

Newberry Wings

EAGLE WINGS MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION - SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER S

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Hello Newberry Wings,

Welcome to a new beginning. We are starting over and are very pleased you are part of Chapter S. We love our members and want to assure you that as a cherished member we will continue to ride, socialize, and fellowship together as in the past and in the future. Recruiting new like-minded members will be a part of that process. Also, we are certainly proud of our chapter, because as a group, our chapter has been around since 1997. We could not see that end, so we will start again to bring the fun back.

Donna Horning has agreed to become Chapter Director for now and I will be her Assistant. If you have questions, comments, or want to make future plans for rides and events, please contact us. Donna will be writing in next month's issue about her plans for Chapter S, so please give us your input. Here at Chapter S we've always felt like a family and I want to see that family atmosphere continue.

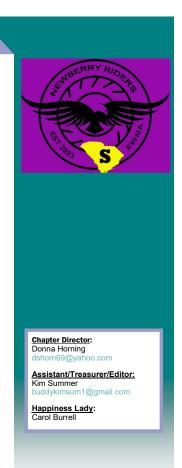
One event we plan to continue is our monthly first Tuesday night rides. I published last month we would go to Characters on 76, but with the negative reviews, we decided to change that supper ride on May 6 at 6:30 p.m. to Na'cho Margarita, 745 Marina Way, Prosperity. June 2 will be Blue Ocean in Clinton.

Our SC EWMA District Rally is May 15-17 right here in Newberry. Hope to see you there.

Kim Summer, Editor of Newberry Wings Newsletter

Dreher Island Chapter S Campout





Donations for the Chapter S Basket

We are gathering items for our Chapter Basket that will be donated to the SC District for raffle this month. Our theme is Salute the Troops, so anything military, SC, patriotic, American related items that fit the theme will be greatly appreciated. Money and gift cards are always a great option. Give items to Kim or Donna & we will put the basket together. The better our basket looks, the more tickets we get, and our chance of winning money for the chapter is great!

2025 EWMA Region A Rallies 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 Sep 25-27, 2025 Sylva Back to the Smokies! Clarion Point Hotel

Oct 16-18, 2025

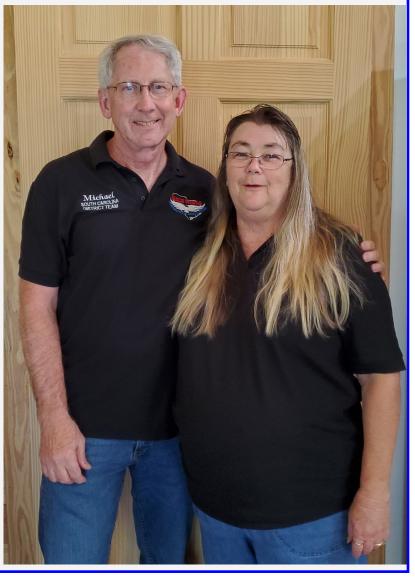
St Martin Community Center

MS District Rally

EWMA...The New Frontier

Chapter S would like to thank Michael and Carla Ammons for an outstanding job as Chapter Director for the past few years. Michael stepped up when Jon took the position as SC District Director and Michael bought new ideas and plenty of riding events to Chapter S. Under the Ammons's direction, they sought out new riders and members to our chapter by being seen, planning rides, and putting our organization out there for people to see at local festivals. Our chapter is thankful to Michael and Carla for sharing their precious time to the betterment of us all. We hope you both will continue to be part of our lives and our chapter. Thank you and you are considered part of our family.

Kim Summer, Editor



EWMA Motorcycle Association Newsletter

Mastering Motorcycle Lane Positioning: A Key to Safety

As motorcyclists, our safety on the road is paramount. One of the most effective ways to enhance our visibility and control is through strategic lane positioning. By understanding and utilizing the three primary positions within a lane—left, center, and right—we can navigate traffic more safely and assertively.

Understanding the Three Lane Positions

Each lane can be divided into three sections:

- **Left Position**: Ideal for maximizing visibility to oncoming traffic and preparing for right-hand turns. It's also beneficial when approaching intersections or navigating curves.
- **Center Position**: Offers balanced visibility and spacing from hazards on both sides. It's suitable for straight roads with steady traffic flow. However, be cautious of oil drips and debris that often accumulate here.
- **Right Position**: Useful for avoiding obstacles on the left or center, and for passing slower vehicles. It also improves visibility in left-hand curves and when near parked cars or road shoulders.

Practical Tips for Effective Lane Positioning

- 1. **Maximize Visibility**: Position yourself where other drivers can see you clearly, especially at intersections or when riding near large vehicles.
- 2. **Avoid Blind Spots**: Stay out of other vehicles' blind spots, particularly trucks and buses. If you can't see their mirrors, they can't see you.
- 3. **Maintain a Safe Distance**: Keep a safe following distance to allow time to react to sudden stops or obstacles. A general rule is to maintain at least a 3-second gap, increasing to 4-5 seconds behind larger vehicles. (10 Lane Positioning Tips Women Riders Now)
- 4. **Adapt to Conditions**: Adjust your lane position based on road conditions, traffic flow, and weather. For example, in wet conditions, avoid the center position where oil and debris accumulate. (Motorcycle Lane Position Strategies for Two-Lane Roads | Harley-Davidson® Insurance)
- 5. **Communicate Intentions**: Use your lane position to signal your intentions to other road users. For instance, moving to the left position can indicate you're preparing to pass, while shifting to the right can suggest you're preparing for a right turn. (<u>Proper Motorcycle Lane Positioning ADV Motorcycle Adventures & More</u>)

Lane Positioning in Group Rides

When riding in a group, maintaining a staggered formation is crucial. This allows each rider to have a clear line of sight and enough space to maneuver. The general rule is:

- Lead Rider: Left position (<u>Enhancing Safety and Control Through Effective Lane Positioning Two Wheel Tribe</u>)
- **Second Rider**: Right position
- Third Rider: Left position (<u>Motorcycle Lane Position Strategies for Two-Lane Roads Harley-Davidson® Insurance</u>)

This pattern continues, ensuring that each rider has a safe distance from the others and can react to hazards independently. (<u>Ride Within Your Abilities - California DMV</u>)

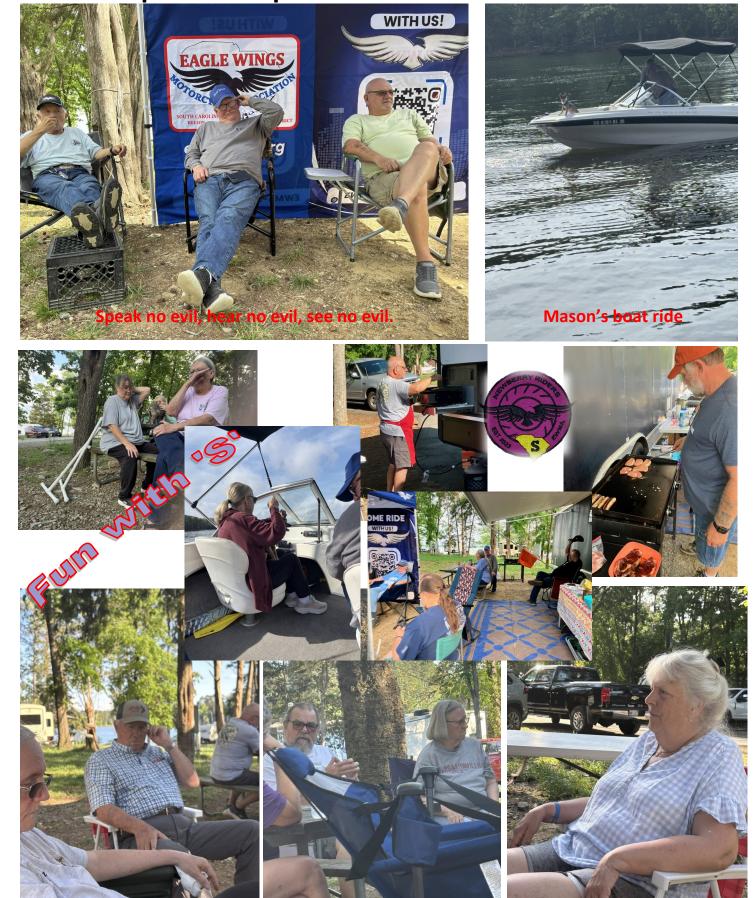
Conclusion

Mastering lane positioning is an essential skill for every motorcyclist. By staying aware of your surroundings and adjusting your position accordingly, you can enhance your safety and confidence on the road. Remember, your lane position is not just about comfort—it's a proactive strategy to protect yourself and communicate with other drivers.

Ride safe, ride smart, and always be visible.

Richard Kitko, District Safety/Ride Coordinator, Eagle Wings Motorcycle Association

Chapter S Campout at Dreher Island State Park



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On April 19 Chapter S Newberry Wings had their Monthly Gathering at Roma's in Prosperity with plenty of friends and visitors. Information, future plans and events were discussed with plenty of fellowship and even a few laughs.

Looking for some great riding? Make your plans to attend EWMA Rendezvous 2025 at Fort Smith, Arkansas in August. Hope to see you there!



May 2025

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4	5 Jon Horning	6 Dinner Ride to Na'cho Margari- ta, Prosperity 6:30 pm	7	8	9	10 American Legion Breakfast Greenville 9:30				
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June 2025

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Rally Site

Newberry Firehouse Convention Center



Newberry, SC 29108 1227 Mckibben St,

Host Hotel: Hampton Inn

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

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Days Inn

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

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2025 District Rally South Carolina

Salute to the Troops



Newberry, South Carolina GRAND PRIZE DRAWING: May 15, 16 & 17, 2025

\$1000

For Rally Information Contact:

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

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