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LODGE MOVING

After many years of being behind Shallotte Muffler, the Concerned Bikers Association Lodge is moving. The land and building have been sold. The new owner wants to use the building for his own purposes.

We greatly appreciate Cleve and Sylvia, allowing Brunswick County Concerned Bikers Association to lease the lodge.

There is much sorrow in moving, however the up side is Cleve and Sylvia will not have to sweat or freeze their hind ends off in the Muffler Shop any longer. Congratulations!! Preparations for moving have been made. The new location will be, 600 Ocean Isle Beach Road, the DAV building. The Board of Directors are excited about the new merge with the Disable Veterans, and are looking forward to many years in the 'new lodge'

The meetings will continue to be held on the first and third Tuesday at 8:00 pm, only the location will change. The first meeting in July will be at the new lodge.

APRIL DATES TO REMEMBER

2 - 8:00am Accident Scene Management Incorporated course
@ Lodge pre-registration requested.

5 - 8:00 Chapter Meeting

8-10 Chapter's Outer Banks Trip

9 - Second Saturday Ride meet at lodge 9:45

19- 8:00 Chapter Meeting

16 - 10:00 Group Ride Class @ lodge

23 - 11:00 Motorcycle Maintenance class @ R&B V-twin

Basic Course [Series 100]

Our most popular course, this class teaches the basics of motorcycle trauma using P.A.C.T. This one day course is geared toward the lay rescuer but is a great review for the EMS as well. Helmet removal, moving the injured and jaw thrust rescue breathing are all a part of this class.

ACCIDENT SCENE MANAGE COURSE INC.
Will be held at Brunswick CBA Lodge on June 2, 2007. The class will begin at 9:00 am breaking for lunch at 12 resuming from 1 until 4. This course will help the average motorcyclist save their or a loved ones life in the event of an accident. Please fill out the form below enclose \$20 check or, money order (do not send cash) and mail to :

Brunswick CBA
PO BOX 188
Shallotte NC 28459

This course is being offered at a reduced rate to encourage more participation. The class is regally \$40. Please join us for this important class, it could save a life!!



Join NC Bike PAC
Put your money where
your mouth is!

For information
contact Deb Knox
stateinfo@atmc.net
754-2304

Classes are held at a variety of locations and are taught by a variety of instructors. For more information regarding a current class list, a list of instructors, or instructions on how to host a class please call or visit our website at www.accidentscene.org.

If you would like to be on a list to be notified if there is a class in your area, or if you have a class list and would like to sign up for a class please fill in the information below. If you are signing up for a class send check made out to ASMI or credit card information. You will be sent a confirmation letter and a map once this information is received.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____

Zip _____ phone () _____

? Mailing List Only

? Class Registration - course # _____

or course location/date _____

Credit Card # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Exp Date (mo/year): _____

vv2# (3 digit # from back of card) _____

Please charge my credit card the following amount:

\$ _____

Signature: _____

Discover

MasterCard

Visa

Membership Notes

Membership renewals DUE June : Bobby Grison, Steve & Deb Knox, and Aaron Mitchell,

Memberships renewals due in July: Jim Allard, David Burnett, Murdock & Allison Cartrette, Lee & Lisa Hall, Jocelyn Hayden, Mark & Michelle Hewett,, Jason & Debra Hollis, Ract Lassiter, Terri Long, Robert & Elaine Molloy, Michael Standon, Jim Tyson,, Kerry Young, and Paul Zittle Jr.

Please remember to renew in your renewal month to renew with the \$5 discounted rate. Memberships who lapse over into the month past renewal month will have to re-join at the new member (single or couple) rate as well as lose their continuous membership status. Lapses in membership can affect your eligibility to serve as local and state officers as well as eligibility to become a lifetime member.



Road Captain's Ramblings : Bob G.

Myrtle Beach Bike Week has come and gone. We had a full slate of activities that week. The 1st Sat. we rode to Lowe's Food Store in Little River, where we had a Welcome Table and offered Bar-B-Q plates for sale. Tom Driver manned the grill and cooked delicious bar-b-que. All proceeds were donated back to the chapter. Thanks to Shirley Driver for graciously making the arrangements with Lowe's.

The following Tuesday, in lieu of our regular meeting, several of us rode up to Wal-Mart in Southport for a "meet the biker night". "The Bone" radio station was on hand to help us promote motorcycle safety and awareness.

Then on Sat., May 19th the chapter rode to Lakewood Camp Ground. We helped His Laboring Few put on bike games. After a slow start, we attracted more participants and drew quite a crowd. Our own Becky Mooney became the crowd favorite.

Speaking of Bike Week, there were 3 fatalities this year; that's down from 6 a year ago, but it's still 3 too many. There was also a reported case of road rage where a family man from Ohio who thought he was cut off by a motorcyclist decided to give the biker a nudge with his cage, spilling the rider and passenger. Be careful out there. There are still people who think bikers have a bulls-eye on their back.

Our 2nd Sat. ride for June is all set for the Outer Banks. For those not going there will still be a ride to Columbus County CBA. See Becky for more info.

Til next time, Ride Safe, Ride Smart.

MEET A BIKER

May 15's chapter meeting was held at Wal-mart in Southport. People got to meet a biker as well as future bikers as shown in the picture. Left is Allea Bickley, granddaughter of Grant & Cheryl Kemp. Right is Roy Gore, grandson of Jason & Debra Hollis. About 25 bikers came out to show their support of Brunswick County Concerned Bikers Association. A couple from Randolph County CBA, who were in town for the Myrtle Beach rally attended.

The Bone radio station (103.7 fm) was also there with some delicious food and fun contest. A biscuit eating contest was held for Charlie Daniels tickets. None of the CBA members in attendance were willing to take on the 5 Wal-mart shoppers who entered the contest.



Bar-B-Q

Lowes Foods store in Little River kindly donated a pig to Brunswick CBA for a Bar-B-Q fund raiser held on May 12. Tom & Shirley Driver headed up the fund raiser by cooking the pig and organizing the sides. Members from the chapter helped set up the tents & tables and serve the food.

THANKS LOWES FOODS

Safety Coordinators' Report

First of all I'd like to thank our members for their efforts in promoting May as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

Our requests to the local communities to announce a proclamation had some responses but it is hoped that next year there will be more participation.

Our Meet a Biker afternoon at Lowes Food store in Little River was well attended and a special thanks to Tom & Shirley Driver for making it happen.

We even made a profit on our barbeque plates

Our Meet a Biker night at Southport was a real success and a lot of fun.

Thanks to our active lady members, a lot of people walked away with a handful of information about our chapter and what we do. I think we may have also signed up a new member.

June will be a continuation of our efforts to teach rider safety.

Sat. June 2nd-ASMI (Accident Scene Mgt.) class 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

At the C.B.A. lodge \$20.00 (½ price) to attend.

June 16- M.S.F. Group Riding Course 10:00 A.M – 11:30 A.M. classroom.

At the C.B.A. lodge.

We will then ride as a group to Leland to attend the 2nd Annual "Dare"
Car & Bike Show.

No fee to attend the class, \$ 20.00 entry fee to participate in bike show.

June 23-Motorcycle Maintenance Workshop 11:00 A.M. at R&B V Twins
Hwy 179 Shallotte.

Instructions on how to perform routine maintenance to keep your bike in safe condition.

All classes are open to the public, so spread the word.

Contact me (Sterling) at 910-579-5061 if you have any questions.

Proclamation Reception

Proclamations for May as Motorcycle Safety month were sent to all municipalities in the county. A reception for the municipalities accepting the proclamation was held May 16th at the Lodge. Several members of the chapter stopped by to show their support and have some tasty food.

Jocelyn worked hard to send the proclamations to everyone as well as organizing the reception. Your efforts are very much appreciated!

SIGN ERECTED

A Look Twice Save a Life sign was erected on hi-way 17 south between the 9 & 10 mile markers. The sign will be left for the motorist to see until the middle of June.

Thank you to Glenna Redwine for allowing the CBA to put the sign on your property!! Jason & Debra Hollis (right) and Jr. Hayden (2 year old son of Jocelyn and Doyle Hayden) assisted Wayne & Becky in placing the sign.



FROM THE TRENCHES

If the street gang act were enacted, poker runs, and failure to properly administer a raffle, are violations of Chapter 14 which are not listed as exclusions.

For those who may be having trouble putting this message into context, what it means to you is: Under the provisions of HB 274 - The NC Street Gang Prevention Act.

1. You may be declared a member of a criminal street gang if your organization shares: a common name or common identifying signs, symbols, tattoos, graffiti, or attire or other distinguishing characteristics. (i.e., CBA/ABATE; Blue Knights M/C; Rolling Thunder; Am Legion Riders) and

2. Members of the organization have participated in a "pattern of criminal activity", which is defined as: ... the commission, attempted commission, conspiracy to commit, or solicitation, coercion, or intimidation of another person to commit at least two of the following offenses... :

The crimes of holding motorcycle poker runs can be declared (1) illegal gambling and/or (2) improper conduct of a raffle. These two crimes are included as offenses under the HB 274 designated statutes. These two factors can be used to identify your organization as a criminal street gang.

As a "card-carrying" (and/or patch wearing) member of a criminal street gang; if you are found guilty of any other crime, the judge can extend your sentence by as much as ten additional years in jail. Even if your original crime is a minor offence with a sentence of less than a year (i.e., shoplifting).

Contact your elected officials today!

Preventing Criminal Street Gang activity is a good idea. HB 274 is not the way to prevent criminal street gang activities.

Good idea. Bad Law. Call and write today!

Keep informed on legislation ,read
Doc's legislative blog at:
<http://docskivnv.bravejournal.com/>



Boneyard Bike Night at Cody's Pub

What: Bike Night

Who: Amy J

When: Every Friday

**Where: Cody's Pub, 6485 Carolina Beach Road,
just 1 1/2 miles south of Monkey Junction**

**Join the BONE at Bike Night - now at Cody's
Pub !!!**

BURNOUTS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED !

FREE MECHANICAL BULL RIDES !

THE HOTTEST BARTENDERS IN TOWN !

KARAOKE !

. . . AND YOU CAN TAKE YOUR DRINKS

"LIL BEAR'S" TEDDY BEAR RUN

On April 29, a Teddy Bear Run was organized by Cheryl Kemp. Girl Scouts from Ash and Southport, Motorcycle Enthusiast and members of Brunswick CBA collected the bears. Motorcyclist took a scenic ride to Southport for lunch. Once the bikes turned into the sheriffs Allea "Lil Bear" Bickley to the lead of the bikes and delivered the bears to the DARE Officers of the Brunswick Sheriffs Department..



5 Ways to Be Safe on a Motorcycle

- 1.) Assume Drivers Can't See You:** Ride assuming that you and your motorcycle are totally invisible to motorists. That means you must never assume that drivers can see you. The odds are, they can't so believe it yourself and always have an "out" for dangerous traffic situations. Motorcycle Safety depends on you.
- 2.) Maintain Safe Spacing:** Leave plenty of space in front and back and to the sides from all other vehicles. Be an island. Stay away from traffic as much as possible. This gives you more visibility and more time to react to situations.
- 3.) Anticipate Trouble:** Anticipate trouble situations and know what to do when you see them. Analyze what vehicles are doing and try to predict the outcome. Then make sure you're ready to avoid a bad traffic situation.
- 4.) Beware of Oncoming Left Turners:** Beware of oncoming motorists turning left in front of you at intersections. This is the leading cause of death of motorcycle riders. I'm deadly serious here. I have personally lost many friends to this accident. If you only remember one tip here, let it be this one. Slow down before you enter an intersection. Have an escape route planned. Stay visible. Don't travel too close to cars in front of you. Position your bike so it can be seen by the left turner. Eye contact is not enough.
- 5.) Ride Your Own Ride:** Don't try to keep up with your friends who may be more experienced. Know your personal limits. Ride your own ride.

E-mail from Bruce Arnold
Author and Publisher, LdrLongDistanceRider.com

The message that "May is Motorcycle Awareness Month" was apparently never delivered to motorists in and around Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, "Myrtle Beach Bike Week 2007". The score now stands at CAGERS 4, BIKERS 0. Negligent, inattentive, distracted and/or impaired motorists have MURDERED FOUR MOTORCYCLISTS in Myrtle Beach during the Harley rally:

1. Motorcyclist James Bragg, 43, was killed when his bike was rear-ended by an automobile driver. And the cager's penalty for this right-of-way violation? No ticket has been issued, and no arrest has been made.
2. Motorcyclist Donny Macklen, 51, was killed in a crash caused by an automobile driver violating his right-of-way and turning left in front of him. And the penalty? No mention of any charges.
3. Motorcyclist Michael Delamere, a US Marine, was also killed in a crash caused by an automobile driver violating his right-of-way and turning left in front of him. And the negligent cager's penalty? A failure-to-yield ticket.
4. Motorcyclist Steve Sink, 54, was likewise killed in a crash caused by an automobile driver violating his right-of-way and turning left in front of him. And that driver's penalty? No ticket has been issued, and no arrest has been made.

How long are we going to sit back and let the safetycrats spin statistics to convince the media and the masses that motorcyclists are the problem, and that helmet laws are the solution? LIDS YES ... BUT LID LAWS NO! HELMET LAWS COULD NOT HAVE PREVENTED ANY OF THESE FATAL CRASHES.

When are we going to stop kissing bureaucratic butts for a few measly Motorcycle Safety bucks, and start kicking ass with corporate social responsibility (CSR) and other independently-funded MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS campaigns?

Remember WHY WE FIGHT: The battle for bikers' rights is not about patches, parties or poker runs. We fight to protect the freedom and promote the interests of American motorcyclists ... to defend our right to choose our own modes of transportation, attire and lifestyle ... to deter and defy discrimination against us ... and to vanquish those who violate our rights or right-of-way.



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