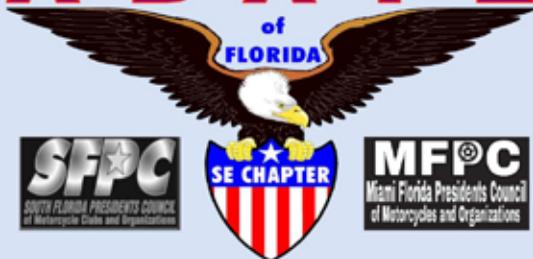


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February 2025 Edition

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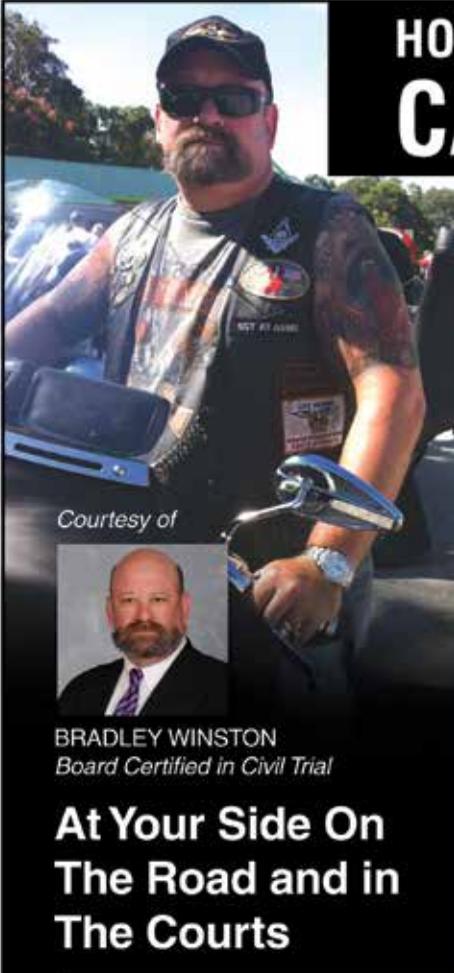
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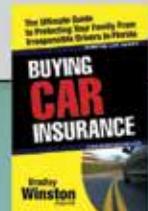
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- We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM.
- We promote motorcycle safety, training, and political awareness.
- We fund our work by holding a series of annual events at different locations within our service area and other motorcycle activities.
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- We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others.
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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- On July 1, 2000, we had the 30 year old Florida Helmet law repealed; July 1, 2020 was our 20th Anniversary of Freedom of Choice.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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PRESIDENT'S ARTICLE

SE Chapter has begun the 2025 New Year with a very busy January. The SFPC and MFPC each host their own Annual Blessings of The Bikes. States MC and Least of Saints MC did a fantastic job, showcasing the enthusiasm of our community at its finest. The Wings of Gold MC hosted a great Annual with Apache Dragon on stage providing great entertainment and various vendors getting the 2025 calendar of events started successfully! Following up a hard act, ABATE of Florida SE Chapter hosted its 45th Semi-Annual at Boston Johnny's, who is a SE Chapter sponsor and advertising member of our prized Newsletter. Thank you to all who were able to stop by and support SE Chapter! We had a great time greeting our many new members. Next on the list is the 18th Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show and for the first time we will be participating in the event as The FMSP South Fl. Alliance with ABATE/ALR/LAMA, a personal project our chapter has been focused on improving. Finally, to close out January, we are heading back to Big Dawgs Sports Cafe for a fun time with our brothers and sisters of Der Krieger MC which always supports our Chapter's mission.

SE Chapter membership continues to strive. We have finally reached over 800 members for the first time. An important reminder to All our annual members, please don't forget to renew your membership and benefits for 2025. I am often asked - What's The hardest part of keeping SE Chapter the largest of 17 chapters that make up ABATE of Florida? Well, it is just that - it's membership! We have our core base of members and know how to keep those informed of expiring membership and benefits. The membership expires annually from your initial sign up date, making it important for us to keep track of all our independent motorcycle enthusiasts. As a Chapter, we tend to be involved in as many community events as possible making our presence felt and using our outreach to keep everyone together and notified when your

membership expires. So, keep your eyes out for when you receive your renewal letters as every member is that important to us - we need to remain United and Protected as members of ABATE of Florida SE Chapter. Each member is vital in order for us to continue advocating towards protecting our Rights and Freedoms of the road...



Motorcycle awareness and safety remain critical issues in 2025. With an increasing number of riders on the roads and evolving traffic conditions, the need for proactive measures to ensure the safety of motorcyclists has never been greater.

As President of a M.R.O it's not always fun and games. We are tasked with the statistics of all those that have fallen before us, regardless of the cause. The camaraderie we share as motorcycle enthusiasts comes with its fair share of unfortunate accidents. Our mission is to save lives and make those in cages around us aware that we share the road and want to go home to our families just like any other commuter. Which is why we will continue to exhaust all efforts in our message to "Watch out for Motorcycles" and promote our slogan for the 2025 New Year

IN MEMORY OF MOLDY 1%ER
& COACH (GBNF).

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President
ABATE of Florida Inc SE Chapter

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MEMBERSHIPS DUE FOR
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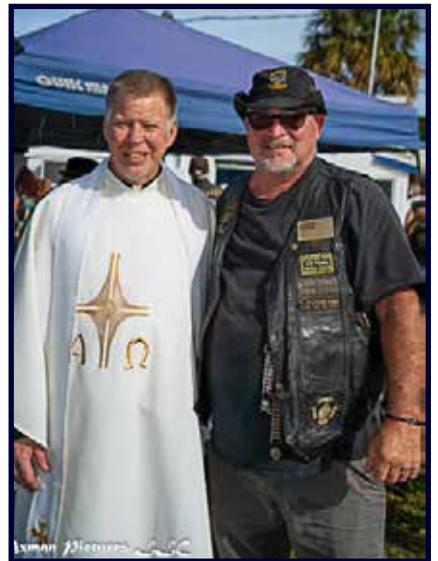
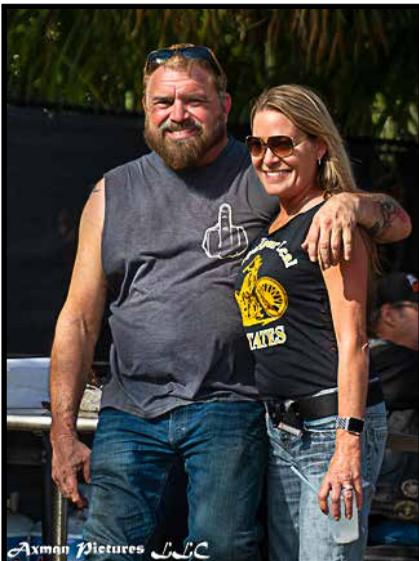
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Vice PRESIDENT



Wow, what a busy January we had. I want to start by thanking everyone who busted their butts at our Semi-Annual and the Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show. You guys rock! I personally want to thank Jason from Boston Johnny's for his hospitality and hard work at our semi-annual. It was our first time trying that venue, and we had no problems, and everything went smoothly. Thank you, bro, you rock!

I also want to send a special and grateful thanks to Claire and Clive who put on the Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show. They are always amazing and gave us space for four tents at the entrance to the event. This was for us and our partners in the Florida Motorcycle Safety Program. Our partners are the American Legion Riders and LAMA (Latin American Motorcycle Association). It's so nice to be with our brothers (and sisters) helping us promote safety.

So now, on a sad note, January has been a rough month for the south Florida motorcycle community. My heart goes out to the families and brothers of the organizations and clubs, they were also our ABATE brothers, yes, members of Southeast Chapter of ABATE.

Coach (Steve Mendelson) was with BACA, Bikers Against Child Abuse. He was also a member of HOG, Harley Owners Group, and ABATE. He helped teach new riders how to ride safely, and he did this at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson. I couldn't have met a better man. My dear brother Coach, ride in peace bro. I know I didn't know Coach that long, but I looked up to him, he was a great man, and a great rider.

Moldy 1%er was totally old school, you know, Respect, Loyalty, and Love. He rode around many years with his pup, Boo Boo on his gas tank, in what he called a boo boo coach. He's one of the reasons I ended up getting a small dog, my Diddles. Moldy 1%er was going to make me a boo boo coach for Diddles, but his Boo Boo passed away and he didn't have the heart to continue making mine. Later, he passed his boo boo coach down to me. Diddles and I had some great rides with that thing, and we always thought of Moldy 1%er and the original Boo Boo. It meant more than you can imagine. I always looked up to him and we had many talks. I will miss him, Ride in peace bro.

This brings me to Beacon. He was ABATE and later became the President of the Keltics MC. He was also a great musician and had some great stories about great bands that he played with. At one point, I almost joined the Keltics as I was friends with them all. At that time, though, I didn't have the time to commit. I loved hanging out with him and his brothers. He was also about Respect, Loyalty, and Love. Miss you bro. Ride in peace.

I'm gonna end this with Cigar Charlie (Urig). He was long time ABATE. He was our unofficial historian, as he was there from the beginning, helped start ABATE down here. He helped at every single party we had. He was also an unofficial Keltic. I loved him, looked up to him, and respected him. He always had good stories about ABATE in the old days. We are trying to figure out how to plan a memorial for him and will keep you all updated on when.

Honestly, my heart just feels so broken, writing about these four brothers, but then I have to also remember, that they all lived such good, full, and adventurous lives. This quote really applies to them all... "Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn

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SOUTHEAST CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION
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JANUARY 26TH, 2025

Poet called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and there were 24 members present. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. This was followed by a prayer, by Dreamer.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – LOUIS "OB":

OB thanked everyone for coming. He mentioned that we are missing some of our usual meeting attendees, as we moved this meeting to the 4th week, and other organizations have their monthly meetings on the same day. He talked about our Semi-Annual at Boston Johnny's. It was a good event, and we pulled it off, with most of the event set up in the back. He thanked everyone who came out to help us. He spoke about the Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show. He thanked Tony, Hunter, Kris, and Richard for help with the parking. We had American Legion Riders and LAMA safety booths set up next to ours. Quest was there taking pictures, filming, and interviewing some of us. We are looking to do many more events with the Riders and LAMA. There were a few recent memorials, a Ride for Coach, and a funeral for Moldy 1%er, and our thoughts and prayers go out to the families. We expect our Memorial Day event to be at American Legion Post 36, we do want the event to be at a Post. Johnny will speak more on that.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JOHNNY ROSE:

Johnny thanked all for coming, especially on this long weekend. He spoke about the Dania Beach

Vintage Motorcycle Show. Members from our Chapter have volunteered to help with the parking for many years now, and we did it again, great job! Quest also mentioned to him what a great job OB is doing, working to bring the FMSP groups together, ABATE, ALR, and LAMA. He said that he met with the Commander, Doc, of Post 36, and it looks good for having our Memorial Day Event there. They will do the food. We had a very successful event there two years ago, and we look forward to doing another one there. He spoke about a few long-time members who recently passed away, Cigar Charlie, Beacon, and Slo Mo, who is Palm Beach ABATE, but originally with Southeast Chapter.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – ROSS "ROSCOE":

OB let us know that Roscoe was excused and Dreamer stood in for him. She made a 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. She also gave the recap of the Semi-Annual Event at Boston Johnny's and said we profited about the same as others. We did good!

SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT – OPEN:

Poet was the Acting SAA at the meeting. He spoke about the Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show and thanked all who showed up to help.

ROAD CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Poet spoke on behalf of the Road Captains. Some upcoming events are:

Sunday, January 26th,

Der Krieger MC Annual

Friday, January 31st,

Sharkey's Blvd Lounge 20th Anniversary Party

Postponed - Saturday, February 1st,

Gideons MC Annual, will be rescheduled

Saturday, February 8th,

ABATE of Florida State Meeting in Melbourne

Saturday, February 8th,

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC - SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

Heavy Breathers MC Annual

Sunday, February 15th,
AOA MC Valentines Party
Saturday, February 22nd,

Wheels of Man MC Annual

Monday, April 14th,
ABATE of Florida 28th Annual Freedom Ride
to the Florida State Capitol

SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

BRUCE “POET” SONNENFELD:

Poet spoke about the recent Safety Booths that he manned. They were the Blessings of the Bikes for States MC, our own Semi-Annual, the Dania Beach Vintage Motorcycle Show, and multiple ones set up at Alligator Alley Harley Davidson. He is at AAHD on the last day of each month. The next one at AAHD will be January 31st, Harleys After Dark Event. He also was finally able to speak to the event coordinator for Petersons Harley Davidson, at our Semi-Annual, as they had a tent set up, and he will start doing events at their north store. He already has a pretty full schedule for February. Check the calendar and come out to help and support our Safety Booths.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT -

JOHNNY ROSE AND LOUIS “OB”:

Johnny spoke about the upcoming State Meeting, which will be on February 8th in Melbourne. He and OB will go up and back on that Saturday. All are welcome to come also. OB will be talking to the other chapters about working with ALR and LAMA. He will also be asking the State for some more kickstand plates and “Do not Remove” helmet stickers in English and Spanish.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad spoke about some Bills that may be of interest to us. He said there were no Bills with the word “motorcycle” in it, except as related to insurance. There is a Bill concerning storage and handling of firearms, and another about sales of ammunition, may be subject to background checks. There is another Bill about not allowing firearms in “sensitive places” which could include parks, healthcare

offices, and churches, and having a Concealed Weapon License will not matter. There is another about not having a lighted auto tag could be a felony, and not allowing vertical tags. One more, psychologist being allowed to write prescriptions. Brad stressed that most Bills do not make it, even past the first committee, and the statuses are constantly changing. If you want to find out about all of these, or others, go to <https://www.flhouse.gov/> then to the Tracking, and put in your email and gets alerts based on specific words, things that interest you. Brad has his set up for “motorcycles”, “firearms”, and “insurance”.

LEGAL COUNSEL – BRAD WINSTON:

Brad had nothing further to add.

PRODUCTS REPORT –

AMY “PIXIE” SONNENFELD:

Pixie spoke and said there are products for sale after the meeting. She gave the report of product sales for January and it we were very successful. She said that if you need anything specific, send her a text, with your name, and what product and size you need and she will fill that order.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – SHEILA ROSE:

Sheila read the Membership report, we have close to 800 members. We are doing great on getting new members, especially thanks to Poet and the Safety Booths.

EVENTS COORDINATOR – GABE CARRERA:

Gabe is excused.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR – ADA HIBBS:

Ada is excused. On her behalf, articles and pictures due today. Anyone can write an article Please submit by email news.abatese@gmail.com.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION – LOUIS “OB”:

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PUBLIC RELATIONS – MARELYS LAZO:

Marelys is excused.

GOODWILL AMBASSADOR –

DAWNE “THUNDER-FEATHER” KIRK-WATERS:

Thunder-Feather is excused, but working tirelessly for ABATE at AAHD.

BILLING AND INVOICING – SHEILA ROSE:

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SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT –

BARRY “BEAR” CROWN:

Bear is excused, recovering well, from recent surgery.

QUARTERMASTER REPORT –

BRUCE “POET” SONNENFELD:

Poet said that all the “quarters” are good.

PHOTOGRAPHER'S REPORT – ADA HIBBS:

Ada is excused. On her behalf, please, when you go to any event, take a few pictures, and email them to her. We can all help with photos. Please email pictures to news.abatese@gmail.com.

WEBMASTER'S REPORT – ERIK SADOFF:

Erik spoke about the website, going very well, updating it as needed. He will be adding a photo section soon.

CHAPLAIN – BARRY “BEAR” CROWN:

Bear is excused, recovering well, from recent surgery.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Reminder, Monday, April 14th, is the ABATE of Florida 28th Annual Freedom Ride to the Florida

State Capitol. In the past, we had 1,000 of bikes show up for this ride. Please make plans now, to take a long weekend and help us have our voices (and bikes) heard in Tallahassee.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Event flyers on the tables.

Motion to adjourn at 11:10am, seconded, approved. Next meeting will be held at American Legion Post 142 at 10:00am on February 16, 2025.

*Hollie
“Dreamer”*

Sadoff

Sitting in for Ross “Roscoe”
Secretary Southeast Chapter



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out, and loudly proclaiming, 'Wow! What a ride! '"

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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POET'S SAFE THINKINGS

Howdy Brothers and Sisters,

Well, we made it through January and Florida's taste of Winter 2025! I hope all of you are staying warm and safe. I don't know about you'all, but I'm ready for some of our famous "Mid-Winter Summer'!! Not cold but not too humid.

While enjoying the weather please be aware we have lots of cagers. They enjoy the weather too, but they enjoy it too much to notice us. Be extra vigilant as you roll!

There are lots of festivals, events, parties and Bike weeks coming up in the next few months. I'm real excited because to my eyes it seems the Community is returning to pre-Covid strength and camaraderie. I'm hoping for an excellent year as my first in fully retirement!

It's a great time to show your "sled" a little love by way of maintenance. Check fluids and tighten all clamps and bolts. Tires can crack from the weather and/or age. If they look good, check your air pressure. Just sayin'

So it looks like between the State of Florida and Abate of Florida, we are getting full support on our FMSP Safety Coalition! Have you seen our new tents? Yes plural as in more than one! Not to mention all the cool new stuff for the Safety Booth.

You are all invited to come hang out with me whenever I set up. Generally it's a party or event and they are always fun! Any help is greatly appreciated.

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A ROAD CAPTAIN REPORT

Just a reminder out there to All those Road Captains and enthusiasts. Keep an eye out for this common roadside motorcyclist's signal....to better help communicate with all those we share the road with this 2025.

A helmet placed on the ground behind a motorcycle is a signal that the rider needs help. It's a non-verbal way to convey distress, especially on busy or loud roads where other drivers might not recognize the signal. The signal can indicate a number of issues, including mechanical trouble, medical trouble, and injury.

It's a long-standing tradition among motorcyclists. Other riders will often stop to help if they see a helmet on the ground behind a motorcycle.

If you see a motorcyclist in distress, you can call 311 to reach a non-emergency service provider, or 911 to contact emergency services if the situation is immediate.

Whenever possible and safe, pull over for motorcyclists in crisis and lend a hand to someone in need. Even if you think you have nothing to offer, you may well be wrong. At the very least, especially in Florida, if we're baking in the sun, you can offer us some air conditioning.

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DARK, BUT LOVELY

Who doesn't love a ride under the full moon? Nothing quite like shifting into neutral, turning off your headlight, and soaking in the natural glow. (Don't try this at home.)

Each month, without fail, God decorates the night sky for the world He loves deeply. Technically, a full moon occurs when the moon is on the opposite side of the Earth from the sun, illuminating its face. Interestingly, each full moon has a unique name; last month's January moon was called the Wolf Moon. You can look for February's Snow Moon on February 12th.

Last month, I stood there for what felt like an eternity, gazing up at the glowing marvel in the dark sky—silvery blue with an aura of mystery surrounding its crisp edges. Oddly, photos of the moon's surface reveal a rough and crusty texture. The words slipped from my tongue instantly, as if I had no control over them.

"God, how can you take something with such an ugly, desolate surface, contrast it against the canvas of the black night, and use it to reflect pure light and beauty?"

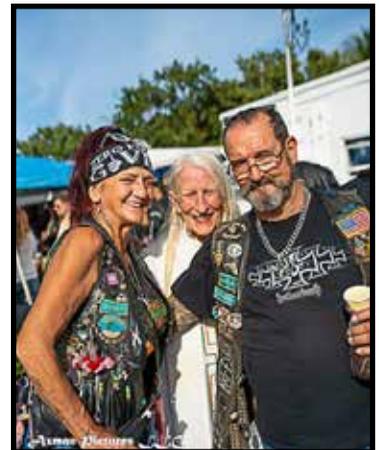
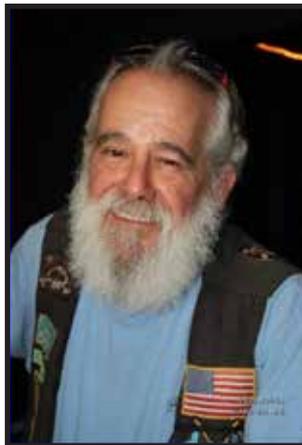
I have gazed upon this lunar body a thousand times but never in this frame of mind. His majesty and glory overtook me, and I was stunned by them. Who in heaven can hang a lantern like that, allowing a soft glow to cover a sometimes brutal existence? God. Who else can light our darkened paths with His still, small whisper of illumination? He designed all of this just for us.

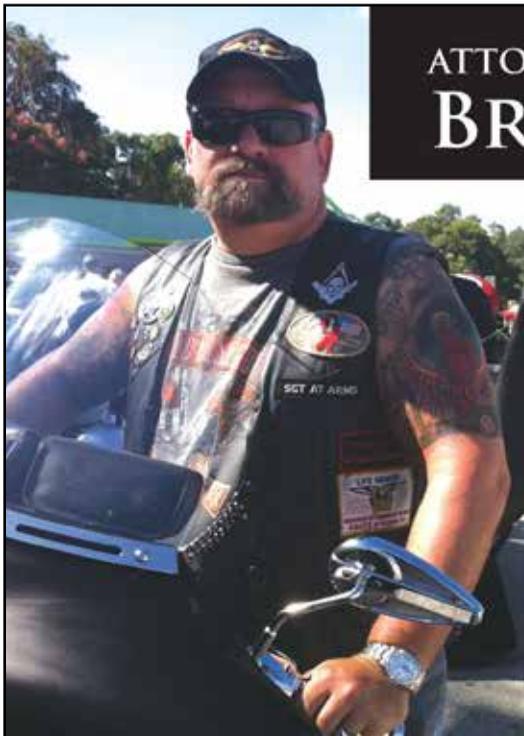
Song of Solomon 1:5 says, "I am dark, but lovely, like the daughters of Jerusalem, like the tents of Kedar, like the curtains of Solomon.

I am in awe of Him and the magnificence He has given us in the heavens. He reminds a weary people that, like the moon, we too are dark yet lovely.



Looking up,
Chrissy Leonhardt - Chaplain





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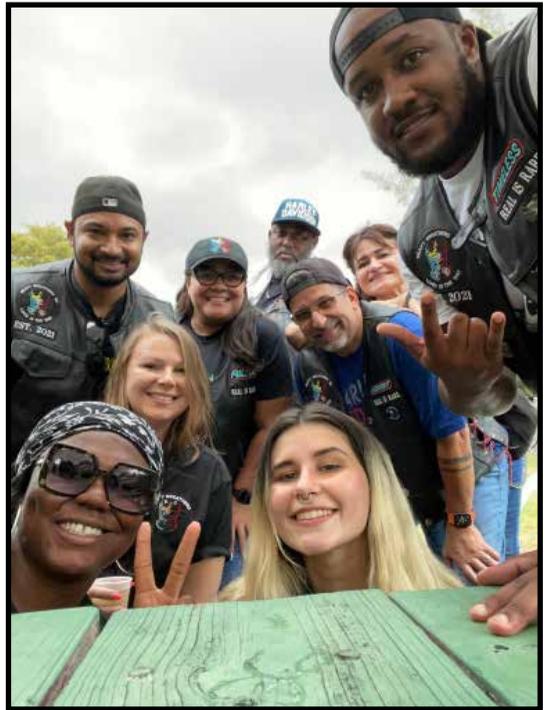
Heavy Breathers MC, established in 2021, was founded by current President Timeless and the late Vice President Mufasa. The name and logo, contrary to popular belief is NOT based on a group of riders who find it hard to breathe. It was however carefully crafted and chosen to represent a brotherhood that rides Harleys a.k.a. "Heavy Breathers" and was formed during the dawn of the covid-19 pandemic where everyone was forced to wear masks (Breathers). Coincidentally, the words Heavy Breathers and Harley Davidson share the same amount of letters, furthering the case to label the group as such. The logo itself has its own symbolic meaning from the shapes and colors used, but that's a story for another day. HBMC has come a long way in terms of growth and development from an RC under the Miami Florida Presidents Council. The club doesn't just ride together. I mean sure, riding motorcycles is what brought us together but our brotherhood doesn't exist only on two wheels, it exists on two feet as well. We are there for each other day in and day out. We help each other through life events, support each other's goals, celebrate each other's wins, mourn each other's losses and are intentional about staying up to date on all our members current health and well-being. Just like any other club, we want to see our brothers be prosperous in all aspects of their life. Another big part of Heavy Breathers MC is to give back to the cities of South Florida. We organize community events that sometimes we don't share with the world. Feeding the homeless, hosting toy drives, sponsoring graduating students, maintaining public relations, and supporting small businesses are just some of the things we aim to accomplish as a club. We feel it is not only our right but our duty to be a blessing to those less fortunate and be a pillar of mainstream culture and loyalty. HBMC will always credit the local motorcycle club community for their true words of wisdom, respect, mentorship and of course brotherhood. It wasn't an easy road to get to where we are but as I like to believe

... It's not about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to ride in the rain. Be sure to follow Heavy Breathers MC on social media platforms such as Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube.



Timeless

President of Heavy Breathers MC



Happy Birthday

February

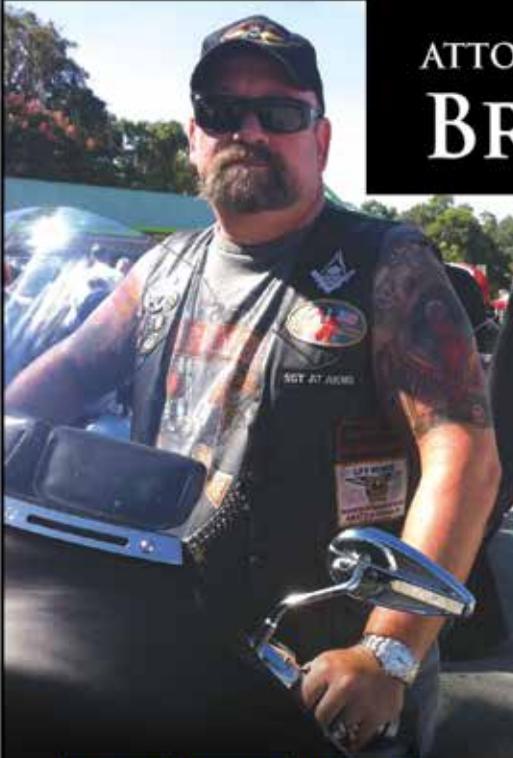


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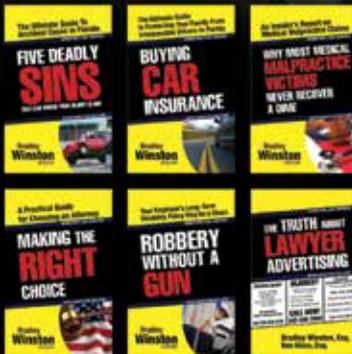


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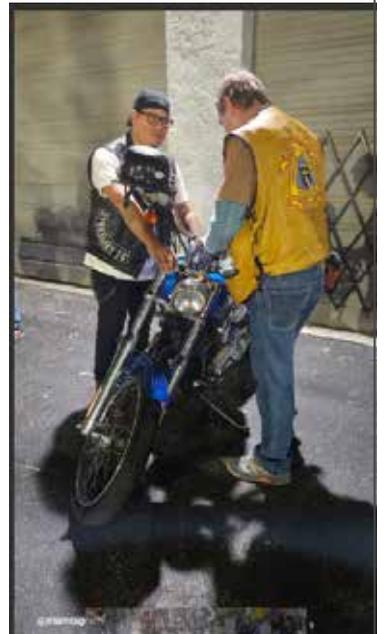
The event began with heartfelt prayers for the bikers and their motorcycles, asking for God's protection over their journeys. It wasn't just about the bikes; it was about the people, their stories, and the shared bonds within the community. Christian Motorcycle Groups from across the area joined in, contributing to the spirit of togetherness that defined the day.

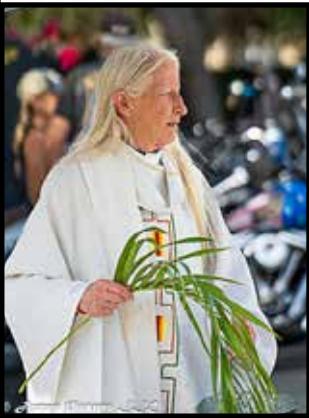
The Blessing of the Bikes wasn't just a religious ceremony—it was a celebration of unity. Several clubs and organizations attended, including ABATE, showing the strength and diversity of Miami's biker community. The event highlighted the shared respect and fellowship among all who ride, regardless of their affiliations.

A special thanks goes to Old Timers MC and its president, Tito, for graciously opening their clubhouse to host the event. Their hospitality set the tone for a warm and welcoming atmosphere, ensuring everyone felt at home.

The Blessing of the Bikes was more than an event; it was a moment of connection, faith, and gratitude. It's gatherings like these that remind us of the strength found in unity and the joy of sharing good times with brothers and sisters in Christ. Here's to more occasions that bring us together on and off the road.

OZ, President Least of Saints MC - Miami





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2025

FEBRUARY

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2025 CALENDAR



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FEBRUARY

- Sat. 1st — ~~Gideons MC ANNUAL~~ POSTPONED)
- Sun. 16th AOA Ft. Lauderdale ANNUAL
- Sat. 22nd Wheels of Man MC ANNUAL

MARCH

- Feb. 28th – March 9th 84th Daytona Bike Week
- Sun. 16th Scurvy Few MC Party

APRIL

- Sun. 6th Mystic Seven MC Party
- Sun. 13th States MC ANNUAL
- Sat. 19th CMA Easter Service
- 25th – 27th Leesburg Bikefest

MAY

- Sat. 17th Outcast MC ANNUAL
- Sat. 24th Leathernecks MC Party
- Sun. 25th ABATE S.E. Memorial Day Event

JUNE

- Sat. 8th AOA Ft. Lauderdale Memorial GBNF
- Sat. 14th Midnight Club Reapers MC ANNUAL

JULY

- Sun. 13th Alternative MC ANNUAL
- Sun. 20th Solders for Jesus MC ANNUAL
- Sat. 26th Wheels of Man MC Chili Cook Off



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Sat. 8th Heavy Breathers MC Annual

MARCH

Sat. 22nd The Crew MC Annual
Sat. 29th, Twenty Twenty MC Annual

APRIL

Sun. 8th Liberty MC Annual

MAY

Sat, 3rd Southern MC Annual

JUNE

Sat. 21st Least of Saints MC Annual

SEPTEMBER

Sun, 7th Cacique MC Annual
Sun, 28th Old Times MC Annual

OCTOBER

TBD Fearless MC Annual

NOVEMBER

Sat, 1st^h Heathens MC
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SUNDAY

ABATE Southeast Chapter meeting – 10am-12pm - **3rd Sunday of the month**
BACA @ American Legion Post 180 – 10:30am – **2nd Sunday**
Mickey's Tiki Bar – Wind Rider Church Services Church – 11am
Sharkey's Lounge – Free pool

MONDAY

Sharkey's Lounge – Ladies' night 9pm-2am – 2 for 1 drinks

TUESDAY

Mickey's Tiki Bar – Karaoke – 8pm-12am
States MC – Taco Tuesday – 6:30pm
Wings of Gold MC – Open House – 7pm

WEDNESDAY

Mickey's Tiki Bar – Texas Holds "Em – 8pm-12am

THURSDAY

ABATE Southeast Chapter EBoard Meeting – 6:30pm -
Thursday before the Chapter meeting
Scurvy Few MC – Poker Night – 7pm
The Crew MC – Open House – 8pm – **3rd Thursday**
Mickey's Tiki Bar – Lady's Nite Ou– 8pm

FRIDAY

Gideons MC – Open House – 8pm
Heathens MC – Open House – 8pm – **3rd Friday**
Outcast MC – Open House – 8pm
Scurvy Few MC – Open House – 8pm
States MC – Open House – 7-10pm
Kingdom of Brothers MC – Open House – 8pm – **1st & 3rd Friday**
Liberty MA – Open House – 8pm

SATURDAY

Fly-In Wheels MC – Open House – 9pm – **2nd and last Saturday**
Leathernecks MC – Open House & Poker Night – 8pm - **Last Saturday**
Old Timers MC -- Open House 8pm to 1am **3rd Saturday**
Scurvy Few MC – Birthday Celebrations – 7pm
Kingdom of Brothers MC – Open House – 8pm – **2nd & 4th Saturday**

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The advertisement for Mickey's Bar is divided into several sections. At the top, there is a red banner with two female strippers in bikinis flanking a circular logo that says "MICKEY'S BAR" with an eagle head. Below this, the weekly events are listed: "TUESDAY Karaoke" with a microphone icon, "WEDNESDAY" with a biker on a motorcycle, "THURSDAY Ladies NIGHT" with a pink and blue graphic, and "Texas Hold em" with a card and dice icon. At the bottom, the address "350 SW 12 Ave Pompano Beach, FL" is displayed next to a photo of the bar's exterior at night.

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The advertisement for Alternative M.C. features a black background with three skulls in the center. Above the skulls is a banner that says "Alternative" and below them is a banner that says "Clean Sober". The text "Support your local Alternative M.C." is at the top. At the bottom, the text "Sobriety on Two Wheels" and "12 Step Recovery Meeting" is provided, along with the contact information "Monday nights @ 8:30 PM" and "205 SW 23rd Street, Ft Lauderdale". The website "www.abatese.org" is at the bottom left.

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Brad Winston, our Legislative Liaison and Legal Counsel, shared at our last Chapter meeting, how YOU TOO, can get alerts based on specific words, things that interest you. Go to the website <https://www.flhouse.gov/> then click on “Tracking”, top right hand side, and it will bring you to the Legislative Tracking System. Follow the instructions, and now you too, will be alerted to things that concern you, and you can write your congressmen letting them know your thoughts on the Bills.

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The screenshot shows the Florida House of Representatives website. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Bills, Representatives, Committees, Leadership, House Schedule, Publications, and Tracking. A blue arrow points to the 'Tracking' link. Below the navigation bar is a banner for Daniel Perez, Speaker of the House. To the right of the banner is a 'Find Your Representative' search box and links for 'House Directory' and 'Lobbyist Disclosure'. Below the banner is the 'Legislative Tracking System' section, which includes a 'Sign In' form with fields for Email Address and Password, a 'Remember Email' checkbox, and a 'Sign In' button. There are also links for 'Password Reset' and 'Webmaster@flhouse.gov'. To the right of the sign-in form is an 'About' section with text explaining the system and a list of features: 'Add House and Senate bills to your list by number', 'Add House Committees to your list', 'View the legislative status of your bills', 'Modify your list at any time', and 'Choose frequency of e-mail updates'. A 'Tracking User Guide' link is also present.



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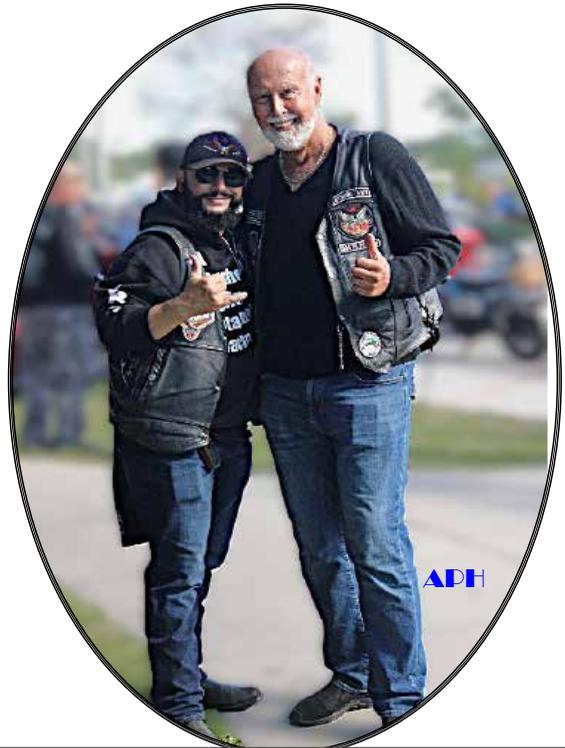
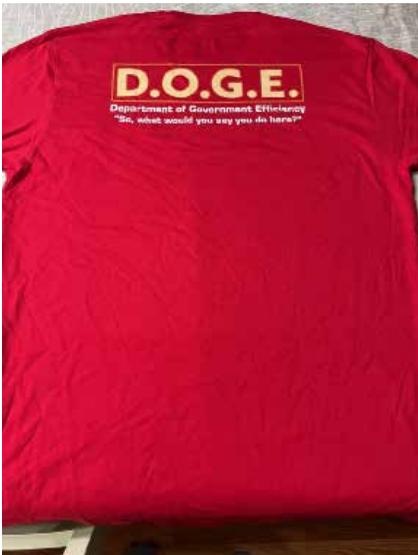
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Is there hope for the United States? Inflation, budget deficits, crime, open borders, war, failing, education, sexual confusion: all products of liberal, leftist governments. People worldwide have said ENOUGH! The pendulum is swinging quickly back to conservatism. Last year Italy, Finland, Greece and Sweden all voted out the leftists and elected conservative governments. Today only 5 of the 27 European Union countries are socialist. Just this week Canada's Trudeau resigned his position as Prime Minister. A record weak Canadian dollar and his use of carbon tax credits was his demise. The ultimate example of this shift was the recent election of the conservative Milei in Argentina. He completely shut down wasteful non productive government agencies. Inflation has been cut in half and Argentina has had its first budget surplus in decades. Can this change take place here in the United States? Trump and his proposed cabinet are well positioned to accomplish this. It's the major component of MAGA which won a solid mandate in November's election. The new Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) headed by Musk and Ramaswami will be the most effective tool. Their proposed closing of the Department of Education and others would be a great start to balancing the budget. They face serious obstacles however. Reducing the number of government workers will be difficult as many are union members. There will always be a liberal, leftist judge at some level who will attempt to block their efforts. Only time will tell. But I remain hopeful,

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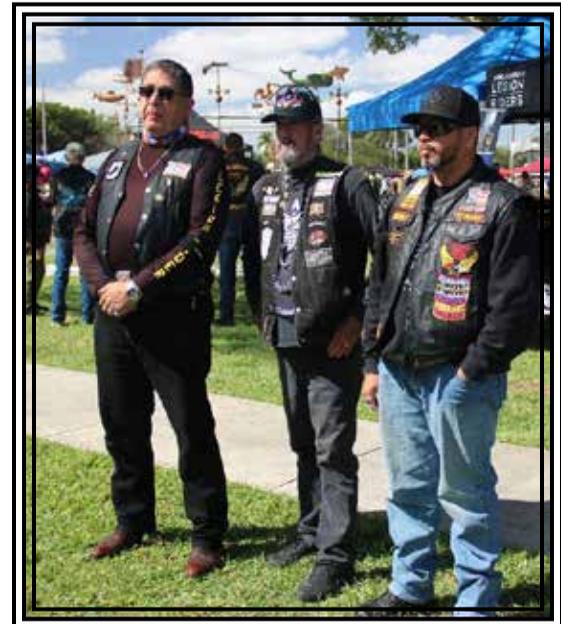
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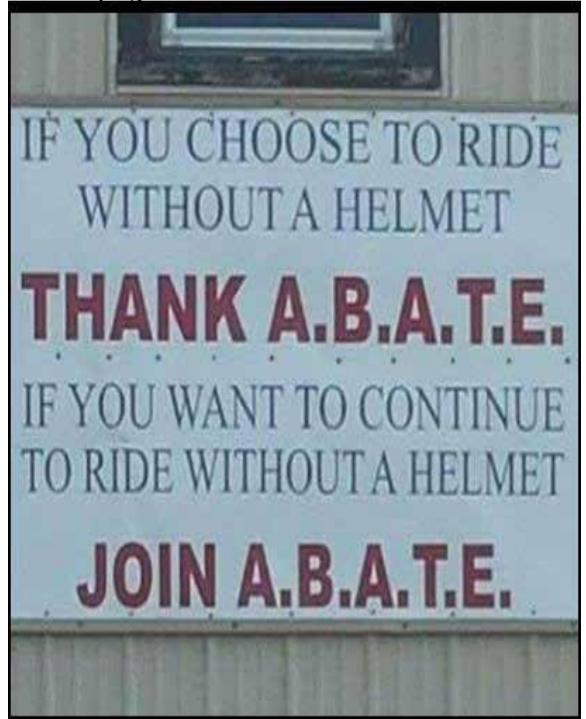
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Cuando le llegue el deseo de comprar una motocicleta y tenga los medios para obtenerla, te enfrentará a muchos factores a considerar para ayudarlo a elegir cuál adquirir. Si eres un comprador nuevo o desea comprar una mejor, este artículo podría ayudarlo a generar ideas. Simplemente hágase estas preguntas:

¿CUÁL ES TU PROPÓSITO?

Lo más probable es que quieras comprar una motocicleta para disfrutar conduciendo de forma independiente o para unirse a un grupo. Si desea unirse a un grupo, es importante que averigüe si ellos tienen una "preferencia de marca". Conozco a alguien que compró una motocicleta Yamaha y al principio fue rechazado por el grupo al que deseaba unirse simplemente porque ellos preferían las motocicletas Harley-Davidson.

Hay grupos para "bikers" y grupos para "riders". Hay una gran diferencia.

Si el grupo se formó para "motociclistas", como un club de motociclistas (también conocido como MC), o incluso un 1% MC, pueden tener preferencia obligatoria hacia una marca en particular. Suelen preferir motos de fabricación Americana como los popular Harley-Davidson, Indian, etc. Sin embargo, no todos tienen una preferencia particular. También poco a poco esta tradición está cambiando.

Algunos grupos se formaron intencionalmente para socializar y viajar con otras personas que poseen la misma marca de motocicletas, independientemente de los modelos de esa marca.

Puede que te topes con "Riding Clubs" pensando que están abiertos a cualquier marca, pero no siempre es así. Muchos grupos comienzan como RC, pero eventualmente se convierten en clubes de motociclistas (MC) y desean parecerse más al MC tradicional que solo conduce motocicletas de fabricación estadounidense. Debe preguntar sobre la posible preferencia de marca, si correspon-

La buena noticia es que hay muchos grupos geniales, incluso MC, a quienes les gusta más montar sin marcas obligatorias. Sin embargo, debes preguntar con anticipación.



Si su motivo para comprar una motocicleta es viajar solo y disfrutar de paisajes locales y lejanos, entonces sólo su visión de conducción, la siguiente sección, determinará cuál adquirir.

¿QUÉ TIPO DE CONDUCCIÓN HARÁS?

Conozco personas que montan en motocicleta simplemente para el transporte local, como ir al trabajo o a la escuela, etc. Y también conozco personalmente a otras personas a las que les encanta realizar viajes para disfrutar de paisajes locales y lejanos y visitar lugares históricos por todo el país.

Para una conducción local, basta con una motocicleta, incluso con un motor pequeño de 500cc. Cualquier valor inferior a 500cc resultará rápidamente en una posible frustración. Pero para andar fuera de la ciudad o fuera del estado, es mejor adquirir una de 1000cc o mucho más.

¿CUÁL ES TU PRESUPUESTO?

Contrariamente a la creencia popular, si tienes un presupuesto bajito, debería considerar comprar motocicletas nuevas por las siguientes razones: las motocicletas usadas generalmente se venden "tal cual", lo que significa que es posible que no pueda saber de antemano si tiene problemas mecánicos. Pero si es así, prepárese para algunas reparaciones costosas. Mientras que las bicicletas nuevas están cubiertas por garantías. Sin embargo, hay muchos mecánicos de motocicletas que son vendedores honestos de motos usadas y lo respaldarán si la moto que te venden resulta defectuosa en el futuro.

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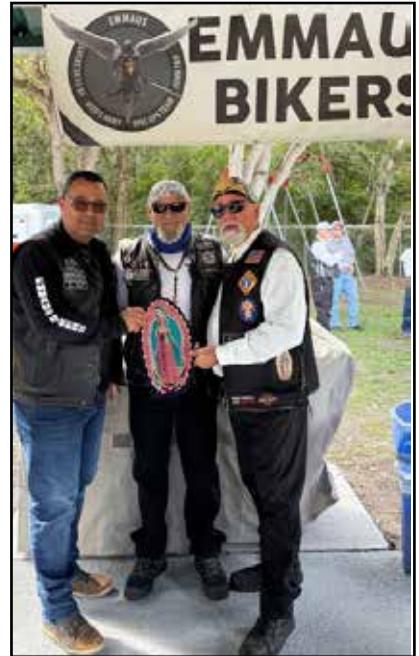
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Archbishop Wenski led the bikers on a ride to St. Justin Martyr Catholic Church in Key Largo, where we received a warm welcome and enjoyed festivities organized by the Emmaus Bikers MM, making the day even more memorable. The camaraderie and collaboration among the bikers, including the Knights on Bikes, truly highlight the spirit of unity and support.

The dedication to spreading love and positivity of the biker community is heartwarming, and I have no doubt that the good Lord will continue to bless us all. Here's to many more successful events in the future!

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WHAT IS YOUR PUPOSE?

Most likely you want to buy a motorcycle to either enjoy riding independently or to join a group. If you aim to join a group, it is important that you find out if they have a “brand preference”. I know someone who bought a Yamaha bike only to be initially rejected by the group he wished to join simply because they preferred Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

There are groups for “bikers” and groups for “riders”. There is a big difference.

If the group was formed for “bikers”, such as a motorcycle club (aka MC), or even a 1%er MC, it may have mandatory preference towards a particular brand. Usually, they prefer American-made bikes such as Harley-Davidson, Indian, etc. However, not all of them have a particular preference. And slowly this tradition is changing

Some groups were intentionally formed to socialize and ride with others who own the same motorcycle brand, regardless of models within that brand.

You may run into “Riding Clubs” thinking that they are open to any brand, but that is not always the case. Many groups start out as riding clubs but eventually become motorcycle clubs and wish to become more like the traditional MC who only ride American-made motorcycles. You need to ask about potential brand preference, if any, before you buy.

The good news is that there are many great groups, MCs even, who are more into riding and not into mandatory brands. Nevertheless, you should ask upfront.

If your reason to buy a motorcycle is to ride solo and enjoy local and distant sceneries, then only your riding vision, the next section, will determine which one to get.

WHAT TYPE OF RIDING WILL YOU DO?

I know people who ride their motorcycles simply for local transportation such as going to work or school, etc. And I also personally know other people who love to go on distant riding trips to enjoy local and distant sceneries and visit historical places.

For just local riding, a motorcycle even with just a 500cc small engine is sufficient. Anything less than 500cc will quickly result in possible frustration. But for out-of-town or out-of-state riding, it is best to get a bike with 1000cc or higher.

WHAT IS YOUR BUDGET?

Contrary to popular belief, if you are on a tight budget, you should consider buying new for the following reasons: used motorcycles are usually sold “as-is” meaning that you really may not be able to tell upfront if it has mechanical problems. But if it does, get ready for some expensive repairs. Whereas new bikes are covered under warranties / guarantees.

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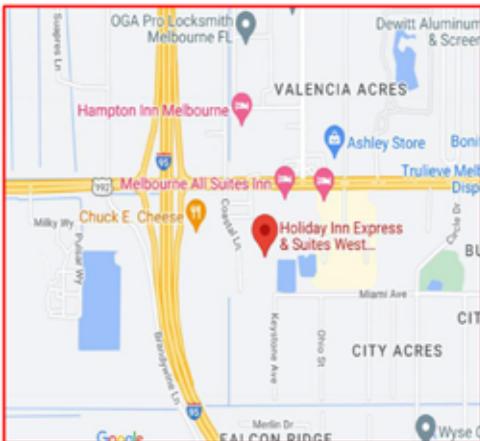
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En pocas palabras: vas a comprar para satisfacer al grupo al que deseas unirte o para satisfacerte a ti mismo. Muchas veces, la elección satisface a ambos. En cuanto a la consideración del presupuesto, compare el precio entre motos deportivas y cruceros. A menudo, lo primero es más asequible. Piensa si está comprando solo para transporte o para disfrutar de paisajes locales y lejanos. Eso afectará tus costos.

Una cosa es segura: si hay una marca y un modelo de motocicleta que te interesa y te lo puedes comprar, entonces hazlo. No hay nada mejor que ser dueño de lo que tu corazón desea, excepto unirte al club de motociclistas de tus sueños. Tu decide.

Por

JP de BAPTIZED RIDERS

be faulty down the road. This may not hold true if the bike is being sold by its current owner who is not a mechanic.

Bottom line: you are going to buy to either satisfy the group you wish to join or satisfy yourself. Many times, the choice satisfies both. As to budget consideration, compare the price between sport bikes and cruisers. Often the former is more affordable. Think about whether you are buying for just transportation or for riding trips. That will affect your costs.

There is one thing that is for sure: if there is a motorcycle brand and model that you have your eyes set on, and can afford it, then go for it. There is nothing better than owning what your heart desires, except for joining the motorcycle club of your dreams. Your choice.

By

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