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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 Everyone,

Wow, September is here already and I can't believe it. Summer is almost gone already, and I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy many rides and destinations. By the time you read this the Long Island ABATE annual Campout has already happened. Pictures and story next month. We were also able to attend many different Club meetings and go into deep detail about who we are and what Long Island ABATE does for the community and motorcyclists. We were very well received and quite a few people joined and renewed. Long Island ABATE was also out and about at many different events. We were set up a National Night out, we were also set up at the PFC Dwyer's fund raiser, and we were also set up at BACA's Poker run in Bohemia. There were a lot of events at the end of August.



September is also a busy month for us and the Motorcycle community. We will be set up at US Military Vets on Saturday the 5th, We are to be set up at the Ronkonkoma Street Fair on Sunday September the 6th, Our Membership Meeting is Tuesday the 8th. Wednesday is the Long Island HOG/ Elks/ LI ABATE Blood Drive at the Elks Lodge in Centereach (see flyer in this newsletter). On the 9th and 10th, We will also be having a presenter meeting with Bruce LePorte for the new presenters in our Awareness presentation program. September school starts again and our presentation schedule begins again. 9/19 is the 911 ride to benefit the Forest Hills Ambulance Company as well as the ALR 1006 Suicide Prevention Ride. On 9/20 we will be set up at Am Vet Post 48 Bike Show. 9/24/27 is the Meeting of The Minds and on 9/27 National Coir will be hosting their first annual Patriot Ride and Bike Show at Tanner Park in Copiague, All flyers in this Newsletter. We look forward to seeing you out there

We will be adding some new members to the Board at our Membership Meeting on the 8th. We Have a new Volunteer Coordinator and a new Road Captain. **We Still Need More People to Get Involved and Help Out!!** There is a lot to do, and the more people involved the less work we all have to do. We are still looking for people to help with donations, products, as well as assistant Road Captains. If you would like to fill one of these positions, and get more involved as well as help make a difference, please reach out to myself or a Board Member.

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.

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And we Are!!

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Chris

Chris Beckhans

President of Long Island ABATE

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Meeting Of The Minds 2026 One Conversation Can Change Everything

Four weeks from today, Meeting of the Minds 2026 will be underway.

The workshops will be happening. The reports will be delivered. The panel discussions will be in full swing.

But some of the most important moments won't appear on the agenda. They'll happen one conversation at a time.

▲ A conversation between two state leaders discussing membership recruitment.

▲ A conversation between an experienced activist and someone attending for the first time.

- A conversation about a legislative challenge that one state has already solved.
- A conversation that sparks a new idea.
- A new partnership.

A new opportunity.

Every year, attendees return home with information. But they also return home with something equally valuable: Perspective.

The realization that other riders face the same challenges.

The understanding that successful ideas can be adapted and shared.

The confidence that comes from knowing you are not fighting alone.

For over four decades, Meeting of the Minds has brought together motorcyclists who believe that protecting our freedoms requires more than concern.

It requires commitment. And commitment begins with showing up.

- One conversation can lead to a stronger membership program.
- One conversation can improve communication efforts.
- One conversation can help prepare the next generation of leadership.
- One conversation can change the direction of an organization.

The question isn't whether important conversations will happen in Milwaukee. They will.

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It's no secret that LI ABATE members don't necessarily ride a Harley Davidson and may prefer an Indian, Kawasaki or Honda, just to name a few. But that preference shouldn't stop a rider from partici

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So why enter this program? Well if you are able to get stamped at all 27 dealerships you are entered 3 times to win a H-D Softail that will be raffled off in January at La-conia H-D. If you were only able to get stamped 15 times (the minimum) then you get 1 entry.

This past January after completing the 2025 tour card, I along with 3 other LIHOG members who completed the tour card went to the award ceremony last January at Monadnock H-D in New Hampshire. Of course we drove there since the temperatures were hovering in the 20's but had high hopes of being a winner. Needless to say we did not win except for one \$100 gift card to Boston H-D won by Anthony who graciously bought each of us a token gift. We did enjoy all the free food and the camaraderie of many other participants who came from all over New England. We decided to do it again in 2026 but in a completely different plan and with a couple of additional LIHOG friends. Our route, especially to the last couple of dealerships, took us up to Caribou Maine. This year we didn't plan for any hotel reservations and made out well even during the very busy summer season. We all agreed that banking on a major hotel chain can alleviate some stress when looking to reserve a number of rooms at the end of a 400 mile day of riding. This trip we opted for two different Best Westerns, the White House in Bangor, ME. And one in South Portland. They served us well for each night and free breakfasts were better than normal.

At the H-D Ride North dealership in Caribou, we took the advice of the dealership employees and found the Shiretown Inn and Suites in Houlton, Maine. It was a pleasant surprise. Not looking at all welcome from the front, the reasonable rooms were decent and clean but in the rear there was this busy fantastic restaurant /bar with awesome food. You just never know. Steve joined Freddie and me at the bar and adamantly asked the friendly barmaid for the coldest Corona she had. Smiling, she opened the bottle and happily placed it in front of him and waited for his reaction as he sipped the warmest beer he may have ever had. A good laugh. We were very fortunate to ride many back roads, visited Acadia National Park including Cadillac Mountain. If you ever plan to visit, they require separate passes that must be purchased online beforehand. The group incorporated the wonderful "Kanc" in our ride to Vermont. Entering from the east Anthony knew of the watering hole at Lower Falls on the Kanc so we stopped there for a while. The designated motorcycle parking was wide open for us even though there was a waiting line for cars. It was a hot sunny day so families were all over the rocks and in the stream sunning themselves. How many times have I passed this spot and never stopped to see what it was? Riding west toward Barre, VT,. We were delighted to ride routes 11, 302 and 112, On 112 we stopped for lunch in Lincoln NH. At the old school Lincoln Diner. The waitress was a true character and the food was worth it. We also noticed at another local diner/gas station patrons brought in their own bottle of syrup, odd I thought but little did I realize after buying and tasting the pure Maine maple syrup how good it was!

The last night we stayed in White River, Vermont in what appeared to be a decent hotel but as Judi can attest it would have been better staying at the Holiday Inn across the parking lot. God only knows what goes on there! Entering my room I was greeted by a fresh smell, nice I thought only to diminish as the night wore on and the reek of stale reefer took over. Lesson learned.

So hopefully I'll be submitting a photo to the LI ABATE February newsletter showing one of us with a brand new Softail.

Pat O'Hara





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Updates From Josephine

Article by ...Josephine... 2nd VP Long Island ABATE

Hi again everyone, here we are at the end of August! I'll be picking up where last month's article left off with everything Long Island ABATE has been out and about doing. Along with a few things I have done. On Saturday July 25th I attended a parking lot practice at the Ronkonkoma train station. You can join the group on Facebook called Parking Lot Practice Rats of Long Island. It's run by one of our Members Mark Briganti. It's held usually the last Saturday of the month plus it's also posted on Facebook of when he will be there for practice at your own pace. He sets up obstacle courses to practice your skills he uses very small cones on the course. Since I need all the practice, I can get for not riding in a few years I have gone down to practice a few times. The last time I was there our very own sergeant of arms Bill asked me to ride on the back of his bike while he did the course. As he said practicing with just you on the bike is one thing but to do it with a passenger is something else. It changes a lot. So, I said sure and jumped on! Like I say there are very few people I trust for me to get on the back of a bike. I have also been on the back of a bike since I was little with my dad and my uncle. So, he took me through the course like a champ! I do trust Bill. I have to say I was a bit nervous at the end of some of the cone courses because as you go through the spacing of the cones get smaller and smaller and tighter once again pushing your skill level. It's a great Saturday morning and if you get a chance I feel everyone should go stop down at least once to check it out put yourself through the paces and see what your real skill level is.

On Saturday July 26th Long Island ABATE was set up in Eisenhower Park for Alliance MC's 30th annual life ride to benefit Phoenix house. That was a great day, there were a lot of new vendors set up with us that day along with a lot of the usual ones. They set up early breakfast and a barbecue after the run with the band and lots of raffles. It was great to see everyone show up and support this event every year! The weather was great and so was the turnout.

On Wednesday July 29th I am very sorry to say that myself and many members of Long Island ABATE, along with many clubs in the motorcycle community attended the funeral services for Lori Jean Becht. She was a big part of the motorcycle community.



She was at a lot of club events, she was known for her keychains, the Monkey Fist Keychains. She was also a big part in volunteer of Long Island ABATE. She was always there volunteering her time selling products and T-shirts at all of our events. She will be greatly missed!

On Saturday August 1st I checked out a very cool burger place on 109 called The Haunted House of Burgers at 330 Fulton Street in Farmingdale with my family. If anyone is really into the Halloween theme it's a great place to go and have food. The food is good and the atmosphere and decor is amazing! It would be a cool spot to go take a ride, for food, drinks and a lot of fun. You can even go in costume if you want. Hope you will enjoy the pictures.

On Tuesday August 4th Chris and I were asked to be guest speakers at the Long Island moose Riders meeting. There is where we go and speak to their membership as to what Long Island ABATE is really all about and do a more in-depth speech about our motorcycle rights and educating High School driver's Ed classes. What we do legislatively etc. and if you would like us to come and speak at one of your meetings, please reach out to us.

On Tuesday August 11th was our general membership meeting where we had guest speakers from lending to heroes. It's an organization who does lending to Veterans, First Responders, Ems, Firefighters with no lending costs on loans. We try to bring in guest speakers every month at our meetings. On August 12th we were invited to Rockville center to the meeting of the Fighters of Fire MC New York to speak at their meeting and do a presentation. A lot of them know us but it's nice when they have new members and they hear a lot about what Long Island ABATE represents. And then most times they wind up signing up and becoming members also. After that meeting it's all hands-on deck gathering and picking up donations for our event at the famous Long Island ABATE campout! Hope to see you all there till next month, make it a great one and ride safe!

Josephine

2nd VP Long Island ABATE



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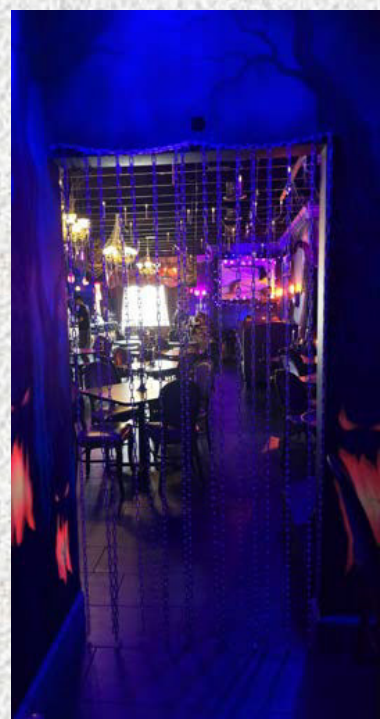
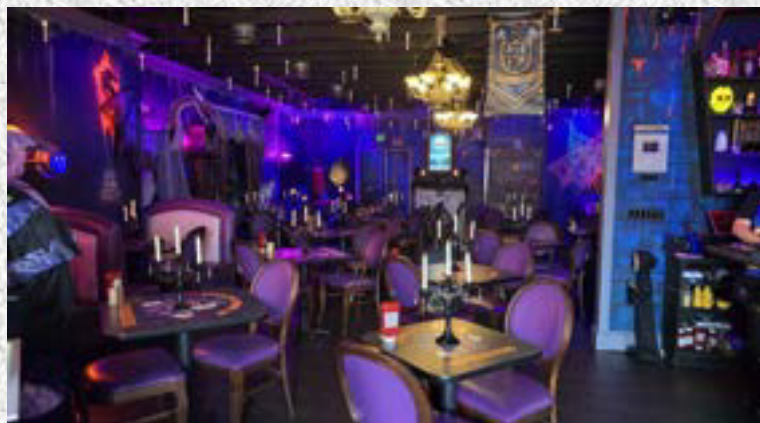
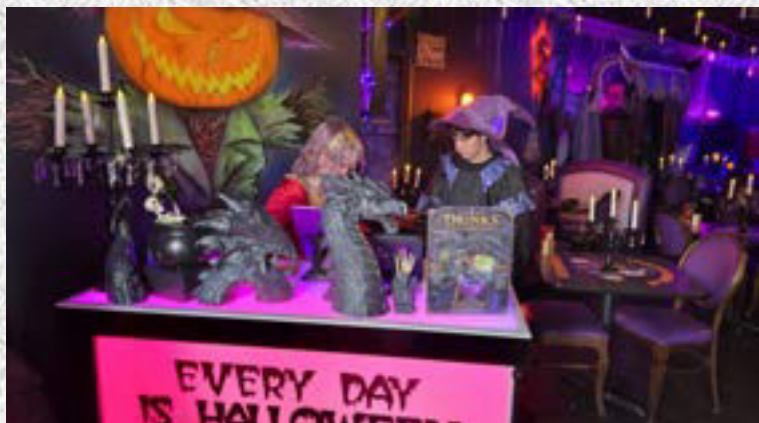
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I was at the ROYAL ENFIELD Nassau County test rides event on Saturday April 18th. There was a big crowd that had showed up. The people showed up very inquisitive about the bikes. These bikes are classic styled with today's tech. I've enjoyed testing all the different 350 cc models as well as the 650 cc models. This year was special, the new Classic 650 cc. had just came to the USA a few weeks ago. I had the pleasure of speaking with the Royal Enfield rep about Long Island ABATE and tell

ing him how much I liked his personal motorcycle that was there. The frame painted the same as the tin really brought out the look and style of the old days. It has about 47 horsepower at 7,150–7,250 RPM and 38-39 lb-ft of torque, a 6-speed gearbox, air/oil cooling, and a 535 lb curb weight. To my surprise he handed me the key to his personal Classic 650cc bike, not the test model. I was thrilled and off I went. It was so much fun riding this motorcycle, it's very agile and responsive, sure footed with great braking.

Joe Mulligan

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In The Wild An American Hero

About a year ago I stumbled upon a site called Friends of Big Bear Valley and Big Bear Eagle Nest Cam in San Bernardino, California. This is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to protecting and preserving the natural habitat of Big Bear Valley through education, monitoring and advocacy. They have a solar charged 24-hour live cam facing an eagle's nest, as well as other areas in the valley. I would get a bird's eye view of the nest as well as seeing Bald Eagle flying around and resting on trees. The camera view was the idea of Sandy Steers who sadly passed away early this year. She was the founder of FOBBV. The nest is home to Shadow and Jackie, two beloved Bald Eagles. Over the past year I watched, along with

thousands and thousands of others from around the world, the life and times of a beautiful Bald Eagle family. Schools also watched as part of their curriculum.

In the timeframe that I have been watching, Jackie laid 7 eggs, (called clutches) of which 4 survived. I watched both eagles cleaning the nest, flying in with food, feeding the babies, protecting the eggs during snowstorms, and just being a really cool, amazing and lovable Bald Eagle family. About a month ago, Jackie was caught on camera in a tussle with two other Bald Eagles and had to be rescued. She was found grounded. She was brought to a wildlife center called Ojai Raptor Center (patient number 26-519). She had medical issues that were being closely monitored and daily reports were given. It seemed like she was going to get better, however she was in critical condition and was receiving intensive medical care.

On August 11, Ojai Raptor Center announced that Jackie, the beautiful Bald Eagle, had passed away. A Wildlife American Hero. She, along with her family, gave us a glimpse of her life as a dedicated, loving and loyal partner to Shadow and mom to her babies. Once her death was announced, the outpouring of grief, support and love has been overwhelming. Her remains are being respectfully and honorably handled and processed by California Fish and Wildlife.

Sandy and Luna have both left the nest and with the grace of God and the Universe, I wish them both long and healthy lives. Shadow has had a new female friend visiting the nest, a young banded Bald Eagle named KD-1. And perhaps life will go on in and around the FOBBV nest. Please check out their pages on Facebook for more information on their organizations.

Soar in the wind with grace and love Jackie...
Take care and ride safe

Nancy

Long Island ABATE Treasurer



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MAKING LEFT TURNS - Before turning **LEFT**, **CHECK TWICE** to ensure no motorcycle is coming. You're conditioned to look for cars and trucks, and it is easy to 'overlook' an oncoming motorcycle if you're not looking for one.

PULLING OUT - Before pulling out from a parked position, **CHECK TWICE** by turning your head and **LOOKING** for oncoming motorcycles. Motorcycles need more room and space to stop suddenly than a car or truck.

CHANGING LANES - Motorcycles can easily fit in the blind spots of your mirrors. Put your blinker on and **CHECK TWICE**, turn your head to **LOOK** to ensure there is no motorcycle in your blind spot!

SHARING A LANE - Don't share a traffic lane with a motorcycle. Even though a motorcycle is smaller than a car or truck, they are entitled to their entire lane.

DON'T FOLLOW TOO CLOSE behind a motorcycle - a motorcycle needs more room than a car or truck to stop. Keep a good distance behind a motorcycle, leaving enough room for you to stop.

Help reduce accidents and injuries . . .

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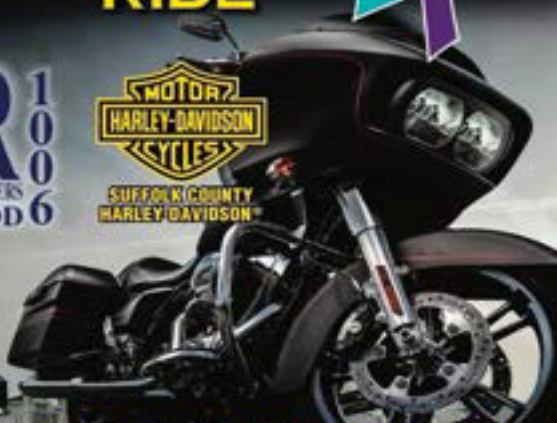
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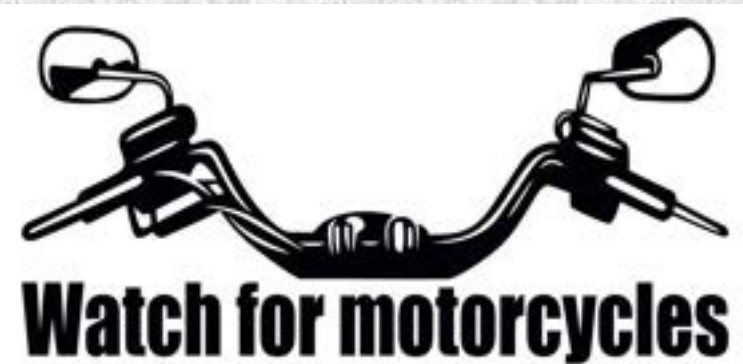
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2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.

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1) Hearing aids get a lot of daily wear and tear.

Hearing aids are exposed to moisture, heat, dirt and earwax for hours a day. Even though they are made of durable material, this prolonged exposure to a harsh environment eventually causes damage.

2) Hearing aids need proper storage.

To extend the lifespan of your hearing aids, keep them in a safe, dry place when you're not wearing them. A storage case with a dehumidifier will help dry out any built-up moisture inside them.

3) Hearing aids require regular maintenance and cleaning.

Bring your hearing aids to your audiologist for routine checkups to keep your hearing devices going strong. Your audiologist will check and replace any poorly performing parts and professionally clean them.

4) Certain hearing aid styles fade faster.

Behind-the-ear styles typically last longer than in-the-ear designs because more of the electronic elements are outside the moist environment of your ear canal.

5) Hearing aid technology becomes obsolete.

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When to Buy New Hearing Aids

Consider purchasing new hearing devices when:

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- ☐ Your hearing devices have visible damage.
- ☐ Your hearing devices have already been repaired previously, and they are no longer in warranty.
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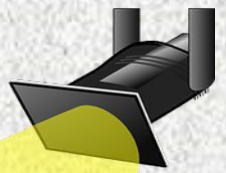
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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2025 Day after Bikers Inside Beltway, Senate acts on HJ Resolutions resulting in revocation of waivers to California Air Resources Board (CARB)

2024 MRF leads Congressional Motorcycle Caucus "Ride To Work" on the streets of Washington DC to promote Motorcycle Awareness.

2024 MRF representatives officially appointed to the Federal Motorcycle Advisory Council (MAC)

2023 Six MRF members selected to the "Community of Practice" groups, updating federal motorcycle safety guidelines.

2023 MRF meets with NTSB officials, discussing concerns over Autonomous Vehicles (AV) not recognizing motorcycles.

2022 U.S. House Passes H. Res 366 Motorcyclist Anti-Profilng Resolution

2022 Government funding bill includes language directing NHTSA to report back to Congress on activities and policies related to the profiling of bikers

2022 27 Members of Congress send letter to NHTSA seeking answers on recent crashes involving autonomous vehicles and motorcycles

2022 Inducted into the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame

2018 By unanimous consent, the U.S. Senate Passes S. Res 154 – Motorcyclist Anti-Profilng Resolution

2012 National Transportation Safety Board drops motorcyclists from "Top Ten" list

2012 Established the MRF Industry Council allowing aftermarket manufacturers to be more involved with the bikers' rights movement

2009 Held the first national motorcycle lobby day event in Washington, DC



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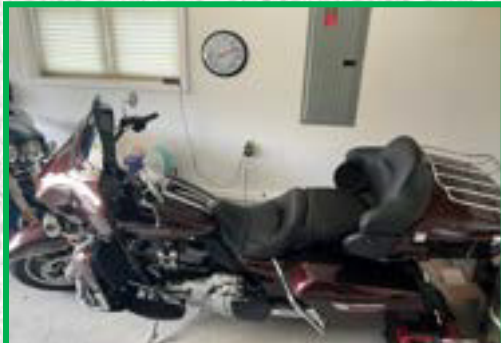
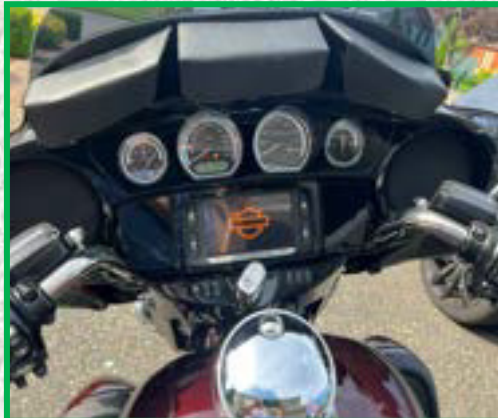
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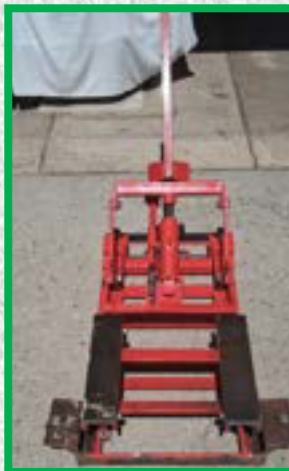


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6	7 	8 LI ABATE SUFFOLK MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7:30PM Pt. Jefferson ELK's 41 Horseblock Rd. Centereach	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 LI ABATE NASSAU MONTHLY RECAP MEETING 7:30PM Marine Corp League 99 New York Avenue Massapequa	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 LI ABATE BOARD MEETING 7:30PM	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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