



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

DECEMBER



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

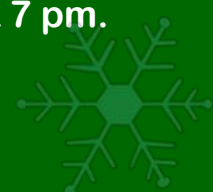
We begin with dinner at 6 pm, and our gathering starts at 7 pm.

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



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

We hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the upcoming Holiday season. If you haven't signed up for the First Ride of the Year, you have until 21 December, when all reservations for the buffet must be in. We hope you all will participate in the ride to Welaka, Florida for some of the best shrimp, fried chicken and all the trimmings you can eat. Not to mention meeting and greeting other EWMA members from all over Florida and beyond. You meet the nicest people at Shrimp "R" Us. If needed I will have registration forms at the Chapter Christmas party.

If you will notice in this newsletter, I have restarted the Snowbird Ride on the calendar on Friday December 12th and it continues every Friday until Spring. Then we can talk about whether to stop it or keep it going. There will be a new Sheriff in town then and he may have something to say about it.

That's right, if you haven't heard, Jeanette and I will be stepping aside effective 1 January 2026, your new Chapter Directors will be Robert "Bob" & Juliana A'Hearn. They have quite the resume and will do a fantastic job. Bob & Julie have asked us to be their Assistant Chapter Directors. Between our other organization and EWMA, we have been Chapter Directors for a total of 16 years out of 23 years. Tradition has it that we have to fire our entire Chapter Team and then Bob & Julie will hire their team. I want to thank the Chapter Team and all our members for hanging in there with us giving Us your support for the last 13 years.

A special Thanks to ACD Bob & Jullie A'Hearn, Treasurer & Newsletter Bob, Linda & Robbie Coulson, Membership Development/Fun Coordinator Jeanette Carr, Chapter Safety/Ride Coordinator Rock N Bob Ingnito, Chapter Web Master Ed Carr III, Sunshine Lady Teresa Carr, Chapter Goodie Store Gene & Ilene Heany, Chapter Medic First Aid/CPR and Travel & Lodging Coordinator Marcia Shad, and others who served the Chapter, IE: Jim Butler, and Gary & Ruth Sober.

We hope to see you at an EWMA event in 2026,

Ed & Jeanette Carr, Directors

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**Christmas isn't a
 season. It's a
 feeling.**

Edna Ferber



From the Assistant Director

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



Welcome to December and *Merry Christmas to all*

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving Dinner with family and friends. This month's events include our annual Chapter Christmas Party on Saturday the 6th of December, and the Lotto Dinner scheduled for Thursday the 18th of December. At the end of this month, Julie and I will be taking a 10-day Southern Caribbean cruise with Princess Cruise Lines out of Fort Lauderdale. Our New Years will be celebrated out at sea.

Last month, Marcia and Julie taught the recertification class for First Aid / CPR, on Sunday 23 November at Marcia's home. Joining the class were our CD's, Ed & Jenette, myself, Howard, Ernie & Sue, and the EWMA CPR/First Aid Instructor who brought us updated materials and talked about changes coming to the program. After the successful class, all of us visited the Fly-In Café for a late lunch. The food was fantastic as always, and we got to sit outside on the patio and enjoy the sights. Thanks to Marcia and Julie for hosting and teaching the class.

Earlier in the month Julie and I traveled down to Marathon Florida, one of the Key West islands, for our "Sand Dollars" RV Rally. During the drive south in the RV with the Trike in tow, we stopped overnight at "Summer Crush Winery" in Ft Pierce.



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We enjoyed sampling the wines and just had to purchase a few bottles for ourselves and a few gifts to use as prizes at the rally. The next morning, we realized there was only one other RV on the property of 30 RV spots. No wonder it was so quiet. We will plan to stay there again in the future.

The next day we arrived in Marathon and checked into the “Grassy Key RV Resort”. This small resort had spacious waterfront sites, located on the Gulf of America. Amenities included Boat Dockage, Kayak / Paddleboard Launch, White Sand Beach, Clubhouse and Laundry Facilities.



Events we participated in included a visit to Crane Point Museum & Nature Center, and Pigeon Key Island via the Tour Train.

A few noteworthy restaurants we would like to visit again are the “S.S. Wreck Bar & Grill”, located next to the resort, and the “Sunset Grill & Raw Bar” located close to the Pigeon Key Trolley Depot, which is a great place for breakfast!

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The day before we departed, we decided to ride the Trike down to Key West, approx. an hour and 20 minutes from Marathon. Our plan was to park at Mallory Square and tour the town. The problem was the speedboat races were also there...we could not find a parking place anywhere. spots were taken by golfcarts!!

So, we decided to ride back to Marathon. The return 1.5-hour for a ride total of approx. 3 hours did not go well with healing from my surgery. Learned my lesson that day. We returned to the RV and spent the rest of the night with Ice pads and Tylenol Liquid.

During the return trip home, we stayed a few restful days in Fort Pierce at the "Road Runner Travel Resort". It was a nice break for us and the resort is very nice and large. It's located on 40 acres and offers 452 full hookup sites and cabins. The resort amenities include a Golf Course, shuffleboard, pickleball courts, heated swimming pools, a large camp store, cycling, jogging and walking roads, and a restaurant.

Our RV site was a pull through, with full hookups, and a large brick fireplace! Of course, the day we arrived from Marathon, the cold weather front also arrived. The two nights we spent there, the temperature dropped into the low 40's with a wind chill. We thought about returning to the Keys but had other commitments and had to return home.



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Just a reminder, next month is the First Ride of the Year to “Shrimp “R” Us in Welaka on January 1st. The registration needs to be submitted by 21 December to the FL District.

Check out the Newsletter, Website, and email from Ed for more details.

See you soon and have a Happy New Years!

Robert & Julie A'Hearn

FL1-K Assistant Chapter Directors



1st Aid / CPR CLASS

By Marcia Shad

There were 6 new MFA/1st Aid Certified Members. Our class was held at my home in Port Orange on Sunday, November 23, 2025.

Those who participated were Howard Stewart, Jeanette Carr, Ed Carr, Sue Vereker, Ernie Vereker and Bob A'Hearn. Bob also served as our Technical Director,

Linda Hojnacki, R.N. - The Florida District Coordinator of the program (also former EWMA National Coordinator) came to get to know us and offered valuable insight into the program. Her nursing career spanned some interesting venues.

Julie A'Hearn was one of the instructors. Julie has over 30 plus years in teaching 1st Aid/CPR. A wide variety of her experiences were discussed.

I was the second instructor. I was first trained in MFA and 1st aid in March 2009 at The FL District Rally in Kissimmee. This was the district's first class. My professional career includes Medical-Surgical Nursing as Head Nurse, a short stint of about 2 years of ICU & CCU, Hospice Care, Public School Nursing and Psychiatric Care. I truly have enjoyed my career & feel gifted with such a varied career.



Our classes are geared toward refresher and new implementations as per HSI, our licensing company out of Oregon. A relaxed atmosphere for learning is essential.

Congratulations to those newly certified.





Membership Development Musings

Jeanette Carr, Membership Development Coordinator



SILENT BUT ACTIVE MEMBERS

Bob and Linda Coulson joined our chapter in 2015 as a relocated and newly retired couple looking to enjoy the Sunshine State. They each rode their own motorcycle and were looking forward to sunny and warm riding days.

We were lucky they found our chapter as they are a fun couple to be with and they soon became very active in rides and events. When the web master position became open, Bob took over. He is a “miracle worker” on the computer and has helped “save” many of the articles we (I) have written. He also redid the newsletter format and changes it each month to keep it fresh and interesting, SO THANKFUL TO BOB and Linda who gives him time for this.

When the treasurer position opened, again Bob stepped up. At that time, we were having chapter rallies as well as selling the district raffle tickets and normal chapter expenses – but Bob kept it all straight, making it look easy.

When Robie came to live with them, he joined in the fun. He was so cute in his little chapter shirt and vest.

Now Robbie is older, 12 in January, and very involved in many activities besides family events and making excellent grades at school. “Karate on Mondays, soccer on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and then 1-4 soccer games on the weekends (some a couple of hours away). Fridays are about the only days to recover.” Bob recently said.

The Coulson Family has not been able to participate in chapter life for several years and now they need to step completely away.

WE ARE A BETTER CHAPTER BECAUSE OF ALL THEIR INVOLVEMENT AND NOW WE WISH THEM WELL.

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Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators

November 2025 Safety Article

Dominick & Diane Desiato



UNDERSTANDING HOW TO CHANGE DIRECTION ON A TWO-WHEEL MOTORCYCLE



The ability to be able to change the direction of your motorcycle at a moment's notice is essential to safe motorcycle operation. Knowing how this necessary task actually works might save you a moment of indecision that could save you time and space to a maneuver you might need. When to steer a motorcycle like a tricycle and when to press forward on the handlebar end to change direction must be first understood. If you are riding slow, which means any speed under 12 mph on a two-wheel motorcycle, you must steer the handlebars of the motorcycle like you would a child's tricycle to change direction. The gyroscopic effect of the two wheels spinning fast enough for the motorcycle to maintain its own balance occurs at 12 mph and up. At 12 mph or higher you change directions of the motorcycle by pressing forward on the handlebar grip on the side you want the direction of the motorcycle to go. If you want the motorcycle to go to the right, press forward on the right handlebar grip. If you want the motorcycle to go to the left, press forward on the left handlebar grip. You must maintain the forward pressure on the appropriate handlebar grip as long as you want the motorcycle to keep turning. To straighten up after the turn is completed, you simply reduce the pressure on the handlebar grip you were pressing. The gyroscopic effect of the spinning wheels will naturally bring the motorcycle back to a straight path of travel. The faster the motorcycle is traveling the less amount of effort it takes to press forward on the handlebar grip.

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Some riders say: “Push forward with one hand while pulling back with the other hand”. This is only true with a three-wheel motorcycle. Steering a three wheel-motorcycle is direct steering all of the time at any speed like riding a child’s tricycle. It takes a lot more arm muscle to steer a three-wheel motorcycle so using the Push/Pull method makes steering easier for the rider. The slower you are moving on a three-wheel motorcycle the more arm muscle it takes to steer.

On a two-wheel motorcycle at speeds of 12 mph or higher only the hand doing the pushing or pressing is needed. Your other hand is not needed to do anything other than remaining on the opposite handlebar grip for safety and stability. Just to prove the point you could actually take the hand not being used to do the pressing off the other grip and the motorcycle will still maintain the direction you want to go in the curve. The motorcycle will go in the direction of the pressing hand without any help from the other hand. Understanding how the motorcycle reacts to you is helpful when you have to react without warning to change directions quickly to avoid a hazard. Pressing forward on the handlebar grip end may not be your natural instinctive way to react. As with many aspects of riding a motorcycle, different necessary techniques will only become instinctive to you if you practice them. When you are riding your motorcycle practice avoiding imaginary objects. Pick a dark spot on the pavement or a manhole cover. Quickly press forward on the appropriate handlebar grip to avoid the object. Only with practice will you properly react when a real emergency arises.

We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Ride safe, and watch out for hazards

Dominick & Diane



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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FL1-K December Calendar

Dec 02

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonald's, 5190 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast, 32164 KSU @ 8:00 AM

Dec 06

Chapter Christmas Party, 120 Elderberry Lane, Daytona Beach, FL 32124. (The Carr's Clubhouse), The festivities begin at 1:00PM. Casual Holiday attire please.



Dec 07

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

Dec 08

Chapter FL1-K Social Gathering. CANCELLED

Dec 09

Freedom Ride - Because We Can, Meet at McDonald's, 105 Interchange Blvd, Ormond Beach, 32174. KSU 9AM

Dec 12

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

Dec 16

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonald's, 5190 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast, 32164 KSU @ 8:00 AM

Dec 18

Lotto Dinner - @ Chill's Grill & Bar, 190 N Williamson Blvd, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. Meet there at 5:30 PM.

Dec 19

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

Dec 23

Freedom Ride - Because We Can, Meet at McDonald's, 105 Interchange Blvd, Ormond Beach, 32174. KSU 9AM

Dec 25

Christmas Day



Dec 26

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

Dec 30

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonald's, 5190 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast, 32164 KSU @ 8:00 AM

Jan 01

New Years Day

1st Ride of the Year @ Shrimp R Us, 765 3rd Ave, Welaka, FL . KSU 10:00 AM, Location B, McDonald's, 1090 E Moody Blvd, Palm Coast., or meet there at 11:00AM.

Jan 02

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

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, etc.!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

WINNING DOOR PRIZE CONTRIBUTOR	Andrea Kemper
50/50	Rosalie Doerflein Bob McNicol
Chapter Patch	Bill Morris

DOOR PRIZES	
Bob McNicol	
Gordon Currie	
Sharon McNicol	



CONTRIBUTED DOOR PRIZES	
Betty Currie	
Andrea Kemper	
Sharon McNicol	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
Julie A'Hearn	12/02
Don Black	12/03
Jim Rhodes	12/03
Denise Stewart	12/11
Andrea Kemper	12/21
Albert Cisson	12/24
Bob Coulson	12/30

November Gathering



Black Hammock Ride





*Happy 250th
Birthday
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MARCH 12—14, 2026



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- 1st Drawing - \$5,000 Cash
- 2nd Drawing - \$ 500 Cash
- 3rd Drawing - \$ 250 Cash



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Florida District Calendar of Events



DATE(S)	EVENT	LOCATION	Link
Jan 1, 2026	1st Ride of the Year! "Shrimp-R-Us and more"	Welaka, FL	Flyer
Mar 12-14, 2026	Florida District Rally "Happy 250th Birthday America!"	Gainesville, FL	Flyer
Apr 23—25, 2026	Tennessee District Rally "AMERICA's 250th ANNIVERSARY"	Johnson City, TN	Flyer
May 14—16, 2026	South Carolina District Rally "Happy Birthday America - 250 Years Proud"	Piedmont, SC	Flyer
Jun 4—6, 2026	Georgia District Rally "Happy Birthday America"	Helen, GA	Flyer
Jun 25—27, 2026	Alabama District Rally "Happy Birthday America"	Decatur, AL	Flyer
Sep 3—5, 2026	Eagle Wings Rendezvous "4th Annual Rally"	Sharonville, OH	Flyer
Oct 15—17, 2026	Mississippi District Rally "America the Beautiful..."	Biloxi, MS	Flyer

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Our Vision:

A simple, fun, riding, social association of like-minded motorcycle enthusiasts

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?"

COMMUNICATIONS: 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.



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