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RECONSTRUCTION ISSUES

Rod Carr reported that the folks at Recon are a major sticking point in getting custom bikes registered, even though the passage of legislation last year was supposed to remove them from the picture. **Mark Morrison** said that while Recon was no longer required, the City Finance Director's office was using them to determine ownership of parts being used for custom-built motorcycles. The HMDA will look into this matter, and will send a letter to the City Director of Finance asking for clarification of this issue. It shouldn't be this difficult to build a custom bike.

BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY'S ALL WET

In one of the recent monthly newsletters that the City includes with your water bill, there was an article that stated that offroad motorcycle riding should be restricted because of the land erosion it caused. The land in question was Kahuku and it was determined that the military's use of the land was the culprit, not motorcycle riders. As of yet, the Board of Water Supply has yet to issue a clarification or retraction to their statement. A letter will be sent reminding them about this.



The next meeting of HMDA will be on **Monday, April 12, 2004 at 8:30 a.m.** at the **Airport Plaza Hotel Coffee Shop.**

Mark your 2004 calendar for the second Monday of every month!

Plus,



... a Reminder that this is the **Last Call for Dues Renewal for your dealership to be included in the website.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

The balance is \$8,852.81. Regular readers will notice the HOA funds that we were holding in the HMDA account have been transferred over to the HOA bank account.



CONVENTION

Mark Ely reported that the Hawaii Prince is not available for the dates we wanted.

Rather than make a radical change in the dates, it was decided to look for another venue. Mark Ely is already working very hard to make this the best convention ever.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Here is the status of legislative issues the HMDA has our eye on....



SB2017—One of many anti-street racing bills. Still active. Scheduled to cross over to the House. No special impact on the motorcycle industry, just some hefty fines and the possibility of vehicle forfeiture.

HB2287—Would have changed the way vehicle registration taxes are calculated. The HMDA submitted written testimony in general support of this bill as long as it included a class for motorcycles. This bill is currently being HELD. No further action expected.

SB2019—Establishes provisional driver's licenses. Would require driver under age 18 to be accompanied by someone over age 21. The HMDA submitted a letter in opposition to this bill because it did not contain provisions for motorcycles/scooters. This bill is currently being HELD. No further action expected.

SB2023—Another provisional license proposal. The HMDA submitted a letter in opposition to this bill because it did not contain provisions for motorcycles/scooters. It was amended to specifically exclude operators of motorcycles and motor scooters. Still active and scheduled to cross over to the House. No longer poses a threat to motorcycle operators.

SB2534—Helmet bill for mopeds, motor scooters and motorcycles. The HMDA did not take any action on this one because of the diverse views of the membership. We've just been monitoring it. The bill was DEFERRED on 2/13. It is not scheduled to cross over and no further action is expected.

SB2513—Would have charged \$250 per vehicle at the time of sale for an advanced disposal fee. We teamed up with the automobile dealers association and offered testimony in opposition. The bill was DEFERRED and is not scheduled to cross over. No further action is expected.

HB2954—Another street racing bill. A provision of this bill would have required a Hawaii driver's license to purchase a vehicle. The HMDA testified against this bill. It is currently being HELD, it is not scheduled to cross over and no further action is expected.

HB2890—Anti-noise legislation aimed specifically at motorcycles. The HMDA offered testimony in opposition to this bill. The bill was never heard by the committee it was referred to. It appears to be in legislative limbo. It is not scheduled to cross over and no further action is expected.

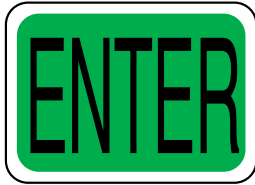
SB2749—Yet another street racing bill. The measure was HELD and will not cross over. No further action is expected.

HB1845—Yet another street racing bill. The measure was HELD and will not cross over. No further action is expected.

HB1844—Allowed for the forfeiture of vehicle if the driver's blood alcohol level was .20 or greater. The measure was HELD and will not cross over. No further action is expected.

SB2026—Yet another street racing bill. The measure was referred to another committee and no action was taken. No further action is expected.

SB2004—Would have repealed the speed of light. No action was taken.



HMDA Membership Application

New

Renewal

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Web Site (*Is this a Public Access Site?*) _____

Membership Type: Active (\$150): _____ Associate: (\$30): _____

Date: _____

**Please supply all info above so we can update our database, then
mail to: HMDA • P.O. Box 1813 • Kailua, Hawaii 96734**



WEBSITE

For those of you that haven't visited the HMDA website recently, you should really take a few moments and check it out. First of all, it's up to date and current. Thanks to Scott Rogers for making the changes in such a timely manner. Scott will also be making some changes to the web pages, giving them a newer, fresher look. If you have any corrections or additions to your information, please contact Scott at: Scott.Rogers@wavepath.com.



The first meeting of the HOA is getting much closer. The date will be announced once the current HOA logo is redesigned to reflect the broader, multi-vehicle base of the organization, instead of just featuring motorcycles. Once the new logo is approved, posters and flyers can be printed and distributed. HOA is a very worthwhile organization, still in its infancy, and it needs everyone's support.

TOOTING OUR OWN HORN

Red Proctor pointed out that Pacific Business News has a section of their paper that lists changes in local business. He suggested that it would be a good idea to submit a list of current officers for inclusion in a future issue.



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