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## Police Will Schedule Meets

Deputy Police Chief W. O. Crumby said today that police will attempt to schedule meetings with leaders of motorcycle clubs in the city to lay down ground rules about what police expect of motorcycle riders.

Crumby said the project is the aftermath of an incident at 1726 Lamar early yesterday in which police fought a battle with a group of out-of-town motorcycle riders, some of whom wore the Hell's Angels insignia on their jackets.

"If people want to own motorcycles and join clubs, we have no objection as long as they are peaceful and abide by the laws. But we will not tolerate any harassment of citizens by motorcycle gangs," said the chief.

He said police would attempt to reach presidents or leaders of motorcycle clubs throughout the city to set up the meetings.

Meantime, said Crumby, orders for police to "lean on" motorcycle groups with tough law enforcement came after yesterday's battle in which several policemen and



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six motorcycle riders were injured.

He recalled that last week he dispatched the Special Services Squad to the area of Grey Road and Wells Station to saturate the area with enforcement after citizens of the area complained about



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harassment by motorcycle gangs.

He said the same will be done with any other area which has similar complaints.

Crumby and other police officials said one of the things police will be cracking down on is excessive



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noise by motorcycles. He said it was common practice for motorcycle riders to remove the baffles, or sides of a muffler, so that machines will make more noise.

Crumby said yesterday's battle was the result of a group of outsiders complain