



# EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



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



## Chapter Directors

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## The FL2-O Team

John DuBose  
Ride Coordinator  
Jim Rich  
Asst. Ride Coordinator  
Sandy Pisano – Spirit Team  
Percy Comstock – 50/50  
John DuBose  
Newsletter Editor

Joe Trotta  
Chapter Treasure



## June Message:

I had a 'Leadership' meeting following the Annual Picnic. We covered a wide variety of subject matter and made several decisions. We addressed the renewal cost of our internet web site. Our webmaster, Donna, has been working diligently on the reduction of the current cost, which is in excess of our budget, and she told us that we were running out of time to find a solution. Sandy Pisano graciously offered to take the money from the Spirit Team funds to continue with the current web page service for one more year, allowing us time to develop a solution to the high cost of our website host.



We agreed to order 300 District raffle tickets, which is the same number that we sold last year. I am happy to report that the tickets have arrived and are now available for sale.

Membership report given by Doug and Donna covered the National level, Florida District and our local chapters. Doug noted that the changes in leadership at Chapter FL2-A have been extremely challenging for the new Chapter Director, whereas our chapter has been stable. We are a very active but small chapter and need to structure our events in such a way that encourages people to renew their membership when their expiration date occurs. We should also encourage anyone who attends our events and are not members to join. Doug will be contacting everyone that has not joined and encourage them to become members. National calls the people that want to participate in Chapter events but don't join 'Ghost Members' and requires the chapter leaders to insure that they become members as a requirement to participate in our events. That is why we decided to make our holiday party eligible to Chapter FL2-O members only; our annual picnic will be open to EWMA members and our Gatherings and rides open to anyone who wants to 'try us out'. They will be asked after a trial period to join our chapter. A family membership costs only \$35 and is not limited to your spouse/partner. Some members have added a child at no additional cost.

Lastly, we discussed our finances and addressed the fact that EWMA does not want us to talk about our chapter finances during Gatherings or in the Newsletter publication. However, if and when any Chapter FL2-O member asks about our finances, we encourage them to address their questions to our Treasurer, Joe Trotta, or Chapter Director, David Morris, directly and we will get them an answer as soon as possible within a five-day period.

All the best, Chapter Directors David Morris and Terry Henderson

## Important June 2025 Dates



### June Birthdays

Wanda Hackett 6/3

Myrta Colussy 6/13

Allison Meisenbacher 6/24

David Morris 6/27

Leo Valcourt 6/30



### June Anniversaries

Greg & Percy Comstock 6/10

Willard & Wanda Hackett 6/15

## EWMA Florida Assistant District Directors Recruitment & Retention

Doug & Donna Goethel [1Ringo@comcast.net](mailto:1Ringo@comcast.net)



### FL2-O Membership Report

No updates this month!

Got a question about membership check with  
Doug or Donna

Would you like to ride this summer? Got a ride you'd like to suggest?



Assistant Ride Coordinator - Jim Rich

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**FL2-O Gathering/Social – Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>****Southern Pig & Cattle Company****2583 SE Federal Hwy – Stuart****Dinner 5 to 6 Meeting 6 to 7****Meet to Eat – Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>****Golden Chopsticks Buffet – (6 – 8)****7159 S. US Hwy 1, Port Saint Lucie****Plenty of Room – We'll see you there!**

## FL2-O Gathering/Social May 14, 2025

The May gathering had 20 in attendance and it was nice to see Greg's mother join us. CD Dave reviewed the minutes from his team leader meeting where it was decided that functions such as the Christmas party, meet to eats and game nights would be for active members only, but the picnic and rides would be open to all.



ACD Doug talked about recruiting new members and passed out handlebar hangers and cards explaining the mission of EWMA.

Donna, our website guru told about her efforts to establish a less costly website, but was going to keep the GoDaddy site for an additional year, thanks to some funding from the Spirit Team. If you haven't visited the website, lately go to [FL2o.org](http://FL2o.org) and check it out.

We discussed rides, but no specific suggestions came up so I'm going to review some of the past rides and pick some appropriate places for warm weather rides.

CD Dave asked about tech-talk and Bob Steigmeier brought up that he could use some help in bleeding the front brakes on his trike. I suggested he get some Speed Bleeders which make the process much easier due to a valve that prevents air from entering the system during the bleeding process.



Barney won the 50-50 and Donna provided cookies for everyone.

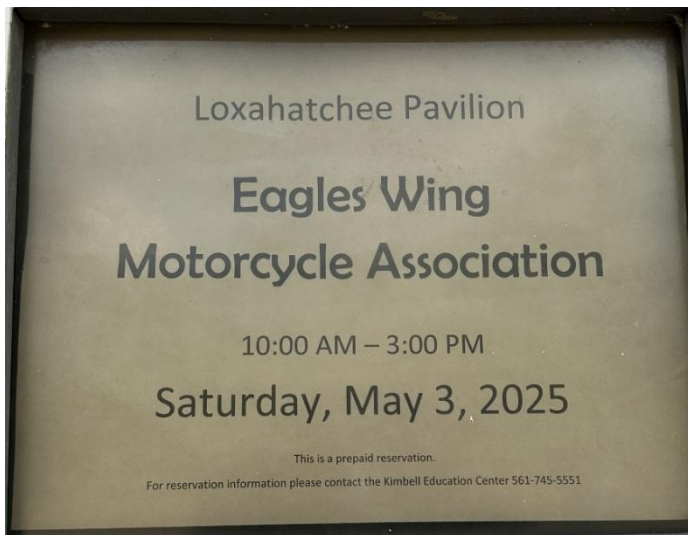
Notes: Jim Rich and Pictures: CD Dave Morris – Thanks!



## FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025

### Jonathan Dickerson State Park – Hobe Sound, FL

The Spirit Team had a great turn-out with 26 in attendance. Everyone seemed to enjoy the Sam's hotdogs along with the many covered dishes. Ringo (Doug) and Donna ran the BINGO with many winners. Jim Cuff and Greg Comstock took care of the cooking. Joe Pisano, Dave Morris and Percy Comstock sent in pictures. Thanks go out to the SPIRIT TEAM!



Jim Cuff and Greg Comstock cooking those hotdogs!



**FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025**

ACD Donna with CD Dave



Sandy letting everyone know it time to eat



ACD Doug looking on



Nice Plate of Food



## FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025



Greg & Barney



Sandy & Barney



Beth



The Picnic with lots of eats!



## FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025



Barney & Greg



Friends Visit!



Lena & Leo



Myrta





## FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025



Doug – Sandy – Sondra



Sandy in conversation



Sondra



Thumbs Up!!!





## FL2-O Spirit Team Annual Picnic – May 3, 2025



Ringo (Doug) & Donna – BINGO TIME



The Winners! Jim Cuff & Donna Goethel

Special Thanks to: Joe Pisano, Percy Comstock & CD Dave Morris for the Pictures



## Cracker Café ride Report – Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Great day, great group and a great ride. Doug Goethel, Barney Salzberg, Greg Comstock, tail gunner Dave Moris and lead Jim Rich met up at the Cracker Barrel and headed out route 76 along the St. Lucie canal. A bright and sunny day with the temperatures just reaching 80 degrees. Doug was on his new



Indian Scout and talked about a second one he purchased because of an impressive custom paint job and a decent price. We had the Cracker Café to ourselves, so the service was great, and the food was excellent. To top it all off we had a benefactor from the great state of Texas who knew there was a birthday coming up in the group, so he bought everyone's breakfast, what a treat. We left the parking lot out the back, challenged by gigantic potholes and puddles, and then headed down Osceola Street to Citrus Blvd back to Stuart. Rich's Rebel clocked just under seventy miles.



**Thanks to Jim Rich for leading the ride, taking the pictures and the write-up!**



**FL2-O Ride Coordinator John DuBose new summer ride!****2025 BMW C 400 GT Maxi Scooter for riding the mountains of Virginia**

John & Peggy DuBose will be attending Virginia Riders (District) Rally in Harrisonburg, VA August 21 – 23. Virginia is a newly chartered EWMA District. We will also be at Fort Smith, AR - EWMA Rendezvous August 28 – 30. We look forward to see you!

**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 KSU (Kick-Stands-UP), full tank of gas and empty blander.****



### FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders

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**FL2-O Riding Season is here...**



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

Tuesday, October 22nd	Luch Ride - Boonies in Loxahatchee (9 Riders)	Leads Jim & John
Monday, October 28 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch Ride – Cowpokes in Sebring (4 Riders)	Leads John & Jim
Saturday, Nov 9, 2024	FL District Ride-in Dixie Crossroads in Titusville	Joe/Sandy & Johe/Peggy
Thursday, November 21	Crabby Dockside at Fort Pierce Marina (6 Riders)	Leads John & Jim
Monday, November 25	Lake Placid – Jaxson's Restaurant (7 Riders)	Leads John & Jim
Wed, January 1, 2025	FL EWMA First Ride – Shrimp-R-Us in Welaka	Joe/Sandy & John/Peggy
Friday, January 10, 2025	Lunch Ride – Captains Gallery in Ft. Pierce (3/5)	Leads John & Jim
Wed. January 29, 2025	Lunch Ride – American ICON Brewery VB (17)	Leads John & Jim
Saturday February 1, 2025	Lunch Ride – Cowpokes Watering Hole Sebring	Visitation John
Wed February 5, 2025	Lunch Ride – Harpoon Harry's Punta Gorda (17)	Leads John & Jim
Saturday February 8, 2025	Lunch Ride - Hitchin Post – Lithia Pinecrest (4)	Visitation FL2-H John/Joe
Sat February 15, 2025	Lunch Ride – Brake Burger – Lake Wales (14)	Visitation FL2-H John
Sunday, February 16, 2025	Breakfast at CJ Cannon VB Airport FL2-D & O	Visitation John & Peggy
Tues, February 18, 2025	Lunch Ride – Lunkers in Okee FL2-O & FL2-A	Leads John & Jim 13 riders
Saturday, March 1, 2025	Daytona Bike Day Ride (Joe Pisano – Jim Cuff)	John DuBose
Wed, March 5, 2025	Lunch Ride Crabby Dockside & Seal Museum	Leads Jim & John
Saturday, March 8, 2025	Lunch Ride Runway Café' Sebring with FL2 - H	John DuBose (meet-up)
Wed – Sat March 12 - 15	Florida District Gathering - Gainesville	8 Members Attended
Thurs – March 27, 2025	Lunch Ride – Squid Lips – Sebastain (15)	Leads John & Jim
Friday – April 4, 2025	Breakfast Ride – Galaxy the Jupiter Island	Leads John & Jim
Saturday – May 3, 2025	Spirit Team Annual Picnic – Jonathan Dickerson	Lead Sandy Pisano
Wednesday, May 28, 2025	Breakfast Ride to Cracker Café – Indiantown (5)	Lead Jim Rich

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**FL2-O Stuart – Treasure Coast Riders** <https://fl2o.org/>

**Assistant Chapter Director  
and Webmaster**

**Donna Goethel**

**has added to the FL2-O  
Webpage.**



- Ride Reports (New)
- **More Tab:** Pictures, Newsletters, Contact Us, Become a Member of EWMA, Store (Shirts), Ride Information/Planning

**PLEASE TAKE TIME TO CHECK-OUT AND USE THE WEBPAGE.**



### **Future Communication FL2-O**

1. Please use FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders webpage: [fl2o.org](https://fl2o.org/)
2. Pictures will also be posted on Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association Webpage <https://www.ewma-world.org/> Pictures are under Members Resources – Photo Albums
3. Email communication will be done by Jim Rich Assistant Ride Coordinator [richtrader3@gmail.com](mailto:richtrader3@gmail.com) Please make sure you're on his mailing list.

## HELLS ANGELS

by Jim Rich

Well, they were not really Hells Angels, just a group of Harley riders that we rode with when we bought our Honda VTX 1300R. Soon after we bought the bike we headed out early Sunday morning and as we rode by the corner gas station, we noticed a group of Harley riders. We turned in and asked if we could join them. They welcomed us, especially since they already had a couple riding a Honda and thought we might make good company. The group leaders were a couple with the biggest, baddest, loudest, Harley. They led the rides with no signals for stops, starts, turns or lane changes knowing that everyone was aware of the destination and if you can't keep up, we'll see you there. We'd been riding with them for quite a while when they decided to do an overnight to St. Augustine. No one wanted to lead a ride that long, so Marilyn and I volunteered. By that time, we had been riding with the Honda Red Riders and knew the protocols for leading a ride. I reviewed all the hand signals and even had a signal for the tail gunner when I wanted him to secure a lane for passing. It was several months later when we were all sitting around at a lunch stop when the leader said, "so who's the best leader?" The tail gunner was sitting directly across from me, but before I could kick him in the chin he said, "Jim and Marilyn." It took a while for the leader to get over that, but it made me think how fortunate The TC Wings are to have John DuBose, a patient leader, and ride coordinator, who is both knowledgeable and experienced.







June, 2025

## Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article

### Addressing Hazards in the Roadway

There are many different types of hazards you will encounter in the roadway while riding your motorcycle. Striking objects with your motorcycle is much more dangerous and has much greater consequences than if you had struck the same object with a car, suv or pick-up truck. If you strike a pot hole, piece of truck tire, or any other substantial piece of debris with a 4-wheel vehicle the results might be a flat tire or some minor cosmetic damage. If you struck the same object with a motorcycle the result could be a crash.

Some types of hazards you might encounter in the roadway are as follows:

1. Wet or dry grass clippings being blown into the road during mowing.
2. Gravel kicked into the road by cars and trucks.
3. Tree branches falling from trees above the road.
4. Wet or dry leaves.
5. Dirt washed onto the road during a rain storm.
6. Deep puddles during or after a rain storm.
7. Motorcycles or other vehicles approaching from the opposite direction intruding onto your side of the road going around a curve.
8. Pieces of truck tire. (Florida Gator)
9. Snow or ice
10. And many more.

Make sure if you have to surmount any of the potential slippery examples I have listed, you take as much lean angle as possible out of your bike before you make contact to reduce the chance of sliding out and losing control. No braking, down shifting or abrupt throttle deceleration while crossing

over these areas. Just pull in the clutch and coast over the slippery surface. If you have to surmount a large object such as a two by four, or a piece of truck tire, you must momentarily become a dirt bike rider. Hold on to the hand grips, stand up enough to use your knees as shock absorbers, give the throttle a blip-on just before the front tire makes contact with the object and then immediately roll-off of the throttle so the rear tire can easily go over the object. This method also works in reducing the shock when going over a hole in road or speed humps.

The best way to avoid any hazard is not to encounter it in the first place. To be able to avoid a hazard you must see it soon enough and far enough away so you have enough time and space to avoid it. Braking or swerving only works if you have enough time and distance to execute these maneuvers. A person needs at least two seconds to react. It takes about one second for your eyes to tell your brain something needs to be done. It takes about another second for your hands and feet to begin to move to accomplish whatever action is required. Much literature has now been changed to three seconds being the minimum amount of reaction time required. More is better. The proper reaction time distance directly related to the proper following distance. If you are closer than 2-3 seconds behind the vehicle in front of you, you will not have enough time and distance to react should some hazard appear.

Riding at night reduces your reaction time even if there is not a vehicle in front of you. There is a line between where your headlight is lighting the road and the darkness just beyond your headlight beam. The distance of this line depends on your speed and headlight adjustment. This line should also always be 2-3 seconds ahead of you. If that distance is shorter than 2-3 seconds slow down accordingly.

A legally, properly adjusted headlight is supposed to illuminate 150 ft. ahead on low beam and 450 ft. ahead on high beam. At 50 mph the distance of two second ahead of you is already 150 ft. If you are going faster, such as 70 mph on the interstate, you are already over riding your low beam head light's illumination distance. You can switch to high beam for additional distance. But, remember if you are running with your high beam on and another vehicle is approaching you from the opposite direction, legally you must switch back to low beam at 500 ft. from it. If you switch to low beam until the other vehicle passes you are now drastically over riding your low beam headlight distance.

Ride safe and watch out for hazards,

Dominick & Diane

## All the Gear All the Time!





## Upcoming Florida EWMA Events

June 5 - 7, 2025	Georgia District Rally <i>"Beach Bash"</i>	Helen, GA
June 26 - 28, 2025	Alabama District Rally <i>"Roaring 20's"</i>	Sheffield, AL

August 21 – 23, 2025

Virginia Riders District Rally

Harrisonburg, VA

*"Virginia District Rodeo Round-Up"*

August 28 - 30, 2025	EWMA <i>"2025 Eagle Wing Rendezvous"</i>	Fort Smith, AR
Sept 25 - 27, 2025	North Carolina District Rally <i>"Back to the Smokies"</i>	Silva, NC
October 16 - 18, 2025	Mississippi District Rally <i>"The New Frontier"</i>	Biloxi, MS
March 12 - 14, 2026	Florida District Gathering of Friends for FUN <i>"Happy 250th Birthday America!"</i>	Gainesville, FL

# FUN in Florida is # 1



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**District Directors**  
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## Service Tips



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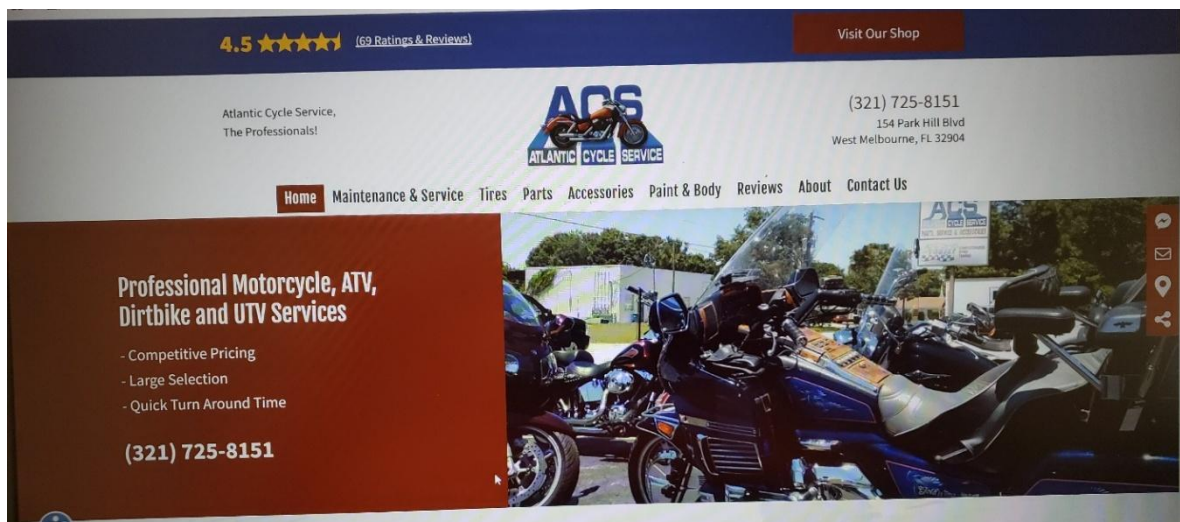
Dan GW Tech – Don Service Manager – Mike - Owner. - Treasure Coast Honda – Kawasaki

**Don Gehring** Service Manager will do his best to meet your needs.

<https://www.honda-kawasaki.com/>

**2025 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gold Wing now in stock... maybe it's time for a new wing!**

Jim Cuff and Joe Pisano had their Gold Wing Trike warranty work done and very satisfied. John DuBose has his wing serviced there and very happy.



**Atlantic Cycle Service – 154 Park Hill Blvd. West Melbourne, FL 32904**

**(321.725.8151) <https://www.atlanticcycleservice.com/>**

Larry Pounds found a shop to help him with his trike....

Nice to have a choice!



## EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION



**Our 2025 Eagle Wings Rendezvous will be located at  
Convention Center, in Fort Smith, AR  
August 28th - 30th**



**BW | Best Western.**  
Hotels & Resorts

4200 NW 97th Boulevard  
Gainesville, FL 32606-3742

Rate \$139.00 (including buffet breakfast for 2)  
Reservation call 352-331-3336  
Group Code: **EWMA2026**  
Group room rate cutoff date: 02/20/2026  
Cancel w/o charge 48 hours before arrival



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EWMA Florida District

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2<sup>nd</sup> Drawing - \$ 500 Cash  
3<sup>rd</sup> Drawing - \$ 250 Cash



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**MARCH 12—14, 2026**

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

Dave Morris, Terry Henderson, Joe & Sandy Pisano, Jim Rich, John DuBose, Percy Comstock, Doug & Donna Goethel and Dominick & Diane DeSiato

Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month!

To John DuBose, Newsletter Editor - [FL2oRoadCaptain@comcast.net](mailto:FL2oRoadCaptain@comcast.net)

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



**FL2-O Stuart – Treasure Coast Riders - 2025**



**Virginia Riders District Rally****August 21—23 2025****Virginia District Rodeo Round-Up**

**Saddle Up and  
Get Your YEE-HAW On!**

**Hotel Madison—Harrisonburg**

710 S. Main St, Harrisonburg, VA 22801

**Reserve Hotel Rooms by July 20, 2025.** After that date, reservations will be taken on a space available basis. Price is \$124.00 per night plus taxes.

Contact the hotel at [540-564-0200](tel:540-564-0200).  
Mention **"VA District Riders 2025"** for the special rate.  
Hotel reservations can also be made at:  
<https://reservations.travelclick.com/110365?groupID=4533693>

Register for Rally by July 1, 2025 and the \$5 per day per vehicle parking fee will be paid by Virginia Riders.



**Banquet Dinner Saturday, August 23 at 5:45—7:00.** The cost of the dinner is **\$30** per person.

**ARC (Advanced Rider Course): \$45**

Co-Riders are free

**TRC (Trike Rider Course): \$45**

Co-Riders are free

Classroom will be **THURSDAY, August 21 at 12:00—4:00.**

Range will be **FRIDAY, August 22 at 8:00-12:00.**

Full riding gear, **CURRENT** Motorcycle license, proof of Insurance & Pre-Registration are required to take either class.

**CPR/Medic First-Aid Class: \$35**

**Saturday, August 23 at 8:30-12:30**

**MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) PER CLASS**

**NO REFUNDS UNLESS CLASS IS CANCELED BY INSTRUCTOR**

**ALL OF THE ABOVE EVENTS REQUIRE  
PRE-REGISTRATION AND PRE-PAYMENT**

**BY AUGUST 1, 2025**



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**Virginia Riders District Rally****August 21—23 2025**

PRINT	Rider	Co-Rider
Name		
Mobile #		
Chapter		
Position		
Email		
Home Address		
Arrival Day		
First VA Rally		

**RELEASE FORM (Must be signed by all registrants and returned)**

I/We agree to hold harmless Virginia Riders, the Hotel Madison, RPM Academy, EWMA, and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property by reason of participating in this event.

Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Rider Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Mail registration with personal check payable to:*

**Virginia Riders**  
**Roman Paryz**  
**331 Paine St.**  
**Newport News, VA 23608**

**Or Use The**  
**Preferred Easy Pay Option**  
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**Refunds incur \$10 fee. No refunds after 1 Aug.**  
**All 50/50 Drawings—Must Be Present To Win**

<https://virginia-riders.square.site/>

Item	Price	Qty	Total \$
Registrants	\$60		
On Site Registrants	\$70		
Banquet Dinner	\$30		
Sat 50/50 — 25 Tix	\$10		
Sat 50/50 — 60 Tix	\$20		
Sat 50/50 — 100 Tix	\$30		
ARC	\$45		
TRC	\$45		
MFA	\$35		
Shirts (from Below)	-	-	
<b>TOTAL</b>	-	-	

Rally T-Shirts: Pre-Orders Only				
T-Shirt	Size	Price	Qty	Total \$
Short Sleeve	S	\$17		
	M	\$17		
	L	\$17		
	XL	\$17		
<b>MUST BE ORDERED BY 7/21/2025</b>	2X	\$19		
	3X	\$19		
	4X	\$23		
	5X	\$23		
<b>TOTAL SHIRT ORDER</b>				



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**Saturday, June 14, 2025**

