

state newsletter

Promoting motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty



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"Riding free"

Let those who ride, decide

February 2014

So Long, Indian Creek

State board motion ends member-at-large group

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes

11 January 2014 (*Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon)

Call to order, welcome:

The meeting was called to order by Allan Nichols at 12:10 p.m. with nine of twelve chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Absent, unexcused:

(None)

Excused chapters:

Central Oregon, Jackson County, Josephine County.

Pledge of allegiance

Moment of silence: For downed brothers and sisters, service men and women.

Guests and first time attendees:

Mike Friend, Terry Nugent (*Douglas County* representative), Rhonda Thornly (*Hub City* representative).

Reading, approval of minutes:

Motion made by Lynn Despain (Salem) to adopt as printed in the state newspaper, seconded by Jack Winfield (Lincoln County). Motion passed 6 yea, 0 nay, 3 abstained.

[*c.o.e. note:* No board meeting was held in December 2013 due to poor weather conditions.]

Old business: None.

Executive Committee

Reports

Coordinator's comments:

Allan Nichols welcomed everyone to the new year and stated that this will a defining year for *A.B.A.T.E.* With state elections for governor and

other representatives, it is up to us to get involved and get behind the candidates who will help us with our issues and needs, liberty and education, two key parts of our mission statement.

Allan also welcomed the new state representatives and expressed the importance of their job. After all, it is the chapter representatives who run the show at the state level, not the state officers. Communication, respect, and an open mind are key to working with others and in turn making our organization stronger.

He also reminded everyone that if we want to get the state newspaper back in circulation,

it is up to us to find a way to make money in order to support it. We shouldn't dwell on what happened in the past that didn't work and point fingers. Rather use the information to focus on what we can do different to make it work.

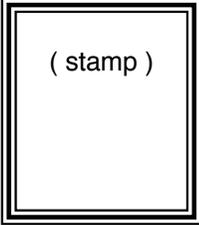
Allan closed by saying that he is looking forward to working with everyone this year and challenged all representatives to go back to their chapters to discuss what worked for them last year and bring back ideas to the state.

Secretary report and correspondence:

Laura Botkin said she is still unpacking

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from her recent move and should be operating at 100 percent soon.

No correspondence.

Vice-coordinator (north): Paul Hering also welcomed everyone to 2014 and is looking forward to getting out to a few of the northern chapter meetings.

Vice-coordinator (south):
< Vacant >

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice said that after attending runs and rallies last year, he felt inspired to take the position of vice-coordinator (east). He is happy and proud to be here. Looking forward to an awesome year.

Treasurer: Karen Tolle sent an e-mail:

“I am sorry I was not at the board of directors meeting on Saturday. But mostly I apologize for not providing a treasurer’s report. Kay and I are still transferring files. I understand that Kay sent in the regular reports, but here are the account balances as of today, January 14, 2014:

Checking = \$7,293.72

Savings = \$3,423.45

I don’t know the balance on the *PayPal* account, but believe it is probably still around \$200. “

Membership secretary: Veta Holscher said she has been working very hard to get the computer updated with current members and deleting members who have passed away or no longer exist. (Almost 12,000 names.) She said it will take time to get it straightened out and should be a smoother operating

system when she is done. Please be patient and she will get caught up soon.

Sanctioning officer: Robert Terrill was excused. (Bad weather and road conditions on the pass.) He said with the recent weather he has not been able to get the insurance paid for 2014 yet, but will get to it as soon as possible and get certificates out as soon as he gets them.

Officer’s Reports

State auditor: Cindy Witmer reported that *Lower Columbia* and *Southeast Portland* are the only chapters with the December reports turned in. Please get them in as soon as possible.

She also asked for help from previous officers in order to understand our procedures a little better.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path asked for feedback from chapters on the new state newsletter sent out to the chapters for circulation. Please contact him if your chapter did not receive it. It was sent to the person who usually turns in the monthly report.

He also wanted to remind everyone that reports are still due by the 10th of every month.

Legislative director: Paula Leslie handed out a list of 13 issues that we should be keeping an eye on, federally and state: Liberty, right-to-repair, lane sharing, and E-15, to name a few.

She is trying to talk to different candidates running for office to see where they stand on some of our issues.

She has talked with Dennis Richardson and has found he stands with us on most issues and promises to keep an open mind on things he may not agree with.

She also attended a *Capitol Club* training conference (for lobbyists) and came away with a possible new friend who said will work with us on the lane sharing bill.

Sergeant-at-arms (north): Randy Phipps noted that state events are approaching fast and he will need the help from all chapter sergeant-at-arms. Please set the dates aside.

Sergeant-at-arms (south): Lance Tolle <Excused>

Sergeant-at-arms (east):
<Vacant>

Products director: Councilman Dave Meeker <Excused>

Education director:
<Vacant>

Public Relations director:
<Vacant>

State run coordinator (Fossil): Lynn DeSpain stated that plans for *Fossil* are coming along ahead of schedule.

Friday will be a meet-and-greet type of atmosphere where we can all socialize and get to know each other.

Two bands have been signed for Saturday and Sunday.

The committee came up with a new idea to possibly help save a little money. Instead of buying shirts and hoodies and possibly having a lot of left overs, they have talked to a vendor who sells shirts and hoodies who will set up a booth and sell them.

We will order the patches and logos that she will put on whatever people buy and *A.B.A.T.E.* will get a portion of the proceeds.

Lynn also said that with the weather being so unpredictable, they will open up some of tent sites to people who drive.

Rigs and RV space is very limited and some sites may not support rigs and trailers. They may have to park closer to the highway. (Shelton RV park is five minutes away.)

If anyone knows a club that would like to insure an ATV/ off-road motorcycle event, there is space available and the owner is willing to work with them. It will *not* be an *A.B.A.T.E.*-sanctioned event.

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(Same as them *Harry Potter* books.)

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Liz Schillinger

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State swap meet coordinator: Randy Phipps stated that he had been out of town for the holidays and has not been able to connect with the owner of the Troutdale property, but said he will visit the location on Monday to try and solidify a date and amount. He also priced a walk behind commercial vacuum for rent to help with clean up at the Troutdale location.

He has backup plans in place for the Columbia county fairgrounds.

The event will be Sunday, April 27th.

Historian: Teresa Hepker is looking forward to seeing what we have stored as soon as Allan can get it from the previous officer.

Web page editor: Carl Earl <Excused>

Quartermaster: Paul Hering is still trying to get some equipment from previous officer.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Brian Stoval told us that back when *BikePAC* was formed, it was *A.B.A.T.E.* who formed it in order to be more effective in the legislature since *A.B.A.T.E.* has limitations for what it can do legally.

He also expressed how important *BikePAC* is and

how it and *A.B.A.T.E.* need to work together in order for both to work effectively.

Everyone who can be a member of *BikePAC* should.

M.R.F. representative: Allan Nichols said that Jeff Hennie, the *M.R.F.* lobbyist, testified at a recent *E.P.A.* renewable fuels hearing to encourage them to stop the sales of E-15 until more in-depth testing can be done on smaller and air cooled engines.

He also said that the *M.R.F.* was instrumental in helping to defeat a proposed *E.P.A.* motorcycle exhaust stamp bill in New York.

The *M.R.F.* also has a long list of issues that they will be following this year as well as following and helping candidates running for office.

Confederation of Clubs representative: <Vacant>

Unfinished Business

• Officer Vacancies:

Vice coordinator (south) – Terry Nugent was elected.
Education director –
Public relations –
Sergeant-at-arms (east) –

• Budget Committee

Report:

With the absence of the treasurer, Allan chaired the

meeting to help narrow down what *A.B.A.T.E.* has been spending and what is necessary to operate.

With the help from Teresa Hepker and a host of others, it was found that without the state newspaper *A.B.A.T.E.* needed around six thousand dollars a year in order to operate.

Event location fees for swap meet and *Fossil*, postage, internet web site fees, and supplies where among the few items deemed necessary.

With an income of only fifteen thousand dollars from membership last year and the possibility of less this year, the committee was tasked with finding new ways to bring money in and to possibly resurrect the state newspaper.

The committee will meet again before the next board of directors meeting.

New Business

Motion 1 – Made by Brian Stoval (*River City*) for Mike Friend, seconded by Paul Hering (*Washington County*).

“To abolish Indian Creek Chapter and to notify current Indian Creek members by mail of change and solicit their choice of chapter. Place all members who have not so chosen by the April board

of directors meeting into the nearest chapter geographically.”

Motion passed 9-0.

Announcements

- Budget committee meeting: 11 a.m., Saturday, 08 February 2014 at Ciddici's Pizza in Albany, Oregon.
- Next state board of directors meeting: Noon, Saturday, 08 February 2014 at Ciddici's Pizza in Albany, Oregon.

Upcoming Events

- 22 February 2014, Saturday – *Annual Crab Dinner by Lower Columbia Chapter* at Clatskanie American Legion, 1 to 6 p.m.
- 23 February 2014, Sunday – *Chillie Buns Poker Run* by *Hub City Chapter* in Stayton.
- 27 April 2014, Sunday – State swap meet, location TBA.
- 03 May 2014, Saturday – *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* at state capitol, county courthouses.
- 23 – 26 May 2014, Friday to Monday – *Fossil Campout*.
- No *Run-21* this year. (*Southeast Portland Chapter*)

Adjourn: [2:30 p.m. ?]

State Coordinator

Another new year and another set of challenges placed in front of us.

As many of you are aware, we went to an on-line version of the state newspaper in January, but something that

hasn't got the same attention is the fact that there is a downloadable newsletter version meant for the chapters to download for their members or as recruiting tools for possible new members.

We did this because *ABATE* membership and attendance at the state events has declined and so we have found ourselves in a financial hardship. It is not a problem felt only at the state level, but at the chapter level as well.

It is up to us to figure out how to overcome this

hardship.

At the state level, we have made cuts in spending to allow only the bare minimum to operate.

• We will not be sending anybody to conferences this year to represent Oregon.

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State Coordinator (continued from previous page)

• We have asked all state officers request travel reimbursements from their chapter instead of the state

• A motion was passed to raise the chapter tithing to 20 percent.

Although this isn't enough to get our state newspaper back in circulation, it is definitely a good start.

What really needs to happen isn't about money though. What really needs to happen is we need to get off our rears and get involved again. We need to get back to basics and start standing up for what we as *ABATE* are supposed to be doing.

If we start getting involved again and get back to

work for motorcycles and motorcyclists, we can ensure our future as a motorcycle rights, safety, and education organization.

We are here to make sure that we are not looked upon by other motorists as the red headed step-children of society.

We are here to ensure that no matter what we ride or what we wear or even what is sewn on our clothing, that we are treated with the same regulations, rules, and respect as any other motorist.

That's why we are here.

Its okay to contribute to the community, but we should never lose focus on what our mission statement is and who

we are really here to represent.

If we can do this, if we can get back to focusing on motorcycle issues, I believe that the money part will work itself out. I believe our fellow riders will see that we are becoming *ABATE* again and will be willing to jump back into the battle.

In closing, I want to print our mission statement and challenge every one of you to ask yourself what part of this statement applies to our current slate of runs and rallies. I think you will be surprised that an organization that is built on four pillars has found a way to balance on just one pillar, but that pillar is becoming weak and if we

don't get back to balance on all four pillars, our future is pretty bleak.

ABATE of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

Thank you.

Ride safe, ride free, ride with respect.

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

• state coordinator
ABATE of Oregon

• Oregon representative
Motorcycle Riders Foundation

A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

We have a bunch of new officers for the new year. Thank you all who stepped up to take on the responsibilities of running the chapter. And thank you to all the officers who served last year for all your hard work.

The weather has limited the riding time for all but the hardest riders. I have been holding out for a little warmer temperatures but will probably have to go for a short ride shortly to cure my motorcycle withdrawal symptoms.

We will be having our *Rocks, Lakes, and Bridges Run* in June to benefit the

Motorcycle Riders Foundation and our *Teddy Bear Run* to deliver teddy bears to the four area hospitals in September as well.

We will have a poker run at the end of July or early August. (Details are yet to be determined.)

We will be doing our roadside cleanup in May, as usual. (More details will be coming as the particulars are decided.)

Remember our mission statement, "*To promote motorcycle awareness, safety, education, and liberty through community involvement and legislative*

action."

As a group and as individuals, we need to walk the walk. It is an election year and if we want to accomplish our goals we need to get the bums out and people who will support our causes in.

Hope to see you on the road,

Bob Terrill
chapter coordinator

CENTRAL OREGON *meeting time and place*

2nd Sunday at 2 p.m.
Izzy's Pizza
810 SW 11th street
Redmond, Oregon

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Hub City

We hope everyone had a great Christmas and a great new year. Out with 2013 and in with 2014!

At our run committee meeting, we talked about what we wanted on our billboards. We are looking for ideas.

We have also been asked to take over the *Chili Bunn's Run*. This run was started by Don Nash and some friends as a kind of dare a little over twenty years ago. It has traditionally been held on the last Sunday in February and started at the Stayton *Bi-Mart*. This has been a "follow the leader" ride in the past with only a few knowing where it ends. In the last four years there have been over 100 riders and as far as I know has only been postponed one time due to rain. The one change we have decided to do this year is to turn it into a poker run with the proceeds going toward our safety billboard program. We will end it at the Albany *American Legion* hall. They have decided to have their annual chili cook-off the same day. We hope to see some of our other *ABATE* chapters come join us for the ride.

From Paula Leslie:

"I attended the house transportation committee hearing at the capitol. Their main topic of discussion revolved around future infrastructure planning that is happening now."

The theme of the issues stressed the importance of multi-modal road users to involve themselves

in these discussions at the local level, in order to address citizen concerns and ensure the safety of all Oregon's road users.

This is our chance to address specific safety issues that affect motorcycle riders on their daily commute. (i.e. Road paint that's slippery when wet, partial road patching running down either sides of a lane, and wire highway barriers.)

Motorcycle riders have a chance to have a voice in this planning, to make Oregon's roads more motorcycle friendly. Please go to your next local bikelped commission and remind your city leaders that motorcycle riders are part of the multi-modal road user puzzle. Remind them that motorcycle riders also require certain considerations as they expand our infrastructure."

How To notify ODOT Regarding Dangerous Road Conditions

-- Michele O'Leary
G.A.C.M.S.

Here are some tips:

1. ODOT governs the *state* highways, so local road conditions are best reported directly to those agencies. ODOT and *GACMS* can assist if needed, so feel free to include me on any reports you make. It is best to make reports by e-mail so you have a copy of who/what/where/when, etc.

2. Exact locations are super important, including mile post markers before and after. Keep in mind that what you report will involve someone getting in a truck and driving

to where you reported. For example, if you say I-5 south of Drain you are less likely to get a thorough investigation. No one wants to drive to an ambiguous location. Think about what information you would need to find a specific road location.

3. Pull over, get out your phone and snap a couple of photos. I had a recent case where the initial report didn't seem so bad and then I saw the photos ... oh my!

4. Exact details on the problem. For example, only the lanes have been repaved, or only the ruts, or the arrow paint is slick when wet.

5. State what the problem is so the person who is investigating understands what your issue is. We all need to make the non-motorcycling community aware of what the issues are and it is best when they hear it directly from citizens. We understand it within our community but it is our responsibility to help them understand why it's a problem for us. For example, explain why it is an issue when only the ruts are paved.

6. You may submit issues to me at my e-mail: **michele.a.oleary@odot.state.or.us** especially for state highways. I will likely send the request to our *ODOT* region coordinators. It will speed up a response if you know which region your issue is in.

7. I attempt to work reported issues internally first for a resolution. The results are shared with the *GACMS*. Sometimes I need *Team Oregon's* expertise for a consultation. Issues may be

related to a person's skill level, so many times they step in and help out with this area.

Remember, your request for resolution will not happen quickly. It will involve using resources to investigate whether it needs a resolution.

I assure you I will keep you informed on the status of reports so full contact information is helpful.

Now how many of you have almost gone down because of "snakes" (oil put down on cracks in the roadway) like I almost did the morning of the *Albany Veterans Day Parade* south of Albany?

Check on your local city council or county road advisory meeting times and dates and attend.

-- Bob Wiro

Hub City

meeting time and place

3rd Thursday at 7 p.m.
Ciddici's Pizza
133 SE Fifth avenue
— Albany

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Lincoln County

Lincoln County welcomed December in with snow. We had four inches in Newport, which is not a record for snowfall. It was a surprise and was lovely but sure made it cold on the coast.

We will be having a poker run in April, so keep an eye out for more information.

We have gained a few new members, but when we chartered we had more members than we have now. We are happy to welcome new people but are wondering what we will do to keep them active.

We are still meeting only

on the third Tuesday of each month. It makes it tough to try and plan things since we get our report from our state representative the following month. We will work this out, I am sure.

Bob and I took the bikes out and rode to Waldport for lunch on new years day. It was cool but we enjoyed the time out and I got to have lunch and not cook. January will be a busy month for us as I have oral surgery and also a chemo treatment.

John and Angie are doing better. They came out for dinner at the *Legion* post. It

was good seeing them in a social setting.

I keep hoping that I will be able to make it to a state board meeting to see everyone, but our schedule for the next couple of months looks pretty busy.

We hope that everyone had a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Ride safe and keep the rubber side down,

-- Millie
secretary
Lincoln County ABATE

Lincoln County

meeting time and place
3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.
American Legion Hall,
post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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Lower Columbia

Hello from *Lower Columbia*

The holidays are over and I for one am charged about that. We are looking at a new year now with some new officers in place. I am looking for a productive year and I think our new officers will be very productive.

We have our annual crab dinner just ahead of us on the 22nd of February. Just after that we will be getting

our spring run in order and then comes the 4th of July and our community heritage days celebration which we take part in with various fund raisers. (We are looking at maybe raffling off another gun safe this year. That always generates some funds.)

That's all I've got for now,

Dave

Lower Columbia **meeting time and place**

1st Sundays at 7 p.m.
Colvin's Pub & Grill
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon
(near where highway 47 joins
30)

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North Coast

Hello and happy new year from the *North Coast*!

We have all of our new officers in place and for the next few weeks we will be busy lining up our activities for the new year.

Along with our yearly activities, our goal this year is

to make *North Coast ABATE* a chapter that welcomes all riders, young and old, cruisers, sport, dirt, and all others not mentioned. The health of any organization is fresh blood and new ideas.

We are going to work hard for that goal.

Most of us up here at the *North Coast* have our bikes put away for the winter. But if you are tempted to go for a ride when the sun does make

an appearance, watch those shady spots. Elk and deer are very active this time of year, another hazard.

Three years ago our chapter was on the ropes. No

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North Coast (continued from previous page)

leadership and dwindling membership. *North Coast ABATE* was almost a goner. I want our new officers to think about this: One man stood up and met the challenge to turn our chapter around and

made it what it is today. I want to thank Al Jaques and his dedicated group of officers for a job well done.

Thank you,

Don Kelly

North Coast

meeting time and place

3rd Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon
Children are welcome

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River City

December 17, 2013

Irregular meeting.
We partied!

January 7, 2014

Our first meeting of the year found us catching up on things. We reelected all of last year's officers and added Debra Lutje as assistant ways

and means officer.

Our candy sale was a great success. We have again increased our treasury even after all the bills have been paid! More thanks to all who helped.

Six people participated in the new year's day ride, two from Goldendale.

We have a new member, Shaggy Slenning. Welcome.

The 50/50 game was won by Lorraine at \$5/4. She donated her \$5 back to the chapter. Thanks, Lorraine.

Joe raised the subject of the upcoming *Friends of the NRA* event which we have participated in before. We {Joe} will put together a helmet full of goodies to give away as a prize from us.

River City

meeting time and place

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 p.m.
Shiloh Inn
The Dalles

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Salem

Opened the meeting with flag salute

Previous minutes passed.

Got right down to discussing *Memorial Day Fossil Campout*. So far we have a good beginning for the poster to be sent and handed out everywhere, plus the logo/patch/t-shirt/hoodie thing.

We also have *Hub City Chapter* volunteering to run the games. And we have the poker runs and bike shows under control

We have the okay from the city and county for an ATV/scramble race. We are just looking for someone to sponsor that and provide the insurance. This should bring in more of a variety of people.

We also have an espresso

site, covered, with tables and chairs, all for *ABATE*.

We have two great bands lined up and are just nailing down the sound equipment contract.

This year, as no one can promise anything about what kind of weather there will be, anyone wanting to haul their bike(s) in on a trailer with a pickup/camper or van, can pay the tent site price, and park there with the trailers parked and secured outside the camping zone.

The best sites are reserved for the tents. The RV sites are the same.

E-mails, phone calls, and letters are starting to go out to vendors.

As a chapter, we talked

about which of us are willing to provide lodging for those who have to come from afar for the May 3rd rally at the capital for Friday and Saturday nights. It was then proposed that this being a *BikePAC* event, it would be best to have Paula handle the making of a list for publication for our news letter so members can be aware of it being available.

Not much more happened, except we learned that the *Legion Riders* are planning to do the same thing, and thus having more bikes attending too.

We are all looking forward to warmer weather!

Lynn DeSpain
coordinator
Salem Chapter

Salem

meeting time and place

1st Monday at 7 p.m.
Almost Home Restaurant
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Salem

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Southeast Portland

It's the beginning of the year. Hope everyone had a great holiday season.

Being with family during this time of year reminds us of what we have. On to the new year.

New officers have taken over for the old ones.

I would like to welcome all of the new officers. Thank you for stepping up.

I would also like to thank all of the outgoing officers and the officers who stayed in their previous positions.

Our chapter filled most of the positions, although we are still in need of a recording secretary and an education director. If you are a *Southeast Portland Chapter* member, please consider stepping up for one of these positions.

The membership of our chapter has slowly been declining. Our meetings since *Run 21* have barely been 20 to

30 people in attendance. We seem to have an abundance of people show up at meetings two to three months before *Run 21* so they can become event staff and get into the run for free.

We need help more than for just *Run 21*. We need it all year long.

We all need to get out and promote *ABATE* or there will be no *ABATE* meetings to go to. So get out and get involved with your chapter and bring people in.

There will also be other changes this year for our chapter.

Run 21 – Due to the issues we had at Birkenfeld, we had to relocate to another venue. The attendance was way down. **We will not be having Run 21 in 2014.** We will be having other fund raisers. Keep an eye out for what they will be.

Our annual *Anniversary Party and Canned Food Drive* will be coming up on March 15th. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy some good music from *Steve Lockwood and Haymaker*. You are all also invited to ride down with us to deliver the food to the homeless shelter in the morning of that day. Check the *Southeast Portland* web site for more details.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the *May [MOTORCYCLE!] Awareness Rally* on May 3rd. The more motorcycles that show up at the capital the better. This is a very important part of our motorcycle legislation. So don't forget to mark that date on your calendar.

Everyone ride safe out there,

Vicki L O'Donnell

Southeast Portland meeting time and place

1st and 3rd Sundays at noon
M&M Restaurant & Lounge
137 N. Main
Gresham

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<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

Washington County

Happy new year everyone!

Hopefully everyone had a fun, safe, and happy holiday season and maybe even got some new riding items as gifts.

WaCo's last meeting on December 9, 2013 saw us electing (and reelecting) officers for 2014. We still

have several open positions, so if any members would be willing to step in to fill them, things would all go much smoother.

Our first meeting of the year is on January 13th, so we will kick off the year then.

Ride and drive safely, all,

Denise Darneille
chapter secretary
WaCo

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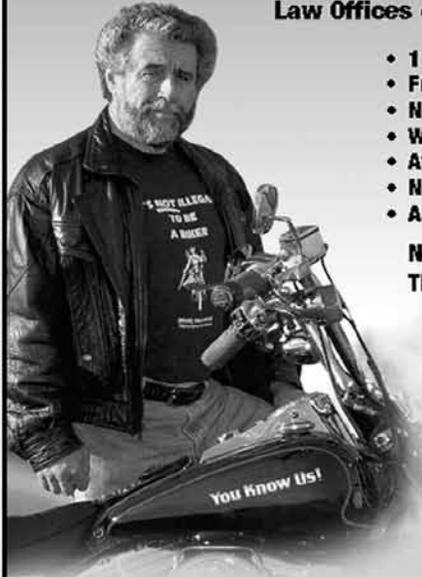
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NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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11 a.m. = Budget, membership meeting
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2014 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

(**boldface** indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events)

PR = Poker Run
BN = Biker Night

date:	event / chapter or sponsor:	location:	contact number:
22 Feb 2014	Crab Dinner / LoCo	Claskanie	(503)-308-2061
23 Feb 2014	Chilly Buns Ride	Stayton	
19Apr 2014	Biker Night / Hub City		
27 Apr 2014	Spring Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE		
03 May 2014	Motorcycle Awareness Rally/ABATE	Salem	
03 May 2014	Motorcycle Awareness Rally	Grants Pass	
08-11 May 2014	29th Convention / NCOM	Dallas, Texas	
May 2014	Fossil Campout / ABATE	Fossil	
	Fall Swap Meet / ABATE		
Jun 2014	Poker Run / Salem		
Jun 2014	Father's Day Run / Douglas Co.		
July 2014	Poker Run / Salem		
July 2014	Thundering Waters Run / Douglas Co.		
Aug 2014	Run To The Coast / JoCo		

Police Stop Form (Help us track why motorcyclists get pulled over - prevent profiling and harassment)

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for chief of staff. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 5603 SW Hood avenue; Portland, OR 97239 ATTN: chief of staff

The form can be filled out on-line at: <http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

NAME: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____
OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: _____

IF THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL CHARGES (not infractions), SPECIFY: _____

You should IMMEDIATELY obtain LEGAL ADVICE if you were charged with a crime.

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? (YES) (NO)

If no explain: _____

Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? (YES) (NO) If no explain: _____

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? (YES) (NO) If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN _____ VERBAL _____ BOTH _____
If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

Have you gone to court? NO: When is court Date? YES : How did you plead? _____ If you pled guilty what was the fine? \$ _____

If you pled NOT GUILTY, have you gone to trial? (YES) (NO) If no when is your court date? _____

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

FINE : \$ _____ ASSESSMENT: STATE \$ _____ COUNTY \$ _____ CITY \$ _____

WORK TIME LOSS HRS: _____ LOST WAGES: \$ _____

Briefly describe the evidence you presented at your trial (or include a copy) _____

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO Label permanently fastened inside? (YES) (NO)

Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe: _____

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