

MEETING AGENDA

September 2026



1. **PLEDGE of Allegiance**
2. **Introductions – MMA Officers**
3. **General Announcements:**
 - We encourage your participation:
 - **Please visit www.mmaofca.org**, links are at the top of the page.
 - **The 2026 profiling survey** is available on the MMA website. Please take a moment to look it over. It only takes two minutes.
 - **CalGANG letters: - AB 90** If you receive a letter, immediately contest it with your local sheriff's department within 14 days of the date on the letter. The authorities do not go by the date that you receive it. After contesting the letter, contact any MMA board member for further assistance. You can also email us at mmaofca@yahoo.com. **Do not** delay getting assistance.
 - **The MMA website is up and running. You will find meeting locations, days and times on the MMA homepage.**
 - **Bike nights and open houses will also be listed on the MMA homepage.** Only events will be listed on the calendar, but any announcements are welcome at meetings.
 - **Please let us know if you have any issues with the website so that we can get it resolved.**

4. **President's Notes:**

Good evening MMA of California members and guests. This has been another very busy month. Planning for the toy run has started. Once again, we will have a QR code available on the collection boxes to make a monetary donation if you are unable to provide a toy. Unfortunately, the location that we used for last year's event (Maita Subaru) will not be able to provide sufficient parking for us and our attending families. We are once again scrambling to find a new location, and we have found a few good alternatives. Stay tuned.

September 25-28 the Secretary and I will be traveling to Milwaukee, Wisconsin for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) annual Meeting of the Minds conference. One of the discussions is sure to be Flock cameras. Let us know if there are any topics or concerns that you would like us to focus on while there so that we can bring back any of that information to address in next month's agenda.

We are still on the lookout to fill a couple of Board positions. Please contact a board member if you are interested in helping.

Dave (Top Gun) Battles
MMA President

ITEMS TO WATCH:

US House of Representatives version of the Ride in Freedom Act (H.R. 10067). US Senate version of the Ride in Freedom Act (S. 5274).

The Ride in Freedom Act (H.R. 10067 / S. 5274) would give adult motorcyclists in Washington, D.C., the freedom to decide for themselves whether to wear a helmet. This is not a mandate against wearing helmets. If you choose to wear one, you absolutely can! The bill simply puts that decision in the hands of the individual rider.

The majority of our country, more than 30 states already recognize this freedom of choice for adult riders and more states have moved in this direction over the past several decades than have moved toward greater restrictions. The nation's capital should be a bastion of freedom and giving adult motorcyclists the freedom to make their own decisions is a perfect example of that principle.

Whether you live in Washington, D.C., or ride there as a visitor, motorcyclists deserve the freedom to make their own informed choices.

Replacement Tire Efficiency Program

On August 17, 2026, the California Energy Commission adopted the Replacement Tire Efficiency Program on a unanimous vote. It is the first regulation of its kind in the United States, and it will eventually change which tires can be sold in the largest car market in the country. The MMA has already gotten multiple inquiries as to what this adopted measure means to motorcyclists in California.

Keep in mind that the California Energy Commission is a commission consisting of 5 individuals. They are not elected to the position; they are appointed by the Governor of California. Their salary is approximately \$250,000 a year. And they just adopted a program that will affect every one of us on some level.

This program requires replacement tires to decrease their rolling resistance coefficient in two phases. First phase takes effect in 2029, and the second phase takes effect in 2033. I assume that tires with less rolling resistance coefficient have less traction than tires with a higher rolling resistance coefficient.

Nonetheless, there are exclusions to this program. First and foremost, **MOTORCYCLE TIRES ARE EXCLUDED.**

The other exclusions are not as straight forward. Large off-road tires must meet two requirements. They must be speed rated Q or lower (99 mph) AND

34.5 inches or greater. "Competition tires" require a tread depth of 8/32" or less, speed rating W or Y, and not marked as all-season. Also excluded are "winter-type snow tires".

I've read that there is no penalty for possessing non-compliant tires or purchasing tires out of state. But if they don't comply, you can't have them shipped to California and they won't be available to purchase in California. So, for now, motorcycles are safe.