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ON THE COVER

George and Britni De La Nuez welcome riders to the 20th Annual Ride for Freedom on Sunday, June 12th. Heading out from Wolverine Harley-Davidson, the ride supports "recreational services" offered at the Detroit VA Medical Center and the Detroit Fisher House. For more information and to register, visit www.ReasonsToRide.com/RideforFreedom

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LETTER FROM THE OWNER

Back in the Saddle Again...

In case you missed last month's announcement, I am back publishing year round and also stepping things up in a Big Way. I have partnered with ReasonsToRide.com, which is will give this magazine a big boost into the social media and digital world. Many thanks to Derek owner of Thunder Roads Ohio and his staff who has teamed up with me on this great venture. I am still the owner, this is not a replacement or takeover, but rather a partnership to help grow Thunder Roads Magazine of Michigan back to the Ultimate Resource Tool for any biker, filled with the best businesses to patronize, places to visit, tips about your ride and the very popular Ride Card/ Ride n' Win contest is back, but easier than ever.

With that being said, if you are interested in advertising your business or becoming part of the team please check out ReasonsToRide.com. There you can find out more info or post your event or even manage an upcoming show or event through. I will still be publishing hard copies of the magazine so have no fear because that is one thing that I know we all love and hold on to literally. Be on the lookout for Thunder Roads Michigan like you have never seen it before! We are just getting started... get on board with your business and save extra for signing up NOW even if it's just a business subscription, which is only \$20 mth.

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Now for some "Mo" Advice:

Sometimes you just got to take the trash out, pluck those weeds, remove toxic from your life. Cut ties with ones that are bringing you grief or stress and focus on yourself and your own life. Do this and your body, mind and soul will thank you!

"What we fear doing most is usually what we most need to do". -Ralph Waldo Emerson


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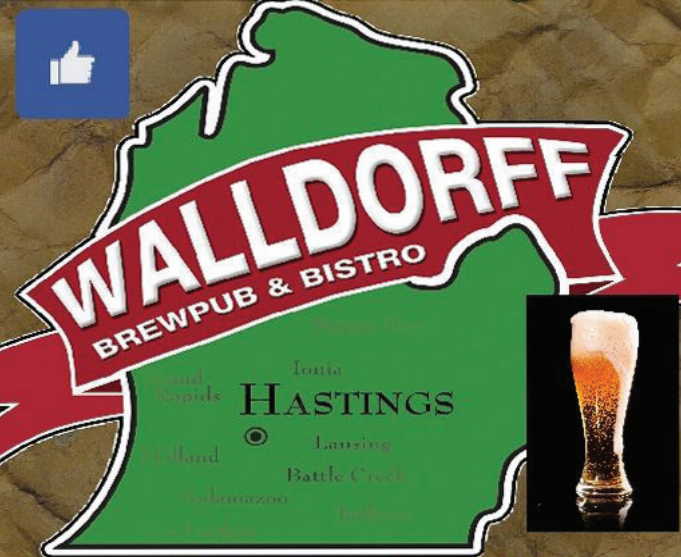
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Let's break it down; why you are feeling guilty and allowing that to speak a false truth? It's time to dissolve that guilty feeling.

Having goals and aspirations can make you feel behind. Comparing yourself to others and their, yes, you read that right, their accomplishments. This is where the guilt comes in. You set goals, so you could discover what it would be like if you went out into the world to find your own strength, overcome fears, and show yourself what you can do. Stop measuring your progress with others and wanting to be perfect, which again, leads to guilt. Stay in your lane and focus on you, and only you. You can't be behind on your goals.

You'll discover you can be happy in the journey and not shove your joy and happiness down the drain. There is always going to be something more that you want, but your joy and happiness will be forever. Again, stop measuring your progress based on results and start measuring it based on ideas, experiences, friends, and family. Progress over perfection.

Lastly, are you comparing yourself to others? Everyone's journey to success is different. Their struggles, situations, lifestyles are all unique, so why are you comparing your outcome and results to theirs? Nothing is the same and it's impossible to compare life's journeys. When you do... it leads to that guilty feeling. Comparison is the thief of joy.

At night, before you go to sleep, think about all the things YOU HAVE accomplished, not, and I repeat, not all the things you should've, could've, would've done. Fill your sleeping thoughts with accomplishments, happy thoughts and what you're grateful for. You will wake up feeling refreshed and start your day off right.

Until then, you can't lead a positive life, by feeling guilty and comparing yourself to others. Enjoy the journey, inspired by your goals and dreams! Choose Joy!

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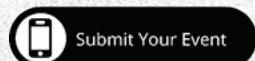
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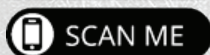
Pre-registration allows you to more accurately plan for your event by having a listing of participants already committed and invested in it. Pre-registration also helps protect your ride from cloudy days that might also have people staying home, but will choose to still come out since they are already pre-paid.

RtR is also able to offer **RIDE SHIRTS** and **PATCHES** as part of the pre-registration process as well. Shirts are a great way to promote your event and offer more value to those participating. With advance sales and riders indicating what size shirts they need – you'll also avoid having to invest in unwanted shirts. It's also a great way to eliminate the risk of adding additional items such as patches or pins. You can offer them as "add-on" sales with your advance registration and in many cases pre-sell enough to cover your cost before you even have to place the order to get them made.

RtR can also help develop graphics and promotional materials – including posters and cards to professionally represent your ride. This helps with sponsorships and encourages ride participation.

PRO TIP: You can add QR codes to your posters and event ads that take riders directly to YOUR unique registration page through Thunder Roads – even on the day of the event!

You can also create signs with these QR codes to display on-site the day of the event. For Iron Pony's **RIDE FOR THE RHINOS** – event organizers were able to use display stands with the QR codes and easy instructions for riders to register online even on the morning of the ride. This expedited the process incredibly and allowed well over 1,000 participants to easily check-in with possibly half as many volunteers involved.



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VETERANS CORNER



Women Veteran's Month

The month of March is one month that stands out now that they recognized the wonderful things that women have contributed to the success of a lot of things in history. The first one I want to acknowledge is **Pvt. Cathay Williams, aka William Cathay (1844–1892) Post-Civil War**. Born a slave near Jefferson City, Missouri, Cathay Williams was the first known African American woman to serve in the United States Army—enlisting under the name “William Cathay” to hide the fact she was a woman. The regiment I joined wore the Zouave uniform and only two persons, a cousin and a particular friend, members of the regiment, knew that I was a woman,” Williams said, according to Army archives. “They were partly the cause of my joining the Army. Another reason was I wanted to make my own living and not be dependent on relations or friends. Documents show Williams served alongside the men in her unit—without being recognized as a woman—until she contracted smallpox and became ill. The disease caused her to be in and out of military hospitals until it was discovered she was female and immediately discharged.

The second Women Veteran is Col. Ruby Bradley (1907–2002) World War II and Korean War

West Virginia native Ruby Bradley joined the U.S. Army Nurse Corps as a surgical nurse in 1934. In 1941, she was taken captive by Japanese forces while serving in the Philippines. She and fellow imprisoned nurses continued to care for their fellow prisoners, earning them the nickname “angels in fatigues.” In February 1945, U.S. troops stormed the gates of the Japanese camp and liberated Bradley and her fellow prisoners, where she had been held captive for three years. Bradley continued serving in the Army Nurse Corps after her release and then in the Korean War. She dedicated 30 years to the military, becoming only the third woman in U.S. history to be promoted to the rank of colonel.

The third women veteran is Brig. Gen. Rhonda Cornum (1954–Present) Persian Gulf War,

Rhonda Cornum joined the U.S. Army in 1978. While serving as a flight surgeon with the 101st Airborne Division in Iraq in 1991, her UH-60 Black Hawk was shot down by enemy forces when on a mission to rescue a downed fighter pilot. Cornum was one of three soldiers to survive the 140-mph crash. She suffered two broken arms, a bullet wound to her shoulder and knee damage, only to be dragged from the wreckage and taken into Iraqi captivity. On her way to confinement, she was sexually assaulted by one of her captors. Cornum survived her eight-day captivity and was released back to the Army, where she recovered well enough to continue her military career. She retired with the rank of Brigadier General in 2012.

The fourth women veteran that made a great impact is 1st Lt. Ashley White Stumpf (1987–2011)

Afghanistan War U.S. Army 1st Lt. Ashley White Stumpf was assigned to a National Guard unit from Goldsboro, NC, and served as a member of a cultural support team (CST) attached to a joint special operations task force in Afghanistan. As part of a CST, she took on a new role for women in the military, involving special units of female Army soldiers meant to build relationships with Afghan citizens. She was killed

during combat operations in October 2011, when the assault force she was supporting triggered an improvised explosive device.” This was 2011; the combat ban was still in place,” said author Gayle Tzemach Lemmon, who wrote a book about Stumpf and the CSTs. “Most of America still doesn’t know that these women were out there. So they knew that everything they did would be not just their mistake, but every female’s mistake, and so I think they worked even harder.” As a women veteran, I’m inspired by the contributions these women have made. We owe them and others like them—such as U.S. Marine Corps Maj. Megan McClung, who became the highest-ranking female in any service and the first female Marine officer to be killed during the Iraq War—a world of gratitude. To learn more about women’s veterans, visit www.dav.org/women-veterans. Together, we can ensure our women in uniform are remembered, and earn the recognition and support they need for their selfless valor. Mary Dever is a veteran of the United States Air Force and currently serves as the Assistant National Communications Director for DAV (Disabled American Veterans). She resides in Maryland with her husband and young son.



So, the next time you see a Women Veteran you should take time to Thank her for her service, because even like men who serve, we appreciate it also. See this happens to us all the time that our spouses get recognized as the vet instead of us. So if you take a moment and ask or recognize that women are Veteran’s also you take a moment to Thank them that would make a world of difference.

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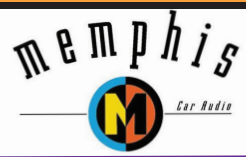


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Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association

By now most folks have heard that the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) will be issuing a refund. I have received many questions about the refund and what it means for Michigan motorcyclists. Here's the deal:

The MCCA is an association created by the Michigan legislature to house a fund to pay for catastrophic claims. The MCCA is funded by an assessment charged to all 'motor vehicle' (meaning car & truck) and motorcycle insurance policies. We pay for that yearly assessment when we pay our vehicle insurance premiums.

The no-fault law caps the amount an insurance company pays for medical claims up to a 'retention amount.' In 2018 the retention amount was \$580,000 (each year the retention amount increases for inflation). Once the retention amount is reached on a claim, the MCCA is responsible for paying the medical bills.

The MCCA is not for individuals like you and I; we can't make a claim to it as some mistakenly believe. As stated, it is for insurance companies to be reimbursed.

New MCCA Assessment Amount

On July 1, 2021, the no-fault law changed regarding PIP medical coverage. For over 30 years we all had unlimited PIP medical. We now choose the amount of PIP medical we want on our 'motor vehicles' (cars and trucks). The choices are \$250,000, \$500,000 and unlimited.

Now only those that choose unlimited PIP medical are charged the MCCA assessment because those are the only individuals that could ever have a claim that involves the MCCA. Stated another way, people that choose \$250,000 or \$500,000 for PIP medical will never reach the 'retention amount' and therefore never use any of the MCCA's funds. It stands to reason, they don't pay the assessment.

The MCCA assessment is now \$86, down from \$220 from when we all had unlimited PIP medical. If you wish to save \$86 on your 'motor vehicle' (car and truck) policies, you can choose a different PIP medical limit than unlimited, however, this is ill advised especially if you ride a motorcycle.

Great Legal Advice: If you ride a motorcycle, you should choose unlimited PIP medical on your cars and trucks. The reason you should choose unlimited PIP medical is, if you are in a motorcycle accident that involves a 'motor vehicle', your own 'motor vehicle's' (car & truck) insurance policy may be responsible for paying your medical bills.

A motorcyclist first looks to the insurance policy of the 'motor vehicle' involved in the wreck for his or her no-fault benefits. If that vehicle is uninsured or unknown (hit & run), we next go to the motorcyclist's 'motor vehicle' (truck or van's) insurance company.

The Insurance Information Institute's 2021 study found that 25% of all the cars in Michigan are uninsured. Therefore, there is a decent chance you could end up getting no-fault benefits from your 'motor vehicle's' insurance policy after motorcycle crash and that's why motorcyclists should choose unlimited PIP medical.



MCCA REFUND FAQ's

The MCCA's fund was so large in 2021, that there was a public outcry. With further pressure from politicians and legal groups, the MCCA agreed to a refund. Here are answers to the most frequently asked questions about the refund:

Who is eligible for the refund? Anyone who had an insured vehicle (car, truck, van, RV, and motorcycle) as of 11:59 PM on October 31, 2021. If you had your vehicle in storage and only had comprehensive coverage on it, you DO NOT qualify for the refund.

How much is the refund? \$400 per vehicle. So, if you had a car and truck insured on October 31, 2021, you will get \$400 per vehicle or \$800. The refund is \$80 per historic vehicle.

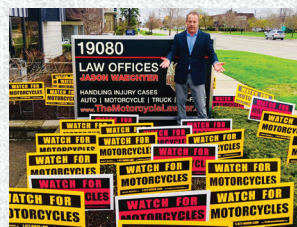
Who will I get a check from? The MCCA will refund money directly to insurance companies and your insurance company will send you the refund.

When will I get my refund? The MCCA was supposed to pay the insurance companies by March 9, 2022, and the insurance companies are supposed to issue checks or ACH deposit no later than 60 days after the MCCA transferred the funds.

Are motorcycles and RVs eligible for the refund? Yes, and this is because motorcycle and RV policies were charged the MCCA assessment.

Does it matter whether I carry unlimited PIP medical now? No. You will still get the refund.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month



May is Motorcycle Awareness Month and starts our yearly motorcycle accident prevention campaign. Feel free to stop by our Southfield office for a free "Watch for Motorcycles!" Sign. We will also have them at our booth at the motorcycle events we attend. Supplies are limited. We invite you to also spread the word through your social media.

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While watching the Senate argue the confirmation of Judge Jackson I find it interest-ing that most Senators are not looking or willing to look at the opposite side's questions and the Judge's answers.

Right and Wrong, President Biden said he would appoint a black female judge and did so. Which now leads me to believe the Democrats don't care about Right and Wrong they only care about themselves and getting votes? I feel sad that our Supreme Court nominations have become a popularity contest and not about who is the most qualified or best candidate black or white, regardless of race. To my understanding, there were others more qualified but not considered because they were not black or female.

So alas our political system is failing us by those in charge who make appointments based on what's popular at the moment. Their inability to see down the road like the next generation is what scares me about politicians.

I consider myself a Statesman not a politician. What's the difference you ask? I'm glad you asked! "A politician only looks forward to the next election; A Statesman looks forward to the next Generation ". Elections Matter! Keep an eye out for my name. I have been doing this for the last 7 years and I am NOT ready to stop now. Being born and raised in Michigan We Can make our State GREAT AGAIN, first we need to elect LEADERS not Dictators.

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MOTO CAMPING: Getting Closer

Brendan Farren, ReasonsToRide.com Contributor

It's that time of year, when I start seeing more and more social media posts of motocamping enthusiasts hitting the trails with their bikes packed and ready to head off and spend a relaxing weekend away at camp. Meanwhile here in Michigan, I stare out the window at snow falling in mid April. As any Michigander can attest, the weather in spring is fickle at best. I use this time of year to not only plan out my upcoming adventures but also to check and inspect all my gear. I'd much rather find out my sleeping pad has an air leak BEFORE I am laying on the floor of the tent because it went flat or an annoying drip coming from a damaged rain fly miles away from a way to repair or replace any damage.

If the weather permits I set up my camp site in my yard for inspection. This year mother nature is not cooperating, so I set up my tent, inflate my sleeping pad and itemize my miscellaneous items all in my living room.

This year I noticed significant rodent damage to my newer tent from being stored improperly after a season filled with moving gear around too often and not being careful enough when wintering it. This means while I shop for a new tent I will have to use my older tent without the vestibule for my motorcycle.

Its a good practice to carefully look over your tent, its foot print and rainfly. Taking notice of any tears or potential leaks and addressing them as you go. I like to inflate my sleeping pad and lay on it for a bit then leave it inflated overnight to see if it loses any air. If so, it's an easy repair to handle now while not so much once at camp. Check all the batteries in head lamps lanterns etc. I use a couple Thermacells for mosquito control, I always check the batteries and filaments in them before trips. If you camp in mainly primitive campgrounds like me I recommend bringing wet wipes. I mean, why sweep when you can mop? Seriously though they are good for a quick wipe down when showers aren't readily available. Now is also the time to ensure you have a small tool kit equipped with tools needed to perform minor repairs on your bike or maybe even camp equipment. Make sure your camp stoves have enough fuel for the trip.

This is a good time to think through your plans and look into needing any type of permits or licenses to camp where you plan to or even burn permits which may be required in some locations depending on the state and the time of year. Plan your routes and make any reservations.

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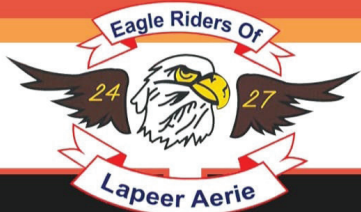
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Many people struggle with all sorts of issues throughout their lives. Not knowing how to truly overcome – getting the victory over them. Some of the issues that are common to all are discouragement, depression, confusion and anxiety. So, they try to medicate themselves with different types of activities and substances to escape the 'pain' only to find that the issues still remain and may even be worse.

The truth is that every human being is looking for three things in life – Hope, Peace, and Love. These three perfect traits, as I'll call them, can only be found in The Lord Jesus. Who is God and is the Prince of Peace (true peace). Now the peace that He gives is even better than the peace we get while we ride.

Trust me I know – I've tried when I was young, and I always came back to Jesus. His love is so intoxicating and wonderful... to quote a song from Bad Company "I can't get enough of your love".

Lamentations 3:22-23 says 22Because of the Lord's faithful love we do not perish, for his mercies never end. 23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness! (CSB)

The apostle Paul wrote something that really speaks to why I do what I do – Because God loves us and His love is in me. My goal is to reach people with the love of God. As He is the source of every good gift.

1 Corinthians 9:19-23 19 Although I am free from all and not anyone's slave, I have made myself a slave to everyone, in order to win more people. 20 To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win Jews; to those under the law, like one under the law—though I myself am not under the law—to win those under the law. 21 To those who are without the law, like one without the law—though I am not without God's law but under the law of Christ—to win those without the law. 22 To the weak I became weak, in order to win the weak. I have become all things to all people, so that I may by every possible means save some. 23 Now I do all this because of the gospel, so that I may share in the blessings. (CSB)

To make this verse personal – God made me a biker to reach the bikers with the love of God (the Gospel) that is only found in Christ Jesus. The Lord Jesus also said in **John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you really will be free." (CSB)**

My brothers and sisters, please hear me. God loves you; I love you and Victory Biker Church loves you. Do what I and so many others have done. Put your full trust in Jesus; accept Him as your Lord and Savior today. He will set you free! After all, everything you are looking for in life is found in Him because He is the author and perfecter of the life you're looking for.

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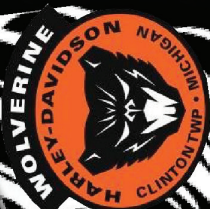
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20th Annual Ride for Freedom

Sunday, June 12th

After 9/11, George De La Nuez, owner of Wolverine H-D, felt called to make a statement in support of our troops and those that support them here and abroad. Working with local veterans' groups and service organizations they put together the first Ride for Freedom. Over the years the event has evolved and had to adapt to the times, but it's grown into one of the largest Veterans rides in the state. Since its inception, the Ride for Freedom has raised more than a half million dollars for Veterans charities. **Thunder Roads Michigan** is proud to help support this event and showcase it as this month's Featured Ride.

This year's ride Chairman is John "The Professor" Adams, an Afghanistan and Iraq Veteran that rides with **Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association (CVMA) 35-3**. CVMA is an association of Combat Veterans from all branches of the United States Armed Forces that ride. Their mission is to support and defend those who have defended our country and our freedoms. Regional chapter CVMA 35-3 covers the Detroit Metro area. Their volunteers not only help plan the Ride and the activities that follow, but they help host the day of – setting up and breaking down. (You can find out more about CVMA MI 35-3 by visiting them on Facebook.)

"We will leave Wolverine Harley-Davidson and head out for a scenic 60 mile ride around Lake St. Clair – returning for music and festivities in the afternoon at the dealership," John Adams explains. "This year we have Rachelle Rae & The Banned performing – and it should really be a great show!"

"The event is really something special for everyone involved. We invite everyone to come out and join us for the Ride – and the show that follows."

Rob "Big Country" Berry is the official **CVMA 35-3** Representative on the ride committee. "George De La Nuez is a great supporter of local vets throughout the year, but this Ride is really something. Every dollar raised by the Ride goes to support Vets in need. Just over the past few years that we've been a part of it – the Ride has contributed over \$45,000 to each of the charities we support."

"A few weeks after the Ride, we meet up at Wolverine and ride down to the VA for a check presentation. Afterwards we go in and visit the folks there and it's really a great feeling to know that we've made a difference in their lives of these vets."

"Beyond the donations, we also bring down little thing such as toiletries and shirts – little things that can really make a big

difference for these folks that might be feeling overwhelmed or unappreciated otherwise."

As part of the program, the event will also recognize local veterans that have made a difference in the community. This year, they will be recognizing Laura Rios with the Macomb County Veterans Services and World War II Veteran Jacob "Joseph" Velfling.

PRE-REGISTER TO SAVE \$5 AND GET A FREE RIDE T-SHIRT

Riders are encouraged to register in advance – either by signing up at Wolverine H-D or online at ThunderRoadsMichigan.com. The first 300 registrants will receive a free ride t-shirt and those registering before June 1st will save \$5.

If you're not able to attend the ride, you can also donate to the ride online or by contacting ride organizers.

Proceeds from this year's ride will go to support the construction of the new Detroit Fisher House and recreational services at the Detroit VA Medical Center.

Fisher House is a "home away from home" where military and Veteran's families can stay at no cost while a loved one is receiving treatment. These homes are located at major military and VA medical centers nationwide, close to the medical center or hospital they serve. Fisher Houses typically have 16 suites, with private bedrooms and baths. Families share a common kitchen, laundry facilities, a warm dining room and an inviting living room. Fisher House Foundation ensures that there is never a lodging fee.

Fisher House Michigan has been working to raise funds to support the construction of a new facility convenient for those using the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center in Detroit. For more information, visit www.fisherhousemichigan.org/va-detroit-fisher-house

The Ride for Freedom will also contribute to the recreational services fund at the Detroit VA Medical Center. "Funds raised will help cover the cost of extra activities such as going out to the ball game or maybe a movie theatre for those staying at the VA," explained John Adams. "During COVID, we were able to provide special meals from outside – something other than the standard VA offerings. It's a break from the routine and can really make a difference."

For more information on the Ride or how you can help, please contact John "Professor" Adams (586)222-1148 or Rob "Big Country" Berry at (248) 259-3386.

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HOT ROD'S TOPICS



May is Motorcycle Awareness Month and our organization will be out in full force promoting motorcycle awareness. If you would like to help your fellow bikers be safe, please go to A&M Leather and get your yard signs from Liz, or give me a call at 419-349-8075, and find out what we are doing and how to get involved.

If you're interested in doing some good deeds and helping our organization with motorcycle awareness and suicide prevention, you're the kind of person we'd love to have join up with us. We meet once a month, on the 2nd Sunday at 4:00 pm at the American Legion Post 268 in Milan. We enjoy each other's company, have dinner and plan on what or who we can help! Veterans are committing suicide at a rate of 22 per day Nationwide and more of us know of someone or something that has happened in the past be it family or friends. Spreading the word on how to get help and realizing you are not alone, goes a long way in making a difference and helping them get help. The Suicide Prevention Lifeline is 1-800-273-TALK (8255), for Veterans Crisis Line Press 1.

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Looking forward to the riding season this year and getting out on my new trike with a specialty custom paint job being done by "Bennett Customs". Wait to you see what they have come up with...stay tuned!

Our thanks go out to our members that donated so generously to our latest benefit for the VA Ann Arbor Fisher House. If you're not familiar with them, the Fisher House provides a "home away from home" for families of patients receiving medical care at major military and VA medical centers. The home offers free, temporary lodging to military and Veterans' families during a medical crisis "because A Family's Love is good medicine". Check them out at www.fisherhousemichigan.org

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Sport Touring Corner

By Norm Kern, MSTa Editor /
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Getting Older Without Getting Old- Extending Your Riding Years Part 2- Trailering to Events

Last month we talked about transitioning to a smaller bike that is lighter and easier to handle, but not as desirable for long distance riding. This time we explore solving the long distance problem by hauling the bike on a trailer.

Hauling a bike is nothing new for me- I've been hauling dirt bikes since the late 1960s on trailers or in the bed of my pickup truck. I still do that with my Suzuki DRZ400E dual-sport bike, as I can just ride it up an aluminum ramp into the bed of my old Ford Ranger. It only takes a minute and I can do it by myself, but then it only weighs about 315 pounds and has high ground clearance.

My Suzuki 650 Wee Strom weighs about 500 pounds loaded and doesn't have as much ground clearance under the motor, so it's a completely different story. It needs to go on a trailer towed behind the truck.

Last June, the Motorcycle Sport Touring Association's national STAR rally was at Canaan Valley, West Virginia, about 350 miles from home. I decided to borrow a nice aluminum trailer from a friend and haul both the Wee Strom and the DRZ to the event.

My friend brought the trailer to me and helped me connect it to the truck. Its rails are about 14 inches off the ground and there is a loading rail that goes with it. I quickly found the trailer rails are too far off the ground for me to get the bikes on or off by myself, so I had to get a neighbor to help.

The V6 engine in the Ranger did a good job even in the mountains of West Virginia and I got almost 14 MPG on the trip. On the way there I got into heavy thunderstorms and was happy to be safe and dry in the cab of the truck. When I arrived at the rally there were plenty of friends around to help unload and load the bikes. It was a very fun week!

The drive home was no problem and a friend helped me unload the bikes. Then I had to take the trailer back to my friend who lives about thirty miles away. Is this the way to go in the future? My thoughts:

1. Being able to have two bikes at the event was a luxury.
2. Avoiding discomfort from weather extremes on the trip was nice.
3. Getting the trailer, loading, unloading multiple times and dropping it off afterward collectively took an entire day.
4. Having to get help with loading and unloading at home is a hassle.

How could I make trailering better/easier?

1. Use a different trailer that is lower and has a wide ramp to enable riding the bikes onto it. That would solve the assistance needed problem.
2. Get my own trailer so I don't have to go back and forth borrowing/renting them.

The problem with buying a trailer is that I don't have anywhere to store it at home. It's also a lot of money for something I won't use very often. One compromise is to rent a U-Haul motorcycle trailer for \$15/day. They are well-designed and very low to the ground to make loading easy. I could rent for many days at less cost than buying a decent trailer, but would still have to book it, pick it up and drop it off. Time start over on this problem.

I searched YouTube for bike hauling ideas and found videos where people easily rode full size bikes into the beds of their trucks using Black Widow or Big Boy ramps. These ramps are 10-12 feet long with a hinge in the middle so they fold in half for storage or putting in the bed of the truck. They come in three sections to make the individual pieces lighter and easier to load. Most important, the upper portion is arched to reduce the angle between the ramp and the tailgate. The added length and more gentle angle enable sitting on the bike and safely backing it down as well. I can hang them on the wall of my garage so storage is not a problem.



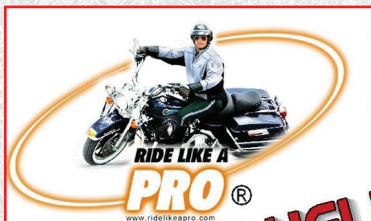
These ramps cost \$700-1500 per set, but one of the videos suggested looking for used ones on Craigslist. I easily found a set of Black Widow ramps in excellent condition for less than \$300 nearby.

The most critical part of loading is adequate speed going up the ramp. I found that about 10 mph at a fast idle in first gear is what is needed. Start thirty to forty feet from the ramp so you are completely stable and you will be able to ride right up onto the truck bed.

I was more intimidated about the prospect of backing down but that turned out to be easier than riding up. With the engine off you can put the bike in first gear and release the clutch to brake the rear wheel. Control the front brake with the handlebar lever. You can back up in small increments and stop whenever you wish to improve your footing. Now I can load or unload the bike in the truck bed in less than fifteen minutes and be on my way.

This is a good solution for me. I don't have to rent or borrow, pick up or return anything. I don't need help loading/unloading, and there are no problems parking or backing up the truck like with a trailer.

Will I quit riding to events now that I have an easy alternative? I might haul to an event that's over 500 miles away or at times when the weather is uncertain. On the other hand, I don't have many aches or pains, plus my bikes are so capable and comfortable that it's still more fun to ride them to just about every event I attend. That is sure to change over time, but for now I have secured a backup plan for the future by having a lighter bike to ride and the means to haul it conveniently if I wish.



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BULLET POINTS

PAY ATTENTION

BY RICK WYATT



Got a big yuck out of a meme I saw the other day, it was a picture of a crotch rocket lying on its side in front of a gas pump with the caption "Motorcycle faints after seeing the price of gasoline!" It was funny and cute, but unfortunately there was that sliver of truth that is the root of great comedy, prices are out of control. Fortunately, it was a mid-price crotch rocket and not one of the behemoths like mine that prefer premium fuel, that price would have induced immediate cardiac arrest, and somebody would have to do mouth to breather respiration to bring it back to life. Hope I have made my point because I am not going to write about the price of gas, rather about the price of everything else that is affecting the prices in the firearms industry.

All of us are reeling under the prices of ammunition and the availability of many of the rounds we want/need. At the store we get several calls a day from people looking for .410 shotgun ammo, and for the last couple of months we have had to tell people that there is none available through our suppliers. Invariably they will ask if we know where they can find some and we honestly tell them no (we answer truthfully because if you steer them in the right direction, even if it is the competition, in most cases they will return as a customer). I have heard that there has been an individual at some of the gun shows selling .410 at an outrageous price, and people are paying it! Many people think they can get around the shortages by reloading their own ammunition, but here is the simple truth about that plan; reloaders are having many of the same problems that the ammo industry is having, the availability of components such as primers, propellants, and projectiles and God help you if you need to buy casings too. The ammo shortage is going to be with us for a while, and like I have said in the past if you are planning to hunt this fall set your ammo aside now, then remember to vote in November.

New guns are something else you need to pay attention to, before you jump on what looks like a real good deal on a firearm do some research and see what the experience of others has been with a particular manufacturer. Don't just buy based on a name because many of the old-time builders have gone out of business and sold their name to start-up companies (many foreign) who hope that the right name will move their product off the shelf. Sometimes such a marriage works, CZ bought out Dan Wesson and now the DW 1911's are precision works of art (I can't wait to see what they do with Colt), but too often the name gets slapped on a cheap knockoff of a previously successful and proven product. You don't have to be a metallurgist to recognize inferior metals many of these knockoff companies build with and the first place to look is the thickness of barrel walls and the finish of receivers. There is a difference

between inexpensive and downright cheap, and cheap usually wears out very quickly or starts to present some significant safety issues. Country of manufacture is not necessarily an issue either, Benelli has their Stoeger brand of firearms built in Turkey but has set a high standard for quality of materials used. Mossberg's Silver Reserve O/U shot guns are built in Turkey also with a high expectation of quality and materials and when you compare them side by side with a lot of the other O/U guns built there, then what I am trying to tell you becomes apparent.

Unfortunately, the "Made in America" tag sometimes needs to be looked at closely also. Some manufacturers make a profit by using inferior materials and this is obvious when you look at Derringers. We had a customer who bought a .38 cal. Derringer, which subsequently blew up in his hand ripping his thumb off in the process. I am not using the name of the company because there is ongoing litigation, but I got to see pictures of the exploded gun and to be honest it looked like the barrels were cast and finished out of pot metal which is why that brand is relatively inexpensive. Bond Arms builds Derringers, they are built out of steel, and you can see the obvious difference in quality over most of the other Derringers in the market, and yes, they are expensive but how much if your hand (or life) worth to you? And this applies to other guns "built" here also, which may be code for assembled out of inexpensive imported parts. Look carefully at fit, finish, quality of materials and make sure you are not shopping the turd rack when buying a gun. Guys should never shop for guns when they are pissed at the old lady, have money in their pocket (or on the card) the attitude "I'll show her," for the same reason you don't grocery shop when you are hungry because you usually end up with junk!

It took me a while to get here, but what I want to tell you is that the price of good quality firearms has not risen as much as other things in the market. Prices have gone up some, but so has the price of quality steel parts such as barrels, springs, and pins. I know money is tight, but you will never regret maybe delaying gratification and buying quality over flash, pretty isn't important when you are protecting yourself or family. Make sure when you are purchasing that you can find ammo for the new baby, sold a guy a 10mm the other day, but didn't (don't) have any ammo for him at this time. And that is what ties all of this together, we are in an economy that sucks (to say the least) and we are having to deal with shortages throughout the industry so please understand that the retailers are stuck in the middle, and we are doing the best we can to fill our shelves but there are no gun and bullet leprechauns to help us out. Look, fondle, and do some research because in the long run it will save you money.

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- Iron Horse- Akron
- Arsenal Harley-Davidson Bike Night
Wednesday, June 8th, 5-8pm, Waterford
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- 2 Wheel Tavern-Wolverine, MI

Thursday

- Stingers Bar & Grill- Wixom
- Ghost Town Saloon- Elwell
- Ryder's Bar & Grill- Midland

Friday

- Vehicle City Harley-Davidson Bike Night
Kick-Off Friday, May 20th 6-9pm, Flint
Alternating Friday's afterwards.

Saturday

- Stingers Bar & Grill- Wixom
(2 Wheel Weekends)

Sunday

- Decker's Lounge- Midland (All Day)
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5/01/22 09:00 AM

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This is an antique centered swap meet where it is encouraged that the parts or bikes for sale are primarily of 35 years or older.

Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds

751 S Almont Ave, Imlay City, MI 48444

Ryan Curtis 248-842-6799

metrodetroitamca@gmail.com

5/01/22 11:00 AM

Kickstart Sunday Service

KickStart Sunday Service is our weekly Sunday morning worship service at Victory Biker Church International. Victory Biker Church

12190 Miller Rd, Lennon, MI 48449

810-271-0002

info@victorybikerchurch.org

NORTHERN MICHIGAN EVENTS

5/01/22 08:00 PM

22nd Annual Blessing of the Bikers

The Blessing of the Bikers. Started in 2000 it has become a premier event to kick off the riding season. More than just another "blessing" it is an opportunity to see Truth presented and lives changed. Of course, we have good food and fun at the same time.

Church of the Living Word

1100 N. Ovid Rd, Ovid, MI 48866

989-834-5950

info@cotlw.org

5/04/22 07:00 PM

Pit Stop Bible Study

PitStop Bible Study is our weekly time of prayer, worship, and Study of God's Word - the Bible.

Victory Biker Church

12190 Miller Rd, Lennon, MI 48449

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CENTRAL MICHIGAN EVENT

5/05/22 08:00 AM

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5/06/22 07:00 AM

48th Annual Original Mini-Rally

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Circle Pines Center

8650 Mullen Rd, Delton, MI 49046

Mike Hart 269-317-9951

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5/06/22 03:00 PM

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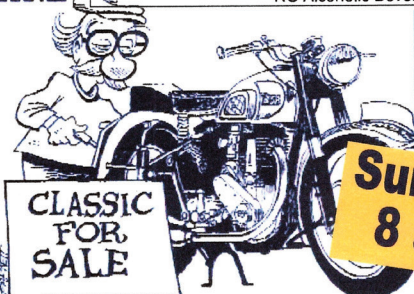
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Location - Sandy's Harley Davidson Fremont, MI. 3pm - 7pm

Sunday May 29, 2022, Ride for Freedom
Location - Hot Rod Harley Davidson Muskegon, MI. Kick stands up 8 am.
Arriving to the Belding War memorial 9:30am. Capital Harley Davidson at 1pm to line up for the demonstration ride to the state capital.

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May 21

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Blessing of the Bikes

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9am-11am: Registration & Breakfast
11:30am: Blessing
Noon: Mystery Ride (50-60 miles)
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EVENTS



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UP MICHIGAN EVENTS

5/07/22 10:00 AM

International Female Day Ride

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Motor City Harley-Davidson

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248-473-7433

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5/07/22 12:00 PM

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NORTHERN MICHIGAN EVENTS

5/13/22 10:30 AM

49th Annual Blessing of Bikes Festival

There will be vendors set up all over the town of Baldwin coming from all over the country, and giant food fest all week end. Camping is available. Sponsored by Para Dice Motorcycle Club Lake County Chamber of Commerce 895 Michigan Ave, Baldwin, MI 49304 800-800-6034

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5/13/22 05:00 PM

Gratton Raceway Track Time Race Certificate Class

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Gratton Raceway

7201 Lessiter Rd NE, Belding, MI 48809

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CENTRAL MICHIGAN EVENT

5/13/22 08:00 AM

Baldwin Blessing of Bikes Festival 2022

Blessing will be on Sunday May 16th at the airport sponsored by Para Dice Motorcycle Club. Gates will open at 9 AM and donation in \$5 per bike (not per person)

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SOUTHERN MICHIGAN EVENTS

5/15/22 09:00 AM

Para-Dice MC's 50th Anniversary of "The Original" Blessing of the Bikes

Gates open 9:00am. Blessing at 1:15pm. No pets. No Alcohol. \$5 per person at gate.

Baldwin Municipal Airport

Scrape Ave, Baldwin, MI 49304

Bruce 616-893-3542

5/14/22 12:00 PM

ALR-141 Blessing of the Bikes

Join the American Legion Riders of Devereaux Post-141 (Howell, MI) for their annual "Blessing of the Bikes" on Saturday, May 14, 2022, beginning at noon. A \$5.00 donation will go to support the veteran services of the Post. Food and beverages will be available for sale.

American Legion Post 141

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Old National Bank

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5/20/22 05:00 PM**Davidson Eagle's Kick-Off Bike Night**

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Raffle & prizes.

Lewisville Smoke

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Registration 9am. Kickstands up 11am.
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5/28/22 03:00 PM**Rolling Thunder Inc Ride for Freedom
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Saturday May 28th, 2022- Bike Night/
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Harley Davidson Fremont, MI. 3pm till
7pm. Sunday May 29th, 2023, Ride For
Freedom from Hot Rod Harley David-
son, Muskegon Mi. Kick stands up 8am,
Arriving to the Belding War memorial at
930am. Arriving at Capital Harley David-
son at 1pm to line up for the demon-
stration ride to the state Capital.

Hot Rod Harley-Davidson

149 Shoreline Dr, Muskegon, MI 49440

Duane O'Parka 248-505-5953

rtmc5.president@gmail.com

6/01/22 12:00 PM**Annual Freedom Rally**

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6/01/22 07:00 PM**Pit Stop Bible Study**

PitStop Bible Study is our weekly time
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Word - the Bible.

Victory Biker Church

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