



Two-Wheeled Fun! – by Jim Sorenson

I really like 2-wheeled vehicles. I have owned 13 on-road motorcycles: 8 have been used for transportation on public roads and I road raced the other 5. I am not sure how many bicycles that I have owned in my life, but I am confident that it is a higher number than the number of motorcycles that I have owned.

I am also not sure when I got my first bicycle, but I remember that I used to really like riding my BMX bike on trails, over jumps, over rickety ramps that we used to build and to places that we farther away from my home than my parents knew about.



I bought a 10-speed bicycle when I was a freshman in high school (and back when they only had 10 speeds). Apparently they call them ‘road bikes’ these days and they have up to 22 speeds. I used to ride it to/from baseball practice/games and two-a-day football practices – I just mapped out that I used to live 3 miles from my high school. I am not sure how many total miles I put on that bicycle, but I did ride it often – including just for exercise. Do kids even ride bicycles to school anymore?



I had friends at the time that had mopeds that would not want to go to places that I suggested we visit because they were “too far.” Are you kidding me?! I am pedaling to get there and you are just twisting your wrist!

I bought my first motorcycle in college out of necessity. My car was a pretty big piece of junk. It broke so often that I could no longer afford to keep driving it – I bought my first motorcycle for \$700. I was definitely “bit” by the motorcycle bug once I took my first ride, and remain “bitten” to this day.

It was only a matter of time before our son would ride, and that time came this summer when he was given a mini-bike that had been in the family. He did extremely well riding it and I can only imagine how fun that would be as a child as I never had a mini-bike.

This past month we went to the MotoGP race again in Indianapolis and Yamaha once again had their “Learn to Ride” attraction where kids 2-12 years old may sign up to ride small displacement Yamaha dirt bikes. Our son was not ready to do this last year, but this year he was not only ready, but that was all he kept talking about prior to the weekend. The



enclosed picture is our son riding a 70cc dirt bike around a well supervised area – wearing all of the appropriate safety gear – and loving life. This was his first time on a dirt bike, he did very well and he was grinning ear to ear. The third time that he signed up to do this, there was a longer line and I told him that the wait was over an hour – you might imagine how popular this attraction can be – his response was “I don’t mind the wait”, and he really did not.

A Yamaha representative was interviewed by a local TV station that weekend and he stated that the Yamaha program has been in existence for 15 years and they have had over 28,000 kids go through the program.

The following weekend our son and I had the opportunity to ride my son’s mini-bike and another 70cc dirt bike along with one of our son’s uncles. We were just circling around in the grass at his uncle’s lot in Concord – slow speeds, no racing, just having fun – while wearing the appropriate safety gear. Everyone had a great time and we look forward to doing it again.

I understand that bicycles and motorcycles are not for everyone. However, I have experienced a lot of fun throughout my life via both bicycling and motorcycling.

Chuck Hillier - Volunteer Trustee

I met with George Davis President of Nautica Condo Association, along with the engineer from Oxbow Engineering, to discuss the initial plans for a sidewalk which will connect Tradewinds Cove to Zephyr Lane. The sidewalk will be set back the same distance from Lake Road as the sidewalk which connects Outrigger to Pebble Beach. There will be one minor oddity to the new sidewalk in which it will “jog” around the telephone pole and guide wire at the Nautica/Lake Erie Shores property lines.

In truth, none of our options are desirable, i.e. pay to have the telephone pole moved (\$\$\$\$\$), run the sidewalk along Lake Road, run it between the guide wire and pole or “jog” it around the guide wire. After speaking with George Davis and Oxbow we decided the “best” option was the last. However, doing such places an odd curve to it but this was best as it keeps children as far away from Lake Road as possible. Oxbow will go out for bids and depending on what comes back; it will be constructed either this fall or next spring.

The Adult Party was rudely interrupted by cool weather and the first rain storm in several months, but in spite of the wet conditions, we still managed a fairly large turnout and a

good time. Next year we will do our best to keep it scheduled in July.

Kudos to Dawn Linch and DJ McConville for all their efforts in organizing the 2nd Annual LES 5k Run. Their effort to bring such a wonderful event to our neighborhood and all their hard work is truly appreciated. The charity for the event was "The Gathering Place", a wonderful organization that provides countless resources to patients and families of cancer victims. If you or a member of your family is affected, know that they are there for you. Visit them at <http://www.touchedbycancer.org/>.

On Saturday September 15th at the Pebble Beach Park we will be holding our annual Cornhole Tournament. It begins at 1PM and entry fee is \$15/team. Sponsored guests are welcome. This event has grown each year and is always a good time and supported very well with a larger turnout every time. You should have received a flyer by now and hope you will join us!

July expenses totaled \$28,574.14 which includes a deposit to reserves of \$984.50. We had a legal expense of \$1,645 to Kaman and Cusimano for liens and related expenses and we had Recreational Activities expenses of \$1,500 but our largest expense outside landscaping was \$18,155.25 for the shoreline and beach maintenance we had performed earlier this summer. We ended the month with "only" \$69,300.95 in our checking account, the lowest figure we've had at the end of July in four years.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at home (926 Pebble Beach Cove – 350-1640) or via email at avcmcchi@sbcglobal.net. This is your Homeowners Association, your neighborhood, get involved and make it better!

A tree is known by its fruit; a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. St. Basil ~

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Visit the Lake Erie Shores model home from October 1st - November 15th and help us give back to those in need. All collected items will be delivered to a local shelter.

Needed/Suggested Items:

Dry Goods
(Rice, Potatoes, Pasta, Powdered Milk, Sugar, Crackers)

Condiments
(Hot Sauce, Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup, Parmesan Cheese)

Spices
(Garlic Powder, Italian Spice, Salt, Pepper)

Canned/Jarred Items
(Soups, Spaghetti-O's, Ravioli, Fruits, Vegetables, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pudding, Baby Food/Formulas, Canned Meats, Cooking Oil)

Special Needs
(Low/No Salt, Low/No Sugar Substitute items)



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