



Newsletter

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The good news is that we are about a month away from getting the fuel injected bikes. The first bikes, Hyosung says, will be the 30th anniversary cruiser. Rapid Cycle will be one of the first, if not the first, dealership in the nation to receive the bikes. And speaking of the GV650, Hyosung has created a larger windshield for the big cruiser.



Although most of you have already prepped your bike for this riding season, I want to write a little bit about the things you should do in the spring. First, you should have changed the oil before you put the bike away in the fall. If you didn't now is the time to change the oil. Second, check the tires. If you didn't have the bike elevated or if you left the bike in one place all winter, the tires may have developed a flat spot. If the flat spot isn't too bad, you can just ride the bike and the flat spot will go away. Before riding, check tire pressure in both tires. Also check the tires for cracks, tread, and bulges. If you didn't keep the battery warm and charged, then the battery is on its last days. Have the battery tested so you don't get stranded. Of course, check the fluids in the bike. You can check the oil level but it is almost certain to be OK. If it seems a little low, find out where the oil went. You want to find the leak before all the oil leaks out. Check brake fluid for the front and the rear and if your bike is water cooled, check the coolant level. Again, if any of these are low, have the bike checked because the fluid must be going somewhere. Remember to activate your insurance if you turned it off and take it easy riding until you get used to your bike again.

Stop by the store for free red shirts. We have large and medium shirts with "Rapid Cycle" imprinted on them – free for the asking. Hurry in because supplies are limited. Also, come in to register for a free Scorpion helmet. We are having the drawing on Friday May 9th, so run in now.

Scorpion has added riding pants to their product line. Rapid Cycle has them in stock. These are the sport type riding pants with CE armor. These look great and feature the zipped sides so they go over your regular pants. Like all the Scorpion products, these are high quality at a good price. They have vents for airflow, pockets for storage, windproof/waterproof removable liner, and Nightviz reflective piping. They sell for about \$150.



Salt Lake County is in the process of getting a noise ordinance passed. It may become a law in a couple of months. Among other restrictions, the proposed law sets noise limits for vehicles including motorcycles. It looks like motorcycles will be allowed to be slightly louder than cars but the verbage talks about "stock" and "OEM" mufflers. The ordinance prevents changing the stock muffler in any way and indicates that any non-oem muffler must meet the same noise levels as the original equipment. This is still a proposal so it may not even become law but sooner or later there will be laws limiting the noise a motorcycle can make. If it passes, the Harley Davidson guys are in real trouble.

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World Superbike is coming to Salt Lake City!! This is a great honor and a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see the best motorcycle racers in the world. Miller Motorsports Park is hosting the event from May 29th to June 1st. This is one of the largest motorcycle races in the world. This is bigger than NASCAR with 170 million people watching on TV in 173 different countries. BTW, Miller is looking for volunteers to help out.



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Hyosung is again giving prepaid gas cards with the purchase of certain new Hyosung machines. This is the same "Gas for a Year" program that Hyosung offered last summer. This year's gas program expires July 31, 08. We now have all the different 2008 models in stock. I really like the new Blue GT650 with a black frame, black wheels, and black muffler.



For the riders out there with the GT650/250 bikes, we have found a source for the high brightness light bulbs. These are meant to replace the stock high and low headlight bulbs. These aftermarket bulbs are double the brightness of the stock bulbs yet draw no additional power. If you are thinking about replacing your headlight bulbs, make sure the new bulbs do NOT draw any extra power as that would void your factory warranty. These bulbs draw the same 55 watts as the stock but put out the light of a 110 watt bulb. Also, these new bulbs have a slight blue color, which makes it easier to see at night. The high and low bulbs sell for \$49 and \$40.

Hyosung now has discounts for Firemen, Police, and students. And the discounts can be combined with other discounts, i.e., the military discount and the MSF discount. Stop by Rapid Cycle for details.

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