



U.S. Department
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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

To Report Vehicle Safety Defects

1-888-DASH-2-DOT

(1-888-327-4236)

INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

MANHATTEN

State KS

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☒ YES ☐ NO
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner  Date 11/24/2007

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side

JYAVP07EX3A

Make

YAMAHA

Model

ROAD STAR

Model Year

2003

Date Purchased
01-OCT-03

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

BROOKS YAMAHA 785-776-6371

Engine:

No: Cylinders 4

Fuel Type:

Gas

Original Owner

☒

Dealer's City

MANHATTAN

State

KS

Zip Code

66502

Transmission Type

MANUAL

☐ Antilock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

UNKNOWN

Vehicle Component Code

022100 SUSPENSION: REAR SPRINGS

Multiple Failure: 1

REAR SHOCK MOUNT
FAILURE

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

21 OCT 2007
4 OCT 2007

Failure Mileage

59000

Failure Speed

55

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)

☐ Original Equipment
☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location:

Tire Component Code

Tire Failure Type

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make:

Date Manufactured:

Model No./Name:

Seat Type:

Installation System:

Child Seat Component Code:

Failed Part:

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies).)

Crash

☐ Yes ☒ No

Fire

☐ Yes ☒ No

Number of Persons Injured

0

Number of Deaths

0

Reported to Police

N

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).

Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure; i.e., parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

TL*THE CONTACT OWNS A 2003 YAMAHA ROAD STAR. WHILE DRIVING 55 MPH, THE REAR TIRE STRUCK THE TOP OF THE REAR FENDER. THE DEALER STATED THAT THE SHOCK SPRINGS CAUSED THE FAILURE; HOWEVER, THE CONTACT FELT THAT THE SHOCK MOUNT CAUSED THE FAILURE. AS OF NOVEMBER 19, 2007, THE DEALER HAD NOT REPAIRED THE VEHICLE. THE POWERTRAIN WAS UNKNOWN. THE CURRENT AND FAILURE MILEAGES WERE 59,000.

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974-Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a Manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies)

UPON RETURN FROM A TRIP TO LINCOLN, NEBRASKA I FOUND THAT THE BIKE WAS "BOTTOMING OUT", TOOK MOTORCYCLE TO DEALER. FOUND BIKE SHOCK MOUNT-REAR TO BE BROKEN, PICTURES ARE SENT WITH FORM. THE SINGLE SHOCK FOR THE REAR IS PART OF WHAT SUPPORTS THE REAR TIRE. WHEN THE SHOCK MOUNTS BREAK YOU LOOSE THAT SUPPORT.

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**Think your vehicle
has a safety defect?**



If so:

**Use the enclosed
form to file a report.**

or visit:

www.safercar.gov

or call:

**Vehicle Safety Hotline
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Dear Consumer:

NVS-216rbf

As a result of your report to the Vehicle Safety Hotline (VSH), we have recorded that report on the enclosed Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ) form. Please review the form and make changes, additions and corrections as necessary. Additionally, please provide a more detailed description of the failures(s) you reported that you believe relevant to safety. Also, if available, include copies of repair invoices, letters to the manufacturer, or any other document related to the problem(s) you reported. If a crash or fire occurred, include a copy of the police or fire department report.

It is helpful to be as thorough as possible in your report so that our ability to use your report will be maximized. If you do not have the information, it is not necessary to complete all the boxes. However, it is very difficult to identify the scope of a vehicle problem unless the vehicle identification number (VIN) is known. The VIN is located inside the vehicle on the dashboard adjacent to the left (driver's side) of the windshield pillar and on the drivers' door or the drivers door jam. It may also be listed on the dealer's repair invoices. When reporting a tire problem, the brand name, tire name and complete tire size should be included. If possible also provide the DOT tire identification number. It is usually located near the rim flange of the tire on either side of the tire.

The Privacy Act prohibits our agency from identifying you to the manufacturer without your permission. If you wish to give us that permission, please mark the appropriate authorization box and sign the form to allow us to provide your name to the manufacturer. The information you provide may assist the manufacturer and NHTSA in determining if a safety-related defect exists.

Any information provided is entirely voluntary. There is no consequence or penalty of any kind if you do not wish to provide it. We seek this information to develop both statistical and investigative evidence that will help identify potential safety related problems in vehicle or vehicle equipment, e.g., tires, child safety seats, jacks, etc.

When completed, please fold and staple or tape the form so that the pre-addressed portion of the form is on the outside. If a larger envelope is used, tape the VOQ form to the larger envelope so that the pre-addressed portion of the form is showing.

If further assistance is needed, please contact the VSH at their toll-free number, 1-888-327-4236.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Ronald B. Fields, Chief
Correspondence Research Division
Enforcement

Enclosure: VOQ



Rear Shock Mount for 2003 Yamaha Roadstar

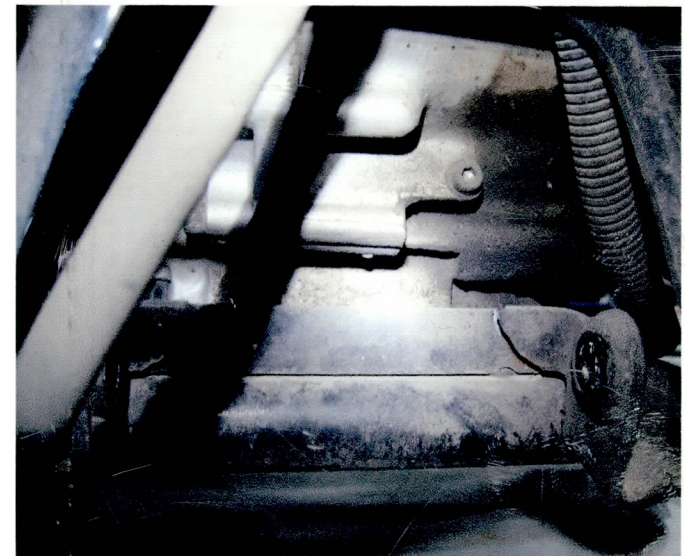
Shock is located under the
pictured is left shock mount
and bent forward



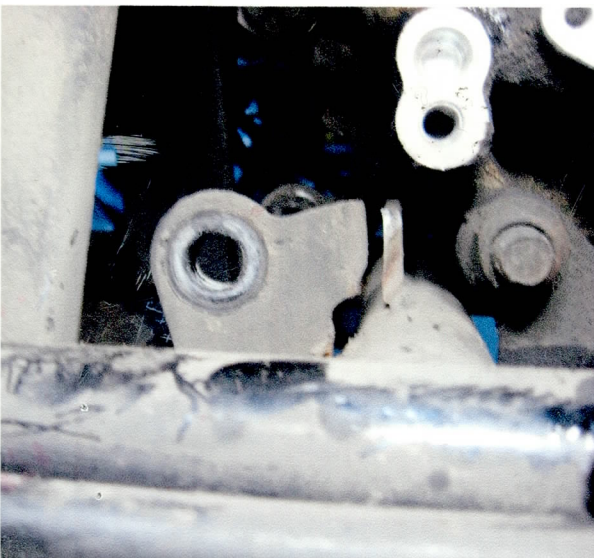
Right Shock mount broken and
bent forward



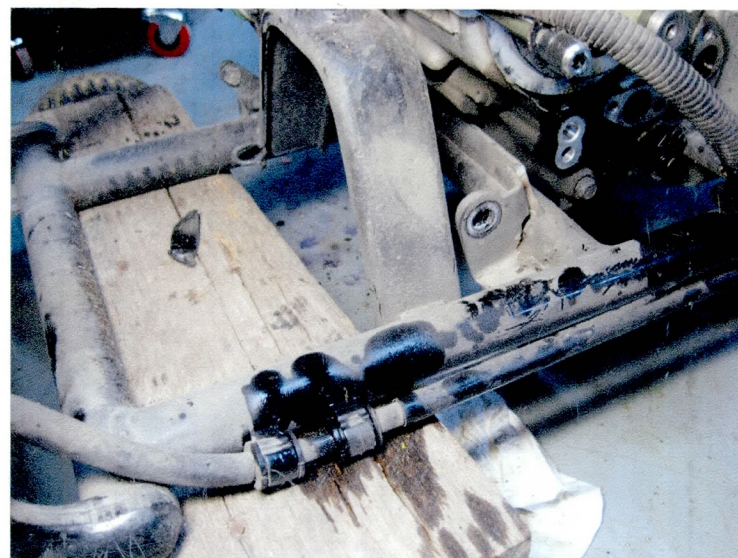
Pictured is shock mount with sh
removed and cracks left and rig
visible on mount



View, right side of shock



View of right side, much farther
away



Left side of shock mount

