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Monthly Gathering

Every 2nd Wed. at
Southern Pig & Cattle
Restaurant
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Socialize 5:30
Dinner 6:00
Meeting 7:00

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David Morris, Chapter Director

We have entered our late Spring ride season and are seeing the start of higher afternoon temperatures and the beginning of humidity. This is the season when our snow birds start their annual migration to their northern homes. We certainly will miss having them at our Chapter events and look forward to their return in the fall.

We are in full swing right now having had our very first picnic and Motorist Awareness event. Leo and Lena are scheduling another Motorist Awareness activity at the Elliott Museum in May and Doug is working on developing a Rider Ed schedule. Thank you for supporting them with your attendance.

I am thankful for the enthusiasm each one of you demonstrates when you participate in our Gatherings, group rides or any other Chapter activity including the Florida District Rally. Imagine, out of 29 chapters represented at the March Rally, our Chapter had the second biggest number of attendees. There were 22 of us at the March Rally in Altamonte Springs and we had a great time!!

I think that the March Gathering was one of our best! We reviewed the District Rally competition results for the Diorama, Banner and Scrapbook competitions, raffled off a beautiful Spring Basket and we all guessed how many pennies were in the jar. The positive feed-back for our picnic at Jonathan Dickinson Park was outstanding and there were many accolades for our own 'BINGO Man' at the picnic! We are having too much FUN! Keep it up!

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Person of the Year 2021
Sandy Pisano

Spirit Team Chair
Sandy Pisano



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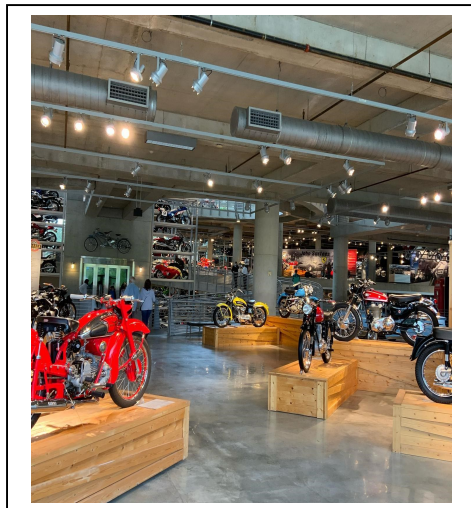
JIM and MARILYN RICH

BARBER VINTAGE MOTORSPORTS MUSEUM

By Jim Rich

In the late 1980's George Barber started collecting classic cars but knowing that there were already numerous large car collections George's friend and fleet manager, Dave Hooper, talked him into focusing on motorcycles instead of cars. George decided he was going to build the world's "best and largest" motorcycle collection. Hooper kick started Barber's collection by donating two vintage Honda fours. Today the museum is home to over 1600 motorcycles spanning 100 years of production with over 950 bikes on display on any given day. The museum also houses a collection of rare race cars including a 1964 Ferrari F-158 that John Surtees drove to the 1964 Formula 1 World Championship.

Getting to the Museum is almost as much fun as touring it if you go up the west coast of Florida on route 19 and then pick up route 82 west in Georgia through Eufaula to 231 north in Alabama. The destination is Leeds, Alabama, east of Birmingham. The ride is a little over 600 miles so an overnight might be in order for some of us short haulers. My visit consisted of a couple day stop in Eufaula to attend the Alabama Rally before heading on to the Museum. The Museum also has a 2.38-mile road course track which is home to a Porsche Racing School, and which also hosts the Honda Indy Grand Prix of Alabama every spring.





Gathering Minutes By Terry Henderson

The April Gathering of Chapter FL2-0 was called to order by Chapter Director David Morris on Wed. April 14 at 7pm. He welcomed a large group of members to the monthly meeting at the Southern Pig and Cattle Co. Restaurant on US 1 in Stuart and immediately wished Barry Covard a Happy Birthday and Joe & Deb Trotta a Happy Anniversary.

David acknowledged the fact that the Chapter Picnic at Jonathan Dickinson Park was a great success due to the dedicated work of Sandy Pisano and the Spirit Team. Thank you for making it so much FUN! We had a fantastic turn out and the venue under the Pavilion was perfect.

Thanks went out to Lena and Leo Valcourt for helping to make the event a Motorist Awareness opportunity by setting up a table near the Pavilion with pamphlets and information regarding how to keep alert for motorcycles while driving your vehicle on the roads and highways. Joe Trotta asked to be recognized and gave a short historical account of the park. He said that during World War II, Jonathan Dickinson Park was called Camp Murphy and it was utilized by the army as a training base for soldiers. They taught them how to fire weapons on a shooting range and to this day you can find 50 caliber slugs out in the wilderness of the park. Another FUN fact is that the soldiers would walk through the park to the adjoining restaurant for R&R. That restaurant still exists and it's called Harry and the Natives.

David called on Doug Goethel to give a Rider Ed. report. Doug said that regarding the Levels Program, all members of GWRRA have been 'grand fathered in' through the end of the year. In other words, you don't need to update your training status until 2022. However, we might want to start taking our courses sooner rather than later. As we all know, the Wellington course is no longer available to us so we have a new site in Melbourne. All the lines are in place and it's ready to go for motorcycle training courses. Doug said that almost all of us in Chapter FL2-0 need to take an ERC or Trike course, so he recommended that we plan on selecting two days within a week, a Mon. & Tue. or a weekend and book our courses. The classes are 3-4 hours in length and our trainer, District Rider Educator Dominic, needs at least 6 people in each class in order to justify the expense of traveling to Melbourne. There is an initial fee of \$30 per person to reserve the class but that money will be refunded to you when the course is completed. We are very fortunate that our training courses are paid for by the sale of March Rally tickets. Doug concluded his Rider Ed. report by announcing that he will post some tentative dates for the ERC & Trike courses on GroupWorks. He asked that everyone who is interested sign up so we can secure the Melbourne training site. There will be no CPR classes through the end of the year.

Our Ride Captain John DuBose gave a report and announced that Chapter FL2-0 has been on 22 rides this season. We have a scheduled ride on Sunday April 18 to Marsh Landing in Fellsmere where we will enjoy a delicious lunch in a restaurant known for its fantastic frog legs. John thanked all the Chapter members for faithfully riding with us and especially thanked Jim Rich and Paul Dreyfus who helped plan and lead many rides throughout the season. Paul helped with

some great rides to Bok Tower and Cherry Pocket and Jim led us on 11 rides this year including the District Coast to Coast ride and the ride to the District Florida Rally. Plus, we had a good turn out to Crabby Bill's, an excellent destination, thanks to Frank Pelligrino's help. John said that it's great when so many members join in and contribute their ideas and efforts in order to enhance the Chapter ride experience. Jim will lead some rides during the summer months when John DuBose is up north for the season. John concluded his report by asking for any ideas that our members might have for a ride. Let John know if you have any ride suggestions.

David congratulated the Spirit Team for all of their hard work, creativity and dedication to the Chapter. He invited Sandy Pisano to give a report and thanked her again for the Spirit Team's invaluable participation. He congratulated Sandy and the Team for winning 1st place for the Diorama at the District Florida Rally in March and thanked Myrta for the Spring Basket which one lucky person will win in the raffle tonight. The Diorama, Scrapbook, Banner and Spring Basket were all on display when Sandy thanked the Spirit Team ladies for their indispensable talent that they share with the Chapter. She also discussed the fact that the Spirit Team had evaluated the March Rally and had brainstormed some recommendations that would enhance the event! Marilyn Rich will communicate to District Director Bill & Cheryl Smith and provide them with some constructive ideas.

Sandy also thanked everyone who rode to the Chapter Picnic on Sat. April 10 at the Jonathan Dickinson Park. It was a great success and a lot of FUN! Thank you, Doug Goethel, for playing 'Bingo Man' and leading us in our first group Bingo game. We'll have more Bingo games in the future and we definitely plan to have another picnic in the fall, Sandy said. Also, please don't forget the Jingle Jar...drop your loose change into the jar and help us pay for more FUN times. It was the Jingle Jar that paid the \$60 for the Pavilion. Also, thank you to everyone who donated non-perishable food items to the House of Hope. It will be very much appreciated by those less fortunate than us in our community. And, thank you to Laura & Mike Smutek for their cash donation. Sandy also brought a jar of pennies to the Gathering and invited us to guess how many pennies were in the jar. Tammy came closest to the 812 number of pennies. She was offered the jar of pennies to take home or the envelope with a surprise in it. Tammy selected the jar of pennies before she realized the envelope had exactly \$8.12 in it. "Now that would have been a lot easier to carry home," Tammy said. What FUN we have at our Gatherings!!

Our Treasurer Jim Rich invited Metalflake to do his Tech Talk. Metalflake proceeded to give us a tip on changing the tires on a Gold Wing. Place the bike down on its right side and it's only a 15 minute job. He also recommended that when you are on a Chapter ride & you enter a parking lot, park two bikes in each parking space rather than just one bike per space. That leaves more room for other bikes to park.

Jim called for Spring Basket raffle and the 50/50 raffle. Congratulations to Doug and Roxanne Dulany who won the beautiful basket and to Terry who won the 50/50 cash drawing. Jim adjourned the meeting.



FROM THE BACK OF THE BIKE

BY MARILYN RICH

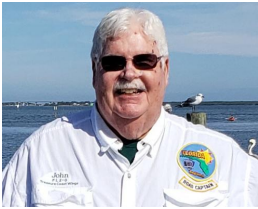
FELLSMERE FLORIDA: FROG LEGS AND FEMINISTS

Our chapter recently rode to Marsh Landings Restaurant in Fellsmere. We were served delightful country style meals but I did not see any orders of frog legs! Fellsmere is known for it's Frog Leg Festival held the third week in January. Next year's 2022 festival is already in the works.

Besides being known for frog legs, Fellsmere can boast the first woman to vote in Florida or any state south of the Mason Dixon line in 1915. This was five years before the 19th amendment established women's suffrage nationally. In 1915 Fellsmere applied to the state for it's charter, including women's right to vote, and it was ratified unnoticed by the legislature. This despite several failures of statewide suffrage measures that same year!

The area around Fellsmere is rich in citrus groves and produce farms. There is a large Hispanic population because of this agriculture. Many area shops and restaurants reflect the culture of these people.





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Treasure Coast Wings

Riding Season Comments: Chapter Ride Coordinator John DuBose

We had a good riding season this year. The weather has been good to us and rides were well attended. We had four Road Captains this season: Jim Rich, Paul Dreyfus, Frank Pellegrino and John DuBose. We had many step-up to help with tail gunner job: CD Dave Morris, Leo Valcourt, Greg Comstock, Joe Pisano, Doug Goethel and Paul Dreyfus. Road Captain Paul Dreyfus took us to Bok Tower in Lake Wales and Cherry Pocket on Lake Pierce. Plus trips to Maxwell Groves ice-cream. Road Captain Frank Pellegrino took us to The Mansion in Melbourne and Crabby Bill's in St. Cloud. Road Captain Jim Rich took us to Crabby Dockside Fort Pierce, Landing Strip Okeechobee, Coast to Coast District Ride, District Rally Altamonte Springs, Winter Picnic Timer Powers Park, Tiki Bar Clewiston and Crabby Dockside Fort Pierce. Road Captain John DuBose took us to Dixie Grill Stuart, Harpoon Harry's Punta Gorda with FL2-H Wachula, Cowpokes Watering Hole Sebring, Squid Lips Sebastian, Dune Dog Jupiter, Lake Placid eat at Cowpokes, District Rally Altamonte Springs, Waldo's Vero Beach, Ripper's Palm City, Lightsey's Okeechobee with FL2-A, and Marsh Landing Fellsmere. FL2-O has had 22 rides since October 2020 to April 2021 plus more are coming. We have had many scouting rides and a couple pop-up rides.



RIDER EDUCATION Dominick & Diane DeSiato District Educators



Florida District Rally Results April 2021

Wow! Where has the time gone! It's April already! We just returned from the amazing Florida District Rally. A good time was had by all! There were many out of state chapters and visitors. Everyone agreed we needed to get out and start socialization again. Of course following CDC guidelines. I think all the out of state chapters wanted to see how we do it and if it was successful. It was and we met so many fun and interesting people.

Diane and I were very busy at the Rider Education table trying to answer all your questions and help you with your levels status. We also sold over 20,000 Rally Tickets to support Rider Ed programs. Thank you for working hard to sell the tickets. This has been a challenging 12 months. The Rally tickets will be Orange again next year as FL1-F2 (Ocala) sold a whopping 5110 tickets. Outstanding job! They also sold 2 of the 3 winning tickets.

Mr. Gary Young won \$10,000 and was very excited. His birthday was the day after the drawing and he wanted to Trike his bike but couldn't afford to do it. Now he can!! The ticket was sold to him by Harold Brown of FL1-F2 (Ocala). Jerry Davis won \$1000.00 and oddly enough has a birthday soon as well. He's been very happy and is going to go visit his out of state son with the money. Guess who sold the ticket? Yup, Linda Hojnacki of FL1-F2 (Ocala). Great job!

The \$500.00 winner is Brian Shad of New York and the ticket was sold by Jeanette Carr of FL1-K. Oh, and by the way the 3 members who sold the winning tickets get \$200.00 each. So go out and sell those tickets. It could be money in your pocket and you get the benefit of Rider Ed courses at no cost to you. Congratulations to all!!!

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FOLLOW WING DING
NEWS ON FACEBOOK!

UPCOMING CHAPTER and DISTRICT EVENTS
AWYCS (ALWAYS WEAR YOUR CHAPTER SHIRT)

SUMMER KICK TIRES- Dinner at 5:30
Come on 2 /3/ or 4 wheels

PLEASE RSVP VIA GROUPWORKS

Why should you use GroupWorks? Due to vacations etc various individuals will be handling the reservations for Kick Tires- - If your RSVP is on GroupWorks, any of these individuals can see it.

STATE RALLIES

FLORIDA DISTRICT RIDE-IN (SEE DETAILS ON GROUPWORKS)

2021 Upcoming GWRRA Events

Missouri District Rally
June 3-5, 2021

WING DING
Wing Ding 42, Springfield, MO
June 29 – July 3, 2021

Please remember to renew your GWRRA membership:

Note....renewals reflect a two month change to your renewal because of Covid-19

May - Jack Seeley



May Birthdays

5/12 Sandy Pisano
 5/23 Ron Montgomery
 5/26 Barb Parish
 5/29 Jim Rich
 5/30 Greg Comstock



May Anniversary's

Laura & Mike Sumtek

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House of Hope

By Terry Henderson

How can we help? That's a question we have all probably asked ourselves during the last year and a half as we watched so many of our fellow citizens lose their jobs and struggle with poverty and food deprivation. Therefore, as a member of Chapter FL2-0, I was thrilled to be given a 'call to action' from our Spirit Team leader, Sandy Pisano, when she suggested that we invite our Chapter members to gather non-perishable food items packed in sturdy shopping bags and bring them to our Christmas Holiday Gathering in Dec. We had no idea what to expect and were delighted to discover that all of you responded with an extremely generous outpouring of goodwill. In fact, when David and I delivered dozens of bags filled to capacity to the House of Hope in Hobe Sound, the Director, Paul Grady, said that our donation weighed in at almost 300 pounds.

Due to the huge success of our Holiday charitable giving, we decided to do it again this Spring. Again, the 'call' went out and our Chapter rose to the occasion with another outpouring of love for families in distress. Non-perishable food items were accumulated, packed and brought to our Gatherings in Feb. March and April and I am happy to report that the 'count is in.' The food was delivered and Paul Grady was delighted to receive two big shopping carts overflowing with over **170 pounds of food**. Plus, we presented the House of Hope with a very generous cash donation. They took a photo and later sent us a response via email thanking us. 'That is a lot of food,' he said. It is such a blessing to know that our Chapter FL2-0 helped the House of Hope honor their mission statement...Empowering Martin County residents to overcome hunger and hardship.'



Thanks ~To everyone who wrote an article for this month's Newsletter: David Morris, Terry Henderson, Jim Rich, Marilyn Rich, John DuBose, and Dominick DeSiato.
Thanks for reading!

Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 20th of the month!