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### Monthly Gathering

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. at  
Southern Pig & Cattle  
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## GOLD WING ROAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION TREASURE COAST WINGS FL2-O

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### David Morris, Chapter Director

We have entered the second half of 2021. The snowbirds have all moved to the north where the weather might be a little cooler (not necessarily so...we hit Oregon when the record of 112 degrees was being set). It has been hot, humid and daily rain showers are the normal.

The inclement weather and personal travel plans have kept us from having our traditional breakfast rides. That will change soon. Thanks to the efforts of Doug and Donna, we have started our 'Rider ED Levels' training programs. A successful MFA course was conducted and Doug is looking forward to ERC and another MFA course in the fall.

Terry and I made two trips, so far, this summer. The first was to Portland, OR for a family visit. We saw lots of the country side in the suburbs while making a couple of stops at some of Oregon's finest wineries, where wine tasting is the order of the day. The rolling hills and winding roads seemed perfect for motorcycling. I had an opportunity to take a ride in a red Ferrari. We took the top down and let it rip...sometimes doing 90+ mph in tight curves that had 30 mph speed limits!!! The second trip took us to RI and Cape Cod for another family visit. The main purpose of this trip was a Memorial Service for my mother, who passed away last December at the age of 96. It was great to see that all of her family were present, including 6 great grandchildren.



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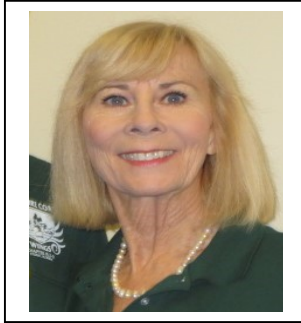
## MEDIC FIRST AID COURSE

By Jim Rich

Claudia Vega and her very able assistant, Robert, put on an outstanding MFA course at Marilyn and Jim's house in Jupiter on Saturday, July 24. The class maxed out at twelve, with Sondra & Jim, Greg & Percy, Doug & Donna, Al & Myrta, Jim & Marilyn and Barney and Dave, all of whom were overdue for a refresher since the previous class was July 23, 2016.

The class material was excellent and included, CPR, bleeding, shock, burns and choking. Claudia went into detail as to the proper procedures in each of these areas. Claudia brought her practice dummies so each of us could experience the effort required to do a proper chest compression and the right way to do rescue breaths. The course stressed that 30 compressions should be followed by 2 rescue breaths and immediately repeating the cycle. Claudia also had us practice the thrusts used on an individual who is choking by placing your arms around the person from behind, forming a fist, and thrusting in and up halfway between the ribs and the navel. Other demonstrations included putting a person into the rescue position and the proper use of an AED in the event of cardiac arrest. Valuable information that we all hope we'll never have to use.





## Gathering Minutes By Terry Henderson

Chapter Director David Morris called the July 14<sup>th</sup> Gathering to order at 7pm at the Southern Pig and Cattle Co. Restaurant on US 1 in Stuart. He welcomed all Chapter FL2-O members and guests and wished Marilyn Rich, George Sholes, Paul Dreyfus and Tammy Pounds a Happy Birthday. Happy Anniversary wishes went out to Jim and Sondra Cuff and John and Allison Meisenbacher.

David invited Sandy and Joe Pisano to give a report on their trip to Springfield, MO for the 42<sup>nd</sup> Wing Ding. Sandy said that Springfield is 1200 miles from Stuart and since their new bike wasn't outfitted for the trip they decided to drive their F150 truck. Their Hotel was understaffed due to COVID so they had no maid service. The opening night event took place outside at a park where the weather was very comfortable and a band entertained the large crowd of 4029 Gold Wing members. The vendors included J&M and Sierra plus the usual jewelry and T-shirt booths. Joe is planning to convert his new 2021 Gold Wing into a Trike, so he checked with the Road Smith Conversion dealer who was also set up at Wing Ding. The Thurs. night dinner was a bit unorganized but Friday was much better and the large dining room was filled to capacity. Sandy and Joe & Sondra and Jim volunteered to sell tickets on Fri. afternoon for 3 hours. There were a lot of Gold Wings at Wing Ding so the parade was very long and was a lot of FUN!

Joe said that they were very impressed with the great detail and interesting displays they discovered at the original Bass Pro Shop in Springfield. This huge Bass Pro Shop had a 13 ft. Garfish in an aquarium as well as a large display of archery equipment and guns. Joe said that you would need more than one day to see it all. Plus, they had a great lunch at the Hemingway Blue Water Café. Speaking of restaurants, Sandy said that Springfield is a very interesting college town with a famous restaurant called Lambert's which is also known as the "House of the Throwing Rolls." "They actually throw rolls to the guests," Sandy said and added, "I was not interested in participating in that activity so we didn't eat dinner at Lambert's."

On their way home Sandy and Joe visited Poplar Bluff in Missouri. They also traveled through Georgia where they stopped into a Dollar General store and coincidentally saw Linda and Kim Kralik who were members of Chapter FL2-O many years ago. "It's a small world," Sandy said. They also stopped in to visit with Tammy and Larry Pounds in Athens, Georgia who took them to see the biggest spring in the world, pumping 288 million gallons of water a day! Sandy concluded her report by announcing that the Spirit Tem will resume their monthly meetings on Mon., Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am at Duffy's in south Stuart. All the ladies are welcome!

Next year Wing Ding is in Shreveport, Louisiana. If you plan to go, make your reservations now because they are going fast and you can always cancel if you decide not to go.

David welcomed Willard and Wanda Hackett back from their long hiatus. We are all delighted that they are well and that they will be participating in our chapter activities again as soon as the back brakes on his Gold Wing are repaired.

Marilyn Rich reported that Rally tickets are available. If you want them, you may pay for them tonight or pay after they are sold. As you know, the Rally tickets provide us with the opportunity to receive our Levels Courses free of charge.

David invited Jim Rich to take over the Gathering. Jim reported that there was a Triathlon in Jupiter and Chapter FL2-O was asked to participate by driving one of the judges around. Barney Salzberg volunteered and enjoyed a very nice day, doing lots of U turns on A1A with a 175 pound judge on the back of his new bike.

Jim called on Doug Goethel to give a report on the upcoming Med-First Aid Course. Doug said that it will take place on Sat., July 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am at Jim and Marilyn's home in Jupiter. Claudia Vega will teach the course. She encourages only 12 people in each class. When this class is filled, she will schedule another MFA course in the fall. Doug said that almost all of our Chapter FL2-O members need to take their Levels Courses in order to be in compliance, but we still have time. The Levels program has been extended through June 30, 2022 but we should all try to complete the Levels program as soon as possible rather than wait to the last minute. Regarding the 2 UP and TRIKE courses, Dominic will have to let us know when the Melbourne track is available.

Jim Rich thanked Doug for the report and announced that Doug will be in concert with his Beatles Tribute Band, Let It Be, in Royal Palm Beach on Fri. July 16 from 6:30-8:30pm. Lots of our Gold Wing friends from FL2-O & FL2-A will be there to enjoy a great concert and a Fun time!

Metalflake gave his Tech Talk and recommended that we don't use our reverse capability on our Gold Wing for more than 10 seconds because it makes the bike's starter too hot.

Webmaster, Donna Goethel, invited us to go to [fl2o.org](http://fl2o.org) and check out our website. You can get there more quickly if you download our Treasure Coast Wing icon and put it on your homepage.

Jim called for the 50/50 drawing. George and Nancy Sholes each won a door prize and Sandy Pisano won the cash. Jim adjourned the Gathering.







Spirit Team News submitted by Sandy Pisano

All of the planning for our trip to Wing Ding began to fall into place as we headed out on June 26<sup>th</sup>. This trip was made in our truck due to the fact that Joe did not have our new Wing ready to make the journey. Joe was hoping to get more information (which he did) on Trike conversions at the Rally. After traveling 500 miles on the first day, we spent the night at Lakepoint Lodge in Eufaula, Alabama. We love this lodge and can't wait for the Alabama district rally that is held there each year. If you haven't been, it is certainly something to put on your calendar (Sept. 30 to Oct. 2). It's a beautiful location and a great event. After two more nights on the road and stops in Alabama and Arkansas, we arrived in Springfield. There were many events to add to our Wing Ding calendar. Opening celebration (hot dogs and music) in the park, vendors at the Expo Center, sponsored evening dinners, seminars, and lots of lively Gold Wing conversations. Joe and I enjoyed the company of John, Sondra, and Jim and a brief visit with Tom and Becky Savage. We really enjoyed a visit to the Bass Pro Shop in Springfield. Seeing lots of great artifacts, artwork, and history and having a wonderful lunch at Hemingway's Restaurant turned out to be a day to remember. Especially knowing Joe and John had bison burgers and (would you believe) Sondra had elk sliders! Each day at the rally took us over to the Expo Hall to view the newest and latest in gear and bikes as well as offerings of a variety of vendors. Joe, John and I spent Friday afternoon (representing our chapter) at the ticket sales booth. Each of us had a specific job (Joe collected money and John and I sold tickets). It was a long three hours, but we had some nice conversations with event attendees. Joe and I also attended a seminar on Trike Riding. It was informative and well attended. All in all, we kept busy and as is always the case at Wing Ding, we ran into other chapter members that we have befriended through the years.

Speaking of other chapter members, on our way home we ran into Kim and Linda Kralik (past FL2-O directors) while stopping at a Dollar General in Georgia. It was quite a coincidence. We had fun catching up. We also stopped in Athens, Georgia and had a wonderful visit with Tammy and Larry. They took us on a ride around the University campus and shared many stories of their time spent living and working in the area. We so appreciated their hospitality and the time they spent showing us around the area. We had a great trip. Next year's Wing Ding is in Shreveport, Louisiana. Sounds like it's going to be quite an event!

**Speaking of events, our next Spirit Team meeting will be August 9 (11:30) at Duffy's on US 1 in Stuart.**

**Please remember our canned food drive for House of Hope. We will be collecting your canned items at our Gatherings.**

**Our Spirit Team would love to have input from our chapter ladies. You are welcome to join us.**

**Stay cool, ride safe and have a wonderful summer.**

## **FROM THE BACK OF THE BIKE**

BY MARILYN RICH

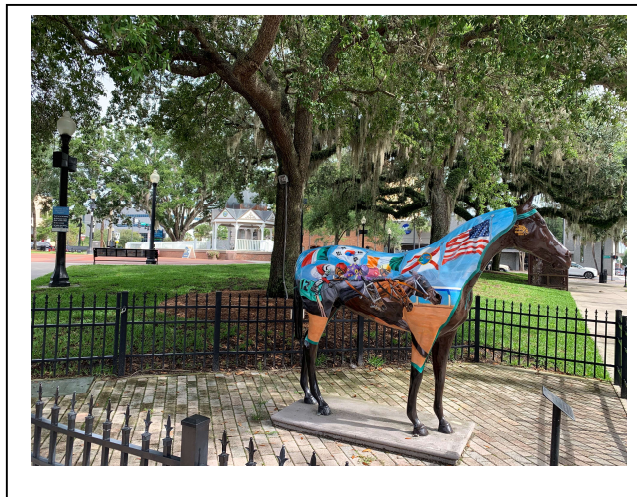
### **OCALA, FLORIDA Horse Capital of the World**

Ocala, Florida is home to over 400 thoroughbred farms. It was designated “Horse Capital of the World in 2007.” Triple Crown winner (1978) Affirmed was born, bred, and trained on a farm near Ocala. Post Time Farms in Ocala is home to the largest horse show in the country. The horse industry generates over \$2.2 billion in revenues per year. The local horse industry and related jobs employ over 44,000 people.

The history of Ocala reaches back to before the 16<sup>th</sup> century and was the site of the main village of the Timucua Indians. It means “Big Hammock”, a treed area surrounded by water. Later it was occupied by the Creek people and then the Seminole tribe.

Today Ocala is a thriving city at the intersection of several major highways including I-75, Rt. 27, Rt.301, and Rt.441. It is home to The Don Garlits Museum of Drag Racing and is a favorite destination for many of our chapter members.

There is a beautiful Historic District with many Victorian Era homes. Nearby there is Silver Springs State Park and the larger Ocala National Forest. Ocala is well worth the visit and an overnight stay!





JOHN DUBOSE

CHAPTER RIDE COORDINATOR

### Wing Ding 42

Wing Ding 42 had a perfect location in Springfield, MO. The University Plaza Hotel was the main hotel and made walking to Convention Center and Expo Hall, plus the famous Route 66 was just a couple blocks from the hotel. FL2-O had a good group at Wing Ding; Joe and Sandy Pisano, Jim and Sondra Cuff, Tom and Becky Savage with me, John DuBose. Tom and Becky had their motor home. The rest of us were at the University Plaza, which made things easy to get around.

Monday, we got out to Bass Pro Shop Headquarters for lunch on the fourth floor Hemingway's Blue Water Cafe. We did enjoy great food and unique atmosphere by an American Saltwater fishing legend -- Ernest Hemingway. Our waitress had 20 years of service at Bass Pro. After lunch we worked our way through the Archery Museum then the NRA Gun Museum. We spent four hours there and had hardly seen the many wonders.

Tuesday things opened up and we got out dreaming and looking. We finished up with Springfield Welcome Party. They had free food, hot dogs/burgers, chips, and drinks with live entertainment. A nice night out at the park.

Wednesday morning I made the opening breakfast and got to spend time with FL DD Bill and Cheryl Smith. They announced Wing Ding 43 would be held June 28 -- July 2, 2022 in Shreveport - Bossier, Louisiana. Hilton Shreveport will be the host hotel attached to convention center. So if you plan to attend, I'd get your reservation now.

Wednesday evening was Corporate (J&M) Sponsor Dinner. You had to purchase tickets for this function. J&M had Dean Christopher The Rat Pack. Dinner got a slow start but entertainment made up the confusion.

Thursday evening was GWRRA BBQ and Light up the Night with Jake Ryan. This evening was much more organized. Friday evening was Law Tigers Bike Night - Bike/Light Show and Drill Team at Battlefield Mall.

We all had a good time. Jim and Sondra left Friday, I left Saturday, Joe and Sandy made it to closing ceremony. Tom and Becky got in his tailoring class in before leaving. I made a stop in Bowling Green, KY at the Corvette Museum, nice.

I/We got to spend some time with FL2-H CRC Dan and Jeanette Wineland from Wachula. We talked about meeting up on a ride next riding season. We also got to eat dinner Friday night with Ed and Jeanette Carr CD's from FL1-K Palm Coast and he's also FL Assistant Ride Coordinator. I also got to spend some time with my Virginia friends VA-X CD's Larry and Pat, ACD's David and Irene along with VA-K MEC's Dave and Susan Miller, so we made our rounds.







## RIDER EDUCATION

### Dominick & Diane DeSiato District Educators



### The Three Wheel Alternative

There comes a time when all of us two-wheeled riders will have to make the decision. Do I stop riding entirely or do I switch to three wheels. There are basically 5 different categories of three wheeled vehicles to choose from. The conventional Gold Wing Trike (two wheels in the rear), A Gold Wing with a Sidecar (third wheel being on the sidecar), The Can Am Spyder (two wheels in the front), the Reverse Trike kit for the Gold Wing (two wheels in the front) and the Slingshot (side by side seating with two wheels in the front). There are many brand names in each category. I am not trying to be brand specific but concept specific. There is also a vast difference in cost between the different categories.

I would like to give you my opinion on each of the units in order to help you make a choice should you decide to move to a third wheel. I am a certified instructor for all of the listed machines so I know exactly the pros and cons of each, how they ride, handle, and cost.

The conventional Gold Wing Trike (two wheels in the rear) is the most expensive way to go (If you bought an entirely new unit). However, you can buy a pre-owned one at a reasonable price if you can find it. They are very comfortable and stable. The amount of stability is determined by the distance the two rear wheels are spaced center to center from each other. There are many manufacturers of those kits and the rear wheel center to center dimensions vary. The further apart the rear wheels are from one another the more stable the Trike is. With the newer better kits, the rear ends have a limited slip differential which reduces the chance of lifting an inside wheel in a sharp turn.

Putting a sidecar on your Gold Wing can be about 1/5th the cost of the new conventional Gold Wing Trike (you put the sidecar on your existing Gold Wing). Your passenger can be protected from the elements in the sidecar or still ride on the back of your bike. A form of air conditioning can be added. You can transport children safely in it. The sidecar can be easily removed should the bike need to go into the shop for repairs. There are limitations on how you take a right turn, but this can easily be taught to you in one of our sidecar courses.

The Can Am Spyder is about 1/2 the cost of a new conventional Gold Wing Trike. There a lot of sophisticated devices built in to its system. You can't accidentally lift an inside wheel in a turn. The two wheels in the front are a more stable platform regardless of technology.

A Reverse Trike kit like the "Endeavor" added to your existing Gold Wing costs about \$10,000. It does not have the advanced technology the Spyder has, but you still have a very comfortable Gold Wing ride.

The Slingshot is basically a three wheel sports car. About \$25,000.00. They are a lot of fun to drive but as you would enjoy a sports car, not a motorcycle. Florida has categorized them as a car so no motorcycle endorsement is needed to operate one.

I hope this article has given you some useful information should you ever decide to switch from two wheels to three wheels. If you were to switch to one of the three wheel motorcycles listed, you should take one of our riding courses for that particular unit. Each category has specific things you need to learn and experience on a safe range before you take it out on the open road. I am here to assist you should you have any questions on any of the machines.

## **WING DING '43**

### **June 28-July 2, 2022**

### **Shreveport, LA**

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#### **Volunteer work**

By Bernard Salzberg

I'm on my way to a new experience. Carlin Park in Jupiter, FL was the site for the Turtleman Triathlon and I was in it. My "job" would be to carry a referee on my motorcycle as he monitored bicyclist-competitors along a 2 mile course; 1 mile south and 1 mile north along A1A.

Upon arrival, the referee, Steve Waldman, told me his goal was to make the race safe and fun for everyone and my instructions were simple: "Don't run into anyone. Try not to let anyone run into you and follow my directions." And off we went.

Lessons learned: avoiding bikes in front was easy but bikes catching me from the rear after I left them a hundred or so yards behind caught me by surprise. Fortunately, they were the more experienced riders and knew how to avoid me. The U-turns at the ends of the ovals were challenging. The south end was not too bad because I could exit the course and take my time; however, the north end was both the entry point for new bikes entering the race as well as the turning point for bikes already in it so there was pressure to make the turn quickly and stay out of everyone's way.

In conclusion, I am glad to say, "mission accomplished." No one got hurt and I had a good time and made some money for our club. Yes, I would do it again.

**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**

Alabama District Rally  
Eufaula, AL  
Sept 30 – Oct 2, 2021

**WING DING**  
Wing Ding 43, Shreveport, LA  
June 28 – July 2, 2022

Please remember to renew your GWRRA membership:

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

August Mike & Laura Smutek





## August Birthdays

8/17 Laura Smutek  
8/23 Willard Hackett



## August Anniversary's

None this month

- New Vehicles
- Pre-Loved
- Financing
- Rentals
- Shop On-line

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

**Thanks for reading!**

**Everyone is encouraged to submit relevant articles by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month!**