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## Long Island ABATE



AMERICAN BIKERS for AWARENESS TRAINING & EDUCATION

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

July is here and gone already. It is now August; I can't believe how fast the year is flying by. They say time flies when you're having fun, which might have some truth to it. I do enjoy doing what we do, having a positive effect on people and situations is very rewarding.



The word of the summer is "Hydration" Hydration is the replacement of body fluids lost through sweating, exhaling, and eliminating waste. On average, the body loses and needs to replace about 2-3 quarts of water daily, under normal circumstances. Now add excessive temperatures and the unfelt evaporation during riding and you have a recipe for Heat Exhaustion and possibly Heat Stroke. We must remember to replenish the fluids lost even if we don't feel it. Keeping extra water and sports drinks with you as well and believe it, or not loose-fitting clothes and long sleeves will not only protect you from the sun they will help you feel cooler while in motion. Don't forget the sun block either, the sun might feel great but extended exposure can and will lead to more discomfort

Our Stop the Bleed Class put on by Stony Brook University was great, we had 54 participants and hopefully none of us will ever have to use the skills we learned. We also attended many local events.

Next up I had the pleasure of attending a Defensive Driver Discount program recertification class. There I met with many instructors and some driver education teachers. While there I was able to talk about Long Island ABATE and Motorcycle Safety and Awareness. I was also asked to sit in on a Zoom meeting with other teachers who were not present that day. I also spoke to the Director of the program about getting certified to teach their program as well as getting others from our organization certified as well. Once we do that, we can reach other motorists and spread more motorcycle awareness and educate them more through our personal experiences. I am also very happy to share with you our Motorcycle Awareness Presentation status. We have done well over 75 presentations so far and 7 more presentations scheduled for this month. We are looking at over twenty-five hundred new drivers reached thanks to all the presenters we have. If all goes well, we will be doing over one hundred presentations next year. With that being said, we are looking for more presenters so we can better accommodate the schools next year. If you are interested in making a positive influence and sharing your personal experiences, please reach out to me at [chrisliabate@gmail.com](mailto:chrisliabate@gmail.com) You will be required to sit in on at least 2 classes and become familiar with the PowerPoint presentation. Each class has Two presenters so you can work together during the class.



Next up is The National Night Out on August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Centereach Pool facility. We will have a booth set up there, See Flyer in this newsletter. We are also planning a ride to the Nordic Lodge in Rhode Island on August 17<sup>th</sup>, watch for Emails and Facebook for more details. After that the Campout is on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed, please contact Gary at [garyhart04cvo@gmail.com](mailto:garyhart04cvo@gmail.com) Tickets are \$40.00 in advance and \$50.00 the day of the event. Additional days are available at your own expense. We reserved the field from Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> Contact Cathedral Pines Park. There will be Bands, a Chili cook off, Bike games, and a Chinese Auction and more. To donate a basket for the auction please reach out to Josephine at [bandcampgirl64@gmail.com](mailto:bandcampgirl64@gmail.com). For tickets reach out to a Board Member or myself via Email or Facebook Messenger. I Hope to see you there. It is as much fun as you can have" Legally" at a County Park.

As always Long Island ABATE is looking for input and participation 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 trying to keep us safe. If you would like to get more involved or have ideas, please reach out to me or any Board Member. We would love to have you and or your input.  
Thank You for your continued support.

Chris Beckhans

President of Long Island ABATE

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Councilman Neil A. Manzella, Town Clerk Kevin J. Lavallo  
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Pre-registration for conference through the MRF, PO Box 9090, Peoria, IL 61612

Pre-registration (must be received by Sept. 4, 2024): \$100.00 (current member) / \$120.00 (non-member)

Registration rate after Sept. 4, 2024: \$110.00 (current member) / \$130.00 (non-member)

Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.

Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0983, or email Fred Harrell at [fred@mrf.org](mailto:fred@mrf.org).

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# 40th Annual Meeting of the Minds

September 26 - 29, 2024

## ENHANCING YOUR SKILLS TO KEEP THE NIGHTMARES AT BAY

In the real world, few people wake up in the middle of the night in a cold sweat thinking about the future of motorcycling. The future of motorcycling is under attack today and a few of us do wake up in the middle of the night with the future of motorcycling on our minds.

In the early days of motorcyclists' rights activism – fifty years ago for some – mandatory helmet laws at the federal (and later the state) level did not keep us awake or stop us from riding. It was always a matter of choice and there were no attempts (then) to restrict us from riding or to kill motorcycling and related businesses. Then came federal legislation to outlaw sports bikes, along with insurance company “blacklists” of the “super bike” genre, and the nightmares of over-regulation began. The MRF moved rapidly to turn back the federal legislation and the super bike blacklists, and we slept easy – for a while.

**Motorcycling is under attack.** The attacks are more subtle than late-night bans of motorcycles riding through neighborhood parks, more subtle than profiling motorcyclists on the side of the road, and more subtle than a deliberate omission from the Road to Zero Coalition.

But not as subtle as “end of life directives,” not as subtle as trying to run a successful aftermarket business without the “right to repair,” not as subtle as legislation to eliminate the internal combustion engine, and not as subtle as driverless or autonomous vehicles killing motorcyclists.

Now, every motorcycle owner should be losing sleep or waking up in a cold sweat wondering just how long we will be able to ride if we do nothing to stop the legislation and regulation that exacerbate our nightmares. How long will we be able to ride if the calls to action go unanswered? How long will we be able to ride if the lessons and tools made available at the Meeting of the Minds conferences go unused?

**The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is working on the lesson plans and will bring the tools needed to enhance motorcyclists' rights advocacy to the 40th Annual Meeting of the Minds in September 2024!**

A Meeting of the Minds general session panel discussion — with industry leaders and influencers— will certainly keep you awake during the presentation. The panel, aptly titled “*What about the future of motorcycling that keeps you awake at night,*” may even keep you awake in the middle of the night as it does us. However, the panel will give you something to consider, more tools to turn back the attack against motorcycling, and, with action, help stop the nightmares.

The nightmares are real, motorcycling is under attack. Your attendance at the Meeting of the Minds may not end the nightmares. However, your attendance and taking the lessons home to your riding partners will help keep the nightmares at bay.



**Take action now to attend the 40th Annual Meeting of the Minds conference, September 26-29, rest easier and make your reservations now!**

**ALL ROOMS NEED TO BE BOOKED BY  
SEPTEMBER 4, 2024.**

### **OTHER INFO**

Pre-Register: MRF

PO Box 9090

Peoria, IL 61612

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Registration Includes: All Workshops, All Workshop Materials and  
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# Sturgis Rally History

How the largest biker party in the world began!

Today, the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally continues to reap the support and attendance of both participants and motorcycle fans all over the United States and in some parts of the world. In 2015, a record 739,000 attended the rally's 75th anniversary, including entire families who came with their RVs and rode the few last miles to Sturgis on their motorcycles.

In Sturgis, S.D., on August 14, 1938, a group of nine men raced their motorcycles with a small group of people watching. The bikers were known as the Jackpine Gypsies Motorcycle Club which later organized the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally along with a fellow member and owner of the Indian Motorcycle Shop, J.C. "Pappy" Hoel. Pappy Hoel worked for his family's ice business before buying a motorcycle franchise and becoming one of the most successful dealers in South Dakota. Since then, the rally has continued every year since that first race in 1938 -- with the exception of two years during World War II. Now, seven decades after the first rally, the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is still going strong and doesn't show any signs of slowing down.

An event that started out as a small group of racers has turned into the largest motorcycle gathering in the world. All types of motorcycles are represented at the rally as well as all different types of people. In 1960 the attendance of the rally topped only 800 people and in 1970 that number grew to 2,000. The Rally mentions in its official guidebook that after 1970 the attendance of the weeklong event grew exponentially. In the year 2000 about 550,000 people attended the rally. Of course, Daytona Beach, Fla., is infamous for its Bike Week event, but one of the things that makes the attendance of the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally so exceptional is that the city of Sturgis normally only has a population of about 6,000 people. In addition to the city of Sturgis' small population, the entire state of South Dakota nearly doubles its population when the rally bikers show up each year.

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally keeps its traditional racing roots by offering a half-mile (.8-kilometer) motorcycle race similar to Hoel's first race. Other races, competitions, concerts and far more entertainment than the original founders ever planned have been added, too.

A motorcycle ride through the Black Hills and Badlands offers thrilling experiences and fantastic scenery. From north to south and east to west, the entire region is dotted with epic rides. It's no wonder hundreds of riders make the annual pilgrimage to Sturgis for the motorcycle rally each year. For skill-rated scenic rides, view or download the Black Hills Motorcycle Map.

The region hosts tons of concerts and special events throughout the rally week, as well as pre- and post-rally events.

*This years event...  
August 2nd - 11th*



This undated photo shows Neil Hultman riding a motorcycle with a sidecar in Sturgis, S.D. Hultman is the second-oldest surviving member of the Jackpine Gypsies, the motorcycle club that started what is now the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.











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# Updates From Josephine

## hello, AUGUST

Hello everyone! I hope everyone is enjoying the riding season and being out and about in the community. June has been a very busy month. Long Island ABATE has been out at many different events. It's great seeing so many people out supporting each other's events. Here's just a recap and some pictures of where we've been in the month of June.

June 9th was Long Island ABATE's Veterans Appreciation run. Even with the rain that day we had a good amount of people coming out and showing support. On June 12th we were in Riverhead at the Polish Hall for a veterans dinner. June 22nd we had a tent set up at Suffolk County Harley-Davidson. And that evening we had a tent set up at Sons of Italia. On June 29th Long Island ABATE was set up at The 13th Annual Down Biker Fundraiser and Run at Bikers for Christ and Rushing Wind church. And we ended the month June 30th at Fighters of Fire Christmas in June toy run and also later that night at the Spider Riders meeting. I hope you enjoy the pictures from the events that went on in June. Look forward to seeing everyone this month in July! Remember with this heat stay hydrated while riding and be safe!

By,

Josephine Leonardi

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## **Don't Tell Me It's Raining Again?**

Do you make it a point to ride when it's raining? Many motorcyclists don't, for any number of reasons.

But some motorcyclists don't have a choice, such as when they are on long-distance trips, riding in organized events, or just caught miles away from their destination when the skies turn ugly and the water starts falling.

There are many considerations when riding on two or three wheels during a precipitation event, but they boil down to three categories – the rider, the bike, and the environment. Let's take a brief look at all three and highlight a few areas where we can make wet-weather travel safer for everyone.

With regard to the rider, preparation, experience, and confidence play a large role in riding safely in rain, fog, or even light snow. The type and quality of riding gear a rider chooses can make the difference between staying (mostly) dry and getting soaking wet. Water, wind, and air temperature combine to potentially cool a rider's body temperature down to the point of adversely affecting their judgement, reaction time, and comfort. Cold, wet hands and feet make the operation of controls more difficult. Cold, wet legs and upper body can bring on chills that cause the shakes. And a cold, wet head is an invitation to danger.

Besides good quality wet-weather gear to keep your body dry, you'll need good vision gear to keep your eyes dry. Wrap-around sunglasses for daytime riding and goggles for nighttime riding are not just for comfort, but to keep your vision sharp in reduced visibility situations. A helmet visor can also protect you.

Experience is another factor during liquid sunshine rides. Besides the obvious dangers one recognizes during many years of riding, a rider's normal speed, cornering, and braking routines change during wet conditions. The irony is the only way to learn wet-weather riding skills is to ride in the rain.



A rider's confidence during inclement weather is a huge factor in making the critical decision to press on or sit it out. How many times have you seen motorcyclists gathered under an interstate overpass during a rainstorm? Perhaps they stopped to gear up, or they plan to wait it out. Either way, they decided to stop and analyze their options for reaching their destination safely.

And don't forget about your passenger. What might seem like a perfectly-normal light shower to you might be a frightening experience for your passenger, seasoned or not. Getting wet, getting cold, getting fatigued, and getting angry isn't the ideal state for your passenger if you choose to focus only on your own well-being. When in doubt, stop and ask. Then listen closely before deciding to press on toward your destination.

With regards to your bike, think about the most important component for safe wet-weather riding – your tires. Without good, properly-inflated tires, you're gambling with your coefficient of traction on road surfaces that may not only be wet, but may be coated with dirt, oil, antifreeze, leaves, you name it. Under ideal conditions, good tires provide enough starting, stopping, and cornering traction to maneuver safely. But when wet, asphalt, concrete, tar & chip, and dirt roads increase the danger of partial or complete traction loss during even routine maneuvers, let alone emergencies. Yes, ABS (Anti-lock Braking Systems) add a margin of safety during less-than-ideal conditions, but it's bad science to rely on technology to save your bacon every time.

Another side effect of wet-weather riding is reduced visibility, both seeing and being seen. How many lights should a motorcycle have on it? Perhaps enough to not only allow the rider to see what's ahead when the weather turns ugly, but what about the double whammy of riding in the rain at night? And what about other vehicle operators seeing the rider during reduced-visibility conditions? A good set of fog lights for the front and multiple running lights on the side and in the rear make a motorcycle more noticeable day or night, rain or shine.

Motorcycles equipped with windshields or windscreens may help a rider during rain events, not only by deflecting water but wind as well. When a rider doesn't feel like they are sitting in front of an open fire hose, they may be able to focus more clearly on their environment and other roadway users.

The environment itself presents perhaps the greatest challenge during rain events because so many things change when the clouds roll in. It's easy to create a long list of things to avoid in the rain, but potholes, metal utility system covers, metal bridge and temporary construction plates, and construction zones become new threats to all roadway users, not just motorcyclists.



How about painted roadway lines, crosswalk markings, and curb step-ups and step-downs? Yep, another short list of threats under normal operating conditions, let alone ugly-weather rides.

As the riding season winds down during autumn, tree leaves become even more dangerous on a road surface. It may be easy to blow through a pile in front of you on a good day, but “Danger, Will Robinson!” when the leaves are wet.

Recent New England storms have highlighted yet another roadway hazard during inclement weather – road and shoulder washouts. Imagine the pucker factor when traveling during torrential downpours and having the road or shoulder in front of you buckle or disappear. Or when tons of sand, gravel, and stone suddenly appear in the lane ahead. Any type of roadway damage throughout Vermont and New Hampshire during the height of the riding season should put all riders on high alert.

There isn't enough time or space to list all the threats a rider faces during their travels, but it's important to consider the ones that can be addressed before, during, and after the ride. Before, *preparation* is the word; during, *caution* is the word; and after, *analyzing what went right and what went wrong* is the phrase to live by.

For those old enough to remember, years ago BMW Motorcycles ran an ad with a headshot photograph of an obviously soaking wet motorcyclist staring off to the right with the tagline “Does riding in heavy rain count as bathing?” Can you picture yourself in that ad? More than once?

It goes without saying that if you ride long enough, you'll get wet. How wet? That's up to you, your riding gear, your motorcycle, and your riding environment.

**“Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass: it's about learning how to ride in the rain!” - Anonymous**

Ride safe, Ride S.M.A.R.T.

*Imre*

Imre Szauter  
Director, Ride S.M.A.R.T.



# LONG ISLAND ABATE



## 2024 EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE!



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**PINES PARK**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3rd**  
**St. Mary's Toy Run and**  
**Fundraiser**

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## Grace And Peace

We all want these in our lives. We all want to come home and relax when we can. We have a routine that we follow. It's 4 – 5 days a week. Sometimes we get to go out and hang out with friends and family. Things come up and we deal with them. Things will always come up.

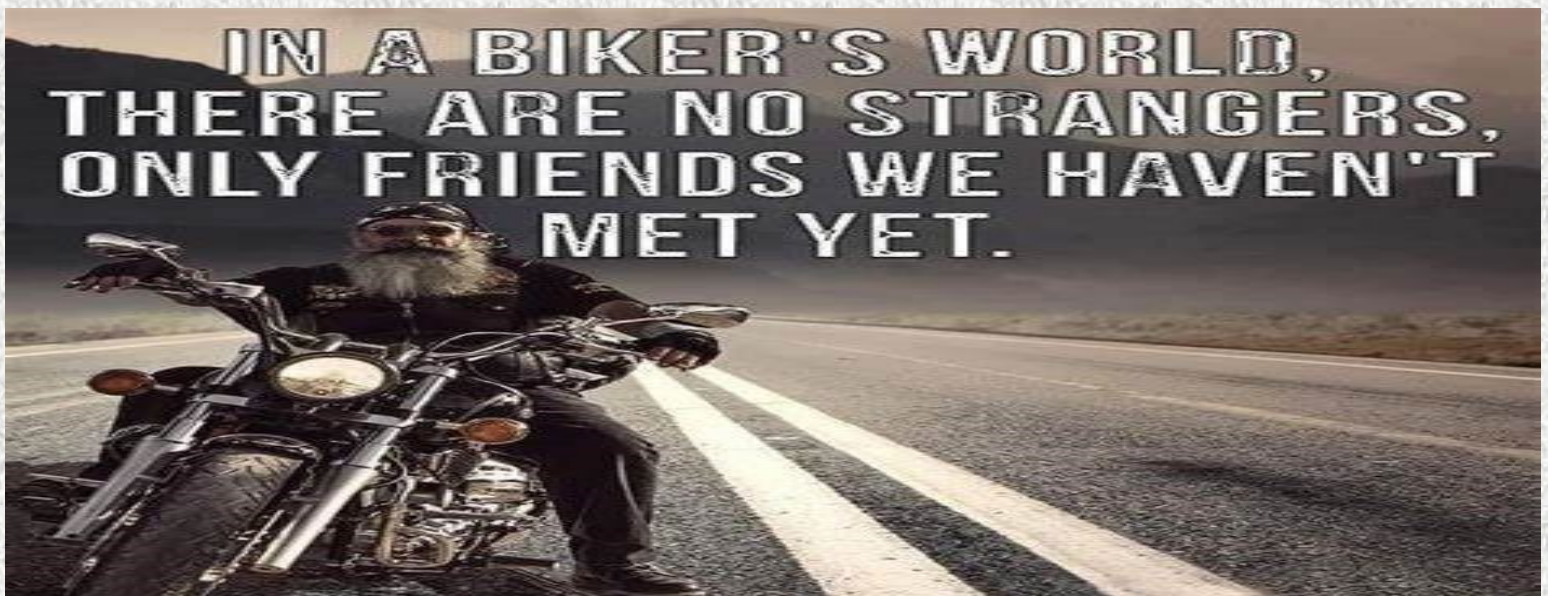
If you have any amount of a biblical background, you've read these words many times. Paul, an apostle for Jesus Christ, writes this many times when he starts or ends his letters to the new Christian churches. Why? Because he cares for us as Jesus cares for us. He loves us as Jesus loves us. At a minimum, we should seek grace and peace in our lives. Grace from others to be patient with us and peace comes when we feel secure where we are in life. The two go together as grace can lead to peace and rest from anxiety and stress.

I wish that you all accept Jesus to receive complete love, hope, peace, and joy. If you don't, ok. I love you and I'm here for you, whatever you choose. I do wish you all grace and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ, in whatever you do and are involved in.

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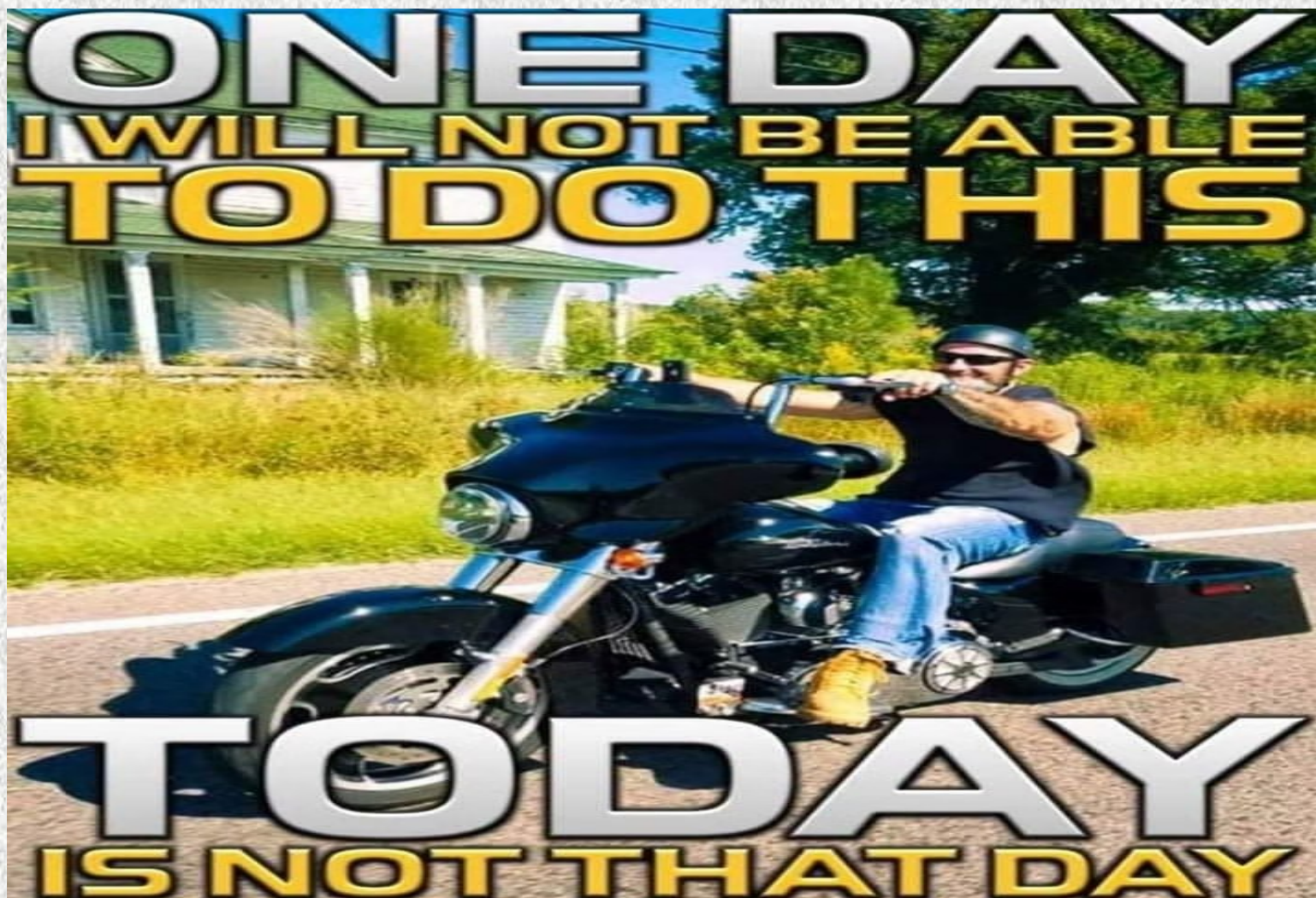
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- Providing all street motorcyclists with direction and information to protect their motorcycling rights
- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American roads



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