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### September Newsletter



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## **General Membership Meetings**

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at 10 a.m.**

**Clubhouse is located 2120 Broad Street, Lake Charles, LA next to Dealership**

**Next Meeting – November 5th**

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## **10 HOT Tips for Winter Riding**

Warm Underwear

Gear Up

Keep Your Extremities Warm

Beware of Wind Chill

Bike Mods (heated grips/seat)

Stop Often

Stay Dry

Hydrate

Stay Away from Alcohol & Coffee

Eat Well

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## Ever Wonder What The Temperature Is At Riding Speeds...

Riding Speed (mph)	Air Temperature (degrees F)														
	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
5	27	32	37	43	48	53	58	64	69	74	79	85	90	95	100
10	16	22	28	34	40	47	53	59	65	71	77	84	90	96	102
15	9	15	22	29	36	42	49	56	63	69	76	83	90	96	103
20	4	11	18	25	32	39	47	54	61	68	75	82	89	97	104
25	0	8	15	22	30	37	45	52	60	67	74	82	89	97	104
30	-3	5	13	20	28	36	43	51	59	66	74	82	89	97	105
35	-5	3	11	19	27	35	42	50	58	66	74	81	89	97	105
40	-6	2	10	18	26	34	42	50	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
45	-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
50	-7	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
55	-8	0	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
60	-8	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105
65	-9	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	89	97	105



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## **Be Conspicuous** **By Art Friedman**

Many motorcyclists will be surprised to find this at the top of my list of things to do to stay safe, but the most key issue in surviving among those much larger vehicles out there is to be seen by their drivers. My bright orange helmet does more to keep me out of harm's way than any three other traffic strategies. It is also the easiest measure to exercise, since it is completely passive once it's on.

Bright colors may not be stylish, but they are good for your health (if only by keeping your blood pressure down). When other drivers see you, you spend a lot less time demonstrating your swerving, braking, and swearing skills.

Black, by far the most popular color for motorcyclists, isn't the worst possible color for a motorcyclist, but it's way down there. Olive drab, gray, camouflage patterns, and other dull colors are worse, but black doesn't jump out at all, and at night it is the worst choice. The best choices are those eye-catching colors in the red-to-yellow range, and they should be bright; a dull yellow is not as effective as a bright yellow. Fluorescent colors are best. I have even seen eye-catching fluorescent blue and green helmets. Finally, you want a big, uninterrupted section of that color. A complicated scheme of several bright colors is less effective than a continuous patch of a single bright color.

Where should that bright color be? Since most collisions occur with vehicle that started out in front of you, it should be on the front of the vehicle or



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Dealership Website: [www.hdoflc.com](http://www.hdoflc.com) Dealership Phone: 337-436-0022 Facebook: [Harley Davidson of Lake Charles rider](#). A yellow touring fairing (such as that on the Gold Wing 1800) is hard to overlook, but a small patch of yellow in the same area isn't as effective. More likely, you will wear your conspicuity. The Hurt Report found that riders wearing bright jackets crashed less frequently. Recently, a New Zealand study found that rider who wore white helmets instead of black helmets got punted off the road less often. It noted that bright colors seemed to be even more accident-preventative. From my experience, a really bright helmet is the best approach. Wearing an equally bright jacket seemed to have less effect in traffic than the bright helmet, even though the eye-catching area of the jacket was larger. My presumption is that the height of a helmet has some effect, since people can see it over cars around you. Reflective panels on a helmet or jacket are eye-catching at night. Use your headlight too. Running the high beam during the day makes you stand out, and you can further employ your headlight's eye-grabbing tendency by using a headlight modulator, which flashes the high beam.



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## **PENDING ROAD TRIPS**

Did you know that Roger has created a page on the website dedicated to 3 day or more trips?

You need to email him if you have one planned, but the more that we can share the more we can enjoy the road together.

There are already a couple of rides listed so go check it out.

## **FACEBOOK PAGE!**

Most of you know we have a Facebook Page dedicated to LC HOG. Some of you may even have noticed there has been an increase in activities recently.

Let's make it more useful.

Going for a short run to DeRidder or Jennings or just planning to ride around town? Get on there and let everyone know that you are going and where you are leaving from and when.

The worst that can happen is you have some company!



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