



What is Happening at the Copper Dome?

MMA Legislative Update

By Bobbi Hartmann

Following is an update on the two bills we are running this year (**HB2630, HB2285**), and a list of numerous additional bills that we are following. A number of these are veteran related. The bill number is followed by a short description of each of these bills. You will receive a summary of each of these bills and if they passed or failed, at the end of the session. If you have any questions regarding any of them, please contact me directly at bobbij2@earthlink.net.

HB2630: motorcycle safety fund
Sponsor: Reps Bolick, Biasiucci, Blackman, Nutt
The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to deposit \$1 of each motorcycle registration fee collected in the Motorcycle Safety Fund through June 30, 2025, extended four years from June 30, 2021.

* **HB2630** - passed the House TRANS committee with 9 Yes, 0 No, and received a 60 Yes, 0 No vote on the House floor. It is currently in the Senate. It passed the Senate TRANS committee with 7 Yes, 1 No and will be heard on the Senate floor anytime soon.

HB2285: motorcycle operation; passing vehicles
Sponsor: Rep Campbell
THE OPERATOR OF A TWO WHEELED MOTORCYCLE MAY OVERTAKE AND PASS ANOTHER VEHICLE THAT IS STOPPED IN THE SAME DIRECTION OF TRAVEL IN THE SAME LANE AND MAY OPERATE THE MOTORCYCLE BETWEEN THE LANES OF TRAFFIC ONLY IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

1. THE OPERATOR IS ON A STREET THAT IS DIVIDED INTO AT LEAST TWO ADJACENT TRAFFIC LANES IN THE SAME DIRECTION OF TRAVEL.
2. THE OPERATOR IS ON A STREET WITH A SPEED LIMIT THAT DOES NOT EXCEED FORTY FIVE MILES PER HOUR.
3. THE MOTORCYCLE IS TRAVELING AT A SPEED THAT DOES NOT EXCEED FIFTEEN MILES PER HOUR.
4. THE MOVEMENT IS NOT MADE UNTIL THE OPERATOR HAS FIRST ASCERTAINED THAT THE MOVEMENT CAN BE MADE WITH SAFETY.

* **HB2285** – This bill would have allowed lane filtering in Arizona. It will not be heard this year.

HB2032: civil forfeiture; criminal conviction
Revises the issuing of seizure warrants from before and after a determination of liability to before and after conviction. Adds property subject to forfeiture following a conviction. Removes probable cause for seizure paragraphs. Adds the ability to request a pretrial hearing to determine validity of seizure. Burden of proof is on the state.

HB2035: appropriation; veterans; services; benefits counselors
Makes a supplemental appropriation of \$1.2 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the Department of Veterans' Services to hire additional benefits Counselors.

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Submitted By Mick Degn

2020 has not been a slow time for AMSAF as we continue to grow and help the community. At this time we have our motorcycle training scholarship in full swing and at the beginning of the year we opened up our Financial Assistance Helmet program to other qualified dealers. At this time RideNow, Buddy Stubbs H-D, Desert Wind H-D, The Helmet Center and Cycle Gear are all qualified helmet dealers participating in our program.

Motorcycle training scholarships open up the 1st Monday of the month at 8:00 am and are open till our allotment is gone. Go to: www.amsaf.org/scholarship.

The Helmet program is open at all times at this time. Go to www.amsaf/helmets This program can save you approximately 50% off a full face or modular helmet.

Both of these programs can save individuals and families a lot of money and can help you in your budget. Take advantage of this program. Our goal is to help make you safer and at the same time help you and your family to save some money.

In another exciting area, each year AMSAF puts on a fundraising event called "Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul". This event will be held this year at Rustler's Rooste on May 2nd from 5:30 pm -9:30 pm. We've got some great speakers at this event, many raffles and silent auction items along with some



great food. May is the start of motorcycle safety and awareness month and for that reason we've moved the event to May.

We have some wonderful Sponsors for this event and this month and coming months we will recognize these Sponsors for everything they do for the community. We want to help eliminate distracted driving and reduce crashes and fatalities here in Arizona. At this time I would like to recognize our Title Sponsors and they are:

- RideNow
 - Dignity Health- Chandler Regional Medical Center
 - Arizona Trauma Association
 - Law Tigers
- Our Supporting Sponsors are:
- Bighorn Law
 - Painstop Clinics
 - Simon Med

On our Facebook page and website we will give you

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Charley's Place
4324 W. Thunderbird Rd.
Glendale, AZ

Rim Country District

2nd Sunday at 10 am
American Legion post 69
on Hwy 260
Payson, AZ

Verde Valley District

We still meet 2nd Sunday at 11am,
Moose Lodge # 1449 - 1051 S. Broad-
way,
Clarkdale, AZ 86324

What is the MMA?

MMA is a Motorcyclists Rights Or-
ganization (MRO) comprised of mo-
torcyclists and motorcycle
enthusiasts who are concerned with
the future, safety, and welfare of
motorcycling. We are a non-profit,
educational organization dedicated
to improving the social atmosphere
that surrounds motorcyclists, and
protecting the individual freedoms
of citizens.

We are an association that lobbies
and educates the government and
the general public to promote mo-
torcycling in a safe and positive
image. When you become a mem-
ber of the MMA of Arizona, you
make a difference in the ongoing
mission to protect your right to ride
and enjoy the motorcycle of your
choice, your choice of riding ap-
parel, and when and where you can
ride a motorcycle. These issues are
real and present in today's "protect
yourself from yourself" political en-
vironment. This holds true for all
levels of government.

At the state level we have a lobbyist
who regularly visits our state capital
to lobby our legislators on the is-
sues concerning the motorcyclists
in Arizona. On the national level we
are aligned with the National Coal-
ition of Motorcyclists (NCOM), and
several other motorcycle rights or-
ganizations.

Memberships are open to anyone
regardless of what type of motorcy-
cle you ride, if any. All memberships
include: The Motorcycle Patriot
Newsletter, Membership Card,
\$4,000 Accidental Death & Dis-
memberment Benefit, Event Up-
dates, Voting Guides, and the
ability to interact with some of the
most politically active motorcyclists
in the state of Arizona.

The MMA of Arizona needs the sup-
port of all motorcycle riders and we
hope you will consider joining this
dedicated organization.

Please join us in the cause to pro-
tect your rights.



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Individual Annual: (\$25.00) ☐ Individual Lifetime: (\$250.00) ☐
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Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Real Estate ☐ Services & Miscellaneous ☐ Organizations or Clubs ☐

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Business Address: _____

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Join MMA online - <http://mma-az.org/about/mma-az-membership>

Lobbyist Report continued

HB2040: abandoned vehicle fees

Establishes specific dollar amounts of \$50 and \$200 for specific abandoning of vehicles. Removes the ability for the 'Director' to determine the fee.

HB2043: voter identification; school ID cards
Adds requirement of proof of citizenship and eliminates using a high school, college or university identification card as a form of ID. Removes use of utility bill, bank statement, AZ vehicle registration or insurance, as well as property tax statement as forms of ID.

HB2055: civil traffic violations; community restitution

A person who violates traffic and vehicle regulation statutes may perform court-approved community restitution in lieu of

paying a civil penalty, surcharge, assessment or fee. The court is prohibited from assessing the time payment fee (set elsewhere in statute and currently \$20) on civil traffic violations.

HB2060: autonomous vehicles; safety features; prohibitions

A person is prohibited from overriding the safety features of a fully autonomous vehicle or partially autonomous vehicle by modifying the vehicle's computer program, mechanically modifying the vehicle, or placing any physical device, including a weight, on the vehicle's steering wheel.

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NCOM NEWSLETTER

*Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish,
National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)*

NCOM CONVENTION POSTPONED DUE TO CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

The 35th annual NCOM Convention in Indianapolis, scheduled for May 8-9, 2020 at the Marriott Indianapolis East, has been postponed due to the global outbreak of the deadly and highly contagious Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and public health authorities attempting to stem the spread of COVID-19, "We are postponing the NCOM Convention and plan to reschedule it for later this summer," according to James "Doc" Reichenbach II, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM).

The primary concern is for the health and well-being of staff, volunteers and guests of the Convention, and NCOM will continue to monitor ongoing developments and protocols for this infectious viral disease to determine the safest date to reschedule.

COVID-19 CANCELLATIONS & SUSPENSIONS

As worldwide headlines have been dominated by societal disruptions tied to the Coronavirus outbreak, from business and school closures to suspending professional sports, COVID-19 related cancellations and postponements have hit the motorcycling community as well, with numerous biker events, motorcycle races and even the motorcycling industry itself falling victim to the spreading contagion.

Daytona Bike Week was one of the first casualties, as Mayor Derrick Henry declared a state of emergency for the city on Friday, March 13th and called off the event, though the revocation of city-issued permits barely affected the throngs of rally-goers rolling down Main Street the last few days.

The 79th Daytona 200, however, has been postponed until Biketoberfest in October and the Daytona TT will be rescheduled. Bans placed on large gatherings has also played havoc with other racing venues, with World Superbike, Le Mans 24-Hour and MotoGP races rescheduled, the 2020 Supercross season halted, and the Isle of Man TT road race being cancelled.

The Coronavirus is impacting many events throughout the country, but the 80th annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally is "still on," as is the 97th Laconia Motorcycle Week, both months away.

Worldwide, motorcycle factories are shutting down production lines or scaling back, supply chains are jeopardized and accessories and riding gear may soon become short in supply. This could also last for several months even after the virus has cleared, as manufacturers ramp back up, and you can expect even more announcements as the virus runs its course.

At the Box Office, even the world premiere of the latest James Bond film 'No Time To Die' has been delayed to November, so bike fans will have to wait to see M15 Agent 007 taking part in some spectacular stunts at the helm of a Triumph Scrambler 1200.

MOTORCYCLE INDUSTRY'S URGENT COVID-19 REQUEST TO CONGRESS

"We are all in this together and it is critical to

keep motorcycle dealerships up and running during the COVID-19 crisis," said the Motorcycle Industry Council in an open letter to the President and all Congressional representatives, so "This afternoon the MIC sent a letter to the White House urging that powersports manufacturing facilities, distribution centers and dealerships be allowed uninterrupted operation during emergency declarations."

The MIC letter goes on to request citizen support; "Sharing this with our elected officials is something proactive we can do beyond maintaining social distancing," and MIC Senior VP, Government Relations Scott Schloegel provided a template with the talking points you can send to your congressional representatives, such as;

"Motorcycles, ATVs and ROVs are used for critical daily activity including transportation, farming operations, law enforcement, emergency response for fires, remote rescue operations, and military operations. It is essential that these vehicles and related parts, safety apparel, and accessories be available, and capable of being serviced by qualified technicians."

Ask your legislators for this simple addition to the Phase 3 legislation now under consideration.

GLOBAL MOTORCYCLE SALES STUMBLE

Global motorcycle sales were a mixed bag for major manufacturers in 2019. Despite recording sales of 60.1 million units in 2019, the global motorcycle market shrunk by 1.6 million and the forecast for 2020 isn't clear nor sunny.

Global motorcycle sales grew to its highest level ever in 2018 with 61.7 million units sold, but last year was particularly difficult for the Indian market which experienced a 3.1-million downturn in sales. Luckily, increases of 1.3 million units in China and 1.1 million units in Europe helped offset the disappointing performance of the world's largest motorcycle market.

Although the Indian market shrunk by 19% between 2018 and 2019, it still reigned as the largest two-wheeler market in the world with 18.5 million in sales. China trailed close behind with 16.3 million, but the field took a sharp drop from there with Indonesia at 6.5 million, Vietnam coming in at 3.2 million, and the Philippines reporting 1.8 million. For some perspective, the United States took the 11th spot on the list, Japan's poor performance in 2019 earned it the 15th slot, and Europe's highest-selling country, France, ranked as low as 17th.

Vehicle type also factors into the equation with the 50cc+ scooter segment responsible for 25.8 million in sales. Motorcycles nip at the scooter's heels with 24.8 million units sold while trikes represent 4.7 million and mopeds bring in 4.6 million units. Quadricycles/ATV had 600,000 units sold.

While the global moto market declined by 2.6% in 2019, the spread of Coronavirus Disease could result in further losses in 2020.

ELECTRIC MOTORCYCLE & SCOOTER MARKET ON THE UPSWING

The global electric motorcycle and scooter market are forecast to grow to a value of US\$14.29 Billion by 2027, growing at a robust CAGR of 7.1% over 2019 to 2027:

"Mobility has become an important component of the smart city framework of cities, and this trend shall pave way for the popularity of electric motorcycles and scooters," according to a March 18 report by Transparency Market Research.

"The growth of the global electric motorcycle

and scooter market is a function of advancements in green energy technologies." Some of the leading drivers of demand within the global electric motorcycle and scooter market are:

Lead acid batteries are being developed in abundance across the globe, and this trend has supported the growth of the global electric motorcycle and scooter market.

Growing traffic congestion has led several population groups to prefer two-wheelers over private cars for their daily commute. This factor, coupled with the stellar pace of manufacturing electric scooters, shall benefit market vendors.

The need to reduce air pollution and carbon emissions has led governments and other industries to take multiple measures and initiatives at administrative and industrial levels. Development of electric motorcycles and scooters is also a part of these initiatives.

Governments have begun providing incentives to manufacture electric vehicles, which will encourage a larger number of manufacturers towards developing resilient and performance-oriented electric vehicles. "The leading vendors in the global electric motorcycle and scooter market are looking at tapping into the needs and requirements of the masses."

OHIO LEGALIZES EARPLUG USE FOR MOTORCYCLISTS

Buckeye bikers will legally be allowed to wear earplugs while riding, under a new law signed by Governor Mike DeWine (R) in a February 21, 2020 ceremony at the Ohio Statehouse.

House Bill 129, sponsored by State Rep. Rior-dan McCain (R-Upper Sandusky), also allows motorcyclists to wear earphones for hearing protection, but prohibits riders from listening to music or other entertainment. Previously, like in many other states, wearing earplugs was a minor misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$150 and points against your license.

Earplugs help prevent long-term hearing damage from wind noise, say bill proponents like ABATE of Ohio, while still allowing riders to hear emergency sirens, car horns and other important sounds on the road. The bipartisan legislation easily passed both chambers of the state legislature unanimously, and drew no public opposition.

Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) Attorney for Ohio Ralph C. Buss had previously represented a truck driver referred to him by ABATE who had received a citation for wearing earplugs while riding his motorcycle, and stood to lose his Commercial Driver's License (CDL), which helped draw attention to the need to reform the antiquated law.

SAVE THE SALT

The future of land speed racing at the Bonneville Salt Flats is in jeopardy! The once 13-mile racetrack at Bonneville is now less than 8 miles due to salt erosion. It is critically important that the U.S. Department of the Interior contributes funds toward a 10-year restoration program that will dramatically increase the amount of salt pumped onto the Bonneville salt basin, located on the Utah/Nevada border near Wendover, Utah.

This unique geologic formation has served as the backdrop for movies, commercials and photos, and is a magnet for tourists. However, Bonneville is most well-known for its role in the history of motorsports, having served as a pre-eminent race venue since the early 1900s.

Help restore the Bonneville Salt Flats before it's too late by urging the Secretary of Interior to fund the Restore Bonneville program through

the department's FY 2020 budget.

The U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee's report accompanying the Interior Department's FY 2020 appropriation included language expecting the Department to work with the State of Utah on the pending cooperative agreement to support Bonneville's restoration, but a final agreement to provide BLM funding has not been reached. The Utah State Legislature agreed to contribute \$5 million to restore Bonneville contingent upon outside sources of funding for the project.

BIKER WINS MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR LAWSUIT OVER POTHOLES

A New Jersey motorcyclist has been awarded \$2.65 million for extensive injuries he suffered when he hit potholes while riding on a poorly-maintained Passaic County road, lost control of his Victory cruiser and crashed into an oncoming minivan.

Roger Gates, now 67, spent six weeks in the hospital, suffered multiple fractures and underwent numerous surgeries with months of inpatient rehabilitation after the April 14, 2016 crash that left him unable to work and walking with a cane.

According to the lawsuit, the county knew the broken pavement was a recurring problem and, instead of fixing the road, simply filled the potholes with asphalt, a repair that will quickly lift out once freeze-thaw erosion takes place. The road had already been marked in the County of Passaic's records as being in need of repair in 2016, when Gates crashed.

According to the New Jersey Law Journal, the County of Passaic's attorney has since moved for a new trial, and will attempt to appeal this verdict.

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WRONGFUL DEATH SUIT AGAINST COMPANY WHOSE DRIVER KILLED 7 IN N.H.

A wrongful death suit against the transportation company that pickup truck driver Volodymyr Zhukovskyy was working for at the time of a fatal crash with a group of bikers last year can go forward, a New Hampshire judge recently ruled, adding to the numerous lawsuits in the

case.

The lawsuit was brought by Mary Lou Welch, the common-law wife of Jarheads Motorcycle Club president Albert Mazza Jr., who was killed in the head-on collision in June on U.S. 2 in Randolph, N.H. against Westfield Transport, who employed Zhukovskyy, and has since closed.

Judge Steven Houran ruled that "It is reasonable to infer that ... Mr. Zhukovskyy had a reckless or vicious propensity to drive dangerously," Houran wrote, "and Westfield knew or should have known about this propensity."

Zhukovskyy is facing 23 criminal charges in Coos County Court including homicide for allegedly slamming into the biker pack on a two-lane highway as the Jarheads were leaving a nearby motel on their way to a charity event.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "One who walks in another's tracks leaves no footprints."
~ Joan Brannon (1930-2011) American actor & writer

Lobbyist Report continued

HB2086: tuition vaiver military; veterans; family

The Arizona Board of Regents and community college districts are required to provide a tuition and fee waiver scholarship at any university under ABOR jurisdiction or community college under district jurisdiction to a member or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces who resides in Arizona, entered the service at a location in Arizona, declared Arizona as the person's home of record at the time the person entered service, and who meets other specified requirements, including for length of service or disability rating, or to that person's child or spouse. Other scholarship requirements are specified, including a cumulative limit of 150 credit hours.

HB2096: security guard registration; discharged veterans

Before the required background screening for a security guard registration applicant are complete, the Department of Public Safety is authorized to issue a 30-day security guard registration certificate or a 30-day armed security guard registration certificate to an applicant who is an honorably discharged veteran of the U.S. military.

HB2135: veteran suicides; annual report

Information that the Department of Health Services must include in the annual report on veteran suicides is expanded to include utilization and encounter data for a nonprofit veterans' services organization that provides services related to reducing suicides among Arizona's military and veteran populations.

HB2139: appropriation; veterans; services; benefits counselors

Makes a supplemental appropriation of \$1.2 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the Department of Veterans' Services to hire additional benefits counselors.

HB2155: motor vehicle insurance; non-renewal

Insurers are authorized to fail to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy if the named insured, any person who resides in the same household as the named insured and who customarily operates a motor vehicle insured under the policy or any other person who regularly and frequently operates a motor vehicle insured under the policy has had at any time during the 36 months immediately before the notice of non-renewal three or more at-fault accidents under any motor vehicle insurance policy issued by

the insurer in which the property damage paid by the insurer for each accident exceeds the threshold amount of property damages in this subsection as determined by the Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions. The Dept is required to annually adjust and publish the threshold amount by the percentage change in the all items component of the consumer price index for all urban consumers of the U.S. Department of Labor. The insurer is prohibited from exercising its right to fail to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy under these provisions if the named insured has been insured for standard automobile bodily injury coverage for at least 10 consecutive years with the same insurer before the most recent accident that makes the policy subject to non-renewal. An insurer is prohibited from failing to renew more than 0.5 percent of its policies annually under these provisions.

HB2183: funeral escorts; funeral board licensure

Responsibility for licensing funeral escort vehicles and military escort vehicles is transferred to the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, from the sheriff in each county. The Board is required to license funeral escort vehicles, military escort vehicles, drivers of funeral escort vehicles and drivers of military escort vehicles as prescribed by the Board by rule. The Board is authorized to establish and collect a fee for licensing funeral escort vehicles, military escort vehicles, drivers of funeral escort vehicles and drivers of military escort vehicles in an amount to be determined by the Board. A motor vehicle liability insurance policy for a funeral escort business or for a nonprofit corporation that provides military processions is required to list the State Board of Funeral Directors as the certificate holder on the certificate of liability insurance.

HB2220: property tax exemption; veterans' organizations

Property owned by a U.S. veterans' organization that qualifies as a charitable organization and that is recognized under section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code is exempt from taxation if the property is used predominantly for those purposes and is not used or held for profit. Effective January 1, 2021. HB2288: state licensing; fee waiver The list of persons that state agencies are required to waive any initial license fee charged for, with some exceptions, is expanded to include any active duty military service member and the member's spouse and any veteran.

HB2303: mandatory vehicle impoundment; exception

The list of reasons for which a peace officer is required to cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of a vehicle is expanded to include if the peace officer determines that the person's driving privilege is suspended for any reason except for failure to pay a civil penalty or failure to appear as directed for a scheduled court appearance. A peace officer who needs to be immediately present at an "emergency" (defined) is not required to immobilize or impound a vehicle if the location of the emergency is different than the location of the vehicle.

HB2340: autonomous vehicles; adot director's duties

The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to develop standards for testing the operation of "autonomous vehicles" (defined) in Arizona, including a statewide training curriculum for operators of and passengers in autonomous vehicles and for emergency personnel's response to an autonomous vehicle emergency. By November 1 of each year, the Director is required to submit a report on the operations of autonomous vehicles in Arizona to the Governor and the Legislature. Information that must be included in the report is specified.

HB2378: motor vehicle transactions; notices; dealers

Various changes to statutes relating to motor vehicle transactions. If a motor vehicle dealer agrees to pay off any outstanding loans on a trade-in vehicle, the dealer is required to pay the agreed on amount in full within 21 days after receiving the trade-in vehicle. At the time a customer purchases or leases a motor vehicle through dealer-arranged financing or leasing and before the customer receives approval from a third-party financial institution, if the dealer allows the customer to take possession of the motor vehicle, the dealer is required to provide the customer with a separate document containing a specified notice, which must be signed by the dealer and the customer. If a third-party financial institution does not approve the financing term, the dealer is required to notify the customer in writing within 10 days, and the motor vehicle dealer or the customer is allowed to cancel the sale or lease if the parties do not agree to new terms.

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MMA of Arizona Calendar of Events



YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR EVENT ON-
LINE AT OUR WEBSITE!

Follow the link below and simply fill out
the on-line form to get your event placed
onto the website and the Master MMA
event
calendar.

<http://mma-az.org/events/>

Motorcycle Day at the Dome



AMSAF continued

We appreciate everything they do in the community and their support for AMSAF and everything we do. TOGETHER we can make a difference and reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona.

Check out our website on this event. Our goal is to be SOLD OUT by April 1st. www.amsaf.org/RFTLH

I would also like to thank the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety, Director Alberto Gutier and Governor Ducey for their support. Our major programs of motorcycle training scholarships and the financial Assistance Helmet program we couldn’t do if it wasn’t for the Grants that we’ve been able to receive from the Governor’s Office of Highway Safety.

Thank you to everyone for your support of AMSAF. TOGETHER we can eliminate distracted driving and reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona.

Motorcycle Awareness Program

By Bobbi Hartmann

Following are some of the student comments from our evaluation sheets that we collect from each of the students at the end of the MAP presentation. Their comments are not only interesting, but informative as well. They continually let us know that they are hearing our message. Their words let us know that we are on the right track with our presentations.

We mostly attend to High Schools, in order to present to the upcoming drivers, but have presented in businesses as well. Various versions of what we refer to as our Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP), are taught throughout the states. MRO’s across the country have found this type of program to be very beneficial and rewarding.

02/11/20 - Desert Sage School – Deer Valley– Skypilot, Duct Tape, Stephen, Buddha

Teacher Comment:

Good information for teenage drivers in our classroom!

Students Comments:

- It included an ample amount of statistics that really opened my eyes to the dangers motorcyclists face. It shared real stories and pictures of events that have happened. They are very knowledgeable on the topic and explained it well.
- All had decades of experience along with personal or friend experiences. They had graphics that depict just how real it is and examples related to us. They had great insight into what makes up a motorcycle and were good at projecting their voice and making the presentation interactive. They reaffirmed their main ideas with a worksheet and explained why we should always use our turn signals.
- I like being able to see the actual motorcycle. It was helpful to watch the speed so we could thoroughly understand that speed and distance is harder to guess with motorcycles
- .- They provided actual information and tips instead of just saying, “watch out for motorcycles”. They provided pictures and examples of what could happen and an outside demo to further illustrate their points.

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SHARE THE ROAD & RIDING FOR THE LONG HAUL Fundraiser

Rustler’s Rooste
8383 S. 48th St., Phoenix, Az 85044
Saturday, May 2, 2020
5:30 to 9:30 PM

VIP Table for 8 - \$950.
Includes 16 drink tickets and 32 Bucket Raffle tickets
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Includes 6 drink tickets and 12 Bucket Raffle ticket
Individuals \$100 per plate

Guest Speaker:
Dr. Joseph Sucher
President, Arizona Trauma Association

Live & Silent Auctions • Music

Help us reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona
Share the Road • Stop Distracted Driving

for tickets/reservations go to
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The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation Financial Assistance Helmet Program

- AMSAF Vouchers are valid towards the purchase of a \$200.00 or higher DOT Certified Full Face Street Helmet
- Vouchers are only valid at select RideNow locations
- Vouchers are not valid for discounted or discontinued helmets
- Purchased helmet is non-returnable (warning tag is cut off)
- \$125.00 Credit from AMSAF is due to a grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety
- 25% off MSRP from RideNow Powersports
- \$50.00 tax deductible donation must be made to AMSAF at the time of application

For more information or to apply go to AMSAF.org/Helmets



Chairman’s Report

Well it has been about 6 months now that I have been Chairman/Chairperson. I think we are doing great. We have a brand-new Website thanks to our webmaster Mark; He has done a great job. We have more surprises coming.

With all our updates. The Patriot is now online at our website if you are already a member you will automatically get a copy via email. We will also be sending out Email Blasts when we have important information from our lobbyist.

My goal for the next 6 months would be to try

and get out and attend other events. Let us show how the MMA is still a strong organization. When we attend other events, it shows we are involved with what is going on within our community and hopefully others will come to ours.


Speaking of events, we had our yearly Beach party and for the second year it has rained upon us. I do have to say what a great party we had. We moved all inside Jakes corner which has a new owner and she and her staff were great they went above and beyond. The Band was fantastic. I hope they will come back next year.

Support the plan to restore Bonneville Salt Flats land speed record course

<https://blog.bikernet.com>
he land speed racetrack at Bonneville — once 13 miles long — is now less than 8 miles, due to salt erosion. It is critically important that the U.S. Department of the Interior contributes funds toward a 10-year restoration program that will dramatically increase the amount of salt pumped onto Bonneville Salt Flats. Help restore the Salt Flats before it’s too late.

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, local company Intrepid Potash and the land speed racing community have identified a strategy and are collaborating to restore Bonneville. Please urge Interior Secretary David Bernhardt to fund the Restore Bonneville program through the department’s fiscal 2020 budget.

Editor’s Space



Comments relative to the content, current affairs or anything that is on my mind at the time of this publication.

Eric "Spanky" Hampton
Editor, MMA Patriot

It’s finally getting cooler!

Remind everyone to Watch Out For Motorcycles!



We are all getting older and I think as an organization we must get out there and reach out to the younger generation and let them know how important an MRO is and what we fight for. We need to keep fighting for Motorcycle safety and awareness in this state.

I am looking forward to seeing the MMA grow as an organization.

Cindy Gates/Chairman of MMA

By following this link [Take Action](#) and providing your contact information, you’ll sign and send our email to Bernhardt, explaining the importance of the Bonneville Salt Flats and how he can directly affect funding for the needed restoration.

Even better, if you personalize the email by adding what Bonneville means to you, it will have far more impact. An easy way would be including a sentence at the beginning describing what it is like to attend or even take part in a race on the Salt Flats. Also feel free to amend the subject line of the email to read “I visit” or “I race at” the Bonneville Salt Flats.

Thank you in advance for commenting. If you do submit edited comments, please forward a copy to us at grassroots@amacycle.org. Please forward this alert to your friends and ask them to submit comments, too.

–from the AMA



MMA OF ARIZONA PRINT & WEB ADVERTISING INFO

DISTRIBUTION

- The Motorcycle Patriot is a membership and free-distribution publication distributed every other month with a circulation of 4,000.
- The newspaper has over 120 distribution points throughout the state.
- The Motorcycle Patriot can be found at motorcycle orientated establishments statewide.
- The mma-az.org web site mirrors the content of the Patriot newspaper but is an updated daily source of information.

CONTENTS

- The Motorcycle Patriot features articles and columns that profile statewide legislative issues, lobby reports, the people, businesses and events of the Modified Motorcycle Association of Arizona.
- The newspaper’s calendar of events ensures a long shelf life – your advertisement is seen repeatedly throughout the two-month cycle.

SPECIFICATIONS

DEADLINES

Closing date for space reservations is the 5th day of each month prior to publication date. Advertisers will receive a proof, upon request. Digital-ready ads are due by the 10th of the month prior to publication.

FORMAT

Motorcycle Patriot is formatted as a three column, (11"x 17") newspaper and is printed by offset.

DIGITAL-READY SPECIFICATIONS

Digital ads should be high resolution (300 dpi) jpeg, tiff or pdf files. Pdf files are preferred.


COLOR

Color ads are sold on a space-available basis.

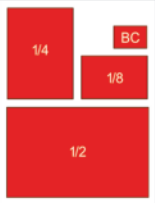
PAYMENT TERMS

Payment is due and payable in full prior to each publication unless otherwise arranged. Payment is considered past due after 30 days.

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Printed Page

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Web Page


AD SIZES

| | | Width | Height |
|---------------|---------------------|---------|--------|
| Business card | Horizontal/Vertical | 3 1/4" | 2 1/4" |
| 1/8 page | Horizontal/Vertical | 5" | 3 3/4" |
| 1/4 page | Horizontal/Vertical | 5" | 7 1/4" |
| 1/2 page | Horizontal | 10 1/4" | 7 1/4" |
| Full page | | 10 1/4" | 15" |

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Circle your ad selections

| | 2 Months 1 Issue | 4 Months 2 Issues | 6 Months 3 Issues | 12 Months 6 Issues |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Business card | \$40 | \$75 | \$100 | \$200 |
| 1/8 page | \$60 | \$100 | \$160 | \$340 |
| 1/4 page | \$125 | \$165 | \$350 | \$650 |
| 1/2 page | \$250 | \$300 | \$650 | \$1200 |
| Full page non-color | \$350 | \$450 | \$1000 | \$1800 |
| Back page full color | \$400 | \$550 | \$1125 | \$2000 |



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Lobbyist Report continued

A buyer cannot waive these rights. When advertising the price of a motor vehicle, a motor vehicle dealer is required to clearly and conspicuously disclose the price of the motor vehicle that is available to all customers, not including potential rebates and including all costs or fees for goods or services that are not optional for the transaction.

HB2384: vlt and registration fee exemptions
Establishes an exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a veteran who is a bona fide purple heart medal recipient or for that veteran's surviving spouse, if the purple heart recipient sustained an injury resulting from a list of specified actions and the recipient served in at least one of a list of specified theaters of operation. The exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a veteran with a 100 percent disability or that veteran's surviving spouse applies only if the disability resulted from combat related injuries sustained in any of a list of specified theaters of operation. The exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a surviving spouse or surviving dependent of a deceased member of the U.S. military who was killed in the line of duty or who died from injuries suffered in the line of duty applies only if the death or injuries occurred in any of a list of specified theaters of operation.

HB2442: highway safety fee repeal
Repeals the highway safety fee that was previously required to be in an amount established by the Director of the Department of Transportation annually in order to fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year.

HB2473: criminal speeding
A person is guilty of excessive speeding, a class 3 (lowest) misdemeanor, if the person exceeds the posted speed limit by more than 20 miles per hour, instead of exceeds 85 miles per hour, in locations other than those specified for other speeds.

HB2485: parked vehicles blocking sidewalk;

prohibition
The prohibition against a person stopping, standing or parking a vehicle on a sidewalk includes stopping, standing or parking a vehicle so that any part of or attachment to the vehicle blocks an area of a sidewalk and impedes continuous pedestrian use of the sidewalk in a manner that is not consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act. A person who stops, stands or parks a vehicle on a sidewalk is subject to a civil penalty of at least \$500.

HB2490: appropriation; street and highway purposes
Appropriates \$200.5 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the State Treasurer for a onetime distribution to counties for highway and street purposes. The amount allocated to each county is specified.

HB2566: vehicle emissions; California standards
Department of Environmental Quality rules on motor vehicle and combustion engine emissions are required to incorporate the standards adopted by the California Air

HB2590: ADOT; signs; driving on right
The Department of Transportation is required to place on state highways and routes signs that educate the public about the requirement to drive a vehicle on the right half of the roadway except in specified circumstances.

HB2606: transportation infrastructure study committee
Establishes an 11-member Transportation Infrastructure Study Committee to study the feasibility of constructing, maintaining and improving transportation infrastructure to Phoenix from an international point of entry in the southern part of Arizona. Appropriates \$300,000 from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the House of Representatives to pay for the study. The Committee is required to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by December 15, 2020, and self-repeals January 1, 2021.

HCR2009: veterans; disability; property valuation protection
The 2020 general election ballot is to carry the question of whether to amend the state Constitution to allow an Arizona resident who is a "veteran" (defined) with a service-connected disability of 50 percent or greater or who qualifies for individual employability by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to apply to the county assessor for a veteran property valuation protection option on the person's primary residence, beginning with tax year 2021. Other qualification requirements, including maximum income amounts, and application procedures for the protection are specified.

HM2002: military sexual trauma; service members
The Legislature urges the U.S. Congress to support the survivors of military sexual assault through funding and gender-specific health transition training, and to provide funding to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for extensive outreach to those service members separating from the Armed Forces and provide continued funding for modernization of Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense health records.

SB1094: vehicle accidents; financial responsibility verification
When the Department of Transportation verifies the financial responsibility of the owner of a motor vehicle involved in an accident in Arizona, the Dept cannot suspend the driver license or registration privilege of the person appearing as the registered owner of the vehicle in Dept records if the person is able to provide proof the the vehicle was sold before the accident "occurred," instead of before "the date of the accident."

SB1112: veterans’ home facility; Mohave county
Appropriates \$25 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the Department of Veterans' Services to construct and establish a veterans' home facility in Mohave county. Emergency clause.

Your Weekly Biker Bulletin from Inside the Beltway

<https://blog.bikernet.com>

Making Moves on Motorcyclist Advisory Council Reauthorization Act

The MRF and our moto lobby friends are continuing to drive cosponsors to our bipartisan and bicameral MAC Reauthorization legislation. We are pleased that eight new cosponsors jumped on this week to stand with the motorcyclists around the country. H.R. 5234 added six new cosponsors and five new states this week, bringing the total to 20. While the Senate companion bill, S. 3249, picked up two more cosponsors and added one new state. It's worth noting that Wisconsin is the first state to secure both of their Senators on S. 3249.

H.R. 5234 Cosponsors

Original Cosponsors: Rep. Gallagher [R-WI-8], Rep. Pappas [D-NH-1], Rep. Rouda [D-CA-48] & Rep. Balderson [R-OH-12]

Rep. Davids [D-KS-3], Rep. Brownley [D-CA-26], Rep. Gibbs [R-OH-7], Rep. Grothman [R-WI-6], Rep. Lowenthal [D-CA-47], Rep. Rouzer [R-NC-7], Rep. Carbajal [D-CA-24], Rep. Sensenbrenner [R-WI-5], Rep. Huffman [D-CA-2], Rep. Young [R-AK-At Large]

New this week: Rep. Walberg [R-MI-7], Rep.

Kind [D-WI-3], Rep. Burgess [R-TX-26], Rep. Bost [R-IL-12], Rep. Craig [D-MN-2], Rep. Lam-born [R-CO-5]

S. 3249 Cosponsors

Original Cosponsors: Sen. Johnson [R-WI] and Sen. Peters [D-MI]

Sen. Boozman [R-AR]

New this week: Sen. Shaheen [D-NH], Sen. Baldwin [D-WI]

I want to take a moment to share some preliminary results about the two MAC Calls to Action that we have been circulating. To date, 1,900 emails have been sent through our CQ Engage software to ask your elected officials to support this legislation. On the House side, Wisconsin leads the pack with the most letters sent, followed by Illinois and Texas. In the Senate, South Dakota is in the lead, followed by a tie between New York and Wisconsin. We appreciate everyone who has taken a few moments to contact their legislators on this issue, and we are more successful in meetings when they know that they have heard from you, their constituents on an issue. If you have not done so, you can use the links below. After you are done, be sure to share them with your SMRO friends or on social media.

MAC Call to Action Links

Ask your Senators to cosponsor S. 3249 here.

Ask your Representative to cosponsor H.R. 5234 here.

FAST Act Expires in 208 Days – Will there be a new Highway Bill in 2020?

Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act was signed into law in 2015 provides long-term funding for surface transportation infrastructure planning and investment is set to expire at the end of September 2020. The FAST Act authorized \$305 billion over fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for highway, highway and motor vehicle safety, public transportation, motor carrier safety, hazardous materials safety, rail, and research, technology, and statistics programs. Traditionally, the Highway Authorization tends to be one of the few things on Capitol Hill that is not a partisan issue. However, the feeling in D.C. that since 2020 is a Presidential election year that this Congress may kick the can down the road and pass an extension this year instead of passing a new law.

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Regulatory News: Ethanol Consumer Education Stakeholders meet with EPA

Last Friday afternoon, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation joined the National Marine Manufacturers, BoatUS, Marine Retailers Association, Briggs and Stratton, Outdoor Power Equipment Institute, American Motorcyclist Association, and the Motorcycle Industry Council for a meeting at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to discuss our concerns about inadequate E15 warning labels and lack of consumer education to prevent misfuelling at the pump.

The invitation to the EPA is a clear signal that the Administration is poised to take some future regulatory action surrounding bringing E15 to market. As you may remember, President Trump granted the EPA authority to allow the sale of E15 year-round. However, the EPA will need to address some current federal regulations surrounding fuel storage requirements and misfuelling mitigation plans. After sitting down with Anne Idsal, Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) at the EPA, our consumer education stakeholders group is preparing for the EPA to open a potential rulemaking in the coming months that will allow us to address our concerns about the current E15 label.

During the last Congress, we threw our support behind Consumer Protection and Fuel Transparency Act along with our consumer groups that are forbidden by federal law from using fuel with higher than 10% ethanol (E10). Understanding that higher blends of ethanol are not going anywhere, we joined forces to push con-

sumer education and proper labeling about the dangers of misfuelling at the pump. Early last year, H.R. 1024 was introduced and has been slow to gain Congressional support. We support this legislation because it allows consumers to be educated on higher blends on ethanol to make their own choice about what t

A recent Harris Poll conducted by the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI) found consumers remain confused about the multiple fuel product offerings at the pump. The study, which has been conducted annually for seven years, shows a lack of education, inadequate labeling and dangerous marketing tactics around new fuel products, such as higher ethanol-blended gasoline unleaded 88, are likely causing consumers to misfuel.

The study found that nearly two in five Americans (37 percent, up from 33 percent in 2019, 31 percent in 2017 and 2016, and 30 percent in 2015) mistakenly believe that higher ethanol blends of gasoline are safe to use for any gasoline-powered lawn equipment or other small engine products, such as boats or snowmobiles.

State News: A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa comes to Capitol Hill – Arizona & Louisiana State Legislation Calls to Action

This week, the MRF had the pleasure of accompanying five members of A.B.A.T.E. of IA as they pounded the halls of Congress, letting their elected officials know what issues are important to the riders in their state. Over a few days, the team from Iowa was able to hit their whole Congressional delegation and even meet with some

of their Representatives and Senators face to face. Below, Senator Chuck Grassley (R-IA) met with the A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa during their visit to D.C.

The MRF has been offering SMROs the option of utilizing our CQ software for their state legislative initiatives. Over the last year, a dozen states have decided to use the software to monitor legislation and to contact their politicians on the state level. As a lot of state legislative sessions have ended for the year, we have two states that have active Calls to Action in circulation for the riders in their state.

Attention Riders from Arizona & Louisiana

Arizona has a CTA for their Motorcycle Safety Fund. If you live in Arizona, you can click this link.

ABATE of Louisiana has four separate Calls to Action out for the riders in their state. The legislative session in Baton Rouge opens next week, and the motorcycle rights advocates are already letting the politicians know the issues they care about.

SB 52/HB 316, Vulnerable All Road Users Act (combined with HB 316)

HB 310, “Dead Red” Bill

HB 146, ABATE “Share the Road” License Plate

SB 50, Hands Free Electronic Device

Motorcycle Awareness Program

- I liked that they had pictures and story's to share, and the way they didn't sugarcoat the risks of driving. They presented the dangers clearly.
- I liked the outside presentation and learning how it works. Seeing how devastating crashes can be was an eye opener. I liked the graphic images they used to show us how serious this can be and make us want to be more aware.
- I liked how they showed pictures and had important key words in color and used bold; it made it very easy to read and interesting to follow.
- I enjoyed how they shared personal stories about things that happened to them because it shows how real these things are.
- I liked learning that no one actually has the right of way and to look twice and how easily motorcycles can be hidden in your blind spot. Also that our eyes tend to focus on larger vehi-

- cles rather than the motorcycle and that riders will ride in the center or left or right of the lane depending on many things.
- The thing I liked about the presentation was how they organized it and gave us information that was valuable to them and us. It was very informational and made me aware and made me remember to be more cautious. I liked the outside demo also.
- I like how the presenters showed examples of what accidents to motorcycles may look like. I liked the outside demo which explained what motorcyclists do when operating it.
- The presentation contained a very factual, clear progression of ideas. It's sad how they bikers can't do much to stop all of the accidents. This presentation is a good thing to help them get the message to drivers.
- They showed real accident pictures. They explained why they wore certain gear and were

- charismatic speakers. I liked the images in the presentation. It was very energetic and kept the class engaged.
- I liked the insight of the presenter and the information that they had to give. I appreciated the fact that they came to talk about things that would benefit me and others like them on the road.
- I liked how the presentation encouraged motorcycle awareness. I did not know much about motorcycles or seeing motorcycles, but now I will always make sure to look for them.
- I liked learning about the motorcycles and their drivers. The presenters had great personalities, making it a fun experience. The power point was interesting and contained good information.
- I liked the demo outside. They made everything I needed to know, very clear. Their key words were big and colorful in the presentation.



District Updates

Eagle/Leather District Report

I have not written a district report in a long time, what is new with the leather district.

We are still here would love to see some of our members come out and visit. We just had our 3-ball run and a compaction as always there is always a little grudge match for the 1st place trophy. This year was no different. I believe Vince took 1st place.

Our next big event will be in July Our Brotherly love in. This is the event that we raise money for an animal rescue. This year we wanted to do a little more and help our military vets so we will be focusing on a rescue that does dogs for vets. At this event we collect food, crates and of course money to help the organization. We will have a flyer up next month on our Website and our Facebook page.

So, our meetings are every month the 2nd Saturday April will be at Charlies place and the following Month the Beaver Bar. Come on out, we would love to do a ride after the meeting.

Hope to see you all soon!

Cindy Gates/Leather District Secretary
Chairman MMA of Arizona

Rim Country District Report

NO REPORT

Verde Valley District Report

MMA Beach Party 2020

Who says a motorcycle event needs to be held on a warm, sunny and dry day to be successful, should have attended this year's Beach Party. It had everything you need to have a good time.

Good food, a band that put on a great show, and Jake's Corner was the perfect place to hold the event. There were raffle gifts and of course the 50/50 drawing which added to the fun. But, the Best and most important ingredient will always be the people who weathered the weather to attend this function. Thank you all. To those who were unable to attend this Beach Party, plan ahead for the next one.

Hope to see you there,
Gary Wilharm
MMA Verde Valley Dist.

Jester Run 2020

May 9th, 2020 the Verde Valley Dist. will host the "Jester Run" starting at the American Legion Post #25 in Cottonwood, Az. and travel through the scenic valley.

This is a Memorial Run for riders that have past in the last year. We will post info on Facebook MMA-Verde Valley.

Gary Wilharm
MMA Verde Valley District

Federal Appeals Court Upholds Papers Please Roadblock

<https://www.thenewspaper.com>

Motorists who are minding their own business will have to stop and show their papers at police roadblocks under a federal ruling handed down last week. The Fourth Circuit US Court of Appeals found nothing wrong with the suspicionless stops conducted by the Columbus County, North Carolina Sheriff's Office (CCSO) on July 1, 2014 that snared motorist Leroy Moore Jr. Although he committed no traffic violations, he was pulled over and found to have 28 grams of crack cocaine in his possession. Moore argued the roadblock itself had been a clear violation of the Fourth Amendment's requirements that seizures be at least based on a reasonable suspicion of misconduct.

A three-judge panel then had to decide whether the checkpoint set up on a county road was constitutional. Uniformed officers blocked the

road and required everyone coming through to present their license and registration papers before being allowed to proceed. The roadblocks were designed to generate citations for minor equipment violations. What caught the deputies' eyes in Moore's case were the bullet holes in the driver's side door. Moore agreed to let them search his car, and the drugs were found along with a rifle and thirty-seven rounds of ammunition.

Moore's attorneys noted that the US Supreme Court had banned roadblocks used for general crime control purposes, which was what this checkpoint appeared to be. In a series of cases, the high court allowed roadblocks to find drunk drivers, illegal aliens, or to investigate a particular criminal incident. The justices have never ruled that license plate-checking roadblocks are permissible, but lower courts have pushed the theory that they are legal in a series of rulings.

"Application of the foregoing framework to the facts at hand compels the conclusion that the CCSO checkpoint, and hence the stop of Moore's automobile, were permissible under the Fourth Amendment," Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III wrote for the three-judge appellate panel. "As noted, courts have upheld the constitutionality of police checkpoints organized for such a purpose.... Moore does not seriously dispute that the roadblock adequately advanced a significant public interest. Nor could he."

The court insisted the roadblock was "minimally intrusive" because it was visible and the police officers were wearing uniforms. The officers also did not detain anyone longer than necessary, according to the court.

Moore will now have to serve five years in prison and five years on parole.

New Jersey Man Gets DUI While Asleep

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Courts around the country have ruled that convictions for driving under the influence of alcohol (DUI) do not have to involve driving, automobiles or even any alcohol consumption at all. The New Jersey Superior Court Appellate Division cited this evidence last month in finding John Thompson guilty of driving while intoxicated -- even though he was sound asleep in the parking lot of a 7-Eleven in Wanaque when police found him on the night of September 7, 2017.

The officers woke Thompson, smelling the strong odor of alcohol on him. Thompson told them he had been asleep about 40 minutes. He had legally prescribed medications Cymbalta, hydrocodone, methadone and Xanax with him at the time. Thompson failed all the field sobriety tests and was arrested and convicted of

DUI. The only question before the court was whether it is appropriate to charge someone asleep behind the wheel of a parked car with DUI.

"Although a violation of New Jersey Statutes Annotated 39:4-50 is commonly referred to as a DWI violation ('driving while intoxicated'), the statute actually makes no mention of 'driving' as a fact that must be proven in order to convict an individual of this offense," Clarkson S. Fisher Jr wrote for the three-judge panel. "The statute instead prohibits 'operat[ion]' of a vehicle while under the influence.... Operation, for example, includes sitting or sleeping in a vehicle, with the engine running, even when the vehicle isn't in motion."

The state Supreme Court has already ruled that proving someone had "intent" to operate is sufficient for a DUI conviction. This includes a drunk

stumbling out of a bar who walks toward his car, but is intercepted before he can get in and drive away.

"For example, we sustained a DWI conviction where the defendant was not even in her vehicle but instead was looking for her vehicle in a restaurant parking lot while in an intoxicated state," Judge Fisher noted.

The court explained that it published this opinion not because it was establishing a new precedent, but because it has ruled seven times in the last year on the exact same issue in unpublished decisions.

"We have been driven to publish because of the extraordinary number of times the court has recently faced this precise issue," Judge Fisher concluded.

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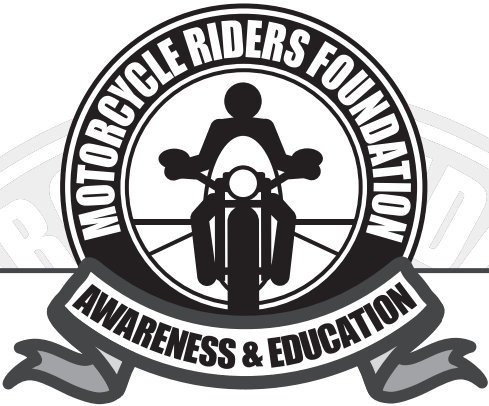
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My Harley Sounds Like a Sewing Machine, So Many Google Users Say

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If you use Google’s search engine or Microsoft’s Bing to look for information online, you probably know that both services provide you with suggestions (or predictions, as Google calls them) as you type, all in an attempt to make the whole process faster.

So technically, if you go to Google and type “Harley-Davidson,” you should then be provided with a series of suggestions that are based on data like popular keywords that other people used when searching the web and trending topics.

One of the top searches related to Harley-Davidson shows that way too many owners believe their motorcycles “sound like a sewing machine.”

The suggestions for “Harley sounds like a” are “my harley sounds like a sewing machine,” “harley 103 sounds like a sewing machine,” and “honda that sounds like a harley.” Also, Google users also tried to figure out “what motorcycle sounds like a harley.”

On the other hand, if you turn to Microsoft’s Bing for searching the web, the suggestions are a lot different.

If you use the same “my harley sounds like a” keyword, you’re not getting a sewing machine suggestion, but something totally different. “My truck sounds like a harley davidson,” is the suggestion this time, which is a little bit unexpected since Harley-Davidson motorcycles sound pretty cool in the first place anyway.

Bing also has a few other suggestions for the

sounds generated by a Harley-Davidson engine. “Harley livewire sounds like jet coming,” one suggestion reads, while another one potentially indicates a problem with the motorcycle because “harley sounds like it grinds on a cold start.”

Google calls these suggestions “predictions” because the whole system tries to guess what you’re more likely to type in the search box.

“We look at the real searches that happen on Google and show common and trending ones relevant to the characters that are entered and also related to your location and previous searches,” Google says.

These predictions could thus be a little different depending on your location and should be provided regardless of the device you use to search the web.

Here Are the Three Stunning Harley-Davidson Pickup Trucks Available Right Now

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At the turn of the millennium, Ford introduced a special version of the F-150 dedicated to another American icon, Harley-Davidson. Called Harley-Davidson Edition, the run of special pickup trucks lasted from 2000 to 2011, and most of them are still around today, selling for big bucks at auctions across the U.S.

But there’s another breed of Harley-Davidson flavored trucks presently on the market, much newer and even more hardcore than what Ford itself made before. And they all come from a company called Tuscany Motor.

The American customizer has been around

since the end of the 1980s, and has grown since in a behemoth specialty vehicle manufacturer with a soft spot for making GM and Ford trucks really stand out from the crowd.

Tuscany’s Harley-Davidson line now includes three trucks, two from the Blue Oval and one from rival GMC. And all three of them are like nothing you can see on the road today.

Tuscany says all “were created to give motorcycle enthusiasts the opportunity to once again enjoy classic Harley-Davidson design cues in the top-selling vehicles in America.” To meet that goal, a lot of modifications had to be made, mostly visual, for both the exterior and the interior.

Usually, the exterior elements on the trucks that are inspired by the American bike builder are the special front grille, the wheels (that come on all models as Fat Boy-style milled aluminum pieces), the exhaust, the fender vents, and the tailgate applique. In all cases, orange is used throughout the builds, but the most impressive piece of visual tuning is the huge Harley-Davidson logo and shield imprinted on the tonneau cover.

On the interior, the presence of the bike maker can be seen on the leather seat covers, the gauges, the pedals, the floor mats, and the door entry sills.



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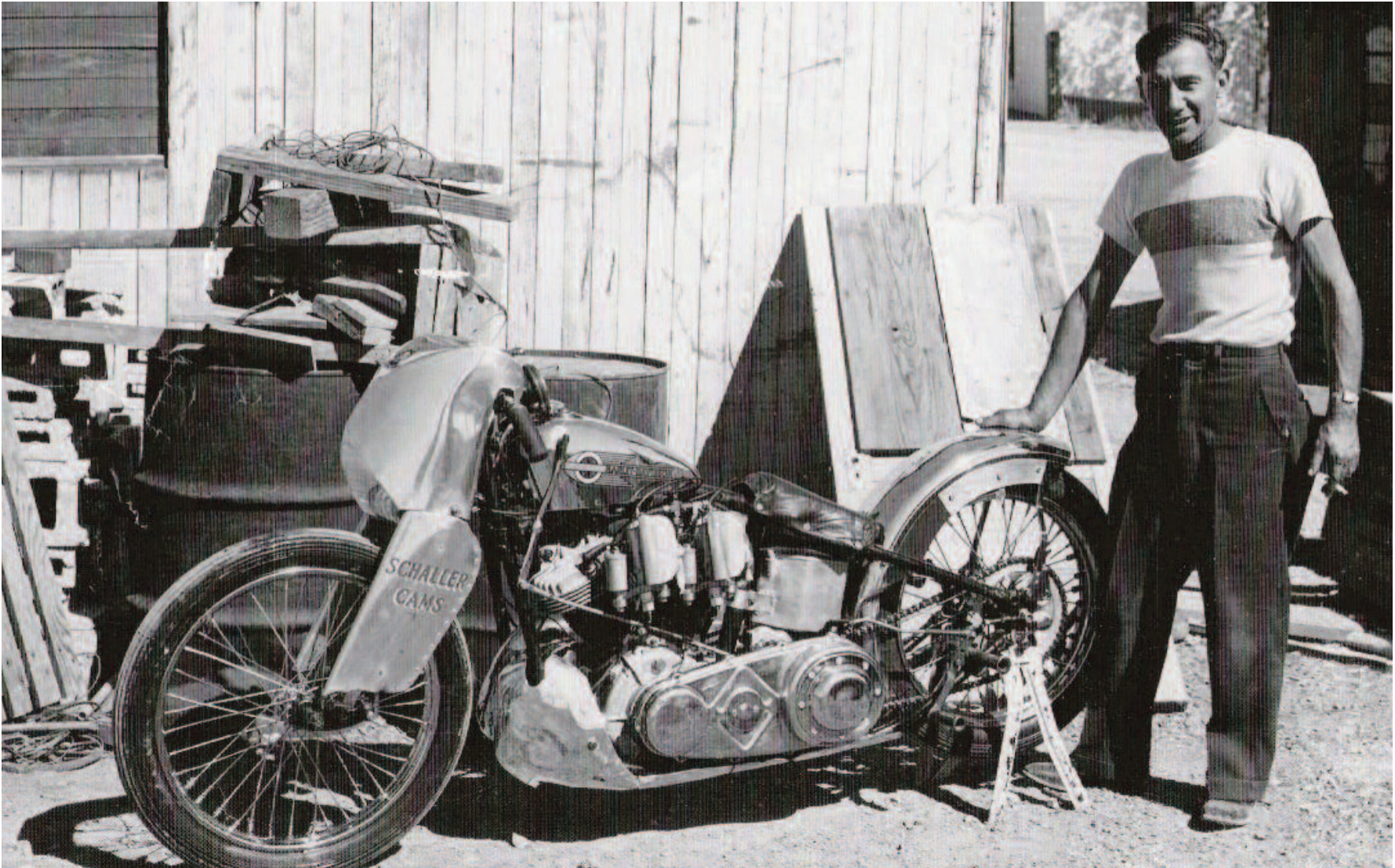
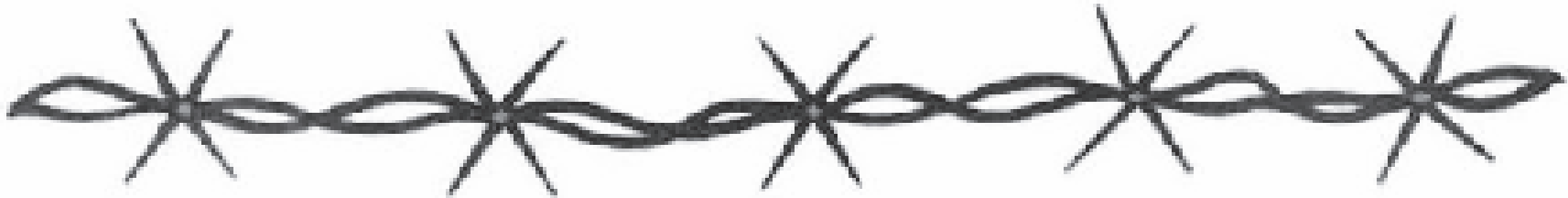


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