

Pennsylvania District  
**CHAPTER R**  
**JANUARY 2023**



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*Ride Safely for  
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## Meet our new Couple of the Year!

The former GWRRA Chapter PA-R held their annual Christmas Party in December where the members bid farewell to over 30 years of riding camaraderie. This included the announcement that the officers will be continuing in their duties in 2023 under the new Wing'd Rider umbrella. We are continuing the honor of designating a new Couple of the Year for 2023. Chapter R's 2022 Couple of the Year, Dwayne and Norma Buchanan, welcomed in our new 2023 couple, John and Ginny Nutting. See more photos inside on pages 9-11.



**Saturday**  
**July 15, 2023**  
**Chapter PA-R**  
**GUMBALL RIDE**  
**Meet at Comfort Inn, Sayre, PA**

Chapter R Gathering meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Saturday** of every month except Dec. - 9:00 a.m. Buffet Breakfast, 10:00 a.m. Meeting.  
Comfort Inn, Elmira Street, Sayre, PA



# Chapter Directors



Happy New Year everyone!

There is a lot of NEW going on here - first of all you will notice the NEW look of this newsletter. This is our first year being a Wing'd Rider group and officially being the Endless Mountains Riders, so I thought NEW would be pretty important. So I have changed the whole look of the newsletter. I do hope you all like it, and please let me know your comments and suggestions for the future!

We are also now part of a NEW Pennsylvania District - also under the Wing'd Rider umbrella. With the brand new year, our District webmaster has unveiled a brand NEW website for the state. Please be sure to visit it at [pennsylvaniawr.org](http://pennsylvaniawr.org). There are some very cool updates on this new version - namely that the chapter events will be prominently placed right on the front page. It will be easy to check out each chapter's events and plan accordingly! I am also the editor of the NEW Pennsylvania District **Rider News**, a monthly newsletter for the entire state. As Chapter Directors, we will be sending this issue out to our membership each month as well as this newsletter. And another announcement, Ed has been designated as the District Photographer! He did such a bang up job at the September Rally, that it was a given. He is very pleased with his Christmas present of a backpack that has compartments to fit all his photography equipment into!



I have a lot of updating still to do with our chapter website, but I have managed to change the URL that you will type in to get to it. It is now **EndlessMountainsRiders.org**. And our facebook page is a group with the same name! So be sure to look us up and like us!

A lot of things will remain the same - we will be meeting every month at the Comfort Inn on the second Saturday of the month. It is still breakfast at 9 (\$8 charge) and our meeting at 10. We will begin Team Meetings at the Railhouse (well, I am making sure that John is verifying that for 2023) in March - with our meeting at 5 and then we'll all order dinner at 6. We are planning our TENTH ANNUAL Gumball/Poker Ride on July 15th. This is going to be a big one! Chapter R did such an outstanding job last year, that the group is just going to build on that and make it even better.



Check out our calendar on the last pages of this issue. Trips and rides may be subject to change, but I wanted to get them all on there to start! We have a picnic planned for May, some dinners in January and February, an Ice Cream Social in March (still verifying that date), some type of Meet & Greet at our June Gathering, our usual Hot Dog Roast and Chili Parties in the fall, and then a long trip in August and a short trip in September. We need to talk about these trips - where would you all like to go? Please email me some ideas, and we will start planning! I already have a few ideas - The Shawshank prison in Ohio, the Adirondacks, and the Northlandz Train Museum in Flemington, NJ, for instance.

We had a great wrap up to our 2022 year with our Christmas Party. Wasn't the Grand Victorian an awesome place with amazing food????? It was so much fun planning that party and then getting together and visiting,

playing games and giving out awards. We want to congratulate our new Couple of the Year, John & Ginny Nutting. These two have done so much for the chapter - Ginny went on our long trip last summer with us, and John has done an outstanding job as our treasurer for the past couple years and he is always ready to stand up and offer his help when the chapter needs it. We are looking forward to the upcoming year with these two!

I know some of our past members have either decided not to continue on with this new Wing'd Rider group, or have yet to join. We do hope you will consider it, as we are the same family we have always been and would enjoy having your company at our meetings and events. But do know - whether you have joined or not, we welcome you to our January Gathering. We have not made any decisions as of yet on the meeting being strictly for "members." We just want to get the transition done and then we will make those types of decisions. So please join us in January at the Comfort Inn. And if you do decide to join, you can join right online at the Wing'd Rider website: <https://wingrider.com/memberships/>. It is \$39.99 for an individual and \$59.99 for a couple.

With this NEW year, I am now completely retired! No more working two days a week. No more scheduling around that type of work. And NO MORE MONEY!!! Oh well - I am really looking forward to having more time to spend with all of you. And we are both looking forward to spending a whole lot of time on that new trike we just got. We want to thank Dennis and Barb for spending the day with us and hauling it home in their trailer. It was December, so it would have been a pretty chilly ride. And now that beauty sits quietly in our garage - just waiting. Is it April yet? If we get a warm day this winter, you might find us on the road!!!

And just so you know, that older converted trike will be for sale this spring. So if you happen to know anyone that needs a starter trike, send them our way!!!

So again, Happy New Year to all, and we hope to see you amidst our 2023 adventures!



**Ed & Carla Dawejko,  
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# Assistant Directors



We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and that your New Year (2023) will be happy and healthy.

As we look back to 2022 we stop and think about all the places we rode and the places we visited. It was so much fun and the scenery was beautiful. We always enjoy the guests from other chapters who join us on these rides. We want to continue to reach out to them to join us whenever they can. We will try to keep everyone posted when the rides are finalized. As you are sitting around this winter watching the snow flakes fall and accumulate please be thinking about some places we could go when the weather is warm and dry.



As most of you know the GWRRA Chapter will be coming to an end but we will be joining Wing'd Riders. Our Chapter is looking forward to this new adventure.

Our Christmas party went very well with good attendance and good food. We want to thank Tom and Renee for joining us along with some other guests. Many thanks to Ed and Carla for the fun games and gag gifts that made for a great day. We had a fun time and want to thank everyone who took part in this.

We are looking forward to a great 2023.

**Your Assistant Chapter Directors,  
Bill & Janice Rowe**

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# Denny's Disorder



HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Can you believe it??? 2023! Okay, a show of hands. Who really thought you would make it this far? I vaguely remember when I still worked for a living. The company would send out retirement data every once in a while. I don't remember the year, probably the late 80's or early 90's, they sent me one dated 2010 Retirement. I recall thinking, no need for me to worry about that, I won't make it that far! Well, I guess I fooled myself as I'm still here. Reminds me of that saying; I wake up in the morning and check the obituaries to see if my name is in there. If not, I run around the block, kick the block back under my bed and go back to sleep!



I'm writing this and I am late as usual, yeah back to my old ways. I really forgot about it as I've been busy. The correspondence about getting all the paperwork changed over to Wing'd Rider has been an ongoing trial. Instructions tend to change weekly. It's very frustrating. I'll ask questions, not get much of an answer, so I proceed, copying the powers to be. Then I get told I'm wrong.....grrrrrrrr. I know everyone is working hard on this. John Lazzeroni, President and owner of Wing'd Rider, has hired a law firm to give advice and help in the transition. I'll be so glad when Chapter Templates, N990's, 8822b's, By-Laws and whatever else they come up with at the last minute, will be over! To be honest, we are getting very close.

On top of all that, I've been working on getting the new Pennsylvania WR (Pennsylvania District of Wing'd Rider) set up. While there are some things GWRRA did well, there are many we do not want. Exciting news will be unveiled after the first of the year when the Pennsylvania WR website is released, <https://www.PennsylvaniaWR.org>. Then the first Pennsylvania WR Newsletter is about ready to send out. Congratulations to our new web master, Mike DeGeiso, for the amount of time and effort he has put into the new website. And the same to our Newsletter Editor, Carla Dawejko, for all her work and coordination with Mike. Both have put in a tremendous amount of work. Thanks.

My perspective of the new organization, as it pertains to Pennsylvania WR, is Chapters. The District should exist to support the Chapters in Pennsylvania, the life line of the organization. Then I've come up with a slogan, Ride Safely for Fellowship and Fun. Note Ride is the first word and what the District will be concentrating on, getting back to riding. Then we want to do it Safely so we can do it again the next day. Fellowship is next and I don't think anything needs to be said about it. Last is Fun because Jere Goodman says this is always the last word! When working on District business, this slogan will be the guiding factor in determining what we want to do.

To wrap up, my family had a get together at our house the day after Christmas. Everyone was there. We took many pictures, but my favorite is the five generation picture with my dad down through my great grandson Brycen – or as I like to call him, Little Dennis (his middle name)!



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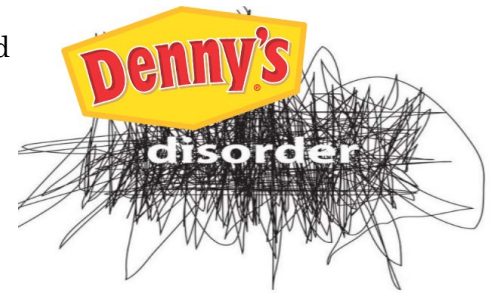
Now my thoughts are turning to snow. I'll be looking for riding opportunities right after the first of the year, just as temperatures are going to spring-like levels. Well at least my driveway won't be a sheet of ice. I do have one trip booked to Northern Maine for President's Week. Thinking of looking at the Lake George area for a trip in January. Good snowmobiling friends go with me. It is like an Endless Mountains PAR WR get away, always a ton of fun.

Speaking of our 'new' Chapter, I'm anxious to hear what trips are planned on for this coming year. It's good to get back to our roots and ride, ride, ride! One trip Barb & I have booked is the Wing'd Rider National Rally #1 in Litchfield, Illinois the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Ed & Carla along with Arline and Gary are riding out with us. Any other interest, get with me for details. If we get too many, we might have to break into groups to make it safer. Information on the National Wing'd Rider Rally is on their website, [wingrider.com](http://wingrider.com).

That's it for Edition One of Denny's Disorder for the Endless Mountains PAR WR Newsletter. Barb & I look forward to catching up with everyone soon.

Till next year,

Dennis & Barb





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**January 9  
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## New Bike!



Being out of town for a month delayed the delivery of Ed & Carla Dawejko's new bike until cold weather hit. Thankfully Dennis & Barb Smouse have a nice warm trailer that they offered for bringing the bike home. And now, sadly, there she sits 'til warm weather arrives!



# Chapter Events

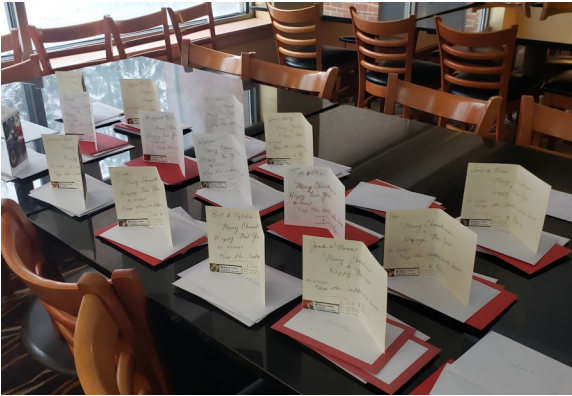
## 2022 Christmas Party



A pretty good looking group gathered for our 2022 Christmas Party at the Grand Victorian on December 11th. The snow came down and made it feel very festive, but not enough to keep people away. The perfect combination! And everyone was dressed in their holiday best - even with some crazy hats and necklaces. But as always, our young couple get the prize for best dressed!



# Chapter Events



There were 25 people at the 2022 Christmas Party. The Grand Victorian put on a fabulous meal and the group enjoyed several interactive games. It was a time to sit back, visit with good friends, and remember a year full of riding fun.





# Chapter Events



Awards went to Dennis Smouse for his GPS abilities, Bill & Janice Rowe for filling the Directors' shoes, and Marie Roberts for her squeaky voice. Below, Marie assists Barb Smouse with her necklace and John & Ginny Nutting receive corsages and a Couple of the Year plaque.





# Saturday July 15, 2023

**Rain or Shine!**

Registration  
9:00-11:00 a.m.

Starts at the Comfort Inn  
2160 Elmira Street  
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coffee  
and baked goods  
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starting line

Last rider out - 11:00 a.m.

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## Musings from the One (Supposedly) In Charge!

Hi there and welcome to 2023!!!! Making New Year's Resolutions? I hope you had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends, I know I did and will. So, Gold Wing Road Riders Association is officially gone. I am not happy (which one of the seven dwarfs does that make me?). Seriously, the news hit me like a big punch in the gut. I liken it to losing a family member, it has been such a large part of Barb's and my lives since the mid-nineties. But life moves on and here it is 2023 and we are now Wing'd Riders!

**My goal for 2023 is to accomplish the goals of 2022 which I should have done in 2021 because I made a promise in 2020 and planned them in 2019.**

Everyone wants to know 'what does that mean'? Yeah, me too. From discussions, District Staff Meeting and others, starting another GWRRA organization under a new name will not work. Didn't work for them. What will this new organization be/look like? I don't know. I am a member of it, just like you. Being a District Director or Chapter Director does not make me/us clairvoyant. It puts us in position to make things happen. So let me proceed with what I have been 'musing' about.

**It's never too late to start exercising. That's why I'm waiting until later.**

How about a new motto for Pennsylvania WR (our new name – in case you were wondering). I've come up with 'Ride Safely for Fellowship and Fun!' Whaddya think? Let me explain. In the discussions mentioned above, two overriding thoughts were clear, riding and fellowship. Therefore, I decided to make our motto reflect what we want to do. Starting at the beginning, Ride. That will be the first priority of the District, Rides. Next is riding safely. A no-brainer. Ride safely so we are around to ride another day. Next is fellowship. The Members in Pennsylvania like each other. Members of the Chapters become more like family than friends. How many times have you heard the phrase, "joined for the ride, stayed for the friendship"? Any Chapter I visited was like stepping into a family reunion, all warm and friendly. And lastly Fun, according to Jere Goodman, is always the last word!

**I've decided to take exercising more seriously. Today I moved to the left. Tomorrow I go right.**

There you have it. I plan on using this motto to drive decisions on the District level. I have ideas on how to implement, but nothing concrete yet. Am I correct? Hey, you're reading about these ideas the same time the Pennsylvania WR District Staff is. I did not have time to run it by them. What are your thoughts? Make sense? Should something be added/subtracted? What changes should be made? Lastly, what ideas do you have to implement this motto?

As I stated at the beginning, we do not want to become a GWRRA clone. Some aspects of GWRRA are not bad. I like Chapter Gatherings and hope they continue. I think the Couple of the Year is a good program and hope to have it continue, with modifications. We do have a District Staff, which will be listed later on in the Newsletter.



**Dennis & Barb Smouse**  
PA District Directors



**Apparently exercise helps you with your decision making. It's true. I went for a run this morning and decided I'm never going again!**

What will be new? Another good question I wish I had solid answers to. Need your help. What would you like to see? One difference is the PA District Rally. I am going to try and put one on for 2023. It will be a scaled down version of 2022, including going to one and a half to two days only – Friday & Saturday, with the focus on Riding & Fellowship. I'm looking at the end of August or early September. There is a venue here in Northeast, PA I am going to contact to get the ball rolling. I know it would be a longer ride for some in Pennsylvania, but hey, Riding is number one, right? There is fantastic riding in Bradford, Sullivan and Tioga Counties.

**It was so windy when I was walking to the gym that I got blown into the liquor and candy stores.**

There you have what I know about this newfangled Wing'd Rider organization we have joined. See a couple announcements later in the Newsletter. I would love to hear your thoughts and comments. I'll put my contact info at the end.

**My wife caught me standing on the bathroom scales sucking in my stomach. "HA! that's not going to help!" She laughed. "Sure it does." I said. "It's the only way I can see the numbers."**

Also, look for a Wing'd Rider Pennsylvania WR website in the new year.

Dennis & Barb Smouse

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# District Educators



FROM YOUR PA DISTRICT EDUCATORS

Hello PA District WR

As your old GWRRA PA District Educators we wish everyone a merry Christmas and happy holidays.

As your new PA-WR District Educators we look forward to seeing everyone out and about taking Rider Course training or Seminar's and out riding having fun in the 2023 riding season.

Remember,  
ALL THE GEAR ALL THE TIME. (ATGATT)

Most of all ride safe and have fun  
Your PA District Educators  
Gerry and Bonnie Kerkeslager



**Gerry & Bonnie Kerkeslager**  
PA District Educators





## WINGD RIDER RALLY PRE-REGISTRATION

Wing'd Rider Rally priority advanced registration (thru 12/31/2022) includes:

- Priority access to all venues, including the WRRally Expo vendor lot, exclusive WRMember sit-down social greeting area, seminars and more to be announced!
- 1 or 2 official WRRally pins and decals.
- 1 or 2 50/50 tickets for drawing at closing ceremonies.
- Special discounts by participating vendors when you show your WRRally wristbands.
- Participation in WRRally adventure rides, including the old-route 66 ride.
- Participation in the WRRally field events including the bean-bag toss and slow-ride contest.
- Seating for 1 or 2 at the WRRally charity banquet & vendor party night, including live entertainment and meal tickets.
- Participation in the WRRally parade and light show.
- Seating for 1 or 2 at closing ceremonies and a chance to win one of the special grand prizes!

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# Calendar



## January

Saturday Jan 14	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Saturday Jan 28	Meet For Dinner	3:00 pm	Open for Suggestions

## February

Saturday Feb 11	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Saturday Feb 25	Meet For Lunch	1:00 pm	Open for Suggestions

## March

Saturday Mar 11	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Mar 16	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Sunday Mar 19	Ice Cream Social	1:00-3:00pm	Comfort Inn, Sayre

## April

Saturday Apr 8	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Apr 13	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Saturday Apr 22	First Ride of Season	11:00 am	Meet Sayre Dandy

## May

Saturday May 7	Hobo Stew Ride	9:00 am	Meet in Canton
Saturday May 13	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday May 18	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Sunday May 21	Chapter Picnic	1:00 am	TBA

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## June

Saturday June 10	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
	Meet & Greet	Ride to Southern Tier Honda, Montour Falls, NY	
Thursday June 15	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Monday June 26- July 4	Wing'd Rider/Rally	TBA	Illinois

## July

Saturday July 8	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday July 13	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Saturday July 15	Gumball/Poker Ride Picnic/Awards	8:00-11:00 am 1:00-3:00 pm	Comfort Inn, Sayre Athens Firehall

## August

Wednesday Aug 2 - Aug 6	Chapter Trip	TBA	TBA
Saturday Aug 12	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Aug 17	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly

## September

Saturday Sept 2	Hot Dog Roast	12:00 noon	Smouse House
Saturday Sept 9	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Sept 14	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Saturday Sept 23	Day Trip	TBA	TBA



# Calendar



## October

Saturday Oct 14	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Oct 19	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly
Saturday Oct 28	Final Ride	11:00 am	TBA

## November

Sunday Nov 5	Chili Party	12:00 noon	Smouse House
Saturday Nov 11	Chapter Gathering	9:00 am Breakfast 10:00 am Meeting	Comfort Inn, Sayre
Thursday Nov 16	Team Meeting/Dinner	5:00 pm	Railhouse, Waverly

## December

Sunday Dec 10	Christmas Party	12:00 pm	TBA
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