

# CHAPTER FL1-K, MATANZAS RIDERS PALM COAST/ST. AUGUSTINE

# FEBRUARY









Our monthly gathering takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at the IHop Restaurant, 212 Palm Coast Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL.

We begin with dinner at 6 pm, and our gathering starts at 7 pm.

Please come and join us – we'd LOVE to see you!

Visit us online at www.fl1-k.org!

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### From the Director's Chair

Ed & Jeanette Carr, FL1-K Chapter Directors



# The 2025 Rally season starts on March 13th

The Florida District Rally is just a few of weeks away. We hope you are making plans to attend the **3rd Annual Florida District Gathering of Friends for FUN**, **Safety & Riding** March 13, 14 & 15 2025, at the Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel & Conference Center. **Buckle Your Helmets and Fasten Your Fringe** – **Our Roaring 20's Ride is about to begin!** Information about Hotel and Rally registration is on the District Website at ewma-florida.org.

We have Guided Rides every day, but you must be registered for the rally to participate. On Thursday morning there will be a lunch ride to the Conestoga Restaurant in Alachua, FL There are snacks in the Hospitality Room, Games to play in the Game Room. First aid/CPR class on Wednesday from 11AM to 5pm, for early arrivals and pre-registered guests. Our friend Scott from Diamond Seats will be there to work on and detail motorcycles, KD Cycles will be there for those interested in purchasing a new or used trike. And we have tickets for you to purchase that could win you some big bucks. Also, if you signed up for the Thursday evening meal, you would have that dinner with over 100 of you friends or soon to be friends.

Harry & Lynn will have the Hospitality Room open for your snack needs. Oh, and by the way, we need you to bring snacks to the March Social Gathering if you want us to transport them to the Rally.

We hope to see you at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Eagle Wings Rendezvous in Fort Smith, AR, August 28<sup>th</sup> thru August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. If you haven't been to Arkansas before it is a great place to ride. There will be 3 nights of FUN, Fun, Fun!!! And 3 days of rides, presentations and Fun. WE'RE GOING TO FT SMITH.AR!

Guys, don't forget Valentine's Day!!



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### From the Assistant Director

Bob & Julie Ahearn, FL1-K Asst. Chapter Directors

Welcome to February. This month we celebrate Valentine's Day on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>, and Presidents Day on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Our plans this month include attending the Jacksonville RV Show scheduled for the 6<sup>th</sup> through the 9<sup>th</sup>, our Chapter Gathering on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup>, and finally the Wingers & Waves Cruise on the Royal Caribbean "Oasis of the Seas" the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>.



Last month we attended the District's first ride of the year on New Years Day to "Shrimp "R Us" located in Welaka.





Julie and I rode the Trike from our home in St Augustine. The weather was good, and as always, the food was fantastic. The restaurant had issues trying to keep up feeding all of us hungry bikers!!

Big thanks to all our Chapter Members who attended. We had a great showing, and we doubt if anyone left still hungry. We also attended our first Family RV Association Rally at "Presnell's RV Park" located in Port St Joe on the Gulf of Mexico (America?)

The day after we arrived, Julie and I got on the Trike and took a scenic ride through the town of St Joe and had lunch a few miles down the road at the "Indian Pass Raw Bar".





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Julie selected the Baked Oysters, Corn on the Cob and washed it down with a bottle of dark German Beer. My meal consisted of steamed Shrimp, Corn on the Cob, and a bottle of Angry Orchard Hard Cider. Lunch was fantastic and we highly recommend this restaurant if you ever find yourself in or around Port St Joe!

The next day, we met our group and had breakfast at the "Sand Dollar Café". Afterwards we rode to the "Constitution Convention Museum State Park". The museum commemorates the work of 56 territorial delegates who drafted Florida's first constitution in 1838. This constitution became the Organic Law of Florida when the territory was admitted to the Union in 1845 as the 27<sup>th</sup> state.

The next day our plans included attending the Apalachicola Oyster Cook -Off Festival at Battery Park.

The cold weather front was just starting to rear its ugly head, but we figured we would have enough time to tour the town and enjoy the festival.

When we departed the campground on





the Trike, it started to drizzle, and the wind picked up. We arrived at the town of Apalachicola and saw where the festival was being held at the waterfront. The drizzle was starting to increase so we decided to head back to the campground. Yep, you guessed it...we got caught in the rainstorm and the temperature dropped to the





40's. We got our check in the block for riding in the wind and rain.

The next day was cold, but the rain stopped long enough for us to visit the "Forgotten Coast Sea Turtle Center". The center supports sea turtle monitoring, research, habitat clean-up, and restoration projects. We got a

guided tour though the center got to see the turtles that were rescued. It was amazing to learn what the center does to support the turtle population in Florida.

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#### **Chapter FL1-K**

The night arrived with the temps dropping into the 30's.

The next morning, it was time to leave and head home. It wasn't too much fun packing up the RV and loading the Trike on the trailer with the temps in the low 30's, and the wind blowing in from the Gulf. We escaped none too soon...a few couples stayed an extra day and woke up to 6 inches of snow!!

Next month there is the FL District Rally in Gainesville from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>. Make plans to attend this year, even if it's for just a day. Jeanette will need volunteers for the game room again, and if you haven't purchased your tickets for the \$5,000 first place prize ticket what are you waiting for? The second drawing will be for \$500, the third \$250. Donations are \$1 per ticket.

The week following the FL District Rally, our plans include another Fantasy RV trip to the "Blue Ridge Mountain Homecoming Rally" in East Elluay, Georgia. We'll be staying at a new campground, "Talona Ridge RV Resort".

Our events will include a ride on the Blue Ridge Scenic Railway along the Toccoa River, journeying through the Appalachian foothills and North Georgia countryside. We'll have the Trike with us and will get some great riding accomplished. Looking forward to seeing this part of Georgia.

Stay tuned for more adventures!

Robert & Julie A'Hearn FL1-K Assistant Chapter Directors





# **American Flags**



If you have any torn, tattered, or discolored flags of any size, please give them to me. I will gladly have them disposed of properly, DO NOT put into trash.

Thank you.

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# **Membership Development Musings**

Jeanette Carr, Membership Development Coordinator





J.J. & Sue Jackson have served as Region A Directors since E.W.M.A. began. They also served the previous organization for many years in many positions.

Ed & I have known them since we started in the motorcycle world in 2002. Jim & Sue were always positive, friendly, helpful, & ready to ride - eat - laugh. J.J. was known as "Mr. Bodacious" and he bragged on his many years with Sue in "Marital Blisters". J.J. has become "an angle to watch over us" but we will look forward to seeing Sue at many District Rallies.



Danny Baker has been appointed the new Region A Director. He has served in many positions for years and since the start of E.W.M.A. he has been the Alabama District Director.

Ed and I enjoyed time with Danny at all the rallies we have attended. He always welcomes us with a big hug – and often threatens to kiss Ed!

Danny is full of laughter and pranks, but all business when it comes to leading and helping E.W.M.A members.



*Jeanette Carr,* 386-846-1678





# Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article



Dominick & Diane Desiato

Greetings to all,

One of EWMA greatest asset members has left us. Claudia Vega passed away on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. She was the Florida District First Aid/CPR HSI Coordinator. A position she loved and excelled at. Claudia was a long life member of GWRRA and then EWMA. She will be sorely missed. We ask that any members that have already signed up for the First Aid/CPR Class on March 12<sup>th</sup> at the Florida District Rally to please send me an email so we are sure no one gets left off the roster. You can notify us if you are attending the Class at: Dominickflde@gmail.com.

#### **SEARCH, SETUP & SMOOTH**

Many riders across our great country are putting their motorcycles away for the winter. Here in Florida we get to take our bikes out, for some great riding weather. We get to wear all our protective gear without feeling too hot and have some fun riding.

Having some fun usually involves some nice curvy roads. Here is a review on how to safely negotiate a curve:

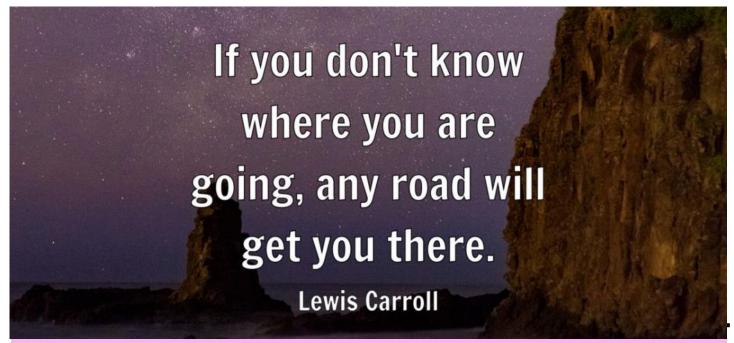
SEARCH: Look ahead to determine the sharpness of the upcoming curve. Look first for any warning signs that give you an idea of how sharp the curve is. If there aren't any warnings signs look to see if you can see the exit of the curve. If you can't see the exit of the curve, slow down your entry speed before you enter. Braking and choosing a lower gear should always be done while the motorcycle is still straight up before you start to lean. You can always safely accelerate once you are in a curve and realize you can go faster.

SETUP: Enter to the outside of the curve so you can see the furthest around the curve searching for the exit. This will allow you to see potential hazards sooner and give you a smoother path of travel. You should always knock off enough entry speed so you can gradually accelerate as you go around the curve. This pushes the contact patch of your tired down onto the pavement giving you maximum traction.

SMOOTH: A minimum of a steady throttle is recommended. A gradual acceleration of the throttle is better. Stay to the outside edge of the curve until you can see the exit. At that point is where you can make your cut to the inside of the curve and accelerate out. That would be the apex of that particular curve. You are using the Outside-Inside-Outside method of negotiating that particular curve. Every curve should be evaluated by using that same method.

Enjoy the cool weather and enjoy the ride.

Ride safe, Dominick& Diane



# On The Lighter Side



"We'd like to eat standing at the bar. It's been a long motorcycle ride." A man will pay \$2.00 for a item he needs, a woman will pay \$1.00 for an item she doesn't need but it's on sale!

A man has six items in his bathroom, toothpaste, toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel. The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

Man can play with toys all there life, one wallet and one pair of shoes, you can wear shorts no matter how your legs look, do your nails with a pocket knife. You can do Christmas shopping on December 24<sup>th</sup> for 25 relatives in 25 minutes. No wonder men are happier.

A woman has the last word in an argument with their husband. Anything he says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

A woman marries a man hopping he will change, but he doesn't. A man marries a woman hopping she will never change, but she does.

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# FL1-K February Calendar

#### Feb 02

**Visit Chapter FL1-G** Deltona, 111 S Oregan Ave, Sanford, FL. Meet there at 12:noon.

#### Feb 04

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonald's, 5190 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast, 32164 KSU @ 9:00 AM.

#### Feb 06

**Dinner Ride to Colt's Pig Stand BBQ**,1633 US!, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. 5pm—6pm, Meet there at 5:30 PM.

#### Feb 07

**Barry's Snowbird Friday Ride**, KSU 9AM, Race Trac. 2451 Beville Rd, Daytona Beach, FL 32119.

#### Feb 10

Chapter FL1-K Social Gathering. We will eat at 5;30pm and begin the Social Gathering at 7:00 pm. Location is IHOP, 212 Palm Coast Pkwy, Palm Coast, FL 32137.

#### **Feb 11**

**Freedom Ride** - Because We Can, Meet at McDonalds,105 Interchange Blvd, Ormond Beach, 32174. KSU 9AM

#### Feb 14

**Barry's Snowbird Friday Ride**, KSU 9AM, Race Trac. 2451 Beville Rd, Daytona Beach, FL 32119.

#### **Feb 17**

#### PRESIDENT'S DAY

#### **Feb 18**

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonald's, 5190 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast, 32164 KSU @ 9:00 AM.

**Ladies Luncheon**, Oceanside Beach Bar & Grill, 1900 Ocean Shore Blvd, Ormond Beach, FL 32176. Meet there at 11:30

#### Feb 21

**Barry's Snowbird Friday Ride**, KSU 9AM, Race Trac. 2451 Beville Rd, Daytona Beach, FL 32119.

#### Feb 25

**Freedom Ride** - Because We Can, Meet at McDonalds,105 Interchange Blvd, Ormond Beach, 32174. KSU 9AM

#### Feb 27

**Lotto Dinner.** Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, 5294 SR 100, Palm Coast, FL. Meet there at 5:30PM.

#### Feb 28

**Barry's Snowbird Friday Ride**, KSU 9AM, Race Trac. 2451 Beville Rd, Daytona Beach, FL 32119.



# BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, etc.!



| HAPPY ANNIVERSARY   |       |
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| Gary and Ruth Sober | 02/06 |
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| WINNING<br>DOOR PRIZE<br>CONTRIBUTOR | Sharon McNicol                            |
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| 50/50                                | Marcia / Paula<br>Gloria / Irene<br>Barry |
| Chapter Shirt                        | Ed Carr                                   |



| HAPPY BIRTI   | HDAY  |
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| Irene Klucar  | 02/07 |
| Jeanna Watson | 02/10 |
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| Sharon McNicol          |  |  |
| Jeanette Carr           |  |  |
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# FL1-K Happenings



# 1 January—Shrimp or Us



**Ladies Luncheon** 





# Florida District Calendar of Events



| DATE(S)           | EVENT   | LOCATION                          | Link                       |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mar 13-15, 2025   | Florida District Gathering of Friends for Fun - "Buckle Your Helmets And Fasten Your Fringe" - Our Roaring 20's Ride Is About To Begin! | Gainesville, FL                   | <u>Flyer</u>               |
| Apr 24 - 26, 2025 | Tennessee District Rally "America the Beautiful"  | Johnson City, TN                  | <u>Flyer</u>               |
| May 15 - 17, 2025 | South Carolina District Rally "Salute to the Troops"  | Newberry, SC                      | <u>Flyer</u>               |
| Jun 5-7, 2025     | Georgia District Rally<br>"Beach Bash"  | Hele, GA                          | <u>Flyer</u>               |
| Jun 20-21, 2025   | EWMA International Ride-In  | Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada | <u>Flayer</u>              |
| Jun 26-28, 2025   | Alabama District Rally "Roaring 20s"  | Sheffield, AL                     | <u>Flyer</u>               |
| Aug 28-30, 2025   | EWMA National Rally<br>Eagle Wings Rendezvous"  | Fort Smith, AR                    | Link To<br>EWMA<br>Website |
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| February          | 13  |                                   | 2025                       |

# **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 bring the world together around that passion while helping them to be safer and mindful when riding a motorcycle.

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?"

**CMMUNICATIONS:** The more we share information and communicate about our common love of motorcycling, the more we will all learn and benefit.

**WORK:** Working together toward 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.



FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING!

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