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## November 2016 Newsletter

### OUR MISSION

Dedicated to raising funds and awareness for injured motorcyclists and their families to help provide financial support and compassionate services to help heal minds and bodies.

### Message from the President

Well another riding season has come and gone. This has been an incredible year!

OBB has exploded this year...we now have over 160 paid members. This is fantastic, but with that, there seems to have been some miscommunications and misunderstandings.

When OBB started in 2012, the focus was to raise money and donate it to an injured rider in need that year. It wasn't until the end of 2015 that the decision was made to create "OBB Care Packages". It was at that time that the decision was made to also create a Board of Directors to help with the management of our growing organization. Since then, we have grown immensely and we have also been working towards achieving our Charitable Organization status that will allow us to issue tax receipts for donations coming

in. Along with the growth and the working towards our status, we have realized that we need to undergo a major restructuring to comply with regulations. As such, this has been our focus for the past few months. The restructuring will include 5-7 additional Board Member/Positions, monthly Member meetings including an open forum, to keep updated of changes and deal with concerns as they arise. We are very close to being able to announce the changes, and are hoping to be able to do so in time for the Silent Auction.

I would also like to address social media. If any member has any questions or concerns regarding OBB, the events, the Board, management, etc., our Facebook page is NOT the means to air dirty laundry or solve an issue. Voicing concerns and opinions is one thing but when those voices turn into a debate and personal attacks is a whole other ball game. Please remember - Facebook is a public group and any "drama" on there is seen all over and can be a detriment to the vision of One Broken Biker and our future.

Disrespect and personal attacks of any OBB Member (or non-member for that matter), is unacceptable. This is an organization to help riders. All other issues should be discussed and addressed separately.

If you have any concerns whatsoever, please feel free to contact any Board Member directly or email [info@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:info@onebrokenbiker.org). The doors of communication are always open and we will try our very best to respond to each item as soon as possible. Again, the future monthly Member meetings can also be a way to bring these issues to light.

Thank you again to our Membership. It's because of you and your word of mouth that has allowed us to grow like we have. We are trying our very best to move forward in a transparent and professional way.

See you all at the Auction!

**Ashlee**



## OBB MEMBER BENEFITS

\* 15% off **Calgary Harley Davidson** - non-sale Parts and Accessories

\* 15% off **Precision Frameworks** - Parts and Accessories

- \* 15% off **Stampede Boot** - including OBB Patch sewing
- \* 15% off **Cut and Built Fitness** - Personal Training and Meal Plans
- \* 10% off **Too Cool Motorcycle School** - Refresher Course
- \* 10% off **Twin Cities Saloon and Café** - Longview
- \* 10% off **Lucid Motorcycle Co** - Calgary and Bragg Creek (Parts, Apparel and Service)
- \* 10% off **Lucid Koffee** - Calgary and Bragg Creek (Any food or beverage purchase)
- \* **Grover Law Firm** - Free Notary Services
- \* 15% off **ASSA Rooter Plumbing** - Any Service
- \* **Calgary City Cycle** - \$90/hour service rate
- \* **Investor's Group** (Nancy Nadeau) - Free Financial Consultations  
(For every new client, Nancy will personally donate \$100 to OBB)
- \* 10% off **Conti's Shoe Repair** - Retail Products

\*\* Discounts can not be used/applied to any products or services already discounted, marked down or on clearance

\*\* Membership cards are required for all discounts

\*\* Photo ID may be required



## OBB SAFETY MOMENT

### WINTER BIKE CARE AND STORAGE

Well...it's that time of year (boo hoo)...so here's a few tips and tricks for keeping your ride ready for the Spring.

- \* Motorcycles should be stored clean with all cables, chains and pivot points lubed with the factory recommended lubricant.
- \* Gasoline has a shelf life of 3 weeks, and can become “flat” within 3 months. Fuel tanks should be full and the correct amount of fuel stabilizer by volume installed and run for a minimum of 3 minutes.
- \* Motorcycle tires should be inflated to the maximum pressure as stated upon the sidewall of the tire. They leak over time, nitrogen filled tires leak slower.
- \* Tires should be kept off pavement or concrete as flat spots or deterioration

may occur. Placing your bike on plywood, carpets or mats are all acceptable ideas.

\* Batteries need maintenance trickle chargers or charged every second month. Wet cell with removable cell caps batteries must be topped up with distilled water every second month.

\* Storage should be indoors out of the climate is best, motorcycle covers or dust covers should be used.

And if all else fails...Read Your Owners Manual!

*(Tips provided by OBB Member Dick Wild, Certified Mechanic)*



## ANNUAL DONATION UPDATES

This has been a crazy year with a record number of accidents. There were 198 reported accidents in 2016 and OBB was able to assist 22 riders of those. This is a substantial increase from the 4 riders we were able to assist in 2015.

Understandably, the amount of assistance varies on a case by case basis, with some riders needing ongoing support.

Here is a recap of the riders we assisted this year...

April - Jeff

May - Jason and a rider from Kamloops

June - Juanita (Edmonton), Mike, Mike

July - Val, Barb (Edmonton) - Barb is receiving ongoing support from OBB

August - Andy, Mike, Bill, Rob, Tina, Ray, Adam (Lethbridge) - Adam is receiving ongoing support from OBB

September - Gary, Kirsten, Don, Adam, Howie, Claude - Howie and Claude are both receiving ongoing support

October - Dianne

While not all riders need financial assistance, OBB is there to provide additional

support. Some of these riders, such as Adam Casey, have a very long road ahead of them and while the rider is located in Calgary for medical help, the families are sometimes further away, such as Lethbridge in Adam's case. This can get very weary for the family. This is where OBB can help. We have run errands, provide direction to family members and just be a shoulder to lean on.

Its sad to see the number of riders needing support out there but we at OBB are honored to be able to help in any way that we can.

If you are able or wanting to assist in rider outreach in any way, please contact Glenn Lyth. The more bodies we have, the more we can reach out to riders and their families.



## OBB BIKE BUILD

The bike build is in full swing. The bike is completely torn apart. Parts order is almost complete and the bike is prepped and ready for painting. The Bike Build Team currently consists of 12 OBB Members - men and women alike..

Bike Build Meetings are held every Wednesday. If you wish to be a part of the team and attend the meetings, please contact Pam Baldwin and she will add you to the group.

The bike build is hoping to be completed by the November Silent Auction, but that is a bit ambitious and we want to make sure the bike is perfect. The bike will definitely be ready for the 2017 bike shows in Calgary and Edmonton.

Parts Canada has stepped in and offered the most generous donation of providing all the parts for the bike, along with future support to OBB including possible future bike builds. There is even the possibility that OBB will be able to set up within the Parts Canada/Drag Specialites booth at the bike show, along with the bike. A huge thank you goes out to Parts Canada! Without their

support, this bike build may not be proceeding as quickly as it is.



## OBB Member Meeting October, 23, 2016

Thank you to everyone who attended our first Member Meeting.

Detailed minutes have been prepared from the meeting, but here is a brief recap:

- \* A financial update was provided including amounts raised at the Calgary and Edmonton Poker Runs as well as a loss to the books from a merchandise purchase.
- \* An update was provided regarding injury outreach, riders assisted and ongoing support for some
- \* Updates on the bike build, status and timeline
- \* Information provided regarding the OBB restructuring and the reasons behind it and expected timeline
- \* Silent Auction planning is fully underway. Donations are still needed. Please contact Elle
- \* Open forum for all members brought to light a few inquiries as to further OBB "chapters", merchandise sales such as patches and further member events over the winter. All item were addressed.

It was great to see the members and to be able to provide a face to face update from the Board on the direction of OBB. We are looking forward to the next meeting and even more involvement from the Members.



**ONE BROKEN BIKER  
Silent Auction  
Saturday, November 26, 2016  
Ranchman's Cookhouse and Dancehall**



Save the date for another amazing evening! More details coming soon! As always, stay tuned to our Facebook page for current updates as they happen!

**Tickets are \$20 and include a burger and a beer!**  
**Tickets can be purchased in advance online or by contacting**  
**OBB**

We will be in need of volunteers in the days leading up to the auction, as well as to help set up at the event. If you are available in any capacity, please contact Elle.

**Volunteer Positions**

We will be in need of volunteers in the days leading up to the auction, as well as the day of to help set up and manage the event. If you are available in any

capacity, please contact Elle at [elle@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:elle@onebrokenbiker.org)

### Auction Donation Items

We are still looking for items for the silent auction. If you have any leads or are able to solicit any items yourself, please contact Elle at [elle@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:elle@onebrokenbiker.org). We do have a standard letter for donation requests if you require. Pick up of items can also be arranged. Drop off for items can be arranged for areas:

Okotoks - Elle ([elle@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:elle@onebrokenbiker.org))

South Calgary - Ashlee ([info@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:info@onebrokenbiker.org))

North Calgary -

Airdrie - Brandi ([manorard@shaw.ca](mailto:manorard@shaw.ca))

Last year was so much fun and an amazing time! Can't wait to see what this year has in store.

## DON'T FORGET

The draw for the **Hot Rods Ocean Adventures Dream Vacation** will be taking place at the Auction. It's not too late to get your name in to the draw. For every \$50 donation (and increment) you will have 1 ballot entered. Email [info@onebrokenbiker.org](mailto:info@onebrokenbiker.org) to make your donation!



## EVENTS OF INTEREST

As the season comes to a close, events are but a few.



If there are any events you're aware of, please email us to put them in the next newsletter.

**Make sure to wear your OBB gear and help spread the word about our amazing organization!**

**October 29 - Airdrie Memorial Crosses Ride & Ceremony**

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1180677421989281/>

Check out [www.canadianmotorcycleevents.com](http://www.canadianmotorcycleevents.com) for more great rides in and around Calgary.

**One Broken Biker is NOT a motorcycle club or "gang". We are a family of riders raising awareness and funds for a worthwhile cause!**

**Wear your gear with pride and help us grow!**



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