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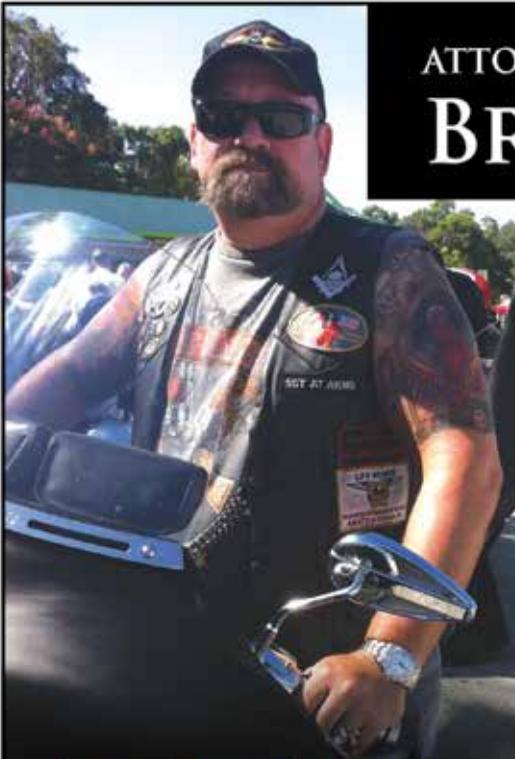
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- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life.
- We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.
- We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM.
- We promote motorcycle safety, training, and political awareness.
- We fund our work by holding a series of annual events at different locations within our service area and other motorcycle activities.
- We are your neighbors and friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community.
- We serve and support our country and believe in freedom.
- We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others.
- ABATE of Florida, Inc. is incorporated under the laws of Florida as a motorcycle rights organization or MRO. We are currently the only political MRO in Florida representing the interest of its members and the motorcycling public at-large.
- WE ARE NOT A CLUB OR A GANG.

ABATE is open to all individuals age 18 and older interested in motorcycle rights, safety or education. It doesn't matter what you ride or even if you ride. Everyone is welcome to join ABATE of Florida, Inc., which ensures YOUR opinion and views on motorcycle laws will be heard.

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Some of ABATE of Florida, Inc.'s Accomplishments

- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2020 was our 20th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.
- We've become the 4th largest State Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO) in the country (IN & IL are 1&2, we regularly switch for 3rd & 4th with PA).
- We got the handlebar heights law modified.
- We successfully fought a bill that would forbid our children from riding on our bikes.
- We successfully fought the bill that would confiscate motorcycles for going 30MPH over the speed limit.
- We developed an effective MSAP program that has raised motorist's perceptions and awareness of motorcycles, and have received funding from the State of FL totaling over \$750,000 to promote motorcycle safety and awareness.
- We successfully fought the bill against vertical tags that had over \$1,100 in fines for a first offense.
- Supported and fought for a texting-while-driving ban for the last few years.
- Our 2009-2010 Stiffer Penalties Bill made it through five of the FL House & Senate's committees; this is the farthest it has gone in the number of years we have tried. On the last day of session, a committee member strenuously attempted to attach a revival of the helmet law to our Bill. To avoid a new helmet law in Florida, we had to kill the Bill.
- We publish monthly Press Releases and/or Articles of Interest in many online & print publications, including Florida Full Throttle.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. has been asked to be on and currently sits as a member of The Motorcyclist Advisory Council (MAC) to the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, D.C. The Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Transportation may appoint a representative from only two State MROs throughout the entire U.S.A. to be on this council.
- The President of ABATE of Florida, Inc. sits as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Collation of Motorcyclists (NCOM). NCOM has over 1000 member organizations.

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“This page sponsored by Frank T. (GBNF) & Lisa PRESIDENT’S ARTICLE



Damn, I know this is my President's article, but I just gotta say, it's sometimes way cooler to be a State Delegate for the Chapter. You get to go all around the State, to the different State meetings. It's nice to see the different country areas around our State. And you get to hang out with 20 other Chapters' delegates and some of their members. It's cool, because we are all here for the same cause, we are all like-minded people, brothers and sisters, and we share what's going on in our local communities, what things we are doing for our cause, and just a great exchange of ideas.

Oh yeah, that reminds me, any member can go to an ABATE State meeting, so if you ever want to go check one out, look in our newsletter for the flyer, make reservations (at discounted ABATE rates), and let me know, so we can ride up together.

So, me and Diddles and a few other members got to go to Tallahassee twice this year, for ABATE business, but she's a little pissed off at me, cuz we caged it. She's got a little heart condition, but doesn't like to talk about it, so sshhh, if you see her. I guess it's lucky that we did cage it, because on the second trip, it rained all the way up and we had hail for a good hour and none of that sh@% was stinging me or my poor little biker dog.

On a sad note, in the last few months we've lost two more riders from our community. My heart and condolences go out to their families and clubs. May they ride in peace. One was Hawkeye, from the Military Vets MC, and the other was Overshot from the Midnight Club Reapers MC. It sucks cuz I saw them both, shook their hands, just a few weeks before. And this got me thinking, that I really need to step up my game, as President. I feel responsible when someone passes and isn't a member. I mean, for \$20, their families would have some extra cash to help with expenses. I try to get out to all the clubs and promote this, as ABATE membership comes a \$4,000 accidental death and \$2,000 dismemberment policy. This is a shout out to all of you, to check your ABATE membership cards, make sure you are current. And if you need to update your beneficiary, reach out to my Membership Trustee, Sheila, who's email and phone number are on the second page of the newsletter. We really, REALLY don't want you to have to use the benefits, but you know, better to have and not need, than need and not have.

After all, the thing we love to do, ride, can be risky and dangerous, especially with all the distracted drivers in cages, on their phones, not to mention all the road hazards and construction going on these days. That's why we all belong to ABATE, to help educate the public, to watch for motorcycles, and to fight for your rights.

Check this out the politicians feel that every member has at least three or four friends that think alike, and this could mean five votes, so the more members the louder our voice in Tallahassee, and that voice is what helps get laws passed that keep us safer, just saying.

Please support all your American Legions and VFWs. God Bless America, the military, and the veterans who have helped keep this Country free.

And to the younger people out there, you have the chance to inherit an organization that stands up and fights for biker rights and safety. Help us make a difference, now, and for the future!

ANYONE WHO RIDES SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF ABATE!!!!

God bless America!!!!

Peace,
Johnny Rose
President
Southeast Chapter



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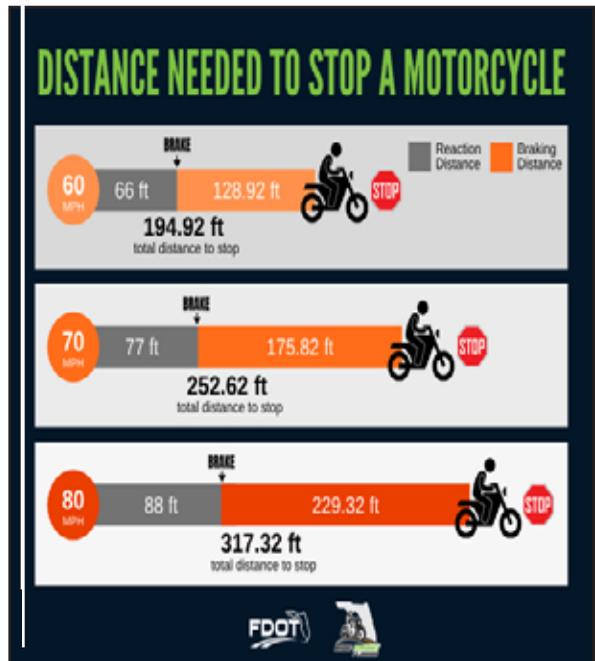
Vice-PRESIDENT

The other day I was at a conference and I mentioned that I ride a motorcycle. An acquaintance that I have known for years stated that she once owned a motorcycle and stopped riding after she saw a friend pass away after being in a bad motorcycle accident so she sold her motorcycle and stopped riding. My response to these situations is simple. You can get killed crossing the street so why pass up the opportunity to have fun getting somewhere. I ride because I enjoy it. I can choose to live under a rock and be safe from any kind of threat to life and limb. In my view, this not living. This is just surviving and I don't want to get up in the morning and just do that. I get a sense of freedom when I hop on my bike and head out to a place with friends or by myself. This is one of those, "if you don't understand, I can't explain it to you," situations. I believe that ABATE is there for those who understand. Not everyone does and that is OK.

I'm involved with this organization because I believe in its mission to help advance motorcycle rights and safety. With the passage of the Florida Motorcycle safety bill this June, we have the opportunity to help bring awareness to the public regarding how to share the road with riders. If you have any ideas regarding how to affect this, drop me a line or better yet come to one of our monthly meetings on the 3rd Sunday of the month and tell me in person. Our meetings are held at the American Legion Post 142 in Pompano Beach FL near the intersection of Dixie Highway and Atlantic Boulevard. Meetings are open to the public.

We have the chance to do some real good for the biker community so let's not let the opportunity pass us by. Help us help you stay rubber side down, shiny side up.

Again.... as always Rubber Side Down
Martin (Hunter) Nebojsic, Vice President
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**SOUTHEAST CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 142
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JUNE 18, 2023**

Bull called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m., and there were 42 members and guests present. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Bull, and a prayer by our Assistant Chaplain, Bear.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JOHNNY ROSE:

Midnight Club Reapers MC member, Overshot, passed away, and recently also, Hawkeye from Military Vets MC, both motorcycle accidents. Johnny will start pushing memberships in the clubs, because \$4,000 can go a long way to help a family. Shakey Bob, a long time ABATE member passed away this weekend. It was not a motorcycle accident, but a result of Agent Orange. Our condolences go out to the families and friends of all three. Jean is here today, yay!! He had a nasty crash a few weeks back, but here he is, up and walking, great to see him. Final elections will be at old business.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

MARTIN "HUNTER" NEBOJSIC:

Hunter thanked everyone for coming. He had no report but will have a lot at State Representative.

SECRETARY'S REPORT –

HOLLIE "DREAMER" SADOFF:

Dreamer made a motion to approve minutes as printed in the newsletter, motioned, seconded, approved. She wished all the fathers, a Happy Father's Day.

TREASURER'S REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:

Sheila gave the Treasurer's Report for the checking and savings account, motioned, seconded, approved.

SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT – MIKE "BULL":

Bull said to ride safe, don't ride beyond your ability, don't push someone else to ride beyond their ability, or let them push you to go beyond yours. From Nighthawk: School is out for the year, but there are still activities with summer school and athletics practices. Please be extra cautious and aware around schools. From Bear, watch out for grass clippings and such, as it can make the road dangerous and slick. Represent - When wearing anything with ABATE on it, you are representing ABATE, please keep that in mind and act accordingly.

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT –

MARTIN "HUNTER" NEBOJSIC:

Saturday, June 24th,

US Military Vets MC S. Broward Annual

Wednesday, June 28th,

Mark "Overshot" Midnight Club Reapers MC
candlelight vigil

Saturday, July 1st,

Jerry "Hawkeye" US Military Vets MC
celebration of life

Sunday, July 9th,

Alternative MC Annual

Sunday, July 16th,

Soldiers for Jesus MC Annual

Saturday, July 22nd,

Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook-Off

Friday-Sunday, August 11th-13th,

South Florida Tattoo Expo at Broward County
Convention Center

Check your bike weekly, just rode with someone who ended up off the road because of not checking his bike before the ride, something easily fixed if a simple check was done.

SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

JON "WAVY" VIGER:

Wavy wished all a Happy Father's Day. Remember that safety refreshers are important, PRACTICE, practice skills, turns, practice on your own in an empty parking lot, turn your head when you want to turn, remember RPM and friction on the clutch. YouTube has all kinds of videos and courses. Wavy is retiring from active role in our Chapter, as he is moving north, and thanked all for all the wonderful years. Hunter thanked Wavy for all of his years of service and dedication.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT-

MARTIN "HUNTER" NEBOJSIC & JOHNNY ROSE:

Hunter reported. Membership: January: most new members - Southeast, largest % of growth - Polk, February: most new members - Daytona, largest % of growth - Boneyard, March: most new members - Central, largest % of growth - Central, April: most new members - Laguna, largest % of growth - Polk. All the Chapters are doing much better. For our Safety Money, there will be budgets, and a committee of 3 ABATE, 2 Legion, and 2 Lama, to collaborate on what the money will be used for before we even get it. Born to Ride Magazine will have an upcoming interview with Griz, our State President, about the Safety Money. There will be MSAP training at the August meeting. Businesses can get auto insurance discounts if they get an MSAP trainer out to give the presentation. Lynn, our State Secretary was at our meeting, cleared up a few questions some had about the Safety Money. Our State Legal Counsel is now Rich New-some, and all were happy with this at the State meeting. Old Business at State meeting: State considering raising the annual membership to \$30 and lowering the Life membership to \$150. Chapters are to talk about it and have State Reps bring back their discussion to the August meeting. There was some discussion, so for the \$30 and some against, and even a suggestion of \$20 for renewals and \$30 for new memberships, more discussion at the July meeting. New Business at State meeting, 3 new chapters, Emerald Coast from Ft. Walton, Bay Chapter from Panama City, and no name yet, but a Jacksonville chapter. The State has joined the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, MRF. There was a call for volunteers to review the current State By-Laws, see if updates are needed, and 5 volunteered at the State meeting. Also, if you need to change your beneficiary, your address, your last name, you must give a signed form to Sheila, to pass on to the State, must be signed.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad was excused, Dreamer spoke, thanks to everyone for all they did to get our Bill passed, we have been trying for years, but there was new energy this year, to get it done, grass roots, emails, and calls.

LEGAL COUNSEL – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad was excused.

PRODUCTS REPORT –

LAUREL "LITTLE BIT" CONNER:

Little Bit was excused.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:

Sheila read the Membership report, we have over 600 members.

EVENTS COORDINATOR – GABE CARRERA:

Gabe was excused. Sheila gave a recap of the Memorial Day event. We will not bundle so much at the next event, we need to have a big showing of many door prizes so more will buy door prize tickets, between 30-35 prizes each event. We are going to have a "sandwich" board at the entrance and an extra tent, as many people passed us by without donating to the entrance, maybe not knowing it was an event.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR – "ABBY NORMAL"

Abby Normal spoke. All are welcome to submit any suggestions on the newsletter, articles are due today. When you see ABATE posts on social media, please share them with your friends and feed, especially as related to safety. Send articles to news.abatese@gmail.com .

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION –

JON "WAVY" VIGER:

Wavy thanked everyone for their help in distributing newsletters throughout our area. All is going well.

PUBLIC RELATIONS –

DAWNE "THUNDER" KIRK-WATERS:

Thunder was excused.

BILLING AND INVOICING – SHEILA ROSE:

All are up-to-date, support our advertisers and let them know you heard about them from our newsletter.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

BARRY "BEAR" CROWN:

Bear brought a cake for the June birthdays.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT –

MIKE "BULL":

Nothing to report.

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PHOTOGRAPHER'S REPORT –

“ABBY NORMAL”:

Take photos at events, and EMAIL, not text them to Abby. No alcohol in the pictures, no photos of children without explicit consent of the parent or guardian. Photo of the new Board will be done in July. Please EMAIL (not text) photos to news.abatese@gmail.com .

WEBMASTER'S REPORT – IVAN MARTE:

Ivan is excused.

ASSISTANT WEBMASTER'S REPORT –

ERIK SADOFF:

Erik reported. Preliminary ad page is done, last step is final meeting with the Board to sign off on the website and go live.

CHAPLAIN – CHRISSEY LEONHARDT:

Chrissy was excused.

ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN – BARRY “BEAR” CROWN:

June 15th was the one-year anniversary of Jester's passing, and we all miss him.

OLD BUSINESS:

Final round of elections.

As Secretary, Hollie “Dreamer”Sadoff put in one vote for all the non-contested positions.

<i>President:</i>	<i>Johnny Rose</i>
<i>Vice-President:</i>	<i>Martin “Hunter” Nebojsic</i>
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<i>Chaplain:</i>	<i>Chrissy Leonhardt</i>

Johnny Rose appointed Anna as the head teller. Then we had a vote for the contested positions, the winners are as follows:

<i>Road Captain:</i>	<i>Kris “That Guy”Keyzer-Andre</i>
<i>State Representative:</i>	<i>Johnny Rose</i>
<i>State Representative:</i>	<i>Martin “Hunter”Nebojsic</i>
<i>Alt State Representative:</i>	<i>Ross Haertter</i>
<i>Alt State Representative:</i>	<i>Hollie “Dreamer”Sadoff</i>
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Johnny Rose then spoke. Thanked all for stepping up, he appreciates all of you!! He appointed Barry“Bear”Crown as the Assistant Chaplain, as in years past. This is at the request of Chrissy, and he approves. He is our“boots on the ground”local Chaplain. We asked and got a Vote of Confidence for Bear. The new Road Captain, “That Guy” will be considered the Head Road Captain and will be able to choose his assistants. He will let us know, at a future meeting, so we can have a Vote of Confidence.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was talk of purchasing a couple of grills so we can do the cooking at our events.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Event flyers on the tables.

Motion to adjourn at 11:36 AM, seconded, approved. Next meeting will be held at American Legion Post 142 at 10:00am on July 16, 2023.

Hollie “Dreamer” Sadoff

Secretary Southeast Chapter



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Good Day,

I want to thank everyone that helps at the Safety Booths. It is very much appreciated.

Also want to say thanks to those of you who stop by the Safety Booths to say hello. It looks good to see people around the booth, draws more people in.

The hot weather is here along with the rainy season. A reminder – be very cautious when the roads are wet, especially careful at the intersections. The painted white road markings on the road surfaces are very slippery, this includes the painted road signs for the interstates.

Besides the road markings, be watchful of puddles. At night you can't always judge how deep the puddles may be.

In this hot weather always stay hydrated. Keep an extra bottle of water on your bike.

Thank you again
Jon "Wavy" Uiger
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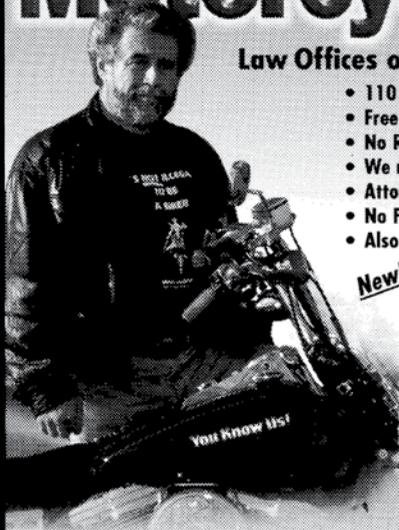
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FROM YOU ROAD CAPTAIN

I did a ride a while back up in Tallahassee with a group of other riders. It was a great route through a lot of great wooded roads. I passed by a number of farms that had cattle and horses grazing in fields of grass. Almost a picture postcard of what most think is the American Heartland. We were headed to a little what I would call a general store that had a sandwich shop to grab some lunch. One of the turns on the ride was pretty sharp one, almost a V and one of the riders took the turn wide and almost ran into the ditch and had to stop during the turn. Well we were riding staggered and one of the riders behind us ended up going down because he hit the brakes while he was turning. This is one of the first things you learn NOT to do when you take the riding course to get your endorsement. While this is a good reminder let me get back to the guy doing the wide turn that caused the stop on the turn. We got to our lunch spot and sat down to eat on some park benches and I asked the rider that took the turn wide why he did what he did. He said that he had gotten new handle bars and they were, "making contact," with his wind shield during sharp turns. I asked him why he didn't have it replaced and he said he intended to. About two months later this same rider is riding the same bike with the same windshield on another ride. OK I'm sorry but DUH..... I know none of you are this rider but people make sure your bike is in working order and that includes unimpeded steering. You should give your bike a safety check every so often even if you ride every day. Do the safety check every time you ride if you are an occasional rider like many. This is important not only for you but also for those you ride with. Don't be a knuckle head like the guy with the steering issue. While I'm at it.... straighten up your front wheel if you have to stop because it's the only way to stay upright.

If I see Mr. Steering with the same windshield I think I'm gonna have a chat with him... It's gonna involve some serious ribbing..

Again.... as always Rubber Side Down
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When you come into this world, you're totally reliant upon the people who take care of you. In my case, my mom and dad provided all of my basic needs. When I arrived on the scene, my two older brothers made sure I got a daily dose of teasing and horseplay. Thank God, I had a sister who prayed for me. Our family of six grew with the addition of two more sisters.

With that many kids in the house, there had to be rules to follow or living at home would have been total chaos. Guidelines were in place to keep life as neat and orderly as possible. My parents decided what time I got up, what I ate, who I hung with, and 'lights out.' Sounds like doing time to me! The truth is, I had an exceptional upbringing. The structure of my childhood prepared me for adulthood and one by one, we flew the coop.

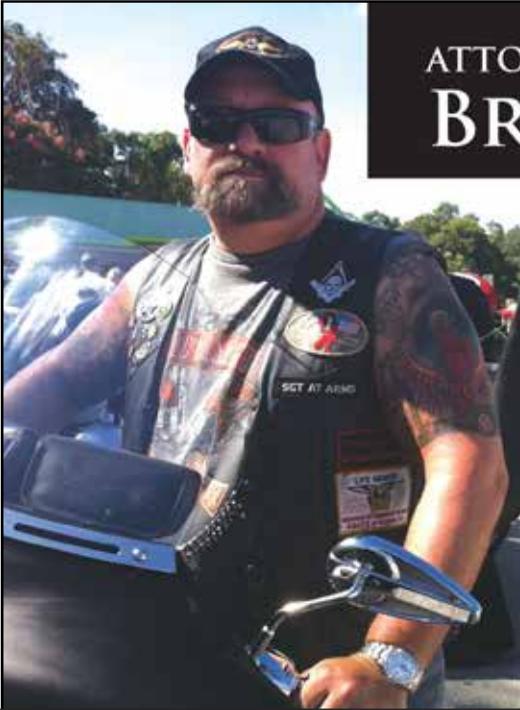
I'll never forget jumping into my best friends pick-up and heading off to college. Party time, here we come! She and I decided renting would suit us over dorm life. More liberties. School came easy to me and I was able to hit the books during the day, and lose my mind on nights and weekends. Finally, FREEDOM, and it tasted so good.

But freedom is never free. One day, my student loan coupon book arrived in the mail. Wait... you mean I have to pay this bill? I tried whining to my parents but they quickly reminded me of the independence I fought for as a child. Not long after that, I began working to maintain the freedom I had acquired.

The best part about freedom is having the privilege to decide... when to get up and go to bed, what to eat, and who to hang with. There's safety in numbers so when it comes to choosing my liberties, I've teamed up with the Holy Spirit, as well as my husband. The same goes for those who have chosen to team up with ABATE. Our motto is, 'Let those who ride decide.' After all, who better to look out for us, than US!

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JULY

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2023

AUGUST

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JULY

1st-Sat
2nd-Sun
4th-Tues Independence Day
8th-Sat
9th-Sun **ALTERNATIVE MC - ANNUAL**
15th-Sat
16th-Sun **SOLDIERS FOR JESUS MC BROWARD - ANNUAL**
22nd-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC - CHILI COOK-OFF
23rd -Sun

AUGUST

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11th-13th 25th Annual South Florida Tattoo Convention
13th-Sun AOA FT. LAUD. - 56th ANNIVERSARY PARTY
9th-Sat
20th-Sun
26th-Sat
27th-Sun **SCURVY FEW MC - ANNUAL**

SEPTEMBER

2rd-Sat SOUTHERN MC TEDDY BEAR RUN
3th-Sun
4th-Mon Labor Day 9th-Sat
10th-Sun STATES MC - KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
Not sure
16th-Sat
17th-Sun
23rd-Sat **KINGDOM OF BROTHERS MC - ANNUAL**
24th-Sun

OCTOBER

7th-Sat
8th-Sun **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**
14th-Sat OUTCAST - PARTY
15th-Sun **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**
13th-16th DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
21st-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC - HALLOWEEN PARTY
22bn-Sun CMA - MEMORIAL
28th-Sat **FEARLESS MC - ANNUAL**
29th-Sun
31st-Tues HALLOWEEN

NOVEMBER

4th-Sat **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL**
5th-Sun
11th-Sun **Veterans Day USMVMC CH 1 - ANNUAL ?????**
12th-Sun **Fly-In Wheels Annual**
18th-Sat **LEATHERNECKS MC - ANNUAL**
19th-Sun
23rd-Thur Thanksgiving Day 25th-Sat
26th-Sun

DECEMBER

3rd-Sun 36th SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN
10th-Sat ALLIGATOR ALLEY TOY RUN BIKE
DRAWING???
9th-Sat HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL
AND TOY RUN
9th-Sat USMVMC - WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
25th-Mon Christmas Day



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MONDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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ADDITIONAL INFO, EVENTS OR PARTIES ARE LISTED HERE

TUESDAY

- Wings of Gold - Open House Davie 7PM
- States MC Taco Tuesday 6:30PM

WEDNESDAY

- 2nd Wed.
- The Crew 8PM

THURSDAY

- Hernandad MC - Open House 8PM
- Scurby Few = Poker Night -7PM

FRIDAY

- States MC – Open Meeting 7-10PM
- Gideons MC – Open House 8PM
- Scurvy Few - Open House 8:00PM
- WHEELS OF MAN - OPEN 8:00PM

- 1st Fri.
 - Outcast - Open House 8:00PM
- 1st & 3rd Fri.
 - Kingdom of Brothers MC - Open House 8PM
- Every Other Fri.
 - Fearless MC - Open House 8PM-1AM
- 3rd Fri.
 - Heathens MC - Open House 8PM

SATURDAY

- 1st & 3rd Sat – AOA MC Dania - Open House 8PM
- 2nd & 4th Sat – Kingdom of Brothers MC - Open House
- 2nd Sat – Fly-In Wheels Open House - 9PM
- Scurvy Few - Birthday Celebrations - 7PM

- Last Saturday
 - Leathernecks MC Open House/ Poker Night 8PM
 - Fly-In Wheels – Open House 9PM

SUNDAY

- 2nd Sun
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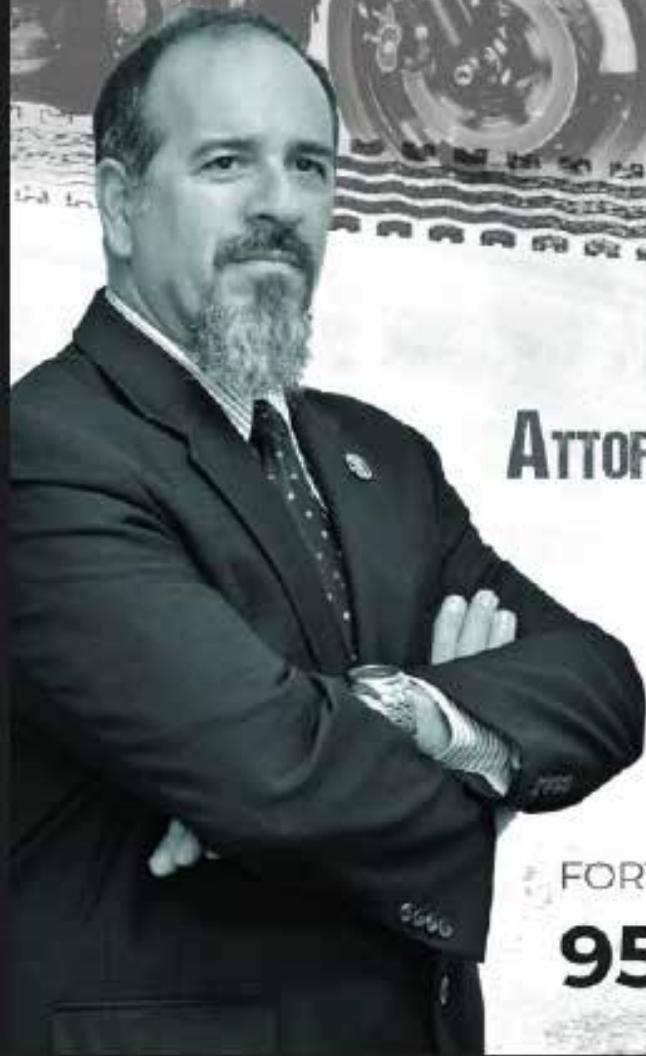
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We were sitting around, talking about stuff that we take for granted in life. Recently, two people in our community passed away from motorcycle accidents. Lots of times, in our newsletter, the different writers talk about road hazards, the main one, being other vehicles. We think what we do here, in ABATE, is a good and noble cause, to try and teach other drivers to look out for us, to WATCH FOR MOTORCYCLES, and we will never know the countless lives that have been saved, because of our message. We won't know, because we don't talk about everyone getting home safely after a ride, only talk of those who didn't. We started talking about other people who also keep us safe, those unsung "heroes" of the road, who clean up those road hazards out there, so we wanted to write about them, this month. Sheila saw a street cleaner the other day, near her job off Powerline Road, near the Monarch Hill Landfill. You can imagine a lot of trash falls off the trucks making deliveries there, so we start with street cleaners.

Before 1849, street sweepers were manual, done by humans, usually just to clear the paths at street corners, for people to cross. The first street sweeping machine, in the U.S., was patented in 1849. This was horse-drawn, and later, in the early 1911, the motor driven one was invented, Elgin Sweepers. The general idea of trash removal remained the same for many decades. In the 1970's, cities began to tighten regulations for cleanliness and environmental health, and the sweepers were

upgraded to include water tanks and sprayers to loosen dust. Prior to that, street sweepers removed only larger trash and left the smaller, because, the idea was that the rain will clear the smaller trash. But smaller trash that rain clears, becomes stormwater pollutants and later pollutes our water. Then, in the 1990's, more tighter standards, and now some street sweepers are PM10 certified, which means that they can clean litter that is smaller than 10 microns or less. These particles can affect our health because they are so small that they can reach the lower regions of our lungs. Okay, that's super interesting, huh? For us bikers, the main thing we love about these, is that their main purpose it to keep our streets safe, to pick up nails, loose gravel, glass, metal, dirt, sand, etc., all the things we don't want on our roads when we are riding. We thank you, all the street sweepers out there!!

We all know what FDOT stands for, right? The Florida Department of Transportation. We know you have all seen those "Adopt-A-Highway" signs on the side of road, on the highways. Every year, millions of visitors get their first glimpse of our state from their car windows as they travel along Florida's Highways. First impressions can be long lasting. Do we want them to see miles of roadway cluttered with litter? Or clean, green tree-lined highways that truly represent Florida's natural beauty? The answer is easy, clean! This is a volunteer program and groups adopt a two-mile section of a state highway. They are tasked to remove litter from that section, at least four times a year. This program has been in place for over ten years. Hundreds of dedicated volunteers help reduce the cost to the State of litter removal. Thousands of miles have been adopted. This helps ease the load of FDOT work crews, and is a great way to give back, to have civic pride in their communities and make a difference. Now most of us really aren't affected by the roadside litter, as once it is off the road, the hazard is minimal. But sometimes, we do see some garbage bags or paper flapping across the road, and while a car might be able to just go through

it, one small garbage bag can mess up a biker's day, depending on where it ends up, in his face, or tangle in the wheel. We thank you, all the volunteers that clean up the garbage that some people are so selfish to fling out their windows or allow to fall off their vehicles.

We know you have all seen the Road Rangers on Florida's highways, and hopefully never had the need to use them. According to the website, <https://www.fdot.gov/traffic/roadrangers/about.htm> "Road Rangers is a service provided by the Florida Department of Transportation. The Road Ranger Mission is to provide free highway assistance services during incidents to reduce delay and improve safety for the motoring public and responders. The Road Rangers are roving vehicles that patrol congested areas and high incident locations of the freeway, and provide a direct service to motorists by quickly clearing travel lanes of minor incidents and assisting motorists. Services can include the following, change flat tires, jump-start vehicles and make minor repairs, provide stranded motorists two free local calls, clear disabled vehicles from travel lanes, clear debris from travel lanes, supply emergency gasoline, diesel, water, monitor abandoned vehicles and notify FHP, provide maintenance-of-traffic (MOT) services during incidents, etc. The benefits of the Road Ranger program have been as follows; reduction of crashes, reduction of incident duration by assisting the Florida Highway Patrol, assistance to disabled or stranded motorists, removal of road debris, reduction of congestion produced air pollutants, increased safety at incident scenes. And all this, at no cost. If you're on the roadway and need assistance, call *347 on your mobile phone. Sheila tells a story of many years ago, when her son was in cub scouts, a Webelo, and her and another friend and her son were going to a week-long summer camp in Central Florida. One of the back tires went flat, and here they were, on a Sunday, in the middle of the State, and they both had Metro PCS at that time (which was not as good as it is now), so no sig-

nal, ugh, what to do... So they got out their camp chairs, tried to find some shade, and sat on the side of the road for an hour or so, until someone finally stopped and offered help, and Sheila got in the car with this stranger, to try and find some where open, in small -town Florida, where they could buy a tire, and no luck, but when Sheila got back to the SUV, there was a party going on, well, almost, definitely a celebration, as a Road Ranger was just finishing changing the tire, and even had cold water for everyone. So, we all thank you, Road Rangers, for all you do, especially getting those pesky road gators off our roads.

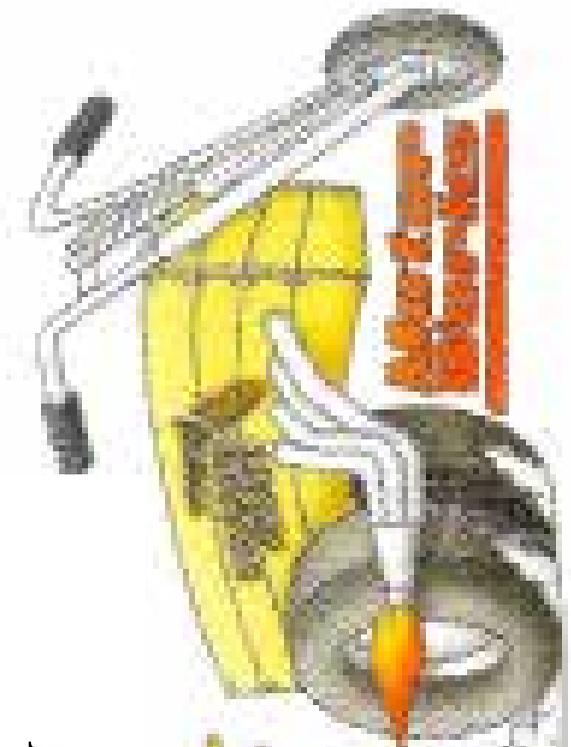
And for us, the main unsung heroes are other bikers. We will tell you, for sure, we always stop if we see a biker stopped on the side of the road, even if we are running late for an appointment, even turning around if we went past, getting off at the next exit and coming back around. We never assume, just because we are in the age of cell phones and roadside assistance plans, that no help is needed. Hey, if they don't need help, you can just get back on the road. It's possible that the biker is suffering a medical emergency instead of a mechanical breakdown and can't call for help, or maybe their phone battery died. Maybe they can't get their bike fixed on the side of the road and just need a ride to the nearest bike shop. Over the years, we've all pulled over to check on many riders. Even when they don't need us, they appreciate the thought. We gotta take care of each other, and we do. A couple of us have even been on the other end. We know that a lot of girls ride solo too. It sure is a nice sight to see, someone stopping to offer help, even if you don't need it. It just warms the heart. SO biggest thank you goes to all the bikers out there, who always look out for each other, much love to you all!!

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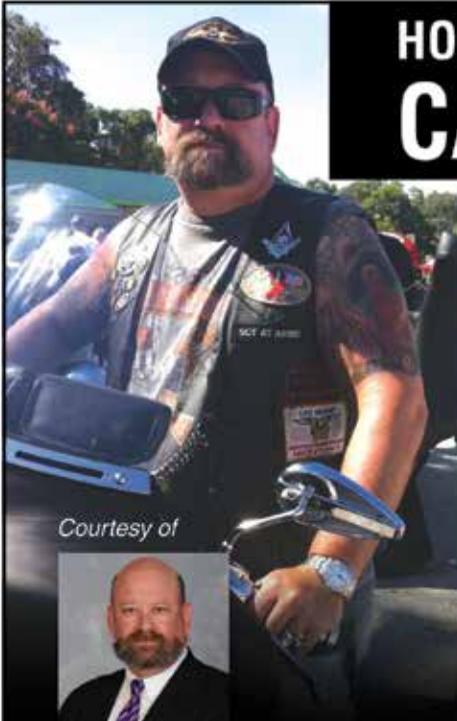
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JOHNNY'S RANT

Riding a motorcycle can be one of the most dangerous things we can do in this life, no matter how careful we are. But there's hardly anything better on Earth, for me, than cracking the throttle and going for a ride. Hell, I think it's better than sex, well maybe not, but it's close. (My wife reads my articles, so.....hahaha)



I'm going to start bugging everyone to be a member of ABATE. ABATE's mission is to make the roadways safer and let all the cagers know we are out there on the roadways too. In the last few months, we had three riders go down, two of them didn't make it, and the other one is pretty messed up. And only one of them was an ABATE member, and we will be able to help his family out with the insurance money that comes with membership.



It's hard to reach everyone, ya know, but we have members, including myself, who are always pushing for membership, for different reasons, of course. Some because we want people to get involved and help with our mission, and others, like me, that also want my brothers and sisters to have that extra insurance, that I never want them to use. It really hits me hard when we lose someone, and I almost feel responsible, that, because they weren't members, my organization can't help the families with some extra cash.

Okay, so I got that off my chest, I'm going to go for a long ride, remembering those who passed, RIP, ride in peace.

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CORNHUSKERS REMOVE LID LAW

"Nebraska becomes 33rd state to repeal mandatory helmet law!" blasts a headline across the top of the ABATE of Nebraska website (www.abatene.com), heralding the passage of Legislative Bill 91; which was amended to transportation measure LB138, overwhelmingly approved 30-5 and then signed into law by Governor Jim Pillen (R) on June 1, 2023.

"Glad to have played a role in allowing the riders of Nebraska to ride free," Facebooked State Senator Ben Hansen (R-Blair) who carried LB 91 through the unicameral legislature, touting that people should be free to decide if they want to take the risk of riding without a helmet.

Under Sen. Hansen's bill, any motorcyclist or passenger over age 21 who has completed a basic certification course by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation would be able to ride without a helmet, effective on January 1, 2024.

Riders from out of state could also ride without a helmet if they have taken an equivalent course and carry proof of completion. The bill would also require riders and passengers to wear protective glasses or have a windshield on their bikes.

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CALIFORNIA SENATE APPROVES EXEMPTION FOR SIKH RIDERS FROM HELMET LAW

Sikhs and others whose faith requires them to wear a turban or patka could soon be allowed to ride motorcycles in California without a helmet as mandated by state law, as the State Senate voted 21-8 on June 1st to grant a religious exemption for the headwear.

"Freedom of religion is a core foundation of this country," said State Senator Brian Dahle (R-Bieber), who sponsored Senate Bill 847. "We, as Americans, have the right to freely express our religion and I believe that right should equally extend to everyone."

Sikh turbans and patkas are considered articles of faith for believers.

"Although other countries and our own military make accommodations for Sikhs' deep beliefs, out of the U.S. states that require helmets, none has exemptions for Sikhs or any other group based on religious practice," according to Sen. Dahle. SB 847 now moves to the Assembly.

WASHINGTON STATE TO PROTECT VULNERABLE ROAD USERS

House Bill 1112, signed into law on May 16, 2023 by Washington Governor Jay Inslee (D) creates a new gross misdemeanor penalty for negligent drivers who kill "vulnerable user victims," which can include pedestrians, cyclists, and people riding tractors, horses or motorcycles on the roadway.

The traffic infraction of negligent driving in the second degree with a vulnerable user victim is renamed negligent driving with a vulnerable user victim in the second degree, and effective January 1, 2025, following a public awareness campaign, the scope of the infraction will be modified: A person commits the infraction if the person "operates a vehicle in a manner that is both negligent

and endangers or is likely to endanger any person or property, and proximately causes great bodily harm or substantial bodily harm of a vulnerable user of a public way.”

Negligent driving with a vulnerable user victim is punishable by up to 365 days in jail, a \$5,000 fine which may not be reduced below \$1,000, or both. A person convicted of this crime will also lose their driving privileges for 90 days.

The bill was a bipartisan effort by State Rep. Paul Harris (R-Vancouver) and will allow judges, at their discretion, to hold negligent drivers to greater accountability and impose criminal penalties to protect vulnerable victims of accidents.

ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE PARITY ACT

U.S. Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) and Bob Casey Jr. (D-PA) announced that they would introduce the Electric Motorcycle Parity Act in the Senate which, if enacted, would expand available tax credits to riders who purchase qualifying electric motorcycles in the U.S. with the same qualifications required for four-wheeled electric vehicles that previously passed into law as part of the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act.

In the United States, electric motorcycle purchases that met certain conditions were previously eligible for tax credits before the 2022 calendar year, but unfortunately for riders those tax credits expired at the end of 2021. Although some individual states have opted to offer tax incentives for electric motorcycles purchased in 2022 and 2023, nothing has existed at the federal level for the past year and a half.

According to Sens. Casey and Baldwin, the Electric Motorcycle Parity Act of 2023 would make vehicles with fewer than four wheels (potentially two- and even three-wheeled vehicles) eligible for the clean vehicle tax credit that is part of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, which awards up to \$7,500 to customers if both the vehicle and the taxpayer meet certain requirements.

BIPARTISAN CALL TO RE-ESTABLISH MAC AS REQUIRED BY LAW

Several members of the U.S. House of Representatives are urging Department of Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg to re-establish the Motorcyclist Advisory Committee (MAC). The MAC was supposed to be re-established within 90 days of the Motorcyclist Advisory Council Reauthorization Act of 2021 becoming law, expanding membership seats to include manufacturers, motorcyclists rights organizations and safety professionals, yet over a year has passed since its enactment with no action thus far by the DOT.

In the joint letter to the Transportation Secretary, the group of Congressmembers write in part; "Unfortunately, despite the requirement that the MAC be established within 90 days of enactment it appears no such action has been taken. While we understand the many priorities you manage at the Department of Transportation, this critical Council must be instated to ensure the safety of motorcyclists."

"DANGEROUS" AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES

A former federal transportation safety advisor warns, "It's very dangerous for motorcycles to be around Teslas" in a Washington Post article acknowledging the vehicle's Autopilot driver-assistance program "has been involved in far more crashes than previously reported."

The June 10 article notes that "The number of deaths and serious injuries associated with Autopilot also has grown significantly... The most recent data includes at least 17 fatal incidents," with four of those involving a motorcycle.

Last year, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) opened two consecutive special investigations into fatal crashes involving Tesla vehicles and motorcyclists.

Former NHTSA senior safety adviser Missy Cummings, now a professor at George Mason Uni-

versity's College of Engineering and Computing, called the surge in Tesla crashes "troubling" and said the number of fatalities compared to overall crashes was also a concern.

An uptick in crashes coincides with Tesla's aggressive rollout of Full Self-Driving, which has expanded from around 12,000 users to nearly 400,000 in a little more than a year. In February, Tesla issued a recall of more than 360,000 vehicles equipped with Full Self-Driving over concerns that the software prompted its vehicles to disobey traffic lights, stop signs and speed limits.

EUROPEAN MOTORCYCLE MARKET EXPERIENCING DOUBLE-DIGIT GROWTH

Sales figures for the first quarter of 2023 are in for the European PTW (Powered Two-Wheeler) market, and things seem to be looking up for the international motorcycle industry. In total, there was a 15.5% increase across the top five European markets as compared to the first quarter of 2022.

It goes without saying that the European motorcycle market is considerably more diverse than what we see in the U.S. With a wider selection of motorcycles due to stricter licensing parameters, manufacturers need to expand their model ranges with bikes in the 125cc, 300cc to 500cc, and 650cc+ categories. On top of that, more and more people are hitting the road on electric motorcycles.

Italy leads the pack with an impressive 31.1% growth versus the first quarter of 2022, with runner-up Germany experiencing 13.2% more moto-sales than the same period of last year. In third place, France marked a 7.1% increase over Q1 2022, while fourth and fifth places went to Spain and the U.K., respectively.

The European motorcycle industry appears to be rebounding from a rather lackluster 2022, and should the current trend continue, could result in an excess of one million new motorcycles sold there by year's end.

RIDER SETS DISTANCE RECORD

Spanish Enduro Champion Iván Cervantes has set a new Guinness World Record for the longest distance ridden by one person on a motorcycle, by riding 4,012km (2,493 miles) in 24 hours on April 30, 2023 aboard his Triumph Tiger 1200 GT Explorer.

The previous record, set at 3,406km (2,116 miles), was achieved by American rider Carl Reese on February 26, 2017, recording an average speed over 24 hours of 141.9kph (88.2mph). Cervantes' record therefore extends the record by 606km (377 miles), and with an average speed of 167.8kph (104.3mph).

There was a total of 18 pitstops, around every 1.5hours, with 520-litres of fuel used.

When asked if he slept during the event, the five-time Enduro World Champion and Triumph Global Ambassador admitted: "Believe me I tried, but after 10 minutes I couldn't sleep because of all the adrenaline inside my body."

NEW RECORD SET FOR MOST COUNTRIES VISITED IN A DAY BY MOTORCYCLE

A prominent motorcycle journalist has broken a world record for visiting the most amount of countries while riding a motorcycle in one 24-hour period.

Moto-writer Thierry Sarasyn started his ride in southern Poland, strategically chosen because of its close proximity to a significant number of other countries before ending his trip in the Netherlands.

At the end of his record-setting journey, Thierry racked up an impressive 1,367 miles, visiting 15 countries, and completed the feat in just 22 hours, yet breaking no speed limits and no local road traffic laws. That meant he had to basically ride 1,300 miles, through different countries all with varying traffic laws, in less than 24 hours.

DUCATI HONORED BY ITALIAN POSTAGE STAMP

Does your favorite motorcycle manufacturer have an official postage stamp from its country of origin? If you're a Ducatista it does, as the Italian national postal service, Poste Italiane, officially released its special Ducati stamp collection on June 9, 2023 crafted in honor of the 2022 Ducati MotoGP World Championship won by the Ducati team led by Factory rider Francesco "Pecco" Bagnaia.

The stamp depicts a stylized drawing of the Ducati GP22 MotoGP machine, roaring around a chicane painted in the tricolor of the Italian flag, along with a laurel wreath and text that reads "2022 Campioni Del Mondo Ducati" in the upper right corner.

FIRST-EVER WOMEN'S RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS COMING

The Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme (FIM) has officially announced the beginning of an entirely new racing series for 2024, and this time the circuit will be all about women racers, and will be called the FIM Women's Motorcycling World Championship.

Women from all over the world will be invited to race in this new Championship, and tentative plans for the opening season will include at least six rounds, with two races held per round, and will "primarily run alongside the MOTUL FIM Superbike World Championship" starting in March or April of next year.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again, who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, and spends himself in a worthy cause; who at best, knows the triumph of high achievement; and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

~ Theodore Roosevelt, "Citizen in a Republic", April 23, 1910

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