

SUNSHINE SISTERS

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Happy summer and welcome to the riding season! The SunShine Sisters Chapter has been getting the miles under the tires in anticipation of Nationals in Toledo! We've been riding in the sun and rain; getting lots of both as it is rainy hurricane season and the hot dog days of summer.

The Everglades City Ride brought us through the unspoiled wilds of the Florida Everglades on some wonderful empty back roads. A lunch stop on the tip of the island had the freshest seafood around and even wild dogs, who tried to attack

our fearless road captain's bike, couldn't slow us down.

We had a Summer Celebration Ride to ring in the first day of the season with a northern ride that took us through "The Grade" which is a 15 mile stretch of natural and wild old Florida with a locally famous tree canopy that stretches over the road with 100 year old trees and old growth native plants and scrubs.

The SunShine Sisters helped contribute to our favorite charity, The Loggerhead

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Marine Life Center, with donations while watching a miracle of nature. A mother loggerhead sea turtle nested, dug a body pit, and laid eggs on the local beach and we were lucky enough to witness the miraculous strength and determination of the endangered sea creature.

We made multiple trips to Key Biscayne to see the lighthouse and the ocean. The World Cup Soccer and ice cream stops

made the final trip memorable. The original destination had a do-over day due to mechanical problems, but sisters stick together and since we are all adaptable, the ride plans are always subject to change.

The St. Augustine Ride brought lots of laughs and good times to the weekend trip. The Sunshine Sisters met with 4 other Florida Chapters to spend time in the oldest US city of St. Augustine. There was tons of sightseeing of the city's monuments, forts, statues, and landmarks of

by day, while ghost tours and grave sites took over the nights. Local food is always spectacular and long trips are good for fitting in seeing long lost friends. The weekend was wonderful get away and thankfully the only bad weather was on the way home.

The SunShine Sisters are looking forward to seeing everyone in Toledo! Enjoy the summer and safe travels to all the ladies out there!

Smiles thru the miles! Jen -aka- Lil' Bit