



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

October 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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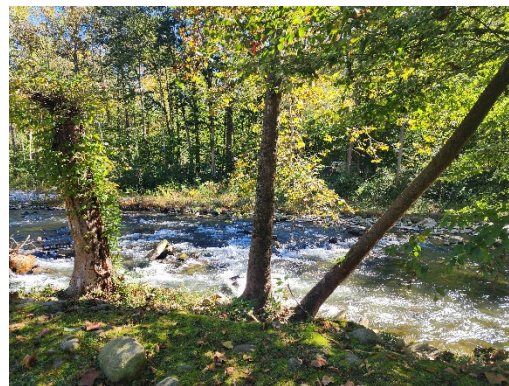


Welcome to October...*from the road*

Join us this month on Monday, October 12th for our Chapter Gathering at IHOP. Last month, Julie and I were camping in Cherokee North Carolina for the Eagle Wings combined NC District / Region A Rally in Sylva.

We arrived in the rain, set up the Trike and RV in the rain, and it continued raining for a few days. The sun finally came out, warming the temps up to the high 70's. During the nights the temperature dropped into the 40's.

The campground location was fantastic. It's located in Cherokee, part of the Indian Reservation. We were surrounded by mountain ranges, with the Raven Fork River flowing on one side, and Trout Ponds on the other side.



Halloween decorations were already displayed through the park.



We checked into the NC District / Region A Rally at the Clarion Hotel in the town of Sylva.

The rally was small and there were only a few vendors in attendance. We found the Ice Cream vendor after a few minutes and then departed for some riding in the Smokies.



At the beginning of the month, we attended the Eagle Wings International Rally in Sharonville, Ohio.

Also in attendance were our ACD's Ed & Jeanette, and Chapter Members Ernie & Sue and Marcia.

We each spent the first day (Thursday) manning the Registration Desk. We got to see many friends we know from the old days. Many were from Maryland, and a few were from Alabama, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Due to a conflict in my schedule, I was unable to go on one of the guided rides but instead attended a few presentations.

Ed & Jeanette also attended a few presentations while Ernie & Sue were able to attend one of the guided rides.

Julie and I had a ticket for 2 free Ice Creams at a Creamery in our rally packet. We had a nice ride into the country to Young's Jersey Dairy in Yellow Springs, Ohio, which was established in 1869.



The place was very big and included petting zoos, two miniature Golf Courses, a driving range, batting cages, and a Carousel. They even had wagon rides around the property.

The homemade creamy ice cream offers 40 rotating flavors. We each tried a couple flavors, and it was the best ice cream we ever tasted. The menu also offers deep fried cheese curds and classic burgers.

During the Rally dinner it was announced that next year's Rendezvous will be held in Huntsville Alabama from 2 September to 4 September 2027.

Julie and I stayed at Camp Cedar Jellystone Park Cincinnati for the week. The RV Resort was located 20 minutes away from the Sharonville Convention Center.

The campground had two pools, a restaurant, sports bar and numerous things to do during the day.

We enjoyed our time there and plan to return in the future.

After the rally, we departed Jellystone and arrived at another campsite in New Market Tennessee, located just 20 minutes from Pigeon Forge.

We stayed at the Timberstone RV Resort, a peaceful luxury escape in the foothills of the Great Smokey Mountains. The 113-site resort features full hookups, a Pool, Lazy River, Dog Park, and Sports Courts.

While there, we celebrated our 23rd Wedding Anniversary by attending the Hatfield & McCoys Dinner Feud in Pigeon Forge.



All the guests take sides with either the Hatfields or the McCoys to help the two families settle their historic rivalry mountain style.

The entertainment featured singing, dancing, professional mountain clogging, comedy, jaw-dropping stunts, feats of strength, and a massive 22-foot-deep indoor swimming hole used for hilarious high diving acts and splashing fun. Just remember not to sit in front of the stage.

The all you can eat Southern Feast was great. The meal included Feudin' Fried Chicken, pit pulled Pork BBQ, Southern Style Creamy Soup, Smashed Mashed Taters, Buttery Corn on the Cobb, Ma's Hot Homestyle Bread, Daisy's Blue-Ribbon Coleslaw, and Granny's Famous Specialty Dessert.

After the show, we enjoyed the cooler Trike ride back to the RV campsite.

The whole evening was fantastic. If you ever get a chance to experience the show, we highly recommend it. We attended the 5 PM show, but there are other times available, some in the afternoon and later in the evening.

The next day we relaxed at the RV resort, lounged at the pool and floated down the Lazy River.

It was a great anniversary weekend. Now how to top it next year?

Next month we'll be at the Mississippi Rally in Biloxi. It's scheduled for Thursday the 15th of October to Saturday the 17th.

We are staying at Biloxi Bay RV Resort, about 5 minutes away from the rally location.

After the rally, we'll head to Fort Myers FL to the Bermuda Lakes RV Resort. While there I will be attending the "Camp Freightliner S2 / M2 Class" for a few days.

The class will cover basics for our S2RV Freightliner Chassis, especially the Cummings B6.7 360 HP Diesel Engine. The cost of the class includes dinner on the first day and lunch on the second day.

After the class, we'll travel to Punta Gorda to attend an "Sand Dollar" Chapter RV Rally for the week.

We'll end the month in Talking Rock GA.

Stay tuned for more adventures...



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



For years I have told you about the wonderful southern Indiana road (hills, curves, farmland, etc.) of Jeanette's home state. It would have been wonderful to have the bike at Rendezvous 2026 in southern Ohio but due to our extended trip it wasn't possible.

We 1st visited Atlanta family and attend the engagement party for our grandson. Next, we visited Jeanette's siblings in Indiana and played with her adorable great-grand nieces before heading to Chicago for an Amtrack round-trip ride to San Francisco (see Facebook or ask us).

Since we couldn't ride, I will tell you about the guided ride Ernie and Sue Vereker took in Ohio. (If you don't know, Ernie/Sue enjoy drag racing and own a cool /colorful super stock 1950 pickup.)

Of course, they selected the ride to the American Packard Museum. The ride took 8 bikes and 12 riders over lots of back roads and by Ohio's Adventure Island. The museum didn't open early, so the group had lunch 1st. They really enjoyed seeing the original cars and reading the history of the Packard. On their return to The Hyatt, showers and dry clothes were the order. No, it wasn't due to rain but the unseasonal high 100+ temperatures.

Statistics from Rendezvous 2026:

747 attendees. 10 new members. 27 renewals. Bike winner – Steve from TN





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MEMBER DEVELOPMENT NEWS

RENDEZVOUS 2026

Since we were on an extended vacation, Ed and I traveled to the rally by car. Staying at the Hyatt, we were indoor walking distance to the convention center. Due to Marcia's daily checking, she and Ernie/Sue Verekers gained rooms on-site with us. THANK YOU MARCIA SHAD!

Did we say it was HOT? Extreme heat for that time of year – hotter than Florida! Those going on the daily guided rides returned drenched due to the heat. Still – the rides were scenic and enjoyed by all.

After a leisure Thursday morning, Ed and I spent the afternoon helping at on-site registration - always a fun place to meet new people. Friday and Saturday found us attending lots of interesting seminars since we did not have a bike to ride.

- What Benefits does an EWMA Member Have? (By our own Bill/Cheryl Smith)
- Q&A with the International Team
- Treasury Forum
- “Bingo”
- MyRoute App – A New Member Benefit
- Member Development Forum
- Sky Med
- Motorcycle Safety/Awareness with Busa Rellz, a digital creator, U.S. Navy veteran, & multi-media platform presenter
- Q&A with the Founders
- Skills Practice Demonstration

It was not all “work” - we enjoyed on/off site meals, lighted bike show, talent show, THE VENDORS, and lots of time to reconnect with friends and make new friends.

RIDE SAFE & HAVE FUN,

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Merry Christmas!

I know it's a bit early, but if you know me well enough, I shop all year for Christmas gifts for our small family. I try to get things that are useful, keep you warm on cold nights and make you smile!

Our Chapter has not participated in any holiday giving in a few years.

As you know, I collect unused greeting cards for the residents of Port Orange Nursing and Rehab Center located on Victoria Garden Blvd., in Port Orange. (Sharon McNichol is my best customer). Many have roommates and when a birthday or special occasion occurs, they ask the activities department staff for a card to give to a friend or their roommate.

On that same feeling of bringing smiles to others, Andrea Kemper and I will be your ambassadors for EWMA Chapter K for the upcoming holiday season. We met with the Director of Activities, and she welcomes us to help, especially at Christmastime. They need lap robes, socks, simple puzzles and costume jewelry.

As you know, I went on a "hunt" to find a "bargain" and I did just that! I found lap robes at Wal-Mart on the bottom shelf tucked in the back marked "Clearance". First, I bought five. Then the next day I bought more. They were \$6.99 reduced to \$2.50. I piled them in my cart and left the store with a smile to share.

Our Chapter could possibly bring more of our talents to the residents living there. The capacity is 106 residents. Please know that many of these people no longer have family or are out of the area so if we can add a little sunshine to their day, let's do it in EWMA spirit! We are mighty, able, willing to share and have the ability to put a smile on someone's face. Warm feet and a warm lap when they feel chilly. We can help with that. Costume jewelry is also welcomed. They will give these as prizes in Bingo or games. Ladies, clean out those jewelry boxes with your unwanted items. Especially helpful are beads that go over the head so as not to fasten. Their fine motor skills are weak sometimes.

I personally worked as a nursing supervisor and floor nurse in long term care in Cincinnati. I know what this means to this generation. I would tell my husband that I go to work "to get my hugs!" Even in the memory care unit, a familiar face was a ray of hope for them. So, let's join together and help these sweet people out with a little gift. We will not provide for 100 residents, just what we are able to collect. Perhaps our volunteerism will spread, and we could help out with Bingo or activities they hold during the year.

You can present your donations to Andrea or myself. We can have a wrapping party at my home to prepare the gifts. I presently have the lap robes which I showed at our August meeting. Since there will be no September Gathering, please call me or Andrea to get these items. As far as the lap robes go, just send me the check for \$2.50 per item made out to me, and how many you wish to donate.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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October, 2026

Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators Safety Article

RIDING A MOTORCYCLE IN THE UK (STAY LEFT-LOOK RIGHT)

Interesting to say the least! To sum it up you could just say they ride on the wrong side of the street. After saying this to some of the locals a couple of times and seeing the reaction on their faces, I concluded that just saying you ride on the opposite side of the road was a more acceptable description.

Going around roundabouts clockwise instead of counterclockwise took some getting used to. I thought the purpose of a roundabout was to illuminate stop signs and red lights. Not in the UK. It was not uncommon to be coming around a roundabout and exiting just to find a stop sign or red light waiting to interrupt your exit. Making a left on red instead of a right on red was different. Looking to the right for oncoming traffic instead of to the left was just not natural. But, it was exceptionally important when you were crossing a street on foot. You could get hit in a heartbeat if you didn't remember to look back to the right before stepping off the curb. The locals were quick to blow their horn at you if you began to make this mistake. They were probably used to it and just were thinking "just another dumb tourist."

Many rural roads went down to one lane. There would be a sign that would say, "Pass Lane." You would think this would mean that a third lane would appear as it does on rural roads here in the US. But no. This simply meant that there were going to be paved cutout areas randomly placed on either side of the roadway. It was now your responsibility to determine who was the closest to the cutout and pull into it, in order to let the oncoming vehicle pass. The locals seemed comfortable with this system and performed the maneuver effortlessly. Sometimes the single lane road was wide enough for our motorcycle to also fit so as not to have to use the cutout. (Although one time I don't know how my right mirror and the one on an oncoming truck didn't hit.) If the approaching vehicle was another motorcycle this could be interesting. On a motorcycle you tend to ride in the middle of the lane. (Lanes were only about 10ft wide.) If an oncoming motorcycle was coming directly at you, you had to think twice about which way to swerve. Naturally you would want to swerve to the right. But there you have to swerve to the left.

We rode in England, Scotland, and the Isle of Man. Beautiful country. In Scotland I think I saw more sheep there than I have seen in all of the US. There was no speed limit outside of the city on the Isle of Mann. There roads were narrow and curvy, so our speed was limited anyway based on the roadway conditions. (Plus, Diane was riding on the back looking over my shoulder at the speedometer.) There was the annual antique Isle of Man TT race the day before we rode there. When they race the roads are closed and they get to use both sides of the roadway to race.

Waving to an oncoming motorcycle takes on a whole different procedure. Think about it. The only hand you have free to wave with is still your left hand. But the motorcyclist you are waving to is approaching on your right. If you use the US customary wave neither of you would see your hands. So, to wave you must lift your left hand over your left shoulder so the approaching rider can see it.

The weather was cool. 58 to 68 degrees each day which made it comfortable to wear "All The Gear All The Time." We also had to have a layer of rain gear with us. It did rain intermittently on some days, so we were always prepared with rain gear.

The UK had some beautiful scenery and interesting riding conditions. We recommend taking the trip as long as you keep in mind all of the irregularities I have described.

Ride Safe!!

Dominick & Diane

FL1-K October Calendar

October 06

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

October 12

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

October 13

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

October 20

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

Ladies Luncheon, Meet at 11 AM, Hulls Seafood, 111 W. Granada Ave., Ormond Beach, FL 32174

October 27

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

October 29

Lotto Dinner, Little Tomoka Yacht Club, 2369 SR 40, Ormond Beach, FL 32174. Meet there at 5:30 PM.



BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, etc.!



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
October 11: Gordon & Betty Currie
October 17: Howard & Denise Stewart
October 29: Jim & Betty Rhodes



WINNING DOOR PRIZE CONTRIBUTOR	
50/50	
Chapter Shirt or Patch	

CONTRIBUTED DOOR PRIZES	

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS	



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
October 05: Howard Towne
October 05: Sharon Van D Vord
October 26: Jeanette Carr



FL District / Region A

Calendar of Events



DATE(S)	EVENT	LOCATION	NOTES
Oct 15-17, 2026	Mississippi District Rally "America the Beautiful..."	Biloxi, MS	See ewma-world.com
Jan 01, 2027	"1st Ride of the Year"	Welaka, FL	See FL District Newsletter & Flyers
Mar 18-20, 2027	Florida District Rally "Let's Make A Deal"	Gainesville, FL	See ewma-world.org
Apr 22-24, 2027	Tennessee District Rally "Tennessee Beach Party"	Manchester, TN	See ewma-world.org
Jun 10-12, 2027	Triple Crown Rally (SC, GA, NC)	Anderson, SC	See ewma-world.org
Sep 2-4, 2027	Eagle Wings Rendezvous	Huntsville, AL	See ewma-world.org
Sep 23-25, 2027	Alabama District Rally "Rocking on the River"	Decatur, AL	See ewma-world.org
Information on any event can be found at www.ewma-world.org/events or			
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