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May 2015

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- Concho Clink

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Oregon's Annual
Motorcycle Awareness Rally
MAY 2nd, 2015



At the Oregon State Capitol in Salem
(900 Court Street NE)

**Southern Oregon
Motorcycle Awareness Rally**

Saturday, May 2nd, 2015
12:00 noon



Front steps, Josephine County Courthouse
500 NW 6th St, Grants Pass

Brother Passed

We knew each other's movement,
By our pipes and their sound,
We were always up to something,
And covered lots of ground.

We rode together for the good times,
Both knowing they would never last.
We shared each other's company,
Making memories for the past.

We raced for drinks on Sunday,
To wash Saturday's party away,
First one got the glory,
Second one had to pay.

When I'm out, riding lonely,
Maybe going a little too fast,
I often think about him,
My brother, my brother passed.

-- Steve B

ABATE of Oregon presents... 38th Annual

FOSSIL

CAMPOUT

May 22-25, 2015
Bear Hollow Campground
Gates open noon Friday
Member: Advance \$30 • Gate \$35
Non Member: Advance \$35 • Gate \$40

For online ticket sales, and latest updates:
www.fossilcampout.com

Live Music Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Special thanks to Laura Stewart

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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

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

BikePAC of Oregon

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

BikePAC works within the political process.

Association for Motorcyclists

of Oregon (A.M.O.)

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

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

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

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

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)

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

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

regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

A = Single entity.

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

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

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

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

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officers at work

State Coordinator

Welcome to May!

I hope you have been watching what's going on in Salem. As was reported last month, we have several bills being presented for legislation. As of this writing a hearing will take place this week for lane filtering and our dead red bills. Both of these have great potential for acceptance. I hope you have done your part by e-mailing, or calling your local state senator or representative. This little things we do can make a huge difference.

Do you really care about your right to choose?

As *A.B.A.T.E.* members, we should all care and take the time to show it. Don't leave it to just a few.

We all want to rant and rave about how bad things are, but are you willing to do something about it?

Sometimes it is just something small like asking a friend to become

an *A.B.A.T.E.* member. Or maybe you could join *BikePAC* and help financially with a contribution. You just never know what might be the one little thing that makes a difference.

Now on to other items!

Have you started filling up your calendar with rides and events for the summer? There certainly are plenty on them already happening and more being planned.

A couple of importance that I will mention are the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* May 2nd at the state capital. I hope you will attend.

Then we have the ever popular *Fossil Campout* on Memorial day weekend. Rick Prentice and his committee have been working extremely hard and I know that this will be a fun-filled weekend.

There are plenty of other events going on in your local chapters and I hope you will support them as well as

supporting other chapters in the state. All together we can make a difference.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering
state coordinator

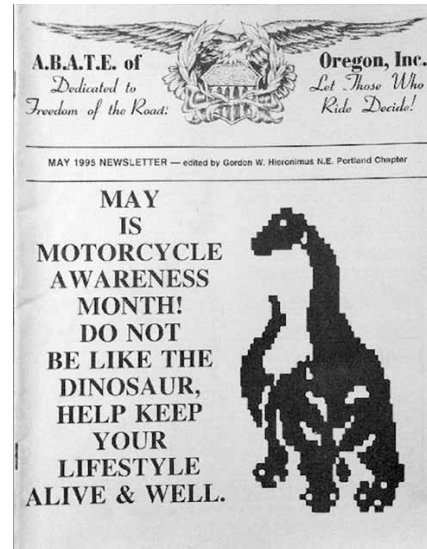


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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

Just a reminder: Our roadside clean up is Saturday, May 9. There will be no meeting on May 10th. We will be meeting at the Cloverdale fire station on Geo. Cyrus road just off highway 126 at 9:30 a.m. After the clean up (which usually takes about an hour) we have a free barbecue lunch and a short meeting in the Sisters city park.

We have our *Rocks, Lakes and Bridges Dice Run* coming up on June 20th. We have added about 40 miles to the route. It is a great ride through the beautiful central Oregon countryside with a great band at the final stop. We donate eighty per cent of the proceeds

to the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. The other twenty per cent goes to the *A.B.A.T.E.* state coffers. A great ride that supports or legislative efforts at the state and federal level.

There are lots of great runs this year. Check out the fliers further on in this newspaper and find some good rides.

Hope to see you on the road,

Bob Terrill
coordinator



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING **TIME and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)
Izzy's Pizza
810 SW 11th street
Redmond, Oregon

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

Douglas County

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Douglas County**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

Report not received

Jackson County**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)
Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant
 2339 Biddle road
 Medford, Oregon
 (541)–

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

As I write this, we have had more great weather with some rain mixed with it. At *Hub City*, we hope you all have been able to get out and enjoy this great weather. Just remember, as always, to watch out for those who don't see us,

On the legislative side, *BikePac* and *A.B.A.T.E.* members at large have been very busy in Salem.

As it looks now, we will have the red light bill by the time you read this.

From the first hearing on the lane filtering/sharing bill, the report actually sounded pretty good from those who were present.

We had a great turnout for our biker night at the end of April. Lots of fun was had by all.

Other upcoming events are:

- May 2 – *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* at the Capitol building in Salem.
- May 22-25 – *Fossil Campout* Fossil.
- June 6 – Hub City's Annual Poker Run (More info to follow.)

We look forward to seeing you at the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*. Come and make your voice heard.

Ride safe all!



Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Ciddici's Pizza
 133 SE Fifth avenue — Albany

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

Josephine County

It is time to write an article for the May newspaper, but what shall I write? It is too soon to report on the success or failure of events from the April swap meets or the May motorcycle gatherings. And we haven't done much so far this year. Hmm . . . Okay, here goes . . .

April 18th is the state spring swap meet in Hillsboro. Lance, Karen, Spanky, and Butterfly are planning on being there. We look forward to working with members of other chapters at this state event.

Next up is April 25-26. This is the two-day southern Oregon swap meet hosted by *Josephine County* and *Jackson County* chapters. Held at the *Touville Lodge* in Central Point, this is the 16th anniversary of the popular swap meet. Started by Mike Horn in 1999 and turned over to

A.B.A.T.E. in 2008, it has continued to grow over time. We have been rained on and almost blown away, but the weatherman has promised sun for this year. We have all our fingers crossed. See the flyer for more information.

May 2nd is *Motorcycle Awareness Day*. There will be a huge rally in Salem in front of the state capitol. Same day, same time is the southern version. *Motorcycle Awareness Day* will be held on the steps of the Josephine county courthouse on May 2nd at 12 noon. Come out and support the cause.

We are closely watching the state legislative process in action. Several issues have made it to committee and we are encouraging e-mails and phone calls to senators and representatives to hear our side of the story before



voting on the issues.

Memorial weekend is always very busy. Many members of our chapter use the weekend to honor our military veterans by participating in local parades and volunteering at the Eagle Point cemetery for Memorial Day ceremonies. Karen, Lance, and Danny will be heading to Fossil for the state run, *Fossil Campout*. Last year was fun, so we are going to try it again. Looks like this year both Danny and Lance may be trailering their bikes so they can ride around town during the event. As we get closer we will see how that works out.

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Josephine County

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
 (6:30 p.m.)
 Fruitdale Grange
 1440 Parkdale Drive
 Grants Pass

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

We aren't sure if it's winter or spring on the coast yet. The weather changes constantly.

Our poker run will be done by the time this is published. I just hope that the weather cooperates and gives us clear skies. (Since I'm late with this, the poker run happened under sunny, clear skies on the coast.)

We had a good attendance of local riders and great hospitality from *Legion Post 116* in Newport. Your veterans are great hosts. If you are an *American Legion* member, stop in anytime and if not, our meetings are on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

If you happen to be in the area there is a lot to see and do. Just south

of Depoe Bay on the east side of the highway is a shop called *Bikers Break* if you need anything or help. Great people run it and ride also.

On a personal note for us, Bob had cancer removed from his face. Scary for me because he is supposed to be healthy for me. It's gone but took a while to get an all clear. He does look tougher with the scar though.

I did make a board meeting and it was fun seeing everyone, but sure missed Kay and her hugs though.

Hope to see more of you during the summer, if we get one this year.

Ride safe and keep the rubber side down,



-- Millie
secretary
Lincoln County A.B.A.T.E.

Lincoln County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)
American Legion Hall, post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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

By the time you read this, many of us will have participated in one or more runs already.

The season is here.
(Not like it ever left.)

This past winter was one of the mildest I can remember. This may cause us to forget we need to do the spring checks and tune-up on our equipment and ourselves. Check your bike and riding gear. Is it time to replace that tire? How are the brakes? All the lights working? Take the time and take a look.

Second, check your skills. Don't jump on the bike and think everything is the same as it was in December when you put the bike away. And if you are like me, you never did put the bike away. You found time to ride all winter. Still, check your skills. Go out and practice in a parking lot. Even if just for a few minutes. Brushing up is always a good thing.

This should be a great year.

I would like to welcome our newest members Brian, Maria, Brandon, John, and Mathew

And welcome back Steve. We missed having you around.

Next run committee is May 12 and the chapter meeting will be on the 19th. Please come and be a part of the fun.

-- Carl Earl
chapter coordinator



North Coast
MEETING TIME and PLACE
3rd Tuesday at 1730 (5:30 pm)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon
Children are welcome

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

Lower Columbia

Greetings from *LoCo*,

We will be having our run on the 16th of May we hope everyone is going to be there. The flyer with the information for the run is in this edition of the newspaper as well. I always enjoy this run because it officially kicks off our spring and usually starts the better riding weather for us here in the northwest.

Since the spring has been so mild, many of us have ridden a lot already. This is going to be a busy year for a lot of us with plans on attending multiple functions.

We are already looking past the spring run and getting ready for

servicing hamburgers for *Heritage Days*. We should have the booth and trailer ready sometime in the next month.

Thanks to the officers at the state and local levels for stepping up and working through the issues that we have been facing. This will only make us stronger in the long run.

Phil



Lower Columbia
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

Colvin's Pub & Grill
 123 N. Nehalem
 Clatskanie, Oregon
 (near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

March 17, 2015

April 7, 2015

One of our past members has returned. Welcome Cindy Judah! We have missed you and it is very good to see you again.

Tonight we mostly spent time on details of the poker run. We had to change the route slightly due to a conflicting event in the Petersburg to Dufur area.

Brad Denley would have won the membership game for \$5 if he had been present. It will be \$10 next meeting.

Lorraine won the 50/50 game at \$12/\$11 and donated \$5 back to the chapter. Thanks, Lorraine.

The weather is improving and it is time to go riding.

We had a great planning meeting for the poker run and everything is in order.

We decided to donate money to several causes and renewed our *M.R.F.* sustaining membership at \$100.

We donated \$200 to the *Columbia Gorge E.S.D. Early Intervention Program* and another \$200 to *Bazinga Bots*, which is the high school robotics team in District 21, who are going to the robotics national in Kentucky.

We didn't have a membership drawing, but Dennis won the 50/50 drawing and donated his share back. Thanks, Dennis!

The picture on the agenda was chapter history from 2001, a group photo in front of *The Logs* in BZ Corner, in October.



Upcoming Meetings

May 05, 2015

May 19, 2015



River City
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Shiloh Inn
 The Dalles

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

Indian Creek notice

As the *Salem Chapter* will no longer be holding meetings at its appointed time of 7 p.m., the first Monday of each month at the *Almost Home Restaurant*, there will be an unofficial meeting of the *Indian Creek* members at that time and place. No coordinator, minutes, finances, nor recognition. Just an *A.B.A.T.E.* meeting for those who wish to attend.



Salem Indian Creek MEETING TIME and PLACE

1st Monday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Almost Home Restaurant
3310 Market street, Salem

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

Washington County

. . . and before he knew it, spring was upon him. Caught unawares and by surprise, the biker was ill prepared to face this challenge.

How prepared are **you** for spring?

As May is *National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month*, I hope that you will be inspired to be prepared.

Check out that scooter thoroughly before heading out this spring.

Check out your safety gear too.

And be a little reserved in your riding style until your bike, your gear, and your skills have warmed up a bit.

Here in *Washington County Chapter* we have been busy planning our *Spring Biker Night*. Of course, by the time you read this, it will have happened already and it was great! You should have been there. Best time of your life and you missed it. Unless, of course you **were** there, in which case thank you and hope you had a blast.

Next up on our events schedule is going to be our *Roll 'n' Ride* dice-based poker run on June 20th. We'll be starting out at the *Prime Time* in

Forest Grove and ending someplace we can have lunch. The *Roll 'n' Ride* has always been one of my favorites and I am sure you would say the same thing if you have participated before. If not, isn't it time you did?

And, in closing I want to give a shout out to those pulling the *Fossil Campout* together. I hope to see a lot of familiar faces and even more new faces for the 2015 *Fossil Campout*. We'll see you there.

-- Goat

secretary

Washington County Chapter



Washington County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

Prime Time Restaurant
4450 Pacific avenue
Forest Grove

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

Southeast Portland



Report not received

Southeast Portland
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 1st & 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
 M&M Restaurant & Lounge
 137 N. Main -- Gresham

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Our Officers at Work

Fine folks attending = 22 ; Bikes ridden = 0

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

11 April 2015 (*Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon)

Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Paul Hering at 12:11 p.m. with ten chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote. Absent, unexcused: *Central Oregon Chapter*.

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees: Bob Thomas (*Hub City* representative)

Reading, approval of minutes: Motion made by Todd Sahlberg to adopt as printed in the state newspaper, seconded by Randy Phipps. Motion passed by voice vote.

Executive Board Reports

Coordinator's comments: Paul Hering hopes everyone has been

checking e-mails and watching the *BikePAC* web site and *Facebook* page for the latest legislative information.

A vote on lane filtering will take place in the senate next week. The bill has fifteen votes but needs sixteen. Time to call your senator!

Secretary report, correspondence: Teresa Hepker noted that the secretary of state web site now lists current officers and we have received a copy of acknowledgment of our D.B.A. (doing-business-as) filing for *A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education*. Cindy requested a copy of this letter to give to our accountant.

Letter from George Broadway.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer has been visiting businesses and distributing event flyers.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat (Spanky) Allen – Excused.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice (See his report under state run coordinator.)

Treasurer: Karen Tolle reported that *Umpqua Bank*, which is used by several chapters, has changed policies and are charging for accounts and services that formerly were free.

She requested volunteers to help with the swap meet, especially chapter treasurers.

Checking: \$3,496.16
 Savings: \$15,433.86
 PayPal: \$200.00
 Post office: \$131.28
 Grand total: **\$19,261.30**

Membership secretary: Kathy Sahlberg reported current membership at



Teresa Hepker

state recording secretary

1,439, with some expired memberships to still delete.

Some members are not getting newspapers and she has learned the cause, which will take some time to correct as she has to go through every record to check and edit it.

The last big renewal mailing (a repeat of previous mailings) did not get enough returns to pay for itself.

Sanctioning officer: Robert Terrill < Absent> Several events have still not received insurance certificates.

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting

11 April 2015 (continued from page 9)

Officers' Reports

State auditor: Cindy Witmer has all chapter data needed for the 2014 tax filing, and is now compiling all of it into one file for the accountant.

The I.R.S. asked for an estimate of how many volunteers A.B.A.T.E. had during 2014. After discussion, Cindy said she would use ten per-cent of membership as an estimate.

River City's thumb drive came in "password protected" so she and Karen are trying to figure out why and asked for the file by e-mail.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path reported he had only three chapter reports for the upcoming newspaper.

There will be 500 copies for the *May Motorcycle Rally* and *Fossil Campout*.

Sergeant-at-arms (north): Randy Phipps asked for more volunteers for the swap meet to help with parking and traffic control. Same for *Fossil Campout*.

Sergeant-at-arms (south): Lance Tolle assured everyone that the *S.O.S. Run* is on for this year, despite rumors to the contrary.

Sergeant-at-arms (east): Steve Bishop shared a poem, which he gave to Rot Path for the newspaper.

Products director: Councilman Dave Meeker brought sample shirts, a list of officer rockers, and an order form.

He requested a copy of this year's *Motorcycle Awareness Month* proclamation. Don Mason said he would e-mail one.

Dave has ordered *Fossil* pins and year bars, has received some of them.

Discussion of *Hub City* t-shirt plans. Contact Don Mason if your chapter wants to join in the ordering.

Education director: < Vacant >

Public relations director: < Vacant >

State run coordinator (Fossil): Rick Prentice reported we have flyers, cards, advance tickets. Bands are contracted for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Work parties are starting. Call Gene Mortimore to set up a time to work.

Door prizes are coming in, We could probably use more parts for trophies.



Bring parts to the swap meet.

State swap meet coordinator: Todd Sahlberg sold the last booth space during the meeting, for 37 total vendor spaces.

Discussion ensued over adding a band and/or more food vendors at future swap meets. No final decisions were made.

Historian: Teresa Hepker had nothing to report.

Web page editor: Carl Earl says the web sites have been updated, and asked that we be sure to send him any new information that should be posted.

Quartermaster: Paul Hering and Gene Mortimore indicated that Gene plans to haul the run trailer to The Dalles for cleaning, organizing, and restocking, including the first aid supplies.

When someone asked if the trailer and first aid supplies were used for any events other than *Fossil*, some representatives said that the board had set a policy about that some years ago. Teresa was asked to research the minutes for that information. Rot Path said he had minutes back to 2002 and would forward those to Teresa.

Legislative director: < Vacant >

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Brian Stovall asked Don Mason and Paula Leslie to give an update.

Several bills either have not moved at all, or are stalled and probably won't go any further.

The dead red and lane filtering bills are still alive and moving, thanks to extraordinary efforts including help from a group of street bikers, Chris Slater (a trial attorney), and Texas Larry Walker of Washington state, who came down to testify about the effects of a dead red bill that they passed last year. This bill still has

a chance.

The lane filtering bill will come to a vote this week and needs one more senator to commit in order to pass the senate. Be sure to check the *BikePAC* web site for updates.

Team Oregon testified against dead red and lane filtering.

The *Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety* testified against dead red, but in favor of lane filtering.

On another issue, Brian reported "less than stellar" response to his appeals to the chapters and individual A.B.A.T.E. members who are not currently *BikePAC* members. The *BikePAC* team is outstanding and really needs this financial support to carry out the legislative work on our behalf.

M.R.F. representative: Brian Stovall noted that several issues are active. Please check <http://www.mrf.org/> for current updates.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat "Spanky" Allen – Excused.

Unfinished Business

- Open positions: Legislative director, education director, public relations.
- *American Income Life* letter for mailing is in progress. Lori Vaughn wants to get the mailing out soon.
- Flash drives – After discussion, moved to new business.

New Business

1. Moved by Ralph Hult (*Douglas County*), seconded by Jack Wingfield (*Lincoln County*):

"That the state board authorize funds for one or more designated A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon representatives to attend regional

national conferences, each instance to be voted on. Representatives are required to report back to the board of directors and the newspaper in writing, within thirty days."

Motion passed. Yes = 9, no = 1.

2. Moved by Lance Tolle (*Josephine County*), seconded by Jack Wingfield (*Lincoln County*):

"To purchase flash drives through Don Mason at \$244.00. This is for fifty drives with 'A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon' on one side and the web address on the other side."

Passed unanimously.

3. Moved by Brian Stovall (*River City*) and seconded by Cindy Witmer (*Lower Columbia*):

"To authorize funding not to exceed \$250 for Paul Hering to fly to the N.C.O.M. convention in Denver, May 7-11, 2015."

Passed unanimously.

4. Teresa Hepker shared letters from George Broadway and Elaine DeVore, which she had overlooked during her secretary's report earlier in the meeting.

Announcements

Next state board of directors meeting: May 9, 2015. *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

Upcoming Events

May 2 *BikePAC* May rally - Salem
 May 2 *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Day* - *Josephine County*
 May 15 *Lower Columbia Spring Run*
 May 22-25 *Fossil Campout* - *Fossil, Oregon*
 Jun. 27 *Around Saddle Mountain Run* - *North Coast*
 Aug. 1 *Coast Run* - *Josephine County*
 Aug. 7-9 *S.O.S. Run* - *Wolf Creek*
 Oct (?) *Jackson County* poker run
 Oct. 3 Grants Pass toy run
 Nov 1- Dec 26 *Care Bear Collection* - *North Coast*
 Nov (?) Fall state swap meet
 Nov 21 Spaghetti dinner & auction - *North Coast*
 Dec 5 Holiday run - *North Coast*

Adjourned: 2:43 p.m.

From yer ...



... yet again

As we cruise into May, the other earth hemisphere is entering the equivalent of our November. We're like the rods and pistons of two-cylinder engines: when one set is up, the other set is down. It is only when they are both in mid-stroke that they are in the same position. When it is riding season for one globe half, it is winter for the other.(March and September.)

All this means that there is a constant stream of motorcycle activity and news available throughout the year, no matter where you might be living. All one needs is a healthy bank account for travel or a 'puter with internet access to participate. (Like most fine folks he knows, crusty ol' editor is constrained to the latter.)

When the weather is too wretched for riding and we've been banned from rebuilding yet another carb on the dining room table, we can still read about how motorcyclists elsewhere are coping with legislative nonsense or fuel our daydreams with photos and videos

of great rides others are having.

It looks like Oregon riders will be having an extended riding season this year. Although April gave us some much-needed lowlands rain and mountain snow, the unusually mild weather should be well entrenched by May leading to great rides and runs. It's going to be a summer for putting around blue highways and back roads on less than four wheels, exploring our great state in all its variety, from high desert to volcanic peaks to thundering waves.

Here's hoping it doesn't get *too* hot.

Yer crusty ol' editor is beginning to suspect that there is nefarious arm of government who's sole job is to come up with legislative titles that invoke acronyms to create the illusion of patriotism.

Such a ruse automatically casts doubts on the allegiance of anyone who dares question any aspect of such a bill or title so named.

Year 'Round Ridin'

A.C.R.O.N.Y.M-R-U.S.

c.o.e. - 160

Case in point is *U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act* which was a massive bill created in response to the 11 September 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States.

The title would seem to suggest that anyone who opposed the act was anti-American. But notice the periods separating letters of the title. That means the words are actual an acronym. (The periods are conveniently left out by those wishing to disguise that fact.) The title is actually:

Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism

This is obviously something deliberately contrived to fit the words, "USA patriot".

Now we have the *G.R.O.W.*



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

A.M.E.R.I.C.A. 2.0 Act which stands for:

Generating Renewal, Opportunity, and Work with Accelerated Mobility, Efficiency, and Rebuilding of Infrastructure and Communities throughout America

Different administrations, same technique.

Contrary to what the title seems to suggest, this piece of legislation is not about agriculture, but transportation. And it affects motorcyclists. But you wouldn't know that from the title.

In answer to such questionable legislative title actions, yer c.o.e. has come up with his own: *P.A.P.A. U.S.A.*

It stands for:

- Political Agenda Promotion Augmentation Using Stupid Acronyms

M A Y Cryptogram

ZUTH VRUCYM VWCOTH-ROYX,
JXR EUTRXTRULV DWCOZ,
JOTRXC EGOZZOTH RGX ZDW UK NXCM YDM,
FLR DR ZXTHRG RGX VXDVUT UK VLYYXC SUXV EUYX.
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HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".) Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skulduggery. Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

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

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Oregon's Annual Motorcycle Awareness Rally

MAY 2nd, 2015



At the Oregon State Capitol in Salem
(900 Court Street NE)

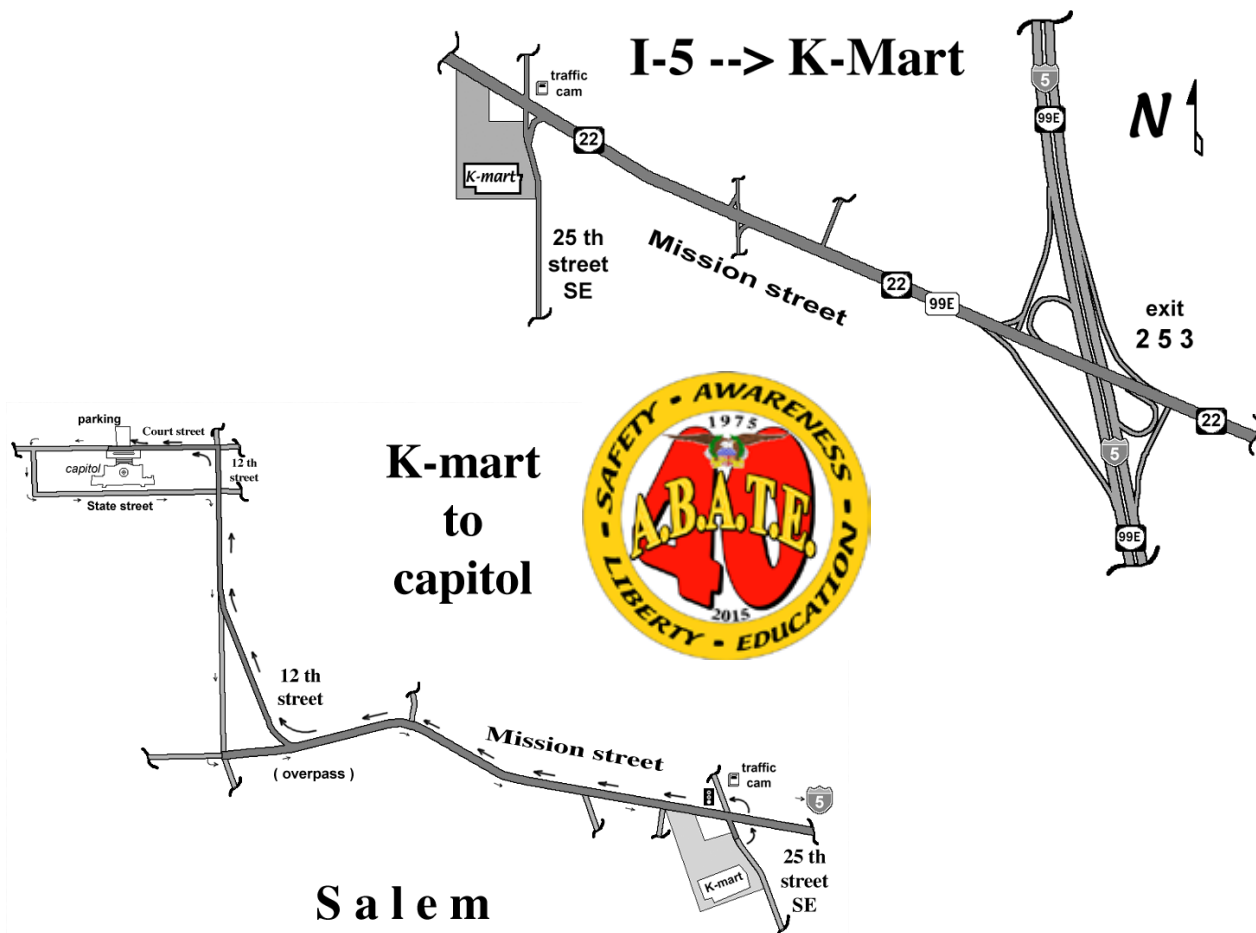
10:00 am: Mel's Bike Show (\$2 entry fee)
11:30 am: Bike Show Judging and Awards
12:00 noon: Public Speakers

Everyone is welcome – Public Event

All proceeds go to Support Motorcycle Rider Awareness, Safety, Education and Legislative Actions!

Presented by BikePac of Oregon (www.bikepac.com)
and A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon (www.abateoforegon.net)

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To Contact: bikepacoforegonid@comcast.net OR billerd@hotmail.com
BBQ following the event at the Road Brother's Clubhouse – all are welcome



ABATE of Oregon, Inc. SE Portland Chapter

Yer Mother's Poker Run

All Riders Welcome

Sat. May 9th, 2015

Sign in at **See See Motor Coffee Co.**
1642 NE Sandy Blvd.
Portland, OR 97232

10:00 am - Last bike out at 11:00 am
Cash Prizes for High & Low Hands
\$10.00 Buy In - \$5.00 for each extra hand
50 / 50 Raffle




happy
mothers
day!

Contact: Phil Jones (503) 327-5454
Email: sccoordinator@abatesc.net

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DEDICATED TO FREEDOM OF THE ROAD



A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
Lower Columbia Chapter

Loco's Annual Spring POKER RUN

Date: May 16th 2015 @ 09:45 am

Begins @ Colvin's Pub & Grill in Clatskanie,
Oregon

Ends @ Beach N' Brew Seaside, Oregon

\$17.00 per hand, or 2 hands for \$27.00

Door Prizes

50/50 pot too!!

Leaving @ 9:45AM sharp

You May Also Want to Check out Colvin's Breakfast Menu

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Mascot Most Appropriate

Meandered outside one gorgeous morning in mid-April.

Noticed an eagle riding a thermal over by the northwest corner of the main field, effortlessly adjusting its circles to stay high aloft.

Below it, another large bird beat its wings, gliding and flapping to gain altitude. When it finally got above the eagle, it dove at the perceived intruder.

The eagle was not to be undone. It quickly flipped onto its back, presenting razor-sharp talons to the attacker, who flashed past without making contact. Then the eagle resumed its dignified flight, gliding overhead with its white head and tail gleaming in the rising sun.

-- Rot Path
181030Apr2K15sat

Josephine County

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June and July are very busy months for rides, picnics, and dinners. By checking local calendars (we use www.UBSO.info and www.werideoregon.com), we find lots of other events to support during the summer. And of course *Facebook* is a popular place to find local last minute events.

August 1 will be the 37th annual *Run to the Coast*. For 25 years this was hosted by KAJO/KLDR radio station and was called the *Sandwich Run*. Twelve years ago *Josephine County Chapter* took over and changed it to a poker run. The bikes go out in smaller groups which are safer on the narrow windy roads going from Grants Pass to Brookings. We've kept the price at \$10 per hand. Prizes this year will be \$200/\$150/\$75. Sign in at *J.D.'s Sports Pub and Deli*. Come early and have breakfast. First bike out at 10 a.m.

For anyone not going to *Sturgis*, there will be an Oregon weekend event down at Wolf Creek park. August 7-9 will be the *Annual S.O.S. Run*. Derek Michael Marc and *Double AA* will be the featured band. Wet T contest, bike games, bike show, and all the usual vendors. *Janie and Annette and the TaTa Sistas* will be away at *Sturgis*, but we will try to hold down the fort and do the best we can while they are away. The state board of directors meeting will be held at the big gazebo in the park on Saturday. All members are invited to attend. Gate prices

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Southern Oregon Motorcycle Awareness Rally

Saturday, May 2nd, 2015
12:00 noon



**Front steps, Josephine County Courthouse
500 NW 6th St, Grants Pass**

The public is openly invited to attend this free event to be conducted in the interest of public safety about issues pertaining to motorcycles, motorcyclists, and public safety.

May is Motorcycle Awareness Month. Similar rallies will take place in Grants Pass and in Salem. Lives can be saved by becoming more aware of all vehicles on the road. "Look twice, save a life." Come out and learn more about motorcycle safety, motorcycle legislative issues, and what is happening in Salem. Help us tell Salem what we are concerned about.

Abate of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action. This event is sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Contributions or gifts to ABATE of Oregon are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. All proceeds from this event will go to Abate of Oregon.

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Organization: _____

\$80.00 Convention Registration (includes Silver Spade Award Banquet)
Please check main course preference: Chicken Beef Vegetarian
If you do not choose - a beef entree will be provided for your dinner.

\$45.00 Registration ONLY (Banquet not included)

Make checks payable and mail to: Richard M. Lester, 7354 Tripanga Canyon Blvd, Suite 400, Canoga Park, CA 91301

REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 24TH OR PAY CASH AT THE CONVENTION

ABATE of Oregon presents... **38th Annual**

FOSSIL

CAMPPOUT

May 22-25, 2015
Bear Hollow Campground
Gates open noon Friday
Member: Advance \$30 • Gate \$35
Non Member: Advance \$35 • Gate \$40

For online ticket sales, and latest updates:
www.fossilcampout.com

Live Music Friday, Saturday & Sunday

SEE www.fossilcampout.com FOR UPDATES

FRIDAY NIGHT
BAD MOTOR SCOOTER 7.0

SATURDAY NIGHT
CRAZY TRAIN
Oozy Tribute

SUNDAY
ROBIN GIBSON BAND

SATURDAY after Bike Show - NMRM Black Ribbon Ride
From Fossil to National Motorcycle - Riders Memorial at Shelton Wayside

Fossil High School Benefit Breakfast & Showers
Saturday & Sunday 7 to 11 AM • \$8 includes hot breakfast and shower

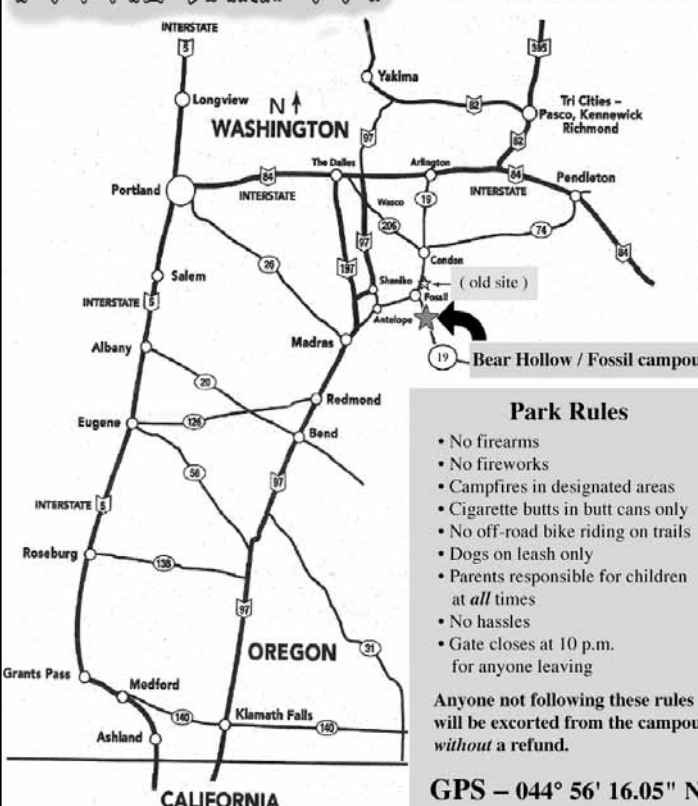
Vendors • Tattoo Contest • Poker Run • Bike Games • Bike Show • Day Passes • Firewood Available

ABSOLUTELY NO CROSSING FENCES, CAMPFIRES IN DESIGNATED FIRE PITTS ONLY.
No Firearms. No fireworks. Dogs on leashes. Groups of 10 or more allowed one support vehicle up to 20ft long at campsite. For RV Sites call Gate 541-463-3725. For Motor Site contact Rich Loscherba@abateoforegon.com

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A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments - A Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education

FOSSIL CAMPPOUT Memorial Day Weekend

How To Get There




Park Rules

- No firearms
- No fireworks
- Campfires in designated areas
- Cigarette butts in butt cans only
- No off-road bike riding on trails
- Dogs on leash only
- Parents responsible for children at all times
- No hassles
- Gate closes at 10 p.m. for anyone leaving

Anyone not following these rules will be escorted from the campout without a refund.

**GPS – 044° 56' 16.05" N
120° 07' 23.12" W**

 All motorcycles and riders are welcome.
80% of proceeds donated to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Rocks, Lakes, & Bridges Run

JUNE 20, 2015

Dice run:
high roller wins \$100

50/50 drawing

Start: Hub City Bar and Grill
2498 Hwy 97b Redmond Or
First bike out at 9:00
Last bike out at 10:00
End: Hardtails Bar and Grill
175 N Larch St Sisters Or
Last Bike in at 3:00
Music by the Manac Mecanics

Contact info: Bob Terrill
503-887-3032
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20th Annual North Coast Chapter ABATE of Oregon

Around Saddle Mountain

Saturday, June 27

All motorcycles and riders are welcome to enjoy the scenic ride, meet new friends & riders

Starts at Astoria Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Stops include:

- Colvin's Pub & Grill - Clatskanie
- V & V Leathers - Vernonia
- Elderberry Inn Restaurant - Jewell
- American Legion - Seaside

\$20 includes meal at the end of the run
50/50 • Prizes • Games

Proceeds support
Clatsop County food banks

All stops are family friendly
Kickstands up at 10 a.m.

For more information, visit www.northcoastabate.com
E-mail info@northcoastabate.com or call Carl Earl 503-325-6932

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Josephine County

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are being kept the same as they have been for many years: \$25 members, \$30 non-members, and day passes on Saturday.

We always close out the year with our annual *Grants Pass Toy Run*. Saturday, October 3rd, we will gather at the *Fruitdale Grange* at around noon. Kick Stands up at 1 p.m. for a quick ride through town. Then back to the grange for a scrumptious potluck. This year we are asking that if you want to eat, bring some food to share. If you want to come in, please bring a new, clean, unwrapped toy or \$5. Remember, this is for the kids. Please donate generously. As always, we will have drawings and silent auction items. Our sponsors are very generous in Josephine county.

Josephine County Chapter meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the *Fruitdale Grange*. If you are not getting a reminder call, but would like to, please let me know and you will get added to the call list. March, June, September, November, and December we have potluck at our meetings. Other months we have soft drinks, water, and coffee available.

See you down the road,

Karen and Lance Tolle
(541)-660-8730

2015 S.O.S. Run

Southern Oregon Summer Run
(an A.B.A.T.E. coalition event)

August 7, 8, 9 - 2015

Wolf Creek Park, Wolf Creek, OR
Exit 76 off I-5 freeway, follow the signs

Gates open Friday at Noon
\$25 A.B.A.T.E. Members | \$30 Non Members
Day passes for Saturday only will be available

Doesn't matter what you ride, EVERYONE is welcome.

Live Music Friday and Saturday nights



Derick Michael Marc










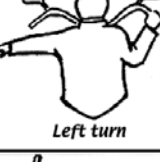

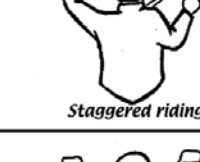



Wet T-Shirt Contest | Bike Games
Bike Show | Poker Run

Motorcycles only in campground.
RV/ Trailer/ Vehicle & Handicap Parking in designated areas.

For more information contact:
541-659-8715 or 541-660-8730
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No Firearms | No Fireworks | NO DOGS

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Group Riding Hand Signals

 Start your engines	 Stop	 Go ahead and pass me
 Bikers ready	 Hazards on the road	 Don't pass me
 Stop your engines	 Turn off your turn signals	 Single riding
 Left turn	 Slow down	 Staggered riding
 Right turn	 Speed up	 Time for a pit stop

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Keep Our Interstates Toll-Free



How would you like to see the number of tolls on America's interstates multiply like rabbits? That's just around the corner unless we make our voices heard.

You may think the interstate in your backyard is safe from having tolls slapped on it by politicians and bureaucrats, but the interstate tolling murmur is growing in Washington D.C., and it's coming from both sides of the aisle.

Under current statutes, states are prohibited from tolling any roads that were built since the inception of the 1956 federal interstate highway system.

Last spring, president Obama proposed eliminating the long-standing ban on tolling existing interstates and giving every state the option of tolling them to raise transportation revenue. That means continuing to pay for roads with the current gas tax and then tacking on an additional toll for each interstate you use.

How bad can it get?

Have you ever traveled through New Jersey and New York? [c.o.e.: "Nope."] Imagine suffering that tolling nightmare everywhere across the country. We're talking about the possibility of hundreds

of dollars in tolls for a single long trip.

But it's not just democrats who want to toll our existing interstates. Powerful republican congressman Paul Ryan (R-WI) recently voiced strong support for letting states toll any interstate they'd like. If this idea continues to get traction and the interstate tolling levee breaks, expect riding on interstates to get a lot more expensive, unsafe, and inconvenient.

The new highway bill could be up for debate at the end of May, and we need to fight hard against interstate tolls.

One step the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* has taken is joining the *Alliance for Toll-Free Interstates*, a broad coalition of interstate users and businesses who want to see our interstates protected from new tolls.

Congress Addresses Three-Wheeled Vehicles

Senator David Vitter (R-LA) introduced legislation that would create a new class of vehicle, reports the *M.R.F.*

SB-685 would create a new class of vehicles known as autocycles, to accommodate a growing trend in vehicle design.

An emerging vehicle style, three wheeled enclosed vehicles equipped with a steering wheel are growing in popularity. These types of vehicles have been lumped in with motorcycles and therefore tagged and registered as motorcycles.

Clearly these vehicles are not motorcycles and they do need their own category.

It is easy to see why the efficient, affordable transportation would catch on so quickly.

U.S. senate file 685 would require the new class to meet both motorcycle safety standards as well as passenger vehicle standards in vehicles weighing less than 10,000 pounds. These standards include seating systems, belted occupant protection, child restraints, roof crush resistance, and flammability protections.

There are many new three-wheeled vehicles coming into the marketplace. Some examples are the *Polaris Slingshot* and *Toyota i-Road*, built by *Elio Motors*. (*Elio* is based out of senator Vitter's home state of Louisiana. Senator Vitter is the chairman of the U.S. senate committee on environment and public works, subcommittee on transportation and infrastructure.)

It remains to be seen whether this is the answer to this growing vehicle class, but with numbers climbing something is going to have to happen with government vehicle classes.

According to the *Elio* web page over 40,000 of the enclosed three-wheeled vehicles have been reserved.

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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It's time you did something more to protect your rights!

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

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30th Annual N.C.O.M. Convention Rolls Into Denver

The 30th annual *N.C.O.M.* convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 7-10, 2015 at the *Denver Marriott Tech Center*, located at 4900 south. Syracuse street in Denver, Colorado. Reserve your room now for the special *N.C.O.M.* rate of \$99 by calling **(303)-779-1100**

Billed as the largest gathering of motorcycle rights activists in the world, this year's annual *N.C.O.M.* convention will draw over a thousand concerned bikers from across the country to *The Mile High City* to discuss topics of concern to all riders.

The *N.C.O.M.* convention will be hosted by the *Confederation of Clubs of Colorado*. All motorcyclists are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the many meetings, seminars and group discussions that focused on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to protect our riders' rights and preserve freedom of the road.

Topics will include anti-profiling regulations, *Save the Patch* legal defense fund, *R.I.C.O.* regulation and how it affects you and your group, public relations and social media, special meetings for veterans affairs, women in motorcycling, clean and sober roundtable, and world of sport bikes, as well as the christian unity conference and *Confederation of Clubs* patch holders meeting.

To pre-register for the 2015 *N.C.O.M.* convention, contact the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* at

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Georgia and Oregon Red Light Bills Advance

"Today marks the first time either Georgia general assembly body has voted 'yes' on red light relief for Georgia riders," said *A.B.A.T.E. of Georgia* state director Ned Williams, referring to senate bill 76, the *Motorcycle Mobility Act* which passed

the state senate 51-4 on March 11. "So now we are ramping up for a fight in the house ..." and *A.B.A.T.E.* is calling for motorcyclists to contact members of the Georgia house of representatives "and ask them to vote 'yes' on AB-76."

Likewise, a bill to allow motorcyclists to proceed through an inoperative or malfunctioning traffic-control signal has cleared the Oregon state senate unanimously which will permit "a bicyclist or motorcyclist to proceed at a stop light under certain conditions." Senate bill 533 is now headed to the house floor with bipartisan support, and is designed to bring relief to bikers who find themselves at stop lights that won't change by allowing them to safely proceed through a red light that "fails to trip after one full cycle."

Lane Splitting Moving Beyond California

California is the only state in the U.S. where motorcyclists are allowed to cruise between lanes of cars, a practice called lane-splitting that is normally used to cut through stalled or slow-moving traffic.

But now, an effort to legalize lane-splitting in other states, such as Washington, Oregon, Texas, and Tennessee is gathering momentum amid a push by motorcyclists and by some legislators looking to relieve highway congestion.

Bills to extend the practice to other states has sparked a safety debate.

Although no one has tracked exactly how many highway crashes are caused by lane-splitting, a study from the California office of traffic safety last year found that motorcyclists' injuries were kept down as long as they split lanes in slowly moving traffic and exceeded the speed of other traffic by less than 10 miles an hour. Further, the study found that motorcyclists were less likely to die or be injured in lane-splitting crashes when compared with other kinds of collisions.

The lane-splitting measures in Washington (SB-5623 and HB-1515), Oregon (SB-172 and SB-420), Texas (SB-442 and HB-813), and Tennessee (HB-1102) all set varying limits to motorcyclists' speed and speed differential. Most of those bills are in committee, although Washington state's measure has passed the state senate 35-14.

South Dakota Handlebar Height Regs Repealed

Good news for those riding to the *75th Anniversary Sturgis Rally* this year. South Dakota has abolished their handlebar height regulation, so as of July 1st ape hangers will now be legal and no more \$20 tickets for bars taller than shoulder-high.

On Tuesday, February 24, 2015 governor Dennis Daugaard signed senate bill 85, joining thirteen other states with no handlebar restrictions. (Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, Montana, Oregon, Pennsylvania, New Mexico, North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee)

Pointing out that there are no national regulations that regulate handlebar height, nor commonly agreed upon standards between states, *A.B.A.T.E. of South Dakota* emphasized personal comfort and style over safety concerns, given that no scientific studies identify any negative impact.

"A great team effort," cites *A.B.A.T.E.* state coordinator Jiggs Creasy. "Not a single opponent testified and not a single vote against it."

SB-85 passed unanimously in the senate 34-0 on 05 Feb 2015 and passed the house of representatives 69-0 on 17 Feb 2015.

Anti-Profiling Measures Spread Nationwide

As a unified community and as a freedom seeking culture, this is one of the

most exciting and productive legislative seasons we have had in a very long time.

We are moving towards our goal of critical mass in establishing a national movement to end motorcycle profiling with eight states in the process of bill sponsorship, committee hearings or have already passed anti-profiling protection. Once we reach that tipping point, look out Washington D.C.!

I met with the congressional motorcycle caucus co-chair and discussed a national anti-profiling bill, and he's willing to listen.

Currently from Washington state across the country to New York state and including; California, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Maryland, North Carolina, Missouri, all have motorcycle anti-profiling bills.

The *N.C.O.M. Legislative Task Force (L.T.F.)* is accessible when called upon by any, and willing to assist providing a cohesive plan to help insure success with: *Lessons Learned from Washington State*, fiscal analysis, collecting a pattern of evidence, controlling the message when giving testimony. All are substantiated documents authored by our own *U.S. Defender* commander from Washington and *N.C.O.M.-L.T.F.* vice-chair, "Double D", who is willing to travel and provide excellent testimony to accompany the effort from any state.

We have launched a campaign nationwide to *Save the Patch*. The many facets of our network continue to raise funds contributing to the *Trademark Defense Fund* regarding the *Mongols Motorcycle Club* patch. It is a unifying event for everyone across the country and it is going to take all of us participating to defeat this discriminatory attack on our patches!

As we speak, another case involving the *Devils Disciples Motorcycle Club*

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copyrighted patch is under attack as well. L.T.F. members are in strategic meetings to develop a plan to fight this case.

A new attitude, a new mission statement defining who we are, and a revival of fundamentals that work.

Look at our roster: the best of the best. Historic. Our N.C.O.M. board of directors and the L.T.F. reflects an accurate snapshot of our motorcycling community at large. We are members of every organization in the motorcycle rights work arena.

So the time is now to reach across any divide, put aside old petty grievances that only a handful even remember anyway, and embrace the national M.R.O.'s and S.M.R.O.s all working in sync that can achieve great things collectively.

See you at the N.C.O.M. convention in Denver. It's going to be a good one.

-- Paul Landers
chairman

N.C.O.M. Legislative Task Force

United Front Defeats New Mexico Helmet Proposals

In a unique "pay-to-play" scheme to punish motorcyclists for exercising their right to ride without a helmet, a senate bill proposed in New Mexico would have created a system of taxation for riders who opt not to wear a helmet.

Specifically, SB-308 would have created an annual motorcycle \$697 license plate sticker that allowed the operator and passenger to refrain from wearing a helmet, for a fee. It and a full blown helmet requirement (SB-327) were both heard in committee on the same day. Each bill died.

"February 24, 2015 is a day that will live in New Mexico motorcycle history as two helmet bills died in the senate public affairs committee," said Annette Torrez, chair of the New Mexico Motorcycle Rights Organization and a member of the N.C.O.M. board of directors.

Torrez had issued a call-to-action, requesting assistance from N.C.O.M., the N.C.O.M. Legislative Task Force, U.S.

Defenders, Motorcycle Riders Foundation, and the American Motorcyclist Association, all of whom came to the aid of New Mexico riders to help defeat the onerous proposals.

"Together we can accomplish the possible and the impossible," said Torrez. "Now we can put our efforts into SB-651, the careless driving bill to increase penalties for a person who commits careless driving that result in death or great bodily harm."

Riders Oppose Yarmouth Bike Rides Ban

Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.) members are organizing opposition to citizens' petition articles that will be before voters at the upcoming Yarmouth annual town meeting. One article would ban motorcycle rides through town and the other involves a noise by-law.

Rick Gleason, M.M.A. legislative director, said that if enacted, one of the articles would ban charity rides in town. That would include, he said, one of the town's biggest rides, *Big Nick's Ride for the Fallen*.

"If this ban is put in place and enacted and if the attorney general stands by it and says that it is just, it's going to force the organizers to reroute the ride," Gleason said, adding that people who come to town for the charity rides spend money locally on hotel rooms and meals. "We do not support this ban. There are a couple of big rides that begin or end or pass through Yarmouth. We would hate to see the town miss out on the opportunities and the monies that are generated during these charity rides." he said.

First Drug Driving Limits Set

Limits on the consumption of illegal drugs before driving have been set for the first time under new legislation introduced in the United Kingdom. Drivers and motorcyclists face up to six months in prison for exceeding very low limits set on eight illegal drugs including

cannabis and cocaine. The limits set for medicinal drugs exceed normal prescribed doses.

The legislation, which covers England and Wales, also sets limits for eight prescription drugs including morphine.

Police will use new roadside drugs testing kits to measure cannabis and cocaine in saliva. Tests for other drugs including ecstasy, L.S.D., ketamine, and heroin can be done at police stations.

A conviction will lead to a minimum one-year's driving ban and a fine of up to £5,000. [About \$7,500]

Police will delay enforcing the new regulation until satisfied the procedures "withstand legal scrutiny."

Violent Helmet Protests Close Chad Schools

Schools and universities in the Chadian capital of N'Djamena were closed on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 and remained shut "until further notice" after student rallies against motorcycle helmet regulations left at least one person dead.

The closure announced by the government of Chad in central Africa comes a day after students took to the streets to protest against a rise in helmet prices ever since their use became obligatory in N'Djamena effective March 1. Motorcyclists are now required to wear a helmet.

The protesters set fire to several vehicles and blocked access to schools and universities, an *Agence France-Presse (A.F.P.)* journalist reported. Clashes broke out after security forces used tear gas to disperse the protesters. Hospital officials contacted by A.F.P. said "three people were killed, and several others were injured."

Quotable Quote

"I believe there are more instances of the abridgment of the rights of the people by the gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations."

-- James Madison
(1751-1836)
fourth U.S. president

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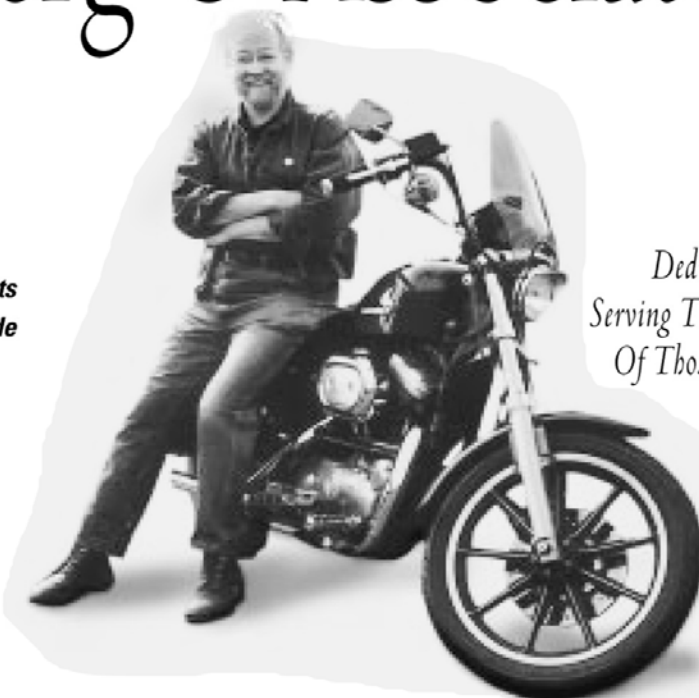
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 Listed prices or best offers.
 Contact Don at **1–(503)–706–7158** for information.
(May 2015)

For Sale

Gift memberships to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Only **\$30** for an entire year. What a great way to introduce folks to our fine organization while increasing membership. Use convenient form on inside of back page.

Lost

... myself riding to rallies and *Fossil*.

Found

... that I didn't mind at all.

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Business will need to place *paid* advertisements. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play. **news@abateoforegon.net**
Note: *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* is not responsible for any items appearing in these advertisements. (Deadline is the 10th of each month.)
 Contact: **(503)-838-6893** (V) or A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. att. Member Ads P.O. box 4504 Portland, Oregon 97208

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

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

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

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

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

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

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

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

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

[EB = executive board]

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	Notes:
Coordinator [EB]			
Paul Hering	(503)–313–7129	coordinator@abateoforegon.net	
Secretary [EB]			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	secretary@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (north) [EB]			
Dave Witmer	(360)–560–6403	VCN@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (south) [EB]			
Pat Allen	(541)–659–8715	VCS@abateoforegon.net	
Vice-coordinator (east) [EB]			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	VCE@abateoforegon.net	
Treasurer [EB]			
Karen Tolle	(541)–660–8730	Treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
Membership secretary [EB]			
Kathy Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	kmsabate@gmail.com	"877" number discontinued (unused)
Run sanctioning [EB]			
Robert Terrill	(503)–887–3032	Sanctioning@abateoforegon.net	
State auditor			
Cindy Witmer	(360)–560–6403	auditor@abateoforegon.net	
Newspaper editor			
Rot Path	(503)–838–6893	news@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (north)			
Randy Phipps	(503)–347–0524	SergeantNorth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (south)			
Lance Tolle	(541)–474–5599	SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	
Sgt-at-arms (east)			
Steve Bishop	(541)–980–7017	SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
Products director			
Dave Meeker	(503)–985–0233	davesfrogpond@yahoo.com	P.O. box 563; Gaston, OR 97119
Education director			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	Education@abateoforegon.net	
Public relations			
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	pr@abateoforegon.net	
Fossil coordinator			
Rick Prentice	(541)–980–4230	Fossil@abateoforegon.net	
Swap meet coordinator			
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Quartermaster			
Paul Hering, Gene Mortimore	(503)–313–7129	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
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< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	legislative@abateoforegon.net	
BikePAC representative			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442	BikePAC@abateoforegon.net	
M.R.F. representative			
Brian Stovall	(541)–340–9442		
Confederation of Clubs representative			
Pat Allen	(541)–659–8715	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	

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att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

(Return address)

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

DON'T
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STAMP

NAME: _____
NEW ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____
STATE: _____
ZIP CODE: _____
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
SIGNATURE: _____

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

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

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

How would you like to receive your state newspaper?
 Print version mailed to your address.
 Download PDF version from state web site at:
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

Membership Rates:

number of members	type	one year	two years	three years	five years
_____	Single*	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125
_____	Family* <small>(Includes couple. Additional family members \$5 each per year.)</small>	\$ 45	\$ 80	\$120	\$200
_____	Associate** <small>(Includes name printed in state newspaper.)</small>	\$100	\$190	\$280	\$450
_____	Sustaining*	\$100			

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

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

Total members: _____

Date paid: _____



Chapter: _____

New member ?

Yes _____

No _____

Patch Received ?

Yes _____

No _____

Renewal ?

Yes _____

Membership # _____

Please send completed application to:

Membership Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OREGON
97208

Notes:

*** Single, family, sustaining and life member benefits:**


- Patch (first year), card
- Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
- Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events
- Qualify for *Team Oregon* tuition reimbursement offers as may be set by the board.

**** Associate member benefits:**

- Certificate of membership for group
- Associate cards for each listed member
- Accidental death or dismemberment insurance for named members
- Discounted admission to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* events.

How did you hear about *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*?

Comments: _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 MayDay	2 BikePAC noon - Salem library Motorcyclist Awareness Rallies Salem & Grants Pass
3 flower moon Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	4 Salem / Indian Creek 1900 (7 pm)	5 River City 1900 (7 pm)	6	7	8	9 ABATE B.O.D. noon Ciddici's Pizza Albany, Oregon
10 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) Lower Columbia—1900 (7 pm) Southeast Portland—1200 (noon) Mothers' Day	11 4th quarter moon Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	12	13	14	15	16 LoCo Spring Run Clatskanie Armed Forces Day
17 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	18 new moon Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm) Memorial Day	19 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) North Coast—1730 (5:30 pm) River City—1900 (7 pm)	20 Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm)	21 Douglas Co. 1900 (7 pm) Hub City – 1900 (7 pm) Jackson County 1800 (6 pm)	22 ABATE Fossil Campout Fossil, Oregon	23 ABATE Fossil Campout Fossil, Oregon
24 ABATE Fossil Campout Fossil, Oregon	25 1st quarter moon Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm) Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30
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STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 09 May 2015

1200 (noon)

Ciddici's Pizza

133 SE Fifth avenue

Albany, Oregon

• 11 a.m. Fossil meeting

Have A Smart Phone?

(Or a reasonably intelligent communications device ?)

QR code for Oregon A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:



2015 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run

BN = Biker Night

date:	event / chapter or sponsor:	location:	contact number:
02 May 2015	Motorcycle Awareness Rally / BikePAC	Salem	
02 May 2015	Motorcycle Awareness Rally / JoCo	Grants Pass	
16 May 2015	Spring Run / LoCo	Clatskanie	
22-25 May 2015	Fossil Campout / ABATE	Fossil	
06 June 2015	Annual Poke Run / Hub City	Albany	
20 June 2015	Rocks, Lakes, Bridges Run / CentOr	Redmond	
27 June 2015	Car Show / LoCo		
27 June 2015	Around Saddle Mountain / North Coast	Astoria	
04 July 2015	Burgers In The Park / LoCo		
July 2015	Scavenger hunt / WaCo		
01 Aug 2015	Coast Run / JoCo		
07-09 Aug 2015	S.O.S. Campout / JoCo	Wolf Creek	

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

>> Location <<

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Izzy's Pizza; 810 SW 11th; Redmond	(541)–504–1678
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	The Loft (Del Rey Cafe); 5669 N.E. Stephens st.; Winchester	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	1st Monday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–390–4292
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant; 2339 Biddle road; Medford	(541)–
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)–659–8715 Spanky
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3rd Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	2nd Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–728–4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)–298–5502
Salem Indian Creek members	1st Monday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–390–4292
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–665–2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)–357–3684

There was a would-be rider called fey,
Who liked to frolick sky-clad all day,
When asked if they'd ride nude,
The bikers became pruders:
"We ain't ridin' nekked, but *you* may."

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