



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

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MOTORCYCLE
Awareness Month



LOOK TWICE
SAVE A LIFE.

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



Director's Musings

We now have a new [Web Page](#) for the Chapter. If you haven't checked it out, you will be pleasantly surprised. **Chapter FL1-K Webmaster Ed Carr III** has been working hard to update and simplify the web pages. There are still a few things that need working on but you can check out newsletter, photo albums, the Chapter Team page and links to EWMA-world.org, Region A and all of the Districts in Region A and all Chapter is the Florida District. Let your fingers do the walking.

Jeanette and I will be leaving tomorrow, April 22, to meet up with ACD Bob & Julie A'Hearn in Johnson City, Tennessee for the Tennessee Rally. We haven't been able, for one reason or another, to make the TN Rally for a couple of years, so we are really looking forward to seeing friends we haven't seen for a while.

I want to thank **Bob & Julie A'Hearn, Ed III & Teresa Carr, Gordon Currie, Rock N Bob Ingenito, Gloria Harrison, Dennis Maas, Bob & Sharon McNicol, Howard Stewart and his Brother Howard Towne, Barry & Faye Watson, Arnie & Carol True and Ernie & Sue Vereker** for joining Jeanette & I in attending the inaugural Chapter Gathering of **CD's Rance (Smitty) Smith & Sandy Cannon**, Chapter FL1-G, Sanford. All told, there were 56 people attending the First Chapter Social Gathering of Chapter FL1-G.

We hope you're making plans to attend the **3rd Annual Florida District Gathering of Friends for FUN, Safety & Riding** March 13, 14 & 15 2024, Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel & Conference Center. Florida Buckle Your Helmets and Fasten Your Fringe – Our Roaring 20's Ride is about to begin! Information about Hotel and Rally registration are on the District Website @ ewma-florida.org.

We hope to see you at an EWMA event in 2024,

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Behind every great
man is a woman
rolling her eyes.

Jim Carrey



From the Assistant Director

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

“Last month, we traveled to Johnson City for the Tennessee District Rally “Spring Fling”.

The Rally was held Thursday April 25th – Saturday April 27th at the Holiday Inn, located in Johnson City, TN.

During the Rally, we stayed about 20 minutes away at the Bristol / Kingsport KOA Holiday in Blountville.

Friday, we participated in a guided ride which took us through some twisties, and beautiful Farmlands stocked with Horses and Cows.

There were Gold Wing Bikes and Trikes, Harleys, Cam Am’s, and Slingshots. It looked like we had at least



40 machines in total, maybe more. We broke into two groups for the ride. Our lunch stop was at the “Riverfront Seafood Restaurant” in Kingsport. The food was fantastic. Julie had Lobster Ravioli, while I chowed down on Popcorn Shrimp, Hush Puppies, Coleslaw, and French Fries.



The weather was cloudy and 62 degrees when we pulled out of the campground. The temperature was predicted to be in the 70’s with only a 5% chance of rain.

During our first rest stop, the drizzle started and by the time we got to our lunch destination, the rain percentage increased to 76%.

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On the way back to the KOA, the rain increased, and the temperature dropped to 65 degrees. Time to relax in the RV for the rest of the night.

Saturday afternoon was the Closing Ceremonies, BBQ Dinner, and a show.

Julie and I enjoyed the Rally time spent with our Chapter Directors, Ed and Jeanette Carr.

This month we will be attending the South Carolina District Rally in Newberry. The Rally will be Friday May 17th – Saturday May 18th. We will be staying at the Newberry / I-26 / Sumter NF KOA, about 25 minutes from the rally location; the Newberry Firehouse Convention Center.

We enjoyed the rally last year and are looking forward to enjoying the time with the SC District again.

Next month we will be on our trip to South Dakota, Colorado, New Mexico, and Mississippi, and all points in between. Our plans include a seven-day Black Hills and Badlands tour with Fantasy RV Tours in Rapid City South Dakota, the Eagle Wings Ride In scheduled for Loveland Colorado, and a visit to Julie’s Daughter in Colorado Springs.

The return trip home includes an Alien visit to Roswell, and Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico, finally reaching Biloxi MS for a well-deserved break before heading home to St Augustine.

Stay tuned for more adventures in next month’s newsletter!

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**Never Complain and
 Never Explain**

On The Lighter Side

“BE IT RESOLVED” Comebacks:

“I just cleared out some space in the freezer.” - - - - - That sounds more productive than, “I just polished off another pint of ice cream.”

“I didn’t make it to the gym today - - - - - That makes five years in a row.”

When a trainer asks, “What type of squats are you accustomed to doing?” - - - say “Diddly!”

“If God wanted me to touch my toes, - - - - - He would’ve put them on my knees!”

“This year I’m doing nothing because - - - - - I started doing it last year and I am not finished!”

A 1st grade teacher was helping a pupil put on his boots. Even with her pulling and him pushing, the little boots didn’t want to go on easily.

After they finally got the second boot on, the little boy said, “Teacher, they’re on the wrong feet.” They were. Unfortunately, it was not any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on.

The teacher managed to remain calm as they worked to get the boots back on, this time on the correct feet. Helping him into his coat, she asked, “Where are your mittens?”

The boy replied, “I stuffed ‘em in my boots.”

The teacher is on an extended leave of absence!

Absent Friends

Greetings from the North! Yes, it snowed Saturday. Gary & our son, Scott were in the shop when Gary saw some "white stuff" floating down. He mentioned there was a lot of pollen in the air. "Pollen?", Scott came back with. "That's snow flakes".

Our memories of mid-April included planting oats in shirt sleeves.

Other than the shock of continuing cold weather, we are settling in well. The apartment is spacious. Gary even has an office and has 3-D printed a drain sieve for the single sink/garbage disposal already.

Our "kids" have helped us in more ways than we can enumerate. Our daughter even flew in from the Phoenix Valley to "freeze" with us one weekend.

Gary & I miss you, Chapter Sisters & Brothers. You are a loving & giving family.

We are so humbled by the words you penned in the Memory Book that Jeanette carried around for your input. Thank you! And we are so grateful for those of you who made sure we had options for breakfast & lunch.

Whenever & if you are in Michigan, we are @ 81 Old Barnwood Drive, Howell, MI 48843.

Our door is open.

Ruth & Gary Sober





Membership Development Musings

Jeanette Carr, Membership Development Coordinator

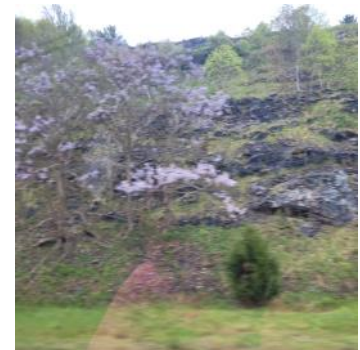


Traveling to the TN Rally, my goal was to find what was still blooming. Azaleas were mostly gone & if I could have walked in the woods, I probably would have missed the wild violets and any morel mushrooms.

Violet Wisteria dotted the roadside through the mountains & dogwood trees bloomed among the new green leaves & grass. 48° registered as we rode through the mountains with rain droplets from low clouds. (Better than the snowflakes & 38° Ruth said they had mid-morning in MI.)

In Johnson City, we were able to get better pictures of some color like the Japanese Maple & plants in yards. We arrived early & now we are "Greeters" in the hotel lobby.

We are Ready to Rally!



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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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Florida District Safety/Ride Coordinators

Safety Article

Dominick & Diane Desiato



Greetings to all!

UNDERSTANDING HOW TO CHANGE A TWO-WHEEL MOTORCYCLE'S DIRECTION

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 complete, 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.

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. It takes a lot of muscle to steer a three-wheel motorcycle so using the Push/Pull method makes steering easier for the rider.

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 unexpectedly 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 then will you properly react when a real emergency arises.

Ride Safe,

Dominick & Diane

Fool's Gear

Cool Gear

HEAD. Considered precious by sensible people; never exposed by the pros. When fully in view, allows immediate identification of unsafe person not using his or hers. Hand out rider education info on sight.

HELMET. Most important piece of protective gear a rider can use. Protects against head injury, windblast, cold, and flying objects. Full-face helmet recommended.

EYES, EARS AND FACE. Exposure leads to irritated eyes, noise-deafening windblast, and distracting impacts from bugs and road debris.

FACESHIELD. "Saves face." Any rider who's been hit in the face by stones, insects, or debris can tell you the benefits.

HANDS. *Au naturel* (not for long). Known to lock into curled position when exposed to cold; not genetically evolved to withstand abrasion.

GLOVES. Keep hands comfortable, functional, and protected. There's an infinite variety for all seasons.

BARE LIMBS. A phenomenon seen only in riders who think it's other people who crash. Subject to ridicule in riding circles.

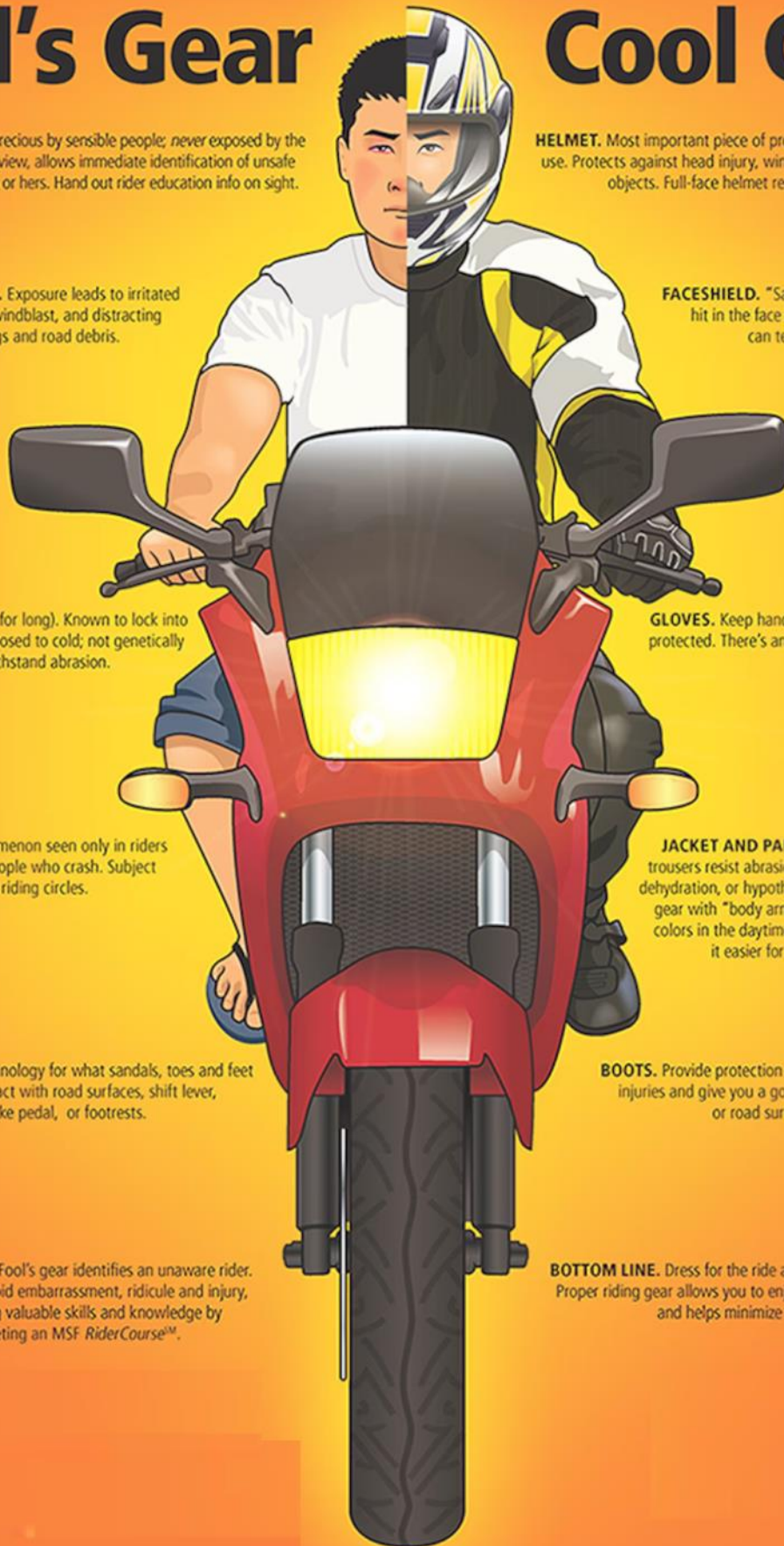
JACKET AND PANTS. Long sleeves and sturdy trousers resist abrasion and protect against sunburn, dehydration, or hypothermia. Some riders wear padded gear with "body armor" for more protection. Light colors in the daytime and reflectivity at night make it easier for car drivers to see you.

FLIP FLOPS. Terminology for what sandals, toes and feet do upon contact with road surfaces, shift lever, brake pedal, or footrests.

BOOTS. Provide protection against foot and ankle injuries and give you a good grip on footrests or road surfaces.

BOTTOM LINE. Fool's gear identifies an unaware rider. Learn how to avoid embarrassment, ridicule and injury, while gaining valuable skills and knowledge by completing an MSF RiderCourseSM.

BOTTOM LINE. Dress for the ride as well as for the crash. Proper riding gear allows you to enjoy the ride in comfort and helps minimize injury.





BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES, etc.!



CONTRIBUTED DOOR PRIZES	
Sharon McNicol	Julie A'Hearn
Jeanette Carr	

WINNING DOOR PRIZE CONTRIBUTOR	Jeanette Carr
50/50	Bob Ingeneto & Howard Stewart
10" Patch	Teresa Carr

DOOR PRIZES	
Julie A'Hearn	Barry Watson
Kathie Jette	



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
Jackie King	08
Dennis Maas	09
Deanna Cisson	17
Kathy Organ	22
Jim Butler	22

FL1-K Happenings

Chapter Social Gathering



Footloose Ride



Ladies Luncheon





Florida District Calendar of Events



DATE(S)	EVENT	LOCATION	Link
May, 17 - 18, 2024	South Carolina District Rally "Home Town USA - Red, White & Blue"	Newberry, SC	Flyer
June 13 - 15, 2024	Georgia / Region "A" Ride-In "A Riding Rally"	Dillard, GA	Flyer
June 21-22	EWMA "International Ride-in"	Loveland, CO	Flyer
June 27 - 29, 2024	Alabama District Rally "A 50s Sock Hop"	Sheffield, AL	Flyer
Aug 29 - 31, 2024	2024 Eagle Wings Rendezvous	Green Bay, WI	Flyer
Sep 20-21, 2024	North Carolina District Rally "Wings Over the Smokies"	Location TBD	Flyer
Oct 24 - 26, 2024	Mississippi District Rally "Born To Be Wild"	Biloxi, MS	Flyer

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?"

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.



FRIENDS FOR FUN, SAFETY AND RIDING!

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

Member #:
For Office Use



Membership Application

DD/MM/YYYY

Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____
Last, First
 Member Name: _____ Member DOB: _____
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Primary Mailing Address: _____
 City: _____ ST/PV: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____
 USA Canada Other

Member Phone number: _____ Member Email: _____

Select One:

- Individual Membership: 3 years \$65.00, 2 years \$45.00, 1 year \$25.00
 Family Membership (2 or more people in household): 3 years \$80.00, 2 years \$55.00, 1 year \$30.00

Payment Method: Visa Master Card
 Name on Card: _____ Card #: _____
 Expiration Date: _____ CVV (security code) on back: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

I currently own the following motorcycle brands: (please select all that apply)
 Honda Harley-Davidson Indian BMW Yamaha Suzuki Kawasaki Ducati Triumph
 Can Am Moto Guzzi Other: _____

Where did you hear about us? (Example: magazine, website dealer, etc.): _____

New Member - Who referred you? Name _____ Member # _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

(Note: Only two signatures required for family membership)

Make check payable in U.S. funds to: **Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association** and mail to:
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EWMA Membership Benefits and Services: 01/2024

The Eagle Book

EWMA Members have access to the EAGLE BOOK information on the EWMA Website! This is information that members have entered that gives other members information of what services that others are willing to offer in their area.

MTS (Motorcycle Towing Service)

EWMA Members will have access to the Premier Plan at discounted pricing (Almost half price!) PREMIER PLAN: MTS pays the first \$300 of the tow from point of pickup to point of delivery. All motorcycles must be registered with MTS. MTS will tow your motorcycle and your sidecar or trailer attached. They will send the right tow vehicle for what you need.

Vista Print corporate solutions

EWMA Members now have the ability to access CORPORATE pricing through our dedicated VistaPrint site. Members can select from pre-made templates for EWMA Marketing Materials, or create their own items to order. As an added Membership Benefit, orders that exceed \$50 receive FREE SHIPPING!

Hotel Engine

EWMA Members will have access to discounts at over 300 hotel chains around the world! As a member you can beat almost all of the other hotel search engines. You must be a EWMA member to get these discounts.

Wyndham Hotels

EWMA Members receive a 20% discount at any of the 24 Wyndham Brands. These include, Super 8, Days Inn, Ramada, LaQuinta, Howard Johnson, Travelodge, American, Wyndham, Baymont, Microtel, Wingate, and many others. You must be a EWMA member to get the corporate code.

Red Roof Inn

EWMA Members receive a 20% Discount at any Red Roof Inn through their Ride, Rest, and Repeat Program

Element3 Health

If your Medicare Advantage and Supplement plan includes the Element3 Health benefit, members can get their EWMA membership for FREE!

Hertz Rent A Car

Members can join Hertz Gold Plus Rewards for FREE and get a digital Rewards Card which tracks your points. Perks include:

- Skip the counter and go straight to your car
- Choose from a wide selection of cars
- Add an additional driver for FREE
- Drop the keys and go at return
- Earn Gold Plus Rewards towards FREE rental days

HSI-Health&Safety Institute

EWMA is an Approved Training Center for HSI© FA/CPR Training. Instructors are located across the US and classes are scheduled based on membership needs and instructor availability.

On The Fly

EWMA Members receive the Monthly Magazine Publication "On the Fly", which is automatically provided to the email address on each membership. This publication is used to bring pertinent, timely and interesting information to the membership.

EWMA Website

EWMA's website is growing Daily, and has many, many interactive features! Join EWMA to play and find out what it can do!

Safety

- Safety Presentations
- On-Bike Skills Practice
- Bike Games

These are designed to given by any member. There are different lengths of presentations for Rallies, Gatherings and Pre-Ride Safety talks. Several different topics.

Events

- Chapter Life (Socials and Rides)
- District Events & Rallies
- Region Events & Rallies

International Events

- Rendezvous
- Ride-Ins
- Cruise!

Recruitment Incentive

For each new member HOUSEHOLD you recruit you receive 1 free month of EWMA Membership, up to 6 months per year!

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