

# Submission Quad Bikes? ①

~~R.O.P~~ Roll Over Protection was fitted to Tractors in 1970s and reduced the death toll from tractors greatly.

Roll over Bars were available when I purchased my first Quad. I had no riding experience at the time. Due to my observation of four people I had work for being killed in tractors without R.O.P. protection I decided I wouldn't have a Quad or Tractor without protection without a Roll Bar.

This decision has saved myself and sons from injury on many tips, and rolls. I Rolled to the Bottom of a Hillside with damage to

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the Quad. In one the T Bar  
Broke the Carrier it was fitted to  
and lay flat along the Quad. I had  
scrambled out of the way while it  
climbed over the T to complete first  
roll. All I had to do was follow it to  
the bottom and drive it out.

On another occasion It went over  
backwards when the throttle was  
jammed open while I was reversing on  
a gorgy track. The T bar went the  
Quad cleared me as it did backward  
some salt, and stopped against a gorse  
bush. I couldn't retrieve the Quad  
so had to walk home.

In all our Roll overs no One has been  
injured All we've suffered is Embarrassment!

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A.C.C. and OSH need to get  
Real and promot the use of  
the aproved Quad Bar!

Rollover Protection should be fitted to  
all Quad Bikes, ~~Rain~~ Ride on Lawnmowers,  
Golf Carts, Mobility Scooters.

There is no excuse for  
manufacturers of Quads to object  
to the fitting of the Quad Bar  
as its Mounting point on the  
Tow bar dose not stres the  
Quad frame in any way!

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David Moore's ACC Study of Quad Bike Deaths and injuries from 2000-2002, highlighted the value of Bars with one sentence Of 15 A.T.V. Related Fatalities: On NZ farms for the Two years from June 2000 one was from a head injury one from impact with a train four more loosely defined as rollover but that eight were from being crashed / Pinned including drowning by Quad.

In Dr David Moore's thesis while more rollover occurred on steeper country. Accidents on flatter terrain resulted in a higher death rate.

I don't believe these machines<sup>5</sup>  
should be ridden without rollover  
protection.

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