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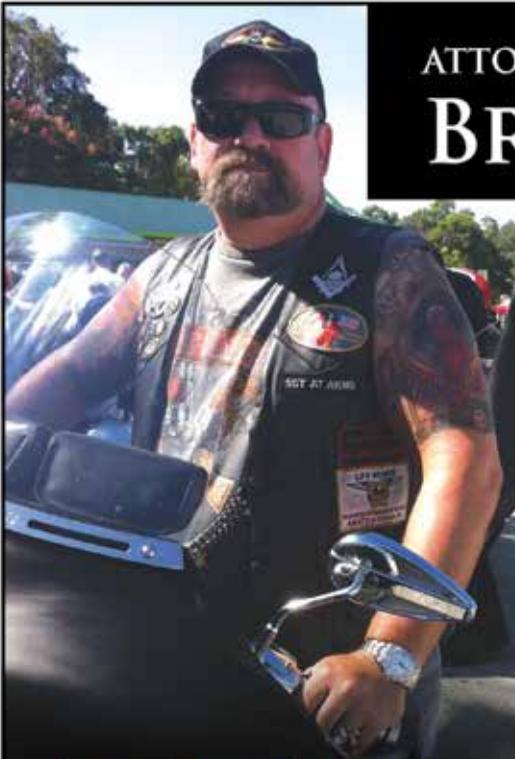
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- We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image.
- We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving 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.
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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- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2010 was our 10th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.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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From Your President



February has been an exciting month so far. We had Valentine's Day, the Super Bowl, and the ABATE of Florida Ride to the Capitol in Tallahassee, all in one weekend. We had a group go up to the Capitol. We left on Saturday morning, and got home on Tuesday. It was a fun ride, 460 miles one way. It was cool and then it was cold, and it rained a little. One the morning, we had frost on our motorcycles. We had no problems on the way up or back, and everyone got home safely.

Let me tell you a little bit about the weekend. On Saturday, we all mostly hung out together, all our brothers and sisters from the other ABATE Chapters across the state. It is always good to get together and share what's going on in our lives, have a few laughs. We are all united in helping to keep the roads safer and to keep our rights, to RIDE FREE. We had our State Meeting on Sunday, and that went well. Then we all hunted up a few different places to watch the Super Bowl. That was an exciting game!!

Then Monday was the Ride to the Capitol. We all rode together with a police escort, right up to the Capitol steps. There was a brief talk, by Doc, our State President, then a solemn ceremony, the Ringing of the Bells, where our fallen brothers and sisters, from the past few years, names were read, and a bell was rung for each one. Our Chapter had 3 former Presidents on that list, plus another half a dozen or so beloved members. Then it was time to go inside.

After we made it through the metal detectors,

we were inside the Capitol. We went around the House of Representatives and the Senate offices, to talk to our Congressmen. Actually, we mostly talked to their aides, but we let them know what bills we were pushing for and reminded them that motorcyclists are still around and will always be around, and so will ABATE, fighting for what we all love. There's just something about riding free in the elements, one with Mother Nature, sun on your face, wind therapy. There are some things you just can't feel when you're in a cage, the change in the temperature as you ride through different spots on the highway. or the smells of the terrain, you know who just moved their lawn or who's doing laundry, or when there is a farm nearby, even what food a restaurant is serving, as you ride down the road.

OK with all that being said, back to what's happening at home. Next month, in April, we will start the first round of nominations for our Chapter Board and Trustees. This is really important, and the decisions about these positions, made in the next few months, will decide who will be leading our Chapter for the next year. To our members, please come out to our meetings and participate in our elections. Nominations for all positions will take place in April, and again in May, with the final election in June.

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for our newsletter as they help us to get the word out to everyone, on what's going on in Tallahassee and the community.

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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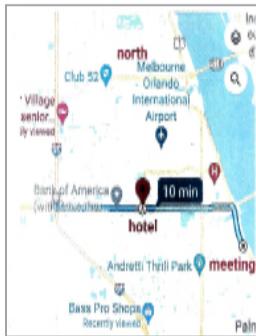
State Meeting

Saturday, April 9, 2022

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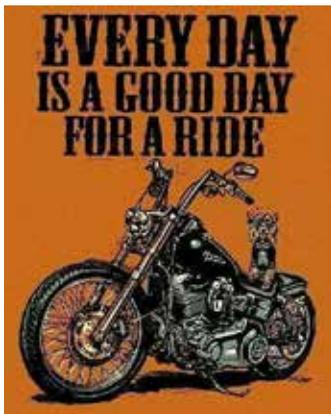
PARTICIPATION

What a great ride it was to ABATE's Annual convergence on the Capitol in Tallahassee. The ride was long and cold to Tallahassee but what a great experience to share and meet with fellow Abate members from all over the state. Abate has 17 Chapters in Florida alone with the oversight by one State Chapter which meets bi-monthly with two delegates from each chapter to discuss the legislative issues that effect motorcyclist throughout the state. The State meeting was on Sunday Feb. 13th, then on Valentine's Day we had a 30-mile Police escorted ride to the Courtyard of the Capitol. Riding into the Capitol courtyard alone is an awesome experience with over 50 Harleys vibrating the windows of our Senators and State Representatives. Our state president gave a great speech on the steps then proceeded with the remembrance of members which passed over the last year with calling out each name individually and the ringing of the bell. Afterwards, all us leather clad bikers, once we got past the metal detectors, walked the halls of the Capitol to meet with the Representatives and discuss the bills we are trying to get passed through legislation and signed by the Governor to become law.

Currently Abate is supporting three Bills, HB 743 – Violations Against Vulnerable Road Users; HB 2573 ABATE of Florida Safety and Education; and SB 1252 Traffic Offenses. I won't go into the details of each Bill but will let you google each one for more information. What I can tell you is that each one has been sponsored by a Representative and has made it to committee hearings. The process alone is long and complicated but through the Abate's full time lobbyist and members support we made it past the first road block. We will see what happens over the next few months and keep you informed.

I must encourage each member to set time aside for next year's Tallahassee Capitol ride. Its through our members participation and voice that we can make a difference to help keep motorcyclist rights from being abused. See you on next year's ride!

Your VP
Troy





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**Southeast Chapter Meeting Minutes
Held at American Legion Post 142
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February 20, 2022**

Mike “Bubba” Travis called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., and there were 19 members present. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Bubba, and a prayer by our Chaplain, Chrissy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JOHNNY ROSE:

Johnny thanked everyone for coming. He gave us the Sean “Bugsy” update. He is getting better, doing good. He spoke about the Semi-Annual Event, despite the very wet and windy weather, we still made money. Thank you to everyone that came, that volunteered and was there the whole time. The Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show went well, gained 11 new members, sold a bunch of products, and donations were given. The State Meeting and the Ride to the Capital did well considering it was Valentine's Day and cold. More detailed report from Troy in Vice President's report. Upcoming elections will start with nominations at the April Meeting. Please start thinking about if you want to run for a position. If you currently hold a position but do not plan on running for that position again, please let the Board know. Those currently holding positions are not guaranteed to remain in those positions. Appointed Teddy Bear (Barry Sadoff) as Officer of Elections, accepted by Teddy Bear.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – TROY WAUGH:

Troy spoke about the State Meeting, the ride there and back was good, and he will go over when we get to State Rep. For the Ride to Capital, our

group picked up 2 Palm Beach Chapter members and 1 Lighthouse Chapter member on the way up to the State meeting, 8 total riding up in our group. It was 38 degrees up there. There were close to 60 bikes, which was a good showing, considering Valentine's Day and Superbowl weekend. The Ringing of the Bells Ceremony, for those who have passed in the last 2 years, was very solemn and touching. Our Chapter lost 3 past Presidents just in the last 6 months. Please try and go next year.

SECRETARY'S REPORT –

HOLLIE “DREAMER” SADOFF:

Motion to approve minutes in newsletter, motioned, seconded, approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:

Sheila read the Treasurer's report for December, motioned, seconded, approved.

SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT –

MIKE “BUBBA” TRAVIS:

Bubba spoke about slowing down in school zones even when lights aren't flashing, especially after school because of extra-curricular activities, weekend sports, and activities. He reminded all to Represent, when wearing anything with ABATE on it, you are representing ABATE, please keep that in mind and act accordingly. The Semi-Annual ran well, thank you to all for coming out despite the weather. The Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Bike Show - was great, so many came out and helped.

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT – TROY WAUGH:

There are a LOT of upcoming events.

Saturday, February 26 - Scurvy Few MC Pirate Party

Sunday, February 27th - Party for Bar's Life at States MC

March 4th-13th - Daytona Bike Week

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Sunday, March 6th - Minnie's Birthday party at Mickey's Tiki Bar

Sunday, March 20th - 20/20 Riders Annual, Dade Council, details TBA

Saturday, March 26th - Fly-In Wheels Annual

Sunday, March 27th - US Military Vets MC Ch. 1 Party

Sunday, March 27th - Hermandad MC Annual

Sunday, April 3, Mystic 7 MC Annual

Sunday, April 10th - States MC Annual at their clubhouse

Saturday, April 30th - Skunkape Headquarters' Motorcycle Swamp Rally, details TBA

Saturday, May 14th - ABATE of Florida 5-Star Event in Ft. Myers

Sunday, May 29th - S.E. Chapter ABATE of FL Annual Memorial Day Event Post 36

June 17th-June 19th - NCOM Convention in Nashville, TN

August - Tattoo Expo is back, dates will be coming later

SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT – JON “WAVY” VIGER:

Riding Alert - With landscapers blowing leaves and grass clippings onto the road, be alert and careful when passing.

Riding Hint - When making turns on a bike, turn your head in the direction of the turn. The bike goes where you look. Only saw one person do that on the ride to Tallahassee

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT- ALTERNATES – JOHNNY ROSE AND TROY WAUGH:

Alternates Troy and Johnny reported, as Mike and Hope were not able to go to the February meeting. Three bills that ABATE is supporting, HB743 Vulnerable Road Users is in Committee, HB2573 to get ABATE money back is in Committee, SB1252 Traffic Offenses is in Committee, look them up for further information. At the first round of nominations for State Offices, Doc, for President, and Darrin, for Vice President, both nominated.

PRODUCTS REPORT –LAUREL “LITTLE BIT” CONNER:
Excused.

Board is talking about purchasing shop rags to give out at Safety and Membership booth.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:

Sheila read in the Membership report. We have over 690 members.

EVENTS COORDINATOR – GABE CARRERA:

Excused.

Our Memorial Day Event in May will be at American Legion Post 36, with American Legion Post 142 doing the Color Guard, pending State approval of the event. We are checking on one band, to see if they are available, and Gabe will help pay the cost of the band.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR – ADA “ABBY NORMAL” HIBBS:

Excused

Articles due today.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION – JON “WAVY” VIGER:

Going well, but we are dropping down to 700 newsletters, as some of the places we used to drop off have closed.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON – BRAD WINSTON:

Excused. See State Rep report for Bills we are supporting.

LEGAL COUNSEL – BRAD WINSTON:

Excused.

PUBLIC RELATIONS –

DAWNE “THUNDER” KIRK-WATERS:

Excused.

BILLING AND INVOICING – HOPE TRAVIS:

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SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT – BARRY “BEAR” CROWN:

“Bear” brought a delicious cake for the February birthdays.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT – MIKE “BUBBA” TRAVIS:

Nothing to report.

PHOTOGRAPHER'S REPORT - ADA "ABBY NORMAL":

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WEBMASTER'S REPORT - MIKE "ROGUE" HAGER:

"Rogue" was excused, all is going well.

CHAPLAIN - CRISSY LEONHARDT:

Chrissy spoke about all the people at the meeting, that our voices are louder, together. We are all practicing for something bigger. God is using our group, taking ordinary people and using them to do extraordinary things.

OLD BUSINESS:

Reminder, we are NOT a club, we are a Motorcycle Rights Organization and all volunteers. We are a part of the South Florida President's Council (SFPC) which we support, as they support us. The April 2022 Chapter meeting has been moved to April 24th due to Easter.

NEW BUSINESS:

State Gun Raffle - received books from State, please sign out and sell them. They are due in December. Please note you are responsible for all books you sign out. We purchased two 10' x 20' pop-up tents with sides for upcoming events. April begins nominations for Chapter Board and Trustee elections!

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Flyers on the table for upcoming events.

Motion to adjourn at 10:56am. Next meeting will be held at American Legion Post 142 at 10:00am on March 20, 2022.

Hollie "Dreamer" Sadoff



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ABATE of Florida Inc. has a safety program which is mostly designed for non-riders. This program is called MSAP (Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program). It is designed to make drivers of other vehicles more aware of motorcycles. This program is conducted by trained members of ABATE all across the state of Florida. The program is free of charge and takes approximately 45 minutes to one hour. It is intended for any organization, school, group or even an individual that is concerned or interested in helping make it safer for motorcycle riders and themselves. Maybe you work with people that may be interested or possibly the company you work for. If so, please contact us at –

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Thank you and hoping to hear from you soon.

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Taken from the "Motorcycle Safety Awareness" training program.

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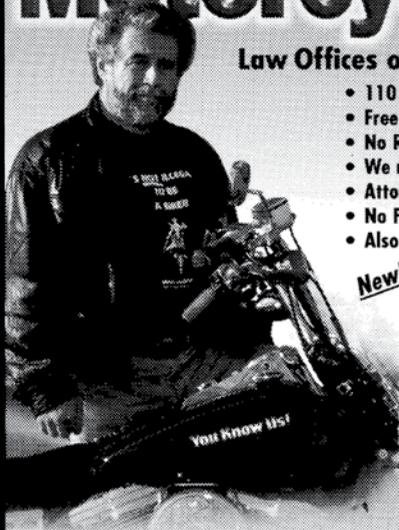
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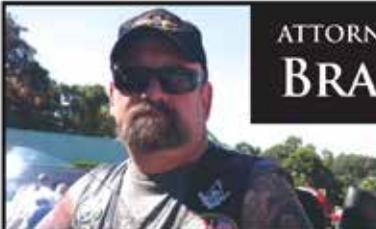
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ALCOHOL + MOTORCYCLING DON'T MIX

It's no secret that riding motorcycles has its risks. We all accept it and move on enjoying what we love to do...Ride. But that doesn't mean one should throw all safety precautions out the window and just say F*^% it. What doesn't mix is riding motorcycles after having a few drinks. Here are a few facts from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation to ponder on the next time you decide to take a sip then go hope on your bike.

QUICK TIPS:

Theory: Alcohol and Motorcycles Are Incompatible

- At a BAC* of 0.01 to 0.04%, judgment begins to lessen, the drinker is less critical of their own actions, reaction time is slowed, and indications of mental relaxation may appear.
- At a BAC of 0.05 to 0.07%, judgment is not sound, thinking and reasoning powers are not clear, and the ability to perform complex skills is lessened.
- At a BAC of 0.08% or above, judgment and reasoning powers are severely hampered, and the individual cannot complete common simple tasks without error.
- Having any alcohol in one's body increases the chance of crashing by five times.
- Having a BAC greater than 0.05% increases the risk of crashing about forty-fold.
- 46 percent of all motorcyclists killed in crashes were using alcohol. That statistic alone should scare the bajezus out of you.
- One fourth of all fatal alcohol-related motorcycle crashes involve motorcyclists running off the road, overturning, or falling from the motorcycle rather than striking another object. Explanation: Alcohol Affects Your Ability To "SEE" SEEsm is the acronym for MSF's strategy to help motorcycle riders maintain a safety margin as well as remain ready and able to respond properly to traffic situations.

SEE stands for:

- o Search for hazards that might lead to trouble.
- o Evaluate how the hazards might interact to create risk; prioritize multiple hazards to deal with one at a time.
- o Execute an action to maintain a margin of safety. Alcohol affects these three human elements of safe motorcycle operation by impairing your vision (Search), judgment/decision-making ability (Evaluate), and coordination/reaction time (Execute).

Recommendation: Plan Ahead

- Riders should never mix alcohol with riding. Even low, legal limits of BAC increase your risk while riding a motorcycle.
- Riders who are away from home and decide to drink should either (1) wait until their BAC has returned to zero before riding, even if it means staying overnight, or (2) leave the motorcycle in a secure location and find alternate transportation home.

Your Road Captain,

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A VOICE IN THE EARTH

Have you noticed the different sounds of 'truth' in the earth? They are coming from all directions. If you listen closely and ask God for wisdom and discernment, you can hear who's telling the

truth. For the last two years or so, we've heard mans thoughts, ideas and questions, followed by more deliberations, suggestions and uncertainty. The truth is hard to hear when men so puffed up by their own greedy agendas keep taking the podium.

But the podium must now yield to the common man's voice from the nation to our North who've figured out how to make their point... Not by violent riots and raging fires in the streets, but by rolling in on 18 wheels only to come to a complete stop has their point been clearly stated. As this goes to print, the strategy has gone viral. What started out as one or two voices has now become a grass-roots movement rippling across the globe!

Why? Because there's a voice other than the narrative, a truth that's greater and a freedom still worth fighting for. We are not the property of another man or governmental institution. That's called slavery and too much blood has been spilled for this cause. Many wars have already been fought for men's freedoms. Just in our nation alone, the US divided from Great Britain not only to worship freely, but also find a better way of life no longer enslaved by the Queen. The Civil War was fought in our backyards so yet another kind of slavery could come to an end.

Over 2000 years ago, an even greater war was waged on a cross. Jesus died once and for all so that men and women could be free from the slavery of sin in our hearts. That's right... the enemy of this earth has enslaved us and it's an abomination to God. Jesus came to set us free! Holding anyone captive against his or her will is unlawful. That, my friend, is what the enemy has been doing and he is about to be exposed.

John the Baptist was a loud voice heard from the outskirts of town. He was a common, ordinary man that God used in his day and time. 'The Baptist' was his club name because he baptized out in the wilderness those who wanted to follow Jesus. (Matthew 3:3) Some called him weird and unconventional because he didn't go with the flow. His ideas were different and he bucked the religious system. John dressed funny, ate unusual food and lived in the wilderness like a street bum! Yet Jesus honored him and said he himself was not even worthy to tie John's shoes.

So I ask... Who will speak up for our freedom? Will you let God use you? Will you be a voice in the earth??? Let's see what God can get done with only two wheels!

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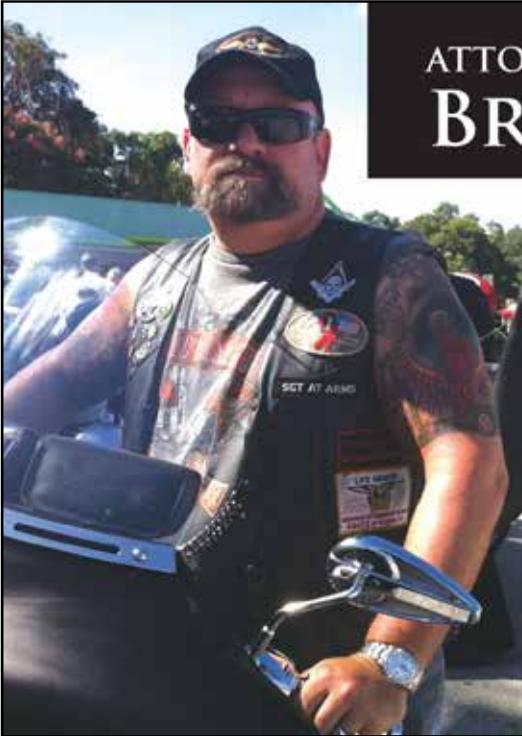
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- > Mickey's Karaoke 8PM-12AM

WEDNESDAY

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2nd and 4th Wed

Hernandad MC Open House 8PM- 2AM

THURSDAY

1st & 3rd Thurs -

Leathernecks MC Open House 8PM - Midnite
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Gideons Motorcycle Club 8PM

1st & 3rd Friday

Kingdom of Brothers MC Open House

Every other Friday

Fearless MC Open House 8PM-1AM

3rd Friday

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10 STATES MC - ANNUAL	11	12	13	14 E-Board Meeting	15	16
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20th-Sun
26th-Sat Fly-In Wheels Annual
27th-Sun US MILITARY VETS MC CH.1 - PARTY
HERMANDAD MC - ANNUAL

APRIL

2nd-Sat
3rd-Sun MYSTIC SEVEN MC - PARTY
9th-Sat
10th-Sun **STATES MC - ANNUAL**
16th-Sat
17th-Sun CMA - EASTER SERVICE
23rd-Sat
22nd-24th LEESBURG BIKEFEST???

MAY

7th-Sat **SOUTHERN MC - ANNUAL**
8th-Sun
8th-Sun Mothers Day
14th-Sat **OUTCAST MC - ANNUAL**
15th-Sat LEATHERNECKS MC - PARTY
21st-Sat
22nd-Sun **NEW ATTITUDES MC - ANNUAL**
28th-Sat
29th-Sun S.E. ABATE - MEMORIAL DAY EVENT
30tht-Mon Memorial Day

JUNE

4th-Sat AOA SOUTH FLORIDA
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5th-Sun WINGS OF GOLD MC FT. LAUD. - PARTY
11th-Sat **MIDNIGHT CLUB REAPERS MC - ANNUAL**
12th-Sun
18th-Sat
19th-Sun Fathers Day
25th-Sat **US MILITARY VETS MC**
S. BROWARD - ANNUAL

JULY

2nd-Sat
3rd-Sun
4th-Mon Independence Day
9th-Sat
10th-Sun **ALTERNATIVE MC - ANNUAL**
16th-Sat
17th-Sun **SOLDIERS FOR JESUS MC**
BROWARD - ANNUAL
23rd-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC -
CHILI COOK-OFF
24th -Sun

AUGUST

5th-14th 82nd STURGIS MOTORCYCLE
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12th-14th 25th Annual South Florida
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14th-Sun AOA FT. LAUD. -
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27th-Sat
28th-Sun **SCURVY FEW MC - ANNUAL**

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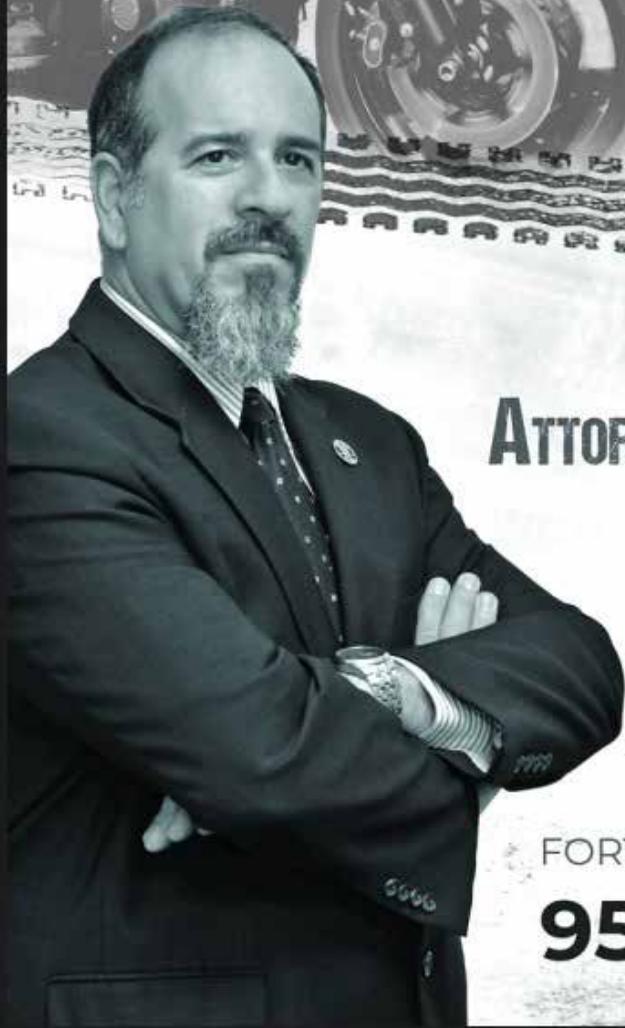
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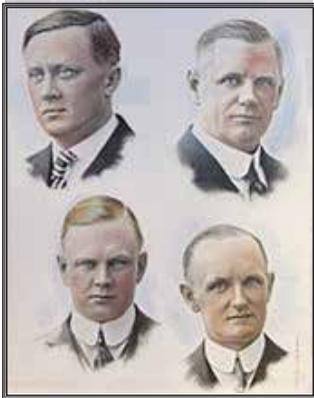
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-by: Sheila, Sandy, Little Bit, & Thunder

We were sitting around, talking about Harley-Davidsons and the different things we know about them. It is one of those subjects that you think you know about, but the more you find out, the more you find out you didn't know much at all. Thunder works at a Harley-Davidson dealership too. And when it comes to this company, in particular, founded back in 1903, there is a lot to learn.

We knew that Harley-Davidson was founded by William Harley and Arthur Davidson, but did you know that there were two others, William Davidson and Walter Davidson?

In 1907, when Harley-Davidson was officially incorporated, William Harley was the chief engineer and treasurer, Arthur Davidson was the general sales manager, Walter Davidson was the president, and William Davidson was the works manager.



Clockwise from top left: William S. Harley, William A. Davidson, Walter Davidson, Sr., Arthur Davidson

William and Arthur grew up in Milwaukee, Wis-



consin, a few houses from each other. They were good friends and were obsessed with bicycles when they were young. William worked at a bicycle factory then at a manufacturing company, where he designed his first internal combustion engine. William, Arthur, and a few friends borrowed a lathe and spent a few years trying to build a proto-type motorcycle, but they failed. As with many failures, they learned a valuable lesson, that they needed a machinist. Walter Davidson, Arthur's older brother, was their man. William Davidson, Arthur's oldest brother, a mechanic, also joined them. In 1904, they made their second proto-type, and entered it in a race. It did not win, but that was the beginning of a long history.

Here are some interesting facts:

- The first "factory" was a shed in the Davidson's backyard. The current headquarters is on the same location, but a lot bigger, of course.
- The first motorcycles produced by Harley-Davidson had a single-cylinder engine, and you would pedal until enough engine compression built up, and then the engine took over.
- In 1909, the two-cylinder V-Twin engine was perfected and could reach speeds up to 60mph.
- Harley-Davidson sponsored their own racing team, known for exhilarating performances. Sponsoring a team is common now, but back then, it was revolutionary, and got them a lot of press and sales.
- Arthur, as the sales manager, in 1914, got the USPS to use his bikes to deliver mail
- By the 1950s, police departments nationwide were using Harley-Davidson, and many children like the Wild West look of them, with their boots, breaches, and saddlebags

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- Walter Davidson saw an opportunity and started marketing the Harley-Davidson brand for clothing and accessories. They now also have expanded into motorcycle insurance, a riding academy, home décor, toys, credit cards, and more. (Go see Thunder, call her, her number is on page 2, and she can show you all kinds of motorcycle clothing)

In 1917, the United States entered World War I, and the military needed motorcycles for the war effort, and Harley was there to help. They sold over 20,000 motorcycles to the U.S. Military. By 1920, Harley Davidson was the largest motorcycle manufacturer in the world, with over 28,000 bikes produced and dealers in 67 countries.

Then came the Great Depression. Sales went from 21,000 in 1929 to less than 4,000 in 1933. Despite this, Harley-Davidson introduced a new line-up in 1934 which included a flathead engine. Also, in order to help them survive the depression, they manufactured industrial powerplants that were based on their engines and built 3-wheeled service delivery vehicle.

Only two American motorcycle manufacturers survived the Great Depression, Indian and Harley-Davidson. Then came World War II, which the United States entered in 1941. Harley-Davidson produced a lot of motorcycles for the military, more than 90,000, and then later, for civilians, a range of large V-Twins that were also successful on racetracks.

In 1969, AMF (American Machine and Foundry, yep, same company that makes bowling balls) bought the company, but sales and quality declined and the company almost went bankrupt. In 1981, AMF sold the company to Vaughn Beals and Willie G. Davidson, grandson of William Davidson.

At that time, Japanese motorcycle manufacturers were now importing motorcycles into the US in such volume as to harm domestic producers.

President Reagan imposed a 45 percent tariff on imported bikes with engines over 700ccs

Rather than trying to match the Japanese, the new management deliberately exploited the "retro" appeal of the machines, building motorcycles that deliberately adopted the look and feel of their earlier machines and the subsequent customizations of owners of that era, and buyers slowly returned.

The "Sturgis" model, boasting a dual belt-drive, was introduced initially in 1980 and was made for three years. This bike was then brought back as a commemorative model in 1991. By 1990, with the introduction of the "Fat Boy", Harley-Davidson once again became the sales leader in the heavy-weight (over 750 cc) market.

Harley-Davidson's association with sportbike manufacturer Buell Motorcycle Company began in 1987, and in 1993, Harley-Davidson bought 49 percent of the Buell Motorcycle Company. Harley-Davidson increased its share in Buell to 98 percent in 1998, and to complete ownership in 2003. In 2009, Harley-Davidson discontinued the Buell line. The stated reason was to focus on the Harley-Davidson brand.

In 1998, the first Harley-Davidson factory outside the US opened in Manaus, Brazil, taking advantage of the free economic zone there. The location was positioned to sell motorcycles in the southern hemisphere market.

Harley-Davidson hired Elton John to headline their 100th anniversary event on September 1, 2003. Other performers included The Doobie Brothers, Kid Rock, and Tim McGraw.

In 2006, Harley introduced the FLHX Street Glide, a bike designed by Willie G. Davidson to be his personal ride, to its touring line.

Sheila rides a Sportster, so we have to include a little about that here. Introduced in 1957, the Sportster family were conceived as racing motorcycles, and were popular on dirt and flat-track

race courses through the 1960s and 1970s. Smaller and lighter than the other Harley models, contemporary Sportsters make use of 883 cc or 1,200 cc Evolution engines and, though often modified, remain similar in appearance to their racing ancestors.

In 2007, electronic fuel injection was introduced to the Sportster family, and the Nightster model was introduced in mid-year. In 2009, Harley-Davidson added the Iron 883 to the Sportster line, as part of the Dark Custom series.

Okay, enough about the bikes, but who rides them? According to a Harley-Davidson study, around 2008, only 15 percent of Harley buyers were under 35, and the median age is 48. In 1987, the median household income of a Harley-Davidson rider was \$38,000. By 1997, the median household income for those riders had more than doubled, to \$83,000.

Harley-Davidson attracts a loyal brand community, with licensing of the Harley-Davidson logo accounting for almost 5 percent of the company's net revenue. Harley-Davidson still supplies many American police forces with their motorcycle fleets.

From its founding, Harley-Davidson had worked to brand its motorcycles as respectable and refined products. That began to shift in the 1960s, partially in response to the clean-cut motorcyclist portrayed in Honda's "You meet the nicest people on a Honda" campaign, when Harley-Davidson sought to draw a contrast with Honda by underscoring the more working-class, macho, and even a little anti-social attitude associated with motorcycling's dark side. With the 1971 FX Super Glide, the company embraced, rather than distanced, itself from chopper style, and the counterculture custom Harley scene. Their marketing cultivated the "bad boy" image of biker and motorcycle clubs, and to a point, even outlaw or one-percenter motorcycle clubs. After World War II, riders wanting more speed would often shorten the fenders or

take them off completely to reduce the weight of the motorcycle. These bikes were called "bobbers" or sometimes "choppers", because parts considered unnecessary were chopped off. Those who made or rode choppers and bobbers referred to stock bikes as "garbage wagons".

Where did HOG come from? Beginning in 1920, a team of farm boys, including Ray Weishaar, who became known as the "hog boys", consistently won races. The group had a live hog as their mascot. Following a win, they would put the hog on their Harley and take a victory lap. In 1983, the Motor Company formed a club for owners of its product, taking advantage of the long-standing nickname by turning "hog" into the acronym HOG, for Harley Owners Group. On August 15, 2006, Harley-Davidson Inc. had its NYSE ticker symbol changed from HDI to HOG.

William S. Harley, Arthur Davidson, William A. Davidson and Walter Davidson, Sr were, in 2004, inducted into the Labor Hall of Fame for their accomplishments for the H-D company and its workforce.

Enough about Harley, enough!! Well, actually, we could fill another 20 pages. We hope you found this all interesting, a little history lesson in some parts. Next month, we will look at Indian, sticking with the American steel theme.

Till next time.....and hope to see you then.

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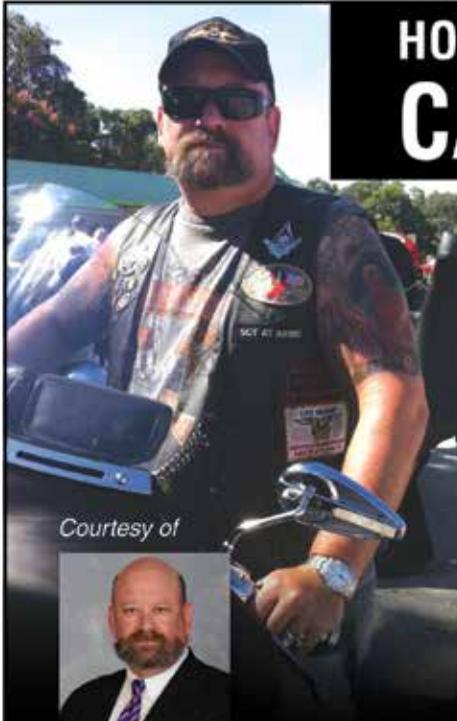
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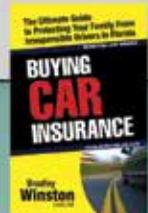
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Johnny's Rant

All right, here we go, so I'm sure you all heard, there's a shortage of truck drivers out there. So, they're making autonomous trucks to ride down the highway. I think that's what they call it anyway, no humans in the truck. I'm just curious as to how they will they see pedestrians, and what if there's an animal in the road, or a bike is down, or even just some knucklehead passed out on the side of the road. Are they gonna see puddles or potholes? Are they gonna see black ice? Or are we all just gonna be road pizza?

And if they do “see” or sense the obstacles, how will they quickly maneuver around, or slam on the brakes, especially in a city? What if their programming fails?

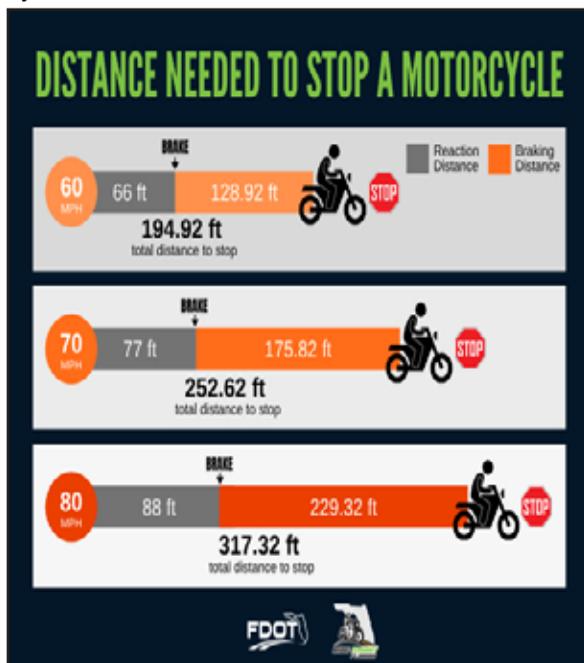
Oh yeah, and what if they get a front tire blowout? I'll tell you what, I ain't digging this #@&%* at all. I don't know how to cure the problem of not enough truck drivers. They want better working conditions and wages. I got it, maybe they should get paid as much as our politicians do. Hey, a lot of people might wanna be truck drivers then, just sayin', you know.

It's awful scary to think that thousands of pounds of steel are gonna be running down the highways without any human in them, not cool. And with that kind of weight, it's not gonna matter if you're on a bike or in a cage, you get hit, you're history!

I just thought I'd give you all something to think about, future's looking kind of scary to me. Are we still gonna have our freedom when we ride down the road? Or are we gonna have to spend most of our time looking over our shoulders so we don't get squashed by these unmanned trucks?

Anyway, something to think about.

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U.S. MOTORCYCLE SALES CONTINUE UPWARD TREND

New motorcycle sales in the U.S. continued to rise across all segments last year, the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) announced. While bike sales continue to improve, it's also worth noting that the Motorcycle Safety Foundation saw enrollment in its basic rider courses grow significantly in 2021 as well, so it's good news all-around with more riders on more bikes.

"In addition to strong sales, we are seeing strong demand for riding training and education," said MIC president and CEO Erik Pritchard. "The Motorcycle Safety Foundation saw an estimated 48% increase in enrollment in 2021 over 2020."

Overall motorcycle sales rose 14.2% over 2020, and 21.8% over 2019 figures, across all segments. That includes scooters, which by themselves rose 19.6% over 2020, and 31.4% over 2019 numbers, while on-road bike sales rose 12.9% over 2020, but what's especially encouraging is sales of dual-sport and off-road bikes. The strange year that was 2020 saw a 46.2% increase in dual sport sales over 2019 numbers, and in 2021 dual-sport motorcycle sales rose an additional 18.6% over those 2020 numbers. Pure off-road bikes also saw sales rise 42.9% in 2021 over 2019.

These marketing figures were gleaned from sales data that the MIC compiles from 14 major

OEMs and distributors across America, and it's an encouraging outlook as we vroom into 2022.

BUMPER YEAR FOR BIKING DESPITE REPEATED COVID THREATS

Amidst the doom and gloom of both winter weather and the lingering effects of the global pandemic, it may come as a surprise that 2021 was one of the strongest years for motorcycling in well over a decade, with new bike sales worldwide on an upward swing and more people joining the two-wheeled fold.

Anecdotal evidence from training schools here and across the pond reflected a huge surge of people wanting to get into motorcycling and now the latest data confirms it.

Ducati reports that 2021 was their best sales year on record, up globally an impressive 24% on 2020, which was heavily impacted by Coronavirus, but also a massive 12% up on 2019.

And it's not just Ducati celebrating success either, with BMW announcing 2021 was their best-ever year of global sales - jumping 14.8% from 2020.

Despite concerns an exit from the European Union might hinder growth in the UK, motorcycle sales there increased by 26.6%, spurring a 9.3% rise in registrations.

BRACE FOR DAMAGED SUPPLY CHAIN RECOVERY

With 2021 being the rollercoaster that it was, supply chains around the world have been hit with a crisis of limited product availability: "Starting in 2020, companies reacted to the economic downturn by cancelling production plans for the next year, only to be blindsided by an upswing in demand prompted by rapid vaccine rollouts and fiscal support for rich-world household spending," explains a report from KitCo. "At the same time, virus containment measures and infection clusters triggered labour shortages and factory shut-downs, just as consumer spending was shifting from services to goods."

Right around this point was when the Powersports market saw an especially huge surge in sales; people had nowhere to go, so they bought bikes and other toys to have fun locally.

Today, restrictions are consistently looser than ever, thanks to the milder Omicron variants -- and with the loosened limitations come a tentatively positive upswing for the market -- an upswing that, if we're lucky, will mean an end to supply shortages and the healing of damaged income streams, predicts webbikeworld.com.

"At some point during this year, we will see a more 'normal situation'," says Soren Skou, head of shipping giant Maersk, who predicts employees will soon return to work at ports, inflating demand for shipment services and thereby contributing to the mending of at least one sector of the supply chain.

All told, executives of Powersports manufacturers are anticipating a hike in raw product prices for 2022.

In the meantime, the global semiconductor shortage has impacted multiple industries, including automotive and powersports. Over 80% of the microchips in products consumed by Americans are manufactured in Asia, whose production has reduced following the pandemic. This has resulted in a severe shortage across the world.

As a result, companies like Bosch have increased investment in microchip manufacturing; however, it will be a while until new players like Intel Corp and Samsung can overcome the current deficit. House Democrats and President Biden are pushing for \$52B of investment in semiconductor production and research to speed up the process further.

For consumers, we've seen vehicle costs rise by over 10-15% the past couple of years due to product shortages and supply chain issues, and this will likely continue until a more permanent solution is found.

STUDY SHOWS THAT ETHANOL IS WORSE FOR THE CLIMATE THAN GASOLINE

Analysis of corn-based ethanol production from end-to-end yields some potentially bad news for this biofuel. While riders have long understood that ethanol can have ill effects on our bikes, a new study published in the "Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences" found that it may have other downsides, too.

Ethanol was supposed to be environmentally advantageous as compared to gasoline, but in the study, researchers dove deeper into how the U.S. Renewable Fuel Standard's outcomes were measuring up to the country's goals. Instead of simply limiting its observations to any one part of the corn-based ethanol production and consumption processes, researchers gathered data on all parts of the ethanol production cycle.

Upon taking important things like land use changes, fertilizer increases, and the like into account, researchers reported findings that corn-based ethanol is 24% more carbon-intensive than gasoline production. If these numbers are even remotely accurate, it's concerning.

"It basically reaffirms what many suspected, that corn ethanol is not a climate-friendly fuel and we need to accelerate the shift toward better renewable fuels, as well as make improvements in efficiency and electrification," lead study author and scientist Tyler Lark said in a statement.

This study's release comes shortly before the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is expected to propose updated 2023 requirements to the country's biofuel policies.

RHODE ISLAND PROPOSES TAX CUT FOR MOTORCYCLE RIDERS

Rhode Island has just had a 2022 budget proposal that could potentially provide a "sales tax exemption for the trade-in value of motorcycles."

Governor Daniel McKee's proposed 2022 budget, H 7123, includes motorcycle tax cuts used strictly for pleasure purposes;

(67) Trade-in value of motorcycles

"From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of so much of the purchase price paid for a new or used motorcycle as is allocated for a trade-in allowance on the motorcycle of the buyer given in trade to the seller, or of the proceeds applicable only to the motorcycle as are received from the manufacturer of motorcycles for the repurchase of the motorcycle whether the repurchase was voluntary or not towards the purchase of a new or used motorcycle by the buyer."

Gov. McKee's proposed tax break would only apply to the trade-in value of a bike, or reselling bikes in general, and could be a great way to get new riders on R.I. roads.

UK DECARBONIZATION PLAN EYES E-BIKES

The British government has launched an action plan that it's hoped will help realize the potential electric motorcycles and scooters offer for reducing emissions and congestion. The Motorcycle Industry Association (MCIA) have been working with specialists tasked by the Government to find out what needed to be done to increase the use of smaller electric vehicles.

"Traditionally, powered two-wheelers and other types of PLVs (Powered Light Vehicles) have often been absent from national and local policy due to an underappreciation or lack of awareness of their potential benefits to the environment," says MCIA chief, Tony Campbell. "The launch of this Action Plan is a landmark for our sector, and we look forward to continuing our work with the Government and industry to ensure the full and proper implementation of the Plan's recommendations."

The measures that the MCIA have recommended are broad and far reaching, covering everything from ensuring that licensing laws keep up with the evolution of new electric bikes to building a UK based supply chain to help lower costs.

DANES FACE MOTORCYCLE CONFISCATION FOR 'INSANE' RIDING

Danish authorities are confiscating three motorcycles a day for what the authorities are claiming is 'insane' riding. The rules first came into force in March 2021, and in a nutshell, allow the police and authorities to enforce much stricter penalties for what is deemed to be dangerous and illegal riding or driving. Up to and including the offender's vehicle being seized, with seized machines sent off and sold at auction!

The scheme isn't just aimed at residents of the Nordic beauty spot, those travelling in and through the nation are also liable. FEMA (Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations) reports that anyone touring in or through, holidaying, or on business in Denmark, using two wheels or four is liable to be hit with the same penalties.

The system seems to be working too, as FEMA reports that in the first six months after the new rules came into force, the police seized a total of 510 vehicles, while 623 charges have been filed in 586 cases involving "insane driving."

RESEARCHERS FIND DRIVERS AND RIDERS SEE DIFFERENTLY

A road safety study from England's Bournemouth University has found that drivers and riders on the road see 'different things' and have a very different visual perception of what is going on around them.

The project was led by PhD researcher (and BMW rider) Shel Silva, who assessed the neurological and cognitive influences of motorcyclists and car drivers.

"The brain has developed an interest in things which are threats," explains the report, which found that road users would see larger objects on the road, trucks, buses, and so on, as a greater threat than smaller objects such as motorcycles. Silva also found that a motorcyclist's identification, perception, and knowledge of potential risks

would change depending on their motorcycling qualifications and experience.

To complete the study, Silva used eye-tracking and interviews using grounded theory to investigate the causes of collisions. It uncovered that a motorcycle rider can be masked by a natural blind spot in the human eye. And that a driver's brain can experience saccadic masking (when the brain fills in the information when moving the eyes from one point to another), potentially causing a motorcyclist to be obscured from view.

Silva recommends making minor lane adjustments prior to a maneuver or turn, which can trigger a visual orienting response to capture drivers' attention.

"The research is suggesting that by understanding motorcyclists' knowledge and identification of risks it is possible to better inform training and materials which appeal to motorcyclists," she said. "It is key to understand that motorcyclists do not need training about how to ride a motorcycle but would benefit from more skills regarding how to read the road and other road users."

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Insanity in individuals is something rare -- but in groups, parties, nations, and epochs it is the rule."

~ Friedrich Nietzsche (1844 - 1900), German Philosopher

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The couple stayed in New Haven for two more years and in 1989, Bars convinced Alice to give Florida a try. After moving to Ft. Lauderdale, Alice never quite adjusted to her new surroundings and truly missed her family. So back to Connecticut they went, but not for long. About ten years later and just after 9/11, Alice agreed that Florida was a better place to live. They packed up and moved back South, making a home in the quaint town of Wilton Manors.

Bars was an excellent handyman, using his creative skills not only to work on their home, but he made a living as a Jack-of-all-trades. His meticulous work ethic made him exceptional at doing renovations, often times turning old junk into unusual treasures. Not a lazy bone in his body, Bars loved to tinker. He was known to take a piece of wood and hand-carve it into an artisan pipe. He worked in his trade until the age of 62.

Retiring gave Bars more time for the hobbies he enjoyed. Both Bars and Books enjoyed traveling. They traveled to some of the islands, as well as in their camper van, visiting family in Georgia, Colorado, and Connecticut. They also enjoyed camping adventures with their brothers and sisters from local organizations and clubs. Bars was the Sgt. of Arms for ABATE Southeast, as well as the organizations President from 2013-2015. After faithfully serving in ABATE, he joined States MC, where he was a member ever since. He honored and loved his States patch and was loyal to his club. You could count the people he didn't like one half a hand. At the same time, it would have been rare to hear an unkind word said about Bars... a man known by his brothers and sisters as easy to talk to, likeable and unceasingly kind. He was also known for his soft, good-looking beard, which some women loved to touch.

Along with his love for motorcycles and riding, Bars enjoyed NASCAR and NHRA Drag Racing. He collected all sorts of car memorabilia as a hobby. He had several motorcycles; his first bike being a 1969 kick-start Harley Davidson Sportster, which Alice said held an honored spot in her living room for years!

Any woman who allows a motorcycle in her living room should be honored herself. And that's not the only bike Bars had as a part of the furniture. Maybe that's what made their relationship so special. The two got along with each other so well. They did practically everything as a couple... watching Turner Classic movies, camping, riding, watching the races, and just plain being together. They knew how to carve out time for each other making romance a top priority.

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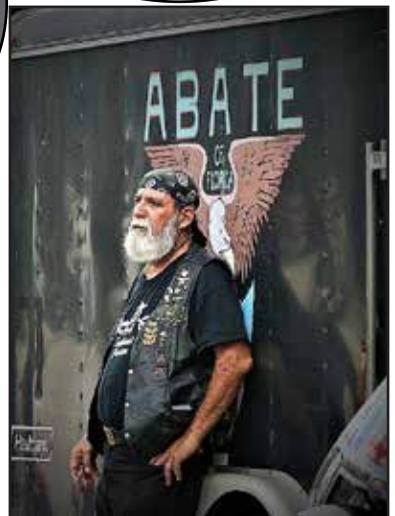
You might ask why a fact like this would even be mentioned? Because it describes Bars priority and it was the #1 key to their long, happy marriage.

If we can somehow take this as a lesson, then Bars will have planted a valuable truth in those he leaves behind. Alice said of her husband, she wanted to do what HE wanted to do and what he liked, she liked WITH him. In return, those of us who knew them as a couple knew they were in love.

Bars will certainly be missed. He touched lives wherever he went. He called Alice 'Malumphy', her maiden name and the pet name Bars called her, also inscribed inside her wedding band. But to the rest of us, he was one of the kindest, most thoughtful, non-judgmental men we may ever have known.

In Bars own words from Wheels on the Road,
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