



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

June 2026



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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Welcome to June...*from the road*

This month we started our trip with an overnight stay at Tideland Brewing, located in North Charlestown, South Carolina. After a few crafted brews and some dinner, we returned to the RV to rest in the cool 64-degree evening.



The next afternoon we arrived at Hartwell Cove Resort in Anderson South Carolina. The following day the EWMA SC District Rally began at the Community Center in Piedmont, about 30 minutes from our resort.



While Julie watched our Maltese named Hannah at the campground, I participated in one of the guided rides up into the mountains bordering South and North Carolina.

We departed the rally parking lot with 11 bikes and one Mustang for a total count of 14 members. After passing through a few towns, our group got into the curves and switchbacks, passing Table Rock State Park, Caesars Head State Park, and riding into DuPont State Recreational Forest and crossing the eastern Continental Divide.



Lunch was enjoyed at the Cedar Mountain Café in North Carolina.

After the ride I returned to the campground. Julie and I walked to dinner at Doc's Lakeside Bar & Grill. The restaurant is located next to the campground, with views of Lake Hartwell.

We both enjoyed our dinners and ended up returning another night before we departed SC.

Lake Hartwell is one of southeast's largest and most popular recreational lakes covering over 56,000 acres and 963 miles of shoreline.

The closing ceremony was held on Saturday afternoon, where next year's rally was announced.

The first combined District Rally (SC, GA, and NC), named Triple Crown, will be held June 10, 11, & 12, 2027 in Anderson South Carolina.

The rally site will be the Hilton Garden Inn, 115 Destination Blvd, Anderson SC 29621, phone 864-964-0100. Booking for the host hotel starts this June, with a room rate of \$144 + tax and includes a full buffet breakfast.

When booking your room at the hotel please let them know you are with EWMA to get the special rate.

After the rally, we traveled to "Sycamore Lodge", located in Jackson Springs, NC for 10 days. During our stay we visited the Train Depot and Museum in Hamlet NC.



The town is unique, known for its rich railroad history and once a major "Hub of the Seaboard". It was also the filming location for the movie, "Billy Bathgate" starring Al Pacino, and Nicole Kidman.

After touring the town, we had lunch at Seaboard Station Restaurant. The southern comfort lunch buffet is served in a restored Victorian house. It's a local favorite and the fried chicken is excellent!



During the Memorial Day weekend, our campground had cookouts, a Golf Cart parade, and a concert. Julie and I enjoyed our time there, even though the weather tried to ruin it for us with buckets of rain!

Toward the end of the week, we departed Sycamore Lodge and headed for a few days to Pigeon Forge Landing RV Resort.

The last two days of the month, we arrived in Lebanon TN at the "Wilson County Fairgrounds" for the National Indoor RV Center (NIRVC) Music City Motor home Expo.

The week includes a line up of brand new motor homes for test drives, seminars and one on one time with RV manufactures. We are scheduled for five test drives. Four of the five are Super C's and one Class A.

The cost of the Expo includes three meals a day, round the clock snacks and nightly entertainment from famous musicians.

There are RV vendors also in attendance, so it'll be a serious shopping week!

Visit
GAINESVILLE
 Alachua County, FL



Ed & Jeanette Carr FL1-K Assistant Chapter Directors / Assistant District Directors & Membership Development Coordinators



What a surprise!!!

May 12th is celebrated by Bill and Andrea for the anniversary of Andrea losing her daughter. To distract her, Bill arranged dinner at Craves Restaurant with a few of their friends. Present for dinner were: Ernie and Sue Vereker, our Daughter Jauxniece Adams, Jeanette & Me. We just finished ordering our meal when this happened:



We all gasped when we looked at them and Bill flashed a rock from his pocket, opened the box and said "*Andrea will you marry me?*" We all started clapping and everyone in the place joined having figured out what was happening.

CONGRATS to Andrea and Bill!

When you see Andrea and Bill say Best Wishes.

We hope to see everyone at the 5th Annual Florida District Gathering of Friends for FUN, Safety & Riding, scheduled for March 18th, 19th, and 20th, 2027, at the Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel & Conference Center. Details about hotel accommodation and rally registration are available on the district website at ewma-florida.org.

The weather conditions have turned from cold to wet, with the wet season running from June to September. Most storms occur in the afternoon, making it best to ride earlier in the day.

We will not attend the Georgia District Rally in Helen, Georgia, this June due to an incident involving a large turtle during a ride on my Valkyrie. The turtle appeared to want exclusive use of the road and ultimately bested me, resulting in four broken ribs. I suspect it was a Ninja Turtle. This unexpected event has led to our decision to skip the rally this year.



Photo: Ernie & Sue, Andrea & Bill, Ed & Jeanette in front of Craves Restaurant.

We hope to see you at an EWMA Event in 2026.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

FL1-F2 CHAPTER VISIT AND RECRUITMENT MATERIALS



Great news! Recruitment materials from the Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association (EWMA) national office including Tri-Fold brochures, and business cards have recently been distributed to all Chapter Directors. Additional supplies are available, with a strong inventory of brochures ready to support your outreach efforts.

On May 19, Jeanette was able to visit FL1-F2 Horse Country Cruisers gathering at the Golden Corral in Ocala. Neil & Kathy Rehse are the Chapter Directors.

Many long-time friendly faces greeted her, and she made many new friends. This is a group of EWMA members you see at all events in-state and at region/national rallies.

The major topic of the evening was riding communication systems presented by Ralph Lambert. The overview covered available options along with the advantages and challenges. This chapter rides often with different members taking responsibility for planning and leading the rides. Of course, every ride includes good food and great company!

One of the simplest ways to enrich your EWMA experience is to visit and / or ride with nearby chapters.

Remember:

- More People – More Fun!

Don't Miss Your Member Benefits

If your EWMA web page displays "Join Us" or "Public Resources", you are not officially logged in or have access to all the benefits!

Full access includes displays such as:

- Member tools and information
- Tech Tips
- Eagle Book
- And more

If you need assistance, the EWMA Technology Team is ready to help. Contact them at technology@ewma-world.org or call **843-847-1444**. They will get your username and a temporary password sent to you.

The Lighter Side...

She's Doing What!?

A mother and her youngest daughter wrote out the Ten Commandments and posted them in their home.

Not long after, the youngest reported that her older sister was sinning. The mother asked why, and she replied, "She is committing adultery."

Later, the parents had a private conversation with the youngest daughter. "I understand you think your sister is committing adultery," the father said.

"Why do you say that?"

"Well," the youngster replied, "she is always trying to act like an adult!"—

Quote for the Month:

"I've learned that "an act of love, no matter how small, is always appreciated."



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Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article

TWO FLORIDA TRIKE RIDERS DEAD AT THE TAIL OF THE DRAGON

On Tuesday Morning, May 19th, two Florida Residents were killed while riding on a Trike on the Tail of the Dragon. (318 curves in 11 miles in Tenn.) The Rider was 59 years old, and the passenger was 55 years old. According to the Police Report, the Trike went wide in a curve, left the roadway, and struck an embankment.

I am writing this article to stress the importance of getting the proper training for the type of motorcycle you ride. Each type of motorcycle has its own handling limitations and characteristics. The different categories of motorcycles I am talking about are: Two-Wheel Motorcycles, Sport Bikes, Trikes, Can-Ams and Sidecar Rigs. Classes are available for each type of motorcycle. It is better to learn how to properly handle your motorcycle on a secure safe parking lot rather than finding out the hard way you did the wrong thing in an emergency possibly resulting in a crash. We offer a 4-hour riding class for all the different types of motorcycles. The Two-Wheel Motorcycles Class can be conducted in Tampa, Ocala, Eustis, or Orlando. The Trike and Can-Am classes can be given in Tampa and Eustis. The class is free to EWMA Members.

Talk with other Members in your Chapter and come up with a group that would like to take a class. Contact us at: Dominickfide@gmail.com so we can set up a date, time, and location.

We are here to help you maintain your safe riding skills.

Dominick & Diane



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.

Marcia D. Shad, marcia7780@gmail.com / 386-679-1945

FL1-K June Calendar

June 02

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonalds, 5190 E. Moody Blvd., Palm Coast, FL 32164. KSU 9 AM

June 04

Kick Tires, The Landing Strip Tavern, 202 Airport Road, Palm Coast, FL 32164. Meet there at 5:30 PM

June 05

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

June 08

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

June 09

Freedom Ride, Because we can. Meet at McDonalds, 105 Interchange Blvd., Ormond Beach, FL 32174. KSU 9 AM

June 12

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

June 16

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

June 19

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

June 23

Freedom Ride, Because we can. Meet at McDonalds, 105 Interchange Blvd, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. KSU 9 AM.

June 25

Lotto Dinner, Chili's, 190 Williamson Blvd, Ormond Beach, FL, 32174. Meet there at 5:30 PM.

June 26

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

June 30

'Footloose Ride', Meet at McDonalds, 5190 E. Moody Blvd., Palm Coast, FL 32164. KSU 9 AM Meet there at 5:30.



"We identify the flag with almost everything we hold dear on earth. It represents our peace and security...but when we look at our flag and behold it emblazoned with our rights we must remember that it is equally a symbol of our duties."

- Calvin Coolidge

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, etc.!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
June 08 : Bob & Sharon McNicol
June 13: Ed & Teresa Carr III
June 14: Charles & Sharon Van de Ford
June 27: Barry & Faye Watson

WINNING DOOR PRIZE CONTRIBUTOR	Marcia Shad
50/50	Katie Jette
Chapter Shirt or Patch	Juanita Butler

DOOR PRIZES	
Gloria Harrington	Gino Jette
Linda Hojnacki	Bob AHearn
Betty Currie	



CONTRIBUTED DOOR PRIZES	
Betty Currie	Juanita Butler
Marcia Shad (2)	Rosalie Doerflein
Sharon McNicol	
Andrea Kemper	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
June 7: Bill Mann
June 11: Gary Sober
June 12: Teresa Carr
June 13: Paula Mitchell
June 21: Irene Harrison
June 23: Judy Black
June 26: Gene Heaney



FL District / Region A Calendar of Events



DATE(S)	EVENT	LOCATION	NOTES
Jun 4-6, 2026	Georgia District Rally "Happy Birthday America"	Helen, GA	See ewma-world.org
Jun 25-27, 2026	Alabama District Rally "Happy Birthday America"	Decatur, AL	See ewma-world.org
Sep 3-5, 2026	Eagle Wings Rendezvous "4th Annual Rally"	Sharonville, OH	See ewma-world.com
Sep 24-26, 2026	Wings Over the Smokies	Sylva, NC	See ewma-world.org
Oct 15-17, 2026	Mississippi District Rally "America the Beautiful..."	Biloxi, MS	See ewma-world.org
Mar 18-20, 2027	Florida District Rally	Gainesville, FL	See ewma-world.org
Jun 10-12, 2027	Triple Crown Rally (SC, GA, NC)	Anderson, SC	See ewma-world.org
Information on any event can be found at www.ewma-world.org/events or			
at www.ewma-florida.org			

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