

Sunshine Region Retreads
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September/October 2014 Newsletter

2014 Events

Sept. 4th - 6th New England Retreads® Rally, Seekonk, MA

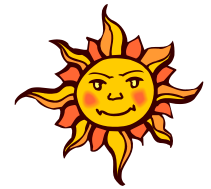
Sept. 25th - 27th Arkansas "Dutch Treat Rally", Outdoor Living Center RV Park

Oct. 2nd - 4th SW Louisiana Rally, Holbrook Park, Moss Bluff, LA

Oct. 16th - 19th Biketoberfest, Daytona Beach, Florida



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SUNSHINE REGION DIRECTORS MESSAGE:

GREETINGS FELLOW RETREADS !

Wow, is it just me or has this been a hot summer so far ? This is my first official message as the Sunshine Region Director so please excuse me if I ramble. I'm not a fast typer, more of a half fast typer.

I thank all of you who sent me greetings and good wishes on my new position and I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can. I will continue with Jack's custom of issuing a newsletter on a bi-monthly basis and hope that each of the group directors will assist by sending me news to post in it. Have you been on an interesting ride, did you have a strange or funny experience while riding, did you meet an interesting person while riding, have items you want to purchase or sell, send me the information and I'll get it in the newsletter.

I got an interesting package in the mail during the first week of my tenure. The mailing envelope, which had no return address or name on it, contained some retread patches and stickers but also contained several antenna flags emblazoned with the logo, "Florida, Gulfcoast Retreads". I can not find Gulfcoast Retreads in any of the records supplied to me by my predecessor. If you sent me these items or know who did, please contact me. I would hate to think that I have completely ignored a region chapter. If this was a hint that you would like to start a Gulfcoast chapter, again, contact me and we'll set something up.

I was unsuccessful in my attempts to reserve the pavilion at Ft. Christmas, Fl. For a Chili Run in December. It seems that the event has grown so much over the years, that they can not guarantee that the pavilion or its tables would be available. Soooooooo, plan B is as follows: On December 6th, at approximately 10 AM, we will meet at

Ft. Christmas , and spend a couple of hours shopping at their craft fair. If you have never been to the Cracker Festival this is a great event with lots to buy and look at. Please join us there if you can. Their web site is <http://www.nbbd.com/godo/FortChristmas/>

At 12:45, we will leave Ft. Christmas and ride to Dixie Crossroads (approximately a 25 minute ride.) ,in Titusville for a state ride in and lunch, scheduled for 1:30 PM. I have reserved a room for us, that seats up to 60 people. Lunch will be at the attendees expense. Their web site is <http://dixiecrossroads.com/>

At the ride in, in addition to having a great meal, **members** will be able to renew their membership and new members apply. **Members** can participate in a 50/50 drawing and door prize drawings (gift donations for this would be appreciated) Directors, please poll your members as to who will attend, so I can give Dixie Crossroads an approximate head count so they can reserve staffing for our event.

Karen and I look forward to your fellowship and hope to see you there. Until next time, Ride Safe and Stay Cool.

Robert (Bob) McGhee



Sunshine Region Retreads Meeting Schedule

Homosassa Nature Coast Retreads

BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT 1935 S.E. Hwy 19 CRYSTAL RIVER, FL 34429

Saturday, 8am We have breakfast and ride follows

Jacque Iverson 352 637 4693 jiverson4@tampabay.rr.com



Inverness Retreads

B&W Rexall Drug Store, Citrus Plaza, 214 S. Hwy Inverness

Sunday & Wednesday 9am Ride follows

Bob Fernandes 352 341 5762 fernandes.robert88@yahoo.com



Jacksonville North East Florida Retreads

Meeting places and ride destination are announced weekly via email.

Ride schedule is determined quarterly during a chapter outing and posted via email.

Lynn Keen 904 259 1531 jlkeen1@gmail.com

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Leesburg Retreads

Cracker Barrel Restaurant 9450 US 441 Leesburg

Tuesday 8:00AM

Bruce and Sue Garland 978 532 1320 nsgarland@gmail.com

MaryAnn Etter 352 323 8388 etteracres@embarqmail.com



Melbourne Retreads

Golden Corral Restaurant Palm Bay Road , Palm Bay

Tuesday 5pm

Erik Turner 321 727 8631 et8631@bellsouth.net

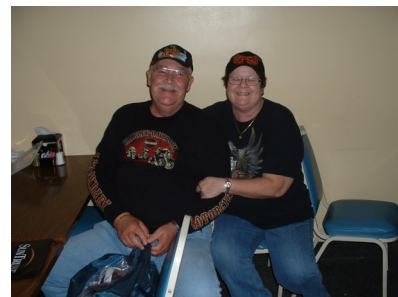


Port St. Lucie Treasure Coast Retreads

Cross Roads Rest. 5050 128th Ave. Okeechobee

Every 2nd Sunday, 9am

Bob and Karen McGhee 772 528 4547 lobosmcg@aol.com



Tallahassee Retreads

The Country Kitchen Rest. 5810 N. Monroe St. Tallahassee Thursday 9am

Red Hills Honda 4003 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee Saturday 9am

Jack Schardine 850 212 1930 jackschardine@comcast.net



Dear Retreads:

As you know we have lost another friend. Don Waddell passed away last month. We haven't heard of any arrangements, if we do, we will pass that information along.

Now that cooler weather may be coming soon, we need of schedule some rides. If you know of a fun place or event you think people would enjoy riding to (even overnight), let us know. Also summer vacations should be winding down, so send in those pictures. We have been working on an event for December.

We were unsuccessful in trying to reserve the pavilion at Ft. Christmas for the Chili run, so we are going to try something new this year. Plans will be made for an early breakfast on December 6th, then leave for Ft. Christmas for a couple of hours of shopping, etc. then at 12:45, we will leave Ft. Christmas and ride to Dixie Crossroads (approximately a 25 minute ride.) ,in Titusville for a state ride in and lunch, scheduled for 1:30 PM. Bob has reserved a room for us, that seats up to 60 people. Lunch will be at the attendees expense. At the ride in, in addition to having a great meal, **members** will be able to re-new their membership and new members apply. **Members** can participate in a 50/50 drawing and door prize drawings (gift donations for this would be appreciated) We will need a head count as to who will attend, so we can give Dixie Crossroads an approximate head count so they can reserve staffing for our event.

Attached is a flyer from a friend of ours that has his motorcycle for sale. If interested, please call him.



Diggin for nose gold at Harry and the Natives

September 2014 Treasure Coast Retreads

In loving memory of Don Waddell



Someone give that lady a Snickers Bar !

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | 1  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 8:00 AM Meet at Arby's Vero- Ride to Country Ham and Eggs (Sebastian) 4:45 Meet at Lobster Shanty, Vero |
| 7 8:00 AM Meet at Captains Galley (Ft. Pierce) | 8 | 9 | 10 8:00 AM Mystery Ride-Meet at Vero Truck Stop | 11 | 12 | 13 8:00 AM Meet at CJ Cannons, Vero 5:00 Meet at Woodys, Vero |
| 14 8:00 AM Meet at Arby's Vero- Ride to Crossroads (Okeechobee) | 15 | 16 | 17 8:00 AM Mystery Ride-Meet at Vero Truck Stop | 18 | 19 | 20 8:00 AM Meet at PSL Civic Cntr, Ride to Waffle House (Jensen Beach) 5:00 Meet at CJ Cannons, Vero |
| 21 8:00 AM Meet at Arby's Vero- Ride to Marsh Landing (Fellsmere) | 22 | 23 | 24 8:00 AM Mystery Ride-Meet at Vero Truck Stop | 25 | 26 | 27 8:00 AM Meet at PSL civic center, Ride to Harry and the Natives 5:00 Meet at 14 Bones, Vero |
| 28 8:00 AM Meet at Arby's-Ride to Eagles Nest (Sebastian) | 29 | 30  | | | | |

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Tallahassee News Janice Gargus

One of the things we wanted to do was go back to Colorado and drive all the way up Pikes Peak now that it is paved entirely.

We started out in beautiful weather, cool and clear. At a stop at a gas station, I went to take my helmet off (full face) and the clip broke. I could not lift the piece to remove the helmet! Johnny had to pull it over my head and ouch! He liked to take my ears. Luckily I always have a spare so I am using my old helmet.

When we got to the Peak, the ranger made us undo the trailer. He said it had over 150 switchbacks. He has no idea where all we have been on the bike.

Anyway, up we go and up and up when the weather turned ugly. All of a sudden it gets dark and cold and guess what, it is hailing! We have never ridden in hail. It was funny at first, we were laughing-this is a first after all- then the lightning appeared. So, we turned around and returned without getting to the top. Rats. By now it is pouring.

We stop at a bank and wait and a flash flood comes down the hill and envelopes us in water. Our feet are soaked and we are standing on the cement steps struggling to keep dry.

Wait for it...

We finally get off and head away from the storm, we thought. Then it starts hailing again...

And then it starts snowing!

And then it starts sleeting!

And there is snow on the ground.

And then the roads are under construction and the pavement has been lifted.

Oh my goodness, horrible conditions.

Luckily we found a tourist info center and stopped there with several other bikers and waited until it was drivable. It never cleared up.

When we arrived in Buena Vista we grabbed the first motel (Best Western) and it was \$160. We were just so glad to get a stopping place safe.

This might be the worst day of driving we have ever had.

But a great story to tell.

Janice and Johnny Gargus

Tallahassee Retreads

Johnny and Janice are living their dream!

Two years ago they traveled 40 days to cross the US, Canada and Alaska.

Over 13,000 miles on one trip!!!



NEWS FROM JACKSONVILLE:

Submitted by Lynn Keen

First we would like to thank Jack & Carol Schardine for their service as the Sunshine Region Directors. Jack & Carol served those of us in Florida for several years and their dedication and service to the organization was greatly appreciated. And then of course we want to welcome Robert and Karen McGhee as the incoming Regional Directors. We certainly are grateful that they stepped forward and agreed to take the reigns in order to maintain the Sunshine Retreads as a viable organization and an integral part of the Retreads International.

As I'm sure is the case with many of our groups in Florida, the summer season for the Jacksonville group is endured with less than energetic enthusiasm. We do however continue to meet weekly and, with the exception of an occasional cancellation because of rain, manage to enjoy a ride to one of our many varied destinations. Of course putting "destinations" in context means restaurant. The main difference between our summer rides and the remainder of the year is that we attempt to do a breakfast or brunch ride instead of the usual lunch ride. Leaving earlier in the morning allows us to avoid riding during the afternoon when the temperature typically peaks and of course the skies turn dark and do their best to refill the shrinking aquifer. We do however, on many of our outings, still manage to enhance our return home by finding a suitable stopping point where we can satisfy our sweet tooth with some creamy smooth ice cream. This can be anything from a Dairy Queen to a small country store with a freezer chest filled with pre-made frozen treats. Bottom line is that we continue riding and enjoying each others company through the dog days of summer while we anxiously await Fall and a return to the cooler weather that we all enjoy so much throughout the remainder of the year.



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 in your web browser's address pane **Not In any "Search" pane**

FLORIDA CHAPTERS:

Contacts shown in red do not reply to webmaster

NATURE COAST - Saturday 9am at Boathouse Restaurant 1935 S.E. Hwy 19 Crystal River
 .Breakfast and a ride follows
 .Contact Jacque Iverson 352-637-4693 jiverson4@tampabay.rr.com
 .data confirmed 131228

INVERNESS - Sunday and Wednesday at B&W Rexall Drug Store Restaurant Near Int 44 E and 41 S
 .Sit for breakfast at 9am and a ride follows
 .Contact Bob Fernandes 352-341-5762 fermanes.robert88@yahoo.com
 .Contact Bob Farris farrisba@hotmail.com
 .data confirmed 131215

JACKSONVILLE NORTH EAST - Meeting and ride data via email to members
 .Contact Lynn Keen, Director 904 259 1531 jlkeen1@yahoo.com
 .Contact Richard Axelberg 904 268 1444 riax@comcast.net
 .data confirmed 130725

LEESBURG - Tuesday at Cracker Barrel 9450 US 441 Leesburg
 .Arrive for breakfast by 8am - kickstands up for a ride by 9am
 .Contact Bruce and Sue Garland 978-532-1320 nsgarland@gmail.com
 .Contact MaryAnn Etter 352-323-8388 etteracres@embarqmail.com
 .data confirmed 140211

MELBOURNE - Tuesday 5pm at Golden Corral Restaurant Palm Bay Road, Palm Bay
 .Contact Erik Turner 321-727-8631 et8631@bellsouth.net
 .data confirmed 130318

TREASURE COAST PORT ST. LUCIE - every 2nd Sunday 9am at Cross Roads Restaurant 5050 128th
 ave. Okeechobee
 .Contact Bob and Karen McGhee 772-528-4547 lobosmcg@aol.com
 .data confirmed 130423 calendar

TALLAHASSEE - Thursday 9am at Country Kitchen Restaurant 5810 N. Monroe St. Tallahassee and
 Saturday 9am at Red Hills Honda 4003 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee
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 .data confirmed 130818

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Click Here for Latest Ride In Pics

Florida Retreads Nature Coast Chapter

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|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| | | NATURE COAST |
| 140315 Fellowship Luncheon | INVERNESS | JACKSONVILLE |
| | LEESBURG | MELBOURNE |
| | TREASURE COAST | TALLAHASSEE |
| | | |
| Director's Newsletters | National Page Link | Items Wanted or For Sale |
| Ride Track Data | Member Application | Retreads Departed |

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| Meeting Loc Map | Website Maintained by the Chapter |
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Application for Membership

Sunshine Region



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**** This information must be completed before a membership card is issued.**

New Membership Renewal Membership

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Donation \$ _____ \$ 15.00 single person or \$ 20.00 for couple per year.

Make checks payable to: Sunshine Region Retreads

Send application to: Sunshine Region Directors Ph. 772 528 4547 Email floridaretreads@aol.com
Robert & Karen McGhee
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**** Co-Rider** _____

**** Date** _____