Battle of the Kings

On Wednesday, April 17th the campus of Abilene High School had a special visitor in the form of a Harley Davidson motorbike…Carbon Betty. She is vision created between Kent’s Harley Davidson staff and Abilene High’s Automotive Technology students as their entry into the Battle of the Kings - the ultimate customization bike contest. She is a sleek street bike with a satin black shine that automatically draws a crowd. On this day, Carbon Betty was revealed to the Eagles of AHS along with bike enthusiast as she prepares to enter the nationwide competition.

Beginning in the 2019 spring semester, a crew of 10 Eagles, automotive teacher, Mr. Will Kirby, and Kent’s Harley Davidson staff began the journey of designing blueprints leading to the birth of Carbon Betty. The partnership is the first of the kind between both parties. All involved agree the outcome was a success. Steve Hood, owner of Kent’s Harley Davidson says, “I was impressed by how my staff and the students worked together. I didn’t know what to expect but it was amazing to see how they came together.”

So, how does the competition work? The public can vote to determine the People’s Choice Winners. There will be up to 25 People’s Choice winners chosen by online voting. There will be 6 winners per category selected by an H-D judging panel, 18 total. There will be 3 Category finalist, 1 winner will be selected by an H-D judging panel in each of the 3 Categories as the National Winner. One (1) U.S. Battle of the Kings Champion Winner will be selected from among the National Winners. The U.S. Champion will then go on to compete at a global level against other country winners for the chance of being crowned the Global Battle of the Kings Champion in Milan, Italy at the EICMA International Motorcycle Exhibition.

Now help the Eagles and Carbon Betty race to the title of U.S. Battle of the Kings Champion Winner! You can visit AHS or Kent’s Harley Davidson’s website to submit your vote. Look for the Battle of the King logo, click and vote. Just remember, Carbon Betty will be competing in the category called “Race”. Good luck Eagles and Carbon Betty!