

### Latin American Motorcycle Association (L.A.M.A.) Hosts Accident Scene Management Class

The ladies of L.A.M.A. joined forces with the Road Guardians to host a Level 100 Accident Scene Management Class (ASM) for its members. The class was held on February 11, at the American Legion Post 57, in Elgin, IL.

**Motorcycle Safety Lawyers**<sup>®</sup> (MSL) was on site as a sponsor of the event. Each L.A.M.A. member only paid \$35 to receive the training and MSL paid the balance of \$115. MSL provided pastries, coffee, a catered lunch, beverages throughout the day, and more! David "Vegas" Shuman was on hand to offer **FREE** Insurance Policy Reviews to the attendees and many of them took him up on it. They brought their insurance declaration page and learned what questions to ask their agent to provide them with better protection for themselves and their families.

ASM classes teach what to do if you are in, witness, or come upon a motorcycle accident. Our ASM Motorcycle Safety Courses are far more valuable than your license to ride! Be prepared IF a rider goes down! Learn how to save a life and reduce injuries! **Call Larry "Bear" Stotts at 847-997-8403** or **email him at Larry@motorcyclesafetylawyers.com** to find out more about these classes and how you can sign up. You will be amazed at the confidence you will gain from your new knowledge and skills.



David "Vegas" Shuman conducts FREE Insurance Policy Reviews



Learn when and how to remove a helmet



L.A.M.A. graduating class with instructors Vicki Sanfelipo and Belinda Farrelly



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### Walneck's Hosts Their First Swap Meet of 2023



**Motorcycle Safety Lawyers**® (MSL) was happy to be a participating sponsor and exhibitor at the recent **Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet** on Sunday February 12th in Princeton, IL. Larry "Bear" Stotts and Jean "Jeannie" Andersen were on site to pass out **FREE** swag bags full of goodies, courtesy of MSL. Even though it was Super Bowl Sunday, there was a lot of traffic at this popular indoor motorcycle event. The area was packed with new and used motorcycle parts and accessories, patches, novelties, vintage signs and posters, jewelry, tools, leather goods and more. For a complete list of Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meets throughout 2023, visit https://walneckswap.com/swap-meet-calendar/.



Larry "Bear" Stotts at Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet

Buzz and Pixie Walneck began putting on Motorcycle Swap Meets over 44 years ago!

## **Preparing Your Motorcycle For Riding Season**

As soon as the snow clears and the salt is washed away, those of us in the Midwest are beginning to think about riding again. But before you get on your bike, here are a few pre-season inspection tips to help ensure you and your bike are ready to ride.

**Inspect For Problems** – Do a visual inspection before that first ride. Start with a thorough washing. Now that your bike is clean, it will be easier to spot any issues.

**Check Your Tires** – Look for cracks or cuts in the sidewalls or tread area. Check the tread depth. Look for uneven tread wear and check the tire pressures and re-inflate them to the proper levels.

**Check For Worn Brake Pads And Rotors** – Look for signs of wear at the edge of the pad between the brake caliper and rotor. On rotors, look for a lip or ridge on the outer edge of the rotor beyond the brake pad contact surface. Also, replace if the rotor surface itself shows visible grooves or scoring.

**Check All Lights** – Make sure head lights (high and low beams), taillights, and turn signals are all in working order. Check for cracked or damaged lenses.

**Check Your Instruments Panel** - Make sure that all your gauges and warning lights are working properly.

**Look For Fluid Leaks** – Check for leaks around the engine. If the surface is wet and oily, consider having it looked at by a qualified mechanic. Inspect the brake and clutch master cylinder housings for any leaks. All engine casings, cover seams, and fittings should be oil free (although with age you may see some seeping).

**Inspect The Body** – Make sure fenders are secure, fairings are properly attached, and mirror mounts are tight and adjusted correctly.

**Perform Any Scheduled Maintenance** – Check your owner's manual for service recommendations. Seasonal maintenance may include:

- Oil and filter change
- Engine tune up, spark plugs, fuel filter, fuel injectors, and air filter
- Inspect clutch and brake fluid levels and lines. Top-up fluids
- Check battery and charging system
- Lubricate drive system. Clean and lubricate chain. Lubricate bearings, swing arm, suspension pivot points, and steering and fork.

**Check Your Riding Gear** – Does everything still fit correctly? It is recommended to replace helmets after 5 years of use. If your helmet has been dropped or been in a crash, it should be replaced, regardless of its age.

Get your FREE Insurance Policy Review -Do you have the proper coverage to provide for you and your loved ones in the event of an accident? Email a copy of you declaration page to David@ MotorcycleSafetyLawyers.com or call David at (224) 392-1600 for a FREE review.

**Take A Test Ride** – Start with a short distance ride. Practice your basic skills. Pay attention to how your bike accelerates, shifts, corners, and stops.

Let's Ride! - You are now ready to ride. Get out and enjoy!

## Your Motorcycle Is Ready To Ride, How About You?

You've gone through the checklist to prepare your bike for riding season, but how about you? Are you fully prepared in the case of an emergency? No one "plans" to have a breakdown, or worse yet an accident, but if that happens there are a few things you can do to minimize your exposure and provide you and your family with the coverage that you need.

First. we recommend an annual **Motorcycle Safety Lawyers® National Biker VIP Card**<sup>™</sup>memebership. This roadside assistance program provides motorcycle tows, jumps and up to 3 gallons gas delivery (pays up to \$300 per disablement) per year. Plus, the VIP card provides many additional benefits that can be found at https://motorcyclesafetylawyers.com/product/national-biker-vip-card/. All this is yours for the low price of \$39.95 per year per bike. And, to add a second bike is only \$5.00! Compare that to your current roadside assistance program and you'll see *there is no comparison!* 

Second, we would like the opportunity to provide you with a **FREE Insurance Policy Review**. We are NOT an insurance company, nor do we sell insurance. This FREE service is 100% about making sure that you have the right amount of coverage to provide for you and your loved ones in the event of an accident.

We encourage you to get your **FREE insurance policy review** now, before riding season begins. It's easy to do, just email a copy of your insurance policy **declaration page** to David@MotorcycleSafetyLawyers.com or call David at 224-392-1600 (have your declaration page in hand) for review. David will be happy to review your policy and respond with recommendations that you can take to your agent if needed. For additional information visit https://motorcycleSafetylawyers.com/free-insurance-policy-review/

## Larry "Bear" Stotts AIMExpo Review



I am always looking for new products, as well as events to attend across the country, and this year, I had the pleasure of attending the AIMExpo in Las Vegas, Nevada. AIMExpo is North America's largest Motorcycle and Powersports Tradeshow with international reach. It is also the single most important event for the North American Powersports Industry because it is the catalyst to bring together industry, media, and dealers in a single arena.

I flew in from Chicago to attend the AIMExpo and the minute I got off the plane, I could see it was very chilly, windy, and snowy in Las Vegas. It truly made me feel like I was at home.

I was anxious to see some of the great exhibits that I had researched the prior week and I was not disappointed at all. This year it seems that electric-powered and electric-assisted bicycles were all the rage. The electric system pedal bike market has exploded in recent years and there were several models on display at the show.

#### **MONDAY MOTORBIKE**



I made my way to the Monday Motorbike display. The new electric moped is named after Anza St. in San Francisco CA, where Monday Motorbikes began testing their first models in 2015.

The Anza electric moped is available in two formats a 500-Watt version and a 750-Watt version.

The Anza E-bike reminded me of the Café Racers from the 1970s. It is lightweight and can perform just like many of the high-end contemporary e-bikes that are presently on the market today.

This 500W model has a top speed of 20 mph (32 km/h) while the 750W model can reach higher speeds of up to 35 mph (56 km/h), according to Monday Motorbikes. I was really surprised how competitively priced they were in the various models.

So, if you have an opportunity to take a test ride, or just a few minutes to check out their website please do, I am sure you will not be disappointed. Come and visit them at: Mondaymotorbikes.com.

# WOMEN APPAREL FOR ALL TYPES OF RIDING – JUST RIDE 5





While making my way up and down the aisles of various vendors and exhibitors I came across a unique company "Just Ride 5".

They manufacture Adventure Clothing made by women for women.

Constantly making new designs for an ever-changing market, but never skimping on the quality of the materials or craftsmanship.

This little gem caught my eye. While researching this design further and speaking with Jenn the owner, the verse below definitely piqued my interest.

"A simple look in the mirror will reveal the things you love

are usually right in front of you."

In this case, it's a simple selfie in mirrored glasses. Reflections.... time to show love for the ride you love."

Designed to be form-fitting, this new 1/4 zip has a hidden pocket so you can safely stash a credit card, license, or some cash for a refreshment break.

- Signature high neck with zipper garage to park the highquality YKK zipper.
- Thumb holes make it easy to slide a jacket on and off without gathering and bunching,
- Extended torso and back provides maximum coverage so you can focus on enjoying the ride.
- Buttery smooth, lightweight, poly spandex fabric
- Anti-microbial, UV protecting, machine washable and quick dry.

## Watch for an upcoming episode featuring Just Ride 5 on the "because, bikers matter!" Podcast, hosted by David "Vegas" Shuman.

Make sure to visit them at: Justride5.com – tell them "Bear" sent you.



It never fails that I must find at least one new electronic device that truly is unique and checks all my boxes. Well, I was not disappointed at all with this next gem.It truly is compact, versatile, and is an awesome investment for the adventurer on the go.

Lightweight and versatile. Will take me about a week

to get used to all of the various functions and capabilities. The software is awesome, they have mounting kits for all applications, this is a camera you will definitely want to take with you everywhere you go. Below is a breakdown of this camera's capabilities:

360 Capture & Reframing: X3 captures 5.7K 360 Active HDR video, so you'll never miss the action. Choose your favorite angle after the fact with easy reframing tools in the AI-powered Insta360 app.

- Dual 1/2" 48MP Sensors: X3's new sensors pack in more pixels for greater clarity and detail, even in low light. Capture 72MP photos, 8K time-lapses, and more.
- 4K Single-Lens Mode: Select a lens to shoot wide-angle footage just like a single-lens action cam. Get maximum resolution with 4K30fps or an extremely wide 170° field of view with 2.7K Max View. Your first-person view footage has never looked so good.
- Flow State Stabilization & 360 Horizon Lock: Flow State Stabilization and horizon leveling algorithms come together to deliver incredibly smooth videos.
- Impossible Third-Person View: Don't ruin the view with an ugly selfie stick! The 360 Lens with X3 makes the Invisible Selfie Stick totally disappear from your shots for impossible drone-like footage and third-person perspectives.
- In the Box: 1x Insta360 X3, 1x Charge Cable, 1x Protective Pouch, 1x Lens Cloth, and 1x User Guide.
- For more information, please visit their website at www. insta360.com;

## Watch for an upcoming episode featuring Insta360 X3 on the "because, bikers matter!" Podcast, hosted by David "Vegas" Shuman.

Well, this is just a glance at the products I truly fell in love with. Please take a few moments and look at all the posts about the AIMEXPO 2023 and see all the other great vendors that attended this show. Hope to see you there next year.

#### LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO THE INSTA360 X3.

## Someone You Should Know: Tara Pierce - Main Street Moto

Tara Pierce grew up around motorcycles. Her family was into speedway racing and so she fell in love with riding early. Tara's dad Dennis, used to race in the 70s and instilled a love of riding/racing in his daughter. While growing up in New York, for many years Tara's dad used to ride the entire family, including her mom and sister, from New York to Sturgis in a Harley Davidson Double Seater California Side Car. It wasn't long after college that Tara made her first solo trip from New York to Sturgis on a Buell Blast. What an adventure that must have been! Her parents bought her first bike, a 1981 Yamaha Exciter, for her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and the rest is history.

In 2014, Tara opened Main Steet Moto, conveniently located in old downtown Las Vegas. The "new" building was built in the 1950s and has a lot of character and "spirit". And when I say "spirit" I mean the building is rumored to be haunted. Ghost Riders did a paranormal investigation of the new location and uncovered some eerie findings. You can watch the video on their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/mainstreetmoto.

Main Street Moto is a retro boutique motorcycle dealership. They offer a combination of all makes and models including "eclectic" motorcycles, parts, accessories, service, art, and riding gear. In addition, Steve McAnulty has incorporated his Dyno Tuning business (started in 2006 at the Speedway) at this location. Steve grew up riding dirt bikes and has over 20 years as a master mechanic and bike builder and has brought **Las Vegas Dyno Tech** into Main Street Moto.

After the recent American International Motorcycle Expo (AIMExpo) in Las Vegas, Tara hosted an Industry party at Main Street Moto attended by many motorcycle enthusiasts and some powerhouse women riders (as seen in the photo). It was a great opportunity to get together, share stories, hang out, do some networking, meet Dennis, Steve and Tara, and check out the shop. What a great way to welcome these guests and say Thank You for their contributions to the Motorcycle Community.

Main Street Moto works on all makes and models of motorcycles including Harley-Davidson, sport bikes, racing bikes, ATVs, dirt bikes, vintage bikes, and scooters. They are a family-based business dedicated to supporting the Motorcycle community. They treat you like "family" and have an old school service- oriented way of doing business. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month, from 7PM – 10PM, they host a **Vintage Bike Night** in Downtown Las Vegas combining Motorcycles + Art + Music. For more information on Main Street Moto, visit https://www.mainstreetmoto.com/



Larry "Bear" Stotts with Dennis Pierce



Dennis Pierce Racing Jacket at Main Street Moto



Main Street Moto AIMExpo After Party



Tara Pierce, Main Street Moto



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## **Upcoming Events**

#### March

March 5: <u>Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet</u>, 4401 S. Charleston Pike (Exit Mile Marker 59) Springfield, OH

March 11: Accident Scene Management Class – Basic 100 Series, Algonquin, Reserved for Chicago Region and Northern Illinois BMW Clubs, Algonquin Township Building, 3702 US-14 Crystal Lake, IL 60014 Still have openings for BMW members

**March 16-19:** Women in the Wind Winter International Meeting. Hosted by Moonshine Runners Chapter, Eureka Springs, AR.

#### April

April 1: Accident Scene Management Class – Basic 100 Series, Rhine VFW Post 2729. 5858 S. Archer Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. Open to the public.

April 23: <u>Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet</u>, Meet, McHenry Co. Fairgrounds, 11900 Country Club Rd. Woodstock, IL

April 30: <u>Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet</u>, A few miles South of Louisville, to Bullitt County Fairgrounds, 964 Clermont Rd., Exit 112 (Rt. 245) Off I-65, Shepherdsville, KY 40165