

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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Hi Stephanie, I added some points we would cover in our e-vehicle education, along with a little more information, highlighting why we feel so passionately about contributing to the matter of e-vehicle safety. I am more than happy for you to share the pictures with my submission, and for it to be published, as I feel they give a deeper understanding of our journey and why we feel so strongly about our position.

To Stephanie Galbraith, I spoke with Laura Gerber's office yesterday in relation to the E-vehicle safety issues at hand. They advised me that you would be happy to take our late submission in relation to this matter, as we understand the deadline for submission has well past. We were unaware of the goings on until i reached out to Laura Gerber.

Our family is extremely passionate about this issue as in July last year, my then 14 year old don was involved in a serious accident involving him on an e-skateboard VS 4WD with a heavy trailer on. He sustained 2 x traumatic brain injuries among numerous other significant injuries, including partial loss of vision in both eyes.

My son has spent the past 16 months recovering from this, and miraculously, has defied all odds of not only surviving this, but regaining all but all everyday function with a lot of determination and hard work.

Our family would love the opportunity to help raise awareness surrounding this issue by going to schools all over the nation to share our story, with the hopes of helping others make better choices in relation to e-vehicle safety. We are 100% behind having more boundaries in place when it comes to these devices, and would also like to see riders have to participate in a safe riders course, have non-compliant devices removed from circulation, and bigger consequences for the flouting of new laws. We just want to help prevent others going through what we have been through.

Some of the points we will cover in our school e-vehicle education will be:

- * adequate safety attire
- * high risk activities while using an e-vehicle - in-ear buds, use of mobile devices
- * more than one person on an e-vehicle
- * consequences of risky behaviour and long-term affects/outcomes for both the rider/family/healthcare system and driver/other rider if in a collision.
- * parents using an app such as Life360 to track whereabouts and speeds while children are out and about.

My son, is wanting to speak at schools, along with us, and share his experiences first-hand, which we feel will potentially have a great impact on others, as they will get to see/hear from someone who has experienced the consequences and life-changing outcomes from poor choices in relation to riding an e-vehicle.

Sebastian was wearing in-ear buds while riding his e-skateboard. He had modified his skateboard against our wishes, adding a crate to it, using it as a seat. The driver of the vehicle that hit him did not see him due to him being so low to the ground!

Laura Gerber's office is also working with us to connect with local police to see if we can arrange to go with them on their school visits in the interim, while we wait to hear back from you.

I have attached some images of my sons journey for you to see, as I think they highlight the seriousness of the issue at hand, and may give you some insight into his journey.

To reach our family, you can either contact us on my email, [REDACTED] my phone number [REDACTED] or via mail at [REDACTED].

We look forward to hearing from you, and truly hope you will consider us to assist with sharing this extremely important message!

Warmest regards