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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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WEBSITES

FL2-O: www.fl2o.org

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www.gwrraflorida.com



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David Morris, Chapter Director

M is for May, Mothers Day, Memorial Day and Motorist Awareness Month.

I am very pleased to say that the month of May has been very active for all of us. It is the traditional time when many of our Chapter members migrate north for the summer season. But, even though we will miss our Snowbird Friends, we have continued to enjoy some excellent rides during this transition from spring to summer. We had 4 scheduled rides in the past several weeks that were well attended including the ride to the Saturday picnic at Jonathon Dickinson Park.

The Picnic was a good opportunity to set up our Motorist Awareness display and get lots of people in the park to see our material and enthusiasm for safe motorcycle riding.

It is always difficult to schedule rides in the summer months and this summer will be no exception. The hot weather, rain and fewer members in town make it challenging. The good news is that we are encouraging each of you to pick a date and schedule a ride. So far we have two members willing to lead a ride in the upcoming months.

So, put your thinking caps on and let me know what ride you would like to schedule during June, July and August.



Sunshine wishes to Larry and Tammy Pounds

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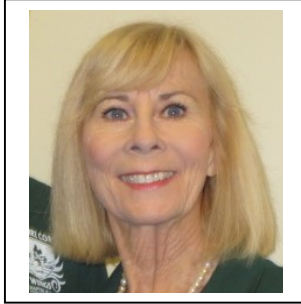
Tech
Herb "Metalflake" Jebb

50/50
Percy Comstock

Couple of the Year 2022
Doug and Donna Goethel

Person of the Year 2021
Sandy Pisano

Spirit Team Chair
Sandy Pisano



Gathering

By Terry Henderson, MEC

Welcome: Chapter Director David Morris called the Gathering to order at 7pm on Wed. May 11 at the Southern Pig and Cattle Co. Restaurant on US One in South Stuart. He welcomed everyone and shared a 'little known fact' with us. He said, "According to John DuBose, today is 'Eat What You Want Day.' So enjoy yourselves and eat all the soft ice cream that you want." David invited MEC Terry Henderson to welcome all the guests and visitors. She recognized District Director Bill Smith and 5 other members of FL2-A including District Rider Educator Claudia Vega.

Prizes: David said that we were going to change things a bit by drawing for prizes throughout the evening so he asked Assistant Director Doug Goethel to draw a Raffle Ticket for the first prize. Sandy Pisano won a Brown Bag prize filled with various and sundry items. David then wished a Happy Birthday to Jim Rich, Barney Salzberg, Sandy Pisano and Greg Comstock who are celebrating birthdays in May. He also thanked Sandy Pisano for bringing the dessert tonight.

Ride Report: David announced that John DuBose led three very successful rides recently. We rode to CJ Cannon's at the Vero Beach Airport on April 9th and on April 20 we took another lunch ride to the Runway Café at Sebring Airport. We also rode to Vero Beach again on May 5th and enjoyed a delicious lunch at the historic Ocean Grill Restaurant. You can look on GroupWorks for details as well as a very interesting story about the history of the Ocean Grill.

Website: Webmaster and Couple of the Year, Donna Goethel, announced that John DuBose has created an outline on how to plan a successful ride and Jim Rich has made a list of all his favorite destinations. She said that she will put John's 'Ride Planning' outline and Jim's 'Favorite Destination' list on the Website and you can utilize it to plan a ride or event. She recommended that each member select one month a year to plan and lead at least one ride. Check out the Website and get inspired to pick a destination and lead a ride yourself. When we all participate in the process, we will be able to enjoy more rides together and have even more FUN!!

MEC Report: MEC Terry Henderson introduced the FL1-G Mascot, a stuffed Giraffe. Terry and David visited Chapter FL2-A on March 20, 2020 and were introduced to FL1G Jr. by Miami FL2-R Chapter Director Mark Coulton. FL1G Jr. is traveling to each GWRRA chapter in Florida. Terry said that just after we were given FL1G, Jr., the Pandemic sent us all into hibernation so FL1G Jr. has been in the closet for two years. Today we encourage our Chapter to plan a ride to his next destination. Donna said that she and Doug would like to lead a ride to Tampa. Great idea...let's take FL1G Jr. to Tampa!!

News from the Road: David announced that while on a ride to the Ocean Grill in Vero Beach, Jim Cuff's Trike engine failed to start so he was towed back to Stuart where Florida Sports determined that his difficulty was caused by the fuel pump. They are in the process of repairing it now and Jim should be back on the road soon.

Tennessee Rally: David invited Joe and Sandy Pisano to tell us about their trip to the Tennessee Rally. They road their new Trike through north Georgia and the weather was beautiful. Temperatures went from a cool 49 degrees to the mid 60's with very little rain. Joe went to 2 seminars at the Rally and Sandy went to 1 seminar about *Retention*. She discovered that the best way to grow a chapter and maintain a thriving membership is to encourage participation and reward achievement through consistent recognition. Sandy suggested printing new member bios in the Newsletter and continuing to keep members informed by using GroupWorks. Joe said that riding in the Smoky Mts. on all the hills and curves was a real arm workout on a Trike. Sandy enjoyed seeing a parade of 27 yellow Mustangs riding together.

Rally Ticket Sales: David thanked Joe and Sandy for picking up the Rally tickets at the Tennessee Rally. Our Treasurer Joe Trotta will be managing the Rally ticket sales so see Joe for tickets. Joe said that he prefers that members pay in advance when purchasing Rally tickets.

Spirit Team Report: Sandy Pisano said that the first Game Night was a big success so we are planning another one in the fall. We may play a card game next time called 5 Crowns similar to Gin Rummy. Our Annual Picnic is this Saturday, May 14th at the Jonathan Dickinson State Park in Hobe Sound. John DuBose will lead the group ride at 9:30am and we will all meet at the park at 11am. Bring your own lunch and we'll eat at 12 noon and afterward play Bingo. The Annual Picnic is also a Motorist Awareness Event. We will postpone any more Kick Tire events until the fall. Sandy asked Terry about the Food for Families drive. We collected over 171 lbs. of food for the House of Hope and will collect again at our Gatherings in Sept. Oct. & Nov. for Thanksgiving.

Tech Talk: Metalflake said that the automatic cancelling of the turn signals on the new Gold Wing goes off too fast in only 2 ½ seconds. There are 3 modes to cancel...1 is off, 2 goes off in 2 ½ seconds and 3 permanently turns it off and cancels it. Be aware of that and keep vigilant!

March Rally: District Director Bill Smith reminded everyone to sign up for the March District Rally at the Hilton Hotel in Altamonte Springs. It's \$145 per night with 2 queen beds and two breakfasts. You can get it for \$125 a night with no breakfast. The Thurs. night dinner is an additional \$25. The theme is 50's Sock Hop/Happy Days. We are always looking for new vendors so if you have any suggestions, please let us know.

Rider Education: ACD Doug Goethel talked about having a well equipped First Aid Kit on your bike at all times. Some insurance policies pay up to \$75 a quarter for non prescription items from the pharmacy. Those of us who have that insurance benefit could use it to purchase First Aid Kit items including gauze, bandaids, disinfectant ointment etc. and share those items.

Winners: Percy Comstock won the 2nd Brown Bag and Sondra Cuff won the 3rd Brown Bag prize. Phil Baxter won the Mother's Day gift bag that Claudia Vega brought so he kindly gave the gift bag to Myrta Colussey. Sandy Pisano won the cash prize. David adjourned the meeting!

May Photos:



Picture of Paul with his Athens, AL GWRR group doing a Motorist Awareness Event.



FL1G Jr. Giraffe Mascot visiting Chapter FL2-0.



Visitation to Chapter FL2-A



JOHN DUBOSE

Road Captain



Road Captain John DuBose - May 2022 Comments

I've been thinking about my riding style lately. How often do I decide to ignore the stop sign? Or if I'm out in the country, do I really need to use my signal? Good riding habits need to be practiced all the time. A bad habit here or there and pretty soon I become a bad motorcycle rider. We all need to practice safe riding habits all the time. That way, when the time comes to do the right thing, it will be a natural reaction!

Five Tips for Safe Riding from Mcrider.com.

1. Maintain a safe following distance.
2. Ride within your skill level.
3. Ride within the limits of the road you are on.
4. Wear protective gear.
5. Ride sober.

Summer in Virginia: I have made the trip to Troutville (Roanoke) area for the summer. I got my wing off the trailer and all cleaned up for some summer riding. First trip will be to Anderson, SC for their district rally first weekend in June. It will be about an eight hundred mile round trip. Enjoy your summer, John.

Couple of the Year Doug & Donna Goethel



To All Members of FL2-O:

Well, what can we say but WOW! We were really honored to be named as FL2-0 Treasure Coast Chapter Couple of the Year! Even though this may be an honor handed down by the Chapter Director, we know that a Chapter Director reads his membership; it tells us that our Chapter has taken a liking to us if we do say so ourselves! To tell the truth it is our membership at FL2-O that has really made us, as a couple, want to be involved, riding and having FUN with each of you. Therefore, accepting the positions CSEA, Webmaster and most recently Assistant Chapter Directors, was an easy one. It truly means a lot to us that we have such a FAMILY in the FL2-O membership.

We are surrounded by so much talent and knowledge that it is overwhelming. A lot of you have been part of FL2-O since 1983. Many have actually been Chapter Directors, Treasurers, Educators, and Ride Coordinators, and I am sure I am missing a title or two because every time we get together and chat we find out something new.

We know who to call when our bike is having issues! (Because, hey, it couldn't be the operators right! Usually it is the operators I hate to say!) Thanks Metal Flake, Jim Cuff and Greg Comstock!

We know who to call about where to ride AND where to eat, no mistaken here the two of us love to eat too! That would be just about everyone in the membership, but John DuBose is the one to go to for planning an exceptional ride! We have taken unplanned rides with some in the membership and these rides were fantastic as well. Someone says "Let's go", we just gear up!" and we GO! Easy peasy! That is the plan for 2022....Gear Up and Go!

What we are trying to say about all the talent and knowledge, is that you as a member of FL2-O still have a lot to offer by continuing to share your wealth of talent and knowledge with both of us. It is with this we hope to continue to grow FL2-O. It takes family togetherness to grow an amazing family!

Thank you and we promise the two of us will represent our FL2-O chapter with great pride and enthusiasm!

Doug & Donna

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Stuart FL2-O Chapter Shirts				
Polo short sleeve	Size small - XL	Size 2XL - 3XL	Pocket	
Cotton (Forest Green)	\$24.00	\$26.00	Add \$2	
50/50 (Forest Green)	\$24.00	\$26.00	Add \$2	
Wick-Away (Green/White)	\$28.00	\$30.00	not available	

**This price includes shirt and tax plus the GWRRA Griffin on back,
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Treasure Coast Wings Chapter Picnic

by Jim Rich

Every year the Spirit Team tries to take their events up a notch from the previous year, but this year's picnic was out of this world. Besides a "Motorist Awareness" event put together by Leo and Lena, Sandy Pisano and the Spirit Team put on a surprise celebration for our Chapter Couple of the Year, Doug and Donna Goethel, who were subsequently named District Couple of the Year. There were balloons, banners, pictures, and cupcakes to celebrate their achievement and well-deserved recognition. A Park Director invited Leo and Lena Valcourt to set up their Motorist Awareness table and banner directly in front of the Park store and snack shop, which attracted a lot of attention from park visitors. Not sure what the plans are for next year, but I think it is going to at least take the "Rockettes" to surpass this year.



Motorist Awareness

by Doug Goethel

Chapter FL2-O, Florida Treasure Coast, held their 2nd Annual Chapter Picnic and Motorist Awareness event hosted by the Jonathan Dickinson State Park in Hobe Sound, Florida Saturday, May 14, 2022. It was such a success in 2021 and 2022 was even better. The weather was a beautiful 84 degrees with a good breeze and a lot of families enjoying the park amenities, a perfect site to host the event.

Lena and Leo Valcourt, FL2-O Motorist Awareness couple, had a tremendous array of information, koozies, and bumper stickers, available for the taking along with "Be a Smartie watch for motorcycles" candy hand-outs for the kids. FL2-O Chapter Members came together to focus on helping motorists understand motorcycle driving behaviors and to teach how to drive safely around motorcycles on our roadways. Even talking about kids counting motorcycles while driving in the back seat instead of the "slug bugs" as back in the day. Each FL2-O member had the opportunity to speak with many park attendees of different ages, along with park employees, about awareness of motorcycles out on the roads.

What a great day for all, park goers and Chapter FL2-O!

Dominick & Diane DeSiato

District Educators

RIDER EDUCATION



We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. Spring is around the corner and we are gearing back up for great weather, great riding with friends and of course, Raffle Ticket Sales. The tickets are in and we are ready to disperse them. An email recently went out asking how many tickets you would like and how you want to receive them. We are headed to the Tennessee Rally and will gladly bring them with us if you would like to pick them up there, or we can mail them to you. Please let us know (by email) as soon as possible how many tickets you would like. Our email address is: Dominickflde@gmail.com.

TRAINING: We just completed a Trike Class in Eustis, FL on April 19th which included one Sidecar Rig. Any time we announce a “Trike Class” that automatically means we can include Can-Am and Sidecar Rigs. Each of the 3 different categories of three-wheel vehicles which includes: Trike, Reverse-Trike and Sidecar Rigs, all have their own unique handling characteristics and require specific instructions on how to safely operate each vehicle. Not knowing how your machine and you will react in an emergency situation could be dangerous. It is better to experience these conditions on a secured location such as an empty parking lot rather than getting caught in an emergency panic situation on the street and not knowing what to do. Of course we can also show you how to maneuver your two-wheel bike safely as well. Sign up for one of our classes and we would be glad to share our knowledge with you.

The procedures for requesting a class will be conducted in the following manner: A Chapter Director or CSEA can survey their group to see which of their members want to take either the ARC or TRC. They should also decide on a tentative date for the class. This information is to be forwarded to me so I can check on the availability of a riding site. If all is agreed upon, I would then want the CD or CSEA to collect and hold a \$30.00 deposit which is refundable upon completion of the course. If a Chapter does not have enough members to fill a class I will advertise the class on Group Works to get enough members to fill a class of 12 machines. I also take individual member requests which we keep in a file and use to fill in any openings in a class.

Remember, any Chapter Director or Chapter Skills Enhancement Advisor can request a Chapter Level’s Report from me via email. Florida District Riding and Medic First Aid (MFA) classes are available upon request to maintain your Levels status. For ARC, (Advanced Two-Wheel Riding Courses) or for a TRC, (Trike Riding Courses) contact Dominick at Dominickflde@gmail.com. For MFA Classes contact Claudia at rvega19854@gmail.com.

We are here to assist you with your training needs.



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Reference Gold Wing Road Riders Association 2023 Rally

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Phone # _____	Email Address _____	
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<p>I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA, co-sponsoring organizations and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or property in which I/we may become involved because of participation in this rally. I/we have read this waiver and acknowledge with signature(s) below.</p>		
Signature _____	Signature _____	
Date: _____	Is this your first-time attending the Florida Rally? Yes No	
GWRRA Members	\$35	x _____ = _____
Non-Members	\$40	x _____ = _____
Under 12 (Dinner on Thursday extra, See below)	Free	x _____ = _____
Sit Down Dinner - Thursday Night	\$25	x _____ = _____
*** Fully registered attendees only ***		
Ticket Sales		
\$10,000 Raffle (Book of 10)	\$10	x _____ = _____
Daily 50 / 50 Thursday (Strip of 10)	\$5	x _____ = _____
Daily 50 / 50 Friday (Strip of 10)	\$5	x _____ = _____
Grand 50 / 25 / 25 (Strip of 10)	\$5	x _____ = _____
Grand Prize (Strip of 10)	\$5	x _____ = _____
Shirt Sales		
Polo Shirt	S M L XL	\$22 x _____ = _____
Polo Shirt	XXL XXXL XXXXL	\$25 x _____ = _____
T-Shirt	S M L XL	\$18 x _____ = _____
T-Shirt	XXL XXXL XXXXL	\$20 x _____ = _____
Long Sleeve	S M L XL	\$20 x _____ = _____
Long Sleeve	XXL XXXL XXXXL	\$22 x _____ = _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED (US Dollars Only) \$ _____		

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Rally / Vendor Coordinators
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Preregistrations must be postmarked by March 1, 2023

**No refunds after March 1, 2023. After March 1*
Registration is \$5.00 higher**

\$15 Day Passes will be sold onsite and are good for all events the day of purchase **except Thursday night dinner**

Submit Registration Forms to:

Geno & Kathie Jette
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Orange Park, FL 32073

Make check or money order (US dollars only)
payable to Florida GWRRA
If you would like registration confirmation, please
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Register by **January 1st, 2023**, for entry into Early Bird drawing to be awarded to 1 lucky winner at Closing Ceremonies!

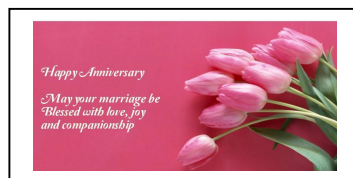
Pre-Order Shirts for entry into a drawing for a prize to be awarded to 1 lucky winner at Closing Ceremonies

See website for latest information
<http://www.gwrflorida.com/rally.html>



June Birthdays

6/3 Wanda dHackett
6/13 Myrta Colussy
6/24 Allison Meisenbacher
6/27 David Morris
6/30 Leo Valcourt



June Anniversaries

6/10 Greg & Percy Comstock
6/14 Herb and Pat Jebb
6/15 Willard & Wanda Hackett
6/20 George & Nancy Scholes

UPCOMING CHAPTER and DISTRICT EVENTS
AWYCS (ALWAYS WEAR YOUR CHAPTER SHIRT)

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)

2022 Upcoming GWRRA Events

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David Morris, Terry Henderson, John DuBose, Jim Rich, Doug & Donna Goethel
and Dominick DeSiato.

Thanks for reading!

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