

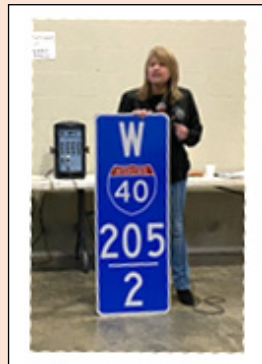
THE SAFETY CORNER

Tom and Karen Brunelle



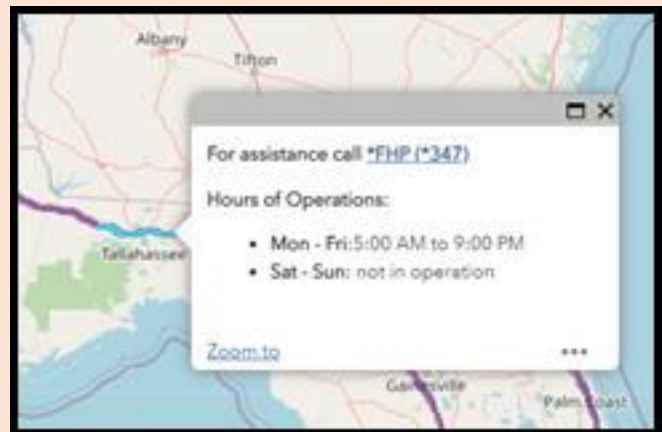
We were really excited about the warm welcome, great questions, and awesome feedback to last month's article.

We also received several great ideas for future articles, such as riding at night, how speed limits are set, red light etiquette, and one we'll tackle this month on Road Rangers. In case you missed the last meeting, we had a bonus session on emergency reference locators which ties right in! If you've traveled the Interstates, you've seen the motorist assistance trucks. Most states around the county have them and call them by different names. Some are sponsored by a private entity and others are operated by the State Department of Transportation. In Florida, we have the Road Ranger Service Patrol. The Road Rangers provide traffic incident management response services and limited no-cost highway assistance to motorists to improve highway safety for emergency responders and the motoring public on the Interstates and Turnpike System throughout Florida.



If you're on the roadway and need assistance, then dial *FHP (which is *347) from your cell phone. State Farm® sponsors the Road Ranger Service Patrol in Northeast, Northwest, Central, West Central, Southeast, Southwest Florida, and throughout Florida's Turnpike System.

If you are reading your road, then the emergency reference signs will pinpoint your exact location to relay when you call. There's an interactive map at: <https://www.fdot.gov/traffic/roadrangers/home.htm>. When you click on an area, it will pop up the hours of operation for that road segment.

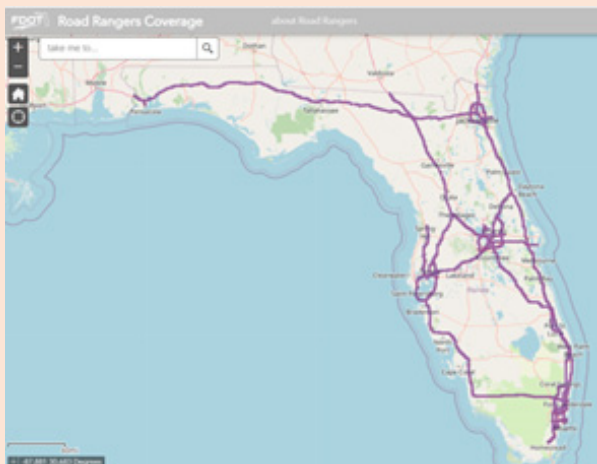


For this month's Read Your Road Challenge Question...we look at pavement markings:

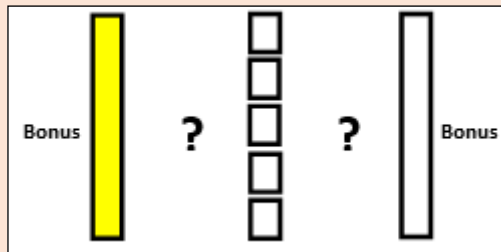
1. If the white block and yellow block symbolize the pavement markings...should you be concerned as you are riding your beloved HOG?



- A. Nope. Just keep on cruisin', all is ok!
- B. Oh, yeah! I need to stop and pull over.



2. Which way would you be traveling?



- a. ↓ ↓
- b. ↓ ↑
- c. ↑ ↑
- d. ↑ ↓

3. Bonus Question: Which way is traffic moving to the left of the yellow line and to the right of the solid white line?

(Answers are later in the newsletter!)

Keep sending us your burning questions. Remember highway safety depends on you! Whether you are a driver, passenger, or pedestrian, be observant and be adaptable to be safe!

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JIM MINCEY RIDE REPORT

EDITOR: While not as lengthy as his usual reports, this is every bit as entertaining. Enjoy.

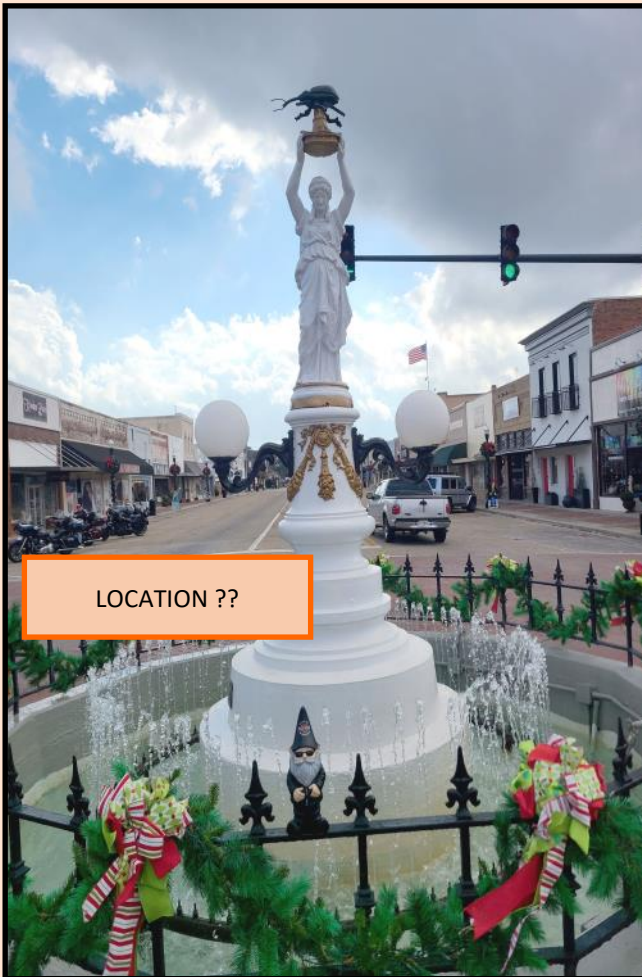
Old man winter rolled into town, Blustery, Bright, & as Frosty as ever. Saturday morning temperatures started with 32 degrees showing on the thermometer, Brrrr. For us Floridians, that's cold. I mentioned Blustery, didn't I? The wind was blowing both cold and wet. It cut right through you & chilled your bones after a few feet of struggling against the wind. To give you an idea of how cold it was, even Chuck Buck showed up in a cage! There was a light turnout for this (the last ride of January) Saturday morning ride. There were 6 brave souls that ventured forth that day. Well, 4 brave souls and Jim Mincey as the road captain & Ronnie Bell as the Gunner. All arrived safely wrapped up in their 4 wheel cold weather riding gear. A bit of discussion was had concerning the merits of riding to Tifton in cages, so an alternate destination was agreed upon. The group loaded up in their 4 wheeled cold weather gear for the ride(?) to George & Louie's for a sit-down lunch. As you can see by the pictures, we all arrived safe N sound. There was some sharing of cold weather gear, so only 3 cages made the trip. Good food, good times & great fellowship were had by all.

P.S. Sunday morning old man winter pulled the thermometer down to 24 degrees. Double Brrrrr.

JIM



HOG GOBLIN CONTEST



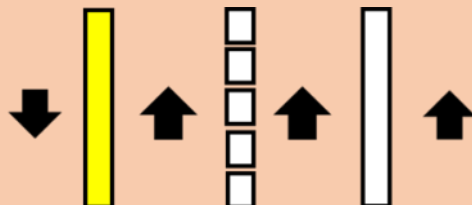
LOCATION ??

- A picture of the HOG-GOBLIN will be posted in the monthly newsletter of an unknown location.
- HOG member to guess where the HOG-GOBLIN location is by submitting this information by email to Jim Mincey at :tallyhog@gmail.com
- LIST subject line as HOGGOBLIN guess.
- Identify location of HOGGOBLIN.
- Provide your name, and remember the email is time stamped.
- First person that responds is the winner of the month.
- Winner is announced at the HOG chapter meeting
- Winner receives a free lunch (up to \$20.00) on the after meeting HOG chapter ride.
- Winner must be at that months chapter meeting and participate in the ride to be treated to lunch.
- Board Members are ineligible for this event.
- HOG member can only win 1 x/year.

SAFETY CORNER ANSWERS:

1. b. The rider is going the wrong direction! Yellow lines are never on the right side of the travel lane. Always look for a white line on the right. The left line could be white (if separating travel lanes going in the same direction) or yellow (if separating travel lanes going in opposite directions).

2. is c and 3. is:



Left of the yellow line – There could be a shoulder immediately instead, but the next travel lane will be in the opposite direction. Right of the white line – There is likely a shoulder first, but the next travel lane will be the same direction (such as an on ramp).