



# BACKROADERS GAZETTE



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All chapter G dinner rides for the month of July were show and go. Since I have been out of state for a big part of the month I have no idea if anyone has braved the heat to go on dinner rides.

Dave and Susan Weldon along with Wayne and Glenda Sappington; Karen Boyd, Beth Jenson and Linda and I left on Monday June the 20<sup>th</sup> headed West . About 3 miles West of Bartlesville the new pouch Dave had made to Velcro on top of the Quik Kamp blew off. Then about 5 miles West of Enid Wayne had a blowout on his Bunkhouse. He put on the spare and we continued West. We rode to Guymon Oklahoma and spent the night. The next morning we left Guymon about 7:30AM and rode West to Eagles Nest New Mexico arriving about 3:45PM. Where we spent 2 days sight seeing.

On June 23 we again started West at Shiprock west of Farmington a car made a U-turn between Dave and myself, I had to brake hard causing the bike to go down, fortunately we were going slow and minimal damage was done to the bike and only some skinned knees for me and a very minor skin on Linda's knee. We were able to get back on the bike and ride off. We spent the night in Farmington and left early the next morning going to Monument Valley spending the night in Keyenta Arizona. We left early the next morning and rode toward Oderville Utah, along the way Dave had a blowout on his Quik Kamp. After arriving there we spent 4 days taking day trip sight seeing , which included the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, Cedar Brakes, Bryce Canyon, Needles National Park. We then continued West to Torrey Utah for one night then on to Blanding Utah one night. On July 2 we rode to Moab Utah where we spent 3 nights and did some sight seeing. Linda and I decided we had seen enough heat, wind, desert so, on July 5<sup>th</sup> Linda and I bid farewell to the rest of the group and headed toward home,

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## REMINDER

September 9th & 10th Chapter G 911 Campout at Tenkiller State Park  
September 18th Chapter G Annivesary Party at  
Washington County Fair Ground in Dewey, Ok

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We rode to Cortez Colorado and had a new front tire put on the bike then rode to Durango where we met a friend of mine that lives in Bayfield Colorado in the mountains... We spent two nights with them, then rode to Boise City spending the night then rode home the 8<sup>th</sup> of July in miserable heat across the panhandle. We were both exhausted and ready for some AC.

It was a very good trip, but I would not do the same trip again with the same weather conditions.. It was just to hot for me.

On July 23<sup>rd</sup> Linda and I went to McAlester and met with other CD's and the GWRRA district staff at the expo center where the District Rally will be held on October 27-29. I was impressed with the site and think it will be a good place for this event..

Our next gathering will be on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Montana Mike's.. Hope everyone can attend.

Our next planning gathering will be on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

I HOPE EVERYONE WILL MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE 911 CAMPOUT AT LAKE TENKILLER ON SEPTEMBER 9-11.

OUR 28<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN DEWEY.. SURE HOPE EVERYONE CAN COME VISIT US.

DAN



## From the Work Bench of Dave Weldon

It seems to me that we need to relearn how to handle the use of the braking on our bikes. Remembering that Gold Wings have integrated brakes but other bikes do not, some of our bikes have ABS brakes, some do not! I suggest that you practice using your brakes in different scenarios in a safe environment and remember what you learned in your ERC course. On some bikes it is possible to lock up the front wheel causing possible loss of control of your bike. This would be especially true when pulling a trailer, remember your friction coefficient of the tire patch, you only have about 4 inches of friction on the pavement at any time regardless of speed. Be aware of putting too much pressure on just using the front brakes without also using the rear as it was intended.

Your Humble Rider Ed. **Dave**



### August Birthdays

6th Odie Stamper



### August Anniversaries

29th Hyatt  
&  
Odie Stamper

29th Dave  
&  
Mary Carroll



### August Dinner Rides

5th Legends  
(Owasso)  
12th Jalapeno Grill  
(Collinville)  
19th Hammit House  
(Claremore)  
26th Bucks BBQ  
(Sedan)