GOLDEN EAGLES MOTORCYCLE CLUB

October 2026 Newsletter

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Message From The President

Gwen and I are home and looking forward to the fall and winter riding seasons. There is a lot happening in the month of October, we have a meeting on October 2. Dues are due in October so don't forget to bring them with you to the meeting. Mileage for this year is due October 31 so make sure you get all your bikes mileage into me after that date. I will set an end date of accepting mileages of November 30 so I can present the mileage awards and totals at the December 4 meeting. Also on October 8 there is a meeting of the Rider Alliance at USF to discuss rider safety. I am going so if you would like to go please see me at the October meeting. Biketober Fest is October 15 thru 18 so we may want to take a day ride over to Daytona and check it out. We will discuss it at the October meeting.

Because of the Sea to Sea ride November 6 the club meeting will be November 13 and we will being holding nominations for club officers for next year, so it is time to start thinking about the role you would like to play in running your club. The date for the Sea to Sea ride has been set for November 6, 7, and 8 so don't miss out on a great event. Also as the weather gets nicer for riding don't forget about the 3rd Saturday rides.

The work shed is complete and we will be discussing rules and sign up at the October meeting. If you get a chance be sure to thank Grant, Charlie and Tom for the work that has been done to the shed.

Ride hard, Ride safe, Ride often

The Prez.

Ride Articles Requested

If you led or attended a recent GEMC ride, please consider submitting a short article and photos for the next newsletter. Send submissions to Rob Schmitt.

October Meetup Schedule

CLUB MEETING

Board Meeting

Friday, October 2, 2026, 6:30 PM EDT.

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General Meeting and Pizza

Friday, October 2, 2026, 8:00 PM EDT.

PRIVATE EVENT

Michael Blair private event

Saturday, October 10, 2026, 7:00 PM EDT.

Listed on Meetup as a private GEMC event.

RIDE

3rd Saturday Ride

Saturday, October 17, 2026, 9:00 AM EDT.

Event details may change. Please check the public Meetup listing for the latest updates: Golden Eagles Motorcycle Club on Meetup.

Safety Corner

Fall Riding Readiness

October brings better riding weather, but changing light, busier event traffic, and longer group rides still call for preparation. Check tire pressure, lights, fluids, and riding gear before each ride. Confirm the route, fuel stops, and hand signals before departure so the group starts on the same page.

November Preview / Save-The-Date

RIDE

Sea to Sea 2026

November 6-8, 2026.

Members planning to attend should confirm hotel information and room availability with Charlie.

Check Meetup for updates before finalizing ride plans.

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September's Third-Saturday Ride: The Long Way to Sunrise

September 19, 2026 • By Rob Schmitt

September's third-Saturday ride took us from Land O' Lakes through the backroads around Brooksville and Croom before heading south to Sunrise Eatery in Zephyrhills. It was a route that made the ride itself as much a part of the day as the destination.

For David and me, the day began with the ride from my house to Ollie's at US 41 and State Road 54, where the rest of the group met us. Bruce led the pack, joined by Rick, David, Eden, Christian, Mike Walsh, and me, with Mike Blair taking up the rear.

From Ollie's, we headed north through the Land O' Lakes area before turning onto the backroads toward Brooksville. The route carried us through the Ehren Cutoff and Bellamy Brothers corridor, then into the Spring Lake area. Rather than heading straight for Zephyrhills, we continued north, working our way around the eastern side of Brooksville toward Croom.





The Long Way to Sunrise continued

The roads through Croom formed the northern sweep of the ride before we turned south toward Dade City. From there, we continued down to Zephyrhills, bringing the group ride to its finish at Sunrise Eatery. The route connected a good stretch of our local riding country, taking us well beyond the direct path between the meeting point and our destination.

After the group ride ended, David, Rick, and I headed back toward Hudson together. That gave us one more stretch of road to share before wrapping up September's third-Saturday outing.

Thanks to Bruce for leading the way, Mike Blair for bringing up the rear, and everyone who came along.



