



Worcester County Motorcyclists Survivors Fund
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Helping Families of those who Ride

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(Hopkinton, MA) After the start of the Marathon at 12:00 noon on Monday April 20th, Worcester County Motorcyclists Survivors Fund members Deborah Ceccarini , President of Charlton, Glen Goudreau, Vice-President of Sturbridge, Joe Proia, Treasurer of Uxbridge met with Hopkinton Motorcycle Police and other area town's motorcycle officers (listed below). We joined in promoting Governor Charlie Baker's annual proclamation* declaring the last week of March through the end of April as the Commonwealth's Motorcycle Safety Awareness Period, as over 160,000 motorcycles will be coming out of winter's hibernation as the weather finally warms. According to the MADOT and the Massachusetts Rider Education Program, last year 34 riders were killed in Massachusetts accidents, down from 36 in year 2013, despite an increase in over 3,000 registrations.

(Courtesy photo below)



Officers Mark Giovanella - Hopedale Police, Andy Larose-Marlboro Police, Robert Morrill Jr. - Hudson Police, Jason Strniste-Shirley Police, Nate Bowolick-Boxboro Police, David Blanchette-Blackstone Police, Lt. Wayne Tripp and Officer Jim Barth - Grafton Police Dept., Randy Thomas, Elvin Vasquez and Kyle Mimnaugh - Leominster Police Dept. (pictured above)

WCMSF would like to thank all the police and public protection agencies that were involved in this event, both in the photo opportunity and the Boston Marathon, again thank you for your service. We especially would like to thank Officer John Gagnon from Hopedale Police Department and Sgt. Joseph Bennett and Dispatcher Shanna Jackman, from Hopkinton Police Department for making this photo opportunity possible. All helping to promote the Registry of Motor Vehicles "Check Twice" motorcycle awareness campaign.

Worcester County Motorcyclists Survivors Fund a 501(c) 3 organization is made up of all volunteers who raise funds to help Worcester County families of riders killed or seriously injured in a motorcycle accident. We also promote motorcycle safety and awareness to help reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities.

*Section 15NNNN Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Time #Section 15NNNN. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart the period beginning the last week of March to the last week of April, inclusive, as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Time, to promote motorcycle safety, education and awareness, and recommending that this time be observed in an appropriate manner by various agencies, associations, groups, clubs and businesses.