



# HMDA News

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## SUMMER VACATION!

The legislature is adjourned until next year, so it's pretty quiet out there. The only people coming to the last few meetings have been the board members and we have not come up with any critical issues, plus, most of the board has to travel often during the summer months, for shows and meetings, on the mainland. Some of us may even take a little vacation time.

So, school's out for summer and so is HMDA! Have a great and productive summer! We will see you in September. The next scheduled HMDA meeting will be on **September 12, 2011.**



## SAFETY INSPECTIONS

One issue that we have been discussing is Safety Inspections. At this time the customer's fee is \$8.75 and the stickers cost the shop \$1.50. That leaves a whopping whole \$7.25 for the shop. It's estimated that if the inspection takes

more than six minutes, the shop loses money. The original theory was that the Safety Inspections afforded the store a chance to sell product required for the bike to pass the inspection, however this turns out to rarely be the case. Vermont has a \$20.00 fee for Safety Inspections and New Hampshire charges \$25.00. Hawaii charges \$14.70 for car Safety Inspections. HMDA feels we should try and get the motorcycle Safety Inspection fee raised. It is generally assumed we have no chance of raising it above the cost of car Safety Inspections, so we are thinking of trying for \$14.70. If we don't hear otherwise, **Mark Ely**, the president, plans to write a letter to the State DOT to test the waters, on getting the fee raised.

Do any of you, out there, have an opinion on this? If so, we would sure like to hear your feedback and suggestions, on Safety Inspections.

**Next HMDA Meeting  
Monday,  
September 12th.**

**Best Western  
Airport Plaza Hotel  
Coffee Shop**

## MOTORCYCLE WORDS OF WISDOM

“Whatever it is, it’s better in the wind”

“Don’t lead the pack if you don’t know where you’re going”

“You start the game of life with a full pot o’ luck and an empty pot o’ experience... The object is to fill the pot o’ experience before you empty the pot o’ luck”

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See you at our next  
meeting **SEPTEMBER 12th**

