

A Response to Jynx.

Hello - I have been a long time reader of FRP but have never felt compelled to write to you before. The response from Jynx to Biker Mama has prompted me to change that. I have both articles in front of me. It's almost as if Jynx was reading another article as there are so many things taken out of context.

Where to start? I will use plain english as Jynx didn't seem to understand what Biker Mama meant by certain terms.

Jynx asked what Mama's definition of a biker was. I can't answer for Mama but for most of us you are a biker at heart. True, a vehicle does not make you who you are. Or at least it shouldn't. If you are a biker, you are a biker 12 months of the year, regardless of your current mode of transportation or how you dress. For those that wear their leather year round, perhaps it is simply what they are comfortable in. If you can no longer ride, due to illness or injury, it doesn't change who you are inside. That's like saying a man is less of a man if he has had a vasectomy or a woman less of a woman if she lost her breasts due to cancer. This is NOT what I felt Mama was saying.

Mama made a reference to cagers "not getting it". I took that to mean they didn't get riding motorcycles, the lifestyle etc. NOT just the colors or patch. Furthermore, Mama never said SHE wears a patch. She simply pointed out SOME of the protocol involved. Perhaps Mama wore a property patch in the past. Perhaps her mate is a prospect. She didn't specify, but Jynx concluded that Mama not only wears a property patch but as a result she has no self-respect. Talk about coming out of left field!

Mama never said her and her friends WOULDNT help or respect others, biker or otherwise. Yet another exaggerated misunderstanding on Jynx's part.

As far as choosing the lifestyle where you wear a property patch. . . all I will say is there are still those dedicated to their husbands/boyfriends etc enough to make personal sacrifices. It doesn't mean they have no self respect.

Jynx said "strange to me that of all life's endeavors these are the four you felt most worthwhile mentioning.", referring to Mama's comment about being able to hold her own at pool, drinking, riding and fighting. Let's see - its a biker paper, an article about biker lifestyle - should she have mentioned her blue ribbon for apple pie, her love of chocolate, her ability to whittle and passion for the game of chess? Come on!

I'm not sure it is a good thing there is a picture to put with the face for Jynx. After the slam of women in clubs she may have touched a few nerves to say the least.

I didn't feel Mama's view was disrespectful or hurtful to others, simply her opinion or outlook. Jynx's response, however, was all of the above. I'm sure you all don't print every response you receive. You must decide which articles etc are best. Someone was sleeping on the job the day Jynx's response got printed I guess.

You didn't lose a reader, one article won't do that for me. Just the fact that Jynx took it so obviously out of context and you still printed it bothered me. Better luck next time.

And just for the record - I did wear a property patch at one time. My late husband wore colors. Mama had her info right. For me it was a matter of loyalty to my mate. There were only a few instances I didn't agree with but that is part of a marriage - give

and take. He did much for me that he would have rather not but he did so out of love and devotion. Sad that that is lost in today's world by so many. Jynx included it seems.

I no longer ride but still consider myself a biker. My leather hangs in my closet but my heart is still in the wind.

Marcie

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It's time you get trained through the Accident Scene Management Course by Vicki and Tony San Felipe, Slider Gilmore, the grandfather of the biker movement from Iowa or Denise Carey, Texas (ASMI) are other trainers.

The recent Governor Thompson Ride to the Great Smoky Mountains was unforgettable. The Wheels Through Time Motorcycle Museum, where you can tantalize all five senses - included watching, hearing and smelling ancient motorcycle drag race inside the museum!

Other highlights include "Onto These Hills" History of the Cherokee Indians, Miracle, the Broadway-type play about Jesus, and riding the tail of the Dragons Tail at Deals' Gap.

Witnessing the joy of Senator Mary Lazich after completing the eleven mile ride with 318 curves was awe-inspiring! By the way, all you hard core, old school Biker wanabees - Senator Lazich also rode her Harley to the Great Smokey's and back to Wisconsin. Then to add insult to injury to our bikers' pride, while we wore coats and raingear on the Blue Ridge Parkway, Senator Lazich wore only a t-shirt and smiled on the whole ride.

Then there was the road-rage guy who knocked down our road guard, retired NYC Firefighter on this 9/11/01 Memorial Red Harley. God Bless him, he needs prayer.

This has got to be one of the best-organized rides I have ever been on. Congratulations, Vicki and Tony for salvaging the Governors' Ride and keeping it going.

For the record, my 1991 FXRT Harley has 959,572 miles on it. But the engine blew in Kentucky and Mike Greenwald hauled it back.. Minister Murf Muth, motorcycle miracle master mechanic is medicating the engine. I rode Mike's 1997 BMW 640 miles - what a great machine. "Better me in Hospital than Bike in Shop".

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