



## Gold Wing Road Riders Association

Fun, Safety, Knowledge



Wichita Falls, Texas-E Chapter,  
Texas District, Region H

**Chapter Director:** Larry and Karen Brown

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Texas E- Meets: Second Monday at 6:30 P.M.  
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**Co-Rider Corner:** Any Chapter Participant with a recipe, pictures, article or item of interest



**Breakfast Ride July 18,** 2009 Eagles,

We will meet at 0700 at Atwoods on Loop 11 and Hwy 287.

Doug and I got up at 6:00 am, as KSU\* was at 7:00 am at Atwoods. The temperature was in the low 70's, and a windbreaker felt very comfortable. When we got to Atwoods the windbreaker ended up in the trunk. \*KSU is the acronym for departure time- *kick stands up* and the ride begins.

We had 14 people riding 10 bikes to meet at Atwoods for the breakfast ride to Altus Oklahoma. We had 2 Harleys, 1 BMW, 1 Honda Sport Touring bike and 6 Gold Wings.

Mirl Robertson was the Ride Captain and Wayne Hankinson was drag.

Mirl took us through some great curvy back roads to Altus. The scenery was especially pretty considering we have been enduring temperatures of over 100 degrees. We saw wild turkeys feeding in a field, plus several types of hawks- Herons, egrets and many vultures.

Had an interesting experience with the vultures! One vulture was in the right tire track in our lane nibbling on carrion. Another was on the center stripe awaiting his turn. A car had just passed us, and when the car was just about even with Mirl's bike the driver of the car saw the vulture on the center stripe. Mirl had been tooting his horn to try to get the vulture's attention, and finally the vulture ascended - but where was he going? It appeared from our position in the line that the car was going to hit the vulture and perhaps throw him right into Mirl's bike. But everyone scraped by - including the vulture. Close encounters of the "vulture kind."

About 9:30 we ended up at the Friendship Inn in Altus. The breakfast was buffet style and they must have had 50 items on the buffet. The food was great and the service was very good.

We gassed up and headed back along the southern side of the Wichita Mountains. The range looked very long from that side of the mountains and you gained a whole new perspective of the mountains. An Oklahoma highway patrolman going in the opposite direction really eye-balled us but I suppose we all looked "harmless" enough (that's why we always drive the speed limit!) On the CB someone asked if the patrolman turned around at which point Doug said "if

he's after us, let's throw him the Harley's and make a run for the border." There are lots of chuckles all around. The Harley's and the BMW did not have a CB so at the next break area; we had to confess our comments. The Harley and BMW riders are good sports and we are so glad they have chosen to ride with us.

We got home about 1:00 pm just as it began to get hot out. We had threatening looking thunderstorms in our rear view mirrors, but everyone made it back before the rain hit. (Thank God for the much needed rain!!)

So next time we have a breakfast or dinner ride, come join us. This is a fun bunch of folks to ride with, and everyone rides safely. I know you will enjoy it! We certainly did.

Good job Mirl.

The next breakfast ride is scheduled for Saturday, August 8, 2009.

Marjorie Hardin  
Membership Enhancement

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### AUGUST:

3	Anniversary	Jackie and Wayne Hankinson (24 years)
13	Birthday	Elizabeth Hawley
14	Birthday	Richard Jeter
24	Birthday	Johnny Clark

### SEPTEMBER

12	Anniversary	Marjorie and Doug Hardin (22 years)
26	Anniversary	Joyce and Bill Hardman (45 years)
26	Birthday	Donna Jeter

# Kansas District Rally

August 28, 29, 30 ABILENE, KS  
Central Ks. Fairgrounds

**PREREGISTRATION by AUG 15 2009**

GWRRA MEMBERS \$25.  
NON MEMBERS \$30.

**AFTER AUGUST 15 2009**

GWRRA MEMBERS \$28.  
NON MEMBERS \$30.

FOR REGISTRATION FORM AND UPDATED  
INFORMATION GO TO [gwks.homestead.com](http://gwks.homestead.com)

**Host Hotels**

America's Best Value President's Inn  
2210 N. Buckeye  
785-263-2050  
\$49.00+tax

Super 8 Motel  
2207 Buckeye  
785-263-4545  
\$49.00+tax

**Host Campground**

Covered Wagon RV Resort  
803 Buckeye (K15)  
785-263-2343  
Full Hook-up \$15  
Shared sites (2 tents per site)  
\$7.50 per tent

**OUR KANSAS RALLY IS ONLY A FEW WEEKS AWAY – LIST OF EVENTS**

We will have a Punch run, just like we would on the bikes with stops along a route, this will have stops along the vendors.

You will buy a sealed envelope with a card inside and take it to the vendor area, they will punch out a spot and after you get 5 punches you will turn in the envelope and inside will be a card that will have a chance to win, and you will have until Saturday 2pm to turn the cards in. Official Rules will be posted at the Rally.

There will be participation tickets to everyone who rides in the light show on Friday, and after the parade we will draw one number and they will win \$50.

We will also do the same for anyone who enters the light show afterwards, Which means, you don't have to have the most lights or even the brightest...all you have to do is participate and have a chance to win another \$50.

First place Trophy for best bike in light show but cash prizes can be won by anyone who enters.

There are lots of activities planned:

- Many Seminars (road captain) (leadership) (An Accident now what?) and many others
- Craft seminar
- Eisenhower Museum Tour / \$5:50 charge
- Games Friday and Saturday
- Horse Races (without the mess)
- Trolley rides to Russell Stover's

- ON BIKE GAMES (not what you might think) and so many more fun times.
- Bingo on Friday @ 5pm – free to play – prizes for winners

Chapter C is hosting the games again this year and Al and Sandy are always great at this, and

Chapter A is again having a get together at the Campground after closing this year, bring a dish and sit and talk with everyone.

This is always a great time, so get everything ready, load up the trailers, put your party hats on and make your way out to **ABILENE FOR SOME FUN AND EXCIETMENT.**

**AS SEEN ON A BUMPER STICKER-**

**“MY KARMA RAN OVER MY DOGMA.”**