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Monthly Gathering
Every 2nd Wednesday at
Southern Pig & Cattle
Restaurant
2583 SE Federal Highway
Stuart, FL

Dinner 5:00 Meet 6:00



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Happy Thanksgiving

We are officially in the fall ride season with our Ride Coordinator, John DuBose, scheduling lots of rides and getting great participation. We are so happy to welcome back our snowbirds who spent the hot, summer months up north and are now enjoying the lovely, cool, fall weather that we all appreciate. We had an excellent turnout at the November Gathering and were thrilled to see all of our faithful members in attendance. Plus, we can look forward to seeing everyone at our much anticipated Christmas party.

The end of the year happens very fast...Thanksgiving is here and we are about to gather for the annual Christmas party. Thanks to the combined efforts of the Spirit Team ladies, our Christmas party is the highlight of our social activities for the year. You can all be assured that we will enjoy a delicious meal, wonderful fellowship and a lot of joy and laughter as we exchange fun-loving gifts. Plus, you will all be surprised to see the amazing 2 Christmas Baskets that some lucky winners will take home to enjoy. Our theme is the '12 days of Christmas' so come ready to play games, exchange gifts and enjoy each other's company before we 'ride' forward into a New Year filled with peace, love, forgiveness and joy!

FL2-O Christmas Party - December 6th



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Important December Dates



December Birthday Herb "Metalflake" Jebb 12/2 Joe Pisano 12/7



December Anniversary Jim & Marilyn Rich 12/20 John & Peggy DuBose 12/27

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FI 2-O CHRISTMAS PARTY

When: December 6, 2023 (Wednesday)

Where: Port St. Lucie Holiday Inn

10120 S. Federal Highway, Port St. Lucie

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

Sit Down Dinner: choice of turkey or roast beef (both

meals will be served with stuffing, mashed potatoes,



green beans, cranberry sauce, roll and butter, and salad. Beverages include tea and coffee. Desserts will be provided by chapter members.

Price per person: \$21.00 (checks payable to Treasure Coast Wings)

Note: We will have a gift exchange as part of our evening festivities. We are asking that each guest bring a unique creatively wrapped "gift card" in the amount of \$10.00.

Reservations and dinner checks will be accepted at the October and November gatherings. Checks can also be mailed to Sandy Pisano, 200 SW Willow Lake Trail, Stuart, Fl. 34997. Please indicate dinner choices with your check/reservation.

The Spirit Team hopes that all of you will join us for an evening of fun and friendship.

RSVP no later than November 8th.

FL2-O November 8, 2023 Gathering/Social



FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders had a great turn out with 26 members and guest present.



Dave & Terry our Leaders



Myrta Colussy won the 50/50

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.



To Order....go to our website https://fil2o.org/ and at the top of the screen is the heading "MORE", select it, then select "STORE". scroll down to the detailed directions and make all the selections for the shirt you want. You can have FL2--O embroidered under your name if you want for no extra charge. The cost with all the embroidering including our new logo patch on the front and the Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association logo on the back

is \$33. **Note**: depending on the shirt you choose, the price might vary a little. Shipping is an additional \$8 charge.

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

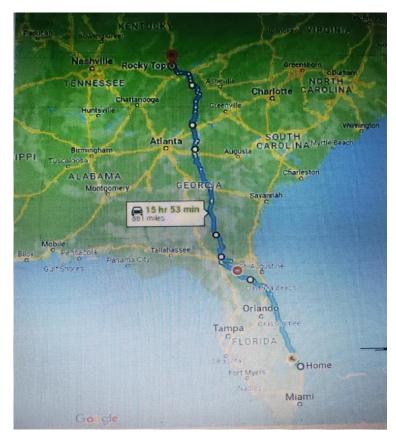
SCENIC RIDE NORTH? TRY 441

by Jim Rich

We're all familiar with route 441 north from Okeechobee to Orlando and south to Miami, but the truly scenic 441 starts in Lake City, Florida and ends in Rocky Top, Tennessee. Marilyn and I rode with Dave and Terry to the Knoxville Wing Ding in August 2018. We took 95 to Bunnell and route 100 to Lake City before picking up 441. We left Lake City early on a Monday



morning heading north on 441 surrounded by loblolly pines on both sides of the road. We set our cruise controls at 65 and in the first 200 miles saw a total of eight other vehicles on the road. Much of 441 through Georgia is four lanes, but with very little traffic and bounded by beautiful fields and forests. Once you approach North Carolina 441, goes to two lanes, and goes through little towns like Franklin, Dillsboro, and Cherokee before beginning its' climb into the Great Smoky Mountains. The Smokies are a bikers' paradise, with twists and turns and elevation changes that demand your constant attention. Soon after you enter Tennessee, you're in the little town of Gatlinburg before arriving at Dolly Parton's' playground, Pigeon Forge, after which it's a short ride on to Knoxville and north to Rocky Top, where 441 comes to an end. For a really pleasant stop along the way we highly recommend the James Madison Inn in Madison, Georgia surrounded by historic antebellum mansions. Dinner at the Mint Julep Kitchen finishes off a great day of riding. We varied our return trip, but that's another story. Arrived home with another 1900 miles on the bikes.



WHICH WAY DO WE TURN?

by Sandy Pisano

Let me preface this article by letting the reader know that I "love" maps (paper maps). Growing up I was the GPS when our family took road trips. I sat in the back seat of the car and poured over the maps and found routes for us that were interesting and would actually get us to our destination. Now (as a much older traveler), I still have paper maps by my side whether we are travelling by car or bike.



That being said, here are my travel observations using the infamous and very popular GPS. On a recent trip our GPS mapped out a not so perfect route. Travelling from point A to point B was about 35 miles. No problem, the GPS will get us there. It did do that, but on a dirt and gravel road in the middle of nowhere. Map in hand, I was able to correct our headings and get us to our destination. On more than one occasion, the dear voice giving us directions on our GPS, has led us astray. That's the point where Joe says, "Which way do we turn?" I check my trusty map for the best route that we need to take to reach our destination. Success!

Let me be clear, I do appreciate the GPS and its route making capabilities, but it's always good to have a backup. Modern technology is great when it works, but it is good to be prepared when it doesn't! I love my maps!

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Joe & Sandy Pisano



December 2023

Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article

CAN YOU STILL SEE ME NOW?

We do many things to help be more visible to other drivers in traffic. Let's start by talking about "Hi-Viz" jackets. Colors vary with motorcycle jackets. The idea for riding safety is to pick the brightest color you can that you think will make other drivers see you and single you out in traffic. The latest bright color most of us are using is Hi-Viz "fluorescent green". It is definitely a color that stands out. The problem with any color is that it should be different from other colors in the riding environment so it makes you stand out. Hi-Viz fluorescent green is now being used by all types of entities. Police, Fire Fighters, Road Workers, Pole Line Workers, Tree Trimmers, and many others including Pan Handlers are all wearing Hi-Viz fluorescent green. The advantage of motorcycles riders wearing a color that is unique has now faded away. Drivers have become accustomed to seeing Hi-Viz fluorescent green so the potential to gain attention is gone. So what is the solution to the jacket issue? Maybe it's time to alternate colors. I have found that the bright colored jackets begin to fade after about 3 years. I have been buying new jackets about every 3 years not because they have worn out, but because they have faded to the point where their bright attraction is gone. What I am going to start doing is change colors every time I replace jackets. This might solve the problem of blending in with the rest of population wearing the same colored jackets. A white or light colored Hi-Viz helmet can also be very helpful to be more visible in traffic. A car driver might think: "look at that "Q-Tip" on that motorcycle". But, at least they saw you.

There are other things we can do to be more visible in traffic. Put more lights on you motorcycle. Adding auxiliary "driving lights" to the front of your motorcycle is helpful to be more visible. Driving lights should be mounted below the headlight to form a "light triangle". Forming a triangle with your front lights separates you from car headlights which are all horizontal blending in to one another. Having those driving light equipped with "amber" colored lenses instead of white also makes you stand out more. Other strip lighting can be added on other places on you motorcycle: front, sides and rear. Just remember in Florida some colors of auxiliary lights have restrictions by law. On the public roadways no "blue" light can be visible at all. "Red" lights can only be used if visible only from the rear of the motorcycle. All other colors can be placed anywhere. No lights

can "flash" on a continuous basis. Flashing "red" lights can only be displayed if they are in conjunction with braking.

Others things you can do to be more visible in traffic is to move around a lot more. The whole lane is yours. The lane is about 12ft. wide. You on your bike is only about 3ft. wide. Trikes are about 5-1/2ft. wide. That gives you plenty of room to move around. This moving around action makes your headlight appear to flicker around which will attract attention. Always position yourself in your lane so you are more visible to oncoming traffic and not in the blind spots of any vehicle you are riding next to. Ride as if you are invisible. To many other drivers you are invisible. Always give yourself a way out or an "escape path" should another vehicle make a move into your space. Ride with your bright headlight on in the daytime. If there is a vehicle waiting to turn left from the opposite direction, do not flash your headlight to gain attention. This can be misinterpreted as you giving them permission to turn in front of you. If your bike has a weak horn consider installing a louder horn(s). If you are going to mount a louder horn you must install a "relay switch" in order to get full advantage of the loudness of the new horn(s). On a smaller motorcycle you can't just unplug the stock horn and plug in a larger horn(s). The stock system probable can't handle the addition amperage load. That is why you need a "relay switch". The relay switch connects your new horn directly to the battery giving you the power needed for the new horn. There are" YouTube" videos on this subject you can watch to show you exactly how to wire the new horn(s).

Remember: Despite wearing apparel that screams "Look at me!" we may be at risk of becoming increasingly unremarkable.

We are here to assist you in safe riding, Dominick & Diane



Happy New Year! Enjoy a new 2024 Gold Wing!

FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders

Ride Coordinator John DuBose

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Florida Riding Season is here... keep an eye out for Rides on Group Works.

Rides FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders have completed this riding season!

Wednesday, October 18, 2023	Sun Set Bar & Grille - Sebring with FL2-A & FL2-D (20 riders)
Saturday, October 21, 2023	CJ Cannon VB Airport with FL2-D & FL2-A (13 riders)
Thursday, October 26, 2023	Scotty's Tiki Bar - Clewiston (5 riders)
Saturday, October 28, 2023	FL2-H Ride to Eagle Lake - Blackburn's BBQ (1 rider)
Friday, November 3, 2023	FL2-D & FL2-O at OK Corral (8 riders)
Thursday, November 9, 2023	FL2-O & FL2-D at Crabby Dockside (8 riders)
Friday, November 17, 2023	FL2-O Fellsmere/Sebastian Giuseppe's Pizzeria (5 riders)

Rides We're Trying to make Happen! What's your Suggestion?

Catfish Place - St. Cloud	Marsh Landing - Fellsmere
Cowpokes Watering Hole - Sebring	Ocean Grill - Vero Beach
Dixie Cross Roads - Titusville with FL2-D	Little Jim Bait & Tackle - Ft. Pierce

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Thanks ~ To everyone who wrote an article for this month's Newsletter: Dave Morris, Terry Henderson, Sandy Pisano, Jim Rich, John DuBose and Dominick DeSiato

Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 20th of the month! To John DuBose, Newsletter Editor - <u>FL2oRoadCaptain@comcast.net</u>

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

Please RSVP VIA GROUPWORKS



Ride Report FL2-O to Clewiston - Thursday, October 26, 2023



Treasure Coast Riders had five riders and four bikes for are ride to Roland Martin's Marina in Clewiston for a nice lunch at the Tiki Bar.

Riders: Lead John DuBose, Jim Rich, ACD Doug Goethel and tail CD's Dave Morris and Terry Henderson. We met up at Cracker Barrel in Stuart and rode 76/Kanner Hwy to Port Mayaca then took 441 south. It was a windy day out and after lunch we to the north side of the lake and back home. My Big Red went 167 miles today. John





Terry's Pictures - Belle Glade on 441 and Martin Grade a Florida Scenic Hwy

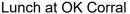
Ride Report FL2-D with FL2-0 to OK Corral Gun Club Friday, November 3, 2023



FL2-D Space Coast Riders had three riders out; Harry and Lynn Anderson with John Cain. **FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders** had five riders out; Lead John DuBose, Herb "Metalflake" Jebb, Jim Rich, Jim Cuff and Tail CD Dave Morris. We all enjoyed a good lunch at **OK Corral Gun Club** "**Cafe**". I guess because it was a windy day, the place wasn't busy. Our waitress was good and helped us with our pictures. **OK Corral Gun Club** is an impressive resort for the shooters.

After lunch we all headed home, **FL2-D** back to the Melbourne area and **FL2-O** Back to the Treasure Coast area, another good ride in the books. John DuBose







Lynn & Harry with an old wagon

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FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders Pop-UP Ride - Crabby Dockside

Thursday, November 9, 2023 - https://crabbysdocksideftpierce.com/



FL2-O Guys at Crabby Dockside FL2-O CD Terry Henderson & FL2-D John Cain - Melbourne



Chapter Director Dave Morris suggested **Crabby Dockside** in Fort Pierce. John Cain from FL2-D Space Coast Riders got us a table with a great view of the docks and all those fancy yachts. FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders had six wings and seven riders: Lead John DuBose, Jim Cuff, Jim Rich, Bob Steigmeier, Herb "Metalflake" Jebb and Tail CD's Dave Morris and Terry Henderson. We were lucky enough to have John Cain from FL2-D Space Coast Riders. It's always nice to have are fellow Eagle Wings members join us. My Big Red went 116 miles today and Jim Rich from Jupiter had 118 miles. A beautiful day for a ride.

FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders next ride will be to; **Marsh Landing in Fellsmere**. So look for the POP-Up Ride next week. We're are also looking at **Little Jim Bait & Tackle**, 601 N. Causeway, Fort Pierce, FL. https://www.littlejimbaitandtackle.com/





Bob, Metalflake, Jim, Terry, Dave & Jim





Crabby Dockside - Fort Pierce

Ride Report Fellsmere/Sebastian

Friday, November 17, 2023

Wow, what an interesting ride today. We had a good group out for today's ride with five riders. We had planned on eating lunch at **Marsh**Landing in Fellsmere. Having taking a westerly route on 512 into Fellsmere we could tell they had had plenty of rain but when we got a couple blocks from where we turn we notice that 512 had some rain water across the road. We pulled up to make our turn on **Broadway Street** and it was **flooded!** Note the picture, so we headed



east on 512 where we had to navigate the water across the road for a few blocks. I noticed on the afternoon news that **Fellsmere had record 16 inches of rain.** We missed meeting up with Harry and Lynn Anderson because of the flooding.



When we got to I-95 we pulled into a gas station to regrouped our day. We decided to head east into Sebastian where we stopped at Giuseppe's Pizzeria. The five of us enjoyed a good lunch at a reasonable price. After lunch we headed east to US 1 and then over to AIA to Fort Pierce where we all went our own way.

Riders: Lead John DuBose, Jim Cuff, Paul Dreyfus, Herb (Metalflake) Jebb and Tail Pellegrino. It was nice to have Frank back with us. We got to use our had signals because the lack of CB's... pre-ride meeting very important. My Big Red went 165 miles today. John DuBose



Frank riding today

165

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FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders December 2023







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January 1, 2024	1st Ride of the Year to Shrimp R Us & More	Welaka, FL (Flyer on Pg 15)
February 17, 2024	Ride-In to John Stretch Memorial Park	Lake Harbor, FL (Group Works)
March 14-16, 2024	Florida District Gathering of Friends for FUN	Gainesville,FL
April 25, 2024	Tennessee Spring Fling - Bangos & BBQ	Johnson City, TN
May 17 & 18, 2024	South Carolina District Rally	Newberry, SC
	'Home Town USA Red, White & Blue"	
June 13 - 15, 2023	Georgia/Region "A" Ride-in "A" Riding Rally	Dillard, GA
June 27 - 29, 2024	Alabama District Rally	Sheffield, AL
August 29 - 31, 2024	Eagle Wings Rendezvous	Greenbay, WI

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2nd Drawing - \$ 500 Cash

3rd Drawing - \$ 250 Cash

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FL2-O will meet-up at Cracker Barrel Stuart (Kanner Hwy & I-95) KSU: 10:00

We will ride around the south end of the lake to John Stretch Memorial Park.

Lead John DuBose - Please RSVP on FL2-O Group Works

All,

Welcome One and All! Make plans and mark your calendar! Let's have a Ride-In to John Stretch Park, 47225 US 27, Lake Harbor, FL, for a brown bag lunch and FUN with Friends on Saturday February 17th, 2024! It all starts at 11:00 and won't go past 2:00pm.

That's right, you bring your own food and drink and of course Yourselves to have FUN with friends from other Chapters. We will have some games, a 50/50, a Raffle the Raffle Ticket drawing and some prizes!

Come on your bike, trike or 4 wheels. It doesn't matter because the point is to have FUN! Remember - it's a lot more F_N with U!

Please RSVP! Spread the word to your Chapter Participants! This announcement is also on Group Works.

Thank you,

Bill & Cheryl Smith

EWMA VP of Membership Development

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That Social Time looks like "FUN"



1st Ride of the Year January 1, 2024 SHRIMP "R" US & More



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

The Annual 1st 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 21st, 2023!

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

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SAVE THE DATES! WARCH 14TH- 16TH 2024

Florida District is pleased to announce we have
Rally Dates and a New Location!
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Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Our Vision:

A simple, fun, riding, social association of like-minded motorcycle enthusiast

Our Motto:

Friends for Fun, Safety & Riding

Our Mission:

To provide to our Membership a fun and social environment that focuses on the love of motorcycling.

To be a family-oriented, non-religious, non-political association, respectful of each other's beliefs.

Enjoying the ride together with like-minded motorcyclists.

Our Core Values:

FAIRNESS: All issues should stand the test of "is it fair?"

COMMUNICATIONS: The more we share information and communicate about our common love of motorcycling, the more we will all learn and benefit.

TEAMWORK: Working together forward our common vision, motto and mission keeps us focused and gives us the ability to become exceptional.

QUALITY: To be the best we can, treating all the way we would want to be treated, holding each other in highest esteem and respect in all we do.

ATTITUDE: We are each responsible for our own attitude. Strive to be positive, constructive, respectful, enthusiastic and creative in all interactions with members or public to enhance the relationship and promote our motto.



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