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Monthly Gathering

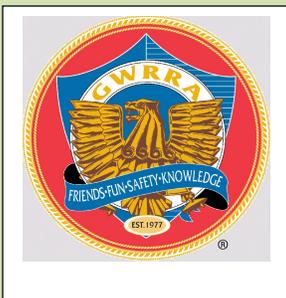
Every 2nd Wed. at
Southern Pig & Cattle
Restaurant
2583 SE Federal
Highway
Stuart, FL
Socialize 5:30
Dinner 6:00
Meeting 7:00

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David Morris, Chapter Director

I am pleased to announce that Donna Goethel is our new Webmaster. For those of you who did not know, our website is a requirement for all GWRRA chapters. More importantly it is a valuable tool for the chapter to represent itself to individuals who are interested in joining GWRRA and becoming a member in the future. Our officer's information and contact numbers, our newsletters and photographs are all a part of the content in our website. Due to the website, I have often received calls and messages from both existing and potential members who are visiting our area and are looking to connect with our local chapter.

Our website address is fl2o.org. It has been out of date for more than a year but Donna has already made corrections to the Officer's page and uploaded our most recent Newsletters. Take a look at the website and check out the great work that Donna is doing. Congratulations Donna and thank you for becoming our new Webmaster.

Thank you to Leo and Lena Valcourt for conducting our first Motorcycle Awareness event at The Elliott Museum Classic Car Show. We were very pleased that the Director of the Elliott Museum, Lou Ponzini, mentioned our Motorist Awareness Display over the loudspeaker many times during the 3 hour event, demonstrating that they were very pleased to welcome us and wanted to encourage people to visit us at our tent.

Note: Barb Parish is a volunteer at the Museum and insured that we were able to set up a table and display our Motorist Awareness signs and handouts. Thank you, Barb, for your help in facilitating this opportunity to take our 'Look Twice for Motorcycles' message to the public.

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50/50
Jim Rich

Couple of the Year 2021
Dave Morris & Terry
Henderson

Person of the Year 2021
Sandy Pisano

Spirit Team Chair
Sandy Pisano



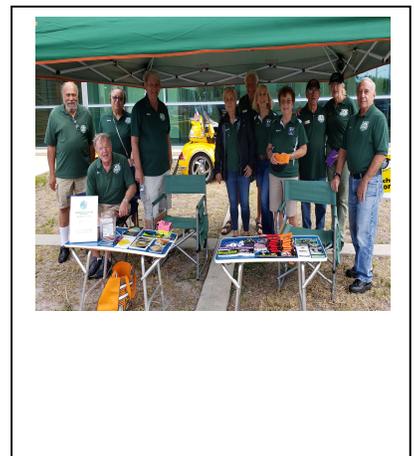
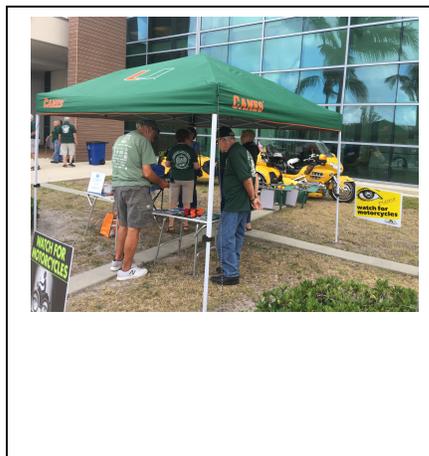
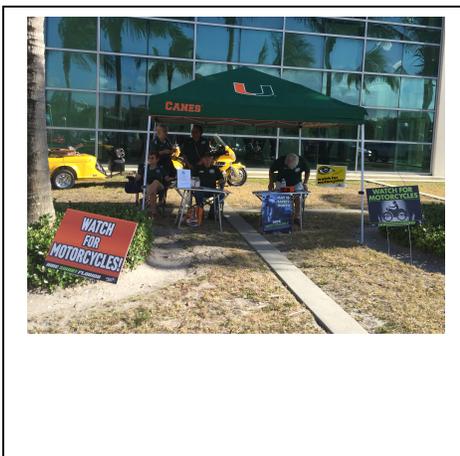
CHAPTER Motorist Awareness

Leo and Lena Valcourt

The Motorist Awareness Event at the Elliott Museum on May 18, 2021

By Leo & Lena Valcourt

We were finally able to hold our Motorist Awareness event at the Elliott Museum on 5/18/21 from 4:30 to 7:30. The Elliott Museum has a car show, food trucks, Oldies music and sometimes a band every Tuesday evening and they invited our GWRRA FL2-0 group to incorporate our event with theirs. They have a large group of people that attend this event so it gives us a chance to hand out lots of material to help promote motorcycle safety which is very important. It was a lot of fun and a great success. We had approximately 14 group members that attended and helped Leo and I set up the tent, tables and to spread out all the material regarding the safety of motorcyclists. We are very lucky to have members that like to work together. We were invited back for another event so we rescheduled with Jim Ferrare for June 22, 2021. Looking forward to it.





Gathering Minutes By Terry Henderson

The Gathering of Chapter FL2-O was called to order at 7pm by Chapter Director David Morris on May 12, 2021 at the Southern Pig and Cattle Co. Restaurant in Stuart. David wished a Happy Birthday to Greg Comstock, Barb Parish, Ron Montgomery, Jim Rich, Barney Salzberg and Sandy Pisano whose Birthday is today. Congratulations to Laura and Michael Smutek as well as Bill and Cheryl Smith on their May Anniversary.

David invited Terry to talk about our Chapter's donation to the House of Hope. Terry said that the House of Hope was very grateful for our donation of 170+ pounds of non-perishable food and a check for \$50 that we had gathered over a period of three months from Feb.-May. Our Chapter did an outstanding job of providing help to residents in our area who may be underprivileged or out of work and are in need of food for their families. Thank you all for participating in this worthy cause.

David announced that two of our members, Joe Pisano and Bernie Salzberg, had recently purchased new Gold Wings. Barney said that he had borrowed a trailer from Jim Rich and drove 600 miles at 59 miles an hour because the trailer was swaying but after a long ride he successfully brought his red, 2018 Gold Wing from Alabama. Unfortunately, since he bought it out of state and they neglected to give him a Bill of Sale he had trouble getting a TAG in Florida. After much paperwork, he got the TAG and took that long anticipated first ride on his beautiful Gold Wing! Joe Pisano said that he and Sandy had purchased a new 2021 automatic shift Gold Wing from Florida Sports in Stuart. He said that it's a learning experience getting accustomed to the automatic shift but he is getting acclimated to it.

David invited John DuBose, our Road Captain, to give a report. John said that he and Peggy are going to Roanoke, VA and will leave on Tue. May 18. He gave us an overview of the 23 rides our Chapter has enjoyed this season including our latest ride to the Vero Beach Airport. John said that he also enjoyed a ride to the West coast with Paul Dreyfus and a breakfast ride to Frostproof, FL to meet up with the Wachula Chapter. He thanked Jim Rich for leading several rides this season including the District Coast to Coast ride from Crescent Beach to Cedar Key. John also thanked Frank Pelligrino who took us to a nice restaurant called the the Mansion in Melbourne. Frank and Laura also stepped up and led a ride to Crabby Bill's. John thanked David Morris, Paul Dreyfus and Joe Pisano who help out as tail gunners and concluded by thanking all the Chapter members for their terrific participation in the group rides! Thanks John for a really FUN ride season and we all wish you safe travels to Virginia!

David invited our new Motorist Awareness coordinators Lena and Leo Valcourt to give an update. Lena said that our event on Tue. May 11 at the Elliott Museum was rained out so it has been rescheduled to next Tue. May 18. She said that the Car Curator for the Antique Show, Jim Ferrare, and the Director of the Elliott Museum, Lou Ponzini, are looking forward to our Motorist Awareness event and they recommended that we park along the road before the

Museum or around back but not in the parking lot where the antique cars will be on display. Lena and Leo will park their bright yellow bike and trailer by the tent to attract attention and we will have our brochures and information available as hand outs on the table. We will also sell Rally tickets. Imagine, for only \$1 per ticket you could win \$10,000. All Chapter members are invited to participate and please wear your green shirts.

David thanked Tammy Pounds for the delicious brownies that she brought for dessert and then invited our Rider Educator Doug Goethel to give a report. Doug said that he has been in touch with Dominic and that the course in Melbourne is ready for ERC and Trike classes. Right now, we have two Trikes and five 2-ups who have signed up for their Rider Ed classes but we have decided to wait and schedule the classes in the fall rather than during the hot summer months. Don't be concerned, everyone is grandfathered in until 2022. Doug also talked about a new piece of equipment that was available called a 'signalmatic' that triggers the stop light at intersections. It may be a good piece of equipment to have due to the fact that our bikes sometimes don't have the required weight to trigger stop lights.

Sandy Pisano gave a report on the Spirit Team's work in progress. She said that the Spirit Team is planning another Holiday Party for Christmas and we can also look forward to another Picnic at Jonathan Dickinson Park or another outdoor venue. We also plan to collect non-perishable food donations for the House of Hope and she suggested we start gathering cloth bags and bring them to a Gathering so we will be prepared to hand them out before the Holiday Party. Sandy thanked Lena and Leo for taking on the mantle of Motorist Awareness coordinators and thanked the Spirit Team for all of their dedicated work throughout the year. She concluded her report by reminding everyone to help support the many activities that the Spirit Team develops for the Chapter by donating your loose change to the Jingle Jar. It was the money collected in the Jingle Jar that paid for the Pavilion at Jonathan Dickinson Park where we all had such a good time.

David turned the meeting over to Treasurer Jim Rich who invited District Director Bill Smith to give a report. Bill thanked the Chapter for congratulating them on their Anniversary. He announced the date of March 17-19 for the next District Rally at the Hilton Hotel in Altamonte Springs. The theme is 'Wing your Way to Emerald City and have FUN with the Wizard of Oz.' Make your plans now! Sandy Pisano asked Bill and Cheryl to encourage the other chapters they visit to enter the many contests at the Rally including the Diorama, Scrapbook, Banner etc. Sandy thought that it would be more FUN if there were more participants. Cheryl encouraged our Chapter to enter the Chapter Shirt competition. Bill said that the next District Ride will be in the fall and will be a ride from North Florida to South and back North again. Riders can join up anywhere they like and leave whenever they like. The 42nd Annual Wing Ding is coming up June 29-July 3 in Springfield, MO. Bill asked how many of our members were planning to attend. Joe and Sandy Pisano and Jim and Sondra Cuff raised their hands. David asked why the South Carolina Rally had canceled for June 3-5 and Bill said that when they made the reservation after May 15 at the facility, Clemson had already rented the auditorium for their June graduation ceremony so the SC Rally had to cancel their event. Bill reminded us that the Rally tickets are printed and paid for by the sponsor, Seminole Power Sports, and they will give you a 10% discount off sports equipment when you show your Rally ticket to them. Bill concluded his remarks by letting us know that the Florida Conference will be conducted via Zoom in January 2022.

Jim called for the winner of the 50/50 to be drawn and Sondra was the lucky winner of the cash. The Gathering was adjourned.





HAVE YOU HEARD??

Spirit Team News submitted by Sandy Pisano

It looks like the summer break is beginning for our chapter Spirit Team. Travel plans for many of our chapter members seem to be on the horizon since some Covid restrictions have been lifted and many of us have received our vaccine. Joe and I are looking forward to going to Springfield, Missouri for the Gold Wing Rally. The schedule of events looks very exciting. I am sure that Joe will be spending a lot of time checking out the vendors!

The Spirit Team has begun to do some planning for the fall. Another picnic, future Motorist Awareness events, our third Food for Families drives and of course our awesome Christmas party is on our agenda. We are also gathering ideas for our diorama for the Florida District Rally in March. Our next Spirit Team meeting will be August 9 (11:30) at Duffys on US 1 in Stuart.

Our 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

SEBRING FLORIDA “CITY ON THE CIRCLE”

Sebring is situated in central Florida amidst several beautiful lakes. It was established in 1912 by George E. Sebring an Ohio pottery manufacturer. The city streets were planned to radiate out from a circle in the middle of town. Hence the title, “City on the Circle”. It is the county seat for Highlands County. This area runs along the Lake Wales Ridge. The ridge is an ancient chain of islands now covered in scrub, hammocks, and cypress swamp. Highlands County has more than 84 lakes and Sebring has three within the city limits. Lake Jackson is the largest.

Sebring is best known for The Sebring International Raceway and is home to the 12 Hours of Sebring. The race is a sports car race patterned after Europe’s 24 Hours of Le Mans. Today it is home to many sports car and Indy car events. It is also the home of the Skip Barber Racing School. Originally the location was Hendricks Army Airfield in WWII. Several streets in Sebring are named for car makers or models such as Peugeot, Ferrari, Porsche, Corvette, and Thunderbird.





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Treasure Coast Wings

Hand Signals: This is an area we will work on this coming year!

With some riders using CB radio for communications and others using Bluetooth technology the use of hand signals is imperative. Whether your group riding or going solo, turn signaling lets the traffic around you know your intentions and tells fellow riders in your group to prepare for a turn. "Isn't that what turn signals on the bike are for?" you might ask. And the answer would be yes. However, some would argue that it's better to err on the side of safety and implement both, particularly during group rides. Plus, if you've ridden long enough you know that lights on bikes eventually fail you. 1. Right Turn - Bend your left arm at the elbow to form a 90-degree angle with your clenched fist held high.



RIDER EDUCATION Dominick & Diane DeSiato District Educators



Tickets and Level IV Applications

Hello to all! We hope everyone is well. 2022 Raffle Tickets are being distributed. If you have not asked for any yet, please send us an email and we will get them to you. Remember, if you sell 1500 tickets, Rider Ed will pay your chapter charter renewal fee. Remember this money goes to pay for your MFA and Riding classes. There are many states that don't have this privilege. It's a great deal and we are doing lots of classes again. We have been receiving many Levels Advancement Applications which is great! We are finding many errors, especially in the Level IV Applications which we would like to go over with you. When we receive an application with errors we have to send emails back and forth which wastes a lot of time processing the application.

First a "Letter of Recommendation" from the Chapter Director or other Chapter Officer is required to accompany the Level IV Application. Next, let's go over some of the common errors on the application.

The N.9 Tour Rider/Co Rider Application (Level IV) – (make sure you use the newest form, 2018-01)

1. In the 2nd Section titled "MASTER APPLICATION" check one of the boxes titled "Black & Gold Patch Requested" or "Griffin Logo Patch Requested". Many Members have gone to the Black & Gold emblems on their vests so the Black & Gold will match. The member must pay \$8.00 if they want the Black & Gold patch. The \$35.00 Application Fee is paid for by the Rider Education Fund. If the member does not want the Black & Gold Patch they should check the Griffin Logo Patch Requested box which is in the standard GWRRA colors. By checking the appropriate box this will assure that the Member gets the patch that they want.
2. Make sure you fill in your "Current Safe Miles". For Level IV this figure should be at least 25,000 miles or more.
3. Fill in the "Current CPR and First Aid" section.
4. Fill in the "Current Rider Course within the past 3 years" section.
5. The 3rd Section is titled "Master Recognition Program". DO NOT write anything in this section if your Application is just to enter into Level IV. This Section is only to be filled in by Members who are going beyond entry Level IV into Senior Master, Grand Master, or Life Grand Master.
6. The 4th Section is titled "SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS". This section is to be signed and dated by the Rider and/or Co-Rider. It is also to be signed and dated by a Validating Chapter Officer.

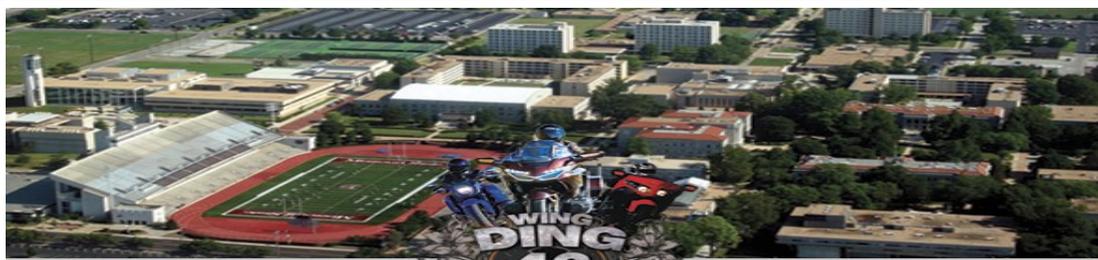
The Level IV Application along with the Letter of Recommendation is then sent to us. We then forward it to Susan Huttman for review and approval. Once she approves it, we sent it to the GWRRA Corporate Office along with the appropriate check amount. The patch is then sent to us and we will forward it to either the Chapter Director for presentation or send it directly to the Member.

Please, check and re-check the application before you sent it to us. This will reduce the amount of time the member has to wait for their Level's achievement patch.

WING DING '42

June 29-July 3, 2021

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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

June –
Joe Trotta



June Birthdays

- 6/3 Wanda Hackett
- 6/13 Myrta Colussy
- 6/24 Allison Meisenbacher
- 6/27 David Morris
- 6/29 Michael Smutek



June Anniversary's

- 6/10 Greg & Percy Comstock
- 6/14 Herb Jebb
- 6/20 George & Nancy Scholes

- New Vehicles
- Pre-Loved
- Financing
- Rentals
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Sea	8:00 - 5:00
Sea-Do	9:00 - 6:00
Mechanic	8:00 - 5:00



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

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