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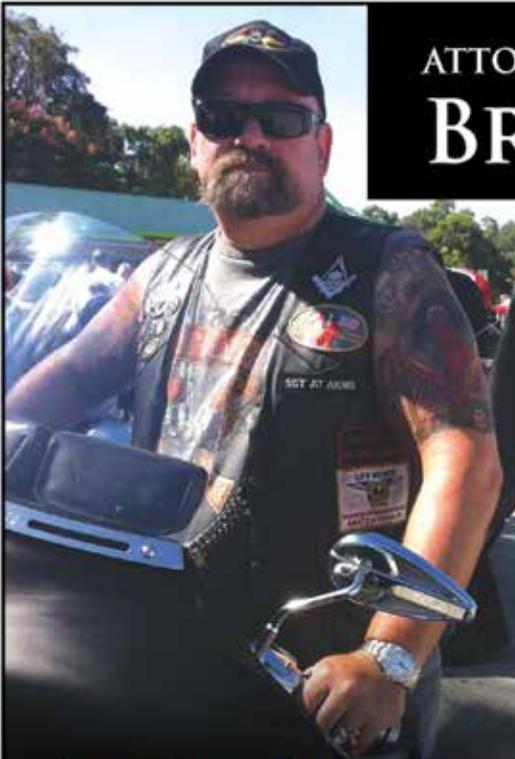
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## **WHO WE ARE**

- 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- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2020 was our 20th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.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**

## **From Your President**

First off, ABATE is going to start this new legislative ride with a new State President, Grizz (William Deaver) from Lake County Chapter. He has been President the of Lake County Chapter for over 20 years, so he is well-qualified for the job at hand. Bill Bird won for State Public Relations. The rest of the State Board and Trustees ran unopposed. Doc (James Reichenbach), who was our State President for over 30 years, will remain our lobbyist. So, let's all pull together and help our new President, the rest of the State Board and Trustees, and our lobbyist get the job done for us. They can't do it all by themselves. They need help from all of us.

Last year, when the Florida State Legislature was in session, many of us emailed the governor, the senators, and the representatives asking them to support the bills that were important to us. They all replied back to us. Let's go ahead and see if we can't get more people to reach out to their legislators this coming year, calling and emailing, and asking them to take action. We are trying to get some bills back in committee, and I will have a nice article in a later newsletter to let you all know when you need to start reaching out. The 2023 Legislative Session runs from March 7th through May 5th.

Some of the bills that we hope to have heard and passed into laws are “The Vulnerable Road Users” bill, the bill to get our safety money back, and a really important one to all of us, the profiling bill. We want to stop police from profiling motorcyclists. It's up to all of us to help ABATE have a louder voice in Tallahassee. We want all the legislators to know who ABATE is, that all us motorcyclists do care, and do vote, and that we are here to stay. Please remember when communicating with the legislators please be polite and courteous. You know, you get more flies with honey than you do vinegar, just sayin'.

Alrighty, next important subject, October 9th will be our 42nd Annual Event at Mickey's Tiki Bar in Pompano Beach. The party will start at noon and end at 5. We will have a live band, 50/50, great door prizes, and great food. Save the date, then grab your friends and come and help support the Southeast Chapter.

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!

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Peace,  
Johnny Rose  
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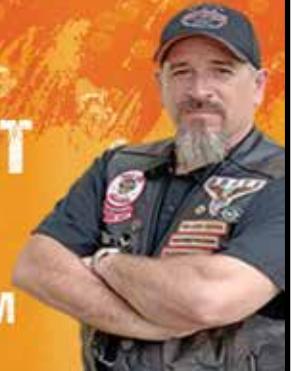
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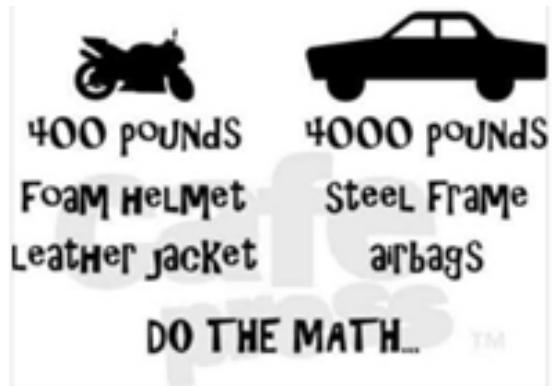
2021 THROWBACK

OUR VP, TROY, IS CURRENTLY ON THE MEND.

## Riding South Florida,

It seems like every time we go out for a ride, someone either cuts us off, passes to close, doesn't move at the light because they are texting, or does something that just pisses us off. The next thing you know you are in a full Road Rage mentality with smoke coming out of your ears. Ever heard of going to gun fight with only a knife? Well, that's basically us each and every time when we ride. No matter who is in the wrong or who is in the right, you are going to lose the fight, every time. Is it really worth it? Easy answer, No.

Think about it, is it really worth having an accident or even losing your life because of something that happens on the road you don't like? If someone cuts you off, ok, just let it roll off your back, take a deep breath and just slow down. If you really get smoke'n angry, just pull over for a few minutes and remember you have loved ones at home that depend on you. Don't lose control, don't sweat the small stuff.



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**SOUTHEAST CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES  
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 142  
171 SW 2ND ST  
POMPANO BEACH FL, 33060  
AUGUST 21, 2022**

Mike “Bubba” Travis called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and there were 31 members present. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Bubba, and a prayer by our Assistant Chaplain, Barry “Bear” Crown.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT – JOHNNY ROSE:**

Johnny thanked everyone for coming. He let all know that Troy, our Vice President and Road Captain is having some medical issues and asked for prayers.

**VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT – TROY WAUGH:**

Excused.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT – HOLLIE “DREAMER” SADOFF:**

Motion to approve minutes as printed in the newsletter, motioned, seconded, approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:**

Sheila read the Treasurer’s Report for the checking and savings account, motioned, seconded, approved.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT –**

**MIKE “BUBBA” TRAVIS:**

Bubba reminded all that school is back in session, so slow down in school zones. We need to protect the children, and also avoid speeding fines, which are now double. Please be aware of school buses. If the bus is stopped and the Stop sign is out, do not go around it. If you are coming from the opposite direction, and there is NO median that is at least 5 feet in width, you MUST stop.

He spoke of the planned trailer clean-up, after the September 18th Chapter meeting, he will bring out trailer to his home, and all who want to volunteer to help clean it out, will be fed a delicious BBQ afterwards. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

And can’t be said enough, Represent - When wearing anything with ABATE on it, you are representing ABATE, please keep that in mind and act accordingly.

**ROAD CAPTAIN’S REPORT –**

**TROY WAUGH:**

Excused.

Johnny Rose appointed Assistant Road Captain, Rush, as the Interim Road Captain while Troy is on the mend.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Sunday, August 28th,

**Scurvy Few MC Annual**

**ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC - SOUTHEAST CHAPTER**

Saturday, September 10th,  
**Kingdom of Brothers MC Annual**  
 Sunday, September 11th,  
 State MC Key West Tune-Up Party  
 Saturday, September 17th,  
 Southern MC Teddy Bear Run  
 Sunday, September 18th,  
 ABATE Southeast Chapter Meeting  
 September 16-18,  
 Peterson's Harley Davidson Key  
 West Poker Run  
 Sunday, October 2nd,  
**Mystic Seven MC Annual**  
 Sunday, October 9th,  
**ABATE Southeast Chapter Annual**  
 Sunday, October 16th,  
 ABATE Southeast Chapter Meeting  
 Saturday, October 22nd,  
 Wheels of Man MC Halloween Party  
 Saturday, October 29th,  
**Fearless MC Annual**

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

Excused - Report given by Sheila Rose  
 Thank you to all that helped at the Tattoo Expo. It was the most successful one for us so far. It was so fun, and we were busy. A special thank you to Teddy Bear (Barry Sadoff) and Little Bit (Laurel Connor) for being there all three days! We handed out over fifty newsletters, got a few new members, a lot of female riders showed interest, and one possible new advertiser.

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT-**  
**TROY WAUGH & JOHNNY ROSE:**

Johnny and Alt Sheila attended the State meeting.  
 Doc, our State President was excused, had a heart attack week before the meeting, but is getting better, hopefully out of hospital Mon-

day or Tuesday. Brandy, from the State Office, said to let our members know, if they receive a new letter from American Income Life and already sent the other one to the State office, they don't need to send the second one. If any of our members have any questions, they are free to call the State office. Membership report from Laurie, May Highest Growth: Freedom,  
 June Highest Growth: Forest, May Most New Members: Southeast YAY, and June Most New Members: Southeast YAY again! PR/ Communications Trustee, Bill Bird, said that if anyone knows of any new biker magazines, please let him know Many of the old ones shut down due to the pandemic, also if you know of any good motorcycle podcasts. Legislative report from Darrin, August is primaries month, get your members out to vote. Find out if the candidates have good attendance records, see who is lazy and doesn't show up, and don't let the money they raise fool you, just because they have good contributions, does not mean they are good candidates.

The bills that we would like heard for the next Legislative session are:

- #1 – **Our Safety Money**,  
 same as prior years
- #2 – **The Vulnerable Road Users bill**,  
 and there is talk to maybe form a coalition with other vulnerable road users, like horses, bicycles, etc., for a bigger “voice”, and maybe reword the bill so it doesn't have criminal charges as part of it, as that turns a lot of people off of it, but still want traffic fines and temporary loss of license.

#3 – **Profiling of bikers**,  
 95% of people polled said we need this, and the one of Florida's city's police department admitted that they do profile bik-

ers

**#4 – *Dead Red*,**

for traffic lights that don't recognize motorcycles, and could be treated like a 4-way stop

**#5 – *Drivers Ed*,**

mandatory for schools, for all new drivers, no matter the age.

Legal Council: Jerry T, research the people who are running for school boards, as that is who makes the decisions that affect what kids are going to be taught Tallahassee Freedom Ride: April 2nd for the State meeting and the 3rd for the Ride to the Capitol

Elections: President, Griz (William Deaver) won, Public Relations, Bill Bird won

**NEW BUSINESS, OCTOBER 2022**

State Meeting – Lake County in Leesburg

**GOOD OF THE ORDER.**

every year, Southwest Chapter does a ride in December for the veterans. Laurie's daughter has committed to making lap quilts for all the vets. She got a lot of quilt material from her grandmother who passed away and wants to do this in honor of her. There are 84 vets. Laurie asked for donations for material, like the fleece that is needed for the lap quilts. Anyone who donates \$50 or more, will get their chapter logo on a quilt and will be able to present that to the vet, if they go on the ride. Our chapter donated \$50. We will get more information, a flyer, and maybe put donation jars at our meetings and annual.

**PRODUCTS REPORT –**

**LAUREL "LITTLE BIT" CONNER:**

Little Bit showed a long sleeve shirt with our logo embroidered on it. We will take pre-orders with payments at our September meeting. The cost is \$90.00, and we are only doing prepaid pre-orders, not ordering extra to sell.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:**

Sheila read the Membership report, we have over 650 members. We now have Zelle for membership.

**EVENTS COORDINATOR – GABE CARRERA:**

Excused. Next party is our Annual, October 9th, planning on having it at Mickey's. Members should start asking for donations for door prizes now, to avoid having to rush around at the last minute. Companies that donate will be announced on stage at the event, and listed and acknowledged in our newsletter

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR –**

**ADA "ABBY NORMAL" HIBBS:**

Articles due today. Anyone can write an article and submit to Abby Normal. Please also submit photos for any events you attend and travels.

**NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION –**

**JON "WAVY" VIGER:**

Excused. Going to 650 newsletters and we distribute these to over 55 locations.

**LEGISLATIVE LIAISON –**

**BRAD WINSTON:**

Excused.

**LEGAL COUNSEL – BRAD WINSTON:**

Excused.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS –**

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC - SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

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**SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT –**

**BARRY "BEAR" CROWN:**

"Bear" brought some new treats for after the meeting.

**QUARTERMASTER REPORT –**

**MIKE "BUBBA" TRAVIS:**

Reminded again about the trailer clean-up on September 18th.

**PHOTOGRAPHER'S REPORT –**

**ADA "ABBY NORMAL":**

Send in pictures or tag on Facebook. Send pictures when you go on a trip or to an event. Abby Normal was not able to go to a lot of events this past month, so needs pictures. As a reminder, if there is a child in the picture, there must also be an adult in the picture. She also needs the names, location, name of event (if applicable) and permission, if it is not yourself in the picture. She is not publishing any names with the pics.

**WEBMASTER'S REPORT – IVAN MARTE:**

Excused, all is going well. We expect the new website to be up and running in 2 weeks or so.

**CHAPLAIN – CHRISSEY LEONHARDT:**

Excused.

**ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN –**

**BARRY "BEAR" CROWN:**

Keep those who are going through difficult times or going through medical issues in your prayers.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

State Gun Raffle, to be drawn in December. Please see Johnny to check out a book to sell and note you are responsible for all books you sign out.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Event flyers on the tables.

Motion to adjourn at 11:07am. Next meeting will be held at American Legion Post 142 at 10:00am on September 18, 2022.

***Hollie "Dreamer" Sadoff***

Secretary Southeast Chapter



# SAFETY DIRECTOR

Good Day

Well Summer is almost over and hopefully the real hot weather is done. -This has been a rough year for the biker community, here's hoping the rest of the year is not so rough.

Last month was the Tatto Expo. I would like to thank Wings of Gold for getting this all set up and the hard work they put into it. Thank you!

As for our Safety & Membership table, all went well. We spoke to a lot of bikers that were not aware of Abate and what it does. Also, would like to thank those who worked with at me at the Expo. We were able to get a few new members and some possibilities.

I hope if you don't support Abate that you will think about it and give it a chance. Maybe come to a meeting, talk with the members and you may end up supporting us and become a member. Abate is always trying to make it safer for all bikers. We don't always succeed in convincing the State of Florida, to pass the bills that we back, but we are always working on them to see it our way. But you can help by contacting your legislators and reminding them that the biker community are voters and should be heard. To find your legislative representative, you can go online to Broward County Legislative Directory. Remember to be polite when e-mailing or speaking with them, that will get you further and listened to.

You can find our meeting time place in the monthly newsletter. I won't tell you where, this way you have to read it.

That's all for now,  
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Jon "Wavy" Viger



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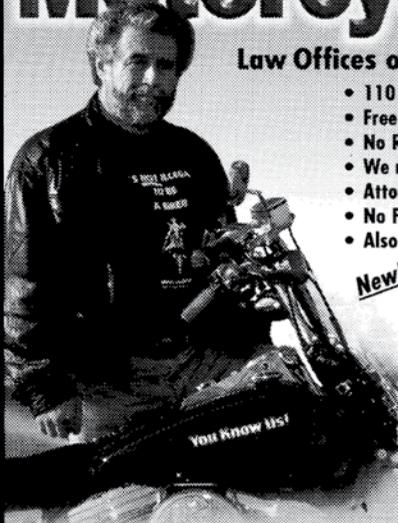
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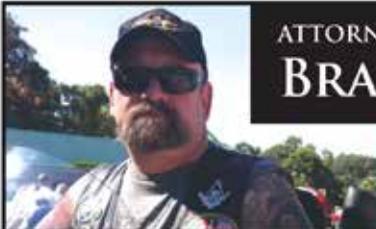
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## FROM YOU ROAD CAPTAIN

2021 THROWBACK

OUR RC, TROY, IS CURRENTLY ON THE MEND.

### RIDE SMART FLORIDA – PART 2

Last month we discussed how, whenever you hear two people talking about the motorcycle laws in Florida and wonder, is that really what the law says? Well, there is a great web site by FDOT that has some really great information. Go to [ridesmartflorida.com](http://ridesmartflorida.com) and click the tab on Laws and Policies. It's a great resource for learning about the motorcycle laws in Florida so you don't have to go by hearsay anymore.

Here are just a few more examples found on this very informative website:

#### REQUIRED TAGS

Tag required on exterior rear **316.605(1)**: Every vehicle, at all times while driven, stopped, or parked upon any highways, roads, or streets of this state, shall be licensed in the name of the owner thereof in accordance with the laws of this state.

Tag must be permanently attached not capable of being flipped **316.2085(3)**: The license tag of a motorcycle or moped must be permanently affixed to the vehicle and remain clearly visible from the rear at all times. Any deliberate act to conceal or obscure the legibility of the license tag of a motorcycle is prohibited. The license tag of a motorcycle or moped may be affixed horizontally to the ground so that the numbers and letters read from left to right.

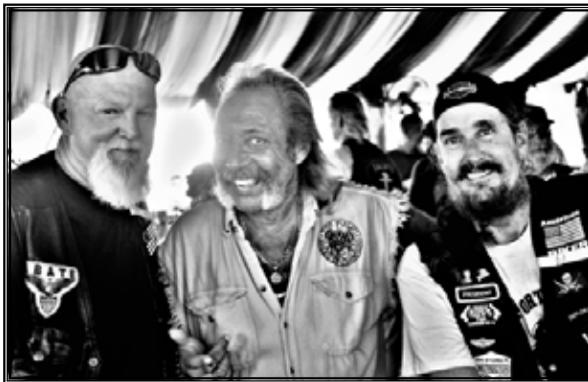
Tag light required-white **316.410(2)**: Either a taillamp or a separate lamp shall be so constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the rear registration plate and render it clearly legible from a distance of 50 feet to the rear. Any taillamp or taillamps, together with any separate lamp or lamps for illuminating the rear registration plate, shall be so wired as to be lighted whenever the headlamps or auxiliary driving lamps are lighted.

### MOTORCYCLE ENDORSEMENT

Are you required to have a motorcycle endorsement to ride in Florida? Yes, motorcycle endorsements are required **322.03(4)**: A person may not operate a motorcycle unless he or she holds a driver license that authorizes such operation, subject to the appropriate restrictions and endorsements. A person may operate an autocycle, as defined in s. **316.003**, without a motorcycle endorsement.

Take some time and go to the website. No matter how long you have been riding I'm sure you will still learn a little something and then you would not just be relying on hearsay.

Your Road Captain,  
Troy





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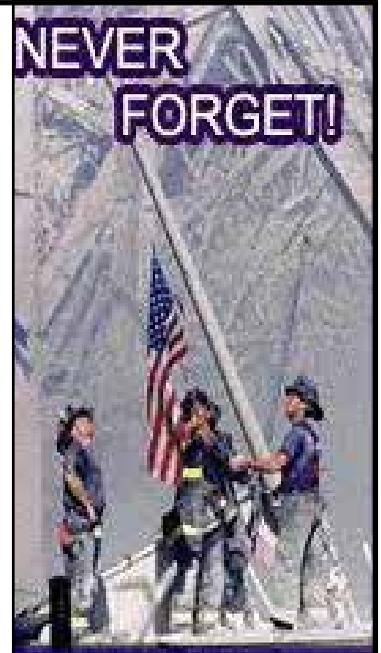
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roster. It's one of the determining factors as to which teams make it to the Super Bowl.

While we can't draft a player, we CAN elect a candidate, and it's never been more important to vote than now! Hopefully, you were able to do some research before voting in your primary Election. If not, it's not too late to look into the candidates on the November ballot.

We used to think the most critical Election was every four years, at the end of a presidential term. But it's clear that our local sheriffs, mayors, judges, commissioners, and congressmen/ women are equally critical. These public servants make a significant difference on the local level. They decide much of what makes our cities either thrive or dive.

Besides investigating the candidates, it can be eye-opening to look back on those who have been in office at how they handled the recent pandemic. Did we like the way they represented us? Did we agree/disagree with their decisions to lock us down or inflict other mandates on us? If not, our voices are loudest at the poles.

Call me old-fashioned, but I believe in casting my vote at my precinct, live and in person on Election Tuesday, and proudly riding off with my 'I Voted' sticker on my vest. It's our right and privilege. Let's patriotically exert that vital muscle while we still can.

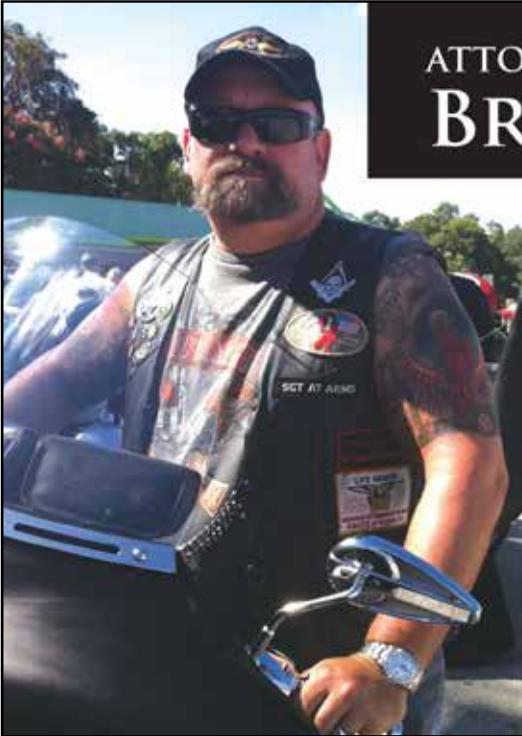
You're as proud to be an American as I am, grateful for those representing us in public office. But some don't deserve re-election; some are only interested in selfish gain while we suffer. They've manipulated us long enough! We've sacrificed so much these last two years, and casting our votes in the upcoming mid-term Election is a significant way to make our sacrifices count.

One thing is for sure; it's not a time to be silent or give up in the face of fear. We need to stand up for what we believe in. In Matthew 16:18, Jesus commended Peter for owning the truth. Despite the cancel-culture he faced, Peter KNEW Jesus was the Christ, and Jesus said he would build his church on that very truth. He then reminds us that the gates of hell won't triumph over the thick fog of lies and deception surrounding us.

If you watch any amount of football, you know the difference between the offense and the defense. The offense holds the ball unless intercepted, with the opportunity to score as many points as possible. The job of the defense is to tirelessly push back. Sadly, as citizens, we've been made to think the only position we can hold is defense. On the contrary, we are on the offense, and our vote counts. Though we can't make a pick in the draft, we can make a field goal at the pole!

**I VOTED,**  
Chrissy Leonhardt - Chaplain





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SEPTEMBER

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5  HAPPY LABOR DAY	6	7	8	9	10 SOUTHERN MC TEDDY BEAR RUN
11 STATES MC -KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY	12	13	14	15 EBOARD MEETING	16 PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN	17 →
18 ABATE SE Meeting PETERSONS KEY WEST POKER RUN TWENTY TWENTY RC OFF ANNUAL	19	20	21	22 	23	24 KINGDOM OF BROTHERS MC - ANNUAL
25 OLD TIMERS MC 4TH ANNIVERSARY	26	27	28	29	30	

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by Anna & Jon (Wavy)

2022

OCTOBER

2022

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2 MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL	3	4	5	6	7	8 OUTCAST - PARTY
9 S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL	10	11	12	13 EBOARD MEETING <hr/> DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST	14	15
16 ABATE SE MEETING <hr/> DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST	17	18	19	20	21	22 WHEELS OF MAN MC - \ HALLOWEEN PARTY
23 CMA - MEMORIAL	24	25	26	27	28	29 FEARLESS MC - ANNUAL
30	31 					

# 2022 CALENDAR

MANDATORY CLUB EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD



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## DECEMBER

- 4th-Sun SFPC TOYS IN THE SUN RUN
- 10th-Sat ALIGATOR ALLEY TOY RUN BIKE DRAWING???
- 10th-Sat HERMANDAD MC - ALFREDO MEMORIAL AND TOY RUN
- 10th-Sat USMVMC - WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
- 25th-Sun Christmas Day

## SEPTEMBER

- 3rd-Sat SOUTHERN MC  
TEDDY BEAR RUN (rescheduled for 9/10)
- 4th-Sun
- 5th-Mon Labor Day
- 10th-Sat
- 11th-Sun STATES MC -  
KEY WEST TUNE UP PARTY
- 17th-Sat
- 18th-Sun
- 24th-Sat **KINGDOM OF BROTHERS MC - ANNUAL**
- 25th-Sun

## OCTOBER

- 1st-Sat
- 2nd-Sun **MYSTIC SEVEN - ANNUAL**
- 8th-Sat OUTCAST - PARTY
- 9th-Sun **S.E. ABATE - ANNUAL**
- 13th-16th DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST
- 22nd-Sat WHEELS OF MAN MC -  
HALLOWEEN PARTY
- 23rd-Sun CMA - MEMORIAL
- 29th-Sat **FEARLESS MC - ANNUAL**
- 31st-Mon HALLOWEEN

## NOVEMBER

- 5th-Sat **HEATHENS MC - ANNUAL**
- 11th-Thu Veterans Day
- 12th-Sat **USMVMC CH 1 - ANNUAL**
- 13th-Sun Fly-In Wheels Annual
- 19th-Sat **LEATHERNECKS MC - ANNUAL**
- 24th-ThursT Thanksgiving Day



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**MONDAY**

- > Ladies Nite at Sharkey's 9PM-2AM 2-for-1 drinks
- > Mickey's Karaoke 8PM-12AM

**WEDNESDAY**

- > Blues Nite at Mickey's
- > Mickey's Open Mic and Karaoke 8PM-12AM

**THURSDAY**

- > Mickey's Bike Night Live Bands 8PM

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SEE PAGE 28 FOR OTHER WEEKLY EVENTS

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  
1st & 3rd Thurs.  
Leathernecks MC - Open House 8PM-Midnite

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**FRIDAY**

Mystic Seven MC - Open House 8PM  
States MC - Open Meeting 7-10PM  
Gideons MC - Open House 8PM

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  
2nd & 4th Fri.  
Leathernecks 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

Last Saturday  
Leathernecks MC Charity Poker  
Fly-In Wheels - Open House 9PM

**SUNDAY**

1st Sun  
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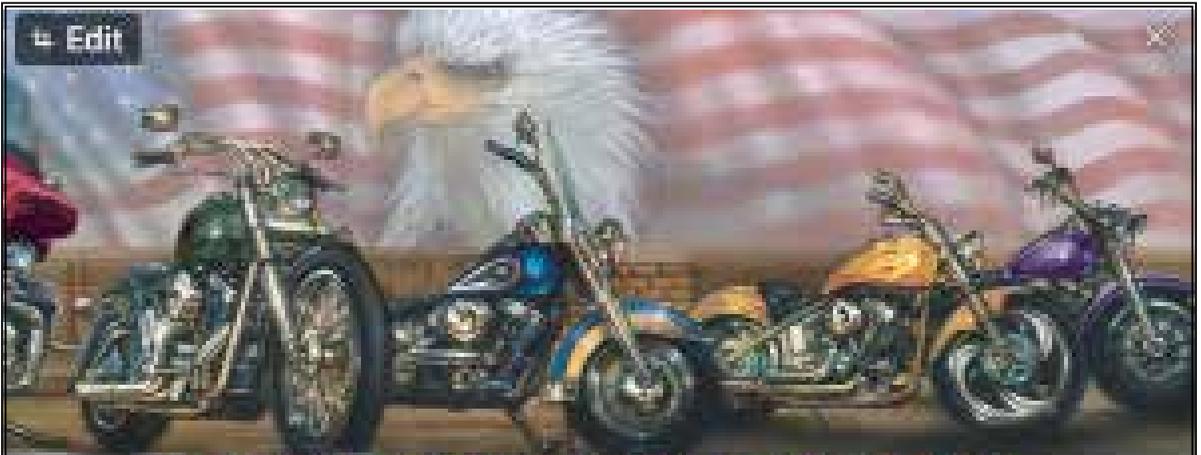
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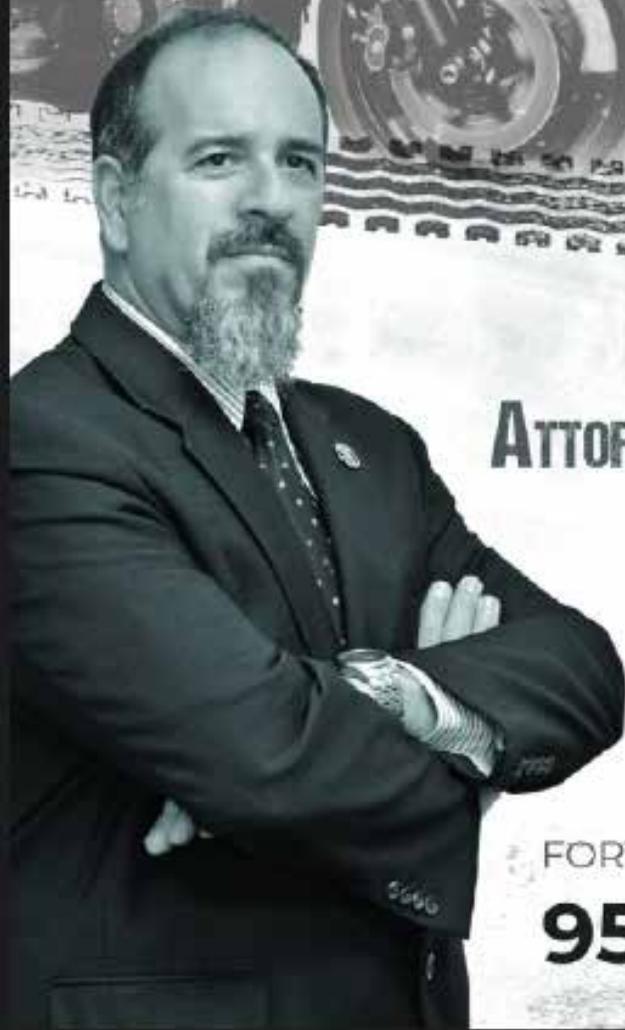


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We were sitting around, talking about some people we know with cool road names, wondering where some of them got those names. Sheila and Sandy don't have road names. Little Bit and Thunder got their road names from Johnny Rose. Johnny said that Laurel was just a "little bit" of trouble, so that name stuck, and she is a little bit of trouble, but the good kind. When we all first met Dawne, we were at Café 27 and she had just joined our Chapter. She took some membership applications around at Café 27, and in less than an hour, she had 20 new members and Johnny called her Thunder for that. We have a lot of members with road names, like Abby Normal, Bear, Big Wheel, Books, Bubba, Bull, Call Girl, Dreamer, Hunter, Jimbo, Nighthawk, Old Hippy, OB, Pixie, Pygar, Rush, Sparkles, Teddy Bear, and Wavy, just to name a few, and sorry to the many I left out, not intentional. We don't know where most of them got their road names, but I'm sure they would share if we asked. We thought it would be interesting to write about others.

The easiest definition of road name is to say it's a nickname. Usually, they're given after an event or incident and have meaning to not only the person now known by that road name, but also to the rest of the community. Sometimes a road name becomes more your identity than your birth name.

Some road names are a reflection of who you are and what you portray or stand for. A good road name doesn't just sound cool, it tells a story. Many are personal and are unique to that biker. Many are funny, which can be a great conversation starter! Road names are usually short and simple so fellow bikers will remember it. No matter what, make it worth remembering.

Here are a few interesting ones from the world of motorsports:

\*Einstein – Miguel Oliveira, a Tech 3 KTM rider, got this name because of his tongue-out celebration following his victories

*\*Educate, don't legislate  
stuff we thought you might like to  
know*

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

\*Kleenex – Max Biaggi, a four-time 250cc world champion, got this nick name from a competitor, but we don't think he likes it. He liked to call himself the Roman Emperor and sometimes he had two guys dressed as Roman centurions standing outside the back of his pit to make the point. When he graduated to the 500cc class he clashed with reigning 500cc king Mick Doohan. Doohan said "Max loves himself too much. He thinks too much about his appearance. He's more of a product than a person – he's plastic. He just comes up with excuses and lies. And he cries so much he should be sponsored by Kleenex." Haha

\*Careless Chucker – Carlos Checa, another 500cc rider, was young, fast, dedicated and extremely brave. He hated to crash, but when he did, he would limp back to pit lane, climb aboard his spare bike and immediately go even faster. Everyone in pit lane called him 'Careless Chucker'. Checa was never ashamed to talk about crashing and how it affected him, physically and mentally. "Crashing is s\*\*t for you, s\*\*t for the bike, s\*\*t for the mechanics and s\*\*t for the set-up," he told me once. "It's a signal that you're heading in the wrong direction. You want to win, but crashing is the opposite. It's like being in France when you want to go to England and when you crash you go to Spain. That way you'll never get to England!"

\*Little S\*\*t – John Kocinski, a 250cc world champion, was great aboard a motorcycle, but not so much when he wasn't. He was unpopular with his rivals. Not surprising really, for a young man who loudly exclaimed to all who would listen, "If you ain't American, you ain't s\*\*t". (I know, I know, a bad-meaning-good double negative. Tsk, tsk.)

We know that all of you out there could fill a book with your friends with road names. We also wanted to include here, some famous nicknames:

\*Keanu Reeves – The Wolf, the acclaimed actor was so good as a hockey goalie, it earned him his nickname. Luckily for all of us, he decided to follow his second passion later in life, which was acting.

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\*Queen Elizabeth – Gary, the story says that at one time, a young Prince William fell inside Kensington Palace and yelled, "Gary!" A staff member approached him and asked him who Gary was. Right at that moment, Queen Elizabeth arrived and replied that she was "Gary." It was probably William's difficulty with pronouncing "granny" that brought about the funny nickname.

\*Jennifer Lawrence – Nitro, the actress used to be so hyperactive when she was a kid that her brothers gave her this suitable nickname. They still use it to this day just to annoy her.

\*Hugh Jackman – Sticks, we might know Hugh Jackman as a muscular, fitness enthusiast, but he wasn't always like that. Growing up, he used to have very skinny legs, something that rightfully earned him his nickname.

\*Blake Shelton – Toad, young Blake used to love catching bugs and frogs and bringing them back home. That's why his mom started calling him "Toad." She has also said that Blake loved all animals, and when she killed a fly one time, he started crying.

\*Cameron Diaz – Skeletor, the actress's upbringing was quite tough, mainly because she was a fair-skinned kid with a Spanish name living in a predominately Latino neighborhood. This is one reason why other kids would make fun of her. Another reason was for her skinny figure, which earned her the nickname.

\*Albert Einstein – The Dopey One, by his family, and Mister Dullard, by his teachers

\*Robert E. Lee – Granny Lee, because he was cautious about attacking and putting his men in danger

\*Winston Churchill – Winne, to his family

\*Jose Canseco - The Natural at first, but later The Chemist because it turns out he got all those muscles from a tube

\*Michael Jackson - The King of Pop by his fans, and Applehead by his family

\*Elvis Presley - Elvis The Pelvis and Sir Swivel Hips

\*Alexander the Great - The Madman of Macedonia to his foes

\*Vlad Tepes - the Impaler, and his son, the Little Impaler, inspired Bram Stoker's eerie novel Dracula

\*William Shakespeare – The Bard of Avon

\*Thomas Alva Edison – The Wizard of Menlo Park

\*Aretha Franklin – The Queen of Soul

\*Frank Sinatra – The Chairman of the Board, Ol' Blue Eyes, The Sultan of Swoon

\*Charlie Chaplin – The Little Tramp

\*Doris Day – The Professional Virgin, because of her squeaky-clean image

\*Muhammad Ali – The Greatest

\*George Herman Ruth – Babe Ruth, The Bambino, The Sultan of Swat

\*Don Rickles – Mr. Warmth, Mr. Potato Head, The Merchant of Venom

\*Andre Rousimoff – Andre the Giant

\*Wayne Gretzky – The Great One

\*William I – William the Conqueror

\*Alexander of Macedon – Alexander the Great, The Madman of Macedonia

\*Charles Edward Stuart – Bonnie Prince Charlie, The Young Pretender

\*Phoebe Ann Mosey – Annie Oakley, Little Miss Sure Shot

\*Henry Longabaugh – The Sundance Kid, and ran with

\*Robert Parker – The Laughing Bandit

\*Richard Nixon – Tricky Dick, Gloomy Gus, Iron Butt, The Crook

\*Napoleon Bonaparte – The Little General

Road names and nicknames have meaning and bring history and color to the stories told around the dinner table. People know who you are when someone speaks of you. Everyone knows who Little Bit and Thunder are.

Road names and nicknames are better when they are earned. They are better when they are remembered and have a meaningful impact on those around you.

With or without a road name or nickname, remember to always love your brothers and sisters, build deep bonds, have integrity, cry with your brothers and sisters when they are hurting, and laugh with them when there is joy. Be there for your friends, do whatever you can for them, then your name, road name or birth name, you will make a lasting impression!

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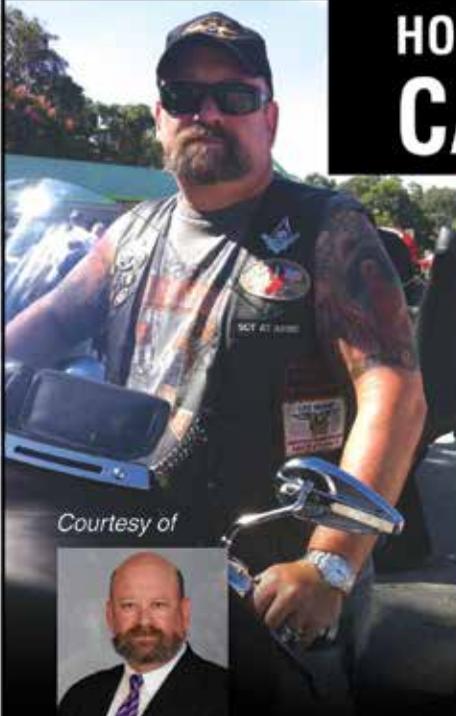
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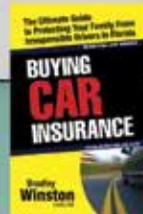
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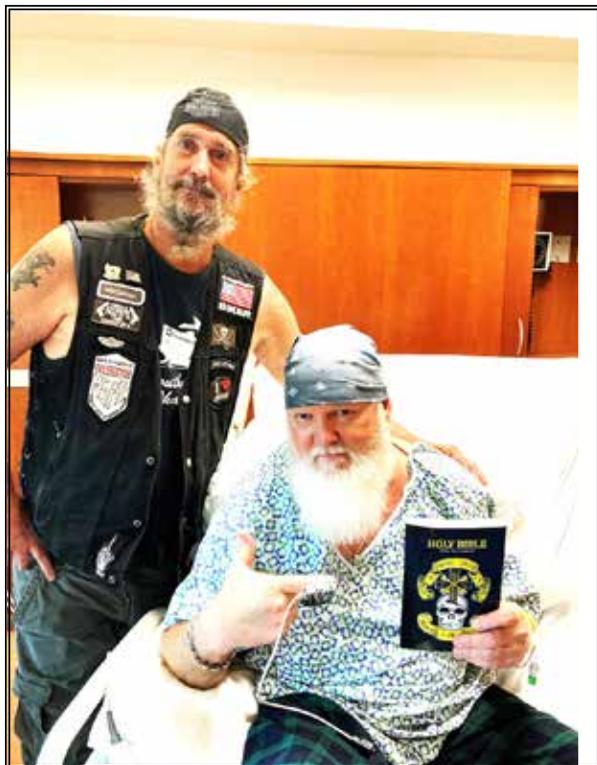
# JOHNNY'S RANT

So, I was at our Safety Booth and talking to someone about ABATE and telling them who we are and what we're about, motorcycle rights and safety. Our Vulnerable Road Users bill not only helps motorcyclists, it will help anyone else on the streets from scooters to skateboards to wheelchairs to horses to roller skaters to bicyclists to joggers, even people waiting at a bus bench, any "vulnerable" road user, everyone but cagers. Sometimes it feels like we're at war with the cages. I then explained to him that a "cage" is basically vehicles where you're wrapped in steel, like cars and trucks. He never heard the expression before.

Anyway, my Safety Director, Wavy told me not to forget about the other vulnerable road users, like those segway things and other electric types of transportation (not cars). I'm not big on electric vehicles, but it looks like that will be the future and I'm not against the future. I do like fossil fuel vehicles, especially motorcycles. I like my bike to shake, rattle and roll, and thunder down the road. It's like the bike's alive, you know. And who wants a quiet muscle car? What kind of noise would a little kid make, if he was pretending to be driving a race car? Would he just hum quietly? That's no fun!! He would want to go VROOM, VROOM! I know it's probably just in my mind, but loud pipes do save lives.

I heard they got an electric drag car that can go 258 miles an hour in the quarter mile. That's unbelievable! And they're electric, no gears, just hauling ass. You gotta admit that's a pretty cool thing. From what I hear, they don't need any gears, just push down and go like heck. Someday I will have to go to the drag races and see one of those cars in person. It will definitely be weird, no sound, but hey, they can put speakers on the car, haha!

Peace,  
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## NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES

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### **MOTORCYCLIST KILLED BY SELF-DRIVING CAR**

"A motorcyclist was killed on I-15 in Draper, Utah when a Tesla crashed into the back of the bike," reported Fox13 News in Salt Lake City on July 24, adding that "the driver of the Tesla said he had the 'auto-pilot' setting on...he told police he didn't see the motorcyclist."

"Wow, and even in a driverless vehicle, the 'I didn't see the motorcyclist' gets a rider killed," commented NCOM Board Member Ed Schetter, who recently presented a "We Just Want Our Place on the Road" seminar at the National Coalition of Motorcyclists' NCOM Convention in Nashville that examined the inevitability of driverless cars, relating the impact on motorcycling.

"Such an incident stresses our need to protect our space on the road, as I pointed out in my presentation," said Schetter, a veteran of the auto industry and Executive Director of ABATE of Ohio. "I wonder who the biker's family gets to sue? The Driver? Tesla? The Software Company? Sometimes you just shake your head."

### **UN SET TO ALLOW INCREASED SPEED FOR AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES**

The United Nations (UN) is set to allow for an increase in speed for the operation of self-driving vehicles, as well as new tests focused on how well they can detect motorcycles.

Until now, the speed limit for the autonomous driving of vehicles has been 60kph (@37mph), but that is now set to increase to 130kph (80.7mph) thanks to an amendment to UN Regulation No. 157 adopted by the UNECE's World Forum for Harmonisation of Vehicle Regulations. The amendment also allows for autonomous lane changes, and is set to be implemented from January 2023.

The regulation also states, according to the Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations (FEMA), that "all tests that need to be conducted for a system like ALKS (Automated Lane Keeping System) or LCP (Lane Change Procedure), have to be carried out with a passenger car target as well as a powered two-wheeler target."

This means that, although the autonomous technology is able to operate at a higher rate of speed, the safety for bikers when approaching an autonomous vehicle should now be improved upon, because their ability to detect motorcycles should (hopefully) be improved.

### **HONDA DEVELOPING LANE ASSISTANCE SYSTEM FOR THE BIKES OF THE FUTURE**

Recent patent filings from Honda for camera- and radar-enabled lane assist for motorcycles across its roster would keep their bikes in-lane via AI.

"Lane assist" is a commonality now in modern cars, but not so common in motorcycles, as electronic aids which detract from the actual riding of the motorcycle for the person holding the handlebars are generally avoided by the manufacturers, who do not want to lose their core enthusiasts, which is also why autonomous technology has not advanced far in the two-wheeled world, especially compared to the much larger automobile market and tech-hungry car culture.

Honda is developing their lane-keeping assist system (LKAS) with the aim of making accidents a thing of the past, but if they are to reach their goal of slashing car and motorcycle deaths by half in the next eight years and bring the number down

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to zero by 2050, we can expect to see a massive influx of rider-assistance systems like this in the very near future.

The plan combines driver assistance tech with a predictive AI computer system that can spot situations which lead to driving errors before they happen, and is intended to be introduced in the second half of this decade.

Further ahead, the intention is to introduce “Safe and Sound Network Technology” that allows cars, bikes, roadside furniture and even pedestrians (via their phones) to communicate, allowing a server to create a virtual model of traffic movement to predict and prevent accidents before they even start to unfold. The system is scheduled to be phased in from the 2030s.

**THE UK WANTS TO BAN THE SALE OF NEW FOSSIL FUELED MOTORCYCLES**

The government of the United Kingdom has launched an open consultation, called “L-category vehicles: ending sales of new non-zero emission models,” in which they announce a sales ban for new non-zero emission motorcycles from 2035: “It is important that motorcycles do not remain fossil fueled as the rest of the transport fleet cleans up,” states Trudy Harrison MP, Minister of State for Transport.

‘L-category’ vehicles include 2- and 3-wheeled mopeds, motorcycles, trikes, sidecar-equipped motorbikes, and quadricycles, and in the consult the government clearly states: “While cars and vans vastly outnumber motorcycles on UK roads, motorcycles are an important and sizeable vehicle population, with 1.3 million currently licensed in 2021. We do not want to see them remaining fossil-fueled as the rest of our vehicles clean up.”

The British government has already committed to phasing out new cars and vans that run solely on petrol or diesel by 2030, and all new non-zero emission road vehicles by 2040.

Jim Freeman, Chairman of the British Motorcyclists Federation (BMF) said: “The BMF will oppose any proposals to ban the use of motorcycles powered by internal combustion engines while such vehicles are still capable of being run. We also oppose a ban on the sale of new internal combustion engine-powered motorcycles while there is the possibility of providing alternatives to fossil fuel and while the electric vehicle charging infrastructure does not adequately support electric motorcycles.”

**JURY ACQUITS TRUCKER CHARGED WITH SEVEN-COUNT MOTORCYCLE HOMICIDE**

On the morning of June 21, 2019, truck-driver Volodymyr Zhukovskyy admitted to driving under the influence of fentanyl, heroin and cocaine before crashing his 2016 Dodge Ram 2500 Tradesman crew-cab pickup into a pack of Marine Corps veterans riding their motorcycles near Randolph, New Hampshire, killing seven members of the Jarheads Motorcycle Club.

Prosecutors argued that Zhukovskyy, who had previous DUI convictions and should have had his license suspended, repeatedly swerved back and forth before the collision and told police he caused it. But the judge dismissed eight charges related to whether he was impaired, based on a contested blood test, and his defense attorneys blamed the lead biker for causing the accident, claiming that “he was drunk and not looking where he was going when he lost control of his motorcycle and slid in front of Zhukovskyy’s truck.”

Following a 2-week trial, jurors deliberated for less than three hours before finding Zhukovskyy, 26, innocent on seven counts of manslaughter, seven counts of negligent homicide and one count of reckless conduct, setting him free after being held in custody since the accident.

This high-profile case has garnered staggering coverage across the country, and the surprising verdict has been soundly criticized by many, including New Hampshire Governor Chris Sununu

(R) who said he shares in the “shock, outrage, and anger that so many have expressed” since the crash. “The Fallen Seven did not receive justice today, and that is an absolute tragedy,” Gov. Sununu stated.

New Hampshire Attorney General John Formella said he believes the state proved its case. “Mr. Zhukovskyy should have been found guilty of the charges in this case and held responsible for causing seven deaths and numerous injuries,” he said. “We thank the Court and the jurors for their service, and while we are extremely disappointed, we respect the verdict and our system of justice.”

### **PETITION CALLS FOR PROPER PUNISHMENT FOR BIKE THIEVES**

A petition has been launched on the Change.org website calling for tougher sentences for bike thieves. The petition was started by British biker, Xander James from Hull, U.K., and has already amassed thousands of signatures -- enough to draw attention of local news.

“As we know, motorcycle & vehicle theft is the highest it’s ever been, this is partly due to the minimal sentences from the Crown Prosecution Service,” explains James on his petition to the U.K. Parliament and Scotland Yard. “We need change. We can’t safely park our vehicles outside our own homes anymore! But with the Crown Prosecution Service handing out cautions & early release they keep doing it.”

Along with tougher sentencing, James wants to see Operation Yellowfin receive more support from the Government, a police operational initiative which was launched locally in 2018 to tackle motorcycle crime and anti-social behavior.

### **STURGIS TRAFFIC DOWN, BUT STILL HIGHER THAN AVERAGE**

The good news is; the Department of Transportation counted over half a million vehicles entering Sturgis, South Dakota during the 82nd annual Black Hills Motorcycle Rally week, but the bad

news; that’s down 4.4% from last year.

The city of Sturgis estimated the 2021 attendance at 555,000. Although down from 2021, the 2022 total vehicle count is still higher than the five-year average of 492,535.

Sturgis City Manager Daniel Ainslie told the Black Hills Pioneer that 2021 was far better than expected because people had been in lockdown during the pandemic and just wanted to get out and travel. “It was a significant Rally last year. It was actually the largest Rally we had other than the 75th for more than a decade,” he said. “Given that last year was such a large Rally, it’s not unexpected that numbers are down.”

Some worried initially that gas prices -- which hovered near \$5 a gallon mid-summer -- might have deterred people from attending this year’s Rally, but according to Ainslie; “With a lot of individuals that come here, no matter what, they’re going to be coming. But, I think they are being a little more careful with what they are spending.”

### **BONNEVILLE MOTORCYCLE SPEED TRIALS CANCELED DUE TO FLOODING**

On August 13, 2022, the Bonneville Motorcycle Speed Trials organizers officially announced that the 2022 event is canceled. This year's speed trials had originally been scheduled to take place from August 28 through September 1, 2022, but due to flooding on the Bonneville Salt Flats, the BMST, FIM Land Speed World Records, and AMA Land Speed Grand Championship is officially canceled for 2022.

Heavy storm systems brought flooding to the salt flats, and when organizers did an aerial assessment of the state of the standard track area on August 12, they found that “the entire length of our tracks and beyond are flooded,” and noted that “Although the area is drying, it is unfortunately not drying quickly enough for the event to take place.”

## **GWRRA CALLS IT QUILTS**

Putting down their kickstand for good, the Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) is waving farewell after 45 years of meeting the nicest people, and ceased operations following this year's Wing Ding 43 in Shreveport, Louisiana at the end of July.

Founded in 1977 with the motto, "Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge," the GWRRA called itself, "the world's largest single-marque social organization for owners of Honda Gold Wing/Valkyrie motorcycles" that once boasted nearly 80,000 members across 53 countries, with 800-plus chapters staffed by 4,000 volunteer leaders.

GWRRA Founders Paul Hildebrand and Shirley Stevens-Garcia made good on the '60s era ad slogan "You meet the nicest people on a Honda" by creating a non-profit, non-religious, non-political organization "that advocated for rider education and safety, motorist awareness, and leadership training."

## **SAVE THE DATE - 2023 NCOM CONVENTION IN PHOENIX**

Next year's 38th annual NCOM Convention is now scheduled for Father's Day weekend, June 16-18, 2023 in Phoenix, Arizona, so plan ahead to join with hundreds of like-minded bikers' rights activists from across the country for a weekend of learning, sharing and camaraderie!

Concerned advocates from the ranks of Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs), clubs (Confederations of Clubs) and independent riders will gather together for the betterment of biking, with agenda items dealing with legal and legislative issues, so check back at [www.ON-A-BIKE.com](http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com) for further details from the National Coalition of Motorcyclists as they are announced.

**QUOTABLE QUOTE:** "But where, says some, is the king of America? I'll tell you. . . . let a crown be placed . . . , by which the world may know, . . . that in America the law is king. For in absolute governments the king is the law, so in free countries the law ought to be king; and there ought to be no other . . ." ~ Thomas Paine (1776), Patriot

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"TRUCK DRIVER IN HORRIFIC....."

Connecticut about two months earlier.

Connecticut officials alerted the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles, but Zhukovskyy's license wasn't suspended due to a backlog in out-of-state notifications about driving offenses. In a review, federal investigators found similar backlog problems in Rhode Island, New Hampshire and at least six other jurisdictions.

The motorcyclists who died were from New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Rhode Island and ranged in age from 42 to 62. They were part of a larger group that had just left a motel along U.S. Route 2 in Randolph.

Killed were Mazza, of Lee, New Hampshire; Edward and Jo-Ann Corr, a couple from Lakeville, Massachusetts; Michael Ferazzi, of Contoocook, New Hampshire; Desma Oakes, of Concord, New Hampshire; Daniel Pereira, of Riverside, Rhode Island; and Aaron Perry, of Farmington, New Hampshire.

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## FRUSTRATING NEWS FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS TWO NATIONAL STORIES RELATED TO MOTORCYCLISTS HAVE BEEN IN THE HEADLINES. LAST WEEK A JURY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE ACQUITTED A TRUCK DRIVER ACCUSED OF KILLING SEVEN MOTORCYCLISTS IN 2019. THE BOSTON GLOBE REPORTED, "THE VERDICT WAS AT ODDS WITH FINDINGS FROM THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, WHICH CONCLUDED IN 2020 THAT THE DRIVER'S DRUG USE WAS THE PROBABLE CAUSE OF HIS INITIATING THE COLLISION."

THE STORY OUT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE COMES ON THE HEELS OF NEWS FROM CALIFORNIA AND UTAH IN WHICH TWO DIFFERENT TESLAS, ALLEGEDLY OPERATING ON AUTOPILOT, KILLED MOTORCYCLISTS IN EACH STATE. IN RESPONSE, THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (NHTSA) SENT INVESTIGATIVE TEAMS TO THE TWO CRASHES LAST MONTH.

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TRUCK DRIVER IN HORRIFIC 2019 NEW HAMPSHIRE CRASH ACQUITTED IN DEATHS OF 7 MOTORCYCLISTS

Holly RamerThe Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. – A jury on Tuesday acquitted a commercial truck driver of causing the deaths of seven motorcyclists in a horrific head-on collision in northern New Hampshire that exposed fatal flaws in the processing of license revocations across states.

Volodymyr Zhukovskyy, 26, of West Springfield, Massachusetts, was found innocent on seven counts of manslaughter, seven counts of negligent homicide and one count of reckless conduct in connection with the June 21, 2019, crash in Randolph. Jailed since the crash, he appeared to wipe away tears as the verdict was read and

briefly raised his index finger skyward before leaving the courtroom.

Jurors deliberated for less than three hours after a two-week trial during which prosecutors argued that Zhukovskyy, who had taken heroin, fentanyl and cocaine that day, repeatedly swerved back and forth before the head-on crash and told police he caused it. But a judge dismissed eight charges related to whether he was impaired, and his attorneys blamed the lead biker, Albert "Woody" Mazza, who was among those killed.

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In closing statements Tuesday morning, the two sides raised questions about who was more "all over the place": the trucker accused of swerving back and forth across the road or the eyewitnesses accused of contradicting each other.

"There is no doubt that this accident was a tragedy," said defense attorney Jay Duguay said. "But we are not here to decide whether or not this was a tragedy."

Duguay said Mazza was drunk and not looking where he was going when he lost control of his motorcycle and slid in front of Zhukovskyy's truck. He also accused prosecutors of ignoring that their own accident reconstruction unit contradicted their theory that Zhukovskyy crossed into the oncoming lane. An expert hired by the defense, meanwhile, testified that the crash happened on the center line of the road and would have occurred even if the truck was in the middle of its lane because Mazza's motorcycle was heading in that direction.

Volodymyr Zhukovskyy looks back at the gallery before closing statements started at his trial at Coos County Superior Court in Lancaster, N.H., on Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2022. Zhukovskyy, 26, of West Springfield, Mass., faces negligent homicide, manslaughter and reckless conduct charges in connection with the June 21, 2019, crash that killed seven members of a Marine motorcycle club.

"From the beginning of this investigation, the state had made up their mind about what had happened, evidence be damned," said Duguay, who also highlighted inconsistencies between witness accounts or when witnesses contradicted themselves.

"Those witnesses were all over the place about what they recalled and what they claimed to have seen," he said.

In particular, Duguay suggested that members of the Jarheads Motorcycle Club "shaded" their accounts to protect Mazza and the club. Prosecutor Scott Chase acknowledged some inconsistencies, but asked jurors to remember the circumstances.

"People were covering the dead, trying to save the barely living, comforting the dying. This wasn't story time," he said. "They were up here talking about some of the most unimaginable chaos, trauma, death and carnage that we can even imagine three years later. They were talking about hell broke open."

Witnesses were consistent, he argued, in describing the truck as weaving back and forth before the crash. That behavior continued "until he killed people," Chase said.

"That's what stopped him. It's not that he made some responsible decision to start paying attention or do the right thing," he said. "The only thing that stopped him was an embankment after he tore through a group of motorcycles."

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Chase called the attempt to blame Mazza a "fantastical story" and "frivolous distraction," while reminding jurors of that Zhukovskyy, who didn't testify at trial, told investigators "Obviously, I caused the crash."

"He was crystal clear from the very beginning that he caused this crash," Chase said. "That is what he said, because that is what happened."

Zhukovskyy's commercial driving license should have been revoked in Massachusetts at the time of the crash because of a drunken driving arrest in

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