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The main purpose of the ABATE organization is to work toward continued freedom of the road by insuring that motorcyclist's point of view is presented to our legislators and to promote motorcycle safety, rider education and public awareness. We are trying to alleviate the very real possibility of "Big Brother Government". We encourage all our members to be informed registered voters. We write letters to our elected officials and stay aware of what is going on with motorcycle legislation, and other transportation issues. We welcome interested parties to any of our activities or to join our organization.

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President's Message

Hello Long Island ABATE Members

I hope all are well. We ended March with a bang. Long Island ABATE participated in the Ronkonkoma St Patty's Day parade which was great. The parade was a first for me and went off without a hitch. We had our Truck and a trailer, decorated for the occasion. We had Awareness signs displayed and we gave out books and wristband and candy to the kids as well. It was a brisk morning and the streets were packed with spectators. The day proved to be great for exposure to the community for the organization.

April first also brought us some new laws and Inspection Guidelines in which New York State will be holding inspection stations and Repair shops accountable for inspecting and or installing mufflers that increase exhaust noise output. For more info check out our website

Now that the weather has broken and it continues to get warmer more and more events are happening. With that being said we were able to attend the first official motorcycle run and Blessing held by the Riders of Fire. There was a great turnout with many vendors there as well. It was great to see everyone. We signed and renewed quite a few members. The run went well, sadly there was a motorcyclist injured who thankfully will make a full recovery. That being said gives us a reminder that we are not invincible and are quite vulnerable and gives more of a reason to ride with caution and work to sharpen our skills. Please take the time to either take a class or practice in a parking lot with friends. Although it's like riding a bicycle, we don't forget how to ride we get rusty and comfortable. Mix that with other vehicles and road hazards and the risks increase dramatically.

Next up, at our Membership meeting at the Elks Lodge Suffolk County Highway Officers had a Safety and Statistics presentation for us and it included a lot of information about motorcycle crashes and the details involving them and broke it down by categories. The presentation was very informative and well received by the members who attended. Another reminder we have to be careful out on the road

At the meeting we also swore in Josephine as 2nd Vice President. After many years as Public relations officer and being one of the many faces representing the organization she now holds two positions. We wish her luck and as with everything she does her new duties will be performed with her whole heart in it.

Bike nights and other events have begun again and Long Island ABATE will continue to be a face in the community. Whether it be a bike event or a street fair we will do our best to be involved in the community and help with spreading Motorcycle Awareness and promoting Safety.

As you read this we entered May and May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. Our Safety and Awareness Run begins the month. We are working with the shark radio 94.3 FM and they will be airing Motorcycle PSA's throughout the month in an effort to spread Motorcycle Safety and Awareness. Also look for Motorcycle awareness signs at your local Fire Departments on their digital signs.

As the month progresses there are some legislative events happening. The 16th is lobbying day at the Capital building in Albany. Also the 16th and 17th is Bikers in the Beltway and a few of us will be going to Washington D.C. with many other members from different Motorcycle Rights

Organizations from across the country to lobby for and against Motorcycle related Legislation.



happy
mother's day!



Here is a list of some of the legislation we continue to monitor weekly there are a few that relate to motorcycles.

NY-A148 Prohibits certain children from riding on a motorcycle

NY-A881 Relates to distinctive plates for the Red Knights International motorcycle club

NY-A1107 Authorizing the commissioner of transport to conduct a comprehensive study of the efficiency of motor cycle helmets

NY-A1747 Relates to Motorcycle Profiling (very important)

NY-A5407 Allows for distinctive plates to be issued for members of New York City fire riders motorcycle club

NY-A7192 Relates to operation of three wheeled vehicles

NY-A8704 Relates to operation of three wheeled vehicles

Just to name a few for a full list of upcoming legislation reach out to our legislative officer Debbie Stondell at dmstondell@gmail.com. You can learn more about them and follow their progress.

We are working out the details for our Veterans Appreciation Run June 12th which will start at the North Sea Fireman's park on Noyack Rd in Southampton. See the flier in this newsletter or on our website or on Facebook. I hope to see you there.

As always Long Island ABATE is looking for input from members to better the organization as well as volunteers to help us maintain and grow the organization, while protecting the rights of motorcyclists and keep them safe.

If anyone wants to get more involved or has ideas just reach out to a board member. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

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Updates From Josephine

Hi Everyone, here we are once again with the warm weather teasing us! I just want to welcome everyone back into the riding season and please be as safe as you can out there. We are starting to gear up for the bike nights we will be doing again.

I look forward to seeing you all there, and I'll have new application packets and renewal forms on hand for all who stop by the Long Island ABATE booths. Please keep an eye out on social media for where we will be next. We are always looking for volunteers to help out on bike nights or just in general.

We helped out one of our members Sonia Wolf, again this year. She was collecting Shoes for Soles4Souls, and with donations from the Port Jeff Elk's and our members, she was able to collect more than 50 bags of shoes making it even more successful than last year!! We are going to have a lot more things going on this year and we will keep you all updated.

I have finished working on the 2022 Long Island ABATE Handbook and they will be available at all ABATE General Meetings as well as at our future events and bike nights.

Remember to come out to our meetings every 2nd Tuesday of the month at The Port Jeff Elks Lodge located at 41 Horseblock Rd Centereach, NY or the 3rd Tuesday of every month for a recap of the Suffolk meeting at The Marine Corps League Sunrise located at 99 New York Ave Massapequa, NY. I look forward to seeing all of you out in the motorcycle community this year.

Ride Safe!!!!

Josephine Leonard 2ND VP



LONG ISLAND ABATE PRESENTS:

SUNDAY MAY 1ST

13TH ANNUAL



MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS

SAFETY RIDE

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100 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Hauppauge, NY

Safety Workshops & Guest Speakers
KU at 12:15 - Escorted Ride

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Today HOG has over a million members, with 191 authorized HOG chapters in the USA alone. Each chapter is sponsored by an H-D dealership. There are HOG rallies all over the world each year including many in the USA. Locations vary each year with the intention of getting members to ride to a host site.

In 1985 the Long Island chapter was created with 3 sponsoring dealerships joining together. Owners Stan Chornoma, Gene Baron Marty Altholz and Rich Christani, urged by original and Life member Bob Lowery, took the idea and ran with it. All of these men are responsible for the success of LIHOG. At one time there were over 1700 members that came from one end of the island to the other. Could you imagine a Sunday morning ride if even half the membership showed up to ride?

Some years later the Nassau Chapter was established with Nassau H-D as their sponsor. It certainly made sense since the population and logistics of LI was changing. It might have taken a member an hour just to get to a meeting or a KSU location.

In 2016 Eastern H-D became the sole sponsoring dealership of LIHOG. Each year we typically have 200+ members. All members must be a registered National HOG member and then can join a chapter and many members belong to 2 or more. There are quite a few benefits of being a national member and HOG also provides an option of being an Associate Member which is typically a non-riding spouse.

Over the years the members of LIHOG have ridden just about everywhere. Not only do we have a ton of on island rides all year round, we take yearly trips that may take a week-end or weeks. LIHOG is proud to have started our annual Toy Run each December to Little Flower Residence in Wading River. We have been doing this since 1987! This ride is open to all of the riding community and has donated an amazing amount of toys and money to little Flower, not to mention the joy it brings in the holiday season.

Another one of our long-established events is our Stony Brook Veterans Home ride/fundraiser. This event is closed to LIHOG members only. During each year the chapter does a variety of things to generate funds that we then use to purchase items the veteran residents need. Recently, Long Island ABATE has recognized this endeavor and we are thankful for their additional donations.

If you have any interest in becoming a member visit longislandhog.com. The website is full of information as well as contact information.

Pat O'Hara
Director, Long Island Harley Owners Group



On Saturday 7 May, women riders will take to their motorcycles and powersports vehicles to “Just Ride!” for the 16th International Female Ride Day® (IFRD). Participants in over 120 countries, and six continents will join in on the globally synchronized women’s ride day which highlights female motorcycle riders and powersports across all disciplines of the activity. IFRD started in 2007, once a year women connect globally through the passion of riding. IFRD hopes to expand the demographic of women riders and inspire others to get into the sport. “We have all seen the benefits of women’s inclusion in motorcycling – socially, economically, and politically. IFRD has continually offered an environment that fosters presence and accelerates kinship.

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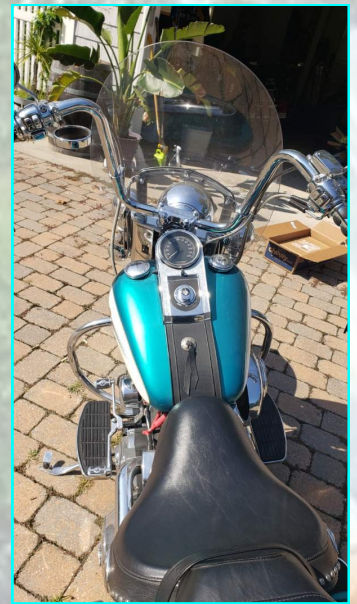


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Chris Beckhans, President Long Island ABATE



MOTORCYCLE HELMET

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You can ride with the wind in your hair and the bugs in your face. However, there are a lot of advantages of choosing to ride with a helmet rather than without one.

Your face stays on your face. I've been in a couple different motorcycle accidents, and thankfully I've always been wearing full gear when they happen. There was one crash where my face was being dragged on the pavement for 20 feet. I had a full-face helmet though, and it allowed me to keep my nose on my face. Trust me, that's not just hyperbole, people have literally ground off body parts when they are tumbling down a road after a crash. I like my face, and I want to keep it.

It protects you from bugs. There are lots of different helmets out there, and I always ride with a full face helmet. The biggest reason is because I've had one too many bugs hit me in the mouth or the eye. These were times when I just had my visor open while riding! I can't even imagine what it would be like if I had no sort of face protection at all.

It looks mysterious. Batman wears a mask. Zorro wears a mask. Catwoman wears a mask. What do they all have in common? They exude mystery! That's what a helmet does, it just gives other people a small taste of that beautiful face of yours. Girls like mystery. Guys like mystery. Everyone likes it! So add a bit of mystery to your life with a full face helmet.

Lets you easily use bluetooth. Lots of helmets come with bluetooth capability and speakers already installed. You can also buy kits to install on a helmet without those. Bluetooth lets you answer phone calls, listen to music, and even get driving directions while you ride your motorcycle.

Your brain stays protected. You are a human and a brain is really important for you to live. You don't want brain damage. You want to be just as witty 10 years from now as you are today, and keeping your noggin protected in a helmet is a great way to do that while you ride a motorcycle.

It's the law. In a lot of states, you have to wear a helmet in order to ride a motorcycle. So if you have to wear one anyway, might as well make it something useful like a full face helmet that has so many benefits rather than just a half helmet.

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- Monitoring and influencing federal legislation for any impact on the motorcycling community at large
- Representing street motorcyclists by participating in federal research and advisory committees
- Protecting street motorcyclists from unfair or burden some federal agency restrictions and regulations
- Ending discrimination against street motorcyclists
- Providing all street motorcyclists with direction and information to protect their motorcycling rights
- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American roads



WHO WE ARE

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is the Nation's premiere motorcyclists' rights organization that is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. We are also committed to educating rights advocates to improve effectiveness at the state and local levels. The MRF works together with street motorcyclists, State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SMROs), the motorcycle industry, the media and other organizations, assisting them with state and local agendas as well as working with them to influence action and policy in Washington, DC - from the Congress to government departments and agencies to the Office of the President of the United States. We also work with allies in Canada, Europe and Asia to influence talks on vehicle globalization and harmonization that are proceeding under the United Nations and the World Health Organization.

History of the MRF

The first words of the street rider's first voice in Washington were uttered in 1985 in St. Louis, Missouri. There, the very founders of the motorcyclists' rights movement in America gathered for a meeting of the minds. Leaders of State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SMROs), they wanted to catapult to the national scene the clout and effectiveness of SMROs — the strong, effective grassroots of state-based motorcyclists' rights.

They knew it had to be done. Riders' rights had to go national, because the threat was national. Our founders at this meeting of the minds shared a keen sense that danger was not just on the horizon but dead ahead, as freedom's foes had just attacked with a ban on motorcycles in the United States Congress.

They knew it had to be done right. The founders wanted a staff that was all muscle and no fat, supported not by casual members but driven by a team of dedicated volunteers, with each volunteer committed to shouldering his or her share of the demands of liberty. They envisioned a team committed to core values like respect for riders' diverse lifestyles and opinions, integrity in conduct, excellence and boldness in facing challenges head-on and, above all, leadership — leadership in the unrelenting struggle for the safety and freedom of American motorcyclists.

So, at a meeting of the minds of grassroots leaders, a new leader was born: The Motorcycle Riders Foundation. The first motorcyclists' rights advocacy organization with a full-time legislative and political presence in our nation's capital. The only Washington voice devoted exclusively to you, the street rider. And each year, the leaders of the now-worldwide community gather for motorcycling's premier political leadership summit — named to commemorate the gathering at which we were founded: The MRF Meeting of the Minds.

Throughout the USA and across the world, the torch of freedom burns in the hearts of motorcyclists. One by one, they recognize the need to become volunteers as co-partners in an organization committed to integrity, respect, leadership, teamwork and excellence.

One by one, in every continent and culture, motorcyclists are deciding to Ride with the Leaders™.

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