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Hi everyone,

We had a ball at our annual Mall Bike Show. We had twenty-one bikes on display. We were all busy talking to a lot of people interested in our club/bikes. We had the public vote on their favorite bike. Winners (three way tie) were **Jim Godwin, Buck Harris, and Carolyn Campbell.**

We had tickets but were unable to sell them at the mall for the new Wing to be given away at next years State rally. If you want to purchase any or want to try and sell some, please contact me.

We have been having some great rides lately. Eighteen bikes and twenty-one people followed **Bob-O-Lou (Bob Carraway)** through Gadsen County to Chattahoochee, and on to Lunger Lodge on Lake Seminole in Georgia.

Another ride to the coast for lunch and then west to places I'd never been. Stopped at a marina and saw some really neat boats. Then back up through the forest and back to Tallahassee. Thanks again to **Charles Couch** and Bob -O-Lou.

Thursday evening (August 19th) thirteen of us enjoyed a ride to the Pond Restaurant for more food and fellowship. I personally had a great time with everyone. Looking forward to our ride this Saturday to say goodbye to Julie Mae's. More good fellowship, great rides and good food.

Ride Safe, Enjoy Your Ride
Lenton

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Next Chapter Meeting:
New! Florida Buffet
September 9th
6:30 Eat, 7:30 Meet



Lenton would like your input.
Contact him if you have ideas for what you would like to do or changes you would like to see.

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Positions available: contact Lenton Stephens to get involved!

WHAT YOU MISSED!

- **Jimmy Godwin** won the 50/50 and donated a large part back to the club.

- **Florida Buffet** provided a nice quiet meeting room. We will be there again for the September meeting.

- **We are still working on updating the Member Roster.** Please contact Vanessa Shivers for any new or changed information.

- **Lenton filled us in on the upcoming Bandit Getaway.** The Canopy Road Cruisers have light duty. Just check to see that the restrooms have ample supplies throughout the day.

- **Hugh Waller has checked with Classic Shirts.** They still have the last artwork, which would help keep the cost of new shirts down. There was some discussion about the type of shirts that should be considered. Men's sizing doesn't fit women members and are seldom worn. Hugh will be checking with other companies to get a minimum number and price comparisons. Hats may also be available from the same vendor. Flags are not and will have to be ordered through another company. Thoughts and suggestions regarding shirts should be directed to Hugh.

- **Got a great restaurant in mind?** Charles is looking for more Dinner Ride suggestions.

- **Don't forget** the Region "A" Rally is September 9-11 at Helen, Georgia.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

September Birthdays

George Walsh	09/02
Ann Rollo	09/08
Linda Couch	09/12
Buck Harris	09/18
Sunny Andrews	09/27
Peggy Beverett	09/29

October Birthdays

Jack Schardine	10/02
Lenton Seephens	10/13
Dean York	10/14
Pat Gardon	10/17
Jerry Langley	10/30

October Anniversaries

Dean & Ann York	10/14
Richard & Mattie Lussier	10/17
Mike & Karen Share	10/18

September Re-up

Greg & Carolyn Campbell
Steve Carroll
Bob Lumsden

Jimmy Godwin has e-mail!
Add this to your records.
Godwinjimmy@aol.com

This just in: Jack Birge reports that the Safe Riders Course in Pensacola is full, but the Trailer Pulling class has openings. Also a Trike Course is in the works.

NEW FACES

Ed Budzyna joined us for our August Meeting. Thanks for coming by Ed. Hope to see you on some of our rides.

The Bandit Getaway

October

1st, 2nd & 3rd

Crestview, Florida

Contact Lenton Stephens or Jimmy Godwin if you would like to go.

Registration opens at noon-Friday

- Games
- Bike Parade
- Light Show on Main Street Saturday
- Vendors
- Poker Run
- Games
- Closing Ceremonies Sunday
- Coffee and doughnuts
- Non-demonimational church service





SAFETY CORNER

Being Aware in Extreme Situations

by BRYAN EILER and MIKE MAYER

Editor's Note: Bryan's right-handed and that's the side that's been "de-activated" due to his recent brush with reality, so Bryan did the talking and Mike did the writing and typing. Nice team effort guys!

First of all Bryan would like to say thank you to every one that has been supportive over the last couple of weeks. He had second thoughts about writing this safety article because the subject may have already been discussed. However he doesn't think that awareness has been addressed in an adequate manner. Not many articles, if any, have really been written in this respect.

This is an article about what to do during and after the incident has occurred. It is very obvious that you as the rider must without a doubt be aware **before** anything happens. To prevent any accident from happening you should use standard safety procedures. Watch the wheels of other vehicles instead of wasting valuable time trying to make eye contact. Drivers are usually totally unaware of you or your bike.

After an incident, (or actually during the incident) the things you need to think about are:

1. **Assess the situation.** Make decisions quickly, because quite frankly if there is no quick decision made...there will be no biker. Is the bike going down? Will you hit the other vehicle? Can you save the cycle from going down? Etc. Being able to make the correct decision is a must if you are going to survive. Keeping your cool and remaining calm may help you make the right decision. Over re-acting can be more dangerous than not re-acting at all.
2. After you have realized you are going down, be aware of what is happening as you are falling. Try to fall in a manner that will prevent injury or at the very least, lessen the amount of injury you will incur. This is the key to survival. **While falling, tuck and roll.** Deflect impact as much as possible using your arms and legs to lesson the chance of injury to head and torso. It is better to have a broken arm than it

would to have 12 broken ribs.

3. Building good instincts is a must. No one likes to think about falling off their motorcycle but the reality is it could happen to any rider at some-time or another. Being prepared before you fall will increase your survival rate.
4. **Be familiar with the bike you are riding before getting into traffic.** One turn around the parking lot will make a big difference. Things such as testing the braking, the cornering, acceleration, and generally getting to know the machine, will make all the difference in the world.

In closing it is the opinion of this rider that some of the literature about motorcycle safety from government agencies are not as comprehensive as they should be. Remember to drive smart, safe and be aware. For us, like many of you, it is all about the road.

From "How to handle the fall - Assuming it's inevitable"

by James R. Davis of the Master Strategy Group

Despite the fact that I don't think most people would have either the time nor the presence of mind to do much 'thinking' during a 'get off', some do. I have personally seen, for example, a woman in her late fifties do a 50 MPH highside and when she landed, because (I believe - she can't remember) she was so afraid that the bike would land on top of her, began a rapid rolling maneuver that saved her life (the motorcycle stopped 1 foot short of where she did.) I

have personally witnessed this same woman (honest) respond to a huge wind gust that knocked her bike over just as we were coming to a stop at a pullout on the top of a mountain and she was thrown over her bike, this time at about 5 MPH. During this latter 'highside' she actually did a summersault before hitting the ground - a clearly deliberate move on her part (we all watched as she tucked her head down and 'kicked' away from her bike which allowed her to land

on her curved back and then she 'unwound' and stopped her roll by spreading her legs. (She had gotten away from the bike that was following her, but wanted to stop rather than keep going.) Good thing, because had she gone another five feet she would have had a SEVENTY FOOT fall off the mountain. (There was no fence or guard rail that would have stopped it.) The rest of this article can be found here: <http://www.msgroup.org/DISCUSS.asp>



Hugh Waller presents **Carolyn Campbell** with a Certificate of Appreciation for all her hard work as Sunshine Lady. Carolyn does a great job sending cards and flowers. With the high level of incidents in the last few months she's been pretty busy!

COMFORT by HUGH WALLER

There are many things we do to make our motorcycle rides more enjoyable. Comfort, I would think, is right at the top of the list in that endeavor. Most of us install different accessories that improve the quality of the ride such as highway pegs or boards, so we can stretch our legs and change the riding position. Another example would be a backrest to give us better support. Some change their handgrips to better suit the size and shape of their hands. An aftermarket seat can make a huge difference when the stock one doesn't fit your particular derrier, or when years and miles have left your old one feeling like a brick. Some people prefer larger windshields to greatly reduce the effects of wind and rain.

After adding all the accessories to the bike to increase comfort level, the next step is the clothing we wear. Today's motorcyclist has unlimited options when it comes to the availability of rider clothing. We have come a long way from the days of army boots and work boots and army field jackets as rider clothing. Today's technology offers raingear that feels comfortable and stays cool in hot weather or warm in cool weather. We can wear

jackets and pants that have armor protection, yet remain cool with mesh type material.

There are three items of clothing that I have found to be extremely helpful particularly in hot weather. The first is the cool tie. This gel filled necktie when soaked in water for about thirty minutes does a good job of keeping your body cool as the water evaporates. I find that the cooling effects last about an hour max depending on how hot the weather is. I pack a small soft sided cooler containing ice and two or three extra cool ties. When the first one dries out, I simply replace it with a fresh one from the cooler. Another item I have found is a lightweight summer glove that has a soft, pliable palm with a mesh material on the top of the hand that gives me both comfort in gripping the bars and a cooling effect across the top of my hands. My hands feel cooler with the gloves on than with no gloves.

The last item that I recently found and tested for three days of riding in the upper peninsula of Michigan, was a pair of riding shorts that you wear in lieu of underwear. There are several different

manufacturers that make this item, but they are basically bicycle shorts that serious cyclists use in their sport. Here's what makes these shorts so wonderful. First, there are no seams to cut off circulation or cause pressure points. Second, the type of material wicks away any moisture keeping the sweating to a minimum if any at all. The material fits like a skin so there is no rolling up or bunching under your pants. There is a padding that helps eliminate any pressure points. I would highly recommend trying these shorts before buying an aftermarket seat. You may save yourself several hundred dollars!

Ride safe, ride comfortable,
Hugh Waller

Tallahassee Mall **Bike Show**

Photos Courtesy of Karen Share, Len Martin and Bob Carraway



Emma Wood's Pearl Yellow and Bryan Eiler's "Snowflake".



8 am - Bring'em in and sett'em up

Photo by Len Martin



Bryan & George making sure it's on the carpet squares.

Photo by Len Martin



Twenty-one bikes on display and super member participation.

Photo by Len Martin



Bikes all ready before the crowds arrived!

Photo by Bob Carraway



Photo submitted by Karen Share

Seated: Sonny Rollo, Charles Couch, Hugh Waller, Lenton Stephens
Second Row: Karen Share, Jimmy Godwin, Jack Birge, George Walsh, Buck Harris, Ann York and Ken Rouse
Third Row: Wayne Parmer, Mike Mayer, John Ferrell, Emma Wood, Bryan Eiler (BA), and Dean York.

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LOCAL RALLIES & EVENTS

2004

- September 9 Chapter Meeting-Florida Buffet-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
- Change September 16 Farmers Market in Thomasville- Depart # 6 at 6:30 PM**
- October 1st, 2nd, 3rd Bandit Getaway in Crestview, Florida
- October 14 Chapter Meeting-Florida Buffet-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
- October 21 Savannah's at Waukulla Station-Depart # 3 at 6:30 PM
- November 04 Chapter Meeting-Florida Buffet-Eat 6:30 PM-Meet 7:30 PM
- November 11 Chicken Pileau at Coon Bottom-Depart # 1 at 6:30 PM
- December 09 Christmas Party will take the place of meeting -Tentative
We need a new location for the Christmas Party-contact Hugh if you have a suggestion.
- December 16 No Dinner Ride

Heads Up! Meeting Place for September
 Florida Buffet is located at 2800 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, FL.
 If you are coming from Capital Circle, East side of town it will be on your right. If you are coming from the Monroe Street side of town, it will be on your left before Capital Circle so if you cross Capital Circle East heading away from Tallahassee, you went too far.

DEPARTURE POINTS

- # 1: Hardees, N. Monroe
- # 2: Circle K, Highway 20 & Capital Circle
- Change # 3: Shell Station - Woodville Hwy & Capital Circle**
- # 4: Chevron, Highway 98 - Woodville Highway
- # 5: CITGO, Hwy., 90 - I-10 east (Cross Creek)
- # 6: NEW Publix, Thomasville - Bradfordville Roads
- # 7: Pilot Truck Stop on Hwy 90 West (previously Williams)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- October 3rd - Chrome Divas Annual Breast Cancer Poker Run
Flyer available on their website at: www.chromedivas.com
- October 22nd- Bike Show at the Tallahassee Museum of History (Jr. Museum)

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FLORIDA DISTRICT & REGIONAL RALLIES 2004

Sept. 9-11
Region A Rally
 Helen, GA

Sept. 24-25
 FLI-T
 Camp out & Poker Run
 Crystal River

Oct. 1-2-3
Panhandle Bandits
 Annual Getaway
 Crestview, FL

Oct. 2
 FL2-L
 Poker Run & Bike Show
 Lakeland

Oct. 3
 FLI-H
 Volusia Mall Show
 Daytona

Oct. 14-16
 Mississippi District Rally
 Biloxi

Oct 21-24
 NEW Drill Team Biketober
 Vendoer Show,
 New Smyrna

Oct. 23
 FLI- C
 Picnic In The Park
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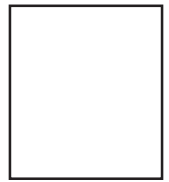
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