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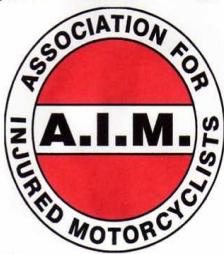
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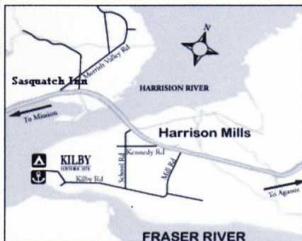
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## **Motorcycle injuries continue to rise**

**Dave Munro says helping injured riders is 'almost like a full-time job'**

*Sunday, June 01, 2008*

With motorcycle-related crashes on B.C. roads at their highest since 2000, Dave Munro is becoming busier than he'd like to be.

The president of the Vancouver chapter of the Association of Injured Motorcyclists spends about

30 hours a week helping a largely forgotten segment of motorcycle crash victims -- the survivors.

"It's almost like a full-time job," said the 62-year-old Surrey man. "We're always busy in the summer."

The death of Canucks defenceman Luc Bourdon last week highlighted the vulnerability of bikers on the road.

The 21-year-old died after his three-week-old Suzuki motorcycle collided head-on with a transport truck on a New Brunswick highway. His funeral is scheduled for tomorrow at an ice rink in his hometown of Shippagan, N.B.

But even as motorcycle deaths remained steady in B.C., fluctuating between 35 and 45 from 2003 to '06, motorcycle-related injuries have continued to climb.

Over a recent six-month period, volunteers from the Surrey-based nonprofit association made 125 visits to G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre, helping eight downed riders cope with the aftermath of their crashes and navigate through the maze of disability benefits and insurance claims.

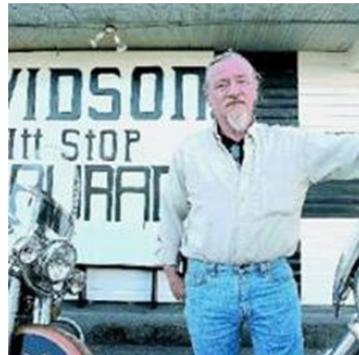
"Most people don't know these things," said Munro. "When someone is injured in hospital, they're traumatized and foremost on their mind is their injury."

The group, which has about 200 members locally and 1,200 across B.C., pitches in wherever it's needed: It has installed wheelchair ramps, taken care of pets, subsidized family members' airfares and provided motorcycle magazines and emotional support.

There are currently three injured bikers in rehab at G.F. Strong and one man still in hospital after a serious crash two months ago, said Munro. But because AIM cannot approach injured motorcyclists for privacy reasons, Munro believes there are a lot more out there.

According to police data, there were 1,233 injuries and 37 fatalities from motorcycle crashes in 2006. ICBC numbers also reveal injuries increased from 882 in 2001 to 1,153 in 2005, a 31-per-cent jump.

Munro believes accidents on bikes are inevitable. "There's two kinds of riders: Ones that have had accidents and ones that are going to have accidents. It's just a matter of how bad it is."



Dave Munro, president of the Vancouver chapter of the Association of Injured Motorcyclists, spends about 30 hours a week helping a largely forgotten segment of motorcycle crash victims -- the survivors.

**CREDIT: Nick Procylo, The Province**

He knows this first-hand. After 40 years of accident-free riding, an unexpected collision in October 2004 left him an amputee.

Munro was cruising down 264th Street in Aldergrove on his Harley-Davidson bike when a pickup with no headlights crossed the median and plowed into his path. "He was on top of my leg when I saw him," said Munro.

The impact nearly tore his leg off. Doctors amputated his left leg below the knee.

Munro, who now wears a prosthetic limb, spent a year in rehab and fought off depression by continuing his volunteer work. "It kept my mind off what's going on with me."

Out of the seven people in his group-therapy program, two or three

were also in serious motorcycle crashes, he said.

Depending on the extent of their injuries, motorcycle accidents can be "life-altering," said Dr. Jennifer Yao, a physical medicine and rehab specialist at G.F. Strong. "Motorcycle accidents tend to be high-velocity and multi-trauma."

Common injuries include fractured bones, nerve damage or brain injuries. A small percentage become quadriplegics or paraplegics. Some, like Munro, become amputees.

Men aged 16 to 25 are over-represented in motorcycle collisions, said Insp. Norm Gaumont of RCMP Traffic Services.

From 1998 to 2007, 16- to 25-year-olds made up 86 out of 341 motorcycle deaths. They account for only 2.4 per cent of licensed riders, but their fatality rate is about 1,200-per-cent higher than those over 25.

"We're finding young, inexperienced daredevils getting themselves into a lot of trouble," said Gaumont, citing aggressive driving, speeding and failure to stop for police as common offences. "Unfortunately, with the young males, what seems to change their behaviour is when there's consequences."

Munro agreed "there's quite a few idiot riders" on the road and hopes they smarten up. "The young guys still think they're six feet tall and bulletproof," he said. "As long as they think that way, they're gonna continue getting hurt."

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Greg Swallow,  
 Membership Director

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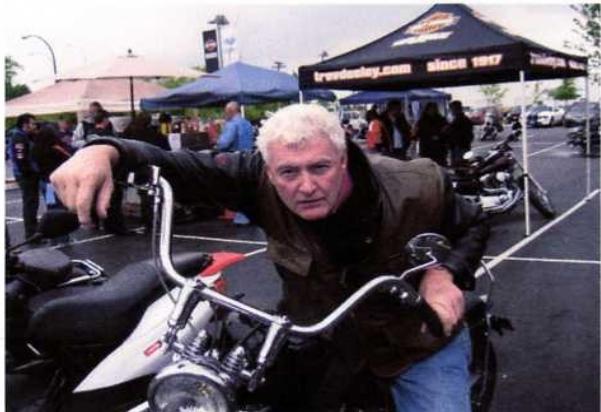
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### Gospel Riders

The association for Injured Motorcyclists would also like to thank **Dan** and **Heinz** from the **Gospel Riders** again for helping AIM out and volunteering. See you soon!

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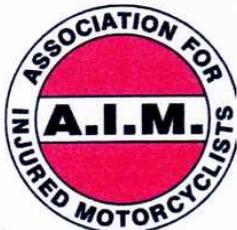
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Dave Munro  
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## Membership Report

The membership picture for 2008 is looking pretty good so far. As of June 1<sup>st</sup> the membership count is as follows: Singles - 96, Couples - 39, Life - 6, Club/Company - 4, & Honorary - 1 for a total of 185 members in good standing. As you will see elsewhere in this newsletter we've been lucky to be able to attend several events where we not only received donations but signed up a number of new members. I'd like to thank the businesses who have invited us to their events and especially for donations received. Thanks also to the AIM volunteers who helped with the tables etc. I even got to flip burgers at the Azzkikr Grand Re-Opening with Heinz from the Gospel Riders.

I'd also like to say welcome to the new AIM members, and thanks to the members who have renewed their membership. To all current AIM members, please take a look at your card and if it's getting near the expiry date, take the time to renew it. We would appreciate it greatly.

I hope to see some of you on the road or at some events this summer. Try to make it to AIM or BCCOM events if you can. Remember we're both there for you. Have a great summer and.....

**Ride Safe.**

**Greg Swallow, Membership Director - AIM Vancouver**



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**July 13** - Join us for the **Annual Pancake Breakfast** to raise funds for Muscular Dystrophy Canada from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Trev Deeley Motorcycles. Everyone is welcome to celebrate with the Vancouver H.O.G. Chapter for their 20th Anniversary. Have a piece of anniversary cake with a ride to follow.

Breakfast is by donation and everyone is welcome!

**July 20** - **Burn Camp Ride.** Registration at Deeley's from Noon to 12:55 p.m. (Donations accepted for the BC Professional Firefighters' Burn Camp Fund). Ride leaves at 1:00 p.m. for Squamish.

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**July 26** - You are invited to celebrate **Harley-Davidson's 105th Anniversary** at Trev Deeley Motorcycles. Please join us at the 105th Party on July 26 from 11-3. This event is open to all, so bring your friends & neighbors to join in the celebration. There will be music, cake, prizes, a group photo and more.

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**Please Join the Association for Injured Motorcyclists at GF Strong Rehabilitation Center  
on August 10, 2008 for the 8th Annual Show n' Shine**



These are some of 2007 pictures taken at GF Strong. The Patients come out and partake in the festivities plus get free food and drinks. A Donation is made to GF Strong.

Your support is for a good cause!



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Meetings are held every Third Thursday of the Month 7:00 pm at the Cloverdale Library 5642 176A, Cloverdale, BC, Just off Hwy # 10 All are Welcome! Rain or Shine!

Whether you are an accident victim or a sincerely interested party, please take our appeal earnestly. We are serious about our livelihood. **WE NEED YOU!** ... Become a member and give us support for effective representation on all matters of concern to Injured Motorcyclists.

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Return this application with your payment to the address above. Make checks payable to  
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