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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 New Year!

As 2023 slides into the past, we want to extend our sincere wishes that you will enjoy a very Happy New Year filled with good times including lots of FUN rides in the upcoming winter and spring seasons.

We want to thank our ACD Doug and Donna Goethel who stepped up when needed to lead our Gatherings when we were out of town. Their enthusiasm and boundless energy is infectious and their support and encouragement of our members has been invaluable. Doug and Donna have been instrumental in helping to create an environment of FUN!!

A sincere thank you goes out to our Treasurer Joe Trotta who agreed to take over the finances of our chapter when we needed him most. He has performed his responsibilities with great skill and expertise and we want him to know that we appreciate his excellent work very much!

Thank you to Ride Coordinator John DuBose for keeping us on track by identifying the purpose of EWMA, to ride safely as a group, and for planning and leading multiple rides. Since John and Peggy returned from their home in Virginia. he has planned and led many great rides. We appreciate you so much, John, and want to thank you for helping us get on our motorcycles & ride.

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Last but not least, we want to thank all of our Chapter FL2-0 members for volunteering their valuable time to create and organize so many FUN activities throughout the year. The Spirit Team led by Sandy Pisano developed many of these great events including the Chapter Picnic at Jonathan Dickinson Park where we enjoyed each other's company while eating lunch out in nature and playing Bingo just for the FUN of it! We also had an opportunity to give back to our community with a FOOD DRIVE. We provided the House of Hope with hundreds of pounds of non-perishable food items that were distributed to needy families on the Treasure Coast. Thank you, Sandy and the Spirit Team, for all that you do to bring joy to our chapter members. All the work you do each year culminates in the best party of the season, our Christmas party. The food, games, desserts, beautiful baskets and prizes were amazing! We appreciate your faithful and diligent work to make Chapter FL2-0 a great place to GATHER!

Important January Dates



January Birthday

Peggy DuBose 1/12



January Anniversary
Al & Myrta Colussy 1/19

Friends for FUN, Safety and Riding

FL2-O Monthly Gatherings Every 2nd Wednesday Southern Pig & Cattle Restaurant 2585 SE Federal Highway, Stuart, FL Dinner 5:00 - Meet 6:00

We want you all to come with us to the Ride - In to South Florida. 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 11:00am 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 FL2-O Group Works! Spread the word to everyone.

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



FL 2-O SPIRIT TEAM

Submitted by Sandy Pisano

As 2023 comes to an end, it is with fond memories that I reflect on the Spirit Team and the "FUN" we had planning activities for our amazing chapter. Throughout the year we picnicked at Jonathan Dickinson State Park (don't forget Bingo with Doug and Donna), had a game night with friends at Sondra and Jim's, planned Meet to Eats at local eateries as well as meeting together on a very rainy evening to attend a Stop the Bleed presentation. Our gatherings found the Spirit Team providing tantalizing desserts to share and occasionally raffling off gift baskets to lucky winners. Lots of planning went into our annual Christmas party. Myrta worked tirelessly on the beautiful Christmas tree centerpieces that were raffled and gift box prizes were thoughtfully donated by members of our Team. We had such a wonderful turnout! Lots of FUN!

Your Jingle Jar donations have contributed to each of these events. The Spirit Team is grateful for your support. Thank you.

I believe in the saying that "Together is Better." These words so aptly apply to our Spirit Team and awesome chapter. My sincere thanks to each of the team members for their enthusiasm and support of Chapter FL2-O and thanks to our chapter members for their participation and the "FUN" they bring to all things that represent the energy and friendship of FL2-O.

Looking forward to a super 2024. Bring the Spirit Team your ideas to add to the "FUN".

Take care, ride safely and have a very Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year.

Sandy

"Think deeply, speak gently, love much, laugh aloud, work hard, give freely, and be kind.



Phil Baxter's 2022 Honda Gold Wing Roadsmith Trikes

Phil Baxter was interested in moving on from his Can-AM Spider... he would of like to upgrade his Spider but nothing around to meet his needs. He decided to look/talk about what he could replace and decided to look at Honda Trikes. He liked the information he had gotten from KD Cycles about Roadsmith Trikes. At first he was thinking a yellow or white but they didn't have the color combination he wanted. Then he had a call from them about a 2022 Blue one they had just build and he loves blue. Within two weeks of working with them on trade and transportation of his new trike he had it, June 24, 2022.



So if you're interested in a new or used trike check out: KD CYCLES, LLC in Altoona, Alabama. Kevin Dodd, owner has 15 years in the business with Roadsmith Trikes and Honda. 256.490.0039 https://www.kdcycle.net/index.html

Phil calls his new ride: "Blue Diamond" and one of the first things he's done had been add some pin stripping done by Dave Letterfly Knoderer. https://www.letterfly.com/

Then came a new seat: **Diamond Motorcycle Seats** in Crescent City, FL. Phil said the seat makes riding much more enjoyable. https://diamondmotorcycle.com/

Phil has added: new front tire, Avon made for trikes, updated/replaced front brakes, custom floor boards, KD added a Gold Strike tail light and the biggie was the LED lights that have 18 different color combination. Phil has put on 20,000 miles on this trike and been getting 36 - 38 MPG. Phil would like to replace the windshield with a wider one for his next purchase. Look for Phil at the bike shows, showing off his beauty!!!









Phil's First Ride



A BIT OF LOCAL TRIVIA

Have you ever noticed certain roads in Martin County have signs on them that are just a big letter M and wondered what that meant? The purpose of these signs is to alert mosquito truck drivers that they must spray on these streets.

Often times when driving in Martin County, usually on two lane residential streets, you will see a red or blue reflector right in the middle of your lane. Do you know what it signifies? They are for the fire department and aid fire truck drivers to find a fire hydrant when rushing to an emergency. These reflectors indicate a hydrant on the side of the road.



When traveling or on a long day ride by motorcycle, some quick fix tips are:

- 1) if something is moving and you know it shouldn't, bring cable ties and duct tape
- 2) If something should be moving and it isn't, bring WD-40

Note: A bit of trivia about WD-40. It stands for water displacement and it took chemists 40 attempts to perfect the formula. It is also good for sticky switches and electrical contacts. As a cleaning agent it can be used to remove crayon and magic marker, gum from your shoes, candle wax and glue from carpet, mildew, loosen a ring, clean a hairbrush, clean piano keys, polish silver, unstick stacked glasses, remove rust, price tags, stickers and much more.

Joe Pisano. Chapter FL2-O

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://fl2o.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.

HOMEWARD BOUND

by Jim Rich

Last month we shared our ride to Knoxville for Wing ding 40 but variety being the spice of life we chose a different route to return home. Heading east on route 40 from Knoxville to Asheville we jumped on the Blue Ridge Parkway southeast of Asheville. After going north, far enough to see the Folk Art Center we reversed course and stayed just south of Asheville for the night. An early start the next day took us to the beautiful Pisgah Inn for breakfast. The Inn sits atop



Pisgah Mountain, has great rooms and excellent food, not to mention the great views out over the Blue Ridge. We exited the Parkway at Balsam Gap and picked up the Smokey Mountain Parkway. The Parkway turns into route 19 along the Nantahala River. The route, the river and the area are known to the locals as "The Nantahala." Since the winding road and river head southwest and our destination, Helen, Georgia, was due south I was notified by our tail gunner, on several occasions, that our destination was 75 miles away. Helen, a quaint Bavarian village was wall to wall tourists on Labor Day weekend but approaching Helen traffic stopped on an uphill chambered road, an interesting spot for a 900-pound motorcycle, two up, full of luggage. It turned out that a camper had been bitten by a rattlesnake and had to be helicoptered out. Helen is on route 75 in northern Georgia and the first-time friends suggested we take route 75 I pictured a six lane super-slab, but this 75 is a beautiful two-lane winding road through the mountains. We soon picked up 441 again but detoured when we got to Florida to ride route 13 down along the St. Johns River. We stayed at the Best Western in Palatka because it was a short walk to Corky Bells for dinner. Our final adventure was a torrential downpour when we finished dinner, but an accommodating busboy gave us some super large trash bags to double for rain gear for the walk back to the hotel. A truly memorable trip to and from Knoxville for a great Wing Ding.



Dave & Terry at Pisgah Inn



Jim & Marilyn at Pisgah Inn

FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders Christmas Social

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 Pictures by: Larry Pounds and Terry Henderson



FL2-O Christmas Social at Holiday Inn PSL



Spirit Team Games - Gift Card Exchange



Christmas Dinner

FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders Christmas Social



Winner Dave with Joe & Sandy



Dave & Terry



Leo & Lena



Paul



Ken & Barb





Greg & Percy



Bob & Alice



Claudia & Robert



Tammy & Larry - Paul



Lynn



Bob & Carma



Bill & Cheryl

University of West Florida Golden Graduates - 1973

Saturday, December 9, 2023 - Bay Center, Pensacola, FL

John and Peggy DuBose were invited to participate in the UWF Graduation Ceremonies as Golden Graduates from the class of 1973. We decided to participate in the ceremonies at UWF because Peggy had never had the chance to walk and it would give us a chance to see the many changes the University had made over the past 50 years. UWF was a new University in 1968 and was designed to accommodate Junior College graduates like Peggy and I from Indian River Jr. College, now Indian River State College. Back in 1969 when I graduated there was only one campus in Fort Pierce.

We were married in December 1969 and I was drafted in the Army in March 1970. Peggy graduated IRJC in May 1970. We had our daughter 'Joy" in September 1971. At that time I was a sergeant in the Army stationed in Seoul, South Korea. Knowing we wanted to go back to school we applied to UWF for January 1972 in the Industrial Arts/Shop education program and Peggy applied to Health/Recreation education. I received an early out from the Army to attend school and used the VA bill to help pay our way. Before we graduated we had applied for teaching positions in Martin, St. Lucie, Okeechobee and Indian River. We were both offered teaching positions in Martin, so that's how we ended up in Stuart. I taught five years at Stuart Middle School then 10 years working for my dad then back to teaching Industrial Arts/Technology Education in 1989 at Indiantown Middle School for 25 years and retired with 30 years in 2012. Peggy taught at Murray 9th grade Health then Murray Middle. When we moved to Fort Pierce she taught and coach at Fort Pierce Central High School where her girls soccer team became district champs. When I took my job in Indiantown we moved to Okeechobee and Peggy started teaching Health at Okeechobee High School and became the first swim coach for Okeechobee. Over the years she had many different teaching position with the last several years she taught 7th/8th grade science until she retired in 2011 with 35 years.

We enjoyed our Golden Graduates program. UWF made us feel very special and honored us at the graduation

ceremony then a luncheon with President Saunders.







FL2-O Treasure Coast Riders

Ride Coordinator John DuBose

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John 772.971.8389 Text or Call



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) |
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| 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)(15 H) |
| 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) |
| Thursday, November 30, 2023 | Boonies Wild West Saloon - Loxahatchee (7 riders) |

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

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

FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING

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

Dave Morris, Terry Henderson, Joe Pisano, Sandy Pisano, Jim Rich, Phil Baxter, John DuBose and Dominick DeSiato

Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 20th 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.

Please RSVP VIA GROUPWORKS





January 2024

Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article - Dominick & Diane DeSiato

RIDING IN THE COLD

Depending on where you live in Florida and what type of "Cold Front" you are experiencing that day will determine whether or not you are going to ride. If you are going to ride here are a few things to consider for your safety. Let's first look at the physical effects to your body when it is cold. Your reaction movements are slowed down due to your muscles and joints being colder and your finger movement being restricted due to possibly arthritis or just by thicker gloves. If your body temperature gets too cold this can also slow you're your thinking process which will slow down you reaction time.

What can we do to keep warm? The obvious answer is to dress appropriately to cut down on the "Wind Chill Factor". "Wind Chill Factor" is the cold wind passing by your body and lowering you body temperature with air temperature lower than the actual outside air temperature. I have included a "Wind Chill Factor Chart" to this article. As you look at the Chart you will see on the Left Side the "Speed of the Wind". When you are riding a motorcycle "You" are the "Speed of the Wind" added to any existing "Head Wind Speed". For illustration purposes let's look at the Left Side of the Chart at a Wind Speed of 55mph. That represents you traveling at 55mph creating your own Wind Speed. Now let's look at the Top of the Chart at go down to 45 degrees. (A temperature that could easily be happening on a cold Florida morning.) The Chart shows that the "Wind Chill" temperature would be 32 degrees. 32 degrees is a freezing temperature on you although the actual outside temperature is only 45 degrees.

Dressing appropriately means knowing what to wear and what works. "Thermal Underwear" is a big help. "Electric Underwear" is even better. Electric Underwear plugs into you motorcycle and has a dial controlled thermostat to regulate the temperature like a heating blanket. Electric Underwear pieces include: socks, pant liner, jacket liner and gloves. You must wear appropriate outerwear to block cold air from penetrating through your cloths to keep the warmth in.

The design of your motorcycle can also serve to help keep the cold wind off of you. A windshield, upper and lower fairing, and wind deflectors can help keep you warm. If you do not have a lower fairing, "Chaps" can help keep the cold wind directly off of your legs. A rain suit can also be utilized to cut down on the cold wind passing through your motorcycle clothing. A thin rain jacket can be worn under your motorcycle jacket and rain pants can be worn over your motorcycle pants to cut down on the cold air passing through your clothing.

The cold weather is here. Prepare to properly deal with it to keep yourself warm and alert. We are here to assist you with anything you need for you to maintain being a safe rider.

Ride safe, Dominick & Diane

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Happy New Year! Enjoy a new 2024 Gold Wing!

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2024 Best Medicine

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

| February 17, 2024 | Ride-In to John Stretch Memorial Park | Lake Harbor, FL (Group Works) |
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| 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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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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