



Come Ride With Us!



Newberry Riders

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION - SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER S

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Hello Newberry Riders,

March is now here. That means warmer weather is just around the corner. On February 23rd I rode up to the Relief Ride to Lake Lure. I left out of Newberry alone and met up with Jimmy Kruse of Chapter F and Kevin Brown of Chapter K. It was cool start but turned out to be a great day for a ride. Lake Lure is open but not around the corner at Chimney Rock. There were hundreds of bikes and they raised \$6,175 for the Relief efforts. I am thankful I could make it back up there on the bike.

At our last gathering I unveiled the changes for the chapter and went over the rides on the calendar for the year. I sent everyone a copy of the information covered at the gathering. Now that you have the information it will be up to each member to choose whether they will participate and make it a good year or not participate. I have already started making it a good year for me by getting out and riding. I hope you will come and ride along.

Thanks,

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2025 Region A Rallies

FL District Rally	Mar 13-15, 2025	Gainesville
Roaring 20's Ride	Best Western Gateway Grand	
TN District Rally	Apr 24-26, 2025	Johnson City
America the Beautiful	Holiday Inn	
SC District Rally	May 15-17, 2025	Newberry
Salute to the Troops	Kyzer Firehouse Conf Ctr	
GA District Rally	Jun 5-7, 2025	Helen
Beach Bash	Yonah Event Ctr	
AL District Rally	Jun 26-28, 2025	Sheffield
Roaring 20's	Clarion Inn	
EWMA Rendezvous	Aug 28-30, 2025	Ft Smith AR
NC District Rally	TBA	
MS District Rally	Oct 16-18, 2025	Biloxi
EWMA...The New Frontier	St Martin Community Center	

Group Riding: The Eagle Wings Way

As motorcycle enthusiasts, the thrill of the open road is even better when shared with others. Whether you're cruising through scenic routes or tackling challenging highways, group riding provides an unmatched sense of camaraderie and connection. However, riding as part of a team requires discipline, focus, and coordination to ensure safety and enjoyment for all. At the Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association, we pride ourselves on riding as a well-organized team that prioritizes safety, mutual respect, and fun.

Why Ride in a Group?

Riding in a group offers numerous benefits, including:

1. **Safety in Numbers** – When riding in a group, there's strength in numbers. If an issue arises, there are others around to lend a hand.
2. **Shared Experiences** – The joy of exploring new routes, discovering hidden gems, and sharing memories with fellow riders can create lifelong friendships.
3. **Support for New Riders** – Group rides are a fantastic way to mentor and encourage newer riders, helping them build their confidence and skills.

Team Riding Etiquette: How We Do It

To ensure that group rides are smooth and safe, we follow some basic principles at Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association. These guidelines help maintain harmony on the road, prevent accidents, and enhance the enjoyment of the ride for everyone involved.

1. **Pre-Ride Briefing** – Every ride begins with a pre-ride briefing. We discuss the route, stop locations, hand signals, and what to do in case of an emergency. We also address any special riding conditions or weather concerns.
2. **The Buddy System** – In larger groups, it's common to pair up with a buddy. This ensures that everyone has someone to look out for them and helps maintain the group's pace and cohesion.
3. **Staggered Formation** – We always ride in a staggered formation, unless the road conditions require otherwise. This provides space between riders, reducing the risk of collisions, while allowing everyone to enjoy the ride and remain visible to other vehicles.
4. **Maintain a Safe Distance** – Always maintain a safe distance from the rider ahead of you. The general rule of thumb is to stay at least two seconds behind the bike in front of you. Adjust this distance depending on weather, visibility, and road conditions.
5. **Respect the Pace** – Not every rider is the same, and that's okay! Whether you're a seasoned rider or a new member, it's important to ride at a pace that you're comfortable with. The group's pace is set by the most conservative rider, not the fastest. Never feel pressured to ride beyond your skill level.
6. **Communication** – Clear and consistent communication is essential. We use hand signals to indicate turns, stops, or potential hazards. If you're ever uncertain about the ride's direction or pace, don't hesitate to communicate with the group leader or a fellow rider.
7. **Stay in Your Lane** – This goes beyond just following the road rules; it's also about respecting the riding space. Whether you're on a curvy mountain road or a straight highway, each rider should stay within their designated lane or position in the group. This prevents confusion and potential accidents.
8. **No Lone Wolves** – One of the most important rules of group riding is that no one rides alone. If a rider has to pull over, everyone pulls over. If you need to stop for a break or address a mechanical issue, the whole group stays together. We ride as a team, and we stay together as a team.

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Tips for New Riders:

If you're new to group riding, don't worry! We've all been there. Here are a few tips to help you ride confidently and comfortably in a group:

Start with Smaller Rides: Begin with smaller, local group rides to get the hang of riding in formation. As you gain experience, you can participate in longer, more complex rides.

Ride Your Own Ride: Don't feel pressured to keep up with faster riders. Ride at your own pace, and focus on keeping a safe distance and maintaining control.

Keep a Calm Mind: Group riding can sometimes be nerve-wracking, but staying calm and relaxed helps you make better decisions on the road.

Conclusion: A Family on Two Wheels

At Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association, we understand that riding is about more than just the destination; it's about the journey and the people you share it with. By following these group riding principles, we ensure that every ride is safe, enjoyable, and memorable. So, as we continue to ride through countless adventures, remember: It's not just about the motorcycles; it's about the friendships, the community, and the shared love for the open road.

We hope to see you out there with us soon, riding as one united team—Eagle Wings strong.

Richard Kitko

District Safety/Ride Coordinator

Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association



Newberry Riders has a monthly gathering at Roma's in Prosperity usually the 3rd Saturday of each month. February 15th, we had members, Callie Rae & Hanna Grace, Terry & Marilyn, Buddy & Kim, Russell, Cindy, Jon, Jim, Carol, and Michael & Carla. We had Jean & Rich from Chapter P. Some of our members were busy cruising. Miss Marilyn & Carla were lucky and won the money and Russell got the DA Award for a very bad flat on one side tire problem. (Hope that one has been worked out with tire company.)





The lone rider left the Newberry parking lot bundled up. Made my way to Ingles in Spartanburg and meet up with [Jimmy Kruse](#) and Kevin Brown. Great lunch at the Ingles in Lake Lure. Got to the swimming area at Lake Lure along with a few hundred other bikes to donate to the Relief fund. Before heading home the three of us rode around to the back side of Lake Lure past Rumbling Bald and across Lake Lure dam. Great ride today. It was good to be out on the bike.



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A good looking group from South Carolina participated in the Wingers-n-Waves Cruise February 16-22



March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Overnight Ride to the Dragon with Chapters A, & F
2 Ride to the Dragon w/ A & F	3	4 Dinner Ride Blue Ocean 6:30	5	6	7	8
9 Daylight Savings Time Starts	10	11	12	13 Donna Horning	14 Jon Pelletier	15 Chapter S Lunch at Romas 1 pm
				FL District Rally at Gainesville		
16 Blessing of the Bikes Greenwood	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					SC Ride Around the State	
30	31					
State Ride						

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Dinner Ride El Poblano Clinton 6:30 pm	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Gathering at Roma's 1 pm
20 Easter	21	22	23	24	25	26
				Chapter S Campout at Dreher Island SP		
				TN District Rally at Johnson City		
27	28	29	30			



**Newberry Firehouse
Convention Center**



1227 McKibben St,
Newberry, SC 29108

Host Hotel : Hampton Inn

1201 Nance Street
Newberry, SC 29108
Phone # 803-276-6666

Additional accommodations options:

Days Inn

50 Thomas Griffin Rd Newberry, SC 29108
803-276-2294

••When Booking your room at either hotel please let them know you are with
EWMA to get our rates••



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**EWMA
South Carolina
2025 District Rally**

Salute to the Troops



**May 15, 16 & 17, 2025
Newberry, South Carolina**

GRAND PRIZE DRAWING:

\$1000

For Rally Information Contact:

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For More Details, Check us out at: <http://www.ewmasc.org>

2025 SC DISTRICT RALLY PRE-REGISTRATION FORM



EWMA Members \$30 each x _____ = \$ _____
Non-EWMA Members \$35 each x _____ = \$ _____
*Pre-registration deadline is April 30, 2025. No refunds after May 1, 2025.
On-site registrations increased by \$5 each. Age 15 & under free with paying adult.*
Pre-Registered Day Pass \$15 each x _____ = \$ _____

Pre-Registration Tickets - Grand Prize is \$1000!

Daily 50/25/25 Tickets (6 for \$5) (14 for \$10) (30 for \$20)
Thursday \$ _____ Friday \$ _____ Saturday \$ _____
Grand Prize Tickets (1 for \$1) (11 for \$10 Book) \$ _____

All Shirts must be pre-ordered: *There will be no shirt sales at the Rally*****

Short Sleeve Tee S, M, L, XL - \$17 / 2XL & up - \$20 Size _____ Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Size _____ Quantity _____ Amount \$ _____
Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Is this your first SC Rally? Yes _____ No _____ Chapter Affiliation: _____
Rider (1) _____ EWMA # _____ Rider (2) _____ EWMA# _____

Street Address: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

I/We agree to hold harmless EWMA co-sponsoring organization and any property owners for any loss or injury in which I/we may become involved by reason of participation at this Rally. I/We have read this waiver and acknowledge with signature(s) below:

Rider Signature _____ Date _____ Rider Signature _____ Date _____

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