



# The Winger



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"Friends for Fun, Safety, and Knowledge"

## A Word From Our Chapter Director

by Greg and Dee Eames, CD

Is that you, Mr. Groundhog? Are you coming out and not seeing your shadow? My Goldwing friends and I would very much like it if you would use your influence to bring warm riding weather back so that we can enjoy the sport that we love so much. Any help would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,  
Ima Wingnut

Did it work? We'll see.

How about all this wet weather so far this year? I'm glad that it's not snow! I don't mind not having to work under drippy cars as much as usual so far this winter. That's really about the only thing I really don't like about my chosen profession.

Speaking of my profession, by the time this hits the presses, the lovely Mrs. Fixer and I will be making preparations to leave on a 7 day eastern Caribbean cruise courtesy of Mr. HUUUUUGGGGGEEEEEE. Every year Billy sets a monetary goal for each of his stores and if that figure is exceeded all of the employees and 1 guest each get a free cruise. We went on a Mexican Riviera cruise 4 years ago and had a great time. We didn't make it the last 2 years but had an exceptional year this year so off we go!

The NY District's annual meeting was held a couple of weeks ago and a lot of good info was put out. Eight of our leadership team went and picked up tips on how we can improve what we do for the members. One of the things that we found out about is the chapter of the

year program. It is designed to recognize chapters for all of the events, training and support that the chapter provides for it's members. Les and I have discussed it and we feel that we could



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be a front runner in the district in this program. It would require someone to keep a tally of all the events we do throughout the year and we will be looking for someone who would be willing to do that. We will be discussing it more at the leadership team meeting that is coming up on the 13th of February, 7PM at my house. Anyone interested in helping, please attend!

Also on the 13th at 7:30, after the leadership meeting, will be the next Ride-In planning meeting. I put out the word at the District meeting and, so far, we are getting a lot of people and chapters interested! We are hoping to have a very successful event and will need chapter participation to bring it all together. If you would like to help in any way, please come to the meeting. Larry has posted the latest flyer and info on the website so check it out!

The following Saturday, the 18th is our annual summer ride- planning meeting at my house. Bob Lucey has put together a ride schedule that we will need to review and approve and assign leaders for all the rides. We will also be looking for your ideas for weekend and special rides. We will be having a brunch before the meeting that will serve as our monthly coffee klatch. Please bring your appetites, a (small) dish to pass, your ideas for any rides or destinations and your enthusiasm. The festivities begin at 10AM.

Don't forget, even though it's cold weather, chapter W is still very active and there are lots of activities you can attend.

## February Ride Schedule

- Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. Breakfast @ Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Rd, Gates, 8:00 AM.
- Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> Tue. Flaherty's 3 Flags, 1200 Bay Rd, Webster, 6:30 PM.
- Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> Fri. Game Night @ Fedeli's, 105 Camille Drive, Greece, 7:00 PM.
- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> Tue. Buffalo Wild Wings, 780 Jefferson Rd, Henrietta, 6:30 PM.
- Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> Thu. Gathering @ Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Rd, Gates, 6:00 PM. Dinner & 7:00 PM. Meeting.
- Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> Sat. Ride Planning Meeting & Coffee klatch, 446 Pittsford-Henrietta TL Rd, 10:00 AM.
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> Tue. Old Country Buffet, 1514 Ridge Rd West, Greece, 6:30 PM.
- Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> Fri. Game Night @ Eames', 446 Pittsford-Henrietta TL Rd, 7:00 PM.
- Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> Tue. Distillery, 10 Square Drive, Victor (across From Eastview), 6:30 PM.
- Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat. Breakfast at Panorama, 730 Elm Grove Road, Gates, 8:00 AM.
- Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> Tue. Food Court @ Greece Ridge Center, 176 Ridge Road, Greece, 6:30 PM.

“LETS RIDE” BOB LUCEY  
RIDE COORDINATOR

**February**

# BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

<b>Sue Skyner</b>	<b>1st</b>	
<b>John Skyner</b>	<b>2nd</b>	
<b>Ted Koetz</b>	<b>5th</b>	
<b>Lynn Wood</b>	<b>7th</b>	
<b>John Bodine</b>	<b>15th</b>	
<b>Mike Desmond</b>	<b>20th</b>	
<b>Tim Glasow</b>	<b>18th</b>	

*HAPPY ANNIVERSARY*

<b>John &amp; Diane Bodine</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>1 Year</b>
<b>Gerald &amp; Marilyn Gardner</b>	<b>24th</b>	<b>44 Years</b>
<b>Dave &amp; Diane Hill</b>	<b>27th</b>	<b>13 Years</b>

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## A note from our ACD

Wow, where do these days go. Last I remember we were changing over to the new calendars and now it is time for the Post Holiday Party and we will soon be into February. If the days keeps flying by like, this winter will be over in no time. We can only hope.

The first thing I would like to do is thank the Chapter and everyone else who offered well wishes and encouragement when I had my surgery just after Christmas. It may seem like a small trivial detail but it sure does boost your spirits remembering them when the only thing you can do is just lie in bed. I want to express some special thanks to a couple of our "family" members; Tim and Mary Ann, our Sunshine coordinators for their lovely notes, phone calls and gift, Les and Joanne for providing a quiet respite during recovery, to Mike and Cindy for picking me up and taking me to the game night, Greg and Dee for providing one of those great and comfortable recliners that I could sit in and enjoy the evening's activities, to



Larry Helber,  
ACD

Barb for those humorous donut conversations and to the rest of the gang at the game night that made that evening so enjoyable. When it came time for the pictures they told me not to get up, turned the chair towards the camera and gathered around for a photo. A great bunch of friends family.

Almost a month after the surgery and I am healing well. Most of the pain and discomfort is dwindling and I am able to function pretty well now again. I will be able to ride as soon as the salt gets rained off the road. As some already know this last surgery was to correct some problems caused by my cancer, surgery, radiation and some of the drugs I had to take. The cancer treatments have been put on hold and I am being monitor to see if there is any growth. In the meantime the doctors felt it was a good time to fix some of the damaged areas. The doctors say it will take 6 months to a year before I learn the results of the past couple of years. I am looking forward to good times ahead regardless of the results.

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# Recipe of the Month

## Pineapple Upside-Down Cake



Joanne Johnston

- 1 8 oz. can of pineapple slices
- 2 T. margarine
- 1/2 C packed brown sugar
- 4 maraschino cherries, halves
- 1-1/2 C all purpose flour
- 2-1/2 t baking powder
- 1/3 C shortening
- 3/4 C granulated sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 1/2 t vanilla

Drain pineapple; reserve liquid. Halve slices. Melt butter in a 9 x 1-1/2 inch round baking pan. Stir in brown sugar and 1 T. reserved pineapple liquid. Add water to remained liquid to make 2/3 C. Arrange pineapple and cherries in pan. Combine flour, baking powder and 1/4 t. salt. Beat shortening about 30 seconds. Add granulated sugar; beat till well combined. Add egg and vanilla; beat one minute. Add dry ingredients and the 2/3 C liquid alternately to beaten mixture, beating after each addition. Spread in pan. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 40 minutes. Cool 5 minutes. Invert onto a plate. Server warm. Serves 8.

### Okay, quit cheating

- Answers to photo quiz
1. Fedeli's Garage Sale, 6/11/2010
  2. Ralph At Pandos Gatherings, 10/20/2005
  3. Pa Rally Group, 8/28/2010
  4. Rick and Bonnie Rowles, 3-7-2005
  5. Newark NY Dist. Rally
  6. Newark NY Dist. Rally
  7. Blue Knob, PA
  8. Flight 93 crash site. The flag marks the spot where the plane hit the ground.

### From the Glasow's...

#### Sunshine Club - Birthdays



Tim & Mary Ann Glasow

If you know of someone who is having surgery, ill, or passed away, please inform Tim or Mary Ann so that the proper acknowledgement can be made. Their phone number is 225-8916 and their e-mail is:

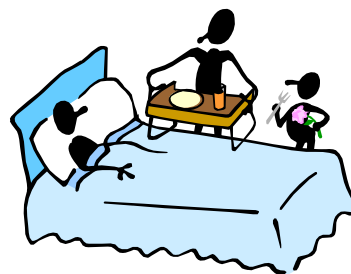
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## Sunshine Corner

**February 2012**



*Get Well Wishes!*



- Ron Cowley
- Rick Rowles
- Bonnie Rowles
- Sue Skyner

Condolences to Paul and Suzette Wood

Paul's father, passed away January 11



As always, if you know someone associated with Chapter W who is ill, having surgery, or has passed away, please notify Tim or Mary Ann so that the proper acknowledgement is sent.

Tim and Mary Ann Glasow @ 585-225-8916 or [trglasow@frontiernet.net](mailto:trglasow@frontiernet.net)

# NY-W Rider Educator's Corner

## A Little Noggin Knowledge

by Jim Pearson, Chapter Educator

### Helmets Work

Most activities have their own suitable protective gear and equipment. Motorcycling is no exception. Every rider and passenger should wear over-the-ankle footwear, long pants, a long-sleeved jacket, full-fingered motorcycle gloves, and a helmet manufactured to meet DOT (U.S. Department of Transportation) standards. Helmets work. Helmet effectiveness has been confirmed by responsible studies, while helmet myths – “helmets break necks, block



Jim Pearson  
Rider Educator

vision and impair hearing” – have been consistently disproved. Safety conscious riders wear helmets by deliberate choice every time they ride; we know that you will, too.

### How and Why a Helmet Works

What we see first is the **outer shell**, usually made from some family of fiber-reinforced composites or thermoplastics like polycarbonate. This is tough stuff, yet it’s designed and intended to compress when it hits anything hard. That action disperses energy from the impact to lessen the force before it reaches your head, but it doesn’t act alone to protect you.

Inside the shell is the equally important **impact-absorbing liner**, usually made of expanded polystyrene (commonly thought of as Styrofoam). This dense layer cushions and absorbs the shock as the helmet stops and your head wants to keep on moving. Both the shell and the liner compress if hit hard, spreading the forces of impact throughout the helmet material. The more impact-energy deflected or absorbed, the less there is of it to reach your head and do damage. Some helmet shells delaminate on impact. Others may crack and break if forced to take a severe hit; this is one way a helmet acts to absorb shock. It is doing its intended job. Impact damage from a crash to the non-resilient liner may be invisible to the eye; it may look great, but it probably has little protective value left and should be replaced.

The **comfort padding** is the soft foam-and-cloth layer that sits next to your head. It helps keep you comfortable and the helmet fitting snugly. In some helmets, this padding can even be taken out for cleaning.

The **retention system**, or chin strap, is very important. It is the piece that keeps the helmet on your head in a crash. A strap is connected to each side of the shell. Every time you put the helmet on, **fasten the strap securely**. It only takes of couple of seconds. To ride without your helmet secured would be as questionable as driving without your seatbelt fastened.


### The Best Way to Try on Your Helmet

- ◆ Hold it by the chin straps. The bottom of the helmet should face you with the front pointing down.
- ◆ Put your thumbs on the inside of the straps, balancing the helmet with your fingertips.
- ◆ Spread the sides of the helmet apart slightly and slip it down over your head using the chin straps.

The helmet should fit snugly and may even feel a bit too tight until it is in place correctly. Be sure it sits squarely on your head. It shouldn’t be tilted back on your head like a hat. Remember, if your helmet is too large, several things could happen: it will move around and up and down on your head when you least want it to; it can be noisy and let in wind; worst of all, it may come off in a crash!

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We have received a suggestion for a new contest and we think it could be fun. Every month we will feature a "youth" picture of one of our members in the Winger. The pictures will be drawn at random from submissions received. By youth I mean average age of 4-10. Baby pictures are

really hard to identify. Each correct guess received will win a ticket to a monthly drawing for a \$5 prize. The person whose picture it is will also get a ticket. Please send all pictures and guesses to [GOOFYFXR@ROCHESTER.RR.COM](mailto:GOOFYFXR@ROCHESTER.RR.COM) or Greg Eames at 446 Pitts.-Henr.T.L.Rd., Pittsford, NY 14534.

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Once the helmet is on your head, make a few other fit checks before fastening the straps.

- ◆ The cheek pads should touch your cheeks without pressing uncomfortably.
- ◆ There should be no gaps between your temples and the brow pads.
- ◆ If the helmet has a neck roll, it shouldn't push the helmet away from the back of your neck.
- ◆ On full-face helmets, press on the chin piece. The helmet or face shield should not touch your nose or chin. If it does, it will surely do so at speed from wind pressure.

### Replacing Your Helmet

Replace your helmet if it was involved in a crash; it probably absorbed some impact shock. Some manufacturers will inspect and, when possible, repair a damaged helmet. If you drop your helmet and think it might be damaged, take advantage of this service. Most helmet manufacturers recommend replacing your helmet every two to four years. If you notice any signs of damage before then, replace it sooner. Why replace your helmet every few years if it doesn't appear damaged? Its protective qualities may deteriorate with time and wear. The chin strap may fray or loosen at its attaching points; the shell could be chipped or damaged. The best reason is that helmets keep improving. Chances are that the helmet you buy in a couple of years will be better – stronger, lighter, and more comfortable – than the one you own now. It might even cost less!

Courtesy of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation

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Guess where and when these pictures were taken.  
Check out the ones on page 9 too.







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Finally as some of you may have heard we are working on updating the website. After several delays and detours (aren't those called "senic routes") we have the project underway and hopefully you should see the results around the time of the Gathering. One of the items we are still in need of is photos. Any motorcycle or GWRRRA related activity is a subject we would like to see. If you don't provide me with images I don't want to hear any complaints there are too many images of "Classic Wings" especially that beautiful 1100 with the bearded rider. Please forward any images that you may have to me via any means (email: lhelber@helberhut.com, postal mail or hand delivery (call to arrange a time 752-3553) or format (digital or photo) and I will worry about putting them into a usable form. If you provide me with a photograph I will scan it and return the photo to you. I will also give you a copy of the digital file if you would like. Captions are not required but if you happen to have dates, locations and who is in the photo and what they are doing would be helpful too. I can also work with video files. I can either capture a single frame or there may be possible locations motion pictures on the website. I am very late at getting this article to AI so I hope he has time to still work this into the newsletter. If so thank you very much AI, I really, really appreciate it. I will do better next month I promise.



## Laughing Matters

Two men met at a party. “I’m a criminal lawyer.”

“Isn’t that *redundant*?” replied the other.

Money may not go as far as it used to, but it definitely gets there *much* faster.

Since a politician never believes what he says, he is surprised when others believe him.

CHARLES DE GAULLE

An international visitor to Washington D.C. had become lost. “Excuse me, sir, ”he asked a man on the street, “can you tell where the U.S. Capitol is?”

All over the world, thanks to our Congress.”

It’s getting harder and harder to support the government in the style to which it has become accustomed.

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Hey kid’s, “What time is it?” **Game Time!!**

“If you aren’t joining us for our winter activities, you’re missing out on a lot of FUN!!”

**Check ride schedule for time and place!**



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## Open for Dinner

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Meet and eat at 6:00 PM

– Meeting about 7:00 PM

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