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**My Ride Gets an Uplift
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It was love at first sight in late 2005, when we walked into Orange County Harley-Davidson and I laid eyes on a new arrival, a red 2006 Harley-Davidson Road Glide. It was parked there in the show room, alongside a new blue Road Glide, roped off to keep people from sitting on the bikes without assistance. There were customers standing there looking at that beautiful red Road Glide. My mind started racing and the images of the Volkswagen commercial that was airing at the time showing a potential customer waiting to see or test a new Volkswagen sitting on the lot and watching as other customers started walking towards the coveted VW. It created a panic and desperation in the man, that in order to keep other potential buyers away from the VW he was waiting for he bent down and LICKED the door handles. You are probably thinking there are no doorhandles on a Road Glide but there is a mirror and YES, yes I did, lol. I went home with that new Road Glide and have been in love with it ever since.

My Road Glide has always provided everything I needed with the exception of a few cosmetic add-ons here and there and a superb suspension upgrade with the perfect combination of Patriot Suspension on the front end and Suspension Technology on the rear making my rides safer, more stable and more comfortable.

While my stock seat has provided adequate comfort for me, I have always desired a custom seat that reflected the beauty and sleekness of my Glide. There was never a doubt in my mind that I would someday get a world renown Corbin Saddle. That day came to be during the ride in, Corbin Open House over the 4th of July weekend this year. I was able to choose the style and color of the leather, the color of the piping and thread and whether I wanted that beautiful seat to heat my backside too. What was incredibly awesome throughout the day, they were designing, cutting, shaping and fitting my saddle, they involved me in every step of the process to ensure that I had the perfect fit for the perfect ride. You might ask yourself why did I want a heated seat when I am in California? Well let's just say I plan to spend a lot more time in colder weather in the near future.

Unfortunately I didn't get too much opportunity to ride on this stunning Corbin saddle of mine while at the Hollister Rally in July, so I anxiously awaited my rides to come in Sturgis the following month.

My rides in Sturgis, while limited were positively AMAZING. While the seat felt a little hard when I first sat on the seat, within minutes it felt like I had been riding on the seat for years it was so comfortable for the long-haul ride, for the short distance rides and even on the dirt/gravel roads plus it just looks absolutely bad ass fantastic.

So we have been friends with Corbin for many years now and have always admired his company and his team. Mike is a class act and I am so grateful for him, in his support of all our shenanigans, too many to share in this piece.

We are also grateful for Mikes service to our country, his continued patriotism and support of our Veterans and his contribution to our industry. He is truly an icon and I will have the pleasure to share more about this man in an upcoming article, stay tuned.