





# FL2-O Monthly Gatherings Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Southern Pig & Cattle Restaurant

2585 SE Federal Highway, Stuart, FL

Dinner 5:00 - Meet 6:00



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#### **Important October Dates**



#### **October Birthday**

Donna Goethel 10/1

Carol Paniacucci 10/1

John DuBose 10/5

Sondra Cuff 10/21



#### October Anniversaries

None

#### **Chapter FL2-0 House of Hope Food Drive**

by Chapter Directors David Morris and Terry Henderson

It is always a good time to give back to worthy causes, so we have decided to do another Food Drive for the House of Hope. Encouraged and led by the Spirit Team, Chapter FL2-O dedicates six months out of the calendar year in the fall and spring seasons to helping the House of Hope further their Mission Statement of 'Empowering Martin County Residents to Overcome Hunger and Hardship.' We support their vital work and acknowledge their amazing contributions of providing Food Pantries, Financial Assistance, Thrift Store locations as well as an impressive Hydroponic Farm to Table Garden. They believe that "a tiny, sprouting seed can have a tremendous impact in the lives of Martin County residents" and so do we!

Our first donation will be on Wed., Sept. 11. We thank you in advance for bringing non-perishable food items and toiletries to the Chapter Gathering. Our plan is to continue the Food Drive at each of the following Gatherings in October and November and then deliver our entire donation to the House of Hope location in Hobe Sound before Thanksgiving. We know that the House of Hope Branch Manager, Paul Grady, will be delighted to see us and will be happy to provide us with the total weight of our generous donation. It is such a blessing to be able to provide nourishment to so many needy families in our very own community.

Thank you for your kind and generous hearts! If you wish to learn more about the House of Hope, go to <a href="https://www.hohmartin.org">www.hohmartin.org</a>. They have a great Farm to Table Future video of their hydroponic garden and nutritional education.

#### FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders will be collecting at our Gathering/Social

September 11<sup>th</sup> – October 9<sup>th</sup> – November 13th



FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders – September 11, 2024 Gathering/Social Enjoy the pictures of the members taken by CD Terry Henderson



More Pictures on the next Page

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#### **Gathering Notes:**

- ➤ House of Hope Donations for September October November
- > Christmas Social Wednesday, December 4 at Florida Club
- **EWMA Florida 1st Ride of the Year "Shrimp-R-US" January 1, 2025**
- ➤ EWMA Florida Gathering Gainesville March 13 15, 2025
- > FL2-O Riding Season should start in October Look for Jim's emails

#### FL2-0 "MEET TO EAT" (PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR!) JOIN US FOR DINNER



AT FIORETINOS ITALIAN RESTAURANT

2571 SE OCEAN BLVD., STUART,

ON OCTOBER 2 (WEDNESDAY) AT 4:30.

PLEASE RSVP TO SANDY WITH EITHER TEXT OR PHONE CALL (772-215-6867) OR E-MAIL (sandy p 33497@yahoo.com)

NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 29. HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE



When: December 4, 2024 (Wednesday)

Where: The Florida Club

9005 SW Old Royal Drive, Stuart

Time: Cocktail hour (cash bar) at 5; Dinner at 6

<u>Dinner:</u> Italian Buffet: pasta alfredo, pasta marinara, meatballs, chicken, salad garlic bread, dessert, coffee, tea

<u>Price per person</u>: \$30.00 (checks payable to Treasure Coast Riders)





We will have a <u>gift exchange</u> as part of our evening festivities. We are asking that each guest bring a creatively <u>wrapped</u> "gift card" in the amount of \$10.00 <u>OR</u> a wrapped gift with a \$10 value. The choice is yours.

Reservations and dinner checks will be accepted at the October and November Gatherings. Checks can also be mailed to Sandy Pisano (payable to Treasure Coast Riders), 200 SW Willow Lake Trail, Stuart, Fl. 34997.

The Spirit Team hopes that all of you will join us for an evening of holiday fun and friendship. *RSVP no later than November 18<sup>th</sup>.* 

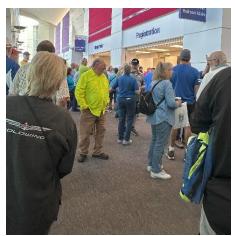


#### FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING

I have to say (in my opinion) that it has been an adjustment transitioning from GWRRA to EWMA. That being said, I believe that all is going well with the transition. Joe and I attended (3400 miles round trip on the trike) our second EWMA convention in Green Bay, Wisconsin. We both felt that it was well attended and evoked a true excitement about the future of the organization. The event was well organized. More vendors participated this year than last year. There were quite a few guided rides and



seminars that engaged many of the attendees. As always, we enjoyed meeting members of other



chapters and seeing many of our Florida friends. I did voice the concern that we have about losing Groupworks. I was told that they are working on a replacement but, as of now, they have not found anything comparable to Groupworks. I am hopeful that their tech team will come up with an option soon. Next year the convention will be held in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Several of us have made our reservations and we hope that other members of our chapter might consider this as an opportunity to engage with other EWMA members and leadership teams. There are also many great district rallies mentioned in chapter newsletters. We have attended quite a

few of these and Joe and I would encourage our

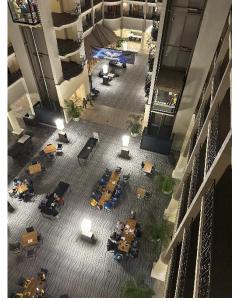
members to try to attend at least one event in 2025. They are so much fun and a great opportunity to just get away and share some time with other chapter friends. I know many of you have attended the Florida district rally held in March. Gainesville is a super location for this well attended rally. The district has booked the entire Best Western Plus Hotel! Don't delay in reserving your room if you plan to attend. It's FUN!

Friends for fun, safety and riding.... this represents not only Eagle Wings but also our amazing chapter and the wonderful people who share their time, their areas of "bike" expertise, their participation in chapter events and rides, and most importantly their friendship.



# FL2-O is the Best!! Sandy Pisano

## 2024 EWMA 2nd Annual Rendezvous Green Bay, Wisconsin





Vendor Area



Bill Smith at EWMA Members Services



**Closing Ceremony** 



Joe & Sandy's Trike & Trailer



Jim & Sondra won free registration to 2025



#### DOWN THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

#### What happens when it ends?

#### by Jim Rich

The saying goes that "All good things must come to an end," but we hope it is not the pavement on which we are riding. What happens when a nicely paved road suddenly turns to gravel? First, slow down, but not by putting on the brakes. If you must brake use only the back brake. The bike is

going to want to squirm under you, let it! Light on the throttle, light on the back brake and light on the steering so the bike can follow the path of least resistance (within reason of course). If you must turn, make a wide turn so you do not have to lean the bike. Once you have the feel of the surface you can slowly increase the speed if you feel in control and have plenty of stopping room. Our first experience on gravel was when we were riding a rented Harley Davidson Electra Glide Classic in Northern Montana just south of Glacier National Park. We were two up with full luggage when we came upon road construction that included about a mile of gravel (Montana claims they have two seasons, winter, and construction). Slow and easy saved the day, but it sure felt like we were riding a snake with the way the bike was squirming around on the gravel.



Note from Chapter Ride Coordinator John DuBose: Jim Rich Assistant Ride Coordinator and I will be planning FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders rides for the season. Please look for Jim's emails listing times and location. It's always nice if you RSVP so we have a head count for restaurants. We're looking forward to riding with you. A couple of notes: we always plan a pre-ride meeting before <u>KSU</u> (Kick-Stands-UP), full tank of gas and empty blander.



**FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders** 

Ride Coordinator - John DuBose

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Assistant Ride Coordinator - Jim Rich

561.748.9710 richtrader3@gmail.com

FL2-O Riding Season is here...



#### keep an eye out for Rides with Jim's emails

Wednesday, October16	Meet for Breakfast at Galaxy Stuart @ 8:30 Then a ride to Port Mayaca	Lead John DuBose
Wednesday, October 23	Marsh Landing Restaurant Fellsmere KSU 9:45 @ Cracker Barrel Stu then 10:45 Love's Ft. P	

## FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING

Thanks ~ To everyone who wrote an article or pictures for this month's Newsletter:

Dave Morris, Terry Henderson, Sandy & Joe Pisano, Jim Rich, John DuBose and Dominick & Diane

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Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month! To John DuBose, Newsletter Editor - FL2oRoadCaptain@comcast.net

I'm looking for pictures of rides, trips, new accessories/bikes with a quote.

# FLORIDA DISTRICT GATHERING OF FRIENDS FOR FUN MARCH 13 - 15, 2025

I plan on riding to Gainesville for the rally on Wednesday,
March 12, 2025. We will be riding mostly back roads... of course
there will be some traffic in areas. If you'd like to ride with me,
make sure to get your hotel reservation for Wednesday, March 12.

John DuBose FL2-O Ride Coordinator



#### FL2-O Ride Coordinator John DuBose attends Virginia District Rally – Harrisonburg, VA



John with VA-K Roanoke at Closing Saturday, August 31, 2024 at Hotel Madison

#### Events John plans on attending in 2025: Please get your hotel and registrations booked.

- ➤ 1st Ride of the Year "Shrimp-R-US" January 1, 2025
- ➤ Florida District Gathering Gainesville March 13 15, 2025 (Buy those Raffle Tickets)
- ➤ EWMA 3<sup>rd</sup> Rendezvous Fort Smith, Arkansas August 28 30, 2025 (Wyndham)

Treasure Coast

Stuart, Florida

Our chapter shirts are now available to order!!!

The official Chapter color is Royal Blue...be sure that you have made the correct selection on the order form.

Thanks to Doug and Donna for spearheading the FL2-O new shirt designs.

Just think you can pick-up the phone and call the vendor Tamma Trump @ 678.744.4293

Bob Steigmeier wearing his FL2-O shirts. It's nice to let others know where we're from! FL2-O

#### 2025 Florida District Raffle Tickets

District Raffle Tickets are in. Get your tickets now!

Drawing at the

Florida District Gathering

March 15, 2025

Need not be present to win



# **Future Communication FL2-O**

- 1. Please use FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders webpage: fl2o.org
- 2. Pictures will also be posted on Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association Webpage

  <a href="https://www.ewma-world.org/">https://www.ewma-world.org/</a> Pictures are under Members Resources Photo Albums
- 3. Email communication will be done by Jim Rich Assistant Ride Coordinator <a href="mailto:richtrader3@gmail.com">richtrader3@gmail.com</a> Please make sure you're on his mailing list!

# FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING

FL2-O Stuart – Treasure Coast Riders <a href="https://fl2o.org/">https://fl2o.org/</a>

Make sure you take time to check out the FL2-O webpage that Donna works hard on keeping updated with pictures and happenings of the Treasure Coast Riders. **Group Works is gone! The FL2-O webpage will be so important to us all for communication!** 

**Donna Goethel – Assistant Chapter Director & Webmaster** 





October, 2024
Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators
Safety Article

Greetings to all!

#### KNOW YOUR MACHINE

I encounter many riders in my travels which have many opinions and questions about riding a motorcycle. Most riders feel like if you can ride a two-wheel motorcycle you can ride any vehicle classified as a motorcycle. Technology has greatly outgrown rider ability and knowledge. Because vehicles classified as motorcycles are so diverse you must be sure that you have the proper knowledge of the vehicle you are riding as to its features and capabilities.

Dirty Harry rightfully stated it: "You got to know your limitations." This has always been true for the rider. But, now more than ever it is also true of your machine. In the past the common limitations of a motorcycle were pretty simple: Ground clearance and the braking system were about all you had to know about your machine for safe operation. Today's modern machines are offering much more technologically advanced systems such as: Selective Riding Modes (Road, Trip, Sport, & Rain), Traction Control, Active Cruise Control, Lane Warning Assist, and Side View Assist, just to name a few. If your new machine comes with any of the new technology you have to understand how it works. These systems were developed to try to help the rider stay out of trouble. The only defect these modern systems can't fix is: "the loose nut behind the wheel" (the rider). If you don't know how these systems work you tend to not let them work. The systems were placed there to help you ride safely... let them.

Another situation I have encountered is when the two-wheel riders, that have "aged out", have decided to transition to a three-wheeled motorcycle so they can continue to ride. Legally taking a transition course is not required. In Florida if you are endorsed to ride a two-wheeled motorcycle you can ride a three-wheeled motorcycle. Three-wheeled motorcycles would include: The Traditional Trike-two wheels in the rear, The Reverse Trike-two wheels in the front, and A Sidecar Rig-off to the right side. Each of these vehicles has its own distinctive handling characteristics. Having ridden a two-wheeled motorcycle for many years does not give you the knowledge and experience you need to have to safely operate a three-wheeled motorcycle. There are classes you can take specifically for three-wheeled motorcycles to familiarize you with what you need to know about the safe operation of

these vehicles. I strongly recommend you take one of these classes if you are going to make the move to three wheels.

Let me tell you a story which illustrates what I am talking about. There was a two-wheeled rider who had only ridded two-wheels for decades. He physically needed to transition to three-wheels. He bought a Can-am. The Can-am has traction control linked with the throttle. This means if you enter a curve too fast and the machines senses that you are about to raise an inside wheel. The machine will let off on the throttle and brake the vehicle regardless of what the rider is doing. This rider was a trained two-wheel rider. That meant he was trained that is you enter a curve too fast on two-wheels you first straighten the motorcycle so you can safely apply the brakes to slow down. So, on this unfortunate day the rider entered a curve too fast on his Can-am. He realized he was going too fast. He instinctively straightened the Can-am so he could apply the brakes, not allowing the Cam-am to take care of the situation. His hand was apparently still on the throttle in the on position. So, what did the Cam-am think at this point? The wheels were now straight so there was no longer a threat of wheel lift. The Can-am reapplied the throttle. The machine went straight off the road into a barbed wire fence. The fence did stop the machine. Not the kind of stop I would prefer. The rider did sustain injuries from the barbed wire.

So, the conclusion to my article is to: "know your machine". Especially if you have purchased one to the newer models with better safety features.

Ride safe,

Dominick & Diane









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#### Easiest way to join – Go to the EWMA Website and Click on JOIN: http://www.ewm-world.org

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	http://www.ewma-florida.org	
Oct. 20 – 24, 2024	Mississippi District Rally "Born to be Wild"	Biloxi, MS
January 1, 2025	1st Ride of the Year – Shrimp "R" Us & More	Welka, FL (Flyer)
March 13 – 15, 2025	Florida District Gathering "Roaring 20's" Gainesville, FL	
April 24 – 26, 2025	Tennessee District Rally "America the Beautiful"	Johnson City, TN
May 15 – 17, 2025	South Carolina District Rally "Salute to the Troops"	Newberry, SC
August 28 – 30, 2025	EWMA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Rendezvous	Fort Smith, AR
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# FLORIDA DISTRICT GATHERING OF FRIENDS FOR FUN

MARCH 13 - 15, 2025





# 1<sup>st</sup> Ride of the Year January 1, 2025 SHRIMP "R" US & More



765 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Welaka, FL Are you ready to feast and frolic with your friends?

The Annual 1<sup>st</sup> Ride of the Year is just around the corner and we want YOU to be there!

We're ordering a spread that'll make your taste buds dance, so we need to know if you're in!

RSVP and prepay now to secure your spot at the table. Get your registration in by December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024!

Your Armband will be waiting for you!

Trust us; you won't want to miss out on this scrumptious soirée!

Price: \$30.00 per person ALL You Can Eat Buffet

Time: Lunch begins at 12:00pm

What are we eating? Shrimp: fried, grilled, steamed, garlic baked chicken, red potatoes, fritters, coleslaw, salad with dressing, 1 drink and 1 dessert

Check Payable to: EWMA Florida District Mail Check to: Pat VanLengen 1654 White Arrow Drive Dover, FL 33527

Any Questions call ADD Harry Anderson 321-693-8703

	Please Print		
Name:		#	x \$30.00
Email:			
Cell Phone:			
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# FLORIDA DISTRICT GATHERING OF FRIENDS FOR FUN MARCH 13 - 15, 2025

#### Same GREAT Venue as in 2024

The Florida District Team is happy and pleased to announce that we are going back to the Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel in Gainesville, FL for our 2025 Gathering of Friends for FUN. The dates for 2025 is March 13 - 15, 2025.

Over the coming weeks, much more information will be available on this webpage regarding schedule, contests, rides and much more! In the meantime, please consider submitting your registration as soon as possible. Having a good idea of the number of attendees we will have helps us immensely. A copy of the registration flyer is available below. Additionally, please book your room at the Best Western. For your convenience, a link to the hotel booking is also available below.

#### More information will be available over the coming weeks!

Click on the image below to download a Rally Flyer





If you call the hotel to book your reservation, be sure and use this Group Code: EWMA25

#### Attention Campers!

Camping is available at three nearby locations!

Travelers Campground - 11 miles away
17701 April Blvd, Alachua
10% off of the standard rate
Use link <a href="https://www.travelerscampground.com/booking/">https://www.travelerscampground.com/booking/</a>
Enter the name Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

High Springs RV Resort - 15 miles away 24004 Old Bellamy Rd, High Springs \$5.00 off the regular nightly rate Use name Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park - 16 miles away
Tent sites only available
50% discount for Florida Residents over 65

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Florida District Rally March 13—15, 2025 Opens daily at 9:00am

#### Florida District Directors

Fred & Karen Kennedy (850)-232-0365

#### FIRST AID/CPR CLASS OFFERED

Wednesday 03-12-2025—11am - 5pm Limit 20 people Must be Fully Registered FL EWMA MEMBERS \$25.00 (returned upon completion) NON-FLORIDA EWMA MEMBERS \$35.00 SEPARATE CHECKS NEEDED PAYABLE TO EWMA FL DISTRICT

Contact Claudia Vega for availability 561-722-0632 rvega19854@gmail.com

Preregistrations must be postmarked by March 1, 2025

#### NO refunds after February 23, 2025

After March 1st Registration is \$5.00 higher

\$15.00 Day Passes will be sold onsite and are good for all events of the day of purchase except Thursday Night dinner

#### Submit Registration Forms to:

Geno & Kathie Jette 114 Canis Dr E Orange Park, FL 32073

#### addgeno@yahoo.com

Make check or money order (US Dollar only)
Payable to EWMA Florida District
If you would like registration confirmation, please
ensure you provide an email address

#### Guided Rides on Friday & Saturday

Register by December 1, 2024 for entry into Early Bird drawing to be awarded to 1 lucky winner at Closing Ceremonies!

<u>Pre-Order Shirts f</u>or entry into a drawing for a prize to be awarded to 1 lucky winner at Closing Ceremonies

See website for latest information http://www.ewma-florida.org/rally.html

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