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# SECOG NEWS



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## Run with the Wolf



The annual SECOG Spring Rally, "RUN WITH THE

WOLF," will be held at High Valley Resort in Suches, GA, April 23-25. This is the 16th running of "The Wolf" making it one of the longest running rallies in COGdom. The rally is located "smack in the middle of some of the premier motorcycling roads in the Southeast, most notably Wolfpen Gap Road (GA 180) from which the rally takes its name. Other well known roads such as the Tail of the Dragon are within easy reach. Brasstown Bald (highest point in GA) is virtually next door as is the popular Georgia community of Helen.

Plans for the 16th Annual Run With The Wolf Rally (April 23-25, High Valley Resort, Suches, GA) are on-track. Online registration shows (as of 2/18/10) 16 attendees including some folks we haven't seen lately. This includes Jim Miller (AKA: *millerized*) and Rick Riczinger (AKA: *Man of Blues*). The T-shirt is being designed by Harry Martin of ROAD RASH cartoon fame so it will undoubtedly be an awesome collectible. Additionally, Al Norcross (along with some assistance from others) will be preparing meals (suppers on Friday & Saturday nights and breakfasts on Saturday & Sunday mornings). High Valley Resort is holding all the facilities for attendees to the rally up until the end of March so get registered if you've not already. A great rally in an outstanding location; it doesn't get any better than this. You can register online from the SECOG calendar.

JIM CULP

## Daytona Bike Week

Daytona Bike Week will be Feb. 26 - March 7.



*Bikeweek is fast approaching and should be a great time again.*

The ROK hospitality area at the Kawasaki Demo rides tends to be our usual rendezvous place. ROK members can pre-sign up for Kawasaki demo rides which makes things easier if you so desire. Plus, most of all the other manufacturers are lined up so you see what else is being offered. As for the ROK party, here is the latest word from Kawasaki: "It is with regret ROK announces it will not be hosting our annual member's party at Hooters this year during Daytona Bikeweek. The member hospitality area, adjacent to the Kawasaki display and demo area will be open February 26 - March 6, 2010, from 8:00am - 5:00pm. Be sure to stop by to say "hello" and enjoy a hot cup of coffee or a cold drink and other snacks and the opportu-

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nity to mingle with friends.”

This is unfortunate, but there is plenty of other activities to keep you busy for, well, a week.

**C**amping will be at the Holiday Travel Park; behind the dining hall as usual.

<http://www.holidaytravelparkco-op.com/BikeWeek.htm> They have nice bathrooms and showers, gas station/convenience store next door, and less than 15 minutes from the speedway.

## **C**hili Fest:

**Jim and Pat Polito** will be hosting their Annual Bikeweek Chili fest again, **Friday, March 7th starting at 5p.m.** You do not want to miss out this great get together & chili feast at the Polito's place in Daytona!

This is a great chance to get COGgers and friends together. Pat makes wonderful chili and will also have a few sandwich things as well as sodas & water to drink. We'll also have brownies & coffee for desert. Cost will be \$6 per person; any surplus will go to SECOG. **Please RSVP to us - our phone number is 386-788-3800 or an e-mail to me at [jpolino@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jpolino@cfl.rr.com)**

Our house is easy to find. We live at 318 Olive St, S Daytona 32119. If on I-95 north or south take exit 260a east. you will be on Beville road or state road 400 which is the same road. Take Beville road east until you dead end into Rt. 1 (S.Ridgewood Ave). This is about 5 miles. Turn right (south) on Rt. 1 go about 1/2 mile to Olive St. Turn right on Olive St. If traveling on I-4, I-4 east turns into Beville road (state road 400) after going over I-95. Then see directions above.

**COG breakfast:  
Terrence's Cafe  
Saturday March 6th at 9  
a.m.**

**NOTE THE NEW LOCATION!!!**

Please join us at Terrence's Café, we had a great turn out at Biketoberfest and everyone seemed to really enjoy the place.

201 Commonwealth Blvd

Port Orange, Fl 32127

Phone: (386) 788-1707

Terrence's Cafe is on the west side of US 1 (Ridgewood ave.), approx 1 mile south of Dunlawton Ave., in a small corner strip center. It is across the street from The First Turn Bar which is a pretty big biker location.

Bike Week activities 'in general' can be found at

[http://www.daytonachamber.com/dbwcalendar/index.cfm?f\\_type=1](http://www.daytonachamber.com/dbwcalendar/index.cfm?f_type=1)

## *From Our SE AD, Vic*



**W**ow, winter is still hanging on across most of the country! I guess that ground hog was right, the little snout. Warmer days are approaching, so hang tight. We have Daytona Bikeweek around the corner and more activities following that. Keep an eye on the calendar at [cog-online.org](http://cog-online.org) and let us get some riding in this season. Speaking of Bikeweek, I will probably be there year, but, under an official capacity for my employer. I will try my best to get around but my days will be guided as to the where's and when's of my movements. Jim and Pat will again be having the Chili fest; breakfast, at the new location, Terrence's Café will

also still be going on. Unfortunately, Rider's of Kawasaki will not be hosting the member's party Thursday night, but there are plenty of other events going on.

**Looking forward**, our SE calendar is looking a little sparse.

**Run With the Wolf** is coming up in April; we have the National and then Winding Rivers and Roads. Plenty of room for more rides and get together. So, if you have an idea for a ride, let me or your AAD know, we'll do everything we can to make it happen. It can be as simple as a breakfast or lunch, then go ride; a tech session to help figure out how to do those pesky carb synch's or just "meat me here and we'll ride over to there". I'm positive after this longish winter we've all endured, plenty of us will be more than happy to take a cruise through the countryside. Let us know what you think, we can make it happen!

And speaking of events, Paulie has hosted his last Conc Ride this year. **Thanks Paulie** for organizing this the past 7 years, we really enjoyed it! If there is anyone interested in picking up the reigns for this, or even modifying the ride, give me a shout. Thanks again Paulie.

I hope everyone has a great spring and we will see you out on the road.

Ride Safe!!

## *COG On-Line*

**Y**our internet connection to your club is COG On-Line. Its content is developing. Check in with COG On-line frequently to see new content and to join in on the forum. [Click Here to go there.](#)

## Escape to the Conc Republic VII

Paulie's Report:

A nice turnout of 17 folks joined Mary & I on a decent cruz to Key West & South Beach. Good times, mon! Gary, Jill, Juan, Steve, Margie, Don, Tom, Richard, Tito, Mike, Ed, Bill, Eve, Dan, Doug, Loretta, & Alex plus a few others that didn't jot their names on my CRS Roster.



Thanx to the largess of COG, Bill scored the \$20+\$10 Grande Prize for longest distance rider. That's what the aforementioned list showed, anyhow. However, a more thorough postmortem made with my Cray-powered astrolabe indicated that Mike traveled further on his Conc14 & should've been awarded the bux. D'oh! Oh well, I guess Bill can really use it to rehab his poor 220k+ mile ST1100 & get out of hock after his 48-state capitals ride last year.



On that auspicious note...and since 7 (VII) is supposed to be a lucky number...plus "BTDT" is putting it lightly...I'm calling the Escape to the Conc Republic a wrap/finito/toast. It's been lotsa fun! Thanx to everyone for showing up with a good tude.

Check out some pix of happy Escapers at <http://picasaweb.google.com/PaulieH01/Escape2010#>

Paulie and Mary bid the Escape to the Conc a fond farewell. Thanks to both.



## International Motorcycle Show at Greenville, S.C.

Special thanks to Jim Culp, SC SAAD, for organizing the COG volunteers who staffed the 'Club Connection' booth at the IMS in Greenville on Jan. 9. Volunteers included Al Norcross, Gary Norton, Jen Simons, Tom Sills, John Carver, Gregg Smith, Jo Poole, Tom Hess & Lane Harrison. (Editor note: Sorry if I left someone off)

## "Follow the Alphabet Road"

Concours National Rally 2010  
July 12 - 18, 2010  
Rally Headquarters:  
Cranberry Country Lodge  
319 Wittig Rd.  
Tomah WI 54660

[www.cranberrycountrylodge.com](http://www.cranberrycountrylodge.com)



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Photo and note by Editor Pictured are: Jim Culp, Gregg Smith and John Carver, SGA AAD.



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# For Your Calendar

**Daytona Bike Week—  
Feb. 26—March 7—  
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**Run with the Wolf—  
April 23-25—See page 1**

**Note from the Editor:** This newsletter has been sent via e-mail to all COGers with e-mail addresses. Hard copies were mailed to non-e-mail members only. E-mailed newsletters save your volunteer editor time and resources. If you have e-mail, it is important to keep your 'contact info', e.g. e-mail address, up-to-date. Please make all corrections on your COGMOS account (see March, 2008 newsletter for instruction) or with **Darrell Anderson**, [membership@cog-online.org](mailto:membership@cog-online.org), who maintains the central membership lists. I don't mind mailing a hard copy to e-mail'less members. Thanks for your understanding and co-operation.

**Your Event**

**From the Editor:** Please sign on at COG-Online ([click here to see 11/08 SECOG News for instructions](#)). This will greatly simplify how I can send you your newsletter from one central list of SE area members.  
  
We Thank You!

## Monthly RTE Events

The North Georgia COG Members have a regularly scheduled dinner at Rocco's Pub in Marietta, GA every third Thursday from about 7:30 till about 9 PM. We can be found at the rear of the restaurant at a long table or on the deck. We welcome anyone who would like to come socialize and meet some of the local members. Contact Jack Ferguson or Robert Elliott for info.

Join the N. FL COGers for fun, food and fellowship on Third Thursday, Monthly, at Bono's Bar-BQue 9820 San Jose Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32257 904 268 2666 Contact David Sturgis (see Leadership Team) for information.

*Vic Says 'I hope to see you at the next SECOG event'.*



*Ride Safe and Enjoy*



## Get-A-Member

Our very own Al 'Ironbutt' Norcross, FL, is leading a COG initiative to grow our membership. Please participate in the 'Get-A-Member' campaign (see Fall Concourier for details).