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Well I've done it again. I've given you all a whole lot of good stuff to read and left myself very little room to write Meet This Month's Next Generation Riders. my editorial novel. Guess I need to get to the point fast. 10 month old Jayda sitting on Grandpa Du's 97

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I do need to thank a couple more folks from my mechanical mishaps that I wrote about last month. Dan & Brandi from the Blue Highway Motorcycle Lodge www.bluehighwaymotorcyclelodge.net went way above the call of being a business owner. Lorie and I were staying there for a short getaway and my bike decided to pull it's not starting trick again. But this time I had nothing. So for a day and a half we checked, rechecked and triple checked everything I could think of. After hours of this I came to the conclusion my scoot hates me. Ever had that thought? Long story short, and here is my tech tip of the month, if your on a hill and your bike won't start try pushing it. Really it works! You would think after 20 plus years of ridin', such a simple thought never entered my mind. I got my bike home and changed the starter and she's been running kick ass since. So that's my story and I'm sticking to it.

I have been to as many events as I can with the time I have available. The good thing is I get lots of miles on, the bad thing is I get lots of miles on. Man does that sound F'd up. As most of you know I am a firm believer of supporting those events that support the Free Riders Press. This is why I run my rear end off going to so many event. Sometimes I wonder if I am actually making any money doing the paper, but the respect that is given me because of my chasin'means more to me than just about anything. Were have I heard about the respect thing before? If I said it once I'll say it a 1000 times, you need to give respect to get respect no matter who you are Where is this going? Nowhere from here, but I keep seeing instances of "it's all about me" in the riding community. Until I don't see as much of this I will always have something to write about I guess.

One quick note on an event coming up. A family weekend at ABATE acres is happening August 13-15th. I believe we need to be more family oriented in organizing some of our events. Granted there are some events that I prefer to know that kids weren't there. (Boy do I have a good time at these. Just add Jim Beam into the equation)Yes you do need to be a member to attend, but a weekend full of family good times can only be good for those involved. I'm sure if you show up someone will have a membership form for you to fill out. Most of us will put out \$25 for a "Cause Ride" that does nothing but raise funds for a certain group or person. Well worth it I do believe, but when the day is done, the chow is eatin', you had your fill of free beer and music, what will it do for you tomorrow? Will you have supported your rights as a biker? Did you show your kids what it's like to live the lifestyle, or did they stay home with a sitter and you're now nursing a hangover? Do me, yourself and the rest of the riders in the great state of Wisconsin a favor and get a membership to ABATE www.abatewis.org. I may sound like a broken record at times on this but when I finally have grand kids, I want to be able to show them in real life what it is to feel the freedom of the open road first hand.

Until I clear out the Twister dust from my brain, that's it. Ride Safe

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If you have a picture of your Next Generation Rider, feel free to send it in to me. Who knows it just might kick start a Hollywood career for them. Send those pic's to preacher@freeriderspress.us or by snail mail to 4500 Hwy 66, Stevens Point, WI 54481



Bingo's Downed Biker Fund"

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If you have a Brother or Sister down and would like to get them the Free Riders Press, NO PROBLEM, be glad to do it but it does cost money. A lot of people help out by donating some coin. We here will do what we can, but



with everybody giving what they can, we will make it go a long way. We all know somebody that's down, and anything would be greatly appreciated.

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