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President's Point of View, by Grumpy

On May 4, we participated in the Jacobs Light Foundation Poker Run. We had the largest turn out as a group with 30 plus members. We stayed together for the Poker Run then had food and beverages at the last stop. Our very own Ken McKay, received a trophy and cash reward for winning the Poker Run - Way to go Ken!

The LOH had their weekend ride on May 3rd. As far as I know all went well, but whenever I ask, all I get is "...what happened in PA stays in PA". A big "thank you" to Annette Greco, LOH Officer, for putting this together and leading the ladies on a fun weekend.

Well it happened again this year, Mother Nature was not on our side for our Mother's Day ride. I hope next year the day will be clear and 75 degrees. I don't want to be remembered as the president who cancels Mother's Day rides. (At 9 AM, the ride start time, the sun came out ... but who knew!)

Thank you to Steve Ficalora, our new Activities Officer, for setting up the first bike night of the 2014 season at Millers Ale House in Deer Park. Steve told me he has a lot planned for us this year, so keep an eye out for upcoming events. Check your e-mails and the Facebook page.

If you have a Facebook account and would like to join the club page, just go to L I Harley Riders AMA and ask to join. We list a lot of the upcoming events and photos to keep you up to date.

On May 23, we headed to Washington D.C. for the 27th "Ride for Freedom". Head RC Mario Ruffolo, led 26 bikes on the 300 mile ride. On Saturday, R.C. Steve Ficalora led the group on a day of back roads with great scenic views. Sunday, parade day, some members led by R.C. Ken McKay headed over to Patriot Harley Davidson to join them for a ride to the Pentagon to be in the parade. R.C. Charlie Abruzzo led the other members to Washington D.C. to watch the parade and cheer them on. This ride was a team event!

Ride safe and prosper.

May 18, 2014 Membership Meeting



President Fred "Grumpy"
Hartmann kept May's
membership meeting short
and sweet. The weather
outside was a "10", the
bike's in the parking lot
were all shined up and the
members inside were
itching to ride.









Annette Greco, LOH Director, reported on the success of the LOH weekend in Bethlehem, PA.



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Are you a member of the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA)?

Although there is no requirement for AMA membership as a LI Harley Rider member, only AMA members will be able to vote for our primary officers or be able to run for office.

Please also consider the AMA's advocacy programs and other benefits. Learn more about it at: www.americanmotorcyclist.com

50/50 Raffle Winners



Welcome to Our New Members



Lorraine Vetter

Jack Maloney



Georgio Latchford



Diane Perry



RIDERS

Rich Zeier

George Andreadis



Paul Wilson



On May 3rd-4th Annette Greco, Ladies of Harley Director, led 4 bikes and 2 cars with 9 women on a fun filled trip to Bethlehem, Pa. Annette planned a wonderful trip including a beautiful ride through Western New Jersey & Eastern Pennsylvania, breakfast at Cracker Barrel, a stop at an

antique shop, shopping at Dean Harley Davidson and a night at the Sands Casino. A big thank you to Annette for all the planning.



Everyone on the trip agreed it was AWSOME!!!!











Breakfast was delísh!





<-Remember ladíes UP for "16"



--Wine therapy!

The Queen and her scepter!—>



LOH weekend (CONTINUED)



Beautiful form Ladies!











The weekend of May 3rd-4th was a busy one for the club. On Sunday, May 4th, 30+ members participated in the Jacob's Light Foundation Poker Run. Hopefully enough money was raised to keep this worthwhile charity in business a little while longer. Thank you Marrio Ruffolo, Head RC and the other Road Captains, for doing their best to keep things organized and getting everyone safely through the ride.









Jacob's Light Foundation (continued)

All gave Some Some gave All









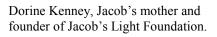








L.I.Harley Riders member George Marchelos, very generously, donated his time and sound equipment for the event. Way to go George!









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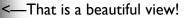
If you would like to know more about Jacob's Light Foundation or information on volunteering, visit their website: Jacobsprogram.org



After the May 18th meeting, R.C.
Charlie Abruzzo led 40 bikes with 46
members on board on a ride to Sundays
Restaurant in Hampton Bays. Thank you
Charlie and the rest of the road captains for
doing a great job of keeping us all together
and safe.









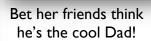








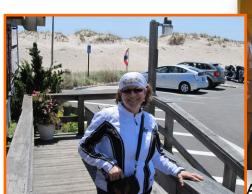








Post meeting ride (continued)







to go inside, enjoy the view and have a delicious lunch.









Beautiful scenery and great people...



...life is good!!!



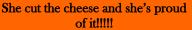
Safety Officer, Dom Mozzone, led a L.I. Harley Rider group of 9 bikes and 14 members to NW Connecticut on Sunday, May 25th via back roads from Rt 33 off of the Merritt Pkwy. The winding scenic country roads taken are some of Connecticut's best roads for motorcycling. The day was a perfect 10 by multiple measures!! The restaurant stop at The Boathouse in Lakeville was made very comfortable as the owner set up a private room for the groups dining pleasure. The last leg of the trip back was topped off by taking the ferry from Bridgeport to Port Jefferson Nutshell: A great day, with great friends, on a great ride!!!!

















On Saturday, May 24th, members of the L.I.Harley Riders joined members of Suffolk County HOG and employees of the Post Office in placing flags on graves at Pinelawn National Cemetary.

All who participated said it was a very rewarding experience.







← L.I.Harley Rider member Brian Haensly donated his talent as a piper and played as the group placed flags on the graves.





Memorial Day Weekend Head RC Mario Ruffolo led 24 bikes and 27 members down to Rolling Thunder in Washington, D.C. On Saturday, RC Steve Ficalora led the group on a beautiful, twisty, back road ride leading to Sky Line Drive. On Sunday, RC Charlie Abruzzo led the group to downtown DC to watch the parade and do some sight seeing. RC Ken McKay led 8 bikes for their first time doing the Patriot ride up to the Pentagon and then participated in the parade down Constitution Ave. All had a great time and perfect weather. The group rode a total of 827 miles. Thanks to Mario, Steve, Ken & Charlie for organizing the rides.





















by Dom Mozzone, Safety Officer

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Sometimes when riding, a motorcyclist wants to pass a vehicle in front of them. When a vehicle in a two-way environment is passed it is generally done as fast as prudently possible. A rider should get back in the lane quickly to get out of harm's way, especially, if there is a curve ahead or another vehicle approaching.

What about when a rider is on a multiple lane road? For example, a motorcyclist is in the fast lane on the LIE and is passing cars continuously. If the rider is mov-

ing at normal traffic speeds - that is, if they are moving at about the same speed as other vehicles in their lane, then there should be a reasonably small speed difference between the riders motorcycle and the vehicles they are passing (10 - 15 MPH is pretty normal). The motorcyclists' biggest risk is that a vehicle they are about to pass decides to change lanes without noticing them. Been there done that a few times, clearly the rider needs to pay close attention with lane speed differentials that can create a crisis for them very quickly.

What if the rider is not in the fast lane and there is a slowdown or severe traffic restriction (say at a congested off-ramp) in the lane next to them? In this case the speed differential between the riders motorcycle and the vehicles they are passing is usually much greater than in the previous example. Additionally, many of the drivers of the vehicles the rider is passing, do not want to be 'trapped' in the lane they are in and are looking for an opportunity to dart into the motorcyclists' lane. The rider needs to be VERY conscience of this and assume that it will happen. A motorcyclist should position them self accordingly in the lane they are in and remember to anticipate "stuff" happens. A rider should never "zone out" or get too complacent when riding next to a lane in excess of a 10 MPH speed differential. I suggest that any time a motorcyclist is moving faster than 5-10 MPH over the speed of the vehicles they are passing, they are at a significant risk of not having enough time to react to or avoid potential accidents.

Getting jammed up in these types of situations is not worth the time you may gain.

- If you find yourself in the fast lane and it is traveling at a significantly faster speed than vehicles in the adjacent lane, get out of the fast lane and move right.
- If you are in a lane adjacent to one that is restricted, for any reason, and you are traveling at a substantial speed differential move left and away from unnecessary danger.

A motorcyclist should always avoid riding in situations where the speed differential can bring a critical situation upon them very quickly.

Actually, about three weeks ago, I was in the HOV lane on the LIE in my car doing about 50 MPH when a car darted out in front of me across the double line to get out of traffic. I had to jam on the brakes and veer left to avoid hitting him, if I was on my motorcycle, with a lot less rubber grabbing the road, the outcome could have been a lot worse. I thought to myself, what if I was on my motorcycle ugh.....not good!

So keep in mind-always anticipate that some moron will pull out in front of you. Only do a speed your comfortable with, while positioning yourself in that lane to maximize your avenue of escape, in case "stuff" happens.

Ride safe, often and have a blast doing so!!!!

Bike



Nights







May 14th The Main Event



May 20th Cruise Night in Oyster Bay











May 29th KJ Farrell's Bar & Grill

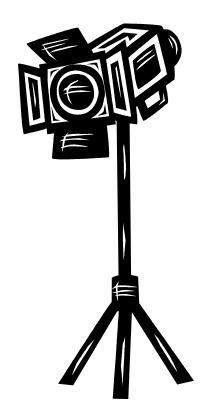






The Spotlight is on.... Our Sponsor of the Month





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Welcome to the Roslyn Eye Centre

So the weather finally broke and we're all out riding and hopefully the bikes are all tuned up. But something equally important is how Francis Scott Key started the Star Spangled Banner. "OH, OH SAY CAN YOU SEE?" Well I'm here to you take care of that. Roslyn Eye Centre has just entered into it's 55th year in business. I've own it for the last 30 years. As a fellow rider and club member, I find it much more enjoyable to SEE where I'm going. Especially since our road captains plan such nice sites. I can also see my gages and GPS because I wear the latest Digital Progressive Lenses

I've been asked about our special ASS glasses. They are Asphalt Surveillance & Safety lenses. During the day they are dark for sun protection and during the night they are completely clear. On overcast days and at dusk they adjust accordingly to give you the best clarity and comfort. Now with our ASS glasses you can see all the potholes. What you do about them is up to you.

We carry many types of goggles/glasses for riding from \$40 to \$140 as well as every kind of designer brand you can think of to make you look your very best. Our 5 experienced opticians and I will assist you through the process of picking out what fits and suits you best.

Many of you have already taken me up on my club offer of "NO CHARGE" for Eye Exams and 25%-50% off on Eyewear and Sun wear. (discounted charges for contact lens exams)

Just look at how handsome we made Joe G. and Stephan and our latest and loveliest ladies Helen and Kathy. Check out our website: *Roslyneyecentre.com* for pictures, info and location.

I'd love to see you all in here before riding behind you!

Sincerely, Gary Stone

Up Coming Rides & Events....



What a great way to spend the first weekend of summer! RC Steve Ficalora will lead an overnight ride to Seabrook, NH June 20th to 22nd. To join the fun call The Seabrook Inn toll free # 866 386-3078 and mention the L.I.Harley Riders. The cut off date is June 6th. KSU 8:00 a.m. at the Mobil Station at exit 56 on the south side of the LIE.

Ferry Information:

https://www.longislandferry.com
Click on Reservations and then choose Motorcycle as vehicle type before continuing. After processing payment you will receive a screen with barcodes that you need to print out and bring with you or you will not be able to board.

From Orient Point to New London on Friday June 20th 10:00 AM From New London to Orient Point on Sunday June 22nd 2:00 PM



Get your cowboy boots shined up...RC Dom Mozzone is leading an over night ride July 19th-27th to Nashville, TN-the music capital of the country. This promises to be a trip to remember. You don't want to miss this one! **KSU 6:00 a.m.** at the Gemini Deli.

7/19 - Holiday Inn Tanglewood (Roanoke, Va.) \$89 \$\frac{540-774-4400}{828-255-9220}\$ (Long Island Harley Riders) \$7/20 - Hampton Inn Asheville, NC \$129 \$\frac{828-255-9220}{828-255-9220}\$ (LI Harley Riders) \$7/21-25 - Holiday Inn Express Mt. Juliet, TN \$96 (*) \$\frac{615-553-5200}{1-800-652-3705}\$ (Long Island Harley Riders)

Rooms must be reserved by June 15th



The annual L.J.Harley Riders House Party will be held at Joe Bonura's house on August 17th—WOO HOO!!!!

The Poker Run starts at 11:00 a.m. followed by the party at 12:00 p.m.. If you are interested in volunteering to help-speak with Stephan.



Ever wonder how those big touring bikes are made? Find out September 18th-23rd when RC Bill Vultaggio leads an over night ride to the Harley Davidson Factory in York, PA. We will be staying at the Hampton Inn for reservations call 717 840 1500 Code LIR



THERE'S NO PLACE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN NEW ENGLAND IN THE FALL. JOIN RC NADINE HARTMANN FOR A TRIP TO STURBRIDGE, MA OCTOBER 3RD THRU 5TH. DON'T FORGET YOUR CAMERAS, YOU'LL WANT TO CAPTURE THE BEAUTY OF THE FALL FOLIAGE! FOR RESERVATIONS CALL: HAMPTON INN 328 MAIN ST. STURBRIDGE, MA 01566 (508) 347-6466. ALL ROOMS MUST BE RESERVED BY SEPT. 2ND.



Save the date... the planning has begun!!!!! L.I.Harley Riders Holiday Party Saturday, December 6th, at the ***Holiday Inn*** 215 Sunnyside Blvd. Plainview. Watch for details.

****Watch the weekly e-mails for details or changes to up-coming rides and events****

If you have a favorite ride, place you've visited or product you've used...why not share it with your friends? Just send a brief article and/or photo to: Editor@LIHarleyRiders.com

For a complete list of Charter Events and the latest information, visit www.LIHarleyRiders.com for details.



June 2014

June	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Eileen ForteJune 3rd Joe BonuroJune 4th Frank CottoneJune 6th Elaine FarquarJune 10th Martin Bogdahn .June 11th	1 Local Ride	2	3	4	5	6	7
Bob ReadJune 15th Nick MavrosJune 16th Guy TurchianoJune 21st Joe GrecoJune 23rd Rich ZeierJune 24th Rich TruranJune 30th	8 Off Island Ride	9	10	11	12	13	14 _{Flag}
Seabrook, NH June 20th to 22nd The Seabrook Inn toll free # 866 386-3078 mention the L.I.Harley Riders See p.14 for ferry info Cut off date is June 6th.	15 Father's Day Ride	16	17	18	19	20 Seabrook	21 New Hampshire
	22 New Hampshire /Local ride	23	24	25	26	27	28
Don't forget your reservations for: Nashville, M	29 Monthly Meeting/ Local Ride	30 Million Mile Monday					

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Charter rides that begin and terminate on Long Island are officially over when the destination is reached. If a Charter Ride leaves Long Island, the ride will officially end upon returning to Long Island. Official charter rides are "dry" rides, no alcohol.

Helmets are required on all club rides.

Check your email, our website or Facebook for last minute changes. Full tank of gas and empty bladder required for all Rides.

2014 Membership Get a friend involved!

Rockers, T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Mugs and Caps are on sale now! 2014 Membership Applications Available online!

Applications are available on our website or the weekly e-mail. Download it for your friend, have them fill it out then bring them down to the monthly meeting.

As always, A BIG THANK YOU to our Road Captains for the great rides they plan and for keeping us all safe!

Head Road Captain: Mario Ruffolo - Asst Head Road Captain: Gary Kinkle
Charlie Abruzzo, Bob Bernstein, Joe Bonura, Buzzy Farquhar, Steve Ficalora, Ken Grant,
Fred (Grumpy) Hartmann, Nadine Hartmann, Mike Macari, Cisco Mercado, Ken McKay,
Dom Mozzone, Kenny Pastor, Lou Vaccarelli & Bill Vultaggio





Say Cheese!

Attending your first meeting? Be sure to let us know where you're from and what you ride. Welcome to the Family!

After the meeting, our Charter Photographer will take your photo!



HELLO

See our **Activities Officer** for individual name tags. This way, other members can put a name with a face!

NEXT MEETING June 29, 2014 10 AM

Nathan Hale VFW Hall 210 West Pulaski Road Huntington, NY Charter meetings are held 4th Sunday* of each month (*unless otherwise noted)

Bagels, Coffee and Tea served \$5.00 per person



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All the
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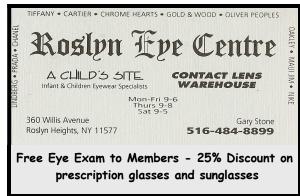
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