TEXAS CAPITOL WINGS



From the Director's Chair

Jim & Dee Dee Evans, Chapter Directors

Hello all,

Another chilly ride to our Chapter Gathering led by Ken to Margarita's on 29 just east of 183. This was a

very good place to have lunch and our social time. We had four bikes, two with coriders and one trike. About 15 other people met us at the Restaurant. Steven, Tom, and Jim M. won door prizes, Al won the 30% and Tom the 20%.

Our April Gathering will be in Fredericksburg for the Bluebonnet Rally on the 13, 14 and 15th. We are hoping to have a great rally filled with fun and just getting together to relax and ride. If you have or find anything for the Silent Auction, please contact Tom or bring it with you. At last count, we only have around 15 items.

If you still need to register, please use the links below: Chapter member link is <u>https://form.jotform.com/230245786451155</u> Non-Chapter member link is <u>https://form.jotform.com/230245312512138</u>

April will also be the month for the Louisiana Lally and the Yellow Rose District Rally. We hope to see you there. The Arkansas Rally will be in May. Please review the planning blocks on page 2 for all the rallies.

We have not finalized our Fall Ride in plans. If you have a suggestion, please pass it on to me. Al and Claire rode out to Brownwood State Park and will discuss their findings at the Bluebonnet rally with all of us.



April Gathering

The April Gathering will take place at the Bluebonnet Rally being held in Fredericksburg on April 13-15 Ladybird Municipal Park Check out www.goldwingaustin.org for details.

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TRAINING AT THE TEXAS DISTRICT RALLY Randy Reese, Texas District Trainer

Good Day Texas Riders!



Based on feedback I requested last month on possible classes for the Yellow Rose Rally, we have scheduled 4 classes:

- Friday, April 28

 > 10:00 am Riding in the Dark
 > 1:00 pm Team Riding Seminar
- <u>Saturday, April 29</u>
 > 10:00 am Co-Riding Seminar
 > 1:00 pm Riding in the Rain

You can sign up for the classes at the training desk when you check into the Rally.

Upcoming Events Details:	Silent Auction
www.goldwingaustin.org	Items Needed
4/15 April Gathering	submitted by Dawn Sprague
(@ Bluebonnet Rally)	Capitol Wings Group
4/13-15 Capitol Wings	Our Bluebonnet Rally is around
Bluebonnet Rally	the Corner – April 15th. We real-
Fredericksburg TX	ly need items for the Silent Auc-
4/20-22 LA District Rally	tion.
Morgan City, LA	If "Pick Up" is required. Please
4/27-29 TX "Yellow Rose" Rally	call Tom Sprague at:
Kerrville TX	(512) 363 0904 - or -
5/18-20 Arkansas Rally	Email Tom at:
Harrison AR	tmsprague48@gmail.com
	Thank You For Your Support

Mighty Oak BBQ

Tom and Dawn Sprague

Tom and Dawn recently visited the Mighty Oak BBQ restaurant in New Braunfels and discovered that the Stokems (former Chapter O members) are the proprietors. After enjoying a delicious meal and catching up with each other, the Stokems ended up donating almost \$200 in restaurant gift certificates to be used at our upcoming Bluebonnet Rally.

A Big Thank You to the Stokems and Mighty Oak BBQ for supporting the Capitol Wings. HOME | ABOUT US | VIEW MEHU | SPECIAL OFFERS | IN THE NEWS | REVIEWS | GALLERY | HOURS ORDER NOW



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Huntsville Ride 03/11/23

Tom Sprague, Chapter Ways & Means Coordinator Texas District Webmaster

Attendees: Tom Sprague, Lyles Altes, Randall & Virginia Kimbrough (Ch J), Mike & Debbie Pierson (Ch J)



It was 7 am on Saturday (March 11). I was suppose to meet Lyle at the Bucees in Bastrop. That meant I needed to get on the road. I had my coffee mug filled and ready to go. The night before I did a *t-clock* on my bike and it was ready, it just needed to be warmed up a little. The morning was partly cloudy and in the high 50's. The weather was predicted to be sunny and in the upper 70 to maybe 80. This was a great day for a ride. I had not been on more than a couple hour ride for more than 9 months. Was I ready for a 3 ½ hour ride? Well the only way to find out was to get on the bike and give it a go. By 7:30 I was on the bike and on my way. I made a quick text to Lyle to let him know I was on schedule to meet at Bucees. About half way to Bastrop I realized my throttle hand was getting a little tired and numb. Don't you just love the fact that on a Goldwing you do not need to worry about things like that. Yes the cruise control came in handy. I was able to rest my hand a little and made it to Bastrop a little ahead of schedule. The only worry when pulling into Bucees was the east was pretty heavily overcast. Lyle was just on time and I made the remark I did not plan for any wet weather. I did not bother to bring any rain gear. But despite the heavy overcast we were on our way. Not to worry the weather cleared up about half-way to Bryan/College Station. Our destination was Huntsville and the Texas Prison Museum. I had never been to the Prison Museum and found it very interesting in sort of a gruesome way. There were pictures all the way back to the 1800's. Of course there was old Sparkey (Texas electric chair) as well as memorabilia from days gone by. There was a lot of items to purchase (I assume all made by inmates). As I was walking through I spotted a teletype as a relic of years gone by. I took a hard look and exclaimed to Lyle that I had used one of them when working for a computer company in Texas as well as in Connecticut. If that is considered a relic what does that make me? About 12:30 we were getting a little hungry so the friends from Beaumont/Orange (Randall, Virginia, Mike and Debbie) suggested a nice little restaurant (Humphrey's) across the street from Sam Houston State University. I opted for the burger with onion rings. Well the burger was enough to feed two and the onion rings were some of the best I have had. After lunch and a little discussion with Randall and Mike about EWMA we were ready to part ways. Lyle and I headed back to the freeway and filled up with fuel and pointed the bikes west and back to the Austin area. As a side note - next to the Prison Museum was a Veterans Museum. It looked to have a lot of Vietnam memorabilia. There was also a Sam Houston Memorial Museum as well. In total, there are about 10 museums and places of interest in Huntsville. I got back to Dripping Springs around 5:30. As mentioned at the beginning it was a great day for a ride.



L to R: Debbie, Mike, Randall, Virginia, Tom, Lyle

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LIMITED SPACE - For questions and reservations, please contact Deanna Cisson • deanna@wingersnwaves.com • (386) 299-7535

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LOUISIANA DISTRICT RALLY

https://larevelers.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-Rally-Flyer-Reg.pdf



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