

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

*Dedicated to Freedom
of the Road!*

*Let Those Who
Ride Decide!*

July 1989 NEWSLETTER - edited by Donna Adkins, N.E. Portland Chapter

Special recognition goes to Gary Thompson for the fantastic letterhead he has provided for the Newsletter. He has been a great help to both myself and Vicki. Thanks, Gary, for all you do. - Donna

COORDINATOR'S CORNER

"IM FROM THE GOVERNMENT, IM HERE TO HELP YOU" — There is a saying that "no man's life or property is safe when the legislature is in session." That is probably true, but it is only part of the story. The legislative bodies, who are directly responsible to the voters, only make part of our laws. A big part are made by un-elected people under so-called administrative rules. The citizens only protection from administrative rules are the courts and the legislature. If legislators do not face up to or ignore their moral responsibilities, thousands are in trouble when an over-zealous administrative agency disregards people. — Hugh McNamer

ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS: Reminding you that August 25th through September 4th is the State Fair in Salem. Volunteers are needed to work the booth to gather signatures in order to get the Mandatory Helmet Law on the ballot for the 1990 General Election. This is your chance to sit down and think how much you freedom means to you. If interested in helping other "Freedom Fighters", contact Rusty Taylor for time schedules - 255-9493. Also involved are AMO, ROB, Christ Disciples and BicPac of Oregon. Do not be an ostrich and bury your head in the sand. Keep your head high, your face in the wind and keep fighting for your freedom.

We **MUST** write our Senators and Representatives at Washington D.C. **NOW!!!** Ask them to stop Senate Bill 1007 in its tracks. We need to express our views on this invasion of our rights, our freedoms. Do we want to wear seat belts and helmets forever, wherever we ride? When does it stop? It stops when we stand up for our rights. You may address your letters to the following address:

Senator Bob Packwood - Oregon
259 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Mark Hatfield - Oregon
711 Hart Building
Washington, DC 20510

Representative -
Les Aucoin
R. F. Smith
Ron Wyden
Peter Defasio
Denny Smith
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ACCESS:

To contact legislators. The system works on the "call back" basis. Call 1-800-327-7389. Ask for the appropriate office. The person answering will take your name and number and return your call.

OK, what do you do now? Write letters to the Reps on the Committees pertaining to the appropriate bills. Be sure you call and check out which Committee the bill is in. They do move around. Certain Reps will be in your District that are also on the Committees. You need to contact the ones in your District.

Be sure to write to your Senators and Reps, also. They vote on the bill in the end. Ask for a reply to your letter.

The toll free Legislative Hotline number is 1-800-332-2313. Use this number to order copies of the bills and to find out the current status of a bill, committee assignments, votes taken, hearing schedules, etc. The following are the bills we need support in. We need phone calls made and letters written on these bills. Again, a copy of the outline

Brian Stovall provided us, showing the proper way to write a letter, is shown in the Newsletter. Address your letter to the Committee that is listed (depending on which bill) and to the Chairperson/Chairman, Vice-Chairperson/Vice-Chairman or Representative listed, to the following address:

State Capitol
Salem, OR 97310

HB 2121: This bill will go to be signed by the Governor.

HB 2515: "Requires only persons under 18 years of age to wear protective headgear while operating or riding on motor-cycles or mopeds."

Human Resources
Rick Kotulski, Chairman
M.A. Ford, Vice Chairman
Beverly Clarno
Sam Dominy
Norm Gershon
Eldon Johnson
Hedy Rijken
Bob Shiprack
Beverly Stein
Greg Waldon

HB 2801: "Authorizes exemption from motorcycle helmet requirement for persons with medical certificate."

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Eldon Johnson
Hedy Rijken
Bob Shiprack
Beverly Stein
Greg Waldon

HB 2802: "Eliminates Class 5 driver's license. Authorizes person with Class II motorcycle endorsement to operate moped."

House Transportation Committee
Jim Witty, Chairman
Chuck Norris, Vice Chairman
Tom Brian
Cedric Hayden
Randy Miller
Mike Nelson

THE BILLS WE ARE NOT IN SUPPORT OF ARE:

SB 724: "Imposes assessment on certain traffic violation funds. Establishes a specific injury fund. Specifies distribution and use of fund for services to people with disability. Requires commission for handicap to appoint State Task Force on head injury to study programs and present requirements to legislative assembly. Defines "Independent Living Program" and "Independent Living Service." Assessment will be as follows:

DUI - \$25 in addition to regular fine

RECKLESS DRIVING - \$5 in addition to regular fine

FAILURE TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY - \$5 in addition to regular fine

IMPROPER TURNING - \$5 in addition to regular fine

SPEEDING - \$2 per mile in excess of speed limit, in addition to regular fine

Senate Ways and Means on Human Resources

Bill Bradbury
Larry Hill
Frank Roberts

HB 2250: "Expands circumstances under which a police officer can stop a person."

Senate Judiciary Committee
Joyce Cohen, Chairperson
Jim Hill, Vice Chairman
John Brenneman
Peter Brockman
Ron Grensky
Bob Shoemaker
Dick Springer

The ballot title went to Supreme Court on June 6th for hearing but decision was not reached.

In closing, please write those letters. We need to work together, we can work together, and we WILL make it work. See you around the corner next month ...

Rotten Roger

Brian Stovall
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Portland, Oregon 97208

To the Editor;

We know from other organizations in other states as well as our own experiences here in Oregon that the personal letter is still the most powerful tool of influence we have at our disposal. Legislators take the time to read personal letters and take them as indications of more than one person's opinion.

Many people think that since they don't have a typewriter, or aren't used to writing letters, or they misspell some words that their letter is unimportant or will be disregarded by legislators. This is untrue! Legislators count votes and they feel certain that anyone who writes to them is going to vote, whether their spelling or penmanship is perfect or not.

The next problem in writing to a legislator is how to go about making your point clearly and quickly. This article is intended to be of help to you in doing just that. What follows is, first, an outline for a letter, and second, a sample letter. If you use the sample, try some word changes that fit your usual talk (and keep it clean), or change the order of some of the parts. This is so legislators won't think they are seeing the same letter over and over again. If they think this they will discount the letter's value and we will be defeating our purpose.

OUTLINE

- I Return address
- II Greeting with the person's title (Governor, Senator, Representative, etc.)
- III. Identify yourself (give a piece of information which communicates why you are interested in the topic)
- IV. State the topic (specific Bill number and title) and your agreement or opposition in the same sentence
- V. Give one clear reason for your opinion
- VI. Ask for a reply (this will give you something to refer to if you need to write this person again)
- VII. OPTION. Repeat item IV in slightly different words as a closing

sentence.

EXAMPLE (words in parenthesis are some possible words for that place; dare to use your own words)

Norm L. Biker
123 Some Street
All Over, Oregon 97???

Representative ____-name____,

I am a resident of ____-city____ and I have been riding motorcycles for ____-number____ years. I am writing to ____-verb____ (urge, ask, influence, convince) you to ____-verb____ (support, pass, vote yes on, oppose, reject, vote no on) ____-specific Bill____ (SB or HB ???), ____-Bill title____. ____-reason for opinion____ (statistics show . . . , freedom of choice . . . , I believe . . . , or any of many reasons).

I would like to know where you stand on this issue, please reply to my letter. Informed voters can help informed legislators make effective decisions.

Please vote (yes, no) on (SB??? or HB???).

Respectfully,

Norm L. Biker

Remember to make each letter a little different. Think about including items that might increase your influence, like a good driving record, or being registered to vote for a long time. Even if you have registered for the first time you can make the point that you are voting now and looking at who to support.

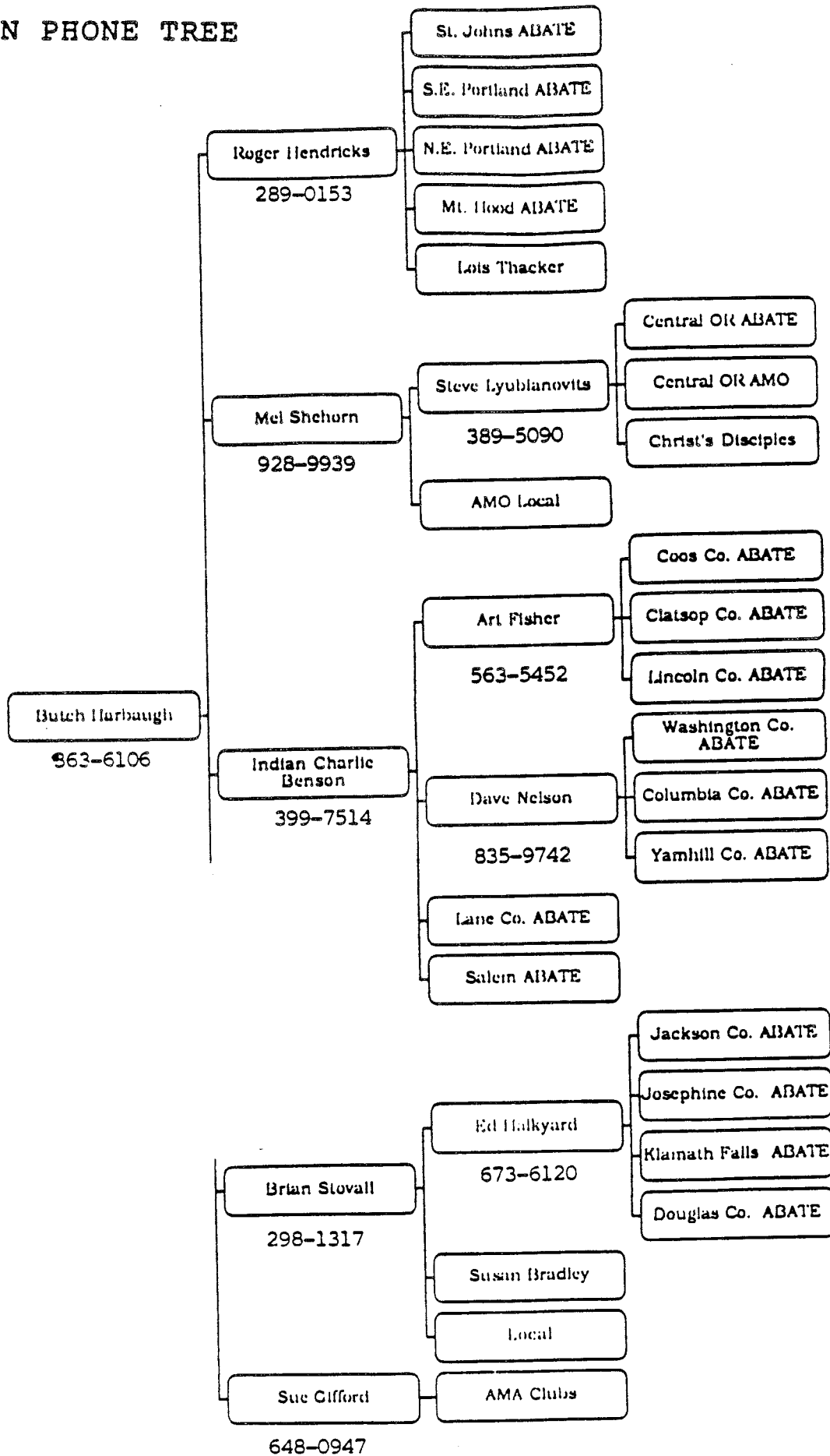
If even one person uses this to write, who hasn't done so before, we will all be closer to our goal of freedom for motorcycle riders everywhere.

Power to the Pen,

B. Stovall

Brian Stovall

COALITION PHONE TREE



Minutes of the June 10, 1989 State Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Coordinator Rotten Roger at Mt. Hood Community College in Gresham, Oregon.

Roll Call of Chapters: Central Oregon 2, Clatsop County 2, Columbia County 2, Coos County 2, Douglas County 2, Jackson County 2, Josephine County 0, Klamath Falls 0, Lane County 1, Lincoln County 2, Mt. Hood 1, NE Portland 2, Salem 2, SE Portland 2, Washington County 1, Yamhill County 2.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

Membership as of June 1, 1989: Central Oregon 50, Clatsop County 40, Columbia County 37, Coos County 42, Douglas County 61, Indian Creek 64 Jackson County 103, Josephine County 76, Klamath Falls 14, Lane County 45, Lincoln County 67, Mt. Hood 35, NE Portland 132, Salem 89, SE Portland 94, Washington County 23, Yamhill County 63...Total 1035.

State Run: More Fossil t-shirts are on order as they sold out so fast and are in such demand. A total of 840 Fossil tickets were sold. There was a total of \$935.99 in ABATE Products sold at Fossil.

Ways and Means: Chapter Reps are to find out how much their chapter can afford to pitch in to pay for the printing of the coloring book. Should have a check at July State Board. A motion was made and passed to pay Teach \$154.30 for his fee and for film.

Education Director: The next Governors Advisory Board Meeting will be Tuesday June 13, 1989 at 6:30 pm at Bracks Restaurant in Woodburn.

Legislative Director: Reports were given by Roger, Brian Stovall, and Butch Harbaugh about the work that has been done this last year and that yet to come. Everyone is urged to join Bike Pac and offer them your support. They do make a difference. We are trying to get that helmet law back on the November 1990 ballot and we need Bike Pac and all of you to do it. Read your newsletter, valuable information is there. Also we are urging members to reject the Self-Fournier petition and to support the Bike Pac petition. Also Bike Pac has a booth rented for the State Fair and needs people to give up a few hours during August 25 and September 4 to help out. Contact Rusty Taylor or Butch Harbaugh to sign up.

Treasurer: Checking \$9066.30 Savings \$56.21 Postal Fund \$204.66
Total \$9327.17.

Old Business: the St. Johns Chapter no longer exists and \$344.04 was collected from their treasury. The MDA Run is set for August 5 to end in Vernonia. Grand Prize is a weekend at Black Butte. More changes were discussed for the Rules of Operation and we hope to vote on these at July State Board.

New Business: The next State Board meeting will be hosted by the Central Oregon chapter and will be held in Terrebonne, Oregon. A motion was made and passed to donate \$100.00 to Bike Pac to purchase the trunk of their destruction derby car.

There being no further business or announcements the meeting was adjourned.

Judy Jones, Secretary

CHAPTER REPORTS

CENTRAL OREGON

(No Report, Second Time)

CLATSOP COUNTY

Here's the news from Clatsop County if Roger doesn't lose it this time!

Well, we've been pretty busy this month! A bunch of us went to the Fossil Run and had a great time. We got a little wet and there was a small problem with color blindness, but it was worth it! I did start looking for a new seat when I got back, however!

By the time you read this, we will have another garage sale. Gotta keep that money coming in so our September 16th run will be a good one!

Also, we're having a Polar Run on June 24th. Anyone who is interested should be at Hazel's Tavern at 10:00 located at 1313 Marine Drive in Astoria. If you have any questions call Squirrel and Kelly at 325-0993. There will be places to stay, if needed.

For you fishing enthusiasts - we will be holding a drawing for a charter boat trip scheduled for August 6th. There will be a \$5.00 donation for tickets and 17 will be drawn. Five bucks is a pretty good price for a salmon!

Well, guess that wraps it up for now.

Vicki

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Hello from Columbia County Chapter. We now have a membership of 37! We are in the process of organizing a garage sale to be held June 24th and 25th. We are also having a raffle for a Barbecue and two lawn chairs. The drawing to be held at our garage sale on June 25th. A portion of the proceeds is to be donated to the Rainier Senior Citizens Center. This is the first of our efforts to acquaint the Community with our organization. Well, that is our project for the month. More to come later.

Coordinator,
Larry J. Keenan

COOS COUNTY

(No Report, Second Time)

DOUGLAS COUNTY

(No Report, Second Time)

JACKSON COUNTY

Sorry about missing some reports, but we're going through some changes down here. We are losing Louie & Lucy Armstrong, our Coordinator, State Rep., and Secretary. We'll miss them sorely!!

June 10th we're having a combined Poker Run with Jo Co., to help raise money for a Hospice House in Grants Pass.

June 24th the past Coordinators are having a fund raiser at Horizontal Franks. \$2 a head with a Horse Shoe Tournament, Chicken Shit Contest and a BB Gun Shoot. There will be food available, too. 12 noon till pass out time.

July 22 & 23 is our Southern Oregon Summer Run at S. Umpqua Falls. This will be a combined Jackson & Josephine Co. run. We will have bike games, bike show, and kids games. There is a great swimming hole and food available. \$10 a head with a dollar off coupon for food. Kids under 14 are free. Run pins free at gate. Come on down. We'd love to see all of you there.

In closing, State meeting will be here in Sept. and we're getting ready for it. We're having a Casino Night that Sat. So anyone wishing to stay will be more than welcome. For overnights try and let us know ahead of time so we can set it all up.

RIDE SAFE

FUZZ #1

Coordinator Protemp

JOSEPHINE COUNTY

(No Report, Third Time)

KLAMATH FALLS

(No Report, First Time)

LANE COUNTY

We have a great time at Fossil! Good going, Roger. Can't wait for next year.

Lane County has changed their meetings from twice a month to once. The first Sunday at 12:00 at Round Table Pizza on 6th St. in Eugene.

We are now 49 members and growing strong. That's all for now.

Harley

LINCOLN COUNTY

(No Report, First Time)

MT. HOOD

(No Report, Second Time)

NE PORTLAND

Well, another Fossil Run is behind us already, and this year proved to be a success at "Bear Hollow" Campground. Last year's rain didn't seem to discourage anyone, except I did notice a few more motor homes this year. We had a good turn out from our chapter, and everyone had a great time.

June 10th, we had our first Casino Night at the Stagecoach Saloon. It was fun, even though it was "Funny Money".

A few words from Smokin Al "Our Casino Night was a big success. Everyone had a good time and we made a little bit of profit for the chapter. I would like to extend a special thanks to all who donated time to help and our local merchants who supplied us with prizes."

A.J.'s Cycle

Beaverton Harley

Beaverton Honda

Cliff Lams Cycle

Columbia Harley

Eastside Cycle

Joseph's Hair Salon

Langlitz Leather

Portland Motorsports

Powell Valley Cycle

St. John's Honda

Thanks again, N.E. Chapter Ways & Means - Smokin Al"

Currently, N.E. Portland is tying up the loose ends on organizing the NARA Run

scheduled for July 29th. The route has now been perfected, so you won't be able to get lost on this one. We are pretty excited about this run, because we were approached by the NARA Organization to assist them in raising funds to help keep their organization going. We hope to see everyone at this event.

Well, that's all for now, so.....Ride Careful.

Barbara

SALEM

Hi to the Newsletter Editor. This won't be in before Fossil, so I'm only speculating, but judging by the past Fossils, it is probably correct as to the outcome of the State Run.

We have a lot of people waiting impatiently for the event and it should be a good run. The kabobs are made and trailer packed.

Oils and grease charged for the run over the mountain, and tires have been checked. We're gone and gonna have a good time. Fossil is always good.

The chapter is going strong and attendance is up. We're striving for 100 members and want to catch Jackson County.

Hope to see all you people throughout the season.

Ride Safe

Russ

???? (No Chapter name given)

By now Fossil is over. Sure hope everybody had a real good time. I know there was a lot of time and energy put into getting ready for this one.

At our last meeting I saw a lot of new faces and some old ones. Nice to see everybody.

Ride safe but FREE

Cydni

???? (No Chapter name given)

Greetings! It's Fossil Time again and Wow! am I ever looking forward to going. It will be great to see all those happy camper faces out there again as well as all those narley morning faces as they

poke there heads out right after sunup.
It's going to be great! See ya all there.

Ride Safe
Barb and Blair

SE PORTLAND

(No Report, First Time)

WASHINGTON COUNTY

We are still alive and well in
Washington Co.

We have elected some new officers due
to some vacancies. They are as follows:

Chapter Sec. - Dave Meeker
Membership Sec. - Jerry Scott

Sgt. At Arms #1 - Bill Bennett
Ways and Means - Kenny Prichard
Run Coordinator - Eric Ellingson

We should like to take this
opportunity to thank Sharon Argo for her
many years of service to our chapter and
the outstanding job she did as Chapter
Secretary. We will surely miss her as an
active member and officer.

We have formed an Activity Committee
for things to do every month. More news
on this next month.

Thats about all for now.
Ride Free Washington County

YAMHILL COUNTY

(No Report, Second Time)

FOSSIL GAME WINNERS

KEG RACE

1st Place - Randy Becker
2nd Place - Dave Currey
3rd Place - Mailman

OBSTACLE COURSE

1st Place - Randy Becker
2nd Place - Brian
3rd Place - Stone Bleu

BLIND RACE

1st Place - Sammy Burket
2nd Place - Randy Becker
3rd Place - Kraig Markeson

WEINIE BITE

1st Place - Gordon
2nd Place - Mooch & Terri
3rd Place - Sammy Burket

BRONTO BOOT

1st Place - Stix
2nd Place - Don Stephenson
3rd Place - Lyle Coyle

SLOW RACE

1st Place - Mailman
2nd Place - Randy Becker
3rd Place - Lyle Coyle

BOARD RUN

1st Place - Randy Becker
2nd Place - Dave Moody
3rd Place - Don Stephenson

BIKE SHOW - STOCK

1st Place - Charlie Brown
2nd Place - Sammy Burket
3rd Place - Mike Beller

BIKE SHOW - CUSTOM

1st Place - Anna
2nd Place - Dave Currey
3rd Place - Jeff Giddings

RAT BIKE

1st Place - Milo
2nd Place - Dennis Gagne
3rd Place - Dirty Doug

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

1st Place - Jeff Geddings
2nd Place - Charlie Brown
3rd Place - Anna

PING PONG BALL DROP

1st Place - (Sorry, I lost results)
2nd Place - (Sorry, I lost results)
3rd Place - Gary & Jody

SPECIAL AWARD - Timmy Easton

JULY STATE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Those of you who signed up at Fossil remember me saying, "you'll get your card when I recover from Fossil. Well I have and I hope you have. If you signed up in the month of June and still have not received your card, please let me know. If there is wrong information on your card, let me know. I did get new glasses, but better sight is only confusing me more and a little old gray-haired confused lady is not a pretty sight. Membership totals for the Month of June:

CHAPTER	TOTAL MAY 1 1989	GAIN/LOSS JUNE 1 1989	TOTAL JUNE 1 1989
CENTRAL OREGON	41	9	50
CLATSOP COUNTY	40	0	40
COLUMBIA COUNTY	36	1	37
COOS COUNTY	41	1	42
DOUGLAS COUNTY	68	-7	61
INDIAN CREEK	46	18	64
JACKSON COUNTY	115	-12	103
JOSEPHINE COUNTY	67	9	76
KLAMATH FALLS	21	-7	14
LANE COUNTY	46	-1	45
LINCOLN COUNTY	79	-12	67
MT HOOD	40	-5	35
NE PORTLAND	136	-4	132
SALEM	85	4	89
SE PORTLAND	104	-10	94
ST JOHNS	29	-29	0
WASHINGTON COUNTY	27	-5	23
YAMHILL COUNTY	69	-6	63
 TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	 1,091	 -56	 1,035

The totals for St. Johns are now zero since the St. Johns Chapter was dissolved at the May State Board Meeting. If any member from St. Johns wants to transfer to another chapter, please let me know. St. Johns members have been automatically transferred to the Indian Creek Chapter, unless I have been told otherwise.

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GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Great News! The Governor has signed HB2121 which passed the legislature by a huge majority. This bill means that a 15 year old is now eligible to get a motorcycle learner's permit along with a driver's license permit and will be eligible to get a motorcycle endorsement at 16 with proof that they have successfully completed a motorcycle safety course. This law applies to all 16 to 18 year olds. The best news is that passage of this bill substantially increased the funds available to TEAM Oregon, the state's motorcycle training program. Stan Porter is looking forward to two mobile programs, more courses at permanent sites, up to 10 months of training time, and an increased public information program. As a result of joint motorcycle interest efforts in the legislature this year, the DOT has been instructed to work with the Governor's Advisory Committee to implement border signs informing out of state riders that helmets are required in Oregon. The next meeting of the committee will be August 10, 6:30 p.m. at Brack's Restaurant, Woodburn, Oregon. It is good to see so many of our members turning out for these meetings. These meetings are open to the public and you are all invited to attend.

REPORT FROM
AMA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NEWS

GRD 89-13
CONTACT: STU LAWSON (614) 891-2425
June 8, 1989

CONNECTICUT RETAINS ADULT HELMET FREEDOM

Westerville, Ohio -- The combined efforts of the Connecticut Motorcycle Riders Association (CMRA) and the AMA has resulted in the elimination of a bill which called for mandatory helmet use by all Connecticut motorcyclists. However, an amendment was added to another bill which now requires minors to wear helmets.

Senate Bill 413, sponsored by Sen. Thomas Upson (R-Waterbury), passed through the House and Senate Transportation Committees but was subsequently killed.

An amendment to a drivers license bill was then introduced by Rep. Steven Hanchuruck (D-Branford), and will require helmet use for motorcycle operators and passengers under age 18, as well as permit holders. The bill, SB-1007, was originally intended to require motor vehicle applicants to complete a drug and alcohol education course.

Governor William O'Neill is expected to sign the bill into law sometime in June. The legislation will go into effect on January 1, 1990.

Richard Paukner, legislative chairman for the CMRA, and other concerned AMA members rallied against SB-413 earlier in the year and were successful in having it killed. SB-1007 was not opposed by the AMA since it pertains to minors only.

In addition to the efforts of the CMRA, the AMA's Government Relations Department contacted the entire Senate and House in April protesting the full helmet requirement. Connecticut AMA members were also contacted to inform them of the impact of Upson's bill.

Although the AMA believes it is an adult's right to decide for themselves whether and when to wear certain protective gear, the Association encourages all riders to wear helmets.

The AMA will not oppose laws designed to protect minors.

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ANOTHER REPORT FROM
AMA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NEWS

GRD 89-14
CONTACT: STU LAWSON (614) 891-2425
June 8, 1989

CALIFORNIA HELMET BILL
PASSES SENATE HURDLE

Westerville, Ohio -- The controversial California helmet measure introduced by Assemblyman Richard Floyd (D-Carson) has passed another legislative committee and it is likely that the bill will soon be considered by the full Senate.

Assembly Bill 8, which would require all California motorcyclists to wear helmets, passed the Senate Transportation Committee on Tuesday, June 6.

However, an amendment was added by the committee which could repeal the law on December 31, 1993 if the law is ineffective in reducing motorcycle related accidents and fatalities.

AMA Legislative Affairs Specialist, Jim Bensburg testified before the Committee and told the members "the social cost argument is a myth" referring to charges from helmet law advocates that unhelmeted motorcyclists cost society an unnecessary amount of taxpayer money. "The worst case scenario tells us motorcyclists could only account for one tenth of one percent of the total health care bill," said Bensburg.

Bensburg was joined by representatives from the California Motorcycle Association, BAM, ABATE, BADL and MMA, as well as a prominent California motorcycle dealer.

Motorcyclists who oppose mandatory helmet laws for adults should contact their state Senators to urge them to vote against AB-8.

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POOL - SHUFFLEBOARD

"ALL MOTORCYCLISTS WELCOME"
SOUTH COOS PAN OFF #101

ANOTHER REPORT FROM
AMA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS NEWS

GRD 89-15

CONTACT: STU LAWSON (614) 891-2425
June 12, 1989

NEW HAMPSHIRE RIDER EDUCATION BILL PASSES

Westerville, Ohio -- Motorcyclists in New Hampshire will soon have an opportunity to take advantage of a new rider education program which will be offered for a small fee, if necessary, to all residents of the state who either hold a current valid driver's license or who are eligible for a motorcycle learner's permit.

House Bill 270 was recently signed into law by Gov. Judd Gregg. It establishes the safety education program consisting of a rider training course and an instructor training program. The law provides for a permit, license and registration fee increase to generate funds for the program. The fees will be raised from \$2 to \$5.

The new law is scheduled to take effect on July 1, 1989, but the program will not be implemented until a course has been established.

Introduced in January of this year by Rep. Vincent Palumbo (R-Kingston), the House majority leader, HB-270 was approved by both the House and the Senate Transportation Committees on May 23.

From the bill's inception, Sherm Packard, legislative director for the New Hampshire Motorcyclists Rights Organization, worked relentlessly to move the bill over several difficult legislative hurdles. "We're happy the way things worked out and we look forward to getting the safety program on its feet," said Packard.

Earlier this year, the AMA's Government Relations Department contacted New Hampshire members and legislators to urge their support of the bill.

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June 1, 1989

ABATE enjoys 12th annual 'Fossil Run'

Bikers from several states joined with members of 17 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

chapters last weekend for the organizations's twelfth annual rendezvous in Wheeler County. Approximately 750 motorcycle enthusiasts gathered at Bear Hollow Park this year over the long Memorial Day weekend.

A.B.A.T.E., an acronym symbolizing A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments, has a massive membership throughout Oregon and the nation. It is a common cause organization formed to work toward equitable traffic laws for motorcyclists and to educate the public on the merits and rights of motorcycle riders. Mainly, the group performs as a legislative watch to monitor and direct state legislation concerning motorcycles.

A current bill which A.B.A.T.E. is introducing, HB2121, would create mandatory education for new motorcycle riders between the ages of 16 and 19. It is due for a vote of the full Senate sometime this week. Though the state has made wearing helmets mandatory for cyclists, the A.B.A.T.E. stance is that it should be a freedom of choice issue.

Indeed, the image of the 'biker' is fast changing. Rushing through the wind in leathers and goggles one day, standing on the Senate floor debating issues the next.

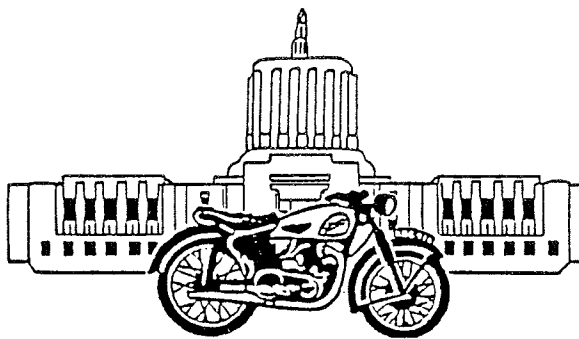
The Fossil Run in Wheeler County, in the past held at Shelton State Park, was moved this year to the county-owned Bear Hollow Park. The county allowed the use of the park without charge, however, A.B.A.T.E. state coordinator Roger Hendricks of Portland indicated the organization will give the county \$500 to use in maintaining the park.

Hendricks also indicated a fund raiser was being conducted during the weekend to contribute to the South Gilliam County Health District, whose personnel has responded to bike accident emergencies in the past.

Teresa Hepker of The Dalles, who sits on the governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Commission, indicated cyclists had come from Wisconsin, Colorado and Washington. Others came from British Columbia, California and throughout Oregon.

The annual Fossil Run is a money raiser for the organization to pay for its lobbying efforts and the contributions it provides to children's causes.

BikePAC of Oregon



news release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 10, 1989

CONTACT:

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Butch Harbaugh (503) 363-6106

Steve Benson (503) 399-7514

BikePAC of Oregon consistently supports the right of adult Oregonians to choose when and where to use a motorcycle helmet or other safety equipment. For this reason, we advocate the repeal of the law mandating helmet use for all riders and passengers which was enacted on May 17, 1988. BikePAC of Oregon requested a bill in the 1989 legislature to require helmet use only for motorcyclists under age 18. BikePAC of Oregon is now drafting and will soon be collecting signatures on an initiative petition to place the issue before the voters again in the November 1990 general election.

An initiative petition relating to the helmet law has recently been filed by Kerry E. Self and William J. Fournier. It seeks to repeal the current helmet law, and to require helmet use on the basis of age, experience, and the size of the motorcycle. In addition, it seeks to establish a motorcycle accident fund for legal motorcycle operators and passengers who have exhausted other sources of payment for medical bills resulting from a motorcycle accident.

BikePAC of Oregon opposes the Self/Fournier initiative for the following reasons:

- Requiring helmets for motorcycle operators and passengers on bikes of 250cc or less discriminates against riders and their passengers regardless of their age or experience. BikePAC of Oregon supports the right of ALL adults to choose their safety equipment.
- Media reports frequently imply that motorcycle injuries are an extreme economic burden on society. The Self/Fournier initiative would address that false assertion by having motorcyclists pay more than their share. A recent study at the Harborview Medical Center in Seattle, a Class 1 Trauma Center, indicated that 63% of motorcycle injury medical fees at that facility were paid with public funds, or not

paid at all. This sounds alarming, until compared with a statement in a Congressional Hearing by a Harborview representative that 74% of ALL medical costs at Harborview are paid with public funds, or not paid at all. Therefore, motorcyclists are paying significantly more of their medical bills than the public at large.

- Because Oregon motorcyclists must possess a valid drivers license in order to get a motorcycle indorsement, they already pay \$4 every four years into the Motor Vehicle Accident Fund. The Self/Fournier initiative would require motorcyclists to pay into a Motorcycle Accident Fund an additional \$10 every two years for each registered motorcycle. The result is motorcyclists pay more, again, for poor insurance to cover an imaginary obligation.
- Maximum payments from the Motor Vehicle Accident Fund total \$6,500, including a maximum of \$1250 per doctor, \$3000 to hospitals, \$500 each for nurses, pharmacies, physical therapists, or prosthetic devices, and \$250 for ambulances. The proposed Motorcycle Accident Fund would follow the same guidelines. With the soaring cost of medical care this coverage falls far short of the actual need.
- An injured motorcyclist would become eligible for payments from the fund only after becoming indigent; that is, has exhausted all other sources of income. The initiative does not indicate whether those "other sources" would include the Motor Vehicle Accident Fund that already exists.
- The Motor Vehicle Accident Fund is specifically designed to reimburse medical providers for services delivered to indigent persons injured in motor vehicle accidents on public ways, streets or highways of Oregon. In other words, motorcyclists are already covered to the same extent as everyone else in Oregon.

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BIKERS AGAINST MANSLAUGHTER
Press Releases for June

MIC PUSHES FOR MANDATORY HELMET LAW:

Irvine, CA, May 30, 1989 — The Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) went on record today supporting mandatory helmet laws. "...this marks the first time that the Council has taken a public stand favoring such a compulsory legislation."

From the March 27 letter to California governor George Deukmejian, MIC President Alan R. Isley said, "Our association favors mandatory use of helmets by motorcyclists of all ages. Helmet use is effective in reducing deaths and serious head injuries in motorcycle accidents and would also reduce the financial burden for (bikers') care which now lies partially on the public ... mandatory helmet use by motorcyclists would be in the public interest."

An attached cover-letter to all 86 MIC members opens with a claim from Isley that, "In a recent survey a large majority of MIC members expressed an opinion favoring mandatory helmet use laws. Some additional business related issues you may want to consider in forming your opinion are:

1. Helmeted riders appear more responsible, better protected from the risk, and therefore may be more acceptable to the non-motorcycling public.
2. New riders may feel more secure in beginning to ride, and their influencers may be less alarmed if the risk is reduced by the required wearing of helmets.
3. Fewer motorcycling deaths and serious head injuries would result in less negative publicity about the sport."

For a list of MIC members, phone Bikers Against Manslaughter at 1-800-4-BIKERS. To express your views directly to the MIC, write: Motorcycle Industry Council, Inc., 2 Jenner Street, Ste. 150, Irvine, CA 92718 or call them at (714) 727-4211.

DOT HELMET TESTING SUSPENDED:

Bikers Against Manslaughter (B.A.M.) recently learned that the Department of Transportation, whose DOT approval has been required on all adult-sized motorcycle helmets sold in U.S. since 1980, has not conducted helmet testing for more than two years.

B.A.M. national director Bill Bish, asked Wayne Curtin of Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) to contact DOT regarding specifics of helmet testing. Curtin discovered through Him Gilkey of the DOT Enforcement Dept. that due to budget cuts not a single helmet has been tested since 1987 — neither as provided by helmet manufacturers for approval, or off-the-shelf testing for quality control — and testing prior to that was "off-and-on". Bish told California legislators in his recent testimony "We're not trying to dissuade anyone from wearing a helmet, but if the State is going to require helmet use and establish a performance standard, we are being asked to accept as a helmet requirement a standard that is outdated, outmoded, ineffective and not even currently subject to testing." Bish concluded his testimony by reading from a disclaimer found inside a DOT approved helmet purchased four days prior to the hearing; "WARNING: No helmet can protect from all foreseeable impacts or injury. This helmet is not designed to provide neck or lower head protection. This helmet exceeds Federal Standard FMVSS218: Even, so, death or severe injury may result from impact speeds as low as 15 m.p.h. while wearing a helmet."

M.A.Y. DAY IN NORTH CAROLINA:

Charlotte, N.C. — When North Carolina governor James G. Martin declared the month of May "Motorcycle Awareness Month" in keeping with the national Motorcycle Awareness and You (M.A.Y.) effort, members of the Concerned Bikers Associate/ABATE of N.C. decided to take the "awareness" part seriously.

The C.B.A. struck a deal with Adams Outdoor Advertising to lease a package of nine billboards throughout the City of Charlotte to carry the message; "Look Twice And Save A Life."

1989 ABATE OF OREGON RUN CALENDAR

JULY 15-16	BEAVER CREEK RUN Lincoln County	Gary	1-563-3520
JULY 22-23	Klamath Falls Jackson County Josephine County	Harley Louie Ron	1-882-9909 1-664-6456 1-476-2049
AUGUST 5	MDA RUN	Roger	1-289-0153
AUGUST 5-6	FOX CREEK RUN Salem Yamhill County	Curt David	1-363-8247 1-835-9742
AUGUST 19-20	SUMMER RUN NE Portland SE Portland	Digger Bill	1-256-2077 1-760-8885
AUGUST 26-27	WINDY CREEK RUN Douglas County Coos County	Ed Bob	1-672-1935 (days) 1-269-5419
SEPTEMBER 2-4	LABOR DAY RUN Lane County	John	1-726-2013
SEPTEMBER 16-17	Clatsop County Columbia County Washington County	Duyne Larry Sandra	1-325-0993 1-556-1070 1-640-2858
DECEMBER 2	PORTLAND TOY RUN	Martin Mike	1-639-0873 1-659-9205

1989 TEAM OREGON RIDER COURSE

SCHEDULE

MR:RSS = Motorcycle Rider Course: Riding and Street Strategy (For Beginning Riders) -
Date shown is first day of class.

ERC = Experienced Rider Course (One day class)

Check with Community College Registrars for complete details.

Mobile program schedule - not shown - Call 1-800-922-2022 for schedule of classes off
locations not listed here.

<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	<u>OCTOBER</u>
6 MRC:RSS Portland	3 MRC:RSS Chemeketa	7 MRC:RSS Portland	5 MRC:RSS Portland
6 MRC:RSS Chemeketa	3 MRC:RSS Lane	7 MRC:RSS Chemeketa	5 MRC:RSS Lane
6 MRC:RSS Lane	5 ERC Clackamas	7 MRC:RSS Lane	5 MRC:RSS Linn-Benton
16 ERC Lane	10 MRC:RSS Portland	17 ERC Linn-Benton	15 ERC Lane
19 MRC:RSS Clackamas	13 ERC Chemeketa	20 MRC:RSS Clackamas	
22 ERC Linn-Benton	13 ERC Lane		
22 ERC Portland			

BikePAC Advisory Board Meeting
June 3, 1989
King's Table West, Salem, OR

These meetings, previously held under the name of the Coalition of Oregon Motorcycle Organizations, will now be BikePAC of Oregon Advisory Board meetings.

Meeting called to order 11:25 a.m. Minutes were read and approved.

BikePAC of Oregon Treasurer reported as of April 30, 1989 a beginning balance of \$125. Income: new memberships, \$460, donations \$1. Expenses: \$252.25. Ending balance May 31, 1989: \$333.75. Treasurer's report approved. Roger Hendricks presented money and T-shirts on behalf of CFFOC, which has ceased operation. Amount will be included in the next Treasurer's report.

A short discussion took place regarding business/group memberships.

Legislative bill review: see attached sheet.

What to do now: Write letters to Rep. Rick Kotulski asking him to call a work session on HB 2801. Thank you letters to Joan Dukes, Bernie Agrons, Jim Whitty are in order. Maximum possible letter writing to Federal Senators and Representatives about S1007.

Bylaws for BikePAC of Oregon have been approved and copies were passed out at the meeting. A copy of the tri-fold which will be included with each membership card mailed to members, is attached to these minutes.

Initiative Petitions:

We examined a copy of the Kerry Self/Bill Fournier initiative petition and discussed it. It was moved by Mel, seconded by Teresa, that BikePAC not support this petition, and that BikePAC proceed as quickly as possible in filing its own initiative petition. Motion passed unanimously. Reasons: the motorcycle accident insurance proposal was considered by the coalition earlier, and determined to be financially unfeasible; and the helmet-use requirement placed on riders according to the size of the motorcycle they ride, is not in accordance with our stated position in favor of freedom of choice for adults. The executive board will publish a news release stating this position and the reasons for it.

Steve Benson talked about some of the rules regarding initiative petitions. We will need 63,578 valid signatures by July 6, 1990 in order to qualify for the November 1990 ballot. Steve will be getting information to our lawyer, Sam Hochberg, to write up the petition, early in the week following today's meeting. We discussed the possibility of a petition which would include a statement to the effect that adult Oregonians have the right to choose whether to wear a helmet or seat belt. There may be technical problems with combining these two subjects in one petition, even though they are so similar. We will consult Sam about the possibility.

State Fair: Estimated cost of a booth at the State Fair is \$700 plus other expenses. The fair runs from August 25 through Labor Day Weekend, from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. each day. Because of the length of time we need to be there, many people from all sponsoring organizations, from all parts of the state will be needed to staff the booth. We must make a positive presentation to the public: maintain acceptable personal appearance, language; no liquor or drugs. Many ideas were brought up about the booth: can we display a motorcycle; displays featuring community service activities of groups; banners or flags representing organizations or chapters; video display; etc. It was suggested that the booth have a theme to help guide activities and presentations of the people staffing the booth. Two suggestions: Share the Road; Safety is Something You Learn, Not Something You Wear.

National News: see attached sheet.

Announcements:

- Coalition for Petition Rights report by Roger: see below.
- Roger described a civil suit being brought against helmet manufacturers by mother of a motorcycle accident victim, and a proposal for a benefit activity to help with hospital expenses. General feeling of the group was that such a benefit fundraiser would be an appropriate activity for an ABATE chapter or similar group. More information is being sought and will be brought back to the next BikePAC meeting.
- Verl reminded the group of the importance of activities to increase car driver awareness of motorcycles. HB 2121 will help expand Team Oregon's efforts in that area, and the State Fair will offer opportunities to reach many auto drivers.
- Butch stated that the BikePAC demolition derby car will be at his house next week, ready for the painting that needs to be done by the first of July. The Derby is the 3rd and 4th in Salem.
- The next meeting of the Governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee will be by June 13, 1989 at 6:30 p.m., Brack's Restaurant, Woodburn.

Next meeting of the BikePAC of Oregon Advisory Board
July 1, 1989 at 11:00 a.m.
AMO Independence Day Run

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Coalition for Petition Rights Welcomes Supreme Court Decision in Lloyd Center v. Whiffen

NOTE: Certain shopping malls and supermarkets, notable Fred Meyer Corporation, have refused to allow petition signature gatherers to work outside their entrances, and have gone so far as to have signature gatherers arrested for trespass. The Coalition for Petition Rights seeks a constitutional amendment to protect petitioning rights in shopping mall common areas and outside public entrances.

Statement by Russ Farrell, Chairman of Coalition for Petition Rights, May 9, 1989:

We welcome the Supreme Court opinion issued in the Lloyd Center case. We believe that the opinion creates a new common law right to peacefully solicit signatures wherever the people may gather. The Court declares that "a very real public interest is at stake," and that "the signature gathering process...is a form of political speech...[and] is one of our society's most precious rights." The opinion declares that "a public mall...is the antithesis of a private place," and says that any restriction on signature gathering can only be defended where there has been a showing of "great and irreparable injury," because petitioners have "unreasonably interfered" with the use of property. We think it will be rare indeed that such a showing can be made.

By making an analogy to cases where airline flights over private land have been found to be lawful because of their public interest, the Court suggests that this doctrine of "privileged trespass" will protect signature gatherers from any form of liability when they exercise their free speech right on private property to which the public is invited.

Yet concerns remain. There may be those who will attempt to thwart the clear thrust of this ruling by seeking to intimidate petitioners with lawsuits, or even the threat of arrest. Further, the opinion today is based upon the common law, and this can be changed by the legislature.

In order to make today's victory permanent and beyond question, the Coalition for Petition Rights will pursue a constitutional initiative which will confirm the right of all citizens to petition outside the entrances of buildings which are open to the public, and within the common areas of shopping malls. We ask the great shopping malls to join us in this commitment to democracy, and we particularly ask that the Fred Meyer Corporation stop attempts to impede and delay this initiative and instead join us in expanding human rights in Oregon.

If the shopping centers and the Fred Meyer stores want peace, now is the time to make peace. If they wish to continue the struggle, we are more than prepared.



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B.A.M. GATHERS SIGNATURES AGAINST NATIONAL HELMET LAW

Bikers Against Manslaughter (BAM) has launched a nationwide petition drive which organizers hope will generate 100,000 signatures in opposition to Senate Bill 1007, a federal bill introduced by Rhode Island Senator John Chafee to force states to enact laws requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets and automobile drivers to use seatbelts.

"We realize that citizen petitions are usually only marginally effective," said B.A.M. national director Bill Bish, "but our elected representatives CAN'T ignore 100,000 constituent signatures."

"Time" will be B.A.M.'s biggest obstacle in collecting the necessary signatures according to Bish, who indicated that S.1007 is expected to be heard in the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works as early as September.

"We have only two months to gather enough signatures to impress the Committee," Bish stated. "So, we're asking every dedicated biker to help us circulate the petitions and get as many registered voters to sign them as possible before time runs out on us."

Petitions are available by calling B.A.M. at 1-(800)-4-BIKERS and asking for John. ONLY registered voters should sign the petitions and they must be returned to B.A.M. Headquarters by the end of August to allow enough time to compile the results and hand-deliver the petitions to the Committee prior to the hearing date.

Also available is a "Resolution Of Opposition To S.1007" which concerned organizations can complete and return to B.A.M. for inclusion in the petition drive. If your group or club (including individual chapters) would like to go on record as opposing Chafee's bill, call 1-(800)-4-BIKERS and request one of these resolutions.

Although Bish anticipates a ground swell of grass roots opposition to S.1007, he warns that just signing a petition is not enough to get the job done. "A petition is only a tool," he said. "It's going to require personal letters and phone calls from each individual to their own U.S. Senators if we expect to defeat this piece of legislation."

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ABATE Eagle Pin (Wings Up)	\$ 3.00
ABATE #1 Pin	\$ 2.00
Fossil Pin	\$ 3.00
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Chapter Rockers	\$ 3.00
Chapter Officer Rockers	\$ 3.00
ABATE Let Those Who Ride	
Decide License Plate Frame	\$ 5.00
Stickers: Helmet Laws Suck	\$.50
Warning: ABATE	\$.75
Bumper: Helmet	
Laws Suck	\$ 1.00
10 Year Anniversary Pins	\$ 1.50
Courtesy Cards (50 for)	\$ 1.00
Indian Creek Patches	\$ 3.00

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T-S - Harley Wine Cooler	\$ 7.50
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WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAPTER
Stan Johnson
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Hillsboro, OR 97123

Independence Run Patches	\$ 3.00
Washington County Toy Run Patches	\$ 3.00

NEWSLETTER EDITORS ALLEY

Hi, my name is Donna Adkins from the N.E. Portland Chapter. I have volunteered to relieve Vicki so she can head for a more rewarding career. I hope I can please most of the people who read this Newsletter. (You can never please everyone.) You will see several changes coming each month. Our goal is to bring you the legislative information, run information and other points of interest without the bull.

I hope to warm up to you as time goes on but for right now, the typing of this Newsletter and getting it set up on the Computer was overwhelming enough.

Ride safe and keep fighting for your FREEDOMS.

Donna

ATTENTION, ST. JOHN'S MEMBERS!!!

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PETITION OF OPPOSITION TO S.1007

A FEDERAL BILL REQUIRING STATES TO ENACT MANDATORY HELMET USE LAWS

- WHEREAS,** *mandatory helmet use laws have not been proven to reduce the incidence of motorcycle accidents or resulting rates of motorcyclist injuries and fatalities, and;*
- WHEREAS,** *motorcyclist injuries account for less than .001 (1/10th of 1%) of total U.S. health care costs, and;*
- WHEREAS,** *the vast majority of injuries to motorcyclist accident victims are to the torso and extremities, NOT the head, and;*
- WHEREAS,** *more than 60% of all U.S. motorcyclists already wear a helmet either by choice or by existing State law, and;*
- WHEREAS,** *laws regulating the use of motorcycle helmets should remain the province of individual States, NOT the federal government;*

WE THEREFORE submit this petition to the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and, as United States citizens and registered voters, we respectfully request that members of the Committee vote "NO" to S.1007.

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CITIZEN THOMAS PAINE, CREATED THE 'SPIRIT OF THE NATION'

(Reprinted from COUNTERPOINT * April 1989 * Page 11)

By Charges E. McManama

The patriot, citizen Thomas Paine, was one of the most influential formers of colonial public opinion prior to and during the Revolutionary War.

George Washington credited Paine's pamphlet, Common Sense, as being the 'most persuasive' single instrument that inspired and unified the opposition to King George and British occupation of the future states.

Common Sense embodied the spirit of the Revolution; which became the 'spirit of the nation' and the foundation of the Constitution.

In Common Sense, Paine brought to the Colonies a certain awareness that "Society in its every state is a blessing, while government -- on the other hand -- is a necessary evil." He constantly set forth a line that pointed to the inherent proclivity of this "necessary evil" to become oppressive.

On this, we must all agree. Unless of course we are not freedom oriented. But, the essence of mankind is that Freedom is essential to the highest and best expression of humanity. This encompasses: dignity of the individual.

"Totalitarianism increasingly becomes a fact; and...can turn into cancer that can abolish a free society".

Oh yes, today we still have freedom to condemn our laws and blast our legislature for being Constitutional heretics. But, where will such apostasy stop?

Each usurpation or betrayal of a precious heritage diminishes and ultimately leads to the erosion of the Constitution and eventual destruction of the nation and our cherished society.

Our jails are full. Many therein -- in a subtle way -- are there because government seeks to displace (or ignore) the schools of ethics. Maybe for some unknown reason that is necessary. But, we must

ask: Why?

On the other hand, how can government by setting the present deplorable example help to properly mentally orient upcoming generations ethically and morally?

Indeed, it does just the opposite! So, let's restrain this "necessary evil", which citizen Tom Paine ascribes to government. Unrestrained, it will eat the heart of our state and society.

Recent Oregon legislatures, however, have seemed to think it is a sin to leave "well enough" alone while the rest of us sit on the edge of our chairs and wonder when they will quit their mischief and go home.

As an individual, I would willfully foment revolution against a high percentage of the offensive "garbage" the Oregon legislature is increasingly passing into law. A case in point is the "odious odometer law"; it is a classic example of blatant government excess.

There is no way that anyone can prudently ascertain the condition of a used auto mobile by reading the odometer. Simply, there are too many other factors to consider when in the market for a used car. But it's the law, and it stinks.

Totalitarianism increasingly becomes a fact; and any seeming benevolence therein

can insidiously turn into terminal cancer that can destroy a free society. And perhaps abolish our nation without a shot being fired. Not instantly, perhaps, but by the legislative attrition that continues to assault our freedoms.

Oregon's vicious land use laws and LCDC in conjunction with the Children's Services Division (CSD) are shining examples of legislative attrition that shift the burden of freedom from the government to the citizen that Tom Paine described.

The voters have given Oregon's legislators a great privilege and responsibility. Exercising both in a prudent manner that will save our heritage of freedoms against the onslaught of socialistic regulation and regimentation is the inherent responsibility that comes with the honor of being a legislator.

Let's not forget the lesson citizen Tom Paine taught in 'Common Sense', they have served us well for over two hundred years, and will in the future, if respected.

Editor's note:

Charles McManama lives near Eagle Creek, Oregon. He is an inventor and has numerous patents to his credit. The author of numerous environmental essays he

now publishes The Odious Odometer News and is pushing for the repeal of the odometer reading requirement on used automobiles.

DEMOCRACIES ARE MOST COMMONLY CORRUPTED BY THE INSOLENT OF DEMAGOGUES. Aristotle [384-322 B.C.]

HOW MUCH ARE YOUR PERSONAL FREEDOMS WORTH?

Excerpts reprinted from
ABATE of Kansas, June 1989
Newsletter

....I started thinking about the poor turnout and poor participation in other events. If the government had this problem, we wouldn't have to worry about any legislation taking away our freedoms, but as you know there are an abundance of people willing to decide your fate for you.

Seems the government just loves to find ways to spend our tax dollars, either protecting us from ourselves or studying our personal habits.

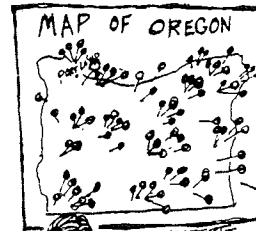
Such as the study about the average adult taking 9.6 minutes a day to brush their teeth. Now, back to the topic. I've come to the conclusion that most people don't consider their personal freedoms worth the time it takes to brush their teeth.

...If you don't take care of your teeth, you'll loose them one at a time. Same thing will happen to your freedoms!

Let's round the tooth brushing time to 10 minutes a day ... That's 300 minutes a month, or 5 hours a month. Ask yourself if your freedom is worth the time it takes to brush your teeth? Remember, if you're not willing to take the time to keep them, there is some bureaucrat more than willing to take the time to rot them away.

August 1989 Easyriders

ABATE of Oregon Passes 1,000 Members



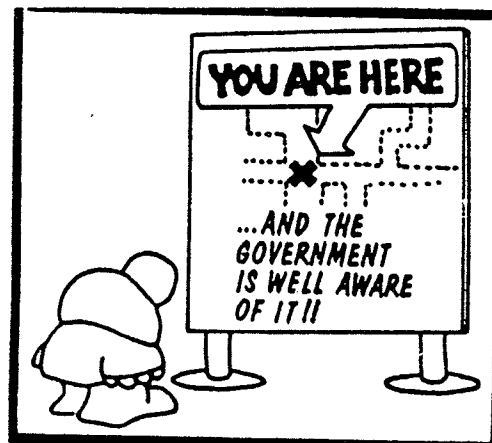
Portland-based ABATE of Oregon has passed the 1,000-member mark and is seeking to fine-tune the mandatory helmet bill which the state's voters passed last November.

State Coordinator Roger Hendricks and his colleagues are working to clarify the amount of the traffic fines levied for helmetless puttin' passengers—it can now range up to several hundred dollars—and are also seek-

ing a provision in the law for a medical exemption from helmet use. They doubt that they can get the compulsory helmet law completely rescinded this session.

Last fall, ABATE of Oregon joined with other motorists' rights groups to help defeat a mandatory seat-belt law at the polls.

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Participants for motorcycle safety class wanted

by Jodie Willson

A local motorcycle club is hoping to bring a nationally-recognized motorcycle safety program to Clatsop County. The program, called Team Oregon, is part of the national Motorcycle Safety Foundation and is sponsored by the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission.

Kathleen Paino, the Director of Inservice and

Outreach Education at Clatsop Community College, said the state's motorcycle safety commission gives grants to colleges to support the program, but the grant money already has been used on the larger schools like Portland, Clackamas and Chemeketa Community Colleges.

It is possible to get the Team Oregon program at

CCC, Paino said, but it will require a list of names of people interested in the course to bring it to the area. Paino said she has been making contacts with the state to get the program, but the college and the participants would have to pay for it.

"We might have to pay a little more than the usual \$20-30 course fee," Paino said. However, she added

that the college would pay the motorcycle safety instructors the college's wages, and the program would still be a reasonable rate.

Team Oregon, which is funded by a fee on Oregon motorcycle license endorsements, was originated to encourage and support safe motorcycle operation through quality rider education programs and public information campaigns.

The courses are held at two levels — for beginning and experienced riders. For the beginning course, Team Oregon instructors bring motorcycles and helmets to the class for on-hands learning in a closed, controlled area.

ABATE, an acronym for A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments, is a non-profit motorcycle group that was instrumental in forming Team Oregon. The chapters are located nationwide and work to promote motorcycle safety and education and sensible motorcycle legislation. A local ABATE chapter was formed in Clatsop County last October.

During the Christmas season, the local ABATE group held a toy and food run for the needy. Now, they are working to get

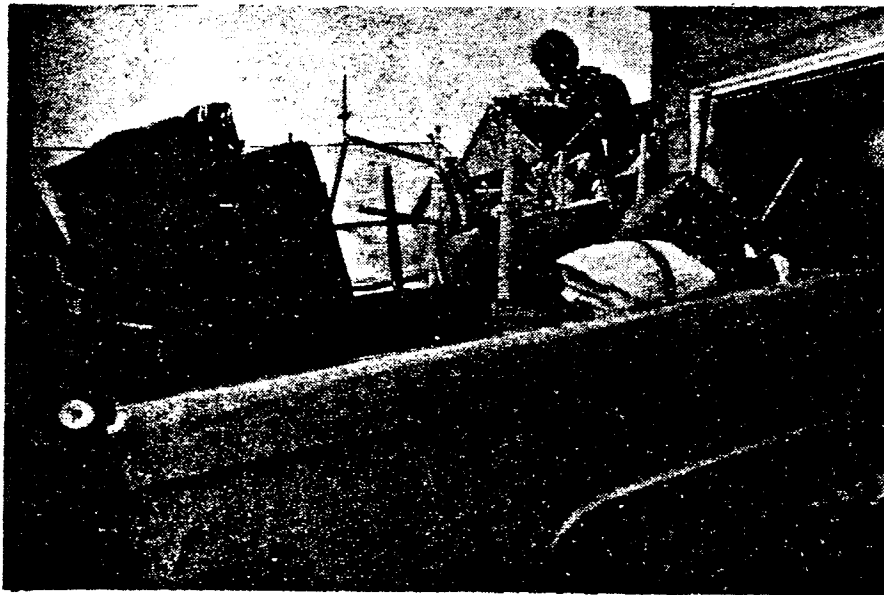
that list of names for the Team Oregon program.

ABATE member Rick Seeley explained, "They (Team Oregon) want to make sure it's worth their time to come over." Seeley said it is very important, especially for young riders, to learn proper riding skills.

Since May is Motorcycle Safety Month, Seeley said ABATE decided to start a sign-up sheet for the program "to get thing rolling."

Mr. Bike, a motorcycle store located at Young's Bay on Highway 101 just south of Astoria, offered to house the sign-up sheet for Team Oregon. The store is open seven days a week.

For more information, ABATE spokeswoman Kelley can be reached at 325-0993. The ABATE group meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Pizza harbor in Seaside. They said new members are always welcome.



HELPING OTHERS — The Clatsop chapter of ABATE, an organization that promotes motorcycle safety and education, held a garage sale April 1-2 to raise money for their cause. ABATE spokeswoman Kelley said the community was very supportive and donated items for the sale. The group raised \$526. The items that were not sold were donated to a needy family through Pioneer House at Camp Rilea. Pictured is ABATE member Rick Seeley loading a truck with the remaining goods: a kitchen table and chairs, a day bed, a swivel rocker, end tables, toys and clothing and kitchen utensils. The group also had six boxes of clothing left from the sale that they donated to local nursing homes and care facilities.

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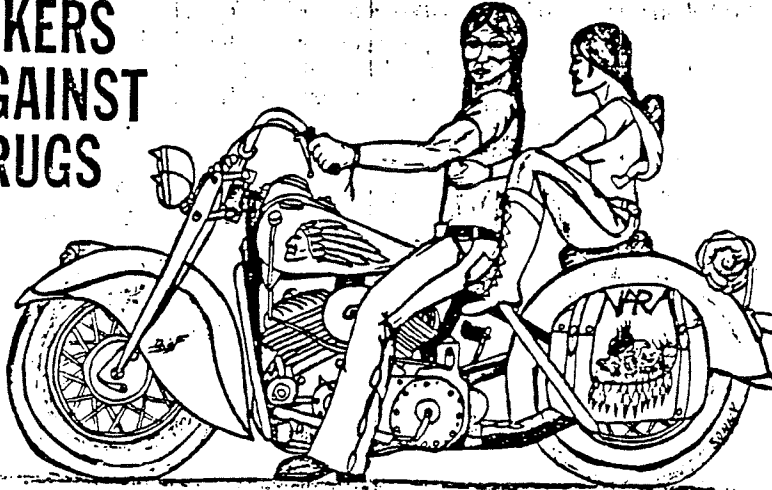
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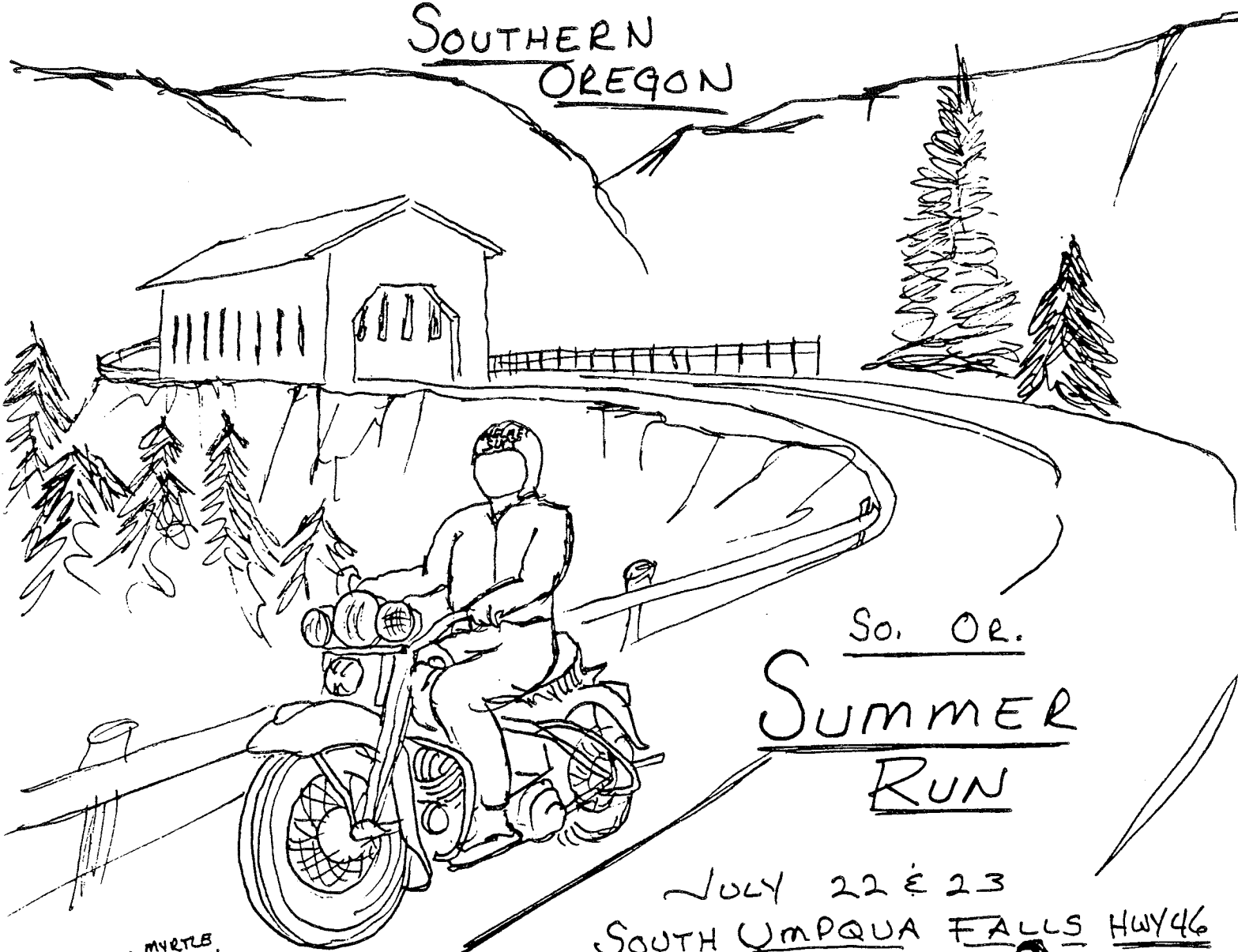
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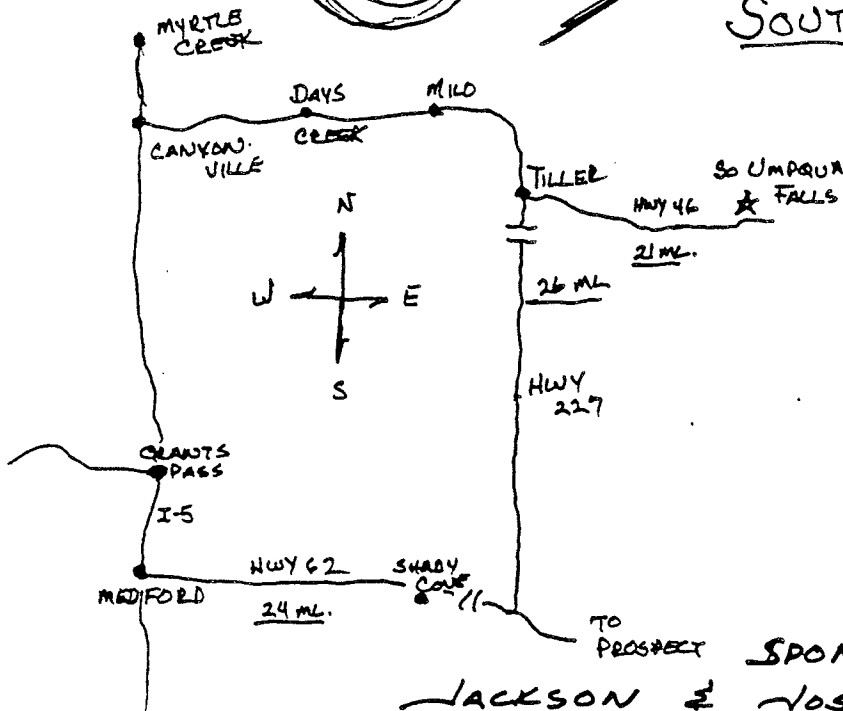
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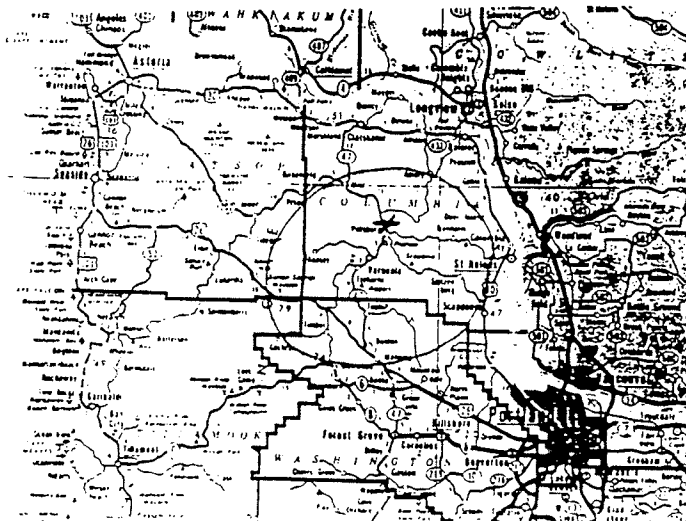
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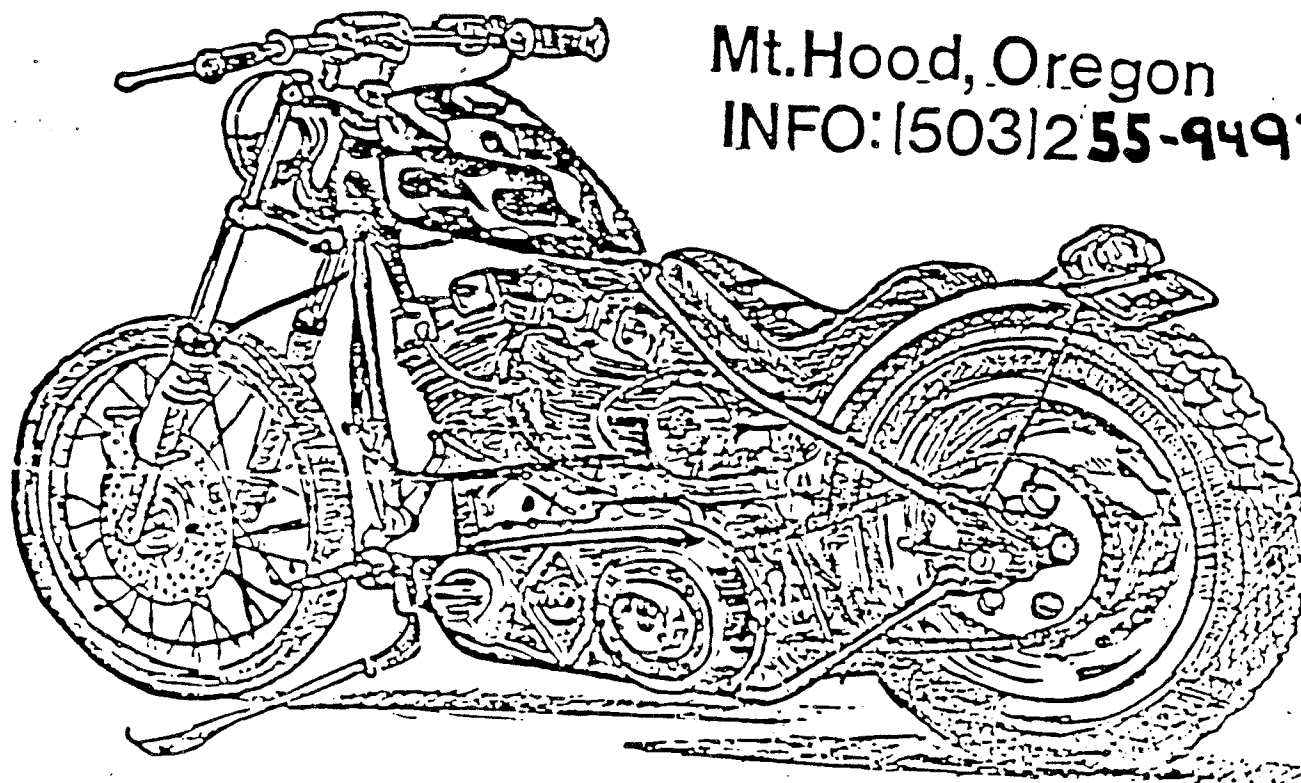
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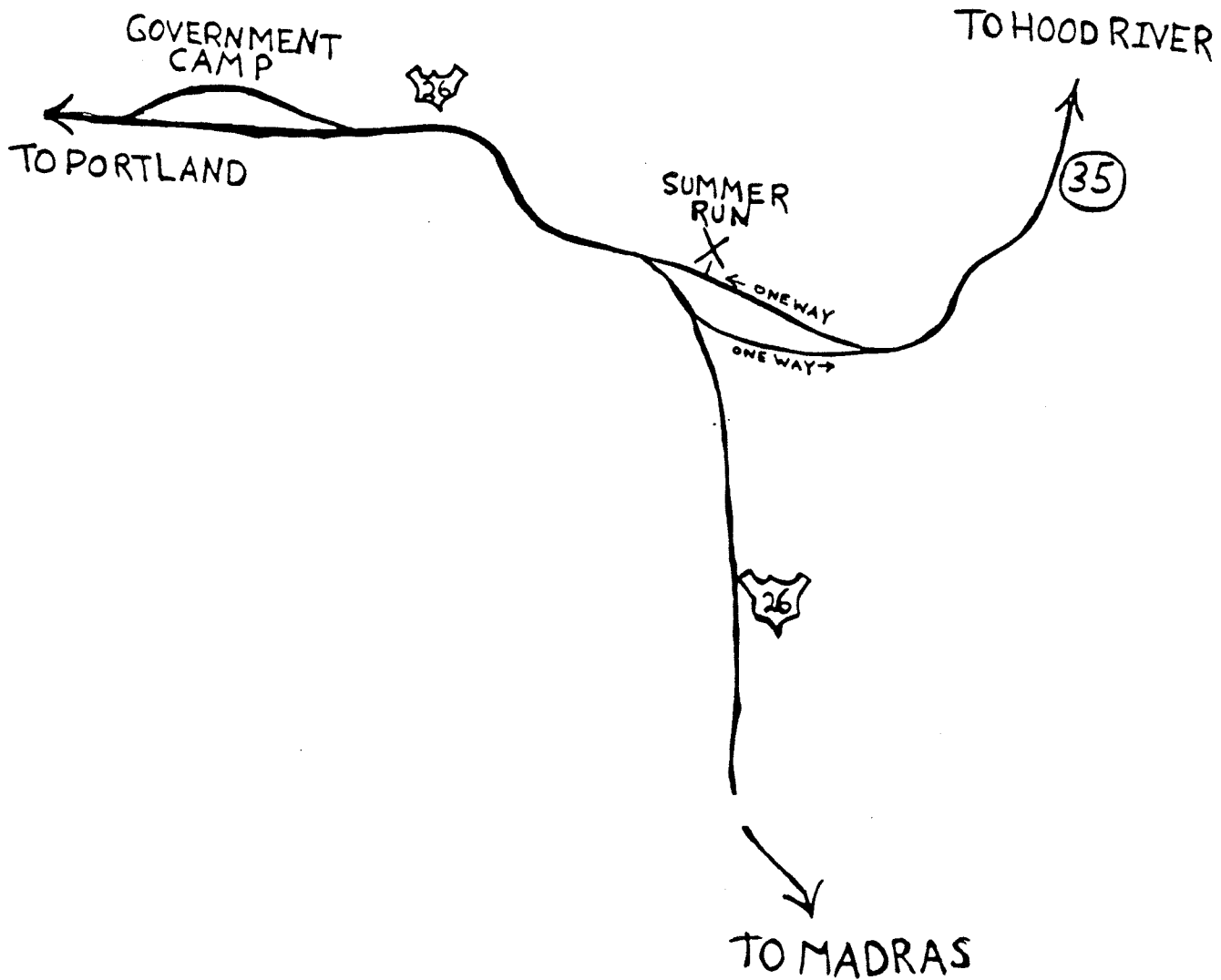
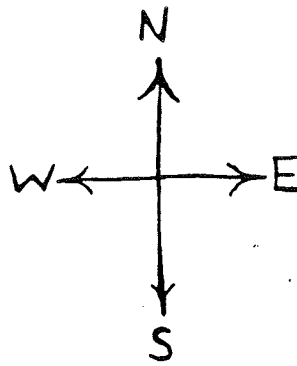
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NOTE: All ABATE of Oregon Members may run their ads FREE for 3 months. The Date in Parenthesis () is the last month it will run in the newsletter.

- FOR SALE: 13 1/2' red and white glasspar ski boat with ski ropes. 65 merc motor. \$2,500 or trade for 3/4 ton Ford pickup or Harley. Call Joe Ro Huff 363-8247 after 4 p.m. (7-89)
- FOR SALE: Engineer boots. Like new, size 8. \$20.00 Call 378-7330 (7-89)
- WANTED: Looking for 1969 Sporster parts, fenders, heads, handlebar risers. Call 581-7329. Jim Stoner (7-89)
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- TRADE: 1962 GMC bus, some conversion done, it's 35 feet long. Want to trade for a Shovel. Butch 623-4113, Melinda 623-4311 (9-89)
- FOR SALE: One pair brown leather pants, waist 30/32" \$25. Melinda 623-4311 (9-89)
- WANTED: Switching my FXS to FLH. Need rear fender, wide glide front end. Have FXS hardware to trade. Russ 585-6518 (9-89)
- FOR SALE: 13 1/2' ski boat and rope. 65 hp Merc. \$2500/OBO or trade for 3/4 ton Ford pickup or Harley. Call 362-7013. (Looks suspiciously like the one up above, doesn't it? These ads were sent in separately) (9-89)
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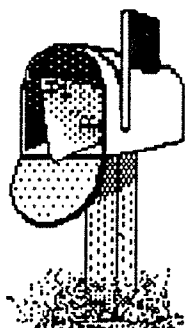
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Call Pete Kerkpa or Louie Armstrong at 664-6456.
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11 am, Angelo's Pizza, 263 Rogue River Hwy, Grants Pass.
8 pm, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division.
6 pm, Inga's Cheese Haus, 4023 South 6th.
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1st & 3rd MONDAYS
THIRD MONDAYS

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