

Chapter J News

Hiawassee, GA

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Chapter J Meetings

May 2022

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Skillet Cafe

Blairsville, GA

June 2022

Saturday, June 18, 2022

TBD

We eat at 11:00 AM and meet at 12:00 PM



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TREASURER'S REPORT

CHAPTER J CHINESE AND SILENT AUCTIONS

The annual Chapter J Chinese and Silent Auctions were back after being discontinued for the past two years due to the Pandemic. It was held on Friday, April 22, 2022 at the beautiful Lakeside Village Club House.

The members and some potential members brought various food items which were delicious. In addition, they brought items that were placed in the Chinese Auction or in the Silent Auction (Jim Olander brought in a beautiful Cheese Board and a Lazy Susan that he handcrafted). We collected \$165 from the Chinese Auction and \$199 from the Silent Auction for a total of \$364 that will go into the Chapter J fund.

Thanks to all of the members who brought food and auction items and a big thank you to Carol Henige who coordinated this event.

CHAPTER J SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATIONS

The Chapter will be accepting monetary donations at the May, June and July 2022 Chapter J gatherings.

April 7, 2022 Ride Report

We rolled out of the Blairsville Marathon Station under partly cloudy skies and 52 degrees with 9 bikes/trikes and 11 riders at 10 am. We headed South on State Hwy 129 to County 180 East, then South on County 348 (Richard Russell Hwy). We picked up County 75A to County 75 South, then East on County 356 to the Unicoi State Park Headquarters for a comfort stop. Turns out they're remodeling the convention center and the restrooms were not available but no one seemed to be in need so we continued East on County 356 East to County 197 North. We picked up the Burton Dam Road (Co 218) at the Gas Station (don't remember the name) and rode South along the Tallulah River and Lakes Seed and Rabun.

This is always a beautiful and popular ride looking at all the grand, old money homes along the lakes and close on both sides of the road and we had a few new riders who were duly impressed. Then we turned North on County 153 becoming County 149 at Tiger and into Clayton for lunch at the Sunday Diner. Finding parking was a challenge but I think everyone enjoyed their meal there.

After lunch we headed North on State 441 to Mountain City where we made a left on Wolford Creek Road and followed the same up to the head of the valley where we picked up Blue Ridge Gap road over the top and dropped into the enchanting Persimmon Valley. This is always one of my favorite rides. When we hit State 76 we headed north to Hiawassee and eventually Blairsville, losing riders as they peeled off along the way and headed for home.

Good ride, good folks! 130 miles and 5 hours! Dennis led, Jim Barr did a fine job as tailgunner!

Dennis Bible

April 13, 2022 Ride to The Cupboard

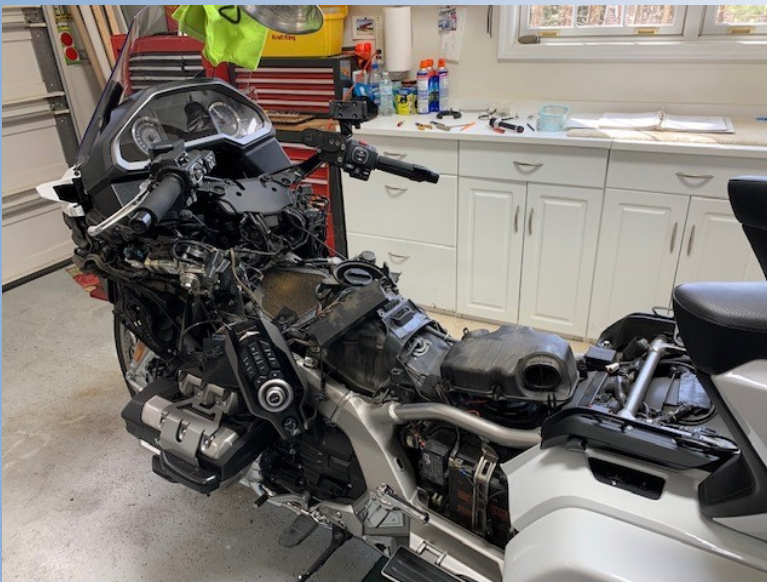


The "Job from hell"!

I've been ducking and avoiding changing out the air filter on my 2018 'wing for a couple of years now. Well I got real ambitious a couple of weeks ago and tackled the job. The bike has about 52k on it and I figured it was past time.



I've performed this task on several earlier model GL1800's and been able to complete the job in 3 to 4 hours. Different story on the newer models! It took me all day and 6 hours just to get down to the airbox. I do not have the maintenance manual for this bike so I was feeling my way along, trying to be careful and not break anything. You have to get real two handed physical to get some of the panels off and there's a loud pop/crack as the bayonet clips release. Every time that happened I just knew I'd busted something.....but I didn't. By the end of the day, I was pumped so full of nervous adrenaline I was shaking like a leaf! There are a hundred nuts, bolts, clips and push pins involved and it's a job to keep track of them all for reassembly. Some of the push pins holding panels in the front wheel well have to be found and removed (and reassembled) by feel!



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I'm coming up on 80 this year and I'm not as limber or flexible as I used to be and of course I don't see as well either. Getting down on my knees and back up a hundred times wore me out too (I don't have a M/C lift)!



The OEM filter wasn't even that dirty! It had some grit and dust on it but was in no way impeding performance, Anyway I installed a new K&N air filter and started reassembly the next day. That involved another 6, frustrating and tiring hours. Honda could have done a better job of placing that air filter since they recommend replacing it at 16k intervals (like that's going to happen)! I hate to think of what the bike shop would charge to do the job!



Anyway, I got it back together and there's no squeaks, knocks or rattles so I must have done OK! I don't notice any difference in engine sound or performance which tells me the old filter was probably OK. I can promise you this new filter will have to last the life of the machine because **this old biker ain't do'n that job again!** 🙄

Ride safe!

Dennis Bible



May 2022 Happenings

Thursday Night Dinner, May 12, 2022

Last Catch, Jasper. GA

For last minute information, please check GA Chapter J website.

<http://www.chapterj.gwrra-ga.com/>

For updates to GA-J's website.

Please let the CD know.

Please send Newsletter articles to:

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Deadline for submission is the 26th of the month.

Chapter J Store

Need some GWRRRA or Chapter J styling on your bikes, your vests and/or your chapter shirts? Chapter J has flags, patches and pins for sale.

Blue J Flag with Mounting Kit	\$ 5.00
Mountain Blue J Patch	\$ 3.00
Mountain Blue J Pin	\$ 3.00
GWRRRA Gold and Black Round Patch (small)	\$ 5.00
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