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Chapter



From the Chapter Director



We went to Myrtle Beach to see Rita's Brother and then on to Fort Bragg to see the Son and Grandkids the middle of March. I'm always teasing Rita if I ever win a trip to Hawaii she better get her some sleeping pills to knock herself out so we can fly. She has always said I'M NOT GETTING ON AN AIRPLANE!!!!

We were driving down Ocean Blvd in Myrtle Beach and all of the sudden Rita says lets go ride in the Helicopters! I like to of fell out of the truck but it didn't take long for me to find the place to go for helicopter rides. I have to say the ride was really smooth and we took off and held about 5-6 ft off the ground about 20 seconds and then we started going UP! Rita's eyes got big but then she started liking it. We flew out over the ocean and down the beach and over some other areas. She admits she had fun and now maybe a trip to Hawaii is in our future. I've always wanted to see Pearl Harbor. Rita did ask the pilot if he had a plan B, he laughed and pointed at the ocean but said I didn't bring His swim suit that day.

Well as you all have heard by now Randie had a young driver pull out in front of him and he couldn't avoid him. Randie has some broken bones and road rash. But folks if he hadn't had his safety gear on it would have been A LOT WORSE!!! His helmet was scraped up pretty good. As every year people aren't ready to see motorcycles!!! Unfortunately some folks NEVER ARE READY IT SEEMS LIKE!!

Really hope to see everyone for our Monthly meeting as we are having a lot of visitors and we really need a big crowd of Chapter Y members to show up and welcome them.

Dan and Rita
Chapter Y C/D's
KY Assistant State Director



Sherry and Johnny Myers, Chapter Y Couple of the Year



Steve Knode, Chapter Y Individual of the Year

View From The Saddle



As I reported earlier, I decided to try detailing my 2018 Wing with the tools and creams I got for Christmas. The Plastex I used to try to re-attach the broken tabs on the lower cowl area didn't hold. It probably has its place in making plastic repairs but it didn't work on the little skinny ones I was trying to fix. So, I checked with my local Honda shop and purchased both lower cowl pieces for about \$50 per side. I could have lived with the old ones but what the heck.

Next was the clay bar treatment. I was amazed at the difference in the looks of the bike using the clay bar. I had purchased Meguiars clay bars with their lubricant. You spray an area down and after kneading the clay in to a flat piece, then gently rub the clay back and forth and up and down the surface and the clay removes stuff imbedded in the clear coat that traditional cleaning can't remove. When the clay gets dirty just fold it over start again.

Often thru this whole detailing process I would spray the bike down with a 10% alcohol solution and wipe it down to insure the surfaces were clean. Next, I taped the black areas on the bike with painter's tape to try to keep the creams off during the power buffer operation.



Taped up and ready to start

I then attached the Griot's "correcting" buffing pad to the random orbital buffer and added the Griot's "correcting" cream. I kept the speed low on the buffer but still had some issues with some of the cream flying around where it didn't belong. I took the side covers off the bike and started with them since they were fairly small and easy to handle. Plus, if I messed them up they wouldn't cost as much to replace!

After using the "correcting" cream, which removes the swirls and kick marks, I did the alcohol treatment and wiped it down. I then moved to the "perfecting" cream and pad and did the whole bike again. After a final alcohol wipe down it was time to apply the ceramic coating. The kit is called Auto Shield IX and comes with 30ml bottle of ceramic, gloves, a rag, and applicator pad with 3 clothes used with the pad. Wipe it on carefully covering all areas with a up and down and then back and forth motion, let it dry to a bit of a haze and wipe it down with the supplied rag and you're done. I think it turned out AWESOME!



Working on a side cover



Note: don't lift the polisher with it running! Makes a MESS.



Ceramic coating is hard and looks great!



Tank area where my knees had dulled the paint buffed out completely!

District Educator Report

Rick Artmayer



I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter. Now that the hard-boiled eggs, jellybeans, and marshmallow chicks have been delivered, Peter Rabbit will go from hopping down the bunny trail to hopping on his motorcycle and riding down the road. I suspect that, as the temperatures become more favorable, many of us will be doing the same.

As you finish the last of your candy, and start making your list of Spring chores, be sure to include the T-CLOCS list of checks for your motorcycle. In case you have forgotten:

T – Tires and Wheels

C – Controls

L – Lights and Electrics

O – Oil and Other Fluids

C – Chassis

S – Stands

The RPM Academy provides the R.17 form for those interested in tracking their bike's history, or just as a tangible method to be sure everything is covered. You can download the form at: <https://rpmacademy.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/R.17-RPMA-Vehicle-Inspection-Form-01.31.23.pdf>.

The MSF has a very comprehensive form with detailed descriptions on their website at: http://www.msf-usa.org/downloads/T-CLOCS_Inspection_Checklist.pdf.

There are several other sources worth reviewing online. You can access them by typing T-CLOCS into your web browser.

There is one point of the T-CLOCS I would like to briefly discuss. This would be the letter L, for lights and electrics. When was the last time you actually looked at the bulbs responsible for keeping you safe? Sure, we all check for function, and true, I rarely ever see anyone with non-functioning lights on their motorcycle. But have you ever noticed some lights are more dim than others, even on the same model? Incandescent lamp filaments atomize over time and coat the inside of the glass bulb. How old are your bulbs? How many miles are on them? Unlike most cars (not including the DRLs),

motorcycles run their lights the entire time the vehicle is in operation. This year, take the extra few minutes and open up your light assemblies and check those bulbs. I guarantee the bulb you replace today will last many times over the one you didn't.

Now that you have looked over your motorcycle, take the next step and look over you! In addition to T-CLOCS, there is also T-CARE. I introduced this acronym to Chapter G in the October 2015 Newsletter. In case this was missed:

T – Training

C – Conditioning

A – Attitude

R – Riding Risks

E – Expectations

T - Like any skill, the more it is practiced, the easier it is to perform. And taking a formal training allows your riding style to be checked for bad habits that could otherwise evolve into bad events. C - As motorcycling is a physical sport, it is important to keep your body in good shape. Keep your body in good condition by staying active and getting annual check-ups. A - Attitude effects our action. Be in a good place when you start your ride, so you can be alert and aware of everything around you. Bad attitudes can cause distractions that can cause bad events. R - Everything in life has risk. Be sure to plan appropriately for the risks associated with motorcycling. Consider wearing all the gear all the time. E - Think about the ride before you start. A group ride on back roads is considerably different than a rush hour commute. Fun can be found in all rides if we set our expectations accordingly.

Richard Artmayer

KY State Educator

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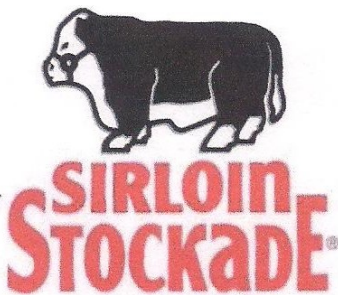
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