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December 2015

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- Troy Davis family
- Concho Clink

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Happy holidays
from
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

Thunder and Bows

It began as a feeling,
Disturbing the air,
Something they sensed,
But weren't quite aware.

Soon a low throbbing,
Was heard by a few,
From a rumble to a roar,
The sound grew and grew.

It surrounded their building,
Tightening like a belt,
Not only could it be heard,
Now it could be felt.

Then just when it seemed,
It couldn't get any louder,
The thunder stopped suddenly,
And talkers became shouters.

After a long pause,
Came a tramping of ground,
Then on their door,
A fist began to pound.

The portal was cracked opened,
With whispers and wiggling,
There stood a dark hoard,
Black-clad and giggling.

Each held a package,
A sack, or a bag,
Some so heavy,
They started to sag.

The two groups stood staring,
Not sure what to do,
When a figure in scarlet,
Pushed her way through.

"I'll be yer Santa,
The name is Deep Red."
Then they went on in,
After what she had said.

Some had antlers,
Others pointy ears,
Reindeer and elves,
Spreading holiday cheer.

They tramped through the room,
Placing gifts under a tree,
Along with food and treats,
Wrapped pretty as could be.

Then they withdrew,
And mounted their steeds,
To spread further joy,
To people in need.

A child heard one of them exclaim,
As they roared off into the night,
"Kickin' it's makin' me lame,
I need a new starter, right?"

-- Rot Path
2015



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Welcome to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

What We're About

A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit organization

In Oregon, *A.B.A.T.E.* stands for *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*, which isn't nearly as subversive as it sounds. It means that we act as legislative watchdogs to help ensure that any legislation affecting motorcyclists is fair and that elected officials are fully informed regarding motorcycle issues.

- *A.B.A.T.E.* is a not-for-profit motorcycle organization devoted to raising member and public awareness about motorcycle issues and safety through education and community involvement. We also raise money for organizations that represent motorcyclist's concerns such as *BikePAC*.

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to *A.B.A.T.E.* Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

So scan through our newspaper. If you like what you read, check out the chapter meeting listing on the back cover. Drop in on a meeting and see what we're about. You just might find a new family in *A.B.A.T.E.* And as Melinda says: "Bikers give great hugs."

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

A Brief History of A.B.A.T.E.

by Bill Bish (*A.B.A.T.E. of California* ; executive coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*)

"You have to know where you've been to know where you're going!"

Easyriders magazine editor Lou Kimzey issued a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions from the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* by joining a new national biker's rights organization called the *National Custom Cycle Association*. But because of a conflict with the acronym, the name was changed in February 1972 to *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments (A.B.A.T.E.)*

Easyriders began granting state charters around 1974, and Keith Ball was the original national coordinator. The biggest threat was that the U.S. *D.O.T. (Department of Transportation)* was investigating ways to restrict modified or customized "choppers" which they deemed unsafe, especially extended forks.

As the rights movement grew, Don Pittsley, a member of the *Huns Motorcycle Club* in Connecticut convinced his congressman, representative Stewart McKinney, to introduce HR-3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet requirements.

In July of 1975, Rob Razor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California, and Ed Armstrong

from *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the *D.O.T.* because governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet requirement mandate, Roloff helped convince California senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the *1975 Federal Highway Act*, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the impending lawsuit, and was signed by president Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976.

Not bad for a rag tag bunch of bikers with little or no previous political ambitions.

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years.

First to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through

congress.

So, there you have it.

The roots of *A.B.A.T.E.* and biker's rights run deep in the hearts of those of us who have accepted and, in turn, passed on the torch of freedom of the road.

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Promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

BikePAC of Oregon

A non-profit political action committee formed to advocate for the rights and interests of Oregon's motorcyclists.

BikePAC works within the political process.

Association for Motorcyclists

of Oregon (A.M.O.)

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe,

responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

Oregon Motorcycle Riders Association, Inc. (O.M.R.A.)

Member-run sanctioning body for off-road motorcycle events for the state of Oregon.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)

national/international Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities

(based on information supplied by Brian Stovall—River City Chapter)

regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

Premier defender of motorcyclists' rights in the United States. Ferrets out bad laws and anti-motorcycling discrimination at the local, state, federal, and corporate level.

National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)

Produces conferences, information pieces, and a web site. Has also sponsored the *Confederation of Clubs*, a legal rights organization.

A = Single entity.

BROTHERHOOD = The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association

A GAINST = In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.

TOTALITARIAN = Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.

ENACTMENTS = To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.

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officers at work

State Coordinator

Greetings to you *all*!

It's December, and things are back to normal for Oregon. (Weather-wise.) Cold mornings and lot's of stuff coming from the sky.

I hope you all have had a chance to recover from Thanksgiving and are ready to breeze into the Christmas holidays. There will be plenty of opportunities for you to support your local *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter. Whether you volunteer to help with a food drive, or a toy run, *please* help those less fortunate than yourself.

I would like to give a huge *thank you* to everyone who came and helped at the state swap meet November 7th. We didn't get the public participation that we would have liked, but the vendors seem to do okay. And we made a little money.

So all-in-all, it was a success.

By now you should all be holding election of chapter officers. I hope that some of you newer members decided to step in and help. Even if you have been around for a long time and have never held an office, then I ask, "Why not?"

I invite you all to our December 12th state board meeting. These meetings are open to all members, so I encourage you to come to meet the people who make the state work.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and I look forward to seeing you at a meeting.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering
state coordinator



**Paul
Hering**

state
coordinator
A.B.A.T.E.
of Oregon

P.S. Thank you to these people for helping at the state swap meet:

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Rick and Shelly Prentice, Veta Holscher, Dave Meeker, Ted Tracey, Todd and Kathy Salhberg, Karen and Lance Tolle, Steve Bishop, Teresa Hepker, Brian Stovall, Bill Michaels, Randy Phipps, Darrel Stafford, Pat Allen.

If I missed your name, I am sorry. I really do appreciate everyone's help.

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

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

The weather has defiantly gotten colder and the bike is seeing less miles. It will still probably get a couple quick afternoon rides before spring, but those will be few and far between.

Now is the time to prepare it for the winter.

Time to double check all the fluids, make sure it has a full tank of gas, start it up then turn the petcock off to empty the bowl of the carburetor, and plug in the battery tender Taking these few steps helps ensure the bike will be ready to go when spring comes.

Please come to the December chapter meeting for our elections.

We still need a coordinator and a state board representative. Without these two positions, we will not be able to continue as a chapter. Please step up and help out this great organization.

Take care and have a safe and happy holiday season. Try not to let the P.M.S. (Parked Motorcycle Syndrome) get you down.

Hope to see you on the road
(when it is a little warmer),

-- Bob Terrill
coordinator



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING **TIME and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)
Izzy's Pizza
810 SW 11th street
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Douglas County**

Hooray!

We had a good turnout for the November *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter* meeting.

Tonia stepped up and took on the responsibility for identifying a couple folks for our open officer positions. Thanks for your commitment, Tonia.

The November 19 meeting was a “you-want-to-be-there” meeting.

We identified tentative locations and dates for our summer bike nights and made plans for our *Whistlers Bend Poker Run*.

We will get our sanctioning letters and payments to state as soon as possible. In fact, Kathy was there, so

we got our sanctioning payments to state.

-- Bill Sebers
secretary
Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.



Douglas County MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
The Loft (Del Rey Cafe)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Jackson County**

Good month to everyone,

Jackson County Chapter had an awesome time with their poker run. We had twenty-four riders and a great turnout from the community.

We were able to give \$450 to each cancer center, *Providence* and *Asante*.

Thank you for all for your support.

We have a lot going for next year and we will be doing the run again, so plan on some time in southern Oregon and share in the fun.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Swap Meet

This was a good year for the swap meet.

We raised about \$1,300 for *A.B.A.T.E.* As soon as we get a hard date for the spring swap meet, the flyers will be going out and the ads will start going out as well.

Keep your eye open and we look forward to seeing you at the meet and to you finding what you need and want for your summer of riding.



Jackson County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Friday at 1800 (6 pm)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Hub City*

Brrr, it is getting cold out there,

It is getting to be that time of the year when some people are winterizing their bikes and putting them away for the season. Then, there are the others who are breaking out their winter gear so they can get out and enjoy the sunny days. If you are going to be out there riding, make sure you are watching for the wet leaves and the slippery spots that suddenly come up on you.

In November, *Hub City* helped stage the motorcycles for the *Veteran's Day Parade* in Albany. (The biggest one on this side of the Mississippi.) It is always warms my heart to see so many bikers out there honoring our veterans at the beginning of the parade and feeling the rumble of the bikes coming down the road. It is one of the small ways we are able to say thank you to them.

I hope some of you were out there joining in on the events and maybe even got to go enjoy a ride afterwards.

December brings all the fun toy runs for the kids. *Hub City* did their part of participating in them.

It is always such a sight to see these big, bearded, leather-clad bikers bringing dolls, bikes, games, and other toys to the kids. It shows how much we care about what is happening in the community.

The community enjoys coming out onto their porches and seeing and hearing the rumble of the bikes coming down the road.

Oh, and the smiles on the kids' and their parents' faces when you come pulling up is unbelievable and something everyone should see.

Hopefully you have dusted off the bike



to get out there and help support the toy runs put on by *A.B.A.T.E.* and other organizations.

We have made lots of progress with the legislature issues this past year.

Let's keep moving forward and keep supporting and fighting for motorcycle rights.

I hope everyone steps up in one way or another to help their local chapters. Every little bit helps.

Take care and ride safe!

Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Ciddici's Pizza

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

Josephine County

Lance and I attended the *State Fall Swap Meet* in Hillsboro.

It was a small success.

The weather was bad and attendance was low, but spirits were high. Lots of camaraderie, bargaining, buying, selling.

Most everyone seemed to walk out with a treasure or two. And it sounds like most of the vendors will be back in the spring.

I would say that seven or eight of our chapters were represented. It would have been nice to see at least one person from every chapter.

Josephine County's November and December chapter meetings are always potlucks.

In November we have turkey and ham, provided by the chapter. And in December, it's usually roast beef and ham. Members and guests

provide the side dishes and desserts.

This past weekend we lost a longtime rider and longtime *A.B.A.T.E.* member. Larry Kilpatrick passed away.

As many of you might have known, Larry had been ill for quite some time. But he didn't want a lot of fuss, so he passed quietly at home with family at his side.

The family held a private service.

There was an open memorial on Sunday, November 22 starting at 10 a.m. at the *Jerome Prairie Community Center* on Redwood avenue across from Jerome Prairie school. This was an open house / potluck.

Larry was well known in the riding community and will be missed by all.

-- Karen



Jackie and Larry Kilpatrick.
R.I.P. Larry.

Josephine County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1830

(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange

1440 Parkdale Drive

Grants Pass

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Lincoln County*

I don't know how it goes in other chapters, but at the mention of election of officers, everybody at our meeting immediately froze in their chairs, afraid to move for fear of being voted into an office.

When it was moved and approved that we keep the same slate of officers as last year, you could immediately see everyone relax and move around to get their drink refreshed or go to the bathroom as needed.

Millie, our usual scribe, is down again with some serious health issues. Your good thoughts seemed to help last time so, please, keep them coming.

Now, I like to ride. I just put 3,300 miles in on a trip to Arizona and back.

But we have a couple of members who are in a whole different league.

Two years ago John and Angie had an altercation with a dump truck on the Siletz highway. Between them they

have had to have thirty operations on their legs with John hogging two-thirds of them.

Up until only recently, he would come clomping into the meetings on his crutches with more wires and springs coming out of his ankle than my ex-wife's electrical friend.

Not long after getting out of the hospital, they purchased a *Road King* to replace their totaled old bike. To date, John's longest ride has only been about six miles as he tries to rebuild his strength and confidence in his leg. (There has been some mention of going the trike route.) But, call it strength, tenacity, or hawg-headed stubbornness, they are going to be back out there with us.

That's pretty cool!

Ride safe,

-- skid more



Lincoln County Chapter is holding up.

The weather sucks, but most of state of Oregon has the same blessing. We certainly needed it.

Seems like most of chapter has been involved with family things and cage traveling. Except Ted, who was cleverly riding last month.

We have a toy drop coming up on December 5th at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. At *American Legion* post 116. (Keep prices around ten dollars. There are

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Lincoln County **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)
American Legion Hall, post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *North Coast*

Look Back

As the year comes to a close and we look back on all the good things that have happened over the past year, let us truly give thanks. We live in an incredible place.

We have opportunities that some people can't even imagine.

So I want to just take this minute to say thank you. Thank you to everyone who help make my life as blessed as it is.

Even if you don't think you had anything to do with it. Even if you are just some one I met once in passing. You had an impact. You help make me who I am today.

Thank you!

Look Forward

Our last event of the season is the north coast holiday run with pastor Bob's famous chili.

Meet up at the relief pitcher, 2795 south Roosevelt Drive, in Seaside, at 10 a.m. December 5.

\$15 for the run and chili feed.

\$5 for the chili feed only.

Great times, rain or shine, and awesome chili and games for everyone.

-- Carl Earl
coordinator
North Coast Chapter



North Coast **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3rd Tuesday at 1730 (5:30 pm)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon
Children are welcome

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

Lower Columbia

Greetings from *LoCo*,

Our chaplain and I went to the state fall swap meet in Hillsboro and had a great time. We enjoyed each other's company and were able to visit with a number of folks we normally do not get to see.

Thank you to the people who make this happen and support the event.

Our next meeting will be in December and it will be our election time as well.

We always do a potluck and start an hour early to enjoy dinner.

So if you are in the area on the second week of December at 6 p.m., you are welcome to join us. *Colvin's*

Bar & Grill in Clatskanie, Oregon.

I wish everyone safe and happy holidays,

-- Phil

**Lower Columbia****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

Colvin's Pub & Grill

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Clatskanie, Oregon

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **River City**

October 20, 2015

This was a lively meeting.

There was a big discussion about the recent motorcycle wreck, filmed by a following motorcycle rider, in Texas. The man is being charged.

When there is clear video and a huge public outcry, there is accountability.

I guess we all better get *GoPro* cameras for our helmets.

Micki won the 50/50 game at \$20.

Pat Davis would have won the membership game for \$20 if he had been present. It will be \$25 next meeting. (I had the amount wrong in my last minutes and Lorraine corrected me. Thanks, Lorraine.)

Rick and Rebel both correctly identified the picture on the agenda as a 1926 *Harley-Davidson Peashooter*.

Our candy sale starts soon and we will be taking orders at the November state board meeting, then

delivering orders at the December board meeting.

We are also sending out sales sheets to all chapters.

November 3, 2015

Busy meeting getting ready for our candy sale.

We had a long discussion about police and government activity. (See separate article from *M.R.F.*)

Dean Oades would have won the membership game for \$25 if he had been present. It will be \$30 next meeting.

Larry won the 50/50 game at \$15/14, then donated his share back to the chapter.

Thanks, Larry.

**River City****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Shiloh Inn

The Dalles

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**Southeast Portland**

The *Southeast Portland Chapter* wishes everybody a very merry, tasty, and warmhearted holiday season.

Chapter officer elections are coming up in December. If you are interested in any officer position, please throw your name in the hat. There are a lot of vacancies and we need people to step up to fill those positions.

When riding, be careful out there as it has been breezy, wet, and slippery because of leaves that have fallen off the trees onto the roadway.

Watch out for oil on the road too.

Be sure to plan your trips well and make sure that your bike is up to par as far as maintenance goes.

Help us out! Everybody in *A.B.A.T.E.* is a public relations director. As soon

as you put that patch on, you are a representative of this organization. Present yourself correctly and let everyone know that *A.B.A.T.E.* is still around.

It's really sad that there isn't a public relation director at the state level. (And hasn't been for years because nobody wants to step up.)

Bill Cameron and Geoff White gave a M.A.P. (motorcycle awareness program) class at David Douglas high school on November 3rd. Geoff will be in contact with the instructors for future classes.



The 36th Annual *A.B.A.T.E. / Shriners' Toy Run* will be held on December 5. Everyone is welcome to join us for this very special event.

Festivities start at 9 a.m.

Bring a new toy and \$10 to buy a raffle ticket for a 2015 *Harley-Davidson Low Rider* or a \$500 *Visa* gift card.

There will be a 50/50 raffle too.

Visit the toy run web site for more information.

<http://www.abatese.net>

Southeast Portland
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Sundays at 1200 (noon)
M&M Restaurant & Lounge
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<http://www.abatese.net>

<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**Washington County**

Just a reminder to all chapter members that *Washington County Chapter* only holds **one** meeting in December. This year that will be on the second Monday of the month, 14 December.

At that meeting, we will accept final nominations for chapter officer positions, followed by the chapter officer elections. Please be sure to attend so that your vote can be counted.

By the time you are reading this, we will have had our *Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run* on November 21st. It will have been a great turnout with lots of toys, bikes, smiles, and fun.

Oh, and lots of zeros, too.

We will have presented a substantial sum to the Hillsboro fire department's *Toy and Joy Program*.

We want to thank the Hillsboro *Elks* for supporting us in this event. (And therefore supporting *Toy and Joy* as well.)

But of course you all already knew all of this because you were there, right?

Right?!

Right!

Santa was there and he took attendance, so . . .

(I hope for your sake, you were there.)

With no further events this year, we are looking to 2016.

I want to challenge every single member to a couple of tasks.

In 2016 I want you to attend at least one meeting for a different chapter than your own.

Attend at least one state board



meeting.

And finally, attend at least one event sponsored by a chapter other than your own.

If you can do all three of those in 2016, *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* will have a much brighter present and future.

Lastly, I want to repost this snippet from my report last month:

If you have an interest in maintaining *A.B.A.T.E.* and, better yet, improving it, step up. Ask an existing or former

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Washington County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930
(7:30 p.m.)

Prime Time Restaurant
4450 Pacific avenue
Forest Grove

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Our Officers at Work

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

~~14 November 2015~~ (*Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon)



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*state
recording
secretary*

**November
state board
meeting
was cancelled**

[Nothing to see here.
Move along, please.]



State Swap Meet

07 November 2015
Hillsboro Elks



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. . . yet again

Futures Past

looking back in order to move forward

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The closing of a year often finds folks looking both backwards and forward.

The year began with *A.B.A.T.E.*'s activities entering their fourth decade of effort.

Looking back at what was happening in *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.*, January found us looking forward to a full state legislative session. Several motorcycle bills were proposed by *BikePAC*, the lobbying organization for Oregon motorcyclists. By the time the session ended, we had a "dead red" bill passed and a lane filtering bill that was narrowly defeated by last-minute opposition in the house. Other bills of interest to Oregon riders didn't make it out of committees.

After a mild winter for most of the state, we endured an unusually hot, extended summer and drought that only began to abate with November rains. It made for a longer-than-normal riding season, marred only by

abundant wildfires.

As the year wound down, high profile terrorist attacks in Paris claimed innocent lives, leading to temporary suspension of civil rights as police rooted out terrorist cells. What effect it has on motorcycle groups will emerge over time. Often heightened security is used as an excuse to go after groups that politicians or police fear, don't understand, or don't like.

Individually and collectively we've learned a lot. The trick will be remembering it long enough to apply next year.

Though the 2016 Oregon legislative session will be a short one focussed on budget concerns, we must remain vigilant for sneaky amendments attached to bills that could seriously impact Oregon riders.

2016 will be a major election year at local, state, and national levels. That will make it prime time to access potential candidates to voice our

concerns.

It's also the best time to gain the solid support of office-seekers who support motorcyclists by volunteering to work on their campaigns. Elected officials don't forget who helped them gain office.

By heck, working on the campaigns of those who have traditionally opposed us might change their minds. Worth a try.

*now fully
into winter,
we begin our climb
back towards
summer*



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

Our colonial attempts to seek independence from England would have failed if not for the aid received from France.

After years of sniping at the French and making fun of them, suddenly after the Paris terrorist attacks of 13 November, some people in the U.S. are waking up to how closely intertwined our two nations have been historically.

Yer crusty ol' editor finds the sudden urge of such folk to help the French people to be welcomed, though slightly hypocritical, change for the better.

Freedom of speech includes the right to ignore whining or hypocritical speech.

Sign twirling, flashing, and other efforts to catch the eye of drivers or riders is not freedom speech. It is an external driving distraction deliberately attempting to pull motor vehicle operators' attention from watching the road.

That makes such antics a safety matter.

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HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)

Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skullduggery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like on page 18)



36th Annual ABATE Toy Run

Presented by the SE Chapter of ABATE of Oregon, Inc.
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Saturday Dec. 5, 2015

Gather at the Fred Meyer Corporate Parking Lot
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Saturday

December 5th, 2015

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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for

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and a short ride at 1:30 p.m., weather permitting.

Information: Bob & Millie at (541)-265-7586
kawasakibob@yahoo.com

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Lincoln County

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toys that inexpensive. Well, you get the idea.)

We will have a 50/50 drawing and, weather permitting, a short ride around 1:30 p.m. The *Legion* has a breakfast and lunch menu and beverages for kids and adults.

The bad news is Millie has had a stroke. She is down for a bit. Please say a prayer for her.

She usually writes this for us.

So you get chopped liver-*a-la*-keyboard.

Go figure.

-- Jack

state board representative
Lincoln County Chapter

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Motorcycle Awareness



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Central Oregon	2nd Sunday – 2 p.m.	Izzy's Pizza	Redmond
Douglas County	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	The Loft (Del Rey Cafe)	Winchester
Hub City	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	Ciddici's Pizza	Albany
Jackson County	3rd Tuesday – 6 p.m.	Witham's Restaurant	Medford
Josephine County	3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.	Fruitdale grange	Grant's Pass
Lincoln County	3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	American Legion	Newport
Lower Columbia	2nd Sunday – 7 p.m.	Colvin's Pub	Clatskanie
North Coast	3rd Tuesday – 5:30 p.m.	Moose lodge	Astoria
River City	1st and 3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	Shiloh Inn	The Dalles

Southeast Portland	3rd Sunday – noon	M&M Restaurant	Gresham
Washington County	2nd and 4th Monday – 7:30 p.m.	Pine Time	Forrest Grove

Washington County

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officer for more information
about their role and how you
can help.

There are, unfortunately,
always unfilled positions of late
– both at the state and chapter
levels.

Whether you can help with
designing flyers, balancing
books, taking notes, or
organizing events, *we need*
you.

A.B.A.T.E. needs you.

Ride safe,
Ride smart,
Ride,

-- Goat

secretary
Washington County Chapter

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Push for Helmets

October 20, 2015



Right now, the push for motorcycle helmet statutes is stronger than ever. It's bigger than a handful of the usual government agencies pushing for mandatory helmet requirements (it is that, of course), but there is another factor at work as well: child safety.

It's a very natural thing, the desire to protect children.

Many skate parks, BMX parks, horse rides, go-carting, etc. all now require helmets for youngsters, and we are okay with that. So long as that attitude continues, the likelihood of keeping states helmet regulation-free gets slimmer.

Agencies and departments all over the country are pushing for helmet requirements and it's getting nasty.

Recently at the state motorcycle administrators annual conference, the vice-president of government relations for the *Governors Highway Safety Association*, Erik Strickland, touted the benefits of a

transportation plan that would have given back to the federal department of transportation the ability to lobby state legislatures about implementing helmet regulations.

Then in the next breath he referred to the language in the transportation bill currently working its way through congress. Specifically, he called the language to stiffen the lobby ban so that it would apply to the whole of the federal government, state governments, and local governments, "A real pain in the ass."

That bill also contains language that would commission a study to determine the best practices to avoid motorcycle crashes in the first place, thus saving lives instantly. Is that also a "real pain in the ass," Erik Strickland?

That, folks, is your governor's direct pipeline for ideas for state regulation.

In a recent publication by the *Insurance Institute for Highway Safety*, they had a two-page article about the

actions the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* has taken to enforce helmet regulations by police officers. The proposed rule by the safety agency would effectively give enforcement the ability to pull over and, after a visual inspection, ticket any motorcyclist wearing a helmet that the officer felt did not meet the new appropriate standards.

Should this rule become final (and that is almost a certainty at this point), any helmet that to a traffic cop appears to be less than one inch in thickness gives that cop the authority to pull you over for further inspection.

Of course the *Insurance Institute* publication just echoed the same un-truths that all of the other safety groups march out. It is interesting and troubling that the agencies that are charged with making things safer (most of whom do not ride motorcycles) don't care to listen to the

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M.R.F. -- Who We Are

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, incorporated in 1987, is a membership based national motorcyclists' rights organization headquartered in Washington D.C. The *M.R.F.* is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycling safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. We publish a bi-monthly newsletter, *The M.R.F. Reports*.

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Motorcycle Riders Foundation

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very people they are trying to protect.

Bureaucracy at its best. [Worst. -- c.o.e.]

Then to make things stranger, in the *Wall Street Journal* [in November] was an article about groups of bicyclists who are opposing mandatory bicycle helmet requirements.

They say mandatory helmet regulations, particularly for adults, make cycling less convenient and seem less safe, thus hindering the larger public-health gains of more people riding bikes. They think that more bicycles on the street will result in a greater degree of visibility in numbers and therefore reduce injuries and fatalities.

Bicycling advocates are quick to say they're not anti-helmet. Instead, they're opposed to helmet requirements and their unintended consequences. (Sound familiar? Helmet regulations make strange bedfellows.)

But all is not lost.

We need to stay engaged and active.

We, the guardians of motorcycling, must do what those before us (and those before them) have done.

A fight is brewing and we need to be ready.

The forward force to pass mandatory helmet requirements is swelling. We need to push back with a tidal wave.

To start that wave, you should e-mail your new best friend, Erik "pain-in-the-ass" Strickland, vice-president of federal relations for the *Governors' Highway Safety Association*.

You can reach him at:

estrickland@ghsa.org

Or give him a ring at his direct line:

(202)-789-0942, ext 180

Tell him the *M.R.F.* sent you!



House Adopts Highway Bill Motorcyclists Amendments

The U.S. house of representatives adopted amendments to the federal highway bill on Thursday that includes good news for on and off-highway motorcyclists.

The *Surface Transportation Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2015* approved 05 November by a vote of 363 to 64 provides \$325 billion over six years.

"We sifted through more than 100 amendments to this bill, identified those favorable to A.M.A. members, and threw our support behind them," said Wayne Allard, A.M.A. vice president for government relations. *"At the same time, we staunchly opposed proposed amendments, such as those that would have eliminated the Recreational Trails Program."*

Amendments and other provisions passed by the *house* and supported by the *A.M.A.* include:

- Continued funding for the *Recreational Trails Program* which provides funding to states for maintaining, improving, and expanding off-highway recreational opportunities;
- A prohibition against using federal funds for motorcycle-only checkpoints;
- Reestablishing a motorcycle advisory council to coordinate with

and counsel the U.S. department of transportation administrator on infrastructure concerns of particular interest to motorcyclists.

- Authorization for a study to be performed by the *National Academies of Science* on ways to prevent crashes.

- Funding of highway safety grants that include programs to reduce distracted driving, including language that make it easier for states to successfully qualify for and receive the money.

"We also are pleased that the house decided not to expand the number of states eligible to impose new tolls on our highways under the Interstate System Reconstruction & Rehabilitation Pilot Program," Allard said.

The *A.M.A.* also supported a provision that would have banned the U.S. department of transportation from lobbying local, state, or federal governments about policy issues. The house rules committee removed that amendment from consideration. However, the *A.M.A.* hopes to get the language restored as the bill moves forward.

The highway bill now goes to conference committee, where differences between the senate and house versions will be worked out.



N.C.O.M. COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



Motorcycle Industry Pursues Intelligent Bikes

The motorcycle industry recently took a major step toward the “connected bike” when three major O.E.M.s (original equipment manufacturers) announced the launch of a connected motorcycle consortium (C.M.C.), with *Yamaha*, *B.M.W.*, and *Honda* entering into a joint agreement to accelerate the development of intelligent bikes, whose technology development and inclusion in the greater mobility picture has lagged behind the connected-car movement.

Industry officials made the joint announcement at the 2015 I.T.S. world congress in Bordeaux, France.

The newly formed organization follows the 2014 signing of a far reaching memorandum of understanding (MoU) by all members of the *European Association of Motorcycle Manufacturers (A.C.E.M.)* stating that connected motorcycles will be available for sale within the next five years incorporating smart safety devices that speak with each other across brands and products.

The C.M.C. will focus on sharing information and technology to get *Cooperative-Intelligent Transportation Systems (C-I.T.S.)* applications onto powered two-wheelers by 2020. The three manufacturers are encouraging other motorcycle O.E.M.s to join the consortium in an effort to standardize C-I.T.S. protocols across the motorcycle industry.

“*In order to speed up more motorcycle-specific safety developments, we intend to cooperate to promote a successful implementation of C-I.T.S. in motorcycles and scooters,*” said *Honda’s* Tetsuo Suzuki. “*The next logical step*

is to enter into a cooperation dedicated solely to the challenges relating to powered two-wheelers,” added Takaaki Kimura, of *Yamaha*.

“*Our aim is to promote a timely and comprehensive use of cooperative I.T.S. systems in powered-two wheelers offering the potential to improve safety. We therefore encourage other companies to join us,*” said professor Dr. Karl Viktor Schaller, of *B.M.W. Motorrad*.

I.T.S. technologies offer the potential to further increase safety, security, and efficiency in all transport systems, in particular for motorcycles.

Future systems development will further integrate V-2-V (vehicle-to-vehicle) features, in particular interoperable networked wireless communication between vehicles to enable road users to make coordinated and informed decisions about their route as well as allowing safer maneuvering in busy urban environments.

Justice Department Combats “Anti-Government Views”

“*Americans motivated by anti-government views and racist ideologies*” will be the focus of a new department of justice position to coordinate investigations into violent homegrown extremism.

Assistant attorney general John Carlin, head of the department’s national security division, told a *George Washington University* audience on October 14, 2015 that while the international terror threat occupies the public attention, federal officials remain just as concerned about the

prospect of violence from Americans motivated by anti-government views and racist ideologies.

“*We need to make sure we have the mechanisms in place so that we can continue to remain just as focused on the domestic terrorism threat while addressing the international terrorism threat,*” Carlin said in a question-and-answer session following a speech at the university.

The new *Domestic Terrorism Council* will work with U.S. attorneys nationwide “*to identify trends that can be used to help shape a national strategy.*”

The new council should not be confused with another new department previously created by former attorney general Eric Holder, the department of justice’s domestic terrorism task force which also focuses on “*anti-government extremism.*”

Survey: Biker Profiling Is National Epidemic

The national motorcycle profiling survey that began October 1st is already beginning to show some strong early trends confirming that motorcyclist profiling is a prevalent and widespread problem, and is expected to yield some very interesting and telling statistics which can assist motorcyclists in recapturing our rights base across the country.

The questionnaire posted on *Survey Monkey* is intended to provide a clearer picture of motorcycle profiling from a national perspective through a thorough and comprehensive series of specific and detailed questions.

One very interesting statistic shows that 84.5% of the nearly 1,400 surveyed so far feel that being a biker has a negative impact on their civil rights, and report that riding a motorcycle places them under a higher level of scrutiny from both police enforcement and business owners.

Importantly, this is not just a club issue, as 41.5% of those surveyed were independent riders and wear no identifying logo or emblem. Still, some independents from groups like the *Legion Riders*, *A.B.A.T.E.*, and *V.F.W.* have reported being discriminated and profiled due to their patches and other attire.

“*The initial results are very informative and are starting to paint the picture we have been seeing in our community for a long time,*” said David “Double D” Devereaux of the motorcycle profiling project (<http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com>) “*But this time our legislative representatives, who aren’t familiar with the motorcycle community will be able to see it too.*”

The national motorcycle profiling survey, created by the *North Florida Confederation of Clubs* and sponsored by the *M.P.P.*, will provide invaluable insight into the issue of motorcycle profiling in America as we move towards an effort to pass a national motorcycle anti-profiling regulation.

Your input will provide an important piece of evidence in the overall pattern of profiling, and will assist those fighting at both the state and national level for your right to

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ride and your lifestyle, so please get involved and pass this survey along to every biker you know:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/?sm=nFhBGtZx2K9m3xbn3pkZtA%3d%3d>

Ethanol-Free Fuel

Looking for ethanol-free gas?

The web site *Pure Gas* (<http://www.pure-gas.org>) is a definitive listing of gas stations that sell pure, ethanol-free gasoline, and currently lists 10,159 locations in the U.S. and Canada.

“Many cars, motorcycles, boats, aircraft, and tools have engines that run worse, or have parts that deteriorate, when run on gasoline that contains ethanol. In addition, ethanol leaves residue on valves and other parts that can hinder performance,” claims the site.

The web site doesn't get into the political side of ethanol in gasoline, and the site does not sell advertising or seek sponsors.

You just click on your state or province to find out where in your city those you can fill up with pure gas without ethanol. Your search provides a list of 100 ethanol-free gas stations sorted nearest to furthest. The site also allows visitors to add new stations or remove existing ones.

You can save the *Pure Gas* web site U.R.L. address on your phone or tablet to use the listing while traveling.

Pure Gas apps are also available.

New York Right-Of-Way Regulation

There's been a nationwide push for stiffer penalties for drivers who commit moving violations that result in severe injuries or fatalities. Now a new regulation proposed in New York would call for felony charge for fatal

moving violations.

Currently in New York, if a driver commits a moving violation that kills a motorcyclist, the driver would only be given a traffic ticket. However, *A.B.A.T.E. of New York* is pushing for harsher penalties.

When fellow motorcyclist and retired New York state trooper, Kenny Watson, heard the story of an *A.B.A.T.E.* member nicknamed Creto who was hit and killed by a negligent driver who was issued a ticket for the misdeed, he sat down with lawyers to draft legislation that would create harsher penalties for drivers who take a life after committing a moving violation.

“Running a stop sign, running a red light, moving from lanes unsafely,” he told *News 10* in Albany, New York. *“They know what they're doing, so they should be held accountable for it.”*

The proposed right-of-way violation legislation is called *Creto/Kade's Law* and it would charge drivers with a class D felony if they commit a moving violation that kills a motorcyclist, bicyclist, or pedestrian. The charge carries the weight of up to seven years in prison, and would give families a bit of justice for the loss of a loved one.

“With a class D felony, it's going to haunt the person the rest of their life,” said Albany *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter president Andy “Animal” Liuzzi. *“Let that haunt them for the forty years they deprived someone of living.”*

Motorcyclists are hoping drivers will think twice about committing a moving violation and running the risk of taking an innocent life if the regulation passes.

California Freeway Signs Display Hit-and-Run Alerts

California's freeway message signs will soon warn drivers about more than just snarled traffic and severe droughts.

Thanks to a bill signed Monday, September 28 by governor Jerry Brown, they will next warn motorists to watch for suspected hit-and-run vehicles through a “yellow alert” system.

The measure, AB-8, was authored by assemblyman Mike Gatto (D-Glendale).

Such alerts will only be issued if a person has been killed or sustained a serious injury in a hit-and-run collision.

A description of the suspected vehicle involved along with its license plate will be shown on the signs for view by the motoring public.

Trade Agreement Lifts U.S. Duty On Japanese Motorcycles

The United States will remove a tariff levied on Japanese motorcycles with engine displacements of over 700 cc under the recently agreed trans-Pacific partnership (T.P.P.) trade pact, according to *Japan Times*.

The 2.4% duty will be eliminated five years after the multilateral trade deal takes effect.

The United States, Japan and ten other Pacific countries reached a broad agreement in early October to establish a free trade block covering forty per cent of the global economy.

For Japan, the new trade initiative will eliminate 99.9% of tariffs on industrial products within the T.P.P. zone. Japan has exported about 120,000 motorcycles with engines of 251 cc or higher annually to the U.S. market in recent years.

Honda Motor Company, the world's largest motorcycle maker by volume, and *Yamaha Motor Company*, compete with local rivals such as *Harley-Davidson Motor Company*, which mainly focuses on motorcycles with engine displacements of over 600 cc.

The U.S. government imposes no tariff on imported motorbikes with engines of 700 cc or lower.

Japanese motorcycle makers are trying to beef up sales in the United States and Asian markets to offset flagging demand in Japan, where sales dropped to about 410,000 units in 2014 from a peak of 3.28 million in 1982.

Following the broad agreement reached at ministerial talks on 05 October, the twelve member nations of the T.P.P. will need to finalize the text of the treaty for formal approval in their respective countries ahead of final ratification.

In addition to the U.S. and Japan, the ten other T.P.P. members are Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Vietnam.

French Traffic R.A.D.A.R. Detects Uninsureds

Authorities in France are now investigating a new way to make more money off of road users, as they want automated speed and red light R.A.D.A.R.s to cross-check a new insurance database.

Checking this new database will allow enforcement to see if your motorcycle or car has been properly insured. If not, they can fine you for riding without valid insurance, up to €3,750 (\$4,246 U.S.) and the forfeiture of your vehicle and driver's license.

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French authorities are now asking all of the insurance companies to look at feeding a common database that will contain all the vehicle insurance data allowing the police to find out your insurance situation automatically.

Weird News

Yamaha Bike-Riding Robot

As an extreme example of I.T.S. (intelligent transportation system) smart technology, among *Yamaha's* concepts set to appear at the *Tokyo Motor Show* is a motorcycle-riding robot, presumably to save motorcyclists from the drudgery of performing the task themselves.

Self-driving cars are understandable, but self-riding bikes are harder to get a handle on.

Yamaha says it will display “an autonomous motorcycle-riding humanoid robot that combines motorcycle and robotics technologies.”

There's no further official information, but the Japanese motorcycle-maker has also recently trademarked the name “*MotoBot*”.

Quotable Quote

“The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.”

-- Albert Einstein
(1879-1955)
physicist,
Nobel Prize

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State Board Meeting Site

former Oregon Electric station in Albany



Whether by intention or accident, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* seems to have state board meeting sites strongly associated with railroading. From a former train station in Springfield to the convergence of rail lines in Junction City to our present site at the former *Oregon Electric* station in Albany. (Perhaps it has something to do with early *American 4-4-0* steam engines being referred to as “iron hoses”, whereas we ride “metal ponies”.)

What is now *Ciddici's Pizza* on 5th avenue in Albany began life as an *Oregon Electric* passenger and freight station, as pictured above in a 1912 photo. (Notice a north-bound train being passed by a horse and wagon.) Trains ran between Portland and Eugene.

Telephone wire crossarms can be seen at the upper right while power poles parade down the left side of the street, with suspended cables providing power for the electric trains.

The tracks running right-to-left were part of an Albany trolley line that ran from what is now the present-day Amtrack station to downtown hotels.

Two sets of tracks ran along 5th avenue in front of the station. As can be seen in current photos, the tracks are still there, exposed by decaying blacktop.

-- Rot Path

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Dated this 9th day of May, 1997

/s/ JOHN JELDERKS
John Jelderks
United States Magistrate Judge

Submitted by
Spencer M. Neal
of Attorneys for Plaintiff

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December Cryptogram Answer

How much can come, how much can go?
When the December moon is bright,
What worlds of play we'll never know
Sleeping away the cold white night

-- May Sarton



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FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON, INC.
and LARRY SCHALK,
Plaintiffs,

vs.
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Defendants

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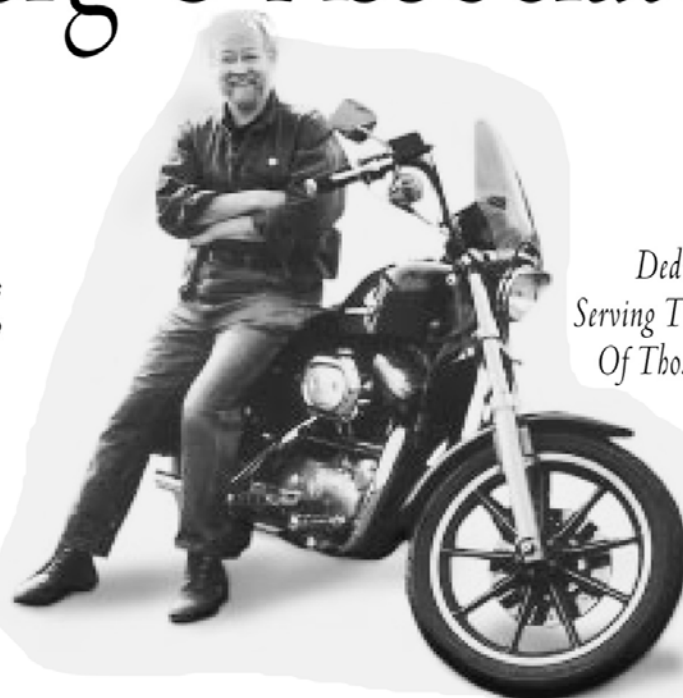
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North Coast area										
Kirt Hagart	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Rod Hatter	(541) 997-969	Florence	X			X	X		X	
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South Coast area										
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name:	phone number:	location:	P	T	G	P	I	M	G	L
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Salem area										
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Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X	
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X					X	X	X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X			X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X				X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X					X		X
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Judi Berglin	(541)-272-7505	Medford				X		X	X	X
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Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X			X	X	X	X	X
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other areas										
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Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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The form can be filled out on-line at: <http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

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

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

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: _____

You may request copies of all reports and materials, including video and audio tapes, within 72 hours of a traffic stop.

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. State Officers For Calendar Year 2015

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MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
SIGNATURE: _____

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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Application

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (____) - _____ - _____ E-mail: _____

Additional Members in Same Household:
Name: _____
Name: _____
Name: _____

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_____	Associate** <small>(Includes name printed in state newspaper.)</small>	\$100	\$190	\$280	\$450
_____	Sustaining*	\$100			

_____ Life* \$400
(Individuals only. Join second chapter for \$5 per year.)

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

Total members: _____

Date paid: _____



Chapter: _____

New member ?

Yes _____

No _____

Patch Received ?

Yes _____

No _____

Renewal ?

Yes _____

Membership # _____

Please send completed application to:

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Portland, OREGON
97208

Notes:

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Comments: _____

December 2015 (yule) A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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STATE BOARD MEETING Saturday, 12 Dec 2015

1200 (noon)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 SE Fifth avenue
Albany, Oregon

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A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:



2015 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:
05 Dec 2015	36th ABATE Toy Run / SE-PDX	Portland	(503)-775-2203
05 Dec 2015	Kids' Christmas Toy Drop / LinCo	Newport	(541)-265-7586
05 Dec 2015	Holiday Run / North Coast	Seaside	(503)-325-6932

>>> 2016 Events <<<

Spring State Swap Meet		
May Motorcycle Awareness Rally	Salem	
Fossil Campout	Fossil	
Planning Session		
Fall State Swap Meet		
Shriner Toy Run	Portland	
31 June 2074	Rover-to-Rover Run / Solar ABATE	Mars
		(XL5)-843-6666

A young elf came down from the north pole,
He'd had enough of being so cold,
He gathers kids' wishes,
For Santa and Misses,
Then motorcycles in sun while L.O.L.

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CHAPTER MEETINGS — A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

>> Location <<

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Izzy's Pizza; 810 SW 11th; Redmond	(541)-504-1678
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	The Loft (Del Rey Cafe); 5669 N.E. Stephens st.; Winchester	(541)-672-1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)-928-2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	(individual members agree on where and when they meet)			
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Friday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant; 2339 Biddle road; Medford	(541)-
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-659-8715 Spanky
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3rd Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)-265-9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	2nd Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)-728-4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)-298-5502
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sunday	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-723-6013 chapter
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684