



Concours Owners Group Southeast Area News



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Need Ride leaders. Contact your
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Southeast Heat

by Larry Buck, SEAD

Where has this year gone! I no sooner had last year's Last Blast Before #4 and it's time to plan #5 (correct me if I'm wrong, Rooster). Where does the time go.....

I had a chance to attend the COG National Rally in Canaan, WV in September. Wow! It was the best one in awhile, nearly 480 people were there. Missed it? Shame on you. A full story will appear in the upcoming issue of the Concourier, due out in a few weeks.

Our **Winding Rivers & Roads Rally**, in September, was a great success. Attendance a little less than last year - I suspect due to it's closeness to the National Rally. The weather was spectacular and the riding no less. The whole scoop is in our article to appear in the next Concourier. We are looking for suggestions for a location for next year's rally. Fontana Resort has been mentioned - your input needed.

Vic Salisbury (ex NGA-AAD) has returned to Florida, and retired from his military duties. Now

residing in the Tampa area, Vic is itching to get back into the swing of things COG. After totaling his '99 in California, he trucked it back to Florida to remove some precious parts. Bob Sherwood (COG Industry Liason) just happened to want to sell his '97 so he could get a new Kawasaki Versys. The two of them worked out a deal both were happy with. Welcome home, Vic.

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Southeast Call for Nominees for the Position of Area Director

In accordance with the procedures found on page 3, it is time for the election of our area director starting with the 'call for nominees'.

If you wish to nominate a COG member meeting the qualification in item #2 (including nominating yourself), you must contact our COG sectreatry/historian, **Robert J. Dombrowe**, 3280 Sandown Park Road, Keswick, VA 22947-9166, dombroweRJ@aol.com
by October 15.

Al Norcross (North FL-AAD) is soon to be leaving on his ride of a lifetime; Florida to Terra del Fuego, then on to Prudoe Bay, Alaska. Al has resigned his position as AAD due to his upcoming absence from the area. I can't say enough about Al's efforts for our Group. He has made a big contribution to us and I will miss his warm "friendship signs" that always greet our getting together. Thank you Al, and please stay in touch.

Returning to the subject of **Vic Salisbury**. I am pleased to announce that Vic will assume Al's AAD duties. Many of you know of Vic's enthusiasm and dedication to COG when he was an AAD in North Georgia. The Florida riders in his area, and we in the Southeast, are fortunate to have him. Welcome, Vic!

Jack McVickers, AL-AAD and his lovely wife Gwynn, have relocated to western Tennessee. I'm putting the arm on him to be our AAD in that area. All you TN members need to coax him a little (glmcvickers@yahoo.com). Ping him via email, you won't regret it.

Steve Jenkins, Western NC-AAD is re-starting the **Fall Foliage Ride**. Those of you who did this ride in the past know how beautiful the colors are in western NC. Check the SE website for details or email Steve @ swj54@charter.net

Mike Schmitt and his wife Roseanne are hosting a **Tech day and BBQ** at their home in Orange City, FL on **October 6th**. Tech starts at 9:00 AM, BBQ at noon. Thank you Mike and Roseanne for your hospitality and support of COG. All the details on our website" www.concours.org/se

Paul Heydemann, S-FL AAD, will lead us to Daytona Beach, FL **10/19-20** for our annual Biketoberfest activities. The Polito's will host another of their famous Chilifests on Friday evening. This is an RSVP event. Please make your reservations ASAP - details @ www.concours.org/se On Saturday we will have our Biketoberfest Breakfast at Biscuits Gravy & More.....mmm, Biscuits & Gravy.

Paul Heydemann, S-FL AAD, and Jack McVickers, AL AAD, will host a ride and get together at the **Barber Museum** in AL, **November 2-4**. If you want to see one of the best motorcycle collections extant, don't miss this ride and a great motorcycle facility. Check the SE website for all the info.

Don't forget the **Last Blast Before....#5**, on **December 29th**. We meet at the Blackwater Inn in Astor, FL for our last get together in '07. We've had as many as 40+ riders come to this yearend event. It's not just for the food (great!) it's for the people. All riders and all makes welcome, bring a friend or two. See 'ya there.

And last, but not least, **Jack Ferguson, N-GA AAD**, has already started his plans for the annual **Run With the Wolf Rally** in April '08. We will again return to the High Valley Resort in Suches, GA. Stay tuned to the site in coming months for more details.

Lastly, please take a moment to consider the upcoming **election for the Southeast Area Director**. After nearly 5 years in this position, it's time for some new blood. When I took this position, former SE-AD Calvin Underwood, said I had some big shoes to fill. He wasn't wrong; Calvin is about 6'5" and his shoes must be about 14's. I have thoroughly enjoyed my stint. I've met many great people, made some close friends, and hopefully made COG a little better through my efforts. I'm not going anywhere, and look forward to helping our Group in any way I can - I'm here for the duration. Nominations are being accepted and the details are elsewhere in this issue. I'm hoping that one of our AADs will step up to lead us, but the position is open to any COG member in good standing. Don't be shy, we need good leadership, and you may be the one that can provide it. Thank you all for your support of my efforts, the Southeast Leadership Team, and the Concours Owners Group. Carry on....

Ride safe.....and well.

Larry Buck, SE-AD, COG 3451

**Orange City, FL - Tech Day
@ Mike and Roseanne's
(Please RSVP!)**

**Tech Day at Mike & Roseanne's -
Saturday 10/6**

We would like to host a combination tech day and cook-out. We have a lift, tire changing equipment, a grill, and all the tools we need. One thing we will need is a "donor" Connie. So, if you need any maintenance or farkle add-ons it's BYOB (bring your own bike). If you will need any parts (oil, filters, tires, etc.) bring them too.

We'll roll up the garage door around 9:00 and light the grill around noon or so. Come for the day or just come around for lunch. See www.concours.org/se for more info.

Please call or e-mail to let us know you plan to come.

Mike and Roseanne
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**Daytona, FL - Biketoberfest
Polito Chili Dinner (Please
RSVP!)**

Starts at 5pm, Oct. 19

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 \$5 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 jpolito@cfl.rr.com

Then see directions at

www.concours.org/se.

Jim Polito
386-788-3800 10/20/2007

**Daytona, FL -
Biketoberfest COG Break-
fast**

Saturday **October 20th** at
9am...COG Breakfast
Biscuits 'n' Gravy & More
3500 Nova Rd, Port Orange, FL
32129

Phone: (386) 304-9433

Directions

www.concours.org/se

Contact Paul Heydemann

**11/2/2007 to 11/4/2007
Barber Museum Weekend -
Birmingham, AL**

Come join fellow COGgers and friends on a visit to the Barber Museum! It's a fantastic facility that has a huge collection of unique motorcycles & has been written up all over the MC press. Admission is \$10. ETA will be 10am, Saturday 11/3.

**Barber Vintage Motorsports
M u s e u m**

6030 Barber Motorsports Parkway,
Birmingham, Alabama 35094
205/699-7275

Check out www.concours.org/se
or the [COG Forum Topic](#) for discussion and planning. Hope to see you there!

Fr questions, contact **AL AAD**
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**Area Director
Election Procedure**

1. A call for nominees should be made in the Area's newsletter, the List, and the Forum NLT October 1 of the year the AD election is to be held.

2. Any AD candidate must be a member in good standing in COG, and a member of the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA). These requirements are defined in the Group's Constitution, Article No. 9, Article No. 16 and BY-LAWS Number 2 and 3.

3. The Secretary/Historian* will contact the nominees by October 22 to interview, and review the position with them. If there is only one nominee after the nominee deadline has passed, no election will be necessary and that person will assume the AD position by default.

4. If more than one candidate is vying for the Area's AD position, all will be asked to submit a short bio to the Secretary/Historian. The person doing the newsletter mailing for the Area will then be asked to do a special mailing by November 7 that contains these bios, and the ballots. Ballots are to be returned to the Secretary/Historian by the end of November.

5. The Secretary/Historian will tally the votes then notify the Executive Director of the results.

6. The Executive Director will then call to congratulate the winner then notify the rest of the Board/officers/world of the results. The new AD will assume their position on January 1 of the year following the election.

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Notice: 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 . It is important to keep your 'contact info', e.g. e-mail address, up-to-date. Please make all corrections with Carl Metler [cmetler@HighDesertOffice.com] who maintains the central membership lists. If you want a hard copy of the newsletter, e-mail Calvin. Thanks for your co-operation.

See our Local Events Page or contact your local AAD for information about local events held regularly throughout the Southeast Region.

| Date | Event | Contact |
|-------------|--|--|
| 10/6 | Tech Day, Orange City, FL - | @ Mike and Roseanne's (Please RSVP!), see page 2 & 3 |
| 10/11-14 | NE COG invites us to their Fall Foilage Ride , | See http://www.concours.org/ne/ride_reports/2007/FallRally/index.htm for details. |
| 10/19-20, | Biketoberfest, | see page 2 & 3 |
| 11/2-4, | Barber Museum, | see page 2 & 3 |
| 12/ | Stagecoach Ride - | Stockton, Alabama, Jack McVickers, Details on the way |
| 12/29 | Third Annual Last Blast Before - | Astor, FL, Larry Buck, SE-AD, Details on page 2 |
| 1/ | Excape to the Conc Republic IV - | Florida City, FL., Paul Heydemann, Details on the way |

For Your 2008 Calendar:

1/19-20/2008 **International Motorcycle Show**, Atlanta, GA, <http://motorcycleshows.com/motorcycleshows/static/staticHtml.jsp?id=359197> Detal
2/29 -3/10, 2008 **Daytona Bike Week**, Check the SE Website for more details as they develop .
4/24-27, 2008 **Run with the Wolf Rally** at High Valley Resort in Suches, GA. - Contact Jack Ferguson. Check the SE Website for more details as they develop

Check the SECOG Website often for the latest at <http://www.concours.org/se/> , David Hicks, Webmaster. Please send any ride/event information to Dave for posting as soon as possible.

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