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## North News

Submitted By: Sam Ulbing

This year's STAR was the 4<sup>th</sup> for Lee and me and each one has been so much fun. You meet different people who have similar interests, ride new roads and just relax and enjoy. Although it was the 4<sup>th</sup> time STAR has been held in Avon, it was the first time for us.

The Christie Lodge, where Florida HSTA member Lynn Weas\* is managing director, is a time share hotel. Lynn and the hotel staff went all out to make our visit a memorable one. Each small suite had a bedroom and a living room with an efficiency kitchen. When I opened the refrigerator, I discovered a 6 pack of cold beer with a note "The first one is on me, Lynn Weas". Wow what a start to what turned out to be a bacchanalian event. Sunday evening the hotel sponsored a welcome party in the atrium with about two



Setting up the Welcome Party in the hotel atrium

dozen tables loaded with food and 4 taps dispensing cold beer. Yet again at the Wednesday farewell dinner the hotel provided cold running beer. I thought my \$1 chit at the Spring Fling was a social starter but it couldn't hold a candle to what Lynn and the hotel did to welcome us.

My ride to Denver, where Lee met me, and back was about 4000 miles. We added another 1300 miles in the Rockies reaching a maximum altitude of 12,183 feet on Trail Ridge Road in Estes Park. The mountain roads were impressive for their heights, views and the many sheer drop offs inches from the edge of the pavement. Add to that the often gusty winds and the riding did get your attention. Bill and I have posted a number of pictures of this event on our Yahoo Group and if you have not yet joined let me know; I will send you an invitation.

\* **footnote** - Lynn lives in Orlando and has promised to attend some of our lunch rides when he gets some free time. Be sure to say hello, he is a great asset to our club.

Bill won one award, for 3rd place at recruiting new members, but I was disappointed that he did NOT win "Best Newsletter" again - he got only an  
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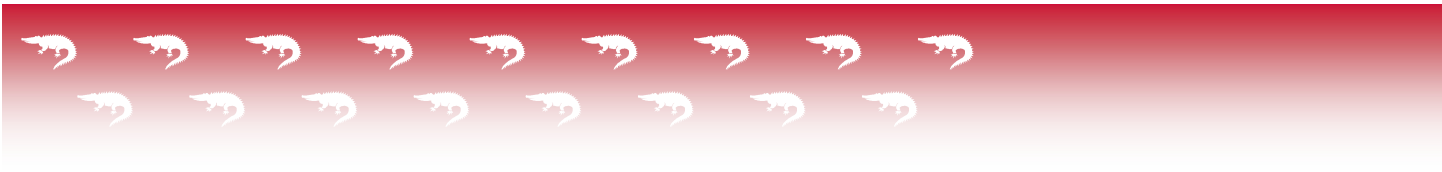
## Welcome to the Club!

We would like to extend a hearty and sincere welcome to the following recent new members. Thank you for choosing to join our group. Many long lasting friendships have begun here and we hope your experience will be a satisfying one!

Name	Location	Ride	Introduced By
Elmer Floyd	Indian Harbour Beach	Honda ST1100	Member Michael Miller
Fred Landgraf	Punta Gorda	Suzuki SV650S	Lunch Rides/Bill Royal

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## Free Ads

Motorcycle related items - wanted or for sale, riding buddies or room mates for events can be placed right here - for free! Just send them to arrive by the 15th for the next month's publication. Send to Bill Royal, 1521 New Bedford Drive, Sun City Center, FL. 33573 or email to [ridefl@flahsta.org](mailto:ridefl@flahsta.org).

### For Sale

**1997 Honda Magna** - Yellow/black, full windscreen, crash bars, luggage rack, sissy bar backrest, 47 mpg, 54K. New chain/sprocket on 08/02/05. \$3200.00. Call 813-633-8155 or email: [eblueday@mindspring.com](mailto:eblueday@mindspring.com).

**Tour Master Cortech GX Air mesh summer riding pants.** Women's size small, tag says small 8-10 but this is a very small 8-10. Removable padding, washable, sold as is, great condition. \$80.00 & you pay shipping. Paid \$169.00 new. Contact me by email: [eblueday@mindspring.com](mailto:eblueday@mindspring.com) or phone: 813-633-8155. I can send a photo or bring them to a lunch ride.

**Adjustable Hook & Loop Heated Grip pads,** \$30.00 - Phil Ridgill 904 287 9654, [rfoxrdr@bellsouth.net](mailto:rfoxrdr@bellsouth.net)

**Shoel RF-800 full face white helmet,** new, still in box with factory packaging. Size XXS, perfect for a young passenger. Price: \$125 Contact: [diannelpark@yahoo.com](mailto:diannelpark@yahoo.com) or 561-793-7907.

**KBC Helmet** - FFR Flip Top silver and black.. This helmet is brand new.. I wore it twice and realized that I do not have a KBC head. \$175.00

**Givi T80 Tank Bag** - Magnetic. The bag has a map case and a clear rain cover \$50.00

**Kapa top trunk** for the Suzuki VStrom - Silver color matched for the '02 Vstrom - \$100.00

**Fenda Extenda** for Vstrom - Brand new - never installed - \$20.00

**Stock regular and Tall windshields** for a DL1000 VStrom - \$50.00 and \$75.00 respectively

Larry Fitch at [fitchle@hotmail.com](mailto:fitchle@hotmail.com) or 321-266-8757

### Trips

**Hike N Ride:** Spend 6 days riding the most beautiful rural and back country roads in CT and NH. Stopping occasionally to hike a breathtaking loop trail that leads to outstanding views. Must be in good physical shape. Every night will be spent in a different luxurious Bed and Breakfast. Estimated price is \$1030.00 PP double occupancy. Price includes all breakfast and dinner but does not include transportation to and from Sharon, CT (meeting place) or alcoholic beverages. See New England at its finest and prettiest...in the fall. This trip is planned for mid September 06 (exact date to be announced soon). Please email me for details, questions and if you have an interest. [strev3nking@yahoo.com](mailto:strev3nking@yahoo.com). This trip is limited to only 10 people.

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## 15th Annual Ride to Work Day

Submitted By: Jim Park

Motorcycle and Scooter Ride to Work Day is Wednesday, July 19, 2006

This year's fifteenth annual motorcycle and scooter commuting demonstration will increase the number of riders on the road, according to Ride to Work, a non-profit advocacy organization. "Riding to work on this day shows the positive value of motorcycles and scoot-

ers for transportation. For many people, riding is an economical, efficient and socially responsible form of mobility that saves energy, helps the environment and provides a broad range of other public benefits," states Andy Goldfine, the event organizer. Motorcycle and scooter enthusiasts and rider organizations worldwide encourage their members to ride to work on this day.

According to the United States Census Bureau and the Department of Transportation, over eighty million cars and light trucks are used for daily commuting on American roads, and about 200,000 motor-

cycles and scooters are a regular part of this mix. On Ride to Work Day, the practical side of riding becomes more visible as a larger number of America's 8,000,000 cycles are ridden to work.

Ride to Work Day helps demonstrate how these vehicles make parking easier and help traffic flow better. Studies have shown that across equal distances commuting motorcyclists reach their destinations in less time than those using automobiles, that motorcycles and scooters consume less resources per mile than automobiles, and that they take up less space on roads. Motorcycle and scooter riders seek improved employer recognition and support for this form of transportation, and more public and government awareness of the positive value of riding.



# Planning Your Summer Road Trip

Submitted By: Jim Park

We're coming into that time of year where we use up those closely guarded vacation days. For most of us our travel time is limited so it is important that we get the best use of our time on the trip. The following ideas are what I have discovered and/or learned from others on past road trips.

**Research** – You generally have an idea of *where* it is that you would like to spend your vacation. I've discovered that it isn't always the destination that makes the vacation but the trip itself that makes the best memories. Start by getting a map that shows your entire trip and draw a line from where you are to where you want to go. Now start your research.

Usually, most road maps (I prefer Rand McNally) show the scenic routes. These routes are usually a good bet. Also pick roads that keep you off of the Interstate and away from large cities. Although, staying off of the Super Slab isn't always practical, you'll find that often the back road routes that you've picked have only added a few hours to the trip by the end of the day. You typically won't find those picturesque waterfalls and country towns by traveling the fastest route.

Next contact the Department of Tourism for each state you plan to visit. They will send you loads of information for free on scenic areas and routes, historic sites, restaurants and hotels.

A good website for ordering state by state information is:

[www.roadmaps.org/links/state-links.html](http://www.roadmaps.org/links/state-links.html). Place your order well in advance of your trip as some state's tourist information packets take 3-4 weeks to arrive. If you plan on staying in a specific town contact the Chamber of Commerce or Welcome Center, you'll get

some great ideas. Talk to people about where you are going both before and during your trip. I've found people love to share their experiences and more often than not have some great suggestions.

There are also some great travel books out there written for both cross country trips (i.e., *Road Trip USA*, *Great American Motorcycle Tours*) to more regional related books (i.e., *Motorcycle Journeys through the Appalachians*, *Motorcycle Adventures...North Georgia...East Tennessee*).

**Take Pictures & Notes** – Take pictures, lots of pictures. Over the years your memories will fade but your pictures shouldn't. Seeing pictures from a vacation you took five years ago is like going all over again. Also, take notes. Either keep a journal or simply write comments on the back of your photos.

**Pace Yourself** – This is probably the best piece of travel advice. I know (and as I already stated) you will want to do and see as much as possible on your vacation. It's easy to get swept up in the kind of thinking that you must see all of those things you've been reading about. Take my word for it, it can't be done! Stop often; see some sights, smell some of the roses and save the things you skip for next year. You push yourself hard all year, this is your vacation, enjoy it!

The following are links that I have found useful:

[www.byways.org](http://www.byways.org) [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov) [www.epodunk.com](http://www.epodunk.com)

[www.motorcycleroads.us](http://www.motorcycleroads.us) [www.waterfalls-guide.com](http://www.waterfalls-guide.com)

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## Home Sweet Home

Submitted By: Frances Headrick

A few days prior to Chuck and myself leaving for our trip to the Spring Fling in Thomasville, Ga., we noticed some birds flying in and out of our garage real often. On a visit by one of my daughters she noticed one of the birds with debris in its mouth headed to one side of the garage. We watched, from a distance, and the bird put the debris inside my motorcycle helmet, hanging from a shelf on the side of the garage. We didn't have the heart to stop them so they continued to build their nest. Before we left for Thomasville they had laid one egg in the nest. Since we have great neighbors, watching our house when we travel, we left the garage door up enough for the birds to go in and out. When we returned from Thomasville the birds had laid three more eggs. We left the garage door open most of the time during the day and the small amount at night. Sadly, we did not see the birds returning to the nest during the next few weeks. I called a local wildlife center only to find out the birds had probably abandoned the nest. They informed me that the birds were probably wrens and they make more than one nest at a time. Later the parents decide which one will be their home and apparently my motorcycle helmet was not the "one". We enjoyed the bird experience and the nest did not damage my helmet, however it will need a good cleaning!

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## Long Ride Short

Submitted By: Jim Cavanaugh

On Thursday mornings, I often ride with a group that at times in the winter numbers as high as thirty bikes. In the summer I have seen as few as two bikes. After we meet, we decide where will ride for breakfast. It may be as close as ten miles or as far as fifty miles. Recently, was one of the mornings that only two of us showed up. As soon as my friend John arrived, he said he had to get back earlier than usual for a business appointment, so we decided to go to Tim's Restaurant, which was about fifteen miles away. Although both John and I had been there twice, we did not know the exact location, because our leader had taken a very complex and round-about route. I told John that I had somewhat of an idea where it was located, so he insisted that I lead. After we rode about thirty miles, without finding Tim's, John said he would lead. His leadership, being no better than mine, found us hungry and with seventy miles on our odometers, when John stopped in a small town of predominately migrant workers. He asked me if I was willing to give a very small Mexican restaurant a try. I told him that I was ready to eat. We entered the small pink and purple building with bars on the windows and an unpaved parking lot, to find a clean restaurant with a simple but pleasant atmosphere. After having a very good breakfast, we rode the two miles back to our starting point, with time to spare. We agreed that it was a great ride, even though we didn't reach our intended goal. A few weeks later, John led a larger group to Tim's with a new found sense of confidence.



## North News

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honorable mention at 3<sup>rd</sup> place. While Bill's newsletter looks more professional than any of the others, one of the criteria was how many state members contributed articles and a couple of states had much better participation. I hope that this year we can have more member articles (and fewer by Bill and me) so that FI recaptures the newsletter award.

Next year STAR will be held in Asheville, NC- only about 9 hours from Gainesville by back roads. The hills up there are not as high and the views not as spectacular but there are many more curves per



View from top of Trail Ridge Road. Some people bicycle up this road!

mile in North Carolina and it is a beautiful area. This is one of my favorite places to ride and I encourage you to attend. Bring your spouse even if he/she doesn't ride as there will be plenty to see and do like: rafting, hiking, touring the Biltmore Estate, tasting their wine and soaking in hot mineral springs. You will not be disappointed, even if there is no free beer.

## South News (or more STAR06!)

Submitted By: Bill Royal

Sam already said it - WOW! I keep thinking that one day, I am going to get bored doing a motorcycle vacation every year. Well, it certainly hasn't happened yet.

As for South news, since Sam and I were out gallivanting at STAR, and apparently no members back in FL ran a lunch ride (or they just haven't told us about it), there is no lunch ride news to share. There was however, PLENTY of riding going on. Sam mentioned the STAR awards I received, but there was another Florida member who won another STAR award - Eve Blazsur won the Longest Distance Female Rider to STAR06 by riding 2082.2 miles. Way to go Eve! And, not one to rest on her laurels, she's still riding around in Utah and Arizona before heading back to arrive somewhere around the middle of this month. Longest Distance Male Rider was won by Raymond Cadieux who, riding from Quebec, Canada beat out my 2082 miles by a few hundred more. Also, Alabama member Andray Hubble rode an Iron Butt Bun-Burner Gold (1500 miles in 24 hours) on his ST1100 to make the event. He spent most of the next day sleeping :) Congrats to all.

Eve and I rode together out to STAR, taking six leisurely 350 mile average days to get there. We planned all non-interstate roads, though we actually rode on just about all types due to minor navigating glitches.

**Day 1** we headed out just ahead of the 1st approaching tropical storm of the season. Because of that threat, we did jump on I-75

for about 50 miles to put some distance between the clouds and us, but after that we took some of our favorite riding roads up around and past Brooksville before getting onto US19/US98 in Crystal River. After a nice BBQ lunch in Chiefland, we headed up towards Tallahassee and Thomasville. My intent was to ride back roads in between the cities. For the most part this worked out OK. I did get to one planned turn onto Norias Rd (off of CR142, just north of Lake Miccosukee) but it was dirt, so we managed to continue on and found a nice little way around to rejoin our planned route just over the GA border in Metcalf. From there we headed out on Beachton - Metcalf Rd, which I know I had ridden parts of at both Spring Flings. Well, it turns out it was the Metcalf part I hadn't ridden - a 2 mile stretch between Trinity Church Rd (also dirt!) and US 319 was mostly hard packed sand. Eve was NOT happy, but to her credit, and after some coaxing on my part, she rode across the dirt stretch, complaining mostly about the shaking she took from the washboard surface. This was NOT how I wanted to start out our adventure. However, after that everything went as planned and by 2:30 PM we were already checking into our hotel in Donaldsonville, GA and ready for a refreshing dip in the pool.

**Day 2** was uneventful, going just the way we had planned, with warm sunny weather the whole way. The only surprise this day was the 1 hour time change that occurred very soon after we got underway as we crossed the state border into Alabama.

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## South News (or more STAR06!)

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**Day 3** turned out to be a real nice day. After a couple of hours getting across the Mississippi river and into Arkansas, we got onto a series of roads, that among other names and numbers, amount to SR 8. I had consulted AR member Robert Bashaw who has always steered me right in the past, and this was no exception. We had almost all freshly paved, lightly trafficked and nicely twisty roads for the entire day. We did have to stop for a few minutes at one road construction site and the flag man asked us where we were from. When I told him Tampa, FL, his jaw just about hit the pavement :-). We finished up the day at the Queen Wilhelmina Lodge just outside of Mena AR. This is a familiar location to HSTA members as our T-18 (the number is the years of the event) national event is held there in April each year. Now that I finally have been there I can see why. The scenic 50 miles of Skyline Dr (on the AR side) and the Talimena Dr (OK side) was a hoot to ride. Aside from the scenic views, the way the road twists and undulates as you ride across the ridge of the hills of the Ouchita National Forest was thrilling. There were several places where as you started down the crest of one hill you could see nearly all of the road as it climbed the next. That included the turns so you kind of get a preview of the road before you got there. We ran it pretty hard and had a blast!

That's how we started **Day 4**. All too soon we were down into the plains however, and the winds and heat were both picking up. Now, I had heard from other riders about the strength of the winds on the plains and in fact, I had planned my routes so that we had longer westward runs then shorter northward runs, thinking that the winds were always hard out of the west... It turned out that for the rest of this day, and all of the next and half of the last day, we had a steady 35+ MPH blow, directly out of the SOUTH. That meant that we spent more of our time exactly perpendicular to the wind. If you've never ridden in winds like this at this angle, let me tell you it is quite a chore, if not a test of rider skill. With my fully faired ST1100, and double packs on the back, it was a pretty effective "sail" and I spent much of my time fighting to maintain my line all the while at a steep 45 degree lean into the wind. That is, until a semi passed by from the other direction momentarily blocking the wind - which would bring the bike upright for a second or two (with the propensity to veer right) and then immediately back to the lean as it cleared. Eve's VTX cruiser seemed a bit less affected, though I know she was working hard just the same. We did get a respite on our direct north leg, skirting the east side of Oklahoma City, but the last hour of this day was a direct west route and the heat of the day was now making the wind feel like a blast furnace on any exposed skin. We were quite happy to get into Enid, OK and find a hotel with a pool which we splashed around in for quite a while before dinner.

**Day 5** was similar to the previous day, except there were no Talimena twisties. Just long stretches of desolate plains with the incessant wind, getting hot by the afternoons, and the added concern of fuel management lest we run short in the middle of nowhere. We managed all of this nicely though, thanks in part to good preparation, good hydration and above all - the GPS - to keep us apprised of the proximity of fuel. We finished the day in Lamar, CO just ahead of some thunderstorms sweeping across the plains. Great timing!

**Day 6**, our final leg to STAR, started out like all the days before, except as we headed northward towards the mountains and Colorado Springs, we could see that the threat of rain would be real this day. By the time we got to Colorado Springs there were patches of black skies so we opted to stop for lunch, see what the weather did and if necessary, don our rain gear. It was necessary. Not 5 minutes after lunch, and just as we started to climb up into the mountains it began to rain. Fairly lightly at first, but heavier as we pressed on. As we climbed the temps also dropped sharply, prompting us to stop in Woodland Park and add additional layers/gloves for our hands. Shortly after that stop the rains grew harder. By this point we had climbed into high country (past Lake George) where civilization was fewer and further between. That's when we began to see lightning strikes, some 20-30 miles to the south west of us. After the third or fourth, I began to think about if and where we might stop but there weren't a lot of good options. Fortunately, there was a patch of blue sky that was right in line with the road we were on so we pressed on. We were eventually rewarded by punching out the other side of the front (near Hartsel) and putting the rain and lightning behind us. We came down into Buena Vista and took off the rain gear and gassed up for the final push to Avon. That would take us across the Tennessee Gap, through Leadville (highest incorporated city in the continental US at 10,152 feet) and then down through Minturn and into Avon. The scenic beauty and awe of the Rockies can only be seen live to appreciate. Even having been there once before on a ski trip, it was just stunning. I think even more so in the summer time because the snow that's left accentuates the peaks and the ruggedness of the country is laid bare from the snow pack. What an incredible ride!

STAR is an event that is a little of everything and can be done differently by anyone depending on circumstances. For us, with the long ride to get there and back, we made riding less a priority while there and sight-seeing, socializing and volunteering to help at registration more so. We had fun meeting and greeting folks at registration, and we did ride out to Glenwood Springs for a cavern tour and we also made the lunch ride up to Grand Lake. Others would trailer in and if you weren't up early to see them off in the morning or positioned within view of the Ron Maudlin Memorial Bike Wash (as we were lucky enough to be!) you might not see them at all because they were out riding the whole time. Still others come even without bikes and just take in the beauty and chat with new and old friends alike. It's difficult to relate what a great time it is, you really have to try it once and experience it for yourself. But I warn you - you'll be hooked!

As I mentioned earlier, Eve is still off on her adventure. I had to get back for work so rode the 2024.6 miles back in just 3 days. I was pretty fortunate with the weather, only needing my rain gear once on day 2 and again briefly on day 3 in Florida. The winds in the plains were still strong, but they seemed a little less difficult going home. With a sore butt, I arrived back in Florida with 4451.6 miles in just 14 days, and 3 of them I didn't ride at all. That gave me a new personal record monthly mileage for June 2006 of 4776 miles.

All I can say, is start planning for Asheville, NC now !!!

## Upcoming Rides/Events

Ride/Events are compiled for your convenience from a variety of sources. HSTA sponsored rides are indicated with the "♦" symbol.

**NOTE: Event schedule is subject to change without notice.** Please be sure to check with the listed contact before making your plans!

♦ **HSTA Florida North Mid-Week Lunch Ride - Thursday, July 13th - Horse and Hounds - Ocala, FL** Located at: 6998 N US Highway 27 at intersection of 225A. Restaurant phone is: (352) 620-2500. This is a small place and I need to know if you plan to attend. Contact: Sam Ulbing n4uau@cox.net or 352-262-6221

♦ **HSTA Florida North Lunch Ride - July 22nd - JB's Fish Camp - New Smyrna, FL** Located at: 859 Pompano, New Smyrna. I have not been there but my GPS says it is at N28 56.794 W80 50.265. - Please let Bob Shields know if you plan to attend. Contact: Bob Shields [boju29@msn.com](mailto:boju29@msn.com) or home 863-646-9016.

Future North Rides/Dates:

Aug 19th, Swamphouse Restaurant, Debary, FL (Rob Medwed)    Sep 9th - location TBD (Open for suggestions!)

♦ **HSTA Florida South Lunch Ride - July 15th - Nav-A-Gator, Lake Suzy, FL.** Lunch at Noon. Located on the Peace River, at the end of Peace River Ave - off of CR769 (King's Hwy) Map details on FLAUSTA website. GPS: N27 03.662 W82 00.081 in hddd° mm.mmm° format See you there! Contact: Bill Royal RideFL@flahsta.org or 813-633-8155

Future South Rides/Dates: Aug 12th - TBD    Sept 16th - TBD    Oct 14th - TBD

♦ And all the rest of the HSTA National schedule...

For non-HSTA members reading this on the internet, be advised that attendance at these National Events requires HSTA membership. You can join at the event and your event fee gets waived (one time only)!

Date	Event	Location	Contact	Web Address/E-mail
August 4-6	Nolichucky Valley Rally	Holiday Inn Express Erwin, TN	Richard Giddish 423-245-5558 (home) rickand-nick@hartern.net	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/873z7">http://tinyurl.com/873z7</a>
Aug 25-27	Mail Pouch Fly By	Best Value Inn (formerly Knights Inn) Marietta, OH	Jon Campbell 513-932-3341 (home)	
Sept. 8-10	Ozarks BS Rally	Theodosia Marina & Resort Highway 160 Theodosia, Missouri	Ed & Linda Young 417-926-3075 magna@fidnet.com	<a href="http://come.to/The_Ozarks_BS_Rally">http://come.to/The Ozarks BS Rally</a>
Sept. 15-17	River City Ride	Hotel not yet determined Kentucky	Gary Dehner 606-233-0321 (o) 606-223-9117 (h)	<a href="mailto:g.dehner@insightbb.com">g.dehner@insightbb.com</a>
Sept.- 22-24	SE Star	Holiday Inn Express 64 White Oak Lane Dillard, Georgia 706-746-3585	Trey Hall 615-367-6495 Strey1100@aol.com	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/8de29">http://tinyurl.com/8de29</a>
Sept. 29- 10-01	Friends of Freddie - XIII	Tradition Inn Intersection of Hwy 67 & W Farmington, MO 877-355-6205	Bob LaMear 636-938-3788	<a href="mailto:racerboy@fms4u.com">racerboy@fms4u.com</a>
Nov. 3-5	Texas Hill Country Ride	YO Ranch Resort 2033 Sidney Baker Kerrville, TX 78028 877-967-3767	Joe Paolilli 830-537-5552 joep@beecreek.net	<a href="http://www.geocities.com/jfpoulos/THC2006.html">http://www.geocities.com/jfpoulos/THC2006.html</a>

**STOP! Red Light Running Coalition of Florida - <http://www.floridastopsonred.org/>**

As motorcyclists, we are especially at risk from vehicles dis-regarding traffic laws, and all too commonly right of way violations in particular result in serious injury or death to us. There often is little we can do about the problem, but there are some things we **can** do.

I invite you to check out this website to see for yourself what could be done if we can give our legislators the political will to do so.