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1991 A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON, INC. RUN CALENDAR						
July 20-21	Beaver Creek Run Lincoln County	Gary & Vicky 563-3520				
July 26-28	S.O.S. Run Jackson & Josephine Counties	Scott Bukovac 582-2315 Frank Way 535-6537				
August 3-4	Fox Creek Salem	Sonny & Diane 399-0753				
August 10	State Board Meeting (To be announced)	Rotten Roger 285-4329				
August 17-18	Summer Run N.E. & S.E. Portland	Pastor Eugene (N.E.) Pastor Vic (S.E.) (206) 254-5181				
August 25	Windy Creek Run Douglas County	Cindy & Tim Maley 673-2807 Allen & Joy 672-5415				
August 30-September 1	Labor Day Run Lane County	John Ware 935-8033				
September 14	State Board Meeting (To be announced)	Rotten Roger 285-4329				
September 15-16	End of Summer Run N. Coast, Yamhill & Washington Co.'s	Captain         648-9311           Don Smack         738-7156				
September 20-22	Last Chance Run Josephine County	Jerry 474-7278 Scott 582-2315				
September 28	Portland ABATE Shriner's Toy Run Benefit - Cactus Club	Edd Dahl       771-0188         Pat Gleason       775-4593				
October 12	State Board Meeting Creswell	Rotten Roger 285-4329				
October 26	Portland ABATE Shriner's Toy Run Benefit Halloween Party - Stagecoach	Edd Dahl 771-0188 Pat Gleason 775-4593				
November 9	State Board Meeting Creswell	Rotten Roger 285-4329				
November 23	Toy Run Washington County	Captain 648-9311				
November 30	Portland ABATE Shriner's Toy Run Last Chance Dance - River Rd. House	Edd Dahl         771-0188           Pat Gleason         775-4593				
December 7	Portland Toy Run Shriner's Hospital	Gary Martin 639-0873				
December 14	State Board Meeting Creswell	Rotten Roger 285-4329				

YOUR HARD WORK IN ABATE IS
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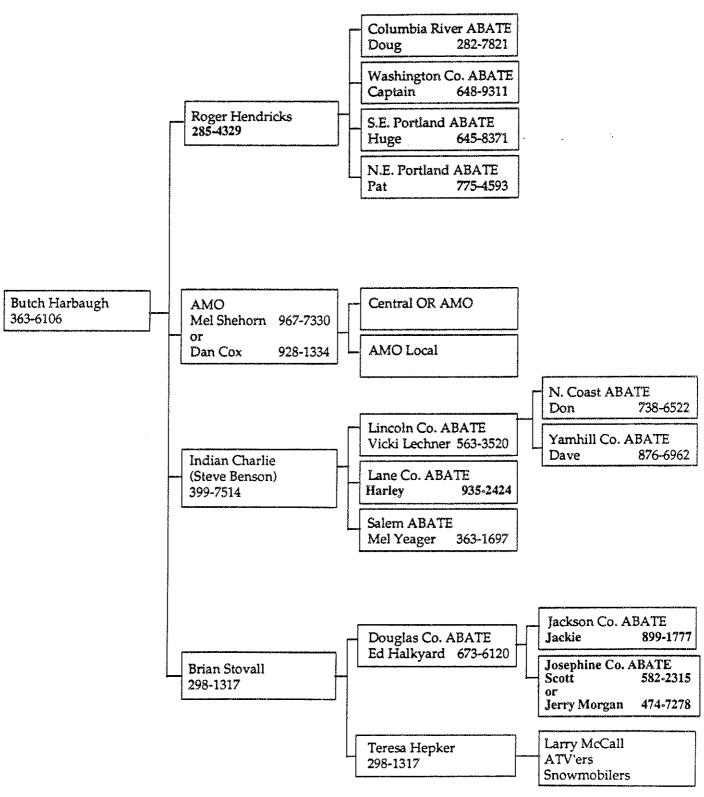
ABATE IS YOU ... YOU ARE ABATE ABATE AND YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



# BikePAC of Oregon

### PHONE TREE

February 2, 1991



### A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. STATE BOARD MEETING Minutes for June 8, 1991 Roving Meeting held in Portland at P.C.C.

The meeting was called to order at 1:13 p.m. by Roger and turned over to Brian Stovall, our guest speaker.

Roll call - Columbia River - 2, Douglas County - 2, Jackson County - 2, Josephine County - 0, Lane County - 0, Lincoln County - 0, N.E. Portland - 2, North Coast - 1, Salem - 2, S.E. Portland - 1, Washington County - 2, Yamhill County - 2.

Brian Stovali opened our meeting. He thanks BikePAC, AMO and ABATE for coming up with the funds to go to Washington, D.C. Also, he was thankful for the use of the apartment. That saved some money.

He went there expecting to be offended and came away with some new ideas about big BROTHER. But without our working together, supporting each others freedoms and making our Government serve as it should, it was by us for us, not them (especially the ones who don't represent us), his trip would not have been a success, which will lead to many more. Be aware that it's us that makes or breaks those initiatives, so write, call, contact our officials in Washington. Action will change our rights and freedoms. Thank you Brian.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as corrected.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY - Mother reports we have 851 members. Up 46 members from last month,

ABATE OF OREGON CHAPTER TOTALS								
CHAPTER	TOTAL 6/1/91	GAIN/ LOSS 6/1/91	EXPIRA- TIONS 6/1/91	NEW/ RENEW 6/1/91	TOTAL 5/1/91			
Columbia River	41	0	1	1	41			
Douglas County	75	8	0	8	67			
Indian Creek	83	7	8	15	76			
Jackson County	80	-1	3	2	81			
Josephine County	74	3	13	16	71			
Lane County	53	0	4	4	53			
Lincoln County	80	-1	1	0	81			
Northeast Portland	138	17	11	28	121			
North Coast	36	0	0	0	36			
Salem	70	6	3	9	64			
Southeast Portland	96	7	5	12	89			
Washington County	50	-1	3	2	51			
Yamhill County	21	1	3	4	20			
Total	897	46	55	101	851			

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR -** The road list is being revised. If you need to be on it send your info to Donna, Newsletter Editor, ASAP.

STATE RUN COORDINATOR - If you lost something at Fossil lots of things were found. Call Roger. Security needed beef. There was a lack of responsibility and control. Alcohol and minors was a problem. We discussed several ideas and suggestions of clearing up that problem. Take it back to your chapters. If you have suggestions bring them to the next State meeting.

The Poker Run at Fossil was a great success. Thanks, Ed. Only one breakdown and he won the pot. What luck! One third went to BikePAC. The music was great. Many thanks to the Bob Beck Band, Stevie Z and the Switchbacks.

ABATE PRODUCTS - Angie needs MRF money and tickets so

she can get them in for the June 13 drawing. If you're still selling them there is still the motorcycle drawing. There are still ABATE shirts and Fossil shirts for sale.

WAYS AND MEANS - Color books, color books, color books. We have over 700 left. Got any ideas to sell them? Bring them to the next State meeting.

**EDUCATION DIRECTOR - Mel** filled us in a little more on our prized helmet laws and what we can and cannot do with that precious item. Be sure to read about it in the Newsletter.

**LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR -** Roger has informed us on a bill in the works called HR41, Petition Rights. If we don't have this, we're shot down. Curious? Interested? Find out what it's about.

### TREASURER'S REPORT -

Checking .													
Savings		,										,	276.88
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Total													
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Josephine Co. - we need your 1st quarter report, payment is due, Washington Co. - we need your 1st quarter report.

HISTORIAN - No Report.

### **CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS -**

Columbia River - Casino Night, Potluck, nice prizes and it's Rusty's birthday.

Douglas County - Working on getting those kids to Camp Easter Seals. They have sent 7 so far and have room for 2 more.

Jackson County - S.O.S. Run, tickets are available.

N.E. Portland - Writing letters and their Anniversary Party is June 29. They are working on the Summer Run - Bob Beck Band will be there. Working on Toy Run Benefits every weekend. Rusty Taylor is getting married.

North Coast - Working on the Pet Fish Hatchery and clearing their adopted beach.

Salem - They are ready for the Fox Creek Run South of Independence. If you can't make Sturgis it's the same weekend.

S.E. Portland - Working on the Toy Run Benefits and Summer Run. They are having a drawing for a 1992 Fat Boy. They are working hard with N.E. on all of these upcoming events.

Washington County - They are working hot and heavy on their Car Seat Loaner Program and just got some more to contribute.

Yamhill County - They would like to thank all 16 of their 21 members for showing up at Fossil. They raised \$480.00 from the Poker Run for the New Rider Program.

**OLD BUSINESS -** Tri-folds and posters, contact Mother or your State Rep. Keep pushing your Freedom ribbons. Roving meetings, next one is in Nehalem, up the Coast. Come to the State meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS -** We received and read a couple letters from Gil Revilla. We discussed them and videos at our runs and decided to carry this issue until we can get more information. Captain volunteered to research this with Sam Hochberg.

Public Relations person at the State level - if we take care of P.R. at the chapter level we shouldn't need to fill this position.

There is, in the works, a NCOM convention this fall. Butch

Harbaugh and Captain are aiming for the third weekend of October in Portland. First district includes Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Idaho and Oregon. Having a one day Spring 1992 Best Of The West In Oregon. We need to let all chapter members know. We need help with this. Come to the State meeting and find out what you can do.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS -** Special thanks to these folks and Appreciation Certificates were given to the following for extra effort at Fossil:

Rusty Taylor Steve McConnelk Mike Sergeon Angle Jensen Larry Putman Mitch Putman Vickie and Gary Joy Hoover Ed Halkyard Marty Coon Three Finger Ron

A special thanks and a plaque were presented to Donna Adkins and Dan Kerr for there extra effort for ABATE of Oregon.

Roger would like to get a copy of your letters back from our officials just to know what they are telling us and Brian Stovall is also interested in their replies. Send to either one. Thank you.

Douglas County is trying to get a section of Camp Easter Seals called East Camp on the State level to erect this camp with ABATE of Oregon as the named parents.

Respectfully submitted, James Mason Acting State Secretary

### **CHAPTER REPORTS**

### **COLUMBIA RIVER**

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. U & I Tavern, 6910 N. Interstate, Portland Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211 Chapter Contact: Marliyn, 788-0492

Greetings, Columbia River Chapter, We had our Run To The Sun June 22nd & 23rd. Whew, became a success. Nice weather, nice people, and a nice time was had by all who went. Our Poker Run was good. No mishaps and very happy winners.

Roger (The Rottenous) won high hand. Ken Walsh of Washington County had low hand. Each won \$51.25. Pretty nice!

We celebrated Rusty Taylor's birthday who, of course, enjoyed himself. Marilyn's granddaughter entertained us with some music. That little girl can sing. MaDonna has nothing over this little girl. Tasha is her name. We even had a fashion show by none other than "Doc" of Columbia River Chapter. Did he ever look sexy. If you know anyone that took pictures there, ask to see them, WOW!!!

Well, we have new officers in our Chapter, Doug Roland is still Coordinator, Terry Moore is Vice-Coordinator, Larie Bastain is Treasurer and Membership Secretary, Angle is Secretary, Judy Jones is Historian, Harry is Legislative & Education Director, Mike is Sgt.-At-Arms I, Doc is Sgt.-At-Arms II, Red & Doc Mercandish are State Reps, and Marlyne Bennett is Ways & Means. Congratulations to all. We have a Membership Drive going on and we sure hope to increase our membership soon.

We have a proposal for attendance drawings. \$1.00 per member per meeting. Member names will be drawn from full Chapter Roster. Member must be present to win. If member drawn is not present, pot will roll over to the next meeting plus name drawn will also go back to be eligible again.

Well don't get too burned out there. Hope you had a blast of a 4th of July.

Ride safe, Adios, Angie

### **DOUGLAS COUNTY**

Meets 3rd Sunday at 11:00 a.m.
Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mail, Roseburg
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97470
Chapter Contact: Joy Hoover

Wendy Creek is coming up once again. August 24 and 25. Don't forget to mark it on the calendar. We would really love to see you all there.

While reading an article in the local newspaper about seat belts, I had to ask myself just what this article meant. It discussed 11 recent

studies and stated that they varied immensely. Most studies ranged between 50% and 75% effectiveness of reduced injury for seat belt wearers. That means (in my humble opinion) that 25% to 50% of the time they are not effective in reducing injury and there is nothing mentioning how many times in that 25% to 50% they cause injury. Makes you wonder how anyone could attempt to pass a United States mandate on seat belt laws. But let us remember that "people use statistics the same way a drunk uses a lamp post; more for support than for illumination."

One thing about being in ABATE, every time I start thinking that "there should be a law against that," I stop and think, is there a way we can take care of the problem without another law? Can knowledge and concern take the place of the law? Can the consumer stop buying the offending article? When I realize that, in most cases, something other than a new law can, indeed, take care of the nuisance. Then the only problem left to solve is apathy. That is why we continue to have new and more constricting laws, it seems, on a daily basis. It is because people just don't care. We need to get other people involved. So when you see apathy overtaking a person, please, attempt to get them up in arms, see if you can't get them to at least write letters. If they don't want to get involved with a group of people, then pass on information to them. Give them addresses, phone numbers. Every letter counts.

Here's to "The Freedom to Choose." To keeping what rights we have and to getting back the ones we lost.

Linda

### **JACKSON COUNTY**

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 a.m.
Angelo's Pizza, Phoenix (Call Frank at 535-6537
or Chris at 776-9824)
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1184, Medford, OR 97501
Chapter Contact: Peter Karpa, 776-4558
or Paul Warrender, 772-7344

No report, first time.

### JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 11 a.m.
Steve's Pizza USA II, 223 Rogue River Hwy., Grants Pass
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 2031, Grants Pass, OR 97526
Chapter Contact: Sheree, 474-7278

No report, first time.

### LANE COUNTY

Meets 1st Sunday, 12:00 noon
Freight Yard Pizza, 1976 Echo Hollow Road, Eugene
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 171, Veneta, OR 97487
Chapter Contact: Harley, 935-2424 or John Ware, 935-8033

This is for all you crazy people out there. Hi, Hello and where were you? Our 2nd Annual Summer Fest was on June 1 and we had one hell of a good time. Over 150 people and 61 bikes showed up for a day of fun in the sun. We had a larger turnout than last year and hope to have even a bigger turnout next year.

Now that our season has started we are gearing up for our Labor Day Run. To start with, we are holding a few money makers to help us out. First off we are having a Casino Night June 30th (location unknown). Next, will be a Poker Run on July 13, and to finish off with another Casino Night on July 21. All of which have confirmed dates but not locations. We will keep you posted ASAP. In the meantime, feel free to call Harley at 935-2424, or Rose at 344-2804 for more information.

All of this hard work is to help us pull off our largest event of the year. The Lane County Labor Day Run, August 31 through September 2. We will be posting filers by next State Board. Come join the fun!!

> Until next time, Unicom Rose

### LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30 p.m.
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 665, Newport, OR 97365
Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, 563-3520

We are alive and getting better in Lincoln County. I was not feeling good when the last newsletter article was due and it just went by with no thought of it.

We have been busy getting things completed with the Mrs. Santa Claus Workshop. There was an official dedication ceremony on the same weekend as Fossil. This date was not of our choosing, but it had already been set without us knowing it. We hope to have an open house for the public at a later time.

We are now having a few roving meetings around the county and are making them a family affair with potluck dinners. We had a wonderful turnout for our first one. Members that we have not seen in awhile attended, and also some potential members. It was a lot of fun, except for the wind that almost blew us over.

Vickie came from a State Board meeting saying that we needed to compose a list of all the programs and projects that we have done in Lincoln County. As I gathered the list, had members of our group add any they saw that had been missed, I was overwhelmed. I think all groups should make a permanent list to show what they have given to their communities. It really gives me a sense of pride to belong to the Lincoln County Chapter after completing the list. We have made a difference for the people who live here.

Our Beaver Creek Run will soon be here. It will take place on the weekend of July 20th-21st. We are gearing up for getting things in order so that it will be fun for all who attend.

It is finally looking like the coast will have some summer. I feel that we should not get overly optimistic about this, but it is nice to see the sun.

You may have noticed, that Vickie and Gary did not make the State Board meeting in Portland. Vickie was giving us a lesson on how not to attend a board meeting at our chapter meeting last night. She and Gary had bike problems when they headed north for the meeting on Saturday. She was trying to make us believe that it takes over 4 hours to get from her home, on Beaver Creek, to Depoe Bay and back. We accepted this explanation without much question. When you see her, ask her how her trip to the June State Board was.

Looking forward to seeing you in July at Lincoln County's

Annual Beaver Creek Run.

Ride safe and keep the rubber side down, Millie

### **NORTH COAST ABATE**

Meets 1st Sunday, 12 Noon
The Bayside Gardens, Nehalem
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, OR 97138
Chapter Contact: Don Smack, 738-7156
No report, first time.

### **N.E. PORTLAND**

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Round Table Pizza, 4141 N.E. 122nd, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228
Chapter Contact: Pat Gleason, 775-4593

It seems like each month we have congratulations in order and this time is no exception ... Best wishes to Rusty Taylor, our State Rep. and State Ways and Means Director, and his new bride Lisa Fracasso, who were married on June 15th. The newlyweds are residing in Vancouver. Also, best wishes and congratulations to Greg Campbell and Shelley Reisig who were also married on this day.

Anyone who missed the Chapter Anniversary Party missed a great time. The gathering was held on June 29th at Roslyn Lake and dubbed as the \*1991 Family Picnic at the Lake." There was lots to do, including volleyball and horse shoes. This will surely become an annual event.

Another annual run, this time near the coast, will be held on July 13 and 14. This is the Nehalem River Run, or Paco's Run to some, but whatever you want to call it, it's always a good time. It is located on Highway 53, 8 miles east of Wheeler. Hope to see you there.

A date hasn't been finalized as of yet, but September looks like the month for the annual NARA Poker Run. Mother will be one of the key organizers again this year and says a Pow Wow will once again consummate the function. Watch for more news in future newsletters.

The dates and places have been set for the Toy Run Benefit parties. The last Saturday of September, October and November have been chosen as the dates with the Cactus Club & Diner, the Stagecoach and the River Road House representing each location respectively.

Another reminder to mark your calendars for the Summer Run being held at McCubbins Gulch on the east side of Mt. Hood. The dates are August 16, 17 & 18. Don't miss it.

With so many happenings going on it is impossible to catch them all, but wherever you go have a good time and ride safe.

> See ya next time around, Linda

### SALEM

Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:00 p.m. Casey's Pizza, 4500 S. Commercial (Call 585-6518 or 585-3897 for info.)

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 13957, Salem, OR 97309 Chapter Contact: Jim Stoner, 769-4402

I would first like to thank all of the people involved with Fossil (which is everyone that attended) as this turned out to be one of the finest runs I personally have attended.

Nature was very cooperative, with generous amounts of sunshine and the most beautiful scenery in the world to make the trip to Fossil even more enjoyable.

Everyone I had the pleasure to meet (new and old friends alike) seemed to be having the time of their lives. With the amount of

people in attendance there were no problems of any kind, just a lot of good fun.

On Monday, Salem ABATE Chapter had a sad moment when we had to say "good-bye" (but not for long) to one hell of a brother "Saddle-Tramp", as he returned to Wisconsin to be with his children. He will be truly missed, but never forgotten ... "Ride safe, Tramp."

With a couple of minor electrical problems on the trip home (thank you Rick and Sonny) we all made it safe and sound to our comfortable beds and a well deserved good nights sleep.

Once again, on behalf of Salem ABATE and myself, I'd like to thank all the ABATE Chapters and those individuals involved with making this run the extreme pleasure it turned out to be. Thank you!

Now remember, FOX CREEK, August 3rd and 4th. More on this run to follow.

Ride safe .... Ride sober, ?????? (not signed)

### S.E. PORTLAND

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland Chapter Address: P.O. Box 86007, Portland, OR 97206 Chapter Contact: Edd Dahi, 771-0188

Sorry about not reporting to you all in last month's newsletter. It's become more and more difficult for me to get the report in on time, attend meetings, and type up the minutes. So difficult, in fact, that I must resign from the position of Correspondence Secretary for this chapter. I've been struggling with this decision for many months now, not wanting to face the fact that I just can't do it anymore. When you have a Coordinator like Edd Dahl who works so hard, it isn't easy to let him down. But due to heavy conflicts of job and family, I must step back and let someone else take over. My hope is that by the time this is printed in the July newsletter, someone else will already have met the challenge to take my place. As I write this, we are still trying to get someone to volunteer as Treasurer for this chapter. Knowing this makes it even harder to leave my post. But, on the up side, we do have a new/old Sergeant-At-Arms, Mr. Doug Fors. I say new/old because he is the new Sgr. but he was our Ways & Means person at one time. Anyway, welcome to the job, Doug!

I owe an apology to EJ Nance, who pointed out to me that he is Vice-Coordinator of this chapter and so cannot also be Alternate Vice-Coordinator. Yeah, yeah, I know. So sorry, already. Anyway, I also didn't know EJ's last name when the newsletter last went to print. So this is an official clarification and apology.

At our Members Only drawing at the April 21st meeting, GINA BLACKFORD's name was drawn. Had she not been absent, she would have won \$20.00. Sorry you weren't present, Gina. At the June 2nd meeting, we didn't do a Members Only drawing because

we raffled off a Harley-Davidson Cigarette bag and Summer Run T-shirt (which Pastor Eugene won) and we raffled off an ABATE watch which was generously donated by the one and only EJ Nance. DEBBIE MAY should be especially grateful, since she was the lucky owner. I don't know how much we collected on the raffle, but I'm sure it was decent since everybody seems to want one of those rare collectible watches. (I know that Paul and I spent over \$10 trying for it!)

Well, folks ... that's it for me. It is with regret and mixed feelings I sign off for good this time ...

Happy trails, Muffy

### **WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m.
Little Italy Pizza, Cornelius
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1353, Hillsboro, OR 97124
Chapter Contact: Paul, 693-0938 or Mitch, 648-9311

Summer is finally here, and Washington County is on the move. Membership is up, which is always good. The more people to fight for our rights.

People need to get involved to get the things done that we would like to see.

A special thanks goes out to the crew who worked the concession stand at Fossil. They did a good job.

We now have a full time public relations person who has been getting good press releases. Look for them in your local newspaper.

Safe riding, Ken & Sheryl

### YAMHILL COUNTY

Meets 2nd Sunday, 3:00 p.m.
Dominico's, 2223 McDaniel Lane, McMinnville
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1179, McMinnville, OR 97128
Chapter Contact: Longshot, 876-6962
No report, first time.

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### "UNSECURED PETS FLY LIKE MISSILES IN ACCIDENTS"

Seat Belts for Pets. "Dogs and cats will have to buckle up if local humane societies persuade lawmakers to mandate the use of special restraints for pets in cars. The American Veterinary Medical Association and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) are meanwhile encouraging pet owners to comply voluntarily, noting that unsecured pets fly like missiles in accidents, endangering themselves and other riders. Specialty car restraints available in pet stores include the Ride 'n Walk safety harness and the Pet Love Belt, designed by a Reno, Nevada, man after a sudden stop for a flat tire killed his dog. The belts, which strap around and animal's belly and shoulders, attach to the passenger seat belt through a ring at the back of the harness. The Pet Love Belt, (800) 637-5683, comes in four sizes and costs \$19.95. Ride 'n Walk (800) 223-7768, comes in five sizes and costs \$13 to \$19. Neither product has undergone formal outside testing. Pet Love Products also makes a cross-tether for dogs in pickup trucks. About 100,000 canine pickup passengers are killed or injured each year, restraints are required by law in California, Washington state and Reno. Some independent Dodge dealers carry the tether.

A person's just gotta wonder, maybe, THEY oughtta just take automobiles away from drivers, then we wouldn't have to be faced with mandated safety regulations. But then again maybe we should just find a place to trade in our knit-picking do-gooders! *END* 

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### WAKE UP AMERICA

by M.C. Beeler

No, it's not Earl Pitts America time. Although, some days the guy does have some pretty good points. I do feel, however, that the American people need to wake up and be concerned about what is happening in Washington, D.C. and in their state governments. Get involved in your schools as well.

Leadership in federal and state governments rely almost totally on input from experts in different fields as well as input from the citizens. The thing is, there are more citizens than there are experts. Experts, many times, do not consider the burden that is put on the American public either through taxes or additional restrictions in the way they live. It seems as though the experts are always there telling our public officials what we, as citizens, need. But, how do they know when the experts never ask the citizens? Confusing? Not really. It just means that if you don't take enough time to address your concerns to our leaders, they aren't going to come around and ask you. You can't rely on the other person to carry the load and express his opinion and your opinion as well. It does no good to complain to neighbors, friends or relatives about issues. It does do some good to encourage them to register to vote, write letters and call our leaders expressing opinions.

The issues in Washington, D.C. concerning motorcyclists are very serious at this point in time. Senator Chafee has amended Senate Bill 965 with Article #122. This amendment requires every state to have a mandatory helmet and seat belt law in order for the state to receive federal funding for its highways. This bill has already passed out of subcommittee.

Representative Cooper from Tennessee has HR 1782. This requires basically the same thing. In April, he introduced the bill with no cosponsors. As of right now, he has 72 cosponsors in one month's time. Senate Bill 339 deals with Outlaw Street & Motorcycle Gangs.

These bills, if passed, will have a direct bearing on every motorcyclist across this nation unless everyone gets involved with

helping defeat them. So called experts or do-gooders have convinced these politicians that this is the right thing to do. Now it's time for the citizens to let the politicians know it is not what they want. The leaders of motorcycle rights groups across this nation have names, addresses and phone number of who to contact. ABATE officers here in Indiana have the same information. Get involved, people. Don't wait till that last minute to put on a big push. It won't work

Think about this. An article was published in a national magazine concerning helmet manufacturers and their liability costs and the law suits they have had to pay. Basically, it was saying that if these liability costs keep rising, there may not be any helmets manufactured. Now should a helmet law be passed that requires you to wear one and then they, all of the sudden, quit manufacturing them, how do you ride? I don't know, but I don't want to find out either.

I mentioned earlier in this article about getting involved with the schools. Some of the instructors across the state have been involved with driver's ed classes. Some members have been involved with school drug programs and some have gotten involved in programs dealing with dropouts by trying to get them in school to get their diplomas. These are great programs and they work. Many of you are professionals in your everyday jobs. Many of these schools teach classes about the jobs we do. Most schools are looking for people to come in and spend some time in classes relating their experience to the students about their work. Ever notice how your kids listen more when others tell them to do something than when you do? Well it works the same way with teachers versus outside speakers. You're also showing your concern by being there. If students see you're concerned about what's going on around them. In May I spent an entire day at my stepdaughter's school. I talked to the senior government classes. There were a total of six. It was an experience and I'm glad I did it.

Remember this, kids coming out of school are our future leaders and business people. I don't want to see everything that I've helped with go down the tubes just because I didn't get my two cents worth in before a so-called expert gets a hold of them.

So again I say, wake up America, get involved! Don't wait on the other guy because he is waiting on you and then nothing gets done. Your life becomes more complicated with more unnecessary laws. Don't be a complainer, be a doer. Your lives will be better for it.

> Ride free forever, M.C. Beeler The Rebel

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# James D. Cooper (D-Tenn)

This proposed legislation would require states to adopt laws mandating motorcycle helmet usage and passenger vehicle safety belt usage, leveraged by forced expenditure of state funding for safety programs, when enactment or compliance is not achieved by the state.

# NCOM MRO Opposition:

Basis -

- 1. Sovereignty of states' rights.
- 2. Concept of federal blackmail.
- 3. Seek separate and fair treatment as a stand-alone issue, not tacked on by amendment to the Federal Highway Reauthorization Bill of 1991 or other macro legislation.
- 4. That we be given fair time allocation and opportunity to represent our side of the issue.

# Action Requirement:

# WRITE THOSE LETTERS!!

Write to your U.S. Representatives, especially those on the House Public Works and Transportation Committee, concerning state's sovereignty, separate treatment and fair opportunity to present opposing viewpoint.

Write to your state Senators and Representatives. Ask them to communicate with the U.S. Representatives from your state, emphasizing that this is a state's rights issues, and requesting fair opportunity to present opposing viewpoint.

Write to your state's U.S. Representative on the House Ways and Means Committee. Ask them to strike out any amendments that involve motorcycle helmet laws if they are encountered in other legislation under their consideration (tacked on).

# SCHEDULE FOR EXECUTION OF ACTION REQUIREMENT;

This legislation is expected to begin movement in Committee prior to the summer recess of August, 1991. It is imperative that a massive letter writing campaign, as herein defined, be initiated immediately.

# U.S. HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION FOR OREGON AND WASHINGTON

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# WRITE, WRITE, WRITE!!!

Despite opposition from the AMA and other motorcyclist groups, the senators passed another amendment that would coerce states into passing mandatory helmet laws (S.965). Under the terms of that amendment (Section 122) which was attached to the bill at the request of Sen. John Chafee (R-Rhode Island), states that fail to pass helmet and seat belt laws by 1992 would be required to spend 1.5 percent of their federal highway aid for safety, education and enforcement programs. After 1994, states would have to earmark 3 percent of their highway funds for such programs.

In addition, the bill also establishes a grant incentive program to allocate \$100 million in federal grants to states that enact helmet and seat belt laws by 1994.

The Senate also approved an AMA-supported amendment that extends the current law that requires states to allow motorcycle access on commuter lanes, or High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes.

With the passage of the transportation bill in the Senate, the focus now turns to the House of Representatives, where similar provisions are likely to surface.

Rep. Thomas Petri (R-Wisconsin) Intends to introduce language within the House's highway authorization bill that is nearly identical to trail funding provisions passed by the Senate.

Likewise, Rep. Jim Cooper (D-Tennessee) hopes to get helmet and seat belt language, similar to that of the Chafee amendment, included in the House transportation bill. The Cooper proposal, known as H.R. 1782, would authorize \$95 million in incentive grants for states that adopt helmet and seat belts laws, plus an additional \$5 million to fund a federal study to assess the effectiveness of these laws.

As the legislative deadline for the passage of the House's Transportation bill grows closer, the AMA encourages all motorcyclists to make their views known on these important issues by writing to Rep. Robert Roe (D-New Jersey, who heads the panel that will be drafting the legislation and to write to your own state officials. For correspondence to Rep. Roe address letters to:

The Honorable Robert Roe Committee on Public Works and Transportation 2243 Rayburn Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-3008 BikePAC of Oregon, PO Box 5612, Salem, OR 97304 298-1317 • 363-6106 • 399-7514

# A MOTORCYCLIST'S

# ACTION GUIDE

# LETTERS NEED TO BE WRITTEN NOW!!!!!

the House Public Works and Transportation Committee, by asking him to help us get a We need to prepare Peter DeFazio, who is our Representative here in Oregon on chance to testify on S.965.

(District 4 - South Coast, Southern Willamette Valley, Southern Oregon) Congressman Peter DeFazio

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Call or write NOW

Sample letter to use as a formal for writing a letter to the legislative bodies on various House and Senate bills coming up WRITE THOSE LETTERS!

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Washington, D.C. 20510 (Street Address)

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mailing of states to enforce mandated helmet laws for motorcyclists as well as mandated seat belt laws for all. If enacted this bill would withhold Federal Highway Funds from states that did not comply. This type of legislation was defeated in the late 70's and should be done so again. I urge you to do everything in your power to defeat this type of legislation. Also, I would very much like to hear your position on this issue. We as Oregonians have prided ourselves in taking care of our own citizens and abiding by the will of the people on such issues. We do not want to lose another freedom of choice and this type of legislation would do exactly that

Thank you for your efforts in Washington, D.C.

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### WORDS FROM ERIC DICKMAN AND THE O.S.S.A.

"I say to the House as I said the Ministers who have joined this government, I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat. We have before us an ordeal of the most grievous kind. We have before us many, many months of struggle and suffering.

You ask, what is our policy? I say it is to wage war by land, sea and air. War with all our might and with all the strength God has given us, and to wage war against a monstrous tyranny never surpassed in the dark and lamentable catalogue of human crime. That is our policy.

You ask, what is our aim? I can answer in one word. It is victory. Victory at all cost-victory in spite of all terrors-victory, however long and hard the road may be, for without victory, there is no survival."

- Winston Churchill

### **National Legislation**

Last night, June 28th, the Senate vote 67 to 32 to impose the Dole/Metzenbaum compromise version of the Brady Bill in the 29 states where no waiting period for handgun purchases now exists. That compromise requires a 5 day waiting period, and an instant check system be available within 30 months. It does not require the elimination of waiting periods in states that currently have them, once the instant check system is available, however.

At 1AM this morning, the Senate rejected by a vote of 54 to 44 an amendment to require the Justice Department to implement a "Staggers" type instant check system within 2 years. In order to prevent passage of that amendment, Senator Joe Biden voluntarily withdrew four of the six anti-gun provisions in the crime package. They would have included:

- A ban on magazines of over 15 rounds capacity and registration of existing magazines.
- A requirement that firearms dealers report purchases of 2 or more handguns within 5 days to BATF.
- Pretrial detention without ball for minor or technical firearms violations.
- 4. A ban on ever owning a firearm for those convicted of minor misdemeanor violations.

However, in withdrawing these four provisions, it was also agreed that no more amendments could be offered to the bill. That means that, if S1241 passes, it includes the DeConcinni ban on 14 Semi-Auto rifles that passes the Senate last year. The only way to stop the waiting period and semi-auto ban is to stop the entire bill.

The Congress has adjourned for the 4th of July recess. During the recess, it is very important that you contact our Senators, Hatfield and Packwood. Since they have both voted for the firearms provisions, complain about 1) the broadening of the Death Penalty and 2) the narrowing of Habeas Corpus.

### Oregon Legislature

While Vera Katz' new anti-gun bill, H.B. 3576 was not supposed to even get a hearing, Rep. Randy Miller, Chair of the House Judiciary Committee, reversed himself and held one anyway. While the bill did not get out of committee, an important feature which allowed the State Police to collect fees for processing fingerprints on handgun purchases, (\$8.50 for 10 digits, \$21.50 for just thumbs) was "stuffed" into H.B.3103. That bill, H.B.3103, originally was designed to allow parents of minors to have their childrens' fingerprints placed in State Police files, incase they were kidnapped, etc. Thanks to the efforts of many of you calling your senators, this portion of the bill was stopped. Our lobbyist informs me that the impact of your calls was overwhelming, even when Governor Betty Roberts began lobbying REPUBLICANS in favor of the bill. While it is too soon to say we are safe, the prospects of this coming up again diminish as the session moves toward adjournment.

### Multnomah Co. Lawsuit

Currently, we are waiting for the Judge to rule in this case. The case went to trial on June 14th, and a ruling is expected within 30 days. Our attorney, John DeLorenzo, put on a tour-de-force during the hearing, using the County Counsel's own internal memos against the County. If the law, precedent, and preparation mean anything, we should win at this level. However, no matter who wins here, the case will most likely be appealed.

### **Hotline Numbers**

For the latest on firearms matters, please contact:

Oregon State Shooters Assn.: Hotline: 248-6901 Administrative: 248-6902 Mult. Co. Citizen's Safety Comm.: Hotline: 778-8001 Administrative: 778-7171

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### HERE WE GO AGAIN - ANOTHER ANTI-MOTORCYCLIST COMMERCIAL

by Steve Mullins, The Prez

It seems as though another advertising agency has gone and done it again, made a commercial using a motorcyclist in a negative way. This time it is "Brawny" paper towels. Apparently there is a series of Brawny commercials that play on the theme of "cleaning up life's messes," but this one as I understand shows a biker arriving at a house to pick up someone's daughter for a date (with a motorcycle in the background) when the biker is referred to as one of life's messes (probably to take her to the opera or a Broadway show).

Just when everyone in America is starting to love bikers, well would you believe respect bikers, all right, tolerate us, along comes a megabuck company turning all the fathers and mothers of America against the idea of us dating their daughters (or sons if you are one of our many female riders) ... Well, I for one still plan on dating someone's daughter (given the chance) and don't want them turning against me just because they viewed this commercial.

The parent company for Brawny papers towels is the James River group out of Norway, Ct. and they have a toll free number that you can call if you want to express your displeasure with them for using motorcyclists in a negative way. That number is 1-800-243-5384.

Stereotyping has been done away with for many parts of our society and we must make sure that motorcyclists get the same fair deal as other segments of society. We no longer see black people portrayed as always eating watermelons, or Indians always hanging around bars getting drunk on white man's firewater, so why should we be portrayed as a bad segment of society?

As we all know, we are simply people of all walks of life who choose to take a different path than most, one with a bit more freedom. I think it is that part that scares the hell out of most people, because we don't simply sit back and buckle under to rules that are always made with the best of intentions. Because some of those rules aren't good and by God I'm glad I'm part of a group that wouldn't tolerate bad laws but instead stands up and fights against them and fights for what we believe in.

So, if you are tired of companies using us in a negative way, simply call the James River group and express your displeasure in a rational manner. I'm sure that the advertising agency didn't know that we disapprove of this but I hope they won't do it again in the future. Let them go the route of American Express and Sudafed and lose their butts on this commercial by having to pull it off the air before it generates lots of sales.

[Ed. note: It seems that the James River group got the message. As I understand the commercial has been pulled off the air. I wanted to run this anyway to show that we can't let our guard down for a minute. Keep your eyes and ears open. Promoters still try to show motorcyclists in a bad light whenever they think it will work. We need to be there right away to say "No, we are consumers of your products, too. We don't appreciate you assuming that this is they way WE live." - Donna]

### REMEMBER

Freedom Isn't Free Write to your legislator. It's a small price to pay.

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### HOW IMPORTANT IS ONE VOTE?

- In 1645, one vote gave Oliver Cromwell control of England.
- In 1649, one vote caused Charles I of England to be executed.
- In 1776, one vote gave America the English language instead of German.
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- In 1876, one vote changed France from a monarchy to a republic.
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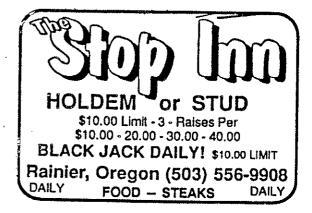
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# FICTION RIDER MONTANA

by Pat Gleason

This month I am going to tell about the trip that I just recently went on. While I was traveling, I made entries into a log that I had with me. This will read in chronological order, I hope. The route that I'm taking is I-84 east, Hwy. 730 E, to Hwy 12 E, to Missoula, Mt. to visit my friend Tombstone Todd.

### SAT., MAY 19, 1991, EVENING:

Orange Crush, my trusty '77 Shovelhead, is packed and ready to go. I got a full four gallons in my gas tank, oil is full, air in both tires is good. There is 6167.4 miles reading on the odometer. My anticipation of the trip is running very high, and the weather is looking good, overcast with a few sprinkles of rain falling now. I hope that I can sleep tonight.

### SUN. MAY 19, 2:00PM:

On the road, I slept well. First stop, Benson Park, It's raining, I'm putting on my rain gear. I haven't even gone 30 miles. Damn Oregon rain.

### 2:45PM:

Rest Area just east of Hood River on I-84. The rain has stopped, for now. I think I'll take off my rain coat, but I'm leaving on my rain pants. I hate wet leathers. Orange Crush is purring like a kitten.

### Didn't write down time;

Arlington, Or. Gas, 3.4 gallons at \$1.43.9/gallon, 6299.2 miles on the odometer, 38.7 mpg. First encounter with Middle-Of-Nowhere gas. I'm going to try to avoid that again if I can (ha-ha). It is raining again, mist like, the stuff that soaks you in about two minutes. I have decided to take a piss, smoke a cigarette, and put my raincoat back on. Let's ride on.

### 5:43PM:

Five miles east of Umatilla, Or. on Highway 730. I turned off the interstate at Highway 730 Junction to Umatilla. I decided to stop here and take a smoke break and look at the weather ahead. Looks pretty good, overcast, but no rain now. I've decided to stop in Walla Walla, Wa. for the night, when I get there.

### 8:08PM:

Walla Walla, Wa. I'm staying at the Colonial Motel on Issacs Ave. I arrived in town about a half an hour ago. I stopped at McDonalds for a couple of cheeseburgers for dinner. The motel is excellent. \$32 for a single, and they got cable. I'd have to rate this motel as four stars, excellent. The owner of the motel is very biker friendly. Once he spotted Crush, I couldn't stop him from talking about his old Panhead. He let me park Crush under the eaves, right outside the room window, so I could keep an eye on her, and keep her dry. She has ran like a fine tuned Harley should, PERFECT!!. Thanks Tim.

### MON. MAY 20, 8:00AM:

It's a perfect morning, clear blue skies, except to the south in Oregon. I bought a tank bag for this trip. I've found that all the little stuff that I carry, such as this log book, ride in it perfectly. If your bike has a clear gas tank, I would recommend that you purchase one. I find it to be just what I need.

The owner of the motel said that a good breakfast place is Mr. Edds, just three blocks away on Issacs. I rode by there but, it looked like all the people in Walla are there. What a drag.

I got gas, 3.2 gallons at \$1.30.9/gallon, 33 mpg. Much better gas price. I now show 6404.8 miles on the odometer. I've decided to eat up the road a little bit.

### 9:18AM:

Waitsburg, Wa., just 15 minutes east of Walla on Hwy. 12. Breakfast in Waitsburg. Spotted a nice looking little hotel on the edge of town. I think that I'll stop there on the way home. Could be nice. Breakfast was admirable at the diner in town. Good food and a friendly country atmosphere. If you're ever through this area, stop.

### 11:17AM:

Lewiston, Idaho. It's getting pretty warm, although not warm enough to take off my leathers. I've taken the zip out liner for my helmet out, but I put the helmet back on. I know that many of you would take your helmet off now, but I've decided to make my own choice and leave it on. I've stopped at a historical marker just east of town called Coyotes Fishnet, Nez Perce Village. Indian legend has it that the Nez Perce lived here, and the Coyote Fishnet is about a coyote and a bear. Basically, I'm not a historian but I like these stops, the legend goes that a bear and a coyote were fishing on the Snake river here. The coyote was using a fishnet, which the bear didn't like, so the bear threw the coyote's fishnet on the hill and turned it to stone. The coyote threw the bear onto the opposite hill and turned him to stone. I could see the net, but I couldn't make out the shape of the bear. 212 miles to Missoula.

Highway 12 goes through the central part of Idaho, past the Nez Perce Indian Reservation, and follows the Lewis and Clark trail to Montana. It has many historical stops along the way. I stopped at a few of them, to read and take a smoke break. I won't try to write about every one of them, but you can ask me later.

### NOON:

Orofino, Id. I stopped here to get more gas. I figured that I'd have to pay Middle-Of-Nowhere gas prices but was pleasantly surprised. I always buy unleaded premium and the price is generally high, but this time it's \$1.28.9/gallon. I put 3.5 gallons in my tank and my odometer is now at 6538.4 miles. This time I got 38.1 mpg. Not bad, but it could get better.

### 1:00PM:

Looking Glass historical marker. I stopped here to smoke a cigarette and take a little break. These old acting bones of mine won't allow me to go very far between stops anymore. There's a few raindrops landing on my windshield.

### 1:20PM:

Last night I called Todd from Walla and he told me that he would leave Missoula around noon and meet me on the road. I was just thinking about him, and here he is, just ten miles west of Syringa, ld. We decided that we'd stop at Syringa for lunch and gas. Alright!!

### 1:45PM APPROX.:

Syringa, Id. We've stopped here at the Middle Fork Cafe and Chevron gas station. I got 1.2 gallons of gas at \$1.33.9/gallon. My odometer reads 6587.4 miles, 40.8 mpg. Best yet. We'll eat here.

We'll definitely stop here on the return trip. They have superb food and real friendly locals. I've decided to put on my rain gear again as the rain is starting. Todd is just wearing his leathers.

### 3:40PM:

We've stopped here to look at the trails that are the Colgate Licks Elk Trail. I'm looking at the Lolo Pass area ahead and it doesn't look too good. Thick black clouds. Todd said that he hadn't run into any rain on the way over, two hours ago. Here in the mountains though, the weather can change in just a few minutes.

### 7:00PM:

Missoula, Mt. I made it!!!! I actually arrived about an hour and a half ago. I guess that I misjudged the pass because there wasn't any rain. I've also lost an hour going into Montana, so it is really 8:00pm now, Mountain time. I read 6710.5 miles on my odometer. It's 543.1 miles from my house to Todd's, taking this route.

Tombstone Todd lives in a new development that has been built near an area of some older houses. It looks like it. All the houses around his are identical, except for the paint and address. Todd lives with his cousin Rob, who has lived in Missoula for four years. Rob doesn't have a bike now. He traded his BMW for a '70 Chevy Monte Carlo during the winter, but he is definitely catching the urge again. Rob had a Panhead, I think a '59, that he rebuilt the motor on and

rode it for a while. Then he got the Bimmer and put a lot of miles on it, Missoula to Mexico for one trip.

I've also met Rob's friend Steve who has a Bimmer. He rode with Rob to Mexico, and has <u>only</u> ridden his bike since 1986 when he bought it new. His Bimmer has over 65,000 miles on it and he hasn't had any major problems. This guy has an iron butt and anti-freeze for blood.

This evening we, Todd, Rob, Steve and I, all are going down to the Bayern Brewing and Ironhorse Pub. They call it the Ironhorse for short.

The Ironhorse is a micro brewery that also serves liquor. I actually had a brew as we stayed there for about an hour, It's a pint of some dark beer that they call Doppelbock. It didn't taste like piss water, like beer tastes to me now. If you come to Missoula, you've got to stop at the Ironhorse. It's located at the end of Higgins St. in downtown. It's actually the old Northern Pacific Rail Road station. No, no trains tonight.

Todd and I left there and went to this little restaurant that was right in the middle of shift change. Rotten service and the food was only so-so. I can't even remember the name of it. We ate and were home before Johnny got off the air, he comes on at 10:30. That is good because Letterman comes on at 11:30 and I can sit up and watch it.

### TUE. MAY 21, 9:00AM:

I slept on Rob's couch. Too short. I think tomorrow I'll take the cushions off and sleep on the floor. The sun is bright and I want to go for a ride. I've gotten Todd up and we're going to go to the H-D shop, to Bonner to get Todd's mail, get gas, have breakfast and go for a ride, although not in that order.

First, gas at the local Chevron dealer. My odometer shows 6724.2 miles. I bought 3.7 gallons at \$1.23.9. I got 36.9 mpg this time, although I was climbing the mountains. Not too bad.

### 10:34AM:

I got myself a t-shirt from the Harley dealer, Have Wrench Will Travel, Missoula and a small one for my granddaughter, Laura. Todd got his change of oil. We're now going to the Old Town Cafe located at 127 W. Alder in downtown. It is one block west of Higgins and one block south of the Ironhorse.

I had a wonderful ham and cheese omelet, Todd had a fruit bowl. He's in lust with the waitress there by the name of Daisy, a cute little blond that may be 20 years old, if that. Anyway, they have great food here and I would give this place a four star. It is the place to have breakfast.

### 12:11PM:

Bonner, Mt., a suburb of Missoula about five miles east on I-90. Todd got his mail and we're riding back to town to change his oil and tighten his chain. After he gets done with his oil and all, we're going for a putt around Flathead Lake.

### 1:30PM:

Todd is finally done. I've put an eighth of a quart of oil in Crush. Fantastic! If I was riding my Sportster, I'd have used at least one quart, if not more. Once again, thanks Tim.

Todd and I are getting ready to take a ride around Flathead Lake, just northwest of Missoula. We're going to take Hwy. 200 east, to Hwy. 83 north, which goes between the Mission and Flathead mountain ranges. We'll come out at the north end of Flathead Lake near Bigfork, then travel south on Hwy. 93 alongside the west side of Flathead Lake, through Mission Valley, back to Missoula. I've decided to ride without my helmet this time.

### 2:30PM:

Lake Aiva, 50 miles northeast of Missoula, on Hwy 83. We've stopped for a break and to launch Todd's pink Harley. Didn't work. Real nice area. A while back, we went by Seely Lake, I think that was the name of it. Regardless, we came around the corner and there was this huge three car garage there on the bank of the lake. Then there was an island on the lake with this HUGE house built on it. The house has a large boat dock with a boat tied up. It's a log cabin style house with a boat dock under a wrap around deck. Talk about the ultimate house! I found out later that the guy who owns the house

invented the contraceptive sponge. He wanted to sell the house a few years ago, but he wanted over a million dollars for it! No, I don't make that kind of money, yet.

### 3:00PM:

Condon, Mt. Stop for gas, 2.9 gallons at \$1.23.9/gallon. Good price. My odometer reads 6823.1 miles which gives me 37.7 mpg. I bought a post card to send to Lois and went next door to the post office to mail it. (Lois got the postcard on Saturday, the 25th, after I got back.)

### 6:00PM:

Polson, Mt. Dinner time and gas. What a beautiful day it is. About 72\$, with a few clouds rolling off the mountains. Flathead Lake is an awesome sight indeed, but what's even better is the mountains. Locals call this "Big Sky Country," but I call it "Big Mountain Country." I love it! The only way it could get any better is if Lois could have made the trip with me.

Polson is located on the Flathead Indian Reservation at the southern end of Flathead Lake. From the lake, you can see the Mission Range to the immediate east, and to the north, you can see the Flathead Range reaching to the sky. This really is God's country.

Todd and I ate at the Pondera Bar and Restaurant. They have good food, but at a cost. The dining room has a suit and tie look, but Todd and I sat at a table near the window and fit right in with the rest of the t-shirt and blue jean crowd.

Got gas at the Exxon station. I've noticed that I'm leaking fuel around my gas petcock. I think that it's my gas line, so I took it off and shortened it. It's still leaking, but if I turn the reserve on, the leaking stops. Crush will be alright. I got 2.6 gallons at \$1.22.9/gallon. Good pricel My odometer is reading 6928.3 miles. That gives me 40.4 mpg. I did this ride without my helmet. I also didn't have any sunblock with me to put on my bald little head, and because of that my head is now a shiny red. Oh well!

### 8:40PM:

Todd's house. Well we made it. The Blazers are on TV, but not at Todd's. He doesn't have cable. What a drag. (The Blazers won, I learned later.)

Our little trip was 275 miles and took most of the afternoon. It sure didn't feel like it was that long, namely because the sun didn't go down until we got back to Missoula.

We made a couple of stops in Mission Valley between here and Polson. One of the stops was south of St. Ignatius, where the old St. Ignatius mission is located. It was also an excellent place to view the Mission Range. I love the mountains!

i'm now looking at my gas petcock and it is leaking pretty bad. I'm pulling the petcock out and am going to try to get a new one at the Harley dealer in the morning. I've also noticed that my rear tire is looking like it's needing to be replaced. I think that I'll be able to make it back to Portland, maybe.

This is all for today as I'm going to pull the petcock out now that my gas tank has drained dry.

### WED., MAY 22. 10:00AM:

I was up at 7:00am, not bad considering that I went to sleep around 1am. I fretted about the rear tire on Crush enough that I decided to go ahead and get a new tire before I leave town. The guys here, Rob, Todd, and their friend Cowboy, all told me that I would get screwed because tires are so expensive here. I will get one anyway because I know that I will worry about it enough that I won't have a comfortable ride home. I should have bought a new rear tire at the same time that I got a front tire from Eastside before I left town.

(To be continued next month ....)





### **Fossil Game Winners**

submitted by Vicki

### **PLANK RACE**

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

### **KEG RACE**

1st - Lyle Coyle 2nd - Mailman 3rd - Dennis Gagne

### PING PONG BALL DROP

1st - J.D. 2nd - Mailman 3rd - Ole

### **BRONTO BOOT**

1st - Dave Ambrose 2nd - Archie Churchill 3rd - Mailman

### **BLIND RACE**

1st - Milo 2nd - Monty 3rd - Dave Ambrose

### SLOW RACE

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

### **WIENIE BITE**

1st - J.D. 2nd - Lloyd & Dariene 3rd - Jack & Rhonda

### BIKE SHOW Best Stock

1st - Patti Bettencourt 2nd - Jay Bird 3rd - Dave Ekmark

### **Best Custom**

1st - Big Dave 2nd - James Duran 3rd - Smokin' Joe



### Best Rat

1st - Milo 2nd - Dennis Gagne 3rd - Matthew S.

### People's Choice

1st - Big Dave 2nd - Smokin' Joe 3rd - James Duran



### 1ST POKER RUN - FOSSIL '91

Ten a.m. Sunday came on warm and clear. A rare day for a Fossil Poker Run. To add to the occurrence were 17 riders without hangovers from Saturday night's blast. Another rarity at Fossil.

Sign up went well, thanks to the help from Bob, and we were off. We rode through some of the most spectacular countryside in Eastern Oregon. We had one breakdown, who's disappointment was offset by winning best hand (thanks to his mom who finished the run for him). Congratulations, Bill Stocks!!!

Thanks to all, the first Fossil Poker Run was a great success. Remember, this was only the First Fossil Poker Run

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### ABATE enjoys rain-free 'Fossil Run'

Members of the Tacoma Chapter, ABATE (A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments), posed with the medals, ribbons and awards they had earned at the ABATE bash at Bear Hollow Park near Fossil Memorial Day weekend. It was

estimated that nearly 1,000 ABATE members attended the annual 'Fossil Run' this year, most coming from around the Northwest but some from Virginia and Connecticut.

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### INSURANCE INFORMATION

"My medical bills will be paid by the insurance company, I have FULL coverage." I can't tell you how many times we, at the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester, hear that from an injured biker. It's almost a knee jerk response to just grown and say, "please send the policy for our review."

What the hell is "full coverage"? Most people never read their insurance policy (including attorneys) and never ask what full coverage is all about. Let me start out by saying that med-pay (not applicable in most no fault states) is included, if paid for, in an insurance policy covering a four wheeled vehicle. However, if available at all, most insurance companies do not offer this coverage on Harleys, in ANY case, motorcycles at best are only offered one or two thousand in coverage. In other words, if you go down and its a single vehicle accident (i.e., your fault) you either cannot get your medical bills paid or maybe the insurance company will pay \$1,000 towards your broken body. BEWARE! READ YOUR POLICYI CALL US FOR FREE REVIEW!

The following is a glossary of other insurance terms to aid you in understanding your policy and other insurance lingo.

(insurance Glossary courtesy of Sam Eagle, Aid to injured Motorcyclists attorney from Newport Beach, CA. Prior to practicing law, Sam was a senior insurance adjuster for many years.)

- 1. BODILY INJURY & PROPERTY DAMAGE Also referred to as B.I./P.D. This is the traditional liability coverage which protects you against injury and property claims made against you by other people. This coverage applies to 2 and 4 wheeled vehicles
- 2. BODILY INJURY PASSENGER LIABILITY Specifically written for motorcycles which provides liability coverage for passengers if the driver is at fault in the accident. This would cover medical bills, loss of earnings, and pain and suffering.
- 3. MEDICAL PAYMENTS This would cover medical bills up to a stated policy limit for all injured people in or on a vehicle regardless of who is at fault. Not usually written on motorcyclists if so, then in very small amounts.
- 4. UNINSURED MOTORIST (BODILY INJURY) Provides payments to policy holders and all injured passengers for medical bills, lost earnings and pain and suffering if the responsible driver in an accident is uninsured or if the driver is a "hit & run" motorist and cannot be found. Very valuable and broad coverage. Can be used even if your vehicle is not involved in the accident but you are injured by an uninsured motorist.

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- 5. UNDERINSURED MOTORIST Provides a backup coverage to the policy holder if their claim is worth more than the insurance coverage of the responsible driver. In order to be effective, this coverage must be higher than \$15,000.00.
- 6. UNINSURED MOTORISTS PROPERTY DAMAGE -Provides coverage for your damaged vehicle usually up to \$3,500 if the responsible driver is uninsured. This coverage would be effective if there is not collision coverage on your vehicle.
- 7. COLLISION Covers vehicle damage resulting from an accident. Usually comes with a deductible. The higher your deductible, the lower your premium. You can also get a "deductible waiver" clause if your vehicle is damaged by an uninsured motorist,
- 8. COMPREHENSIVE Covers vehicle damage resulting from fire, theft and vandalism. Has similar deductible provisions as the collision coverage.
- 9. HEALTH & ACCIDENT COVERAGE Usually refers to medical coverage through an employer group policy or a private plan. This is totally separate from any vehicle coverage and may also be used to cover accident related medical expenses.
- 10. REIMBURSABLE INSURANCE A provision found on many employer and private health plans as well as some auto medical payment plans. If the applicable insurance coverage pays your bills and you make a settlement with the responsible party to recover those same bills, you may have to pay the health insurance or your own auto insurance back the money. This is a complex area of personal injury - it is best to have the help of an attorney if your case involves this aspect.
- 11. PERMISSIVE USER Anyone driving your vehicle with your express or implied permission. These drivers will usually be covered by the vehicle insurance policy if there is an accident.
- 12. SUMMONS & COMPLAINT The basic lawsuit used to sue the other driver.
- 13. STATUTE OF LIMITATION The legal time limit within which you must either settle your claim or file a lawsuit. Otherwise, you can lose your claim and legal rights.
- 14. RELEASE A contract you sign when you settle your case which makes it a full and final settlement.
- 15. CONTINGENCY FEE A percentage of your settlement that your attorney gets at the end of the case. Normally, you do not have to make any payments to a personal injury attorney at the start of the case for the attorney to begin working on your case. If there is no settlement there is no attorney's fee. END

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AMA Government Relations News Press Release

# NATIONWIDE HELMET LAW WOULD COST TAXPAYERS \$100 MILLION

Washington, D.C. - In U.S. Sen. John Chafee (R-Rhode Island) and Rep. Jim Cooper's (D-Tennessee) rush to enact nationwide helmet and seat belt legislation this year, federal taxpayers are being collared into picking up a \$100 million tab.

Under the terms of S.965, a highway funding renewal bill that was approved by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works in May, states that pass mandatory helmet and seat belt laws would be eligible for \$45 million in incentive grants in 1992, \$30 million in 1993 and another \$25 million in 1994. The incentive program is part of a proposal that Chafee attached to the Senate's version of the highway funding bill, entitled the Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

According to AMA Washington Representative Jim Bensberg, S.965 is scheduled for debate on the Senate floor during the week of June 10.

Meanwhile, Cooper intends to introduce nearly identical helmet and seat belt use language within the 1991 Federal Highway Surface Transportation Assistance Act, the House's version of the highway bill. However, the House Public Works and Transportation Committee has yet to draft its highway bill, and it is unclear whether Cooper's provisions, which are also contained in a separate bill he introduced earlier this year, will be considered as part of any House bill.

The Cooper bill, known as H.R.1782, authorizes \$95 million in grants for states that adopt helmet and seat belt laws, plus an

additional \$5 million for a federal study to analyze the effectiveness of these laws.

"In these times of recession and burgeoning federal deficits, it is unconscionable for Congress to spend \$100 million to force states to pass unpopular laws," said AMA Vice President of Government Relations Robert Rasor.

Passage of a highway funding bill by both houses of Congress is necessary before September 30, when the current highway program expires.

The AMA is urging all motorcyclists to ask the members of Senate Appropriations Transportation Subcommittee to oppose any plan that would include Chafee's provisions in the final version of the Senate's highway bill. In particular, the Association is advising riders to ask the subcommittee to delete funding for Section 122 of S.965.

The following Senate Appropriations Transportation Subcommittee members can be reached at the address listed below:

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE Oregon and Washington Reps.

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AMA Government Relations Press Release

# MOTORCYCLISTS BAND TOGETHER TO DEFEAT ILLINOIS HELMET BILL

Westerville, Ohio - As a result of the combined efforts of the AMA and a host of other motorcyclist groups, riders in Illinois have retained their right to choose whether to wear helmets through the defeat of Senate Bill 22.

The bill, introduced by Sen. Howard Brookins (D.-Chicago), would have required helmet use by all motorcyclists regardless of age. But thanks largely to the testimony and lobbying efforts of the AMA, ABATE of Illinois, the Illinois Motorcycle Dealers Association, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and the United Motorcyclists of Illinois, the helmet bill came to a screeching halt in May.

During a hearing on the measure in the Senate Transportation Committee, chaired by Brookins, AMA Legislative Affairs Specialist Chris Kalifelz noted that personal safety equipment should be a matter of individual choice, and stressed the value of rider education over mandatory helmet-use legislation.

"Motorcyclists have a vested interest in their own safety and are capable of making responsible decisions," Kallfelz told the committee. "While the AMA supports a comprehensive safety program that includes the voluntary use of appropriate protective gear, we believe that there are other, less intrusive measures available to promote motorcycle safety." He also argued against the so-called "social cost" theory about injured motorcyclists.

Although the bill passed out of the committee without change, it received much closer scrutiny on the Senate floor. Brookins tried to line up enough votes to get his bill approved by the Senate, but his colleagues were unwilling to compromise. Eventually, the senators voted to kill the measure, putting to rest the issue of mandatory helmet laws in Illinois, at least for this year.

As it stands, Illinois is one of three states that do not have helmet laws for any riders. The other two states - Colorado and Iowa - considered mandatory helmet-use proposals this year, but both bills have been shelved. The Association will continue to lobby on behalf of adult riders in these states, and will alert AMA members as new developments arise. *END* 

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AMA Government Relations News Press Release

### PLAN TO RAID MARYLAND SAFETY FUND ON HOLD

Westerville, Ohio - In response to opposition from motorcyclist groups and safety officials, Maryland Secretary of Transportation James Lighthizer has tentatively agreed not to take action on a legislative option that would have robbed the state's motorcycle safety program.

That plan, proposed as part of a budget package that was signed into law by Maryland Gov. William Donald Schaefer in April, would have given the transportation department the authority to seize the safety funds in an effort to help reduce the state's huge \$109 million budget deficit. But as a result of quick action by officials charged with overseeing the program and the AMA, which lobbied against the plan, it appears that rider education in Maryland will remain on course.

According to Andy Krajewski, who heads the state's motorcycle safety program, transportation authorities could still reverse their position, but for now, the plan has been shelved. The final decision to drop the budget-cutting move came after a meeting between the transportation secretary and Krajewski, who voiced his support of the training program.

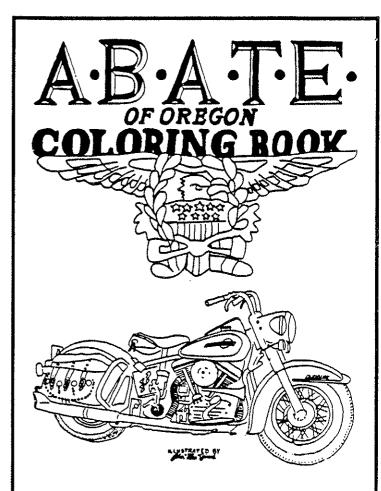
In an unrelated action, Gov. Schaefer has vetoed legislation

that would have raised speed limits on federally designated rural highways in the state to 65 mph despite arguments from proponents of the bill, including the AMA, during an administrative veto hearing in May.

Among the groups leading the charge against the speed limit increase was the insurance industry, which based its opposition on a report by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IHS) that purports to show that when speed limits are raised to 65 mph, the number of motorists driving over 70 mph increases dramatically. *END* 

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### LETTERS FROM SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

May 30, 1991

### Dear Gary and members of ABATE:

On behalf of the Board of Governors of Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children and myself as Regional Director for Endowments, Wills and Gifts, we wish to express appreciation to you and to the other members of ABATE for the generous donation of the motorized wheelchair to Chris Olley.

Our Hospital feels very honored for all of the generous gifts and donations made by your group. It is only through the warmhearted and responsive assistance of groups like ABATE that our charitable work is able to be carried on so successfully.

Thanking you for you and your group's interest in our philanthropy, I am.

Fraternally and sincerely yours, Jarvis B. Black

June 4, 1991

### Dear Mr. Martin and members of ABATE:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and all of the members of ABATE, for funding Chris Olley's wheelchair. Chris is totally dependent on his family for all of his care. This wheelchair will make him more comfortable and assist his family in caring for him. I now that Chris and his family are very grateful.

We truly appreciate the interest ABATE has shown in helping our patients with their equipment needs.

Sincerely, Molly Breslin, LPT Director of Rehab Services

May 30, 1991

### Dear Mr. Martin and Members of ABATE,

Just wanted to send along our thanks and an update on Chris and his new wheelchair. It's been 2 weeks now. Chris has been in his chair for about 8 hrs. total since then. Not what we expected, that's for sure!!

He's going through a very self-destructive phase right now. He's been finding all kinds of ways to hurt himself on the new chair. But, we're hanging in there, and working to make the adjustments so that won't happen. So far, CARE Medical has been very patient. I hope that patience doesn't run out!!!

Chris looks great in his chair though, and he's so proud of it. Several of our neighbors saw the picture and write-up in the paper and have made comments about it ... all good, of course!!

I'll try to send you another update in a few weeks. The news will probably be a lot better!

Again, thanks for your help and support. We're glad you're out there for us and all of the others you help.

Sincerely, Carolyn Olley

June 13, 1991

### Dear Mr. Martin and Members of ABATE,

It's been another 2 weeks and we're in the same position, but a little better this time. I think, as we were 2 weeks ago. CARE Medical has Chris' chair; we aren't using it yet.

May 31st we met Molly and Dave (from CARE) up at Shriner's. We went over all of our concerns, and though all of the things that weren't working out on the chair. Hopefully, this time all of the "bugs" will be worked out, and 2 weeks from now, I'll be able to write: We have it! It works just fine!

It's been a long process. The end result will be worth it though! We're really excited about getting it.

Chris will be 8 on Tuesday (the 18th). He can hardly wait to get his chair. A big boy (8) and his "big chair".

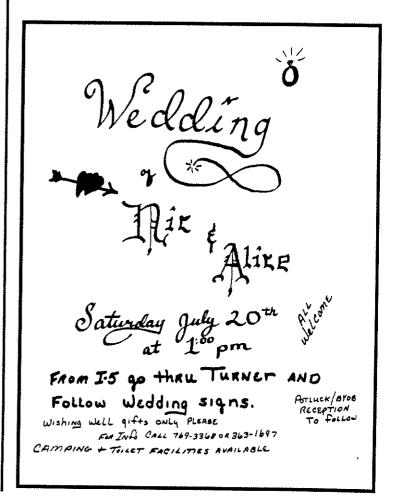
Take care, Carolyn Olley

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# MRO MEETING August 7, 1991 Spearfish, South Dakota

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The only charge is for brunch. No charge for the meeting.

This will be a very important meeting. It will probably be the first national gathering of motorcyclists of this year since the California helmet law passed and S.965 passed the Committee and heading for the U.S. Senate floor.

At this time the gathering and sharing information has more importance than ever before.

For those out there who still believe in State lines better wake up and smell the breath of Big Brother breathing in our faces.

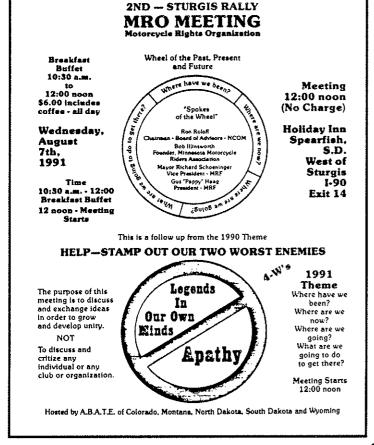
We are no longer individual states or groups doing our thing. We are or we better become one. "Unity" is going to have to be the key word for our future.

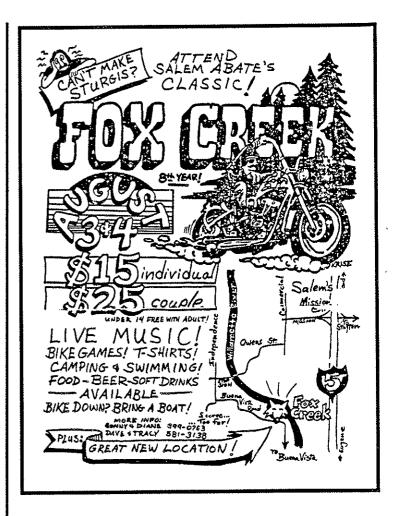
Please spread the word regarding the MRO meeting this August 7, 1991 during the Sturgis Rally. (Still helmet free!)

The speakers are excellent and the cause is important.

Refer to the poster below for information.

For more information call: Ed Netterberg, ABATE Office 605-347-4009, Home 605-642-1964, or Mark Buchner at 303-833-3195, or Trudy Thompson at 307-577-5638.





### THE RULES!

submitted by Mary Beth of N.E. Portland Chapter

- √ FEMALES ALWAYS make the RULES.
- √ The RULES are subject to CHANGE without NOTICE.
- √ Males cannot POSSIBLY know ALL of the RULES.
- √ If the FEMALE suspects that a male knows all of the RULES, she must IMMEDIATELY CHANGE some or all of the RULES.
- √ Females are never wrong.
- √ If the FEMALE is wrong, it is because of a FLAGRANT misunderstanding which was a DIRECT RESULT of something that a male DID or SAID WRONG.
- √ If the above RULE applies, the male must IMMEDIATELY APOLOGIZE for causing the misunderstanding.
- √ FEMALES can change THEIR minds at ANY time.
- √ Males must never change their minds without express WRIT-TEN CONSENT from the FEMALE.
- √ FEMALES have the right to be ANGRY or UPSET at ANY time.
- Males must remain CALM at ALL times unless the FEMALE wants them to be ANGRY or UPSET.
- √ FEMALES must, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES, let males know whether or not they want them to be ANGRY or UPSET.
- Any attempt to document these RULES will result in bodily harm to males.
- √ If the FEMALE has PMS, all RULES are NULL and VOID.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

heard.

First, may I start off by saying: THANK YOU, Donna for doing a wonderful job on the Newsletter. In the last three years that I have been actually reading the Newsletter, it's format, contents, and readability have 400 times over improved - GOOD JOB.

Now to the real reason(s) for writing. First off to address the letters from Tommie the Commie.

May I state, that this being America, we all have the right (?do we still?) to express our own individual feelings and this is okay by me. However, when you first wrote about the Newsletter getting to involved with "Non-motorcycling" issues, well that just ticked me right off. In my opinion, (and it is just that, my opinion) all matters covered are of interest to me as a Freedom Fighter. Information is our greatest tool in which to fight with.

Did you know that without information that is put out in this Newsletter, some, if not most, (who read it all the way through, that is) would have no idea what is happening to them from <u>all</u> sides of them in regards to their basic freedoms?

ABATE is an organization dedicated to (again, in my opinion) the FREEDOM TO CHOOSE. With that in mind, if you choose not to know about anything else besides motorcycling events or laws, don't read it.

Now Tommie's second letter, however, I was fully in agreement with and commend you in saying it to the general membership.

However, in regards to your first letter, what does fishing have to do with anything?

On that note may I state before closing - People of ABATE, as Rotten Roger has stated <u>so</u> often; If we all pitch in, no matter what the job, the chore at hand will be easier on all involved and we will all enjoy the rewards of "Jobs well done!" Let us all keep writing, speaking up, and fighting (nonviolently) for our rights and freedoms that, were and are suppose to be still, guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

By the way it is the 200 year Anniversary of the writing of said Bill of Rights.

Dedicated to all freedoms, Gordon W. Hieronimus N.E. Portland Chapter

P.S. Remember America, land of the free and the Home of the BRAVE ...

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### FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

It is with much sadness that I report the loss of one of ABATE of Oregon's most cherished members. On June 30th at about noon, Luke Metcaife passed away.

Luke got this organization off the ground and led us to victory many times over.

He inspired us and gave us strength when it seemed like all was lost. He will continue to watch over us and guide us in spirit down the long legislative path. With this in mind we say a very warm farewell to Luke. As you ride down the rode, hold him in your heart.

I would also like to extend condolences to Brian Stovall who's mother passed away during June. We hope he is doing well during this trying time.

For those from N.E. and S.E. Portland Chapters, Beeker's sister is very sick with the same type of brain tumor as Luke had been stricken with. We hope that she will overcome this. Please keep her in mind and in your prayers.

As more informations is available on all three of these people I will get the information in the newsletter.

Ride safe and take a moment to remember those we've lost and think of those who are suffering.

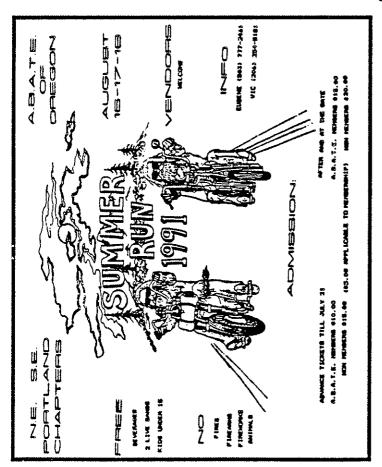
Take care, Donna

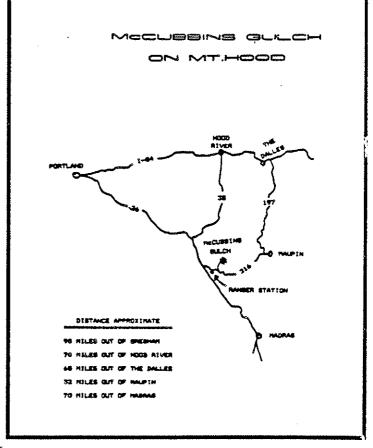
### UPDATE ◆ S.339 ◆ UPDATE

The motorcycle passages have been deleted from this bill and a new bill will be introduced soon with no mention of Motorcycles! We will keep you posted on the bill number when it becomes available.

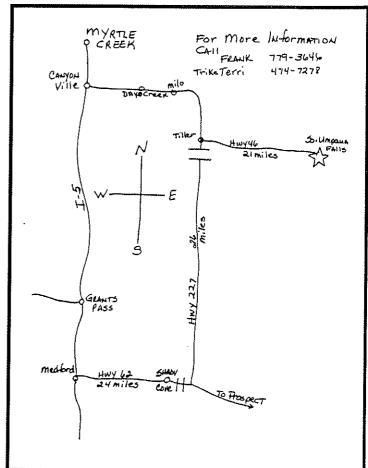


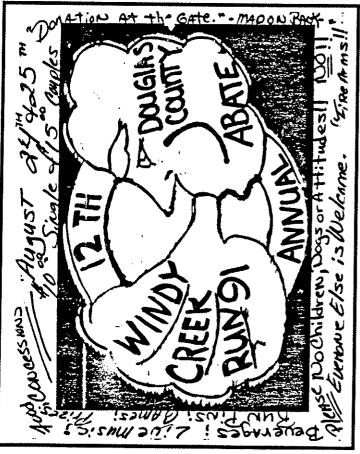
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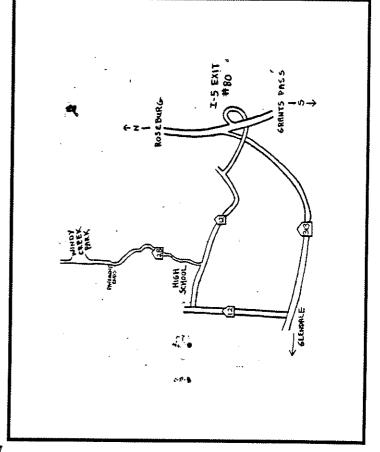


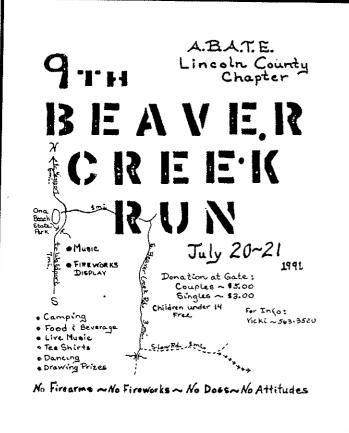


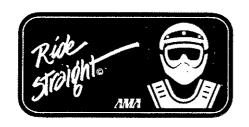


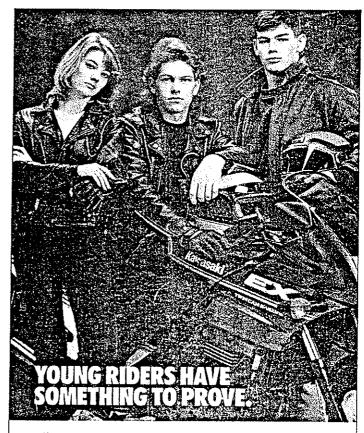












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