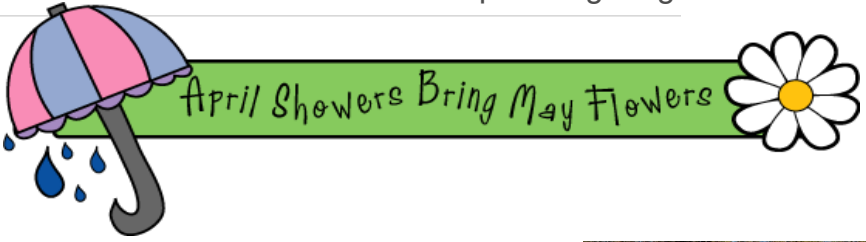


April 2024

# TEXAS CAPITOL WINGS



[www.capitolwings.org](http://www.capitolwings.org)



## From the Director's Chair

*Jim & Dee Dee Evans, Chapter Directors*



Hello All,

The rain cancelled our ride to Dale's Essenhaus in Walburg March 16<sup>th</sup>. We still had great time with all our friends. Hubert and Linda brought their friends Ken and Jackie Dallman to the gathering. I still have most of Ken and Jackie's gear for sale, refer to last month's newsletter for details. Our ticket master Ken conducted the 50/30/20 and door prize drawing.



## Door Prize Winners



## 50-50 Winners



## Texas District Ride-In

Dee Dee and I attended the EWMA District Yellow Rose Ride In March 21<sup>st</sup> thru 23<sup>rd</sup> hosted at the Y.O. Hotel in Kerrville. Other members from Capitol Wings attending were Al and Claire, Jim and Teresa, Tom and Dawn, John and Wanda and Hugo. Three great days of riding with 17 rides to choose from. Thursday morning was a little wet but Friday and Saturday were great weather riding days. Door prizes, ice cream, 25 cubed (25/25/25/25 replaced 50/50 with three winners) with great socializing on Thursday and Friday nights. Saturday Dee Dee organized a pizza party with the guests we had remaining. Guests from Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana attended as well bringing our total to 88 people. I heard many great comments, thank yous and a few pointers for next time. Overall, I think we all had a really good time.

Below are door prize winners



Below are money winners of the 25 cubed.



## Texas District Ride-In (continued)

Below Tom Sprague is leading a ride on Thursday morning.



Below is the group with Gene Harris at lunch in Leakey, Jim and Dee Dee on 337 Friday.



Ride Leaders receiving a \$30 gift card for Cracker Barrel... THANK YOU RIDE LEADERS!!!!

Tail Gunners received a \$10 gift card for Dairy Queen.

Below, Gene Harris leading an afternoon ride to the Cartoon Saloon.



## 10 Reasons to Wear a Helmet on a Motorcycle

*Tom Sprague comments*

The following is a combination of a couple of different articles I found on the internet.

Wearing a helmet on a motorcycle is necessary for safety and protection against head injuries. It reduces the risk of severe head trauma, brain damage, and even fatal accidents on the road. Additionally, helmets also offer enhanced visibility, shielding the eyes from wind, dust, and insects. By wearing a helmet, riders can confidently enjoy their motorcycle experience while minimizing the risk of life-threatening injuries. You should always wear a motorcycle helmet when riding because it is paramount for rider safety. Statistics reveal that helmets reduce the risk of head injury by an impressive 69% and lower the risk of death by 42%.

These figures highlight their critical role in preventing one of the leading causes of death and disability in America – head injuries. Whether you're a seasoned rider or a novice, always donning a helmet is a non-negotiable step to safeguard your well-being on the road.

### 1. Protect Your Head

The first and most obvious reason to wear a helmet is to safeguard your head from injuries in case of an accident. Helmets provide a protective barrier that absorbs the impact and reduces the risk of severe head trauma.

### 2. Prevent Brain Injuries

Wearing a helmet significantly reduces the likelihood of sustaining a brain injury during a motorcycle accident. By cushioning the impact, helmets help minimize the force that reaches your brain, offering valuable protection against concussions or long-term brain damage.

### 3. Ensure Visibility

Helmets also have visors that protect your eyes from dirt, dust, insects, and other debris while riding. By ensuring clear visibility, helmets enhance your overall safety and reduce the risk of accidents caused by impaired vision.

### 4. Shield Against Extreme Weather Conditions

Riding a motorcycle exposes you to various weather elements, and wearing a helmet can help shield you from rain, hail, or even intense sunlight. This added protection keeps you comfortable and focused on the road ahead.

### 5. Enhance Aerodynamics And Reduce Fatigue

Helmets are engineered to be aerodynamic, offering a streamlined design that reduces wind resistance. By minimizing drag, helmets enable you to ride at higher speeds with less effort, reducing fatigue during long rides.

### 6. Block Out Wind Noise

The noise produced by wind at high speeds can distract and damage your hearing. Helmets with built-in noise-canceling features help muffle the wind noise, allowing for a more enjoyable and safer ride. You can also reduce wind noise by wearing earbuds in the helmet. Earbuds help to dampen road noise and you can enjoy your favorite music while riding. But you must know how to wear earbuds in a motorcycle helmet for safe riding properly.

### 7. Comply With Legal Requirements

Wearing a helmet is not just a matter of personal choice but is often required by law. Many countries and states enforce helmet laws to ensure the safety of motorcycle riders and passengers. According to the NHTSA, helmets are estimated to prevent 37% of motorcycle rider fatalities and 41% of passenger fatalities. By wearing a helmet, you avoid fines and potential legal trouble.

### 8. Be stylish

Wearing a motorcycle helmet is not just about safety – it also allows you to make a fashion statement. Motorcycle helmets come in various designs and colors, allowing you to showcase your style while riding. Pairing your helmet with the color scheme of your motorcycle can create a visually appealing aesthetic, making you stand out from the crowd. You become a role model for other riders by prioritizing safety without sacrificing fashion.

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## 10 Reasons to Wear a Helmet on a Motorcycle

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### 9. Increase Confidence And Peace Of Mind

Knowing you have taken every precaution to protect yourself can significantly boost your confidence while riding. Wearing a helmet gives you peace of mind, allowing you to fully enjoy the thrill of motorcycling without worrying about potential risks.

### 10. Preserve Your Loved Ones' Peace Of Mind

Lastly, wearing a helmet is about your safety and the peace of mind it brings to your loved ones. By prioritizing your well-being and taking necessary safety measures, you alleviate their concerns and ensure you return home safely after each ride. Wearing a helmet while riding a motorcycle is a legal requirement in many places and a crucial safety measure that can save lives. The protection of helmets against head injuries, brain trauma, and various weather conditions cannot be overstated.

Don't just ride. Ride responsibly and make wearing a helmet an ingrained habit every time you hit the open road. The following is the law in Texas regarding the use of a motorcycle helmet. The map that follows is a quick reference to laws around the US. You will notice that 18 of the 50 states have mandatory helmet laws. Only 3 states have no helmet laws currently on the books.

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## TEXAS MOTORCYCLE HELMET LAWS

As per the Texas motorcycle helmet usage law, all riders need to wear a helmet if they are under the age of 21 years, have no medical insurance, or have not finished a safety course.

As per Texas state motorcycle helmet laws, all riders under the age of 21 years need to wear a helmet. If the rider is above this age limit, he/she can ride without a helmet; however, they need to provide proof of health insurance or complete a motorcycle safety course.

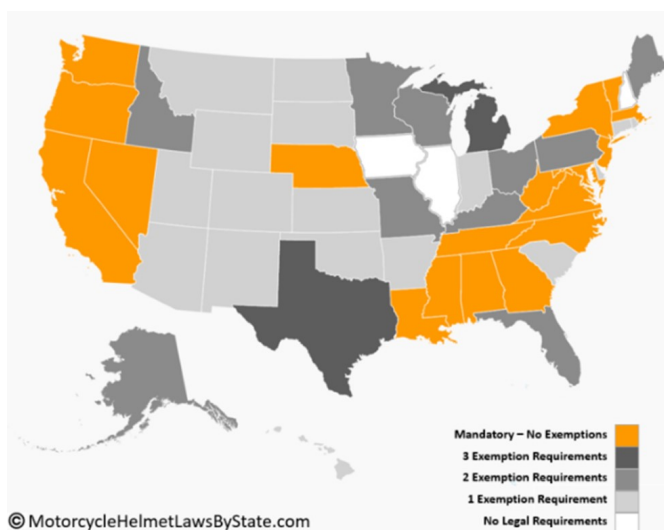
The helmet needs to be fitted snugly and securely while riding. It should also be free of defects like exposed metal, frayed straps, loose padding, and cracks. It is advised for riders to wear protective gear and turn on their headlights while riding. Riders should ride defensively and avoid the lane's center where oil and debris build up.

Texas motorcycle helmet laws were enacted in 1977. In principle, Texas mandates all motorcyclists and passengers to wear a helmet that fulfils the state's Department of Public Safety's safety standards.

Those aged 21 and over who have successfully completed an authorized motorcycle operator training and safety course or who are insured by a health insurance plan that provides at least \$10,000 in medical benefits for injuries sustained whereas operating the motorcycle could ride without a helmet.

Before venturing to the open road on a motorbike, check with the Department of Public Safety to learn about current helmet safety regulations if you are subject to the required helmet rule.

Texas motorcycle helmet laws are subject to change as state helmet laws across the USA are periodically revised. [Click here to check for any changes to Texas motorcycle helmet laws](#), as this is the best Texas state government source for motorcycle helmet laws and regulations we know of.



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## Upcoming Events

[www.goldwingaustin.org](http://www.goldwingaustin.org)



- 4/20 Capitol Wings Monthly Gathering
- 4/18-20 Louisiana District Rally & Ride-In Ruston LA
- 5/11 Ride for a Child
- 5/16-18 Arkansas District Rally Harrison AR
- 5/30-6/1 Missouri Rally Branson MO

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- Trish W 4/11
- Enrique G 4/17
- Kathy R 4/19

## ANNIVERSARIES

- Lyle & Sheri A 4/10
- Ken & Teri B 4/20
- Dexter & Linda P 4/30

## April Gathering

Saturday · April 20th · 11:00 a.m.

Lucky Duck Cafe · 220 E. 4th Street · Taylor, TX

To ride — Meet at Woody's Market

1227 University Blvd., Round Rock TX

KSU: 10:15 am.

Check out [www.capitolwings.org](http://www.capitolwings.org) for ride details.

## FOR SALE: 1998 Honda Valkyrie 1500

34,696 miles, new timing belt and tires and carbs recently rebuilt.

Located in Georgetown.

\$5500.00 OBO.

Contact Tim Arthur @ 512-876-9509



**Missouri Eagle Wings Rally**  
**at Angel Inn**  
 May 30 - June 1, 2024  
 Branson, Missouri

**'Eagle Wings in the Ozarks'**

Ken Lueckenotte, District Director  
 Cell: (573) 680-6238 Email: [kluke45@aol.com](mailto:kluke45@aol.com) moewings.org



*(Photo) Yoette & John Morava, EWA Regions B & E, VP of Operations  
 On-bike games 2023*

**Host Hotels:**

**Southern Oaks Inn**  
**3395 Shepherd Hills Exp.**  
**(417) 335-8108**  
**\$67.00/night + tax (double queen)**  
 Jacuzzi King (\$78+), Veranda King (\$99+)  
 No Pets  
 Cut-off April 29, 2024

**Angel Inn**  
**3311 Shepherd Hills Exp.**  
**(417) 334-2300**  
**\$67.00/night + tax (double queen)**  
 King Suite (\$78+), King Jacuzzi (\$99+)  
 No Pets  
 Cut-off April 30, 2024

Code for both hotels: **Eagle Wings**

**Campers:** Willow Tree RV Park, 3381 Shepherd Hills Expressway (417) 334-8890

All Pre-Registration forms must be received by: **April 30, 2024. NO REFUNDS** after May 15, 2024. Each full registration (\$35 or more) will receive three \$10 vouchers (\$30 total) for Billy Gails', Dana's BBQ & McFarlains restaurants. 1st 200 registrants receive a free Rally Pen. Attendees are eligible to purchase discounted tickets to various venues in Branson. Door prize drawings for FREE tickets at various venues and cash prizes. 50/50 drawings daily. On-bike games! SWAP SHOP.

**MEW Rally May 30 - June 1, 2024**  
**Registration Form - Please print clearly:**

**Rider:** \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Eagle Wing # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone numbers: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**Co-Rider:** \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Eagle Wing # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone numbers: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete the items you want:**

Eagle Wing Member Registration	\$35 X _____ = \$ _____
Eagle Wing Member Registration after 4/30/24	\$40 X _____ = \$ _____
Non-Member Registration	\$45 X _____ = \$ _____
Non-Member Registration after 4/30/2024	\$50 X _____ = \$ _____

(Each paid registration of \$35 or more receives 3 \$10 meal vouchers at various restaurants).

**Rally T-shirts**

*(Short sleeve, gray, Gildan Ultra, large logo on back, small logo on front, crew neck)*

S _____, M _____, L _____, XL _____	\$15 X _____ = \$ _____
2X _____	\$17 X _____ = \$ _____
3X _____	\$19 X _____ = \$ _____
4X _____	\$21 X _____ = \$ _____

REGISTRATION TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable (include registration) to **'Missouri Eagle Wings'** & send to:

**Diane Phelps**  
 350 West St. Anthony Lane  
 Florissant, MO 63031

**Liability Release (ALL registrants must sign)**

**WAIVER:** I/we agree to release and forever hold harmless the Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association and it's subordinates, Missouri Eagle Wings, it's officers and volunteers, the co-sponsoring organization, vendors, sponsors, and any property owners for any loss or injury in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation at this rally, bike games, skill exercises, or rides/activities offered at the event. **I/we have read this waiver and acknowledge with signatures(s) below:**

Rider signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-rider signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Day pass available on-site.*

## RIDE FOR A CHILD CENTRAL TEXAS

P.O.Box 11687, Killeen, Texas 76547

C: 254-681-2341

[www.RideForAChildCentral-Texas.org](http://www.RideForAChildCentral-Texas.org)

[info@RideForAChildCentral-Texas.org](mailto:info@RideForAChildCentral-Texas.org)



## 10th ANNUAL RIDE FOR A CHILD MAY 11, 2024

STARTS AT HORNY TOAD HARLEY DAVIDSON  
7454 S. GENERAL BRUCE DRIVE, TEMPLE, TEXAS

Registration from 10:30-11:30 A.M.  
Kickstands up at 12:00 P.M.

Benefiting Child Abuse Prevention  
in Central Texas

FREE T-SHIRT FOR REGISTERED RIDERS  
ADDITIONAL T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE FOR EVERYONE ELSE

LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS 50/50 DRAWING

FOOD AND LIVE MUSIC AT  
THE PIT STOP BAR AND GRILL  
(14595 FM 439, NOLANVILLE)



A DONATION OF \$25  
FOR INDIVIDUAL RIDERS  
OR \$30 WITH A PASSENGER

PRE-REGISTER AT: [RIDEFORACHILDCENTRAL-TEXAS.ORG](http://RIDEFORACHILDCENTRAL-TEXAS.ORG)

Hosted by Stars and Stripes Exchange Club of Killeen

### OUR HISTORY

We have contributed tens of thousands of dollars over the past eight Ride for a Child events, and want to continue to eliminate child abuse one ride at a time.

### OUR GOALS

We would once again like to be able to provide local child abuse awareness and prevention programs in Central Texas with the funds to further expand their programs.

*Ride for a Child Central Texas is a non-profit organization.*





## Harmony of the Seas January 19-26, 2025

You are invited to join us on an amazing group cruise departing from Galveston, TX!  
The Harmony of the Seas has won more awards than any other ship in the world.  
It's the biggest, boldest ship to ever sail from the Lone Star State!



**Oceanview Balcony  
from \$1,036pp!**

Rates are subject to change until booked.

**GREAT GROUP RATES:**

**LIMITED SPACE** The following group rate includes port tax and is based on double occupancy.

*This cruise is open to all friends and family!*

Becky and Gary Wheatley will host this group cruise. Please reserve with us to ensure you are invited to our private parties, special events, group dinners and more!

Deposit - Only a **\$250 refundable deposit** per person when you book at the group rate.

Final payment - due by **October 14, 2024**  
\*the rates are subject to change until booked or sold out.

### HARMONY OF THE SEAS



Date	Port	Arrival Time	Departure Time
Jan 19 - Sunday	Galveston, Texas		4:00 PM
Jan 20 - Monday	At Sea		
Jan 21 - Tuesday	At Sea		
Jan 22 - Wednesday	Coxen Hole, Roatan, Bay Islands, Honduras	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Jan 23 - Thursday	Costa Maya, Mexico	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Jan 24 - Friday	Cozumel, Mexico	7:00 AM	5:30 PM
Jan 25 - Saturday	At Sea		
Jan 26 - Sunday	Galveston, Texas	7:00 AM	

\*Itinerary subject to change

**LIMITED SPACE - For questions and reservations, please contact Mindy Bubar • mindy@agroupcruise.com • (904) 613-2205**



### CRUISE RESERVATION FORM

Fill this form using Adobe Acrobat, rename & save the completed form, then attach in an e-mail to [mindy@agroupcruise.com](mailto:mindy@agroupcruise.com)

**Passenger Information: (Current legal name that is printed on your Passport)**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ How many people in your cabin: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname for social badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth Month/Day/Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Cruise Line Loyalty Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 U.S. Citizen?  Yes  No Group or Chapter Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Passenger:**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to contact  AM  PM  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname for Social Badge: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth Month/Day/Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Cruise Line Loyalty Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 U.S. Citizen?  Yes  No Group or Chapter Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have any special needs? Please describe below:** (i.e., Medical, Dietary, Limited Mobility, Allergic Reactions, CPAP, Request To Sit At Dinner With Specific Friends, Cabin Assignment Requests, Comments)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Special pricing - based on double occupancy** Name of Ship: \_\_\_\_\_ Sailing date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Inside Cabin  Window Cabin  Balcony Cabin

I would like to purchase travel insurance through the cruise line:  Yes  No

A deposit per person is due to reserve your cabin. (Plus if you would like to add travel insurance.)

**PAYMENT AREA**

Credit Card Type:  Visa  MC  American Express  Discover  
 Name on the credit card: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approved amount to charge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of reservation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Use the same credit card for the final payment? Please check one:  Yes  No  Contact me for another credit card

**Internal Use Only:** Date cabin booked: \_\_\_\_\_ Final payment paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation sent: \_\_\_\_\_

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A friend of Huberts is selling the items below. If you are interested in any of them, There is also a list of original cost of items and a 'for sale' price. If anyone has questions about the items or the prices, they can email Jackie & Ken at [jbdallman50@gmail.com](mailto:jbdallman50@gmail.com)



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## HD Sale Items - Rev 02.23.24

(Genuine Leather, lined, well cared for)

ITEMS	SIZE	QTY	SELLING ORIGINAL	
			PRICE	PRICE
Mens HD Riding Leather Biker Jacket (Black/Orange), New	2XLT	1	\$400	\$525.00
Mens First Biker Leather Jacket (Black)	2XLT	1	\$295	\$695.00
Mens Wilson Casual Biker Jacket (Black)	2XLT	1	\$100	\$275.00
Mens St Johns Bay Leather Bomber Jacket (Black)	XLT	1	\$125	\$300.00
Mens Wilson Leather Bomber Jacket (Black)	2XLT	1	\$200	\$375.00
Mens Vintage Walt Disney Mickey Mouse Wild One Leather/Canvas Biker Jacket (Black/Red/Yellow)	XL	1	\$595.00	
Mens Biker Rain Jacket	2XLT	1	\$95	\$140.00
Mens Biker Rain Suit	2XLT	1	\$135	\$200.00
Mens HD Leather Chaps (Black), adjustable	2XLT	1	\$200	\$375.00
Mens Leather Shop Leather Chaps (Black), adjustable	XL	1	\$175	\$325.00
Mens Leather AL Riders Vest	2XLT		SOLD	\$140.00
Womens Burks Bay Biker Jacket (Black)	L	1	\$200	\$425.00
Womens Vintage Walt Disney Mickey Mouse Wild One Leather/Canvas Biker Jacket (Black/Red/Yellow)	L		\$595.00	
Womens Wilson Leather Biker Jacket (Black)			\$150	\$295.00
Womens Leather Biker Vest (Black)		1	\$75	\$140.00
Womens Silver Bike Leather Chaps (Black), adjustable	L	1	\$150	\$325.00
Mens Leather Gaunlets (Black)	L	1 pr	\$45	\$125.00
Leather Silver Studded Bands (Black)		2	\$10	\$10.00
HD Leather Full Rider Seat (New/Unused) (Black)		1	SOLD	
HD Road King Cover		1	\$125	\$180.00
Quilted MC Blanket		1	\$80	\$100.00
Full Leather Backpack (Black), waterproof		1	\$85	\$350.00



Full Leather Duffle Bag (Black), waterproof

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\$85

\$400.00