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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 with two break out sessions



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David Morris and Terry Henderson **Chapter Directors**

January was our first Gathering under our new banner! This newly formed organization called Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association or EWMA was well attended by most of the members from Chapter FL2-O. Additionally, we were greeted by our District Director Bill Smith. Assistant District Directors Harry and Lynn Anderson from Melbourne and guests from Chapter FL2-A.

On the Sunday following our Gathering, we had our first Meet to Eat at Alberto's Italian Restaurant on Hutchinson Island in Jensen Beach. It was a very good time filled with great conversations and a big selection from their menu. I am looking forward to more of this type of event in the future. Now that the cold weather in January has passed, we can also look forward to our winter ride season accelerating into full swing starting with a ride to the OK Corral on Sat. Jan. 21.

Our February Gathering will have a new format and start time. We are planning to start our Dinner at 5 pm and then have a meeting which will be followed by two break-out sessions. Watch the Group Works announcement for information regarding the Wed. February 8th Gathering.

Thank you to all our active members who faithfully join us on our rides and also participate in our FUN activities. Now's the time to show the district, state and world that Chapter FL2-O is a beacon of light that follows the new EWMA motto of FRIENDS FOR FUN. **SAFETY AND RIDING!**

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Chapter Treasure Joe Trotta

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50/50 Percy Comstock

Spirit Team Lead Sandy Pisano

Ride Coordinator Newsletter

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Gathering Article for Newsletter: Jan. 2023- by Terry Henderson

Chapter Director David Morris welcomed everyone on Wed. Jan. 11, 2023 to the very first official meeting of Chapter FL2-0 as a Charter Chapter of the new Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association. Terry introduced guests including District Director Bill Smith, Assistant District Directors Harry and Lynn Anderson from Melbourne as well as Bud and Marie Roseling & Thomas from Chapter FL2-A. Happy Birthday wishes went out to Peggy DuBose. We all wished Al and Myrta Colussy a happy 62nd Anniversary and Bob & Carma Steigmeier a happy 54th Anniversary. Welcome back John & Allison Meisenbacher and Bob & Carma Steigmeier.

Overview of the similarities and differences between GWRRA & EWMA-Chapter Director David **Morris**

- Similar to GWRRA, EWMA is *not* a club. It is a *not-for-profit organization*.
- Chapter FL2-0 has a current membership of 23 people and growing.
- Annual cost of membership is only \$25 for an individual and \$30 for a couple.
- Our focus will be on rides and social activities.
- All like-minded people are welcome and may come to activities by motorcycle, truck or car.
- EWMA will not be as structured as GWRRA. There will be fewer officers & less paperwork.
- ATTENTION: NEW START TIME at Feb. Gathering- EAT from 5pm-6pm, MEETING from 6-6:45pm.
- Following Chapter meeting at 6:45pm-Women's Spirit Team & Men's 'Ride Talk' groups meet.

Chapter Shirt Discussion-Assistant District Director Doug Goethel

- We are talking to several shirt embroidery companies to get pricing.
- Decision on which one to use will be coming soon.

Points of Interest.

- •Local Honda store Florida Sports on Indian Street in Stuart has sold to Broward Motor Sports.
- Joe Trotta thanked the Spirit Team for the Christmas Basket he won.... "It was amazing!"
- David thanked Sandy Pisano for the dessert tonight.

Scheduled Rides

- Sat. Jan. 21 Ride to the OK Corral in Okeechobee-Leading will be John Meisenbacher.
- Ride Captain John DuBose will be home soon and will be scheduling rides. Check Group Works.

Spirit Team News-Sandy Pisano

- Game night is canceled but will be rescheduled at a future date. Check Group Works.
- New Activity-Meet to Eat. Come by motorcycle, truck or car and enjoy a good meal together.
- First Meet to Eat is on Sun. Jan. 15 at 4pm at Alberto's Italian Restaurant on Hutchinson Island.

Chapter Basket for the District March Rally-District COY Donna Goethel

- Spirit Team has agreed to make a Chapter Basket for the District March Rally.
- The goal is to create a fabulous Chapter Basket and win First Place at the Rally.
- First Place winner splits the prize money with the District.
- In order to win First Place, Chapter Basket must be really special & include valuable Gift Cards.
- Chapter FL2-0 plans to donate \$100 from the Chapter fund.
- Spirit Team will donate \$100 from their budget.
- We encourage the members to help by donating to the Jingle Jar.
- Jingle Jar was passed around and \$60 was donated to help make a fabulous Chapter Basket.
- Also suggested, play a round of Bingo at the next Gathering & add those \$ to the Basket.

District Director Bill Smith

- The January Conference Zoom meeting was very productive & informative.
- There are now 4030 members in Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association in just 6 months.
- 30 out of 39 Districts have paid their Charter fees.
- There are 143 well established Chapters in Canada, Italy and Switzerland.
- The biggest population of members is in Florida with 18 chapters.
- Florida has more members than any other state.
- All officers and leaders are volunteers.
- Bill has accepted the offer to be the EWMA Vice President of Safety & Coordination.
- He is building on the University Seminar concept.

- He is developing 30-40 minute courses in Ride Safety.
- Plus, creating 5 minute Safety Tips to be shared before a ride.
- He's working on 15 minute Safety seminars to be shared at a Gathering.
- Materials, support and valuable presentation tips will be given as needed.
- You'll discover Team Riding Seminars as well as Seminars about Helmets, Hand Signals, etc.
- ARC and TRC Motorcycle Safety courses will be set up by DeSiato in Melbourne
- All courses are free to EWMA members.
- Free CPR classes will start in Feb. Contact Claudia Vega to set up a CPR class.
- Motto is Friends for FUN, SAFETY & RIDING.
- March District Rally at the Hilton Hotel in Altamonte Springs, Florida
- Dates are March 16, 17, 18, 2023
- University Courses will be available.

Charter Chapter Award & Raffle Winners

- DD Bill Smith presented Charter Chapter Certificate to Chapter FL2-0.
- Prize winners- Marie Roseling, Bill Smith, Jim Cuff and Myrta. 50/50 Winner Sandy Pisano.
- The Gathering was adjourned.

Chapter News



February Birthday

Percy Comstock 2/5 Al Colussy 2/8 John Meisenbacher 2/18 Joe Trotta 2/23 Jim Cuff 2/28



February Anniversary

Dick and Jean Manage 2/11

Friends for FUN, Safety and Riding

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Check out Terry's Article on Page 8 - Dealership Maintenance and Service

FL2-O January 11, 2023 Gathering



Chapter Directors Dave & Terry EWMA FL2-O Chapter Charter District Director Bill Smith



EWMA Members having FUN



District Director Bill Smith ADD Harry & Lynn Anderson Harry & Lynn FL2-D Melbourne **Chapter Directors**



Sandy Pisano wins 50/50



Barney Salzburg son opens Restaurant Three Little Birds



Happy Al Myrta Colussy wins door prize



Sandy donates to Jingle Jar



FL2-A Maria Roseling Wins door prize



Jim Cuff Wins door prize Luck Jim!



EWMA District Director Bill Smith Wins door prize It pays to visit!!!

That Social Time looks like "FUN"

FL2-O January 11, 2023 Gathering



The Boys: Leo, Joe, Barney, Bob & Michael



John & Allison Meisenbacher Glad to have you back in Florida!



Barney, Bob & Michael

Thanks to Chapter Director Terry Henderson for the pictures!

FL2-O New Chapter Activity - "Meet to Eat" - Sunday, 14, 2023

Alberto's Italian Restaurant





FL2-O new chapter activity "Meet to Eat" ACD/COY Doug & Donna Goethel, CD's Dave Morris and Terry Henderson, Sondra & Jim Cuff, Bob & Carma Steigmeier, and Allison & John Meisenbacher.







Dave - Allison - John

Thanks to Terry Henderson for the Pictures at Alberto's!

FL2-O Lunch Ride to OK Corral - Saturday, January 21, 2023





Lead Doug & Donna Goethel Assistant Chapter Directors, Greg Comstock, Phil Baxter, John & Allison Meisenbacher and Tail Chapter Director Dave Morris. John DuBose Chapter Ride Coordinator and Paul Dreyfus met the group at OK Corral.

They had a large party of 250 people so we ate outside on the porch which was a prefect day for. We had planned to meet FL2-A West Palm Beach but their large group had to move to Lunker's in Okeechobee.

FL2-O Lunch Ride Report to CJ Cannon - Vero Beach - Wednesday, January 25, 2023



FL2-O at CJ Cannons



FL2-D Melbourne



Ice-cream at Joy's





Jim Rich - John - Larry & Metalflake

FL2-O Treasure Coast Wings met up FL2-D Melbourne at CJ Cannons at the Vero Beach Airport. We had a great turn-out with FL2-O with 11 members out and FL2-D had 8 members out. What a great day for visitation. We had two wheels/three wheels and four wheels out to meet our new motto of everyone is welcome.

Enjoy the pictures and we hope to see you on our next ride. John



FL2-O Ride to Sebring - Avon Park - Saturday, January 28, 2023



Maxwell Groves - Avon Park Ice-cream Break

The Roost at Four Seasons Restaurant on Hwy 27 Frost Proof - Paul and I checked out - Pretty Good



Light turn-out for Saturday, January 28, 2023 Ride - Just Paul & John



FL2-O Treasure Coast Wings Suggested Rides 2022 - 2023

Ride Coordinator John DuBose - FL2oRoadCaptain@comcast.net John 772.971.8389 Text or Call

FL2-O Planned Rides/Events Please Check "Group Works" for Details & RSVP

FL2-O February Gathering	Wednesday, February 8	Dinner 5 Meet 6 (2 Sessions)
Saturday, February 18 th	Homer's Sebring	Group Works
Monday, February 20 th (President Day)	Squid Lips Sebastian	Group Works
Sunday, February 26th	Dune Dog Jupiter	Group Works
Wednesday, March 1st	Hotel Jacaranda Avon Park	Group Works
Thursday, March 16 th	FL District Rally - Ride up	Group Works
Saturday, March 18 th	FL District Rally - Ride home	Group Works

FL2-O Suggested Rides

Dune Dog Cafe - Jupiter (2/26)	Two Peas Cafe - LaBelle	
CJ Cannon - Vero Beach Airport (Jan 25)	Marsh Landing - Fellsmere (Nov 19)	
Cowpokes Watering Hole - Sebring (1/28)	Squid Lips - Sebastian (2/20)	
The Mansion at Melbourne	Bok Tower - Lake Wales	
The Ocean Grill - Vero Beach	Cherry Pocket on Lake Pierce - Lake Wales	
Tiki Hut Roland Martins - Clewiston	OK Corral - Okeechobee (Jan 21)	
Hotel Jacaranda - Avon Park (3/1)	Archie s - Fort Pierce	
Tabby's - Lake Placid	Olympic Diner - Avon Park	
Lightsey's Seafood - Okeechobee (Nov 15)	Homer's Smorgasbord - Sebring (2/18)	
Catfish Place - St. Cloud (March 16)	2022 Cracker Christmas - (Dec 3)	

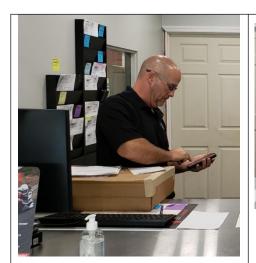
Always looking forward to hearing from you on ride locations you would like to add to our list or one on the list your ready to get going, John Look for "POP UP Rides" on Group Works

Dealership Maintenance & Service on the Treasure Coast - Terry Henderson

David had just recently visited Broward Motor Sports in Hobe Sound to discover their service and repair policy on Gold Wings. He learned that they will not service any motorcycles older than 10 years. So, on the way home from a Chapter ride to Vero Beach, we decided to take the opportunity and visit Treasure Coast Honda Kawasaki on U.S. One in Ft. Pierce to see what their service and repair policy had to offer.

We entered Treasure Coast Honda and were delighted to see a beautiful display of Kawasaki motorcycles. We met the Parts Manager and he looked up the Gold Wing tires and confirmed that he would be able to order them with no problem. He then directed us to see Don, the Service Manager, who introduced us to the owner, Mike Massara. Mike shared the fact that he purchased TC Honda a year and a half ago and that he has made a lot of improvements to the building and plans to do even more renovation in the near future. He personally owns a Gold Wing and showed a great deal of interest in our Chapter. He said that he services all Gold Wings including those that are 20 years old.

We left *Treasure Coast Honda Kawasaki* and returned home to Hobe Sound feeling secure in the knowledge that even though Florida Sports in Stuart has closed, we do have options! We can go to Broward Motor Sports in Hobe Sound and they will service all Gold Wings up to 10 years old. Treasure Coast Honda Kawasaki in Ft. Pierce can service all Gold Wings up to 20 years old. It gives us peace of mind knowing that we have two highly reputable, local dealers who are available to service our Gold Wings whenever the need arises. Remember, always keep SAFETY a priority!!



Mike Massara - Owner



Don - Service Manager 772-464-6385



Donovan - Parts



Waiting Area



David on Showroom Floor

Dave dreaming about where to service his wing???





Showroom - Motorcycles

Treasure Coast Honda Kawasaki 3804 US-1 Fort Pierce, FL 34982

https://honda-kawasaki.com/



Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators

February, 2023

Greetings to All,

March 16th is getting closer by the day. March 16th thru March 18th, is our Florida District Rally. We are looking forward to a great time with fun friends. We will be having on-bike riding games in the parking lot for both 2-wheel and 3-wheel motorcycles. Solo or pairs riders can participate.

We will be having our \$10,000 Grand Prize Drawing at closing ceremonies. There are still some outstanding Raffle Ticket monies due from some of our Chapters. February 14th, Valentine's Day is an easy date to remember. Please send in any outstanding Chapter Raffle Ticket money by February 14th. You will still be making checks out to "GWRRA Florida District Rider Education". We will not be changing our name on our bank account to "EWMA" until after our District Rally.

YOU AND YOUR MOTORCYCLE SKILL LEVEL

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Rider education and on-road experiences stress the need for motorcyclists to pay strict attention to the road ahead and do their best to avoid dangerous situations before they occur. But motorcyclists are human, and distractions and/or a lack of riding skills can and do rear their ugly heads on occasion.

So what can be done to help a motorcyclist reduce the chances of being involved in a crash? Let's start with "The Basic Riders Course." There are many things in that course to learn other than knowing how to physically maneuver a motorcycle. Knowing how you as a human react to different situation as well as how your motorcycle will react is very helpful in saving you some grief. Many riders like me were self taught on how to ride which may have included being taught by an untrained rider. How do you know the information you are being given by that untrained person is correct? I was self taught to ride a motorcycle 28 years before I became a Motorcycle Instructor. When I went to Instructor's School I found out there were things I had been doing wrong and things I didn't know. I had a few mishaps on my bikes during my first 28 years of riding that could have been avoided had I first been given the proper instruction. I have been a MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation) Instructor now for 26 years which has been very beneficial to me as well as the riders I have trained.

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For the older riders the benefit of taking a refresher course is self assessment. See if you can still properly handle the machine you are riding. You might find you do not still possess the physical strength to control the bike you are on. You might realize that your current bike is now too heavy to hold up during stops. You might decide to go to a lighter bike or even to a three-wheel motorcycle so you can continue to safely ride.

Two-wheel and Trike Riding Classes are available. We teach the Two-wheel and Trike one-day refresher courses. These classes will be approximately 6 hours in length depending on the amount of participants. You could also schedule a PLP (Parking Lot Practice) session. PLP's are usually only a couple of hours. You do not need a certified riding instructor to conduct a PLP. We have diagrams for the PLP exercises we would be glad to sent you upon request. We could also travel to your location for a PLP to assist you. You can utilize a parking lot of your chose as long as you have permission from the owner of the parking lot to do so. Your group could also meet us at one of our approved MSF sites for a PLP session. So consider taking a one-day refresher Riding Course or a PLP for your safety as well as the safety of the loved one riding with you.

We are here to assist you with your training needs.

Ride Safe!! Dominick & Diane

Doug Goethel will be happy to help you with your training needs!







2023 Events - More Information may be found on the FL District web-page at: http://www.ewma-florida.org

March 16 - 18	43 rd FL District Gathering of Wings	Altamonte Springs, FL
	Rock Around the Clock in the 50's	
April 27 - 29	Pirates of Tennessee - 40 th Spring Fling	Johnson City, TN
June 1 - 3	Happy Trails @ TR Ranch	Travelers Rest, SC
September 15 - 16	Fall Mountain Ride and Camp Reunion	Dillard, GA
September 28 - 30	Western Round-up	Eufaula, AL
October 26 - 28	Let's Soar	Gulf Port, MS





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

Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 20th of the month! To John DuBose, Newsletter Editor - FL20RoadCaptain@comcast.net

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

Please RSVP VIA GROUPWORKS

Why should you use Group Works?

Due to vacations etc various individuals will be handling the reservations for **EVENTS** If your RSVP is on Group Works, any of these individuals can see it.