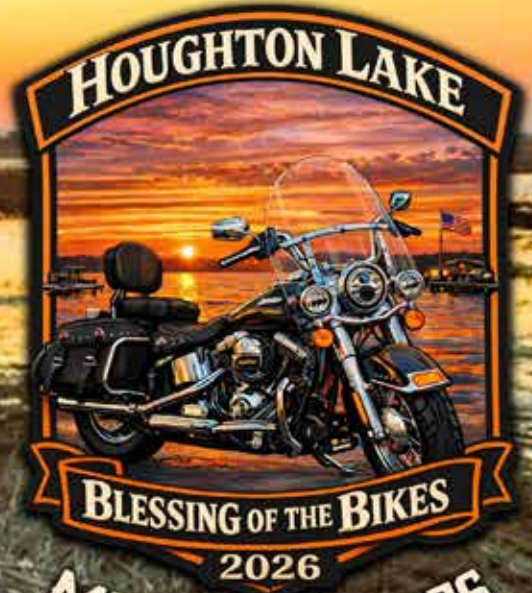
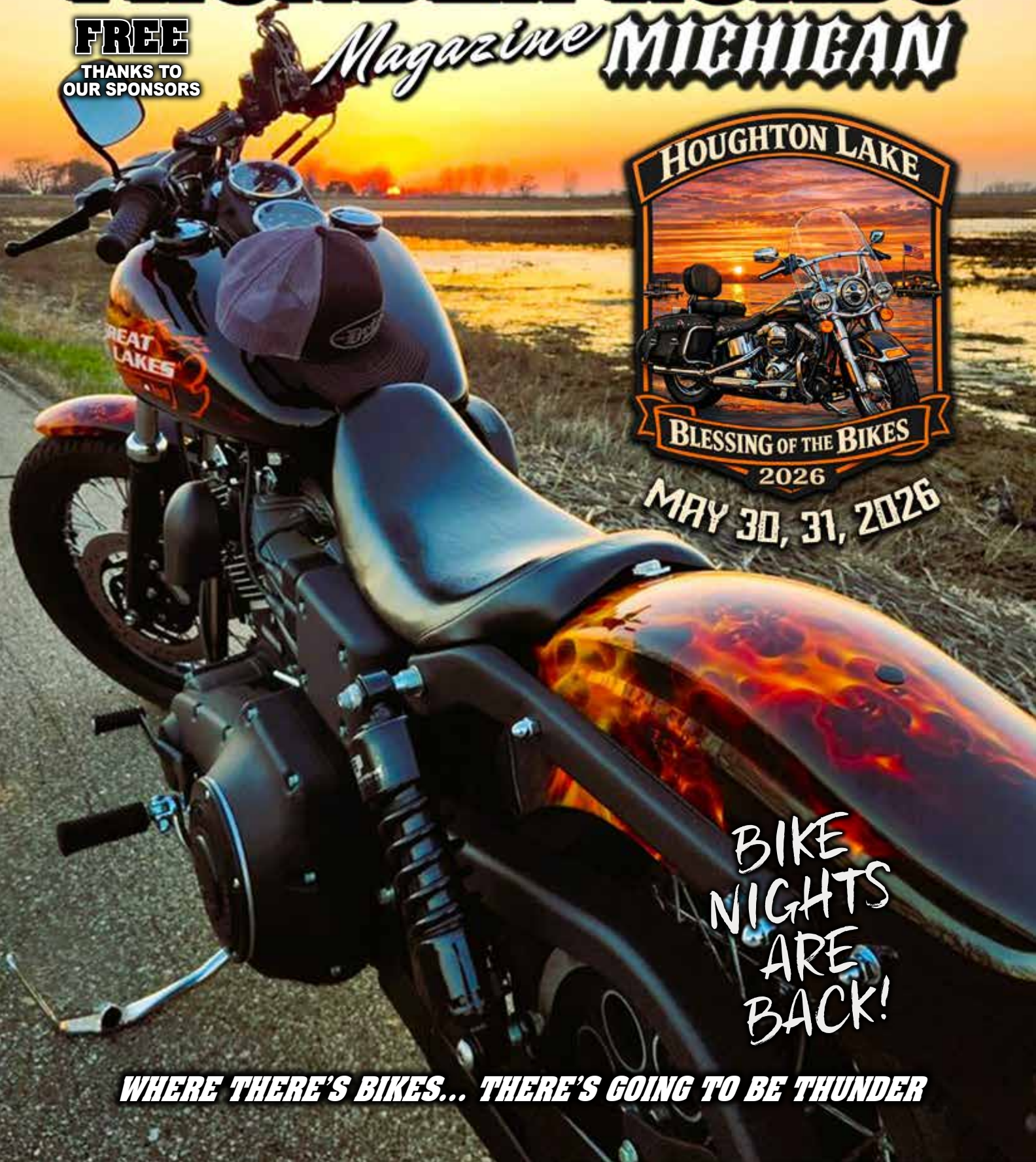


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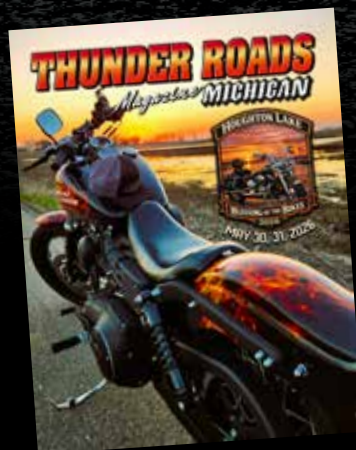
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# LETTER FROM THE OWNERS

**A**pril in Michigan has a way of waking everything back up. The snow melts, the days stretch a little longer, and the warm afternoons remind us why we put up with winter in the first place. For motorcyclists, it means it's finally time to get back in the saddle and greet the sunrise or the sunset.

There's nothing quite like that first ride of the season. The rumble of the engine, the open road ahead, and the feeling of shaking off months of cold Michigan weather. After a long winter, even a short ride feels like freedom again. April showers might bring flowers for some folks, but for us riders, they bring horsepower.

Spring also means the return of everything that makes the riding community so special. Rally season begins to take shape, bike nights start popping up again, and the calendar fills with charity rides, local runs, and weekend gatherings across the state. It's the time of year when friends reconnect, new riders join the mix, and the motorcycle community gets rolling again.

One of the things we enjoy most about Thunder Roads® Michigan is getting to see so many of you throughout the riding season. Whether it's at a rally, a bike night, or a stop along the road, the conversations and camaraderie are what make this community what it is. If you see us out there this summer, please don't hesitate to say hello. We love meeting the people who read the magazine and share the same passion for the ride.

As the season ramps up, we encourage everyone to keep an eye on our event calendar at [www.thunderroadsmichigan.com](http://www.thunderroadsmichigan.com) to see what's happening around the state. We're always updating it with rallies, rides, bike nights, and other events so you can make the most of the riding season. You can also follow us on social media, where we'll be sharing updates, photos, and reminders about upcoming events.

Before we wrap up, we also want to take a moment to remind everyone how important our advertising sponsors are to this magazine. Their support is what helps keep Thunder Roads® Michigan on the road and in your hands each month. When you visit their businesses, attend their events, or support what they do, you're helping keep this community strong.

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# CHAPLAIN CHARLIES CORNER: PREPARING FOR THE RIDE AHEAD

BY CHAPLAIN CHARLIE

If you ride long enough, you eventually reach a moment where you decide to do something yourself that you've always let someone else handle. For me, that moment is coming this spring. I'm going to change the oil on my 2022 Harley trike.

Now, for some of you seasoned riders out there, that probably sounds about as exciting as zipping up your boots. Plenty of riders have been doing their own maintenance for years. But if I'm being honest, this will be the first time I've done it myself, and I'll admit it, I'm a little apprehensive about it.

Like many riders, I've always had a shop handle things like that. It was easier that way. Drop the bike off, pick it up later, and everything was ready to go. But this year, I decided it was time to learn a few things for myself. I ordered the AMSOIL oil change kit through my friend Shelly Miller, and it's now sitting in my garage waiting patiently for the day I finally move the trike over and get started.

The funny thing is, I haven't even watched a video yet on how to actually do the oil change. I know there are plenty of them out there, and I'll be searching for them soon enough. I've watched a few videos about Harley maintenance in general, things like inspections and other upkeep riders should do before the season begins, but I still haven't pulled up the one that walks through the oil change step by step. I suppose once I watch that video, the learning part is over and the doing part begins.

Around here in Mid-Michigan, spring has a way of sneaking up on us. One day we're staring at snowbanks and gray skies, and the next day the temperature jumps into the fifties or sixties, and suddenly every rider in the county is thinking the same thing: it's almost riding season. You start seeing bikes back on the road again, and maybe someone rolls past you in Midland or Sanford, and you catch that familiar rumble of a V-twin echoing down the street. It's a sound that always makes me smile because it means winter is finally loosening its grip.

With that first ride of the season comes preparation. Riders start going through their mental checklist of things that need attention before the bike hits the open road again. We check the tires, the battery, the lights, and cables to make sure everything is ready to go.

I already checked the air in my tires. That part was simple enough. Now comes the oil change.

It's all part of taking care of the machine that carries us down the road. Motorcycles actually teach us a lot about stewardship. If you ignore maintenance long enough, eventually something breaks. But if you care for your bike the way it was designed to be cared for, it will serve you faithfully for thousands and thousands of miles.

That idea reminds me of a passage from Scripture. In **1 Corinthians 4:2 (NIV)**, we read, "Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." In other words, when something valuable is placed in our care, we have a responsibility to look after it.

That applies to many things in life, our families, our friendships, our communities, and even the opportunities that God places

in front of us. And yes, in a small way, it even applies to the motorcycles we ride.

Now don't get me wrong. A motorcycle isn't a sacred object. But it is a blessing. It's something that brings us joy, freedom, and fellowship with other riders. There's something special about heading down a Michigan back road on a warm spring day with the wind moving past you and the sound of that engine beneath you.

Over the years, I've met some incredible people through riding. I've seen riders stop to help strangers on the side of the road without hesitation. I've watched charity rides raise thousands of dollars for families who were going through difficult times. I've seen the motorcycle community show kindness and generosity in ways that would make anyone proud to be part of it.

Those moments remind me that riding isn't just about the machine, it's about the journey and the people we meet along the way.

Preparation is part of that journey.

So sometime very soon, I'm going to move my trike over in the garage, open up that AMSOIL kit, and start searching for the right YouTube video that shows me exactly what I need to do. I'll probably watch it more than once and double-check every step along the way. I've also been told that making a little bit of a mess the first time is practically part of the process.

But that's alright.

Learning something new is part of life, and sometimes stepping outside your comfort zone is exactly what keeps life interesting. Who knows, after this first oil change, I might wonder why I waited so long to do it myself.

Moments like this also remind me of something deeper. Just like we prepare our bikes for the road, we also need to prepare our hearts for the journey ahead. Life throws its share of potholes, curves, and unexpected detours. But when we stay grounded in faith, we're better equipped to handle whatever road lies ahead.

So as riding season approaches here in Michigan, I hope you're getting your bike ready for that first ride of the year. Check the tires, check the battery, and change the oil. But most of all, remember to take care of the things that truly matter in life, the people around you, the blessings you've been given, and the faith that guides you through every mile.

Because the road ahead is always better when we're prepared for the ride.



Until our next journey in Chaplain's Corner, ride safe, and may God's blessings guide you on every road you choose.

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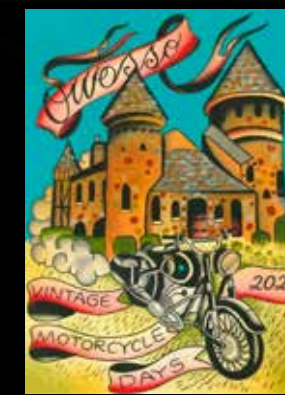


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## Michigan Veteran Riders Hit the Road Again

For many Veteran riders across Michigan, April marks the true beginning of riding season. After months of cold weather, snow, and salted roads, motorcycles finally come out of storage and back onto the open road. That first ride of the season carries a sense of freedom, but it should also come with preparation and awareness. Veterans understand discipline, responsibility, and readiness better than most. Those same principles apply to motorcycle safety as riding season begins.

### Preparing Your Bike After Winter Storage

Before hitting the road, your motorcycle deserves a thorough inspection. Long Michigan winters can take a toll on machines that have been sitting idle for months.

Start with the basics:

- **Battery:** Cold temperatures can drain battery life. Check the charge and connections before starting your bike.
- **Tires:** Inspect tire pressure and look for cracks or flat spots caused by storage.
- **Fluids:** Oil, brake fluid, and coolant should be checked and topped off if necessary.
- **Brakes:** Make sure your brake pads and rotors are in good condition.
- **Lights and signals:** Visibility is critical, especially during early spring when weather can change quickly.

A short test ride in a controlled area is also a good way to ensure everything is functioning properly before heading onto busy roads.

### Riders Need a Tune-Up Too

Motorcycles aren't the only things that need a tune-up after winter. Riders often experience a bit of "rust" after months away from the road. Take time to rebuild your riding habits. Start with shorter rides to refresh your balance, coordination, and awareness. Practicing slow turns, braking, and maneuvering can help restore confidence before longer trips. Even experienced riders benefit from easing back into the season.

### Spring Road Hazards in Michigan

April riding conditions in Michigan can be unpredictable. Potholes, loose gravel, and leftover salt from winter road treatments create hazards for motorcycles.

Veteran riders should keep an eye out for:

- Gravel and sand at intersections
- Damaged pavement from freeze-thaw cycles
- Wet or slick roads after spring rain
- Drivers who may not yet be watching for motorcycles

Defensive riding is especially important early in the season when motorists are not accustomed to sharing the road with bikes again.

### Ride Smart. Ride Together.

Many Veteran riders belong to motorcycle groups that value camaraderie, service, and support for fellow Veterans. Group rides are a great way to reconnect after winter, but safety should always remain the top priority. Pre-ride meetings, clear communication, and responsible riding help ensure every member returns home safely. Veterans know the meaning of looking out for one another. That mindset carries naturally into the riding community.

### The Road Ahead

Michigan offers some of the most beautiful riding routes in the country, from scenic lakeshore highways to quiet rural backroads. April is the start of another season of adventure, friendship, and freedom on two wheels.

For Veteran riders, the mission is simple: prepare well, ride smart, and take care of each other on the road. Because the best ride is the one where everyone makes it home.



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Our Legislative Officer, **Bear**, will be releasing an official statement regarding the video shortly. We will share that update with the community as soon as it is made public.

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- **Data Recording:** Pursue legislative language that any collected or available vehicle data is the property of the consumer and in which the consumer has the choice of whether to opt-in to having their personal data communicated to interested parties.
- **Definition of a Motorcycle:** Educate policymakers and advocate for change to the current definition that better reflects the current two and three-wheel motorcycle landscape.
- **Emission Regulations:** Engage the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) & Congress on any activity related to motorcycle emission regulations.
- **Helmet Laws/Equipment Mandates:** Oppose any mandatory federal helmet or personal protective equipment/apparel mandates.
- **Internal Combustion Engines:** Work to ensure the survival of internal combustion engines.
- **Profiling:** Sustain lobbying efforts for the passage of resolutions or legislation that promote awareness and the prohibition of motorcyclist profiling.
- **Renewable Fuels:** Advocate for targeted changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).
- **Right to Repair/Modify:** Protect and advocate for "Right to Repair" provisions that allow consumers the ability to repair and modify their motorcycles.
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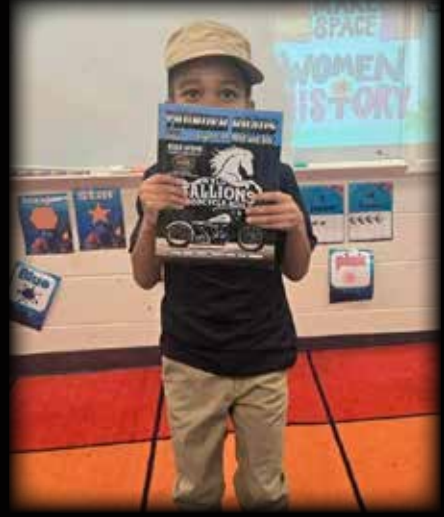


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 OWNER: JON RYTLEWSKI  
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# APRIL 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4 <b>Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser</b> Abate Region 11
5  EASTER SUNDAY	6	7	8 APRIL FOOLS' DAY	9	10	11 <b>Cadillac Motorcycle Swap Meet</b> The Westford County Civic Center
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 TAX DAY	23	24 GOOD FRIDAY	25 2 Year Anniversary Steel Horse Ranch
26 Port Huron M/C SxS Spring Fling Scrambles Huntington, Indiana Motorcycle Swap Meet	27	28	29	30	1 Thunder Roads® Michigan Vehicle City Harley-Davidson 2026 Bike Nights KICK-OFF	2 Ride to the Ranch Ride with Purpose

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**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

- ★ Sign-Up Begins at 10:00 a.m.
- ★ Kickstands Up at NOON
- ★ Blessing of the Bikes at 11:45 a.m.
- ★ OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ★

★ **Start & End Location:**  
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**6:00 PM**  
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BIKES

**6:30 PM**  
WINNERS ANNOUNCED

**SUN - MAY 31ST**

**9:00 AM**  
BLESSING OF BIKES & RIDE  
AROUND THE LAKE  
REGISTRATION OPENS

**11:00 AM**  
BLESSING OF THE BIKES

**12:00 PM**  
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# YEAH, OR MEH?

## GEAR REVIEW: ShoreFire Saddlebag Lid Covers Protection Where It Counts

BY ERIC "BIG E" KRUER

If you put real miles on a touring bike, you already know, your saddlebag lids take a beating. Every swing of your boot. Every packed bag before a road trip. Every gas stop, rally, and overnight haul.



No trimming required. No wrestling with stiff material. No frustration in the garage. It's the kind of install that takes more time to clean the lid properly than it does to actually mount the covers.

### Customer Service

On my Harley-Davidson Electra Glide Ultra Classic, the lids were starting to show exactly how much I ride. Scuffs and Scratches: the kind of wear that doesn't affect performance but definitely affects how you feel when you walk up to your bike. And I don't know about you, but I take pride in my ride.

I also had the opportunity to contact customer service when I needed additional mounting Velcro. The response was quick, helpful, and professional. No runaround. No automated nonsense. Just solid support. That still matters.

My first attempt? It didn't hit the mark; this wasn't my first attempt at fixing the issue.

### Final Thoughts

The ShoreFire saddlebag lid covers accomplished exactly what I wanted; they cleaned up the cosmetic wear on my Ultra Classic while adding protection against future scuffs and scratches.

I had previously purchased another brand of saddlebag covers, hoping for a quick cosmetic solution. What showed up felt like factory seconds. The fitment wasn't precise, the finish wasn't impressive, and overall, they looked like an add-on rather than an upgrade.

- ✓ They protect.
- ✓ They fit.
- ✓ They look right.

Lesson learned.

Sometimes we chase big performance numbers. Sometimes we focus on chrome and horsepower. But sometimes it's the simple upgrades that bring new life back to a machine that's already carried you thousands of miles.

When it comes to your bike, quality matters.

### The Upgrade - ShoreFire

That's when I decided to try ShoreFire Design, LLC saddlebag lid covers. Right out of the package, the difference was obvious. The material felt premium and durable. The stitching was clean and tight. The design added subtle style without overpowering the lines of the bike. These weren't flashy; they were refined.

If your saddlebag lids are starting to show their story, this is a clean way to preserve the bike without advertising every mile.

And the real test?

And remember

Life is short bikers, so get after it.

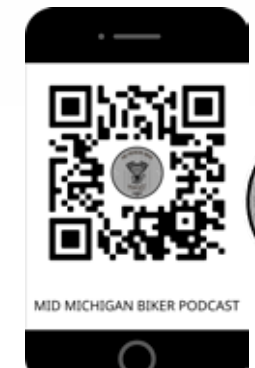
Fitment.

They fit flawlessly on the lids. No awkward gaps. No bunching. No "good enough." They looked like they belonged there from day one.

### Installation

Installation was straightforward and rider-friendly.

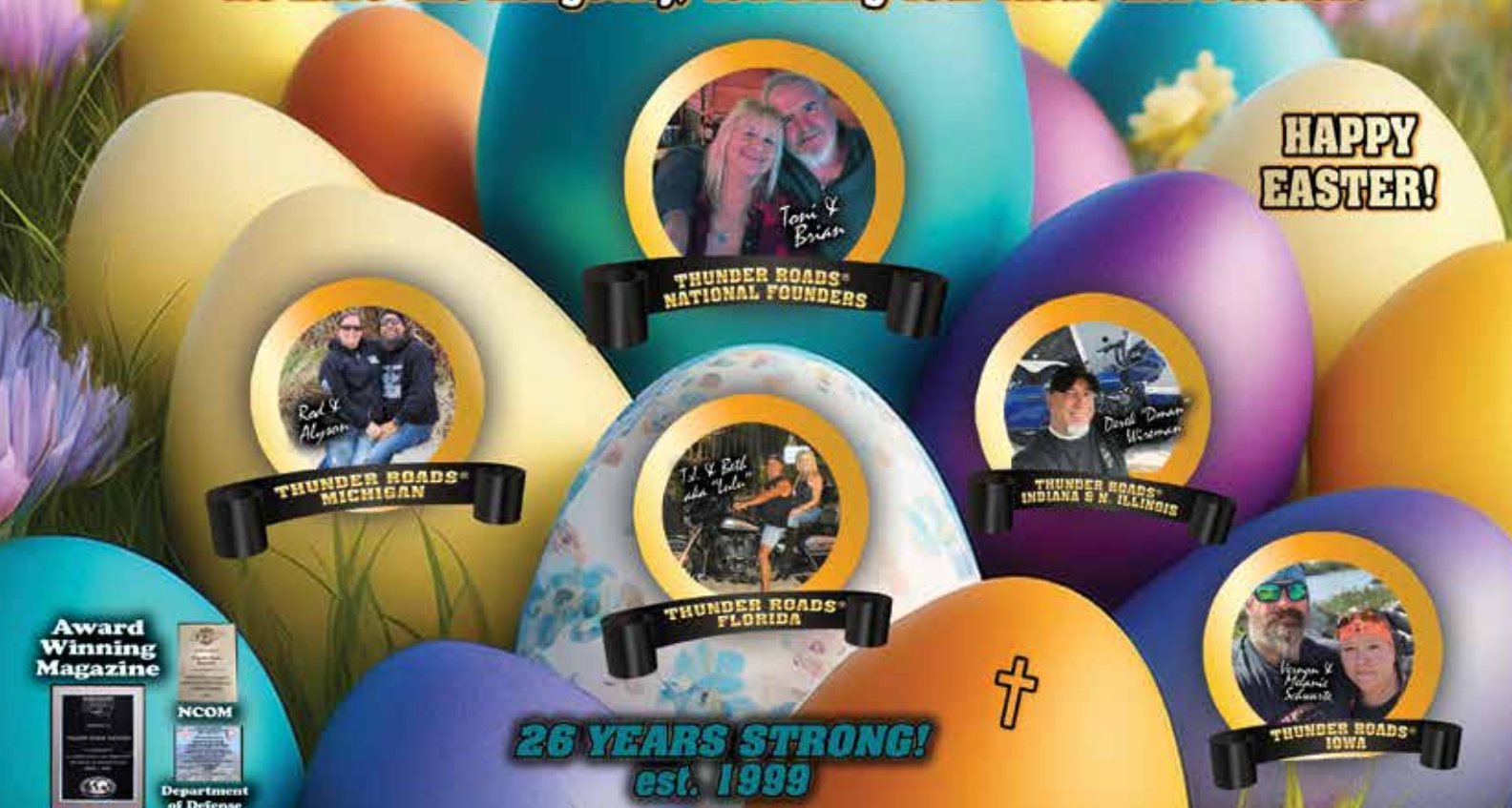
The mounting Velcro installs inside the lid cover itself, creating a clean, secure attachment system. Once positioned correctly, the covers lock into place and sit tight.



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- APRIL 26 – SXS SPRING FLING SCRAMBLES
- MAY 9 – TBD
- MAY 17 – LEXINGTON BLESSING OF THE BIKES- RIDE FROM P.H.M.C. TO LEXINGTON BLESSING
- MAY 23 – TEST N TUNE DIRT DRAG
- JUNE 6 – TBD
- JUNE 27 – HARLEY VS THE WORLD DIRT DRAG-OPEN TWINS
- JULY 11 – ROAD RUN
- JULY 25 – TEST N TUNE DIRT DRAG
- AUGUST 22 – TEST N TUNE DIRT DRAG
- SEPTEMBER 5 – STEERING WHEEL SHOOTOUT
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## Hot Rods HOT RODS TOPICS

April...This month is one of our most heartfelt times of the year when we can help those who are tossed around like they don't belong. But to us, they deserve more and need whatever help we can give them. These are God's special children, and they need our help more than ever! April focuses on community care which strives to protect our children from abuse and neglect before it occurs. Resource centers provide support and assistance promoting family well-being and that's why Hot Rods has chosen Lenawee County Foster Care and Children's Protective Services to support. You can become involved and join us in our efforts by making a donation or finding a local community organization in your area to support. Become involved, take action and make a difference.

Stay safe,  
**HOT ROD BEATON**  
President / Hot Rods Motorcycle Awareness and Suicide Prevention Foundation

### APRIL IS Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month

- Hot Rods Motorcycle Awareness and Suicide Prevention Foundation are collecting goods for Foster Care / Children's Protective Services
- Requested items this year are:
- Totes (15-30 Gal.)
  - Diapers size 3,4,5 and 6 & Diaper wipes
  - Baby bottles/Sippy cups
  - Sleep sacks for babies
  - Twin bed sheet sets / Crib sheets
  - Shampoo / Conditioner
  - Deodorant / Body Wash
  - Laundry detergent / Dish soap / Hand soap
  - All-purpose cleaning spray & Lysol wipes
  - Bath towels / wash clothes
  - Gift cards: Fast food, Grocery, Gas (specifically, ones found in Adrian area)
- Items will be collected at our Meetings. February 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, and April 12<sup>th</sup> @4pm American Legion Post 268 – Milan MI.  
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# JOKER'S WILD



Friend called me: Mornin' Big plans today?

Me: Kicking ass and taking names -

Friend: You're still in your pajamas aren't you?

Me: Yep.

I wonder if Eric Clapton really thought that "Yes, my darling, you look wonderful.." or if it was the 20th outfit she had tried on and he just wanted to get to the damn party?

My husband giving me directions like "head north"

Me: Listen up Christopher Columbus, do I turn at Taco Bell or head down towards Target?

Regular bitches smash windows and key your truck, I'll get busy and take your transmission. We aint the same.

I was born a female, I identify as a female, but according to Stouffers portions, I'm a family of four.

I paid my Psychiatrist to follow me on FaceBook. That way we can skip the whole sessions nonsense and she can just send me the pills.

I accidentally rubbed ketchup in my eyes ...great, now I have Heinzsight.

My Doctor told me that I truly needed to watch my chocolate intake, so I went to my favorite bakery and bought a dozen jumbo chocolate cupcakes w/ chocolate icing and here is sit with them in hand, in a chair, in front of a mirror and watching very closely as I eat each one.

Just a thought .....I would truly like to acknowledge and profoundly thank my middle finger for Always sticking up for me when I need it.

When Miley Cyrus dances nearly nude and licks a hammer, it's called art. When I do it, I get kicked out of Home Depot.

Me: Bruno, no more! Your dog food clearly states on the bag, 1 cup

Bruno: Your Oreo box surely doesn't say 16 Oreos Tricia, but clearly, here we are.

Enjoy this weather, put your ass on some leather!

Never leave the house without a kiss, a hug and an "I love you." Then, wipe the dog hair off your lips on the way to your truck or car.

Think I might join the Cicadas this summer and just scream for 6 weeks straight.

Some people are like birds. You help them fly, and once they are in the air, the shit on you.

Earl and his wife Roxie, were watching a boxing match and the "chosen one to win" was knocked out in the 1st round.

Earl says, "That's just great! What a rip-off, all that hype for nothing and it was all over in less than one minute."

Roxie looks over at Earl, "Well, at least you know how I fee now."

My tolerance for idiots is extremely low now. I actually used to have some immunity built up, but obviously there's a new variant out there.

I received a wedding invitation. At the bottom it said:

"Your presence itself is a gift. We don't want any gifts at the wedding."

I was very confused, so I read it again and again. It's been close to an hour and I'm still confused. Am I invited or not?

My bank balance is a constant reminder that I'm safe from identity theft, and that pisses me off.

My gf just sent me such a really weird message: "helpmyspacebarbrokecanyoucomeoverandgiveme analternative"

What does 'ternative' mean?

Earl and Merle are at the Pub and Earl looks over at this middle age woman who had slid off the bar stool to go to the bathroom, when she was on her way back to the stool, Earl looked up and nudged Merle and said, "some women really should not wear yoga pants, that's all I'm saying." Merle then felt the need to say, "Dang, maybe they should just ban yoga pants cause them there makes her camel toe look like a queen size mattress bent in half.

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Cadillac, MI  
Check out Facebook for details
- Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser  
Abate Region 11  
American Legion Post 4  
401 N. Groesbeck  
Mt. Clemens, MI

- April 18**  
- 18th D-FROST-RUN  
Motown Harley-Davidson  
14100 Telegraph Rd  
Taylor, MI  
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- April 24**  
- Thunder Roads Michigan  
2026 Bike Nights  
Vehicle City H-D Bike Night  
2400 Austin Pkwy.  
Flint, MI  
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- April 25**  
- 2 Year Anniversary  
Steel Horse Ranch  
1965 Mertz Rd.  
Caro, MI  
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- Blessing of the Bikes  
Otsego BFW Post 3030  
124 N Farmer St.  
Otsego, MI  
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- Blessing of the Bikes & Food Drive  
Blessed Hope Christian Church  
3804 Hazel Ave.  
Lincoln Park, MI  
Check out Facebook for details

- Ride to the Ranch  
Ride with Purpose  
Check out Facebook for details

- April 26**  
- American Legion Chapter 4  
6th Annual Blessing of the Bikes  
401 N. Groesbeck Hwy.  
Mount Clemens, MI  
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- Huntington, Indiana  
Motorcycle Swap Meet  
Huntington County Fairgrounds  
631 E. Taylor St.  
Huntington, IN  
Check out Facebook for details
- Port Huron M/C  
SxS Spring Fling Scrambles  
3376 Griswold Rd.  
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## MAY 2026

- May 2**  
- 9th Annual Blessing of the Bikes  
American Legion Post 351  
46146 Cass Ave.  
Utica/Shelby Township, MI  
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- May 3**  
- 9th Annual Metro Detroit AMCA  
antique motorcycle swap meet  
Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds  
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- 26th Annual Blessing of the Bikers  
Church of the Living Word  
1100 N. Ovid Rd.  
Ovid, MI  
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- May 5**  
- Cinco De Mayo  
Iron Horse Bar & Grill  
3592 Main St.  
Akron, MI  
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- May 10**  
- Midland Mothers Day  
Swap Meet & Bike Show  
Midland County Fairgrounds  
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- May 16**  
- Allen Yeitter Memorial Run  
And Blessing of the Bikes  
Fraternal Order of Eagles 3702  
2645 Howard Street  
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- Blessing of the Bikes  
The Bank Colwood Michigan  
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- May 17**  
"THE ORIGINAL" Blessing of the Bikes  
Baldwin, MI  
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- May 23**  
- Bubba's 25th Annual  
Memorial Weekend Classic  
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- Stop the Silence Mental Health  
Support Motorcycle Ride  
Motown Harley-Davidson  
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- May 29**  
- Thunder Roads Michigan  
2026 Bike Nights  
Vehicle City H-D Bike Night  
2400 Austin Pkwy.  
Flint, MI  
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- May 30**  
- Broken Souls Tiki Run  
Ryders Bar & Grill  
2650 W. Midland Rd,  
Midland, MI  
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- Houghton Lake  
Blessing of the Bikes  
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Prudenville, MI  
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- Biker Awareness Day  
Steel Horse Ranch  
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- May 31**  
- Houghton Lake Blessing of the Bikes  
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## WEDNESDAY'S

Ghost Town Saloon - Elwell  
Iron Horse Bar & Grill - Akron  
The Post Restaurant & Bar - Cass City

## THURSDAY'S

Beeter's Brew Pub - Sebawaing  
Tool Shed Pub & Grub - Munger  
The Otherside Bar & Grill - Freeland

## FRIDAY'S

Vehicle City Harley-Davidson - Last Friday  
of the Month - Flint

## SATURDAY'S

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