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**Tom & Linda Matlock**

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**Month at 9:00 a.m. Donuts/Coffee**

(No get together in July or December)

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<b>Chapters</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>B-2</b>	Bellefontaine, Bellefontaine JVS, 2280 St Rt 540, Potluck 6 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs	7:00 p.m.
<b>B-3</b>	Obetz, meets at Obetz Rec. Ctr, 1611 Chillicothe St., coffee/donuts 8:30 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. (except Jul & Dec)	9:00 a.m.
<b>D-3</b>	Marysville, meets at Sandy's Bar & Grill, 333 Millcreek Dr, check with CD for other info	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed.	7:30 p.m.
<b>O</b>	Newark, meets at Stacy's Buffet, 833 S. 30 <sup>th</sup> St., Heath, eat 6 PM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs.	7:00 p.m.
<b>U-2</b>	Hilliard, meets at Hilliard Branch Library, 4772 Cemetery Rd, potluck at 6:30 pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Sat.	7:30 p.m.
<b>Y</b>	Mt. Vernon, Grove Church of Christ, 7740 Grove Church Rd, 43022.	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat.	7:00 p.m.
<b>Y-2</b>	Zanesville, Papa Chuck's Restaurant, 375 Muskingum Ave, 43701, eats at 6 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues.	7:00 p.m.
<b>Z-2</b>	Delaware, Byxbe's Restaurant, 1502 W. William St, eat at 6:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed.	7:00 p.m.
<b>Other</b>	<b>Chapters</b>		
<b>F-3</b>	Lancaster, meets at Fat Cat's Pizza, 1448 Ety Point Dr, near Walmart, eat at 6:00 pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues.	7:00 p.m.

**Greeters for September – Wendell & Sue Gundy**

*Let's all remember to wish these folks a Happy Birthday and a Happy Anniversary*

**September**

**Birthdays**

**Anniversaries**

Sept 01

John & Margaret Moore

Sept 06

Gladys Carter

Sept 08

Larry & Gladys Carter

Sept 12

Sandy Durbin

Sept 27

Jeff Caslow

Give Linda Matlock or Margaret Moore a call if we need to send out get well or sympathy cards.



Did you find a Helmet? The first member who sends me an email to [malm3848@aol.com](mailto:malm3848@aol.com) will earn an award. It will not appear in every issue. No Member can be a repeat winner within a 6 month period.

From *OH B3 Chapter Director*;

The Annual Children's Toy Ride is over. I think it turned out well. Thanks to all the members who volunteered to help. I, also, think our ADD is going to improve it next year. No one got hurt or had an accident, as far as I know. That is always good info. We have a Toy Ride coming up for F3 soon. I think on October 24<sup>th</sup> in Lancaster. We only bring toys and ride in this one.

We have some events coming up soon that I hope you can attend. One is the Region D Rally (Celina) (See ride schedule), the other is Buckeye Timeout. This is where District Staff gets together and starts winding down for the season. After our meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we are riding to Plain City to enjoy the day: Games, food and friends. Warning: don't play Corn Hole with Wendell for money! We do need to bring some food, of course. MAM and I will be camping from Friday night. Most of you know the familiar blue camper trailer. Bring your folding chairs. We, also, have the Obetz Children's Halloween Party @ Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>. Details TBA.

Also, coming up at the end of October is Mileage time. We collect the mileage readings of each bike/trike of our members on Oct 31 even if you don't ride much with us. Several reasons we do this: It gives us a total mileage our members ride each year. Also, we calculate from year to year your total annual miles for top mileage honors and helps with Rider Education statistics. So, during the first week of November please forward your odometer reading (as of Oct 31 to me). At our Christmas Luncheon we will announce the riders with the most miles and other events. I do not get the most U Turns Award this year.

As always, ride Safe, have Fun, and always enjoy Ice Cream.

Thank You, **JJ** (John J Moore, OH-B3 CD)



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**From Your Assistant Chapter Director**

Well, fall is fast approaching. Cooler days are approaching and time to get more riding time in. I don't know about you, but I would rather ride in cooler weather with just a light jacket on than when it is in the upper 80's or low 90's. It seems that it is a lot more enjoyable and you can ride a lot longer without getting tired as quickly. We all had a nice ride to Malabar Farms and had to wear our jackets, but the ride wasn't nearly as tiring.

We want everyone to make our new members, Jeff and Carolyn Goldblatt and Jim and Alice Bontrager, feel welcome and at home. They have already been on some rides and want to become more involved in the Chapter. This is what we need; involvement of all the members as it is everyone's Chapter and not just the Staff's. We want everyone to share in planning rides and all activities of the Chapter. We will be working on the ride schedule for next year and want to make the kind of rides that you want. So please let us know so we can plan accordingly.

As most of you know at the time you are reading this Newsletter, Mary will have had her surgery and be recuperating and getting ready for 7 weeks of Radiation, 5 days a week. Please keep us in your thoughts as this is a very trying time for the both of us. We consider all of you as our new and extended family and have enjoyed being a part of a great organization that is GWRRA and especially Chapter B-3.

Ben Bayes  
Assistant Chapter Director

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**WHY JUST BE A MEMBER**

The motto of GWRRA is "FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY, AND KNOWLEDGE." First and foremost GWRRA is a social organization of friends. We have an award-winning Rider Education Division to help with the "Safety" aspect. We have fantastic Leadership Training Division to help with the "Knowledge." In the Membership Enhancement Division we have the "Fun" activities guide. The best part of belonging to GWRRA is the Riding and the Fun.....

I realize that I cannot understand why anyone would want to be "JUST A MEMBER" and do nothing. I can't imagine being at a Chapter gathering where everyone just sat around and does not participate. I could just imagine the Chapter Director standing up at the gathering and doing everything. Everyone else was being "JUST A MEMBER." Then I tried to figure out what the "JUST A MEMBER" was looking for by remaining a Member of GWRRA. They were looking to just have FUN, EAT, SOCIALIZE, and RIDE. Isn't this the reason we joined GWRRA? We joined to RIDE and have FUN. If we look at Chapters that are growing and successful we see Chapters where the participants are involved and having FUN. They are there to have FUN. Who is responsible to make things FUN? WE don't need to assist, volunteer, or help out. Let someone else do it. The end result will be no more FUN. No more Chapters and no more GWRRA. WE really don't want to be 'JUST A MEMBER', do we?

Mary Bayes  
M E C

(Excerpts of an article from Ed & Linda Johnson)

### From your Chapter Rider Educator

Many of our members have changed tires this year so I thought that a little information I picked up while researching tires might be interesting.

There has probably been more speculation concerning this common wear pattern on motorcycle tires than just about anything else. Why does the front tires show wear on the left side early?

Why is this wear more evident on the **left front** in most cases? Actually, excessive side tire wear is only evident on the **left front** in countries where one **rides on the right side of the road**. Riding right means that the left side of your tire will have more (and likely faster) miles on it than the right side. Left hand turns have a larger radius than right hand turns in right side driving countries, therefore you ride farther turning left than turning right with subsequent increased side band wear on the tire's left side. The **left side of your tire has more miles on it** than the right side of your tire. And the **side** of your tire **only** gets mileage when you lean in a turn.

Cupping is reported to be a natural wear pattern on motorcycle tires and it will always follow the tread pattern. It is not a sign that you have bad suspension parts. It merely shows that your tire is gripping the road when you make turns. This cupping develops within the side wear bands of a leaned motorcycle. The extreme forces that come in to play when the bike is leaned in a turn are what produce the effect and when the wear becomes sufficient, one will experience vibration and noise when one banks into a turn.

### Wear Bars

There are ways to tell if a tire needs to be replaced. One of the most obvious is the nail sticking out of the tire or some other foreign object, which will let the air captured inside escape. Any holes, dry rotting or when the tread is even with the wear bars are reasons to replace a tire.

You can locate the wear indicator by an arrow (note: depending on brand of tire, the arrow may be a little Michelin man as on Michelin tires, the Dunlop logo on Dunlop Tires, a viper head on Avon tires, etc.) on the sidewall or on the extreme edge of the tread area. Follow this arrow onto the tread and look for the raised portion in between the tread groves. If this raised portion becomes flush with the tread, it is time for a new tire.

Excessively worn tires are more susceptible to penetrations. Always replace tires from service before they reach the tread wear indicator bars (1/32 of an inch tread pattern depth remaining). Mixing new and worn tires result in deteriorated handling combinations and worn tires used in wet conditions can result in deteriorated handling.

The main thing to remember with tires on a motorcycle is that you only have two keeping you upright and when one of them goes at mid to high speed you are very likely going down and that is an experience that we all want to avoid.

BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY

Tom Matlock

C.R.E.

Thanks to all members of B-3 for their commitment to safe riding.



## Ride Schedule

\* All Rides leave from Frisch's Big Boy 3920 Hamilton Rd, unless otherwise noted

### September



Sept 5	<b>B3 Gathering</b> Hwy 674 South of Canal Winchester 4.2 miles south of Lithopolis Rd	<b>Meet at Slate Run Park</b> <b>Bring your own Drinks &amp; Snacks</b> Ride after Meeting
Sept 14	Ice Cream Ride, Meet 7:00 PM	Bruster's, Grove City
Sept 17-19	Region D Rally	Celina, Ohio
Sept 22	Dinner Ride, Meet 7:00 PM	Miller's Essenplatz, Newark
Sept 25	Staff Meeting 7:00 PM	JJ's & Margaret's
Sept 26	B3 Cookout 1:00 PM-?	Wendell's & Sue

### October



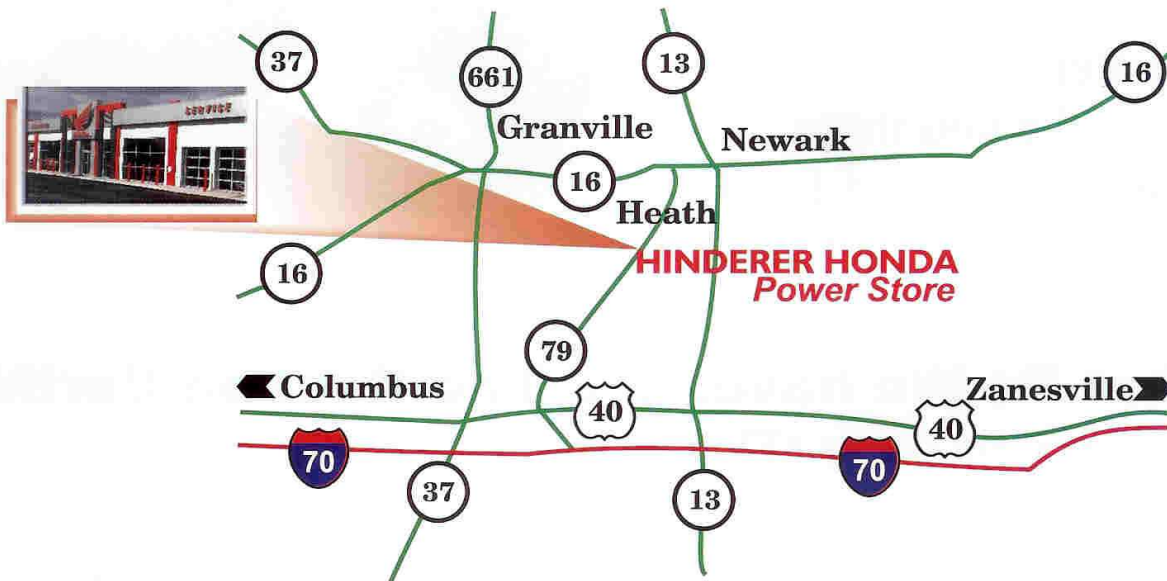
Oct 3	<b>B3 Gathering</b>	<b>9:00 AM Obetz Center,</b> Then Buckeye Time-Out
Oct 2-4	Buckeye Time-Out	Pastime Park
Oct 10	Lunch Ride (Old Dutch Rest.)	<b>Leaving Frisch's, 10:00 AM</b>
Oct 17	Fall Color Ride	Leave @ 10:00 AM
Oct 22	Staff Meeting	JJ & Margaret's
Oct 23	Obetz Halloween Party	More info later (6- 8 PM)
Oct 24	F3 Toy Ride (Bring New Toy)	Leave @ 11:30 AM

Sue Gundy, B3 Ride Coordinator

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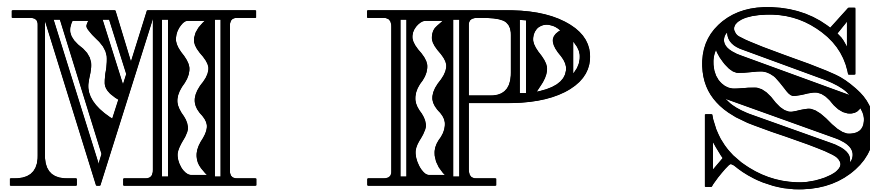
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