (Optional)	Week and Year Tire was made

A tire mounted on a motorcycle used for the purpose of a MOST course(s) shall be considered "fails" if:

It is over eight (8) years of age from the date of the tire manufacture.

The date stamped on a motorcycle tire is no longer visible to the naked eye

A motorcycle tire that has failed must be replaced within 15 calendar days of date of inspection/notification.

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Motorcycle Tire Pressure (QA) Guidelines

Test the tire pressure when the tires are cold.

Motorcycle tires that are mounted onto a motorcycle used for the purpose of a MOST course(s) should be inflated to either of the recommended tire pressure(s):

- Stated on the Motorcycle swing arm
- Stated by the motorcycle manufacturer for that specific motorcycle make, model, and year.
 - If tire pressure is based on manufacturer guidelines vendor is required to have guidelines:
 - readily available on the range to aid the RiderCoach's ability to adjust tire pressure as needed
 - Readily available upon request by MOST

Tire Pressure of range motorcycles will be checked during a QA visit.

- If the front or rear Motorcycle tire is either over inflated or under inflated the QA team member will make note within the QA report.
- The RiderCoach/Instructor should make arrangements to get noted tire(s) into proper pressure prior to the QA team member's departure of the range.
- If the tire pressure is not adjusted prior to the QA team member's departure from the range no further action will be taken by the QA team member, except to note it within the QA report.

No follow up will be made by MOST to a vendor based on Tire pressure recommendation notes alone.

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Motorcycle Tire Storage Recommendations

- **Clean tires before storing**
 - Use soap, water, and a tire brush to clean the tires. Wipe the tires and wheels down with a towel, then let them dry completely. Do not use tire dressing or tire gloss when storing tires.
- **Inflate Tires to Correct Pressure**
 - This will help to retain their proper shape.
 - If storing the motorcycle on the tires, rotate each wheel once a month to prevent flat spots.
- **Seal the tires**
 - Once tires are clean and dry, put them into large, dark, airtight plastic bags like lawn and garden bags. Try to remove as much air from the bags as possible before sealing them securely with tape. This will help prevent the lubricating oil within the tire compounds from evaporating.
- **Unmounted Motorcycle tires should be stored upright**
 - The best way to store tires is standing upright - it puts less stress on the tires
 - Do not hang unmounted tires
- **Mounted motorcycle tires should be stacked when stored**
 - Mounted tires on the rims, hanging them from hooks is a great storage option.
- **Keep tires out of the sun**
 - Tires soak up the heat of the sun and can easily heat up to over 120 degrees F. This intense heat, coupled with the sun's ultraviolet rays, can cause the rubber to break down.
- **Store in a well-ventilated, temperature control area with No Open Contaminants Present**
 - Make sure no open chemicals are stored around the motorcycle. As these chemical fumes can speed up breakdown.
 - Try to make sure the tires are stored in a cool, dry place. Avoid storing tires outdoors, in a standard garage, or in an attic - basically, any place that could be very hot, wet, humid, or cold.

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CHAPTER SKILL ENHANCEMENT ADVISOR



Job Summary

The role of Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor (CSEA) is to proactively support Member/Participant by providing them with information they can consider on ways to become skilled, prepared and safer riders and co-riders.

Encouraged Responsibilities

- Serve as an example by being actively engaged in the Levels Program.
- Monthly, or as often as possible and weather permitting based on Members interest, put on an on-bike skills day with skill practice, bike games for riders and co-riders.
- Team with the Chapter Ride Coordinator to promote the importance of best riding practices at chapter gatherings, rides and events.
- Utilize the quarterly Chapter Levels Report provided by the District Educator to support the Members and assist them in achieving milestones and earning recognition.
- Communicate directly with the District Educator to advocate for classes and courses to serve any chapter participant with an interest in progressing in the levels program, becoming a more proficient rider and being better prepared to respond to emergency situations.

Qualifications and Skills

The Chapter Skill Enhancement Advisor:

- is not an officer; and the position is not mandatory.
- has a basic knowledge of the GWRRA Rider Education Program
- is appointed by the Chapter Director
- is interviewed by the District Educator
- completes a Confidentiality Agreement
- is a current Level II Rider or Co-Rider
- receives guidance and support from the District Educator
- communicates with the District Educator directly, keeping the Chapter Director in the loop to assure the needs of the chapter participants are met. Remember, the Chapter Skill Enhancement Adviser is an active participant on the Chapter staff and primary direction comes from the Chapter Director
- does not have access to the RE database and relies on the District Educator for the information.

Goal: To provide the membership with the basic support needed to participate meaningfully and successfully in the GWRRA Rider Education Program at the Chapter level.

Springs Winter Events

Past



Who would want to waste a nice riding day in February after the meeting? Not us! Mike Wyman, Tom Wilkie, Dan, Claude and Nancy took an enjoyable ride to Texas Creek and ate at ...where else.. Barry's Den. The roads were in great shape and it felt good to get back in the saddle to ride the curves. Such a beautiful day !!

Springs Winter Events

Past

Chapter I Archery Cupid Fun Shoot



We had an extraordinary February 23rd outing at Bill Pellegrino's Archery Hut. On a beautiful afternoon when we should have been out riding our bikes... except for the snow. There were 23 participants aiming for the bragging rights of best shooter of the region. We were shooting at a target of hearts and Valentine wording for score tallying. Nancy & Kelli tabulated score after 6 rounds of shooting and a beautiful lunch. We decided to throw in a handicap for shooters that didn't have a scope or pins. Terry Weber took 3rd Place, Alex Bussard 2nd and Robbie Bussard swept 1st, with trophies for each qualifying place.



Springs Wings Events



GWRRA UNIVERSITY FLYER TRAINING EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT



Colorado DISTRICT IS HOSTING A TRAINING EVENT ON
21 MARCH 2020

ADDRESS: 2842 SE Frontage Road Johnstown, CO

LOCATION: Johnson's Corner Banquet Room (door on North side)

HOURS: 10am-2pm

THE CLASS BEING OFFERED:

MEDIC FIRST AID/CPR

FEE PER PERSON \$30 for Medic First Aid

PHONE: 719-459-2426 **EMAIL:** edwards_1500@hotmail.com

PLEASE RSVP ON OR BEFORE: 17 March 2020

☐ **LUNCH WILL NOT BE PROVIDED**, however you may order from menu

❖ **BRING YOUR GWRRA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER WITH YOU TO THE EVENT-THANK YOU** ❖

Email Form To: edwards_1500@hotmail.com

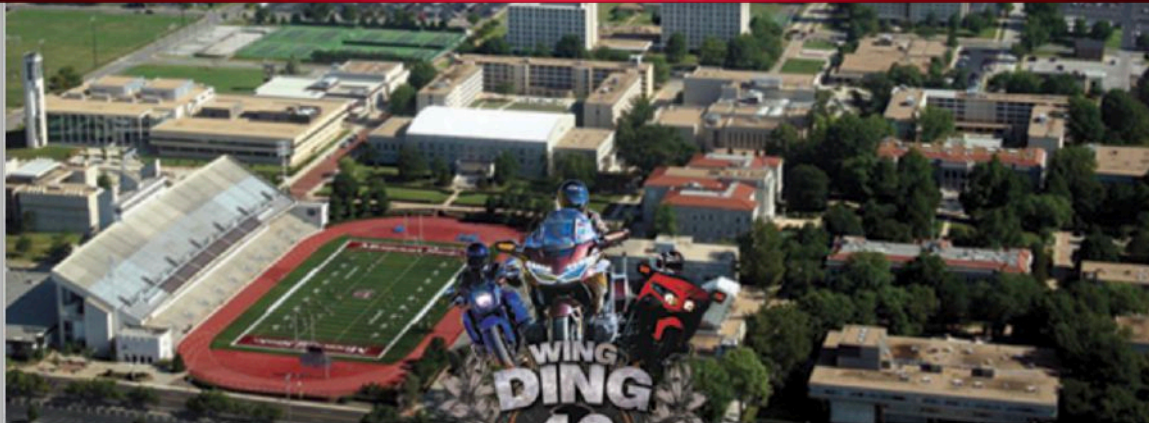
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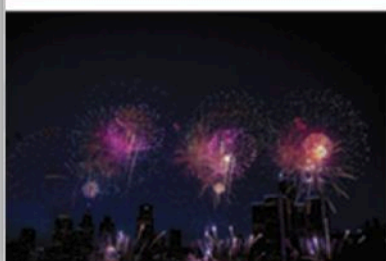
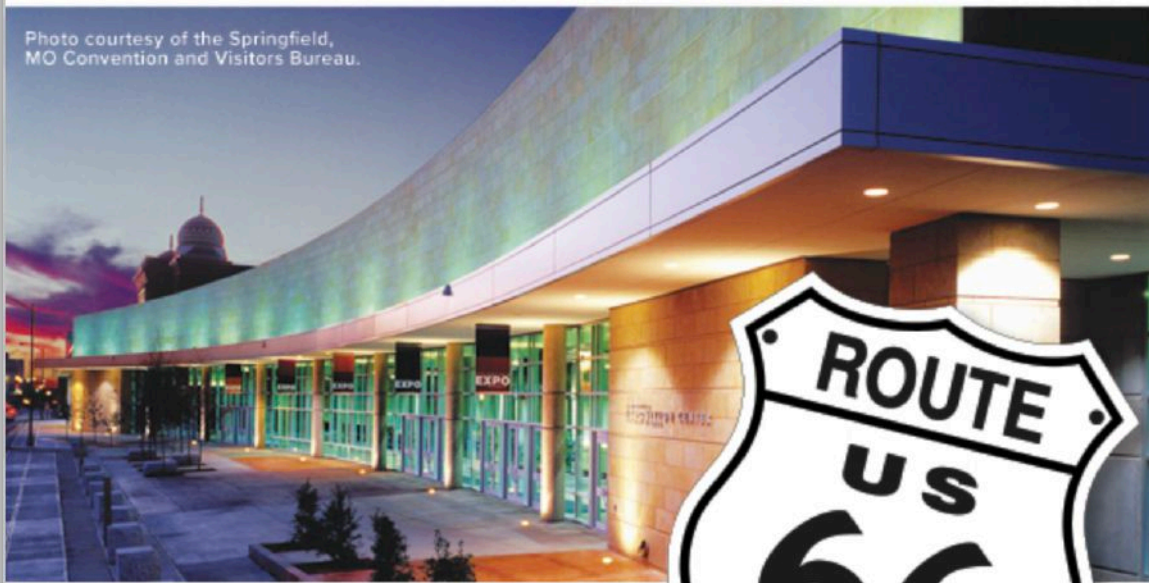


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SPRINGFIELD EXPO CENTER

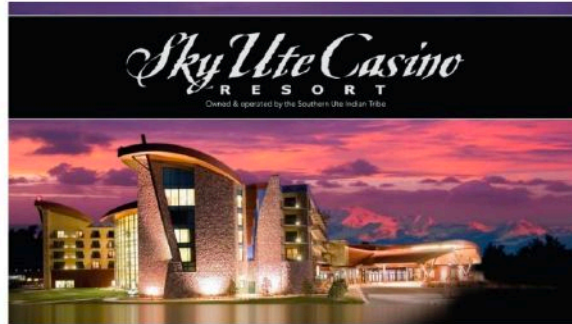
Springfield, Missouri | June 30 - July 4, 2020

Photo courtesy of the Springfield,
MO Convention and Visitors Bureau.



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SAVE
THE
DATE



August 28,29,30
at the Beautiful
Sky Ute Casino
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GWRRA FOUR CORNERS



Plenty of RV Parking
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MULTI-DISTRICT RALLY

2 Grand Prizes of \$500 Each

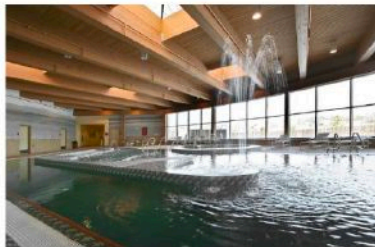
**Fun for Everyone, with scenic
rides, and onsite amenities**

**Reconnect with Friends while
enjoying all that the area has to
offer**

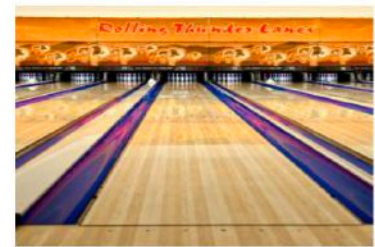
**Opening Night Ice Cream Social
Hosted by the
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Beautiful Rooms



Indoor Pool and Spa



Bowling and Mini Golf

The GWRRA room rate of \$125 (Plus 3% Tribal Tax) includes all Resort fees.

Make your reservation today, **ROOMS WILL SELL OUT**. For reservations call **970-563-7777**
ask for the Front Desk / Reservations. From there give the August 28, 29 & 30 dates and ask for the
"GWRRA" room block to get the discounted room rate.

Early check in and late check outs are available. Standard check in is 3pm and check out is 11am.



Springs Wings Events

Good Morning Chapter I members,

This reminder is for the ones who are interested in the cruise next January 23, 2021, to the Western Caribbean from Galveston, TX. By now, I think you've heard or read about this fun adventure to cross out of your 'Bucket List.' Our cruise travel agent, Nancy Heck at Academy Travel 719-598-5552, is holding until Feb. 28, group rate \$. You still have to contact her and make the arrangement as far as your personal needs. The benefit, if you're interested, is yours with the deposit of \$250.00/person and with no risk until October 26, 2020, when you can cancel w/o any penalties. You would, though, lock your special rate with plenty of time to cancel if something happens to change it.

Having cruised before with a group of friends, I can almost guarantee that you'll have lots & lots of fun & memorable times (especially a super experience for the people who haven't cruised before.) We actually have organized such a cruise to the Mexican Riviera a few years ago with Chapter I (5 couples) where it was the best of times.

Just to remind everyone, the cruise is a 7 day cruise from Galveston, TX, a driving distance thus savings the flight \$. The stops are in Jamaica, Grand Cayman & Cozumel. So far, joining us and already reserved are Cliff & Myra.

For more details, please call Nancy Heck (contact info above) for any personal questions you may have,

Hoping to share the cruising fun with you,

Winter Texans until April,
Dick & Didi

From Our District Newsletter

Connecting Colorado

February 2020

Chapter I – Don & Jackie Lacasse, Directors

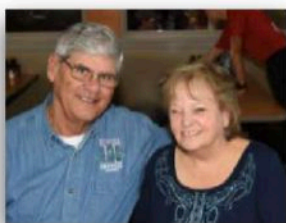
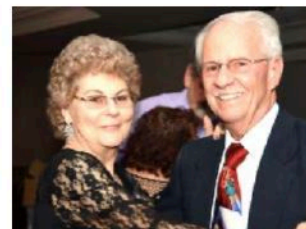
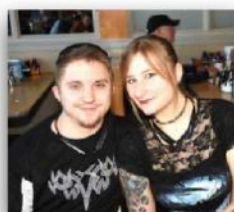


From the Chapter I Directors' Chair

Hello from Chapter I ...where the motto seems to be "Ride to Eat, Eat to Ride!"

Our Chapter meets the 1st Saturday of the month at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 4125 Constitution Avenue, in Colorado Springs. At 8:30 a.m. we enjoy a coffee/social period with the meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. Our website is www.SpringsWings.org.

Here are a few pictures from our recent activities including our Christmas Party, New Year's Breakfast, Chili Cookoff, and Valentine's get-together.



Congratulations go to Olga Wyman, Chili Cookoff Champion, with Nancy Daniels, Runnerup. Of course, the Chapter is overall winner, enjoying all the great chili.

And we are not done yet. Our annual picnic will be on July 11th, so mark your calendars.

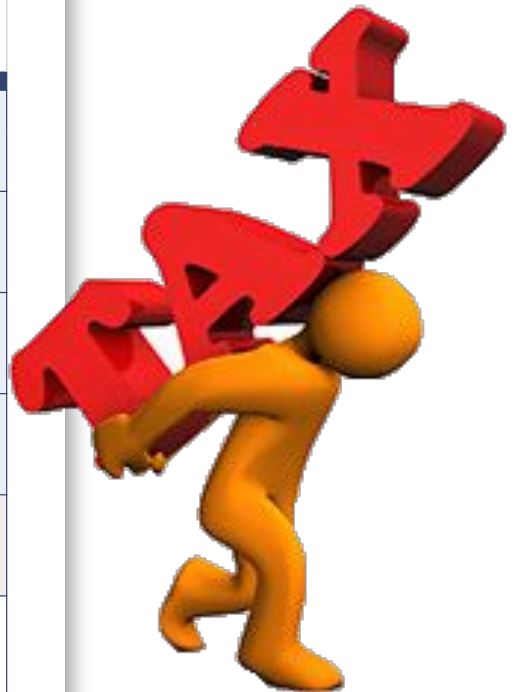
Ride safe!

Springs Wings Calendar



MARCH 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Chapter-I Meeting Chapter Ride
8 Daylight Savings Time Begins	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18 Dinner Ride	19	20	21 CPR/1st Aid
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
Notes:						
Events in RED are placeholders waiting for a planner 🍀						

APRIL 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Free Chapter Steak Dinner	2	3	4 Chapter-I Meeting Chapter Ride
5	6	7	8	9	10 Good Friday	11
12 Easter	13	14	15 Tax Day	16 Post Taxing Dinner Ride	17	18
19	20	21 Parking Lot Practice	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
Notes:						
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Springs Wings For Sale

For Sale. 2010 Yellow Gold Wing

Bike has over \$11,000 in extras to include a Garmin Zumo GPS with Siris, weather and traffic navigator. Bike comes with 2 yellow Arai helmets w/J&M premium headsets, 2 sets of summer and winter riding gear w/ liners, pair of yellow chaps. Bike has heated grips, seat and toe warmers.

Bike comes with cover, battery tender, gloves and many other extras. Just installed 2 Dunlap Elite 4 tires and brakes. Bike has 106,000 miles and am asking

Call or text Ralph at 719-531-5054

-Wingrider65@live.com

**Now
\$12,000!!**



Springs Wings For Sale



2014 B&F Specialties Bunkhouse LX, now made by Bushtec

Included are the walls to enclose the foyer, and a wide overhang on the side, they call it the Garage. AC duct for a small portable unit. Will also come with several custom items we built/adapted just for this camper.

See Alexis & Glenn or call 719-290-1516

Springs Wings For Sale

For Sale 2014 Honda Gold Wing Comfort, Navi, ABS, CB, Fog Lights New tires Service just completed

31,000 Miles

\$16,000

Contact Mark Damschen 719-481-9263 usmcmgysgt@comcast.net



Springs Wings For Sale

FOR SALE



2001
GOLDWING
\$0.00

\$7800

27,000 miles, less than 1,000 miles on new elite III, CB, CD, ~~\$9,000.00~~. Medical issues forces sale. Florissant, CO

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1st Prize: Julie

2nd Prize: Donna

Grand Prize: Lewis!!

Marbles: 12 black & 1 orange marbles
Paul picked the Black marble!

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by Mark Parisi

HIS NAME IS RAINBOW, BUT
LET'S JUST SAY YOU DON'T
FIND GOLD AT THE END...



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