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July 2015

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fizzles**

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- Troy Davis family
- Concho Clink

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and legislative action.*



JoCo dinner ride (photo by Karen Tolle)

Makin' Our Own Summer Breezes

Jay "Jaybird" Foltz

A.B.A.T.E. lost a great man just before memorial day weekend.

Jay "Jaybird" Foltz lost his fight against a brain tumor at age fifty-one.

Jaybird was an active member of his community and very involved in *A.B.A.T.E.* and the local *V.F.W.* He was a past president of *V.F.W.* and a former chapter coordinator of *Central Oregon Chapter* as well as a lifetime member of *A.B.A.T.E.* Jaybird loved his community and was always doing something to make it better for others.

I first met Jaybird at *Run 21* many years ago, long before I knew my life would take me to central Oregon. He always had a smile on his face and a joke on his lips. When I first moved to central Oregon and went to check out the local *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter he was the first to

greet and welcome me. When I became chapter coordinator he was my vice-coordinator. He kept me calm when I was overwhelmed and helped keep my spirits high when I was feeling low.

His family had two requests at his celebration of life:

First was that any donations be made in his name to his favorite charity, the *Central Oregon Chapter's Teddy Bear Run.*

Second to honor his love of community, everyone perform fifty-one acts of charity or random acts of kindness, one for every year he lived.

Goodbye brother.
You will be missed.

-- Bob Terrill



*Someday my spirit
will no longer gaze out
at the world through these eyes,
Yet I hope that the memories
they have gathered
will remain with me,
Come what may.*

-- Rot Path

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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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State Coordinator

Greetings,

Here we are in July already!

July brings with it obviously the 4th.

With the 4th of July brings reminders of our founding fathers and the struggle and fighting they went through to obtain the freedoms we enjoy today. Remember also, all those who have fought through the decades that followed, and are still fighting today to keep us free. We to must continue to do our part not only for keeping our country free, but for keeping our freedom of choice.

I am proud of the efforts put forth by so many of you in our continuing struggle in Salem.

In this our fortieth year of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, we can be proud of the contributions made to motorcycling awareness and education. After many years of little results, this year we were able have our “Dead Red” bill signed. This will take effect January 1st, 2016. A job well done by everyone who worked diligently to make this happen.

So, have you made it to your local meeting recently?

If not, why not?

If you did, have you gone to another *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter function? A poker run, another chapter’s meeting?

We are all in this brotherhood we

call *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

When was the last time you invited someone to join?

Have you got a couple of *A.B.A.T.E.* tri-folds on your bike?

How about an extra *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper to hand out?

We need everyone’s support to continue to do the good things that give each of us the freedom to choose. I hope that each person reading this will find a new spark to continue promoting *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.



Paul Hering

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Happy 4th of July to everyone. Enjoy your freedom, but remember, it’s not free.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering

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

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

Summer is finally here. The skies are clear, The temperatures are warm, and the bikes are out.

Unfortunately that means the crashes have started as well.

We have already seen serious injury and fatalities in the news.

Some the fault of cages, some the fault of riders.

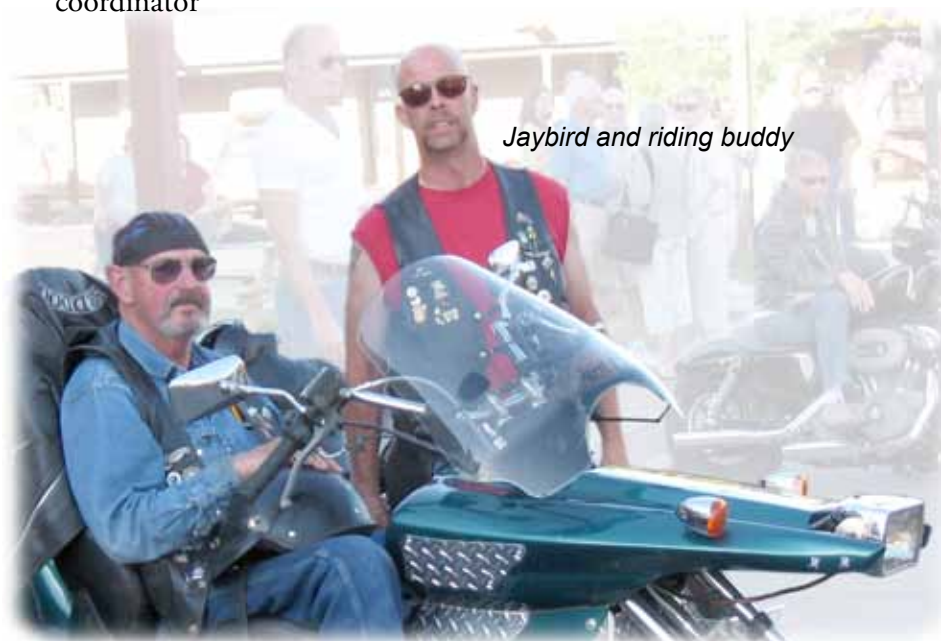
We need to pay attention to the road and all the hazards out there so we can live to ride another day. Live to ride but **ride to live**.

Our *Teddy Bear Run* on September 19 is shaping up to be as good as ever. Our delivery will be the same date as the grand opening of the new Prineville hospital, so our route will take us all the way through town this year.

Enjoy the weather, the wind in your face, and the bugs in your teeth. Just ride smart so you can ride again another day.

Hope to see you on the road,

-- Bob Terrill
coordinator



Jaybird and riding buddy

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**

Our Facebook page (*Douglas County ABATE*) has sixty-eight people following us and many more lurkers who just want to see what we're about. The Facebook page has proven to be an effective way for us to get information out to our membership and interested parties. Meeting times, events, photos, and an occasional humorous pics and videos are posted (after review) on the page.

Also, check out the *My Oregon, My Ride, My Biker Family Facebook* page. The page provides lots of good information about upcoming events.

With the advent of more decent weather, the chapter will begin our *Adopt-A-Road* project and begin working on our stretch of road. Thanks to Jason (*Big River Cycles* in Roseburg, Oregon) for taking the class, getting our personal protection equipment (P.P.E.: hardhats and nice yellow vests) and all of the other little things that

needed to be done before undertaking the project.

We continue to work actively on filling our vacant officer positions.

-- Bill Sebers

secretary

Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.

**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Jackson County****News from Jackson County**

This has been an exciting year and the learning is still coming.

We are welcoming the *Forty Boots Motorcycle Wild Land Fire Fighters* to our family and they bring seven members to support us and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

Still working hard on our poker run in October and hope every one will mark their calendars for October 24 to support breast cancer cure research. Please plan on attending.

We welcome all who can attend. If you can't ride, then come and enjoy the festivities. We will have a barbecue sponsored by *Star Catering*.

The start and stop are at the *Bare and Grill* on the corner of Crater Lake avenue and Roberts road in Medford, Oregon.

-- Todd

coordinator

Jackson County

State A.B.A.T.E. Fall Swap Meet

Our fall swap meet is coming fast. Keep an eye out for more news.

**Jackson County****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)
Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant
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 Medford, Oregon
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Douglas County
MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
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 Winchester
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Hub City*

Hi all,

So I won the 50/50 drawing at last month's meeting and little did I know that writing an article for the paper was part of my winnings. (Need to check for all the hidden rules as I only won sixteen dollars. Not sure it was worth it.) But I will do my duty. < LOL >

I am new to this as I only started riding two years ago and got my license this last year, so I am truly a newbie.

The reason I decided (at 52) to buy a bike and learn to ride stems from my love of riding. (I was always on the back of a bike.) But I hated waiting by the phone for someone to call and ask if I wanted to go for

ride. (Yup I am single and have been for over ten years now.) Trust me that sucked.

So, I jumped in and bought a bike (1987 *Suzuki Intruder 700*) and then took the *Team Oregon* class twice.

Hey, I had never driven a bike and had no clue how to make it go forward, let alone how to stop or turn. I am learning more every day.

Being able to ride when I wanted was not the only reason I took the plunge. I lived next door to a young woman whose brother was killed while serving our country and the Westboro baptist church was going to come protest at his funeral. My whole town came to stand to make sure he



was laid to rest in peace and I got to see for the first time the *Patriot Guard Riders*.

That was it.

I knew what I needed to do, and I have achieved that goal.

Being a *Patriot Guard Rider* is very emotional, but oh so worth it. I would not give it up for the world.

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Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

Ciddici's Pizza

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

Josephine County

Two bikes, two trikes, and a car went out on a gorgeous evening ride through Josephine county. We rode out Upper River road to Azalia to Merlin to the *River Grill*. Nice dinner with good friends.

Then we rode down to Monument and up a few blocks to check out the new location for next year's swap meet. Then under the freeway, right on Highland then a quick left on Donaldson. My first time on Donaldson. Nice back-country road over to Granite hill. Then right and back into town. Hope more people join us for the next dinner ride.

Our regular June chapter meeting will be held at Riverside Park. This will be a potluck, so burgers and dogs in the park sounds just perfect.

Next event for us will be the *Run to the Coast* on August 1st, a poker run

from Grants Pass to Brookings. Food is being coordinated with a little help from some our members. There will be a barbecue at the beach. More information next month.

And then the annual *S.O.S. Run* and state board meeting at Wolf Creek. August 7-9 at *Wolf Creek Park* in sunny southern Oregon. Only \$25/members and \$30 for non-members. For anyone *not* going to *Sturgis*, this is the next best place to be. Camping, live bands, vendors, games, bike show, wet T-shirt contest --- what else could you ask for?

We end the year with our annual toy run. Potluck, silent auction, drawings every 30 minutes, nice short ride through town all decked out and following Santa and Mrs. Claus.

That's all for this month. Keep the rubber side down. We'll see you



down the road.

-- Karen and Lance Tolle

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**

The weather has been beautiful on the coast. We know other people have found out about it from the number of bikes we have seen on the highway.

Several of our members are getting new tires and having engines checked to make sure things are running smoothly.

Lincoln County Chapter is looking to publish another cookbook. We have one ready and checking the cost on putting it together. We hope other people will like it as well as they did the first one. It sold out.

May was a trying month for me so this will probably be short. Thought I had a new cancer and finally got test results showing it was my non-

Hodgkin's lymphoma acting up even though I'm taking treatments.

It looks like radiation is in my future. I'll know more soon.

Bob and I will be home by the time you read this. We are heading for Rochester, Minnesota for a meeting of the U.S. *J.C.I.* senators at their annual meeting. You can ask coordinator Paul and he can answer any questions because he is one of us.

Hope to be able to get back to riding when this is all over.

See you on the road.

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

If you get this after June 26, I hope you were on the *20th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Run*. I will go out on a limb and say we had a great time. More to come next month.

The weather continues to be great and riders are everywhere. Please be safe and respect others on the road.

Some of members got together on the last day of May and had another awareness rally in Astoria. Once again we had a good turnout and made our statement. It was a busy Sunday with lots of traffic passing by. Let's continue to spread the word:

Look, listen and ... oh, maybe that is for trains.

Just be aware and make others aware of you. That works.

-- Carl Earl
coordinator

North Coast Chapter



North Coast

MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Lower Columbia

What a month.

The weather has been beautiful and our spring run went off without a hitch. It was great to have some riders from *WaCo* and *North Coast* come and support the ride. Thanks to all and hope to ride with you again soon.

We will be having some of our members going to support the *Saddle Mountain Run* held by *North Coast Chapter* on 27 June.

LoCo is getting ready to cook for *Heritage Days* in the Clatskanie park for the car show on 27 June and 04 July *Independence Day* celebration.

This last month I watched a video on *Facebook* where this idiot after

being told to quit texting by a rider hits the rider in a fit of road rage and rides off leaving him in the road. I was outraged he was deliberately hit and injured not to mention having his biked wrecked. I hope to god they find this person and throw the book at him.

Watch out for the idiots in their cages and keep the rubber on the road.

-- 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

May 19, 2015

Tonight's meeting was mostly about *Fossil*, which is this weekend. Lots of plans got made.

We had a legislative report of success in Salem, and another bill will be heard this Friday. ("Dead Red" has been signed by the governor and "Lane Filtering" is next.) Check the *BikePAC* web site or *Facebook* page any time for the latest information.

The picture on the agenda was a '63 *Panhead* motor. Chad got it right and won a pocket knife.

Debra would have won the membership game for \$35 if she had been present. It will be \$40 next meeting.

Lee won the 50/50 game at \$15/14. Congrats.

June 02, 2015

Everyone was in good spirits and the meeting was loud.

Lynal Grassman visited along with Scott Robinson. Lynal attended *Fossil*, but had to leave early due to a heart attack. He's okay and really thankful for all the help.

Rick says he's glad it is done and he is moving on to the rest of the year's events.

For our 50/50 we gave away a Washington bike raffle ticket in place of the 50%. Scott donated the ticket. Bob won and the chapter got \$48. Wow! Thanks to Scott and *Washington A.B.A.T.E.*

Don Cael would have won the membership game for \$40 if he had been present. It will be \$45 next meeting.

The bike on the Agenda was a '96 *Buell S1 Lightning*. Five people got it right, so nobody got a prize.

The heat is here, let's ride!



Upcoming Meetings

July 07, 2015

July 21, 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**Southeast Portland**

It was really good to ride to the *Fossil Campout* and connect up with and camp with a good number of our *Southeast Portland Chapter* friends. The run was well planned, well staged, and had an enjoyable vibe that was enhanced by everyone present and the nice weather on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

Mucho thanks to Rick Prentice for coordinating the run and to our fellow bros and sisters who helped at the run.

The *Southeast Portland Chapter* wishes everyone a cheerful and fun July 4th. The toy run bike and display will be at the Springdale July 4th celebration which is always a fun and raucous time.

We'll be at the *Sandy Mountain*

Festival and Run 21 Resurrection later in July.

We are busy with toy run and the *A.B.A.T.E. / Shriners Toy Run* is ready to happen. Same route, same parade format. (There will be thirty more motorcycles and two more commercial vehicles in the parade.)

There are twenty V.I.P. slots that are available. Raffle tickets are available now. Anyone who buys five or more raffle tickets or donates \$50 or more to the toy run qualifies for one of the V.I.P. slots.

More information is on the toy run web site:

<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

We are going to have our "family picnic" at *Oaks Park* on August 29th.



That will be a lot of fun! Come ride the roller coaster and play horse shoes with us. The flyer can be seen on the *SE Chapter* web site:

<http://www.abatese.net>

Check out the *SE Chapter* mini mall. There are a lot of chapter products and private party things for sale. All 2013 and earlier run shirts are now priced at \$5. The entrance to the mall is on the front page of the *SE Chapter* web site. It's open 24/7.

The *SE Chapter* wishes everyone a good time this summer. Get out and ride to as many events and runs as you

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Southeast Portland**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st & 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
M&M Restaurant & Lounge
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

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

Here is an open arms welcome to July.

My goodness, can you believe the wonderful weather we have been having?

I know wildfire season is going to be bad this year on account of a non-existent snow pack and unusually dry spring. So, keep our firefighters in your thoughts and treat fire especially carefully this summer. Also, the Boys Scouts of America's motto is timeless and suitable for all things in our lives but, is particularly worth noting this fire season: "Be prepared!" Most wildfires are accidentally created by man and are preventable with care and preparation.

June's big news was, of course, the *Washington County Chapter Roll 'N' Ride* on June 20th. The weather, as

previously stated, was wonderful and the turn out was better than expected.

Coming up in July we have our *Scavenger Hunt* ride on the 18th. This is a new event for us and, something a little different at that. Rather than drawing cards or rolling dice at each stop, there will be clues, sites, observations, and other "points" that can be collected. Come on out and enjoy the fun, the ride, and of course the company of your fellow *A.B.A.T.E.*rs. Look for a flyer in this edition of the state newspaper or head on over to <http://wacoabate.org> for all the details.

This is a shorter than normal article due to the fact I am running behind this month. Between all the wonderful riding weather and my own personal preparations for the summer, I have



lost track of time. Thanks to Rot Path for accepting this late submission.

I hope to see you all at the *WaCo Scavenger Hunt* on the 18th.

Ride safe,
Ride smart,
Ride,

-- Goat
secretary
Washington County Chapter

Washington County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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Our Officers at Work

Fine folks attending = 26 ; Bikes ridden = 3

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

13 June 2015 (*Ciddici's Pizza*— Albany, Oregon)

Call to order, welcome: Got a late start due to taking care of *Fossil Campout* business before the meeting.

The board meeting was called to order by Paul Hering at 12:15 p.m. with ten of eleven chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Central Oregon Chapter was excused.

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees: Craig Blair, Debby May, Butterfly Stafford, Jerald Stafford.

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

Executive Board**Officers' Reports**

Coordinator's comments: Paul Hering noted that there are lots of events going on now.

Be sure to get waivers signed by event participants.

Insurance or sanctioning delays are still happening. Paul is working with Robert to get problems resolved.

Thanks to all who worked your tails off at *Fossil Campout*. We had good turnout and a good time.

Secretary report, correspondence: Teresa Hepker had no comments.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer said he and Cindy had a great time working the information/products booth at *Fossil Campout*, including surviving the flood on Friday.

Dave has been attending some chapter events.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen reported that there is a new site in Merlin for the southern Oregon swap meet, very visible from the freeway.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice thanked all who came to *Fossil Campout* and helped, especially *Lincoln County Chapter* for working with the gate and games, *Washington County Chapter* for shifts at the gate, Teresa Hepker for standing in for treasurer Karen Tolle, Steve Bishop for his super gate work.

A gentleman had a heart attack at *Fossil*, brought on by dehydration. He is doing well now, and wants to thank everyone who helped him, and took care of his wife and bike.

Treasurer: Karen Tolle had the following treasury report:

Checking =	\$ 3,496.16
Savings =	\$15,433.86
PayPal =	\$ 200.00
Post office =	\$ 131.28
Total =	\$19,261.30

Preliminary *Fossil Campout* numbers (which still may change):

- 525 people through the gate
- Expenses = \$ 8,970.74
- Income = \$14,960.00
- Net Income = \$ 5,926.74

Karen has the new thumb drives, which should be ready for sale next month.

Don Mason of *Hub City Chapter* delivered chapter orders for *Oregon A.B.A.T.E. 40th Anniversary* shirts. Karen will provide invoices to chapters, and asked that each chapter

check its order for accuracy. There will be some of these shirts available as state products. In addition, if other chapters want to place an order they should get it in by the next state board meeting so *Hub City* can get them made for August delivery.

Membership secretary: Kathy Sahlberg reported 1,333 active members.

Members of the former *Salem Chapter* have been changed to *Indian Creek* members-at-large status.

Sanctioning officer: Robert Terrill was excused.

Be sure that after your event is finished, you send the reconciliation report to Robert, and a copy to Karen with your payment of the 20% share to the state organization.

Officers' Reports

State auditor: Cindy Witmer is expecting the rough draft of the 2014 tax return, which is due August 15. Chapters who are behind now, please get caught up and stay current, so Cindy can get taxes done on time for 2015.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path has a new hobby: 7-1/2" gauge riding railroads. He said there are a lot of them around the state, which could be fun destinations for summer rides.

Remember your chapter reports are due by the 10th of the month.

Sergeant-at-arms (north): Randy Phipps had no report.

Sergeant-at-arms (south): Lance Tolle said that *Josephine County* has started having dinner rides to help people get better acquainted, and encourage members to socialize.

He also reported that Larry Town,



Teresa Hepker

state
recording
secretary

well known in southern Oregon and northern California, has passed away.

Sergeant-at-arms (east): Steve Bishop shared his latest poem, inspired by the *Fossil Campout*.

Products director: Councilman Dave Meeker, who has served in this position for over nine years, has decided to resign as products director.

He has asked if *A.B.A.T.E.* would sell him the computer he has been using. The board provided direction for Paul to follow up.

Thanks to Dave for his dedication to *A.B.A.T.E.* during his tenure as products director.

Education director: < V a c a n t >

Public relations director:

< V a c a n t >

State run coordinator (*Fossil Campout*): Rick Prentice (See report under *Vice-coordinator (east)*)

State swap meet coordinator: Todd Sahlberg reported net income of \$2,142.56 from the spring swap meet, with 325 people through the gate. Todd said that the vendors were happy with their income.

He is working on the flyer for the fall swap meet. Once Paul Hering verifies that we have the space reserved on November 7, he will begin promotion.

Todd also informed the board that he will not be able to serve in this position next year but will be happy to help the new swap meet coordinator get up and running.

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

13 June 2015 (continued from page 9)

Historian: Teresa Hepker said she saw Godron Hieronymus at the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*, and he said all of the newsletters he produced while he was newsletter editor were handed over in electronic form when his term ended. Teresa has not yet been through all the historian's tubs. Rot Path said he had some 3-1/2" floppies that he will try to review to see if they are the archives. Teresa said she has gotten bogged down in scanning because the magazine formatted newsletters have to be unstapled and cut up to be scanned.

Web page editor: Carl Earl said the web site is updated and he and Kathy Sahlberg are working together to generate a fresh mailing list each month for the newspaper.

Quartermaster: Gene Mortimore delivered \$966 to the Fossil E.M.T.'s from the raffle of Laura Stewart's leather jacket. He has no reports yet on firewood sales, can returns, or breakfasts at the high school. Everything has been moved out of Bear Hollow and is back in storage at his place.

Legislative Director: < V a c a n t > Don Mason gave an end-of-session wrap up on our bills.

A.B.A.T.E. started the season by giving \$5,000 to *BikePAC* for lobbying, which covered the \$1,000 a month it cost to be there almost every day.

Thanks to fantastic testimony and citizen lobbying, SB-533 ("Dead Red") passed both houses unanimously and was signed into effect by governor Brown.

SB3-94 (lane filtering) passed the senate by 2/3 majority. Although we had the votes on the house floor, heavy lobbying by O.D.O.T., Portland police, and the *Governor's Motorcycle*



Safety Advisory Committee, the bill was not given a house committee hearing and died.

Don praised *A.B.A.T.E.*'s cohesiveness for a great 40th anniversary year: a big success in the legislature, a successful spring swap meet, and a successful *Fossil Campout!*

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Brian Stovall thanked Don for his report, and said that all but one chapter of *A.B.A.T.E.* are *BikePAC* members now. *Southeast Portland* is not on the list, and he said they have been strong supporters in the past and hopes they will join again.

As you can see by Don's report, *BikePAC* is a good investment in our future. Please join if you are not a member.

M.R.F. representative: Brian Stovall reported that on June 4th the United States house of representatives agreed to an amendment to the 2016 transportation, housing and urban development appropriations bill that struck down a provision that would have overturned the U.S. department of transportation lobby ban. The measure was approved on the house floor reports the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. Thanks to everyone who responded to the recent call to action on this bill.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat "Spanky" Allen said the *CoC* web site has a form for reporting

profiling or discrimination problems. The forms are sent to the attorney's office of Sam Hochberg, who is collecting this data for legal and legislative action if necessary.

Paul Hering remarked that *N.C.O.M.* has hired an investigator to research the Waco, Texas shootings that have been in the press.

Unfinished Business

- Open positions:
 - Legislative director
 - Education director
 - Public relations
- Committee report: Products promotion, print, and web.

New Business

- **Motion 1** by Cindy Witmer, seconded by Jack Wingfield to nominate Ted Tracy at products director, and accept Dave Meeker's resignation.

Passed unanimously.

- **Motion 2** by Cindy Witmer, seconded by Lance Tolle to purchase a new tarp for the product/information booth at *Fossil Campout*.

After discussion, motion was made by Trampas Dungan, seconded by Ralph Hult to **table the motion** pending further research on what we still have in quartermaster's inventory, and what options are available for replacement.

- Planning session: October 16-18 in Cottage Grove, pending availability of the *V.F.W.* hall. Karen will call to make reservations for the hall and for a block of thirteen rooms at the *Comfort Inn* motel used last year. Paul will look into reserving the *VFW* for the meeting.

- Officer elections will be here sooner than you think. Nominations in August and September, election in October. Please take back to your chapters to encourage people to run for an office.

Announcements

Next state board of directors meeting: Noon, July 11, 2015 at *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

Upcoming Events

- June 20 – *Roll-N-Ride* poker run – *Washington County*
- June 27 – *Around Saddle Mountain Run* – *North Coast*
- July 18 – *Scavenger Hunt Run* – *Washington County*
- Aug. 01 – *Coast Run* – *Josephine County*
- Aug. 7-9 – *S.O.S. Run* – *Wolf Creek*
- Aug. 29 – *E.O.S. Poker Run* – *Washington County*
- Oct. 10 – *Biker Night* *Washington County*
- Oct. 24 – *Jackson County* poker run
- Oct. 03 – Grants Pass toy run
- Nov. 1- Dec 26 – *Care Bear Collection* – *North Coast*
- Nov. 07 – Fall state swap meet
- Nov. 21 – Spaghetti dinner and auction – *North Coast*
- Nov. 21 – *Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run* – *Washington County*
- Dec 05 – Holiday run – *North Coast*

Adjourned: 2:05 p.m.

From yer ...



... yet again

Remember that our fledgling nation's declaration of independence from Great Britain on July fourth was just the beginning. There followed several years of fear and fighting when the fate of a new idea in government was in doubt.

In the eyes of England, the leadership nucleus of her rebellious colonies were traitors who were to be hung if caught.

That 1776 spark of feisty idealism continues to ignite citizens into taking political action on their own behalf, as we have witnessed in Oregon during this year's legislative session.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon celebrated its fortieth year by helping get one piece of motorcycle legislation passed while political maneuvering squashed another bill that was set to pass out of the house to the governor.

Members of A.B.A.T.E. chapters

throughout this nation keep alive the spirit and ideals of our nation's founders. We can be justifiably proud of our actions.

There was a television series partially set in the Portland area called *Leverage* about a group of grifters (okay, con artists, hackers, and art thieves) who pooled their resources to serve justice on abusive powerful people who trampled "little" people.

Saw an episode of recently entitled *The Gimme A 'K' Street Job* in which they engaged the political process to take down an organization preying on professional cheerleaders. (Is cheerleading a real job?)

What was great about this particular episode is that showed exactly the kind political procedures that *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* face when trying to enlighten the legislative process for motorcyclists.

Keeping The Ideals Alive

should we salute napkins ?

c.o.e. – 162

Everything from deal-making and finding common ground to the less savory side of politics.

This is a program that would be fun to show the next time you have an informal gathering of riders and political activists.

The United States seems to be one of the few english-speaking large nations that takes the treatment of its flag so seriously. Other countries appear to be more casual in how their flags are handled or displayed.

Trouble is that although we have formal guidelines for our flag's official treatment, the market place is free to do as they wish in the pursuit of crass profit, which is why one often sees the U.S. flag disrespected on paper plates, napkins, and other articles where its image is soiled.

Although we can't call the cops about stores that sell such articles, we



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

can take action verbally and with our wallets. Talk to store managers and explain why it is more disrespectful than patriotic to sell flag emblazoned products designed to hold potato salad, wipe portions of one's body, or wear as clothing. (Other than an actual flag patch.) Avoid spending your money at stores that sell disrespectful flag products and let them know why they are losing your business. That's what real patriots do.

Long-time state products director, Dave Meeker, is stepping down due to transportation problems. He began job-sharing the position in 2005, taking it on full-time in 2006. His quiet dedication to his job and *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* is a good example to all of us for keeping the organization strong and helping fulfill our mission.

Yer crusty ol' editor thinks that Dave deserves a lifetime membership in recognition to a decade of service as state products director.

JULY Cryptogram

PBM WAK YBMGE SR JBW Z DGZLK PBM WSUSE UKJ,
 JBM SR GSOKMWV Z OSMWAMSNW BP WABRK
 YAB PKZM WB PSNAW ZJE RDKZH PBM SW,
 LBUK YAZW UZV.

-- G K B J Z M E Y S O O K M G K V

(O K Y Z M K B P W A K U B X R K)

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)
 Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skullduggery.
 Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

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

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Note: Photos and copy-ready artwork should be stiffened with cardboard to prevent folding, spindling, or mutilating. Include a self-stamped addressed envelope if you want your material returned. (Otherwise the c.o.e. has a woodstove and your unclaimed contributions may end up keeping his toes warm.)

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



July 18, 2015

Scavenger Hunt

**Starts at Hits the Spot Café
10355 NW Glencoe Rd
North Plains, OR 97133
503-647-7732**

Come early and enjoy their great Breakfast Menu!

**\$10 For one hand
\$15 For two hands**



**Check-in at
10:00am**

**Kickstands up at
11:00am**

For information Contact Tom Kippert @ 503-307-2067

**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
Washington County
Chapter**

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Josephine County Chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
Dedicated to Freedom of the Road



37th Annual Run to the Coast

(For 25 years this ride was the
KAJO/KLDR SANDWICH RUN)

Sat, August 1, 2015

Sign in Starts at 10:00 am, Last Rider Out by 11:00 am

(Come early and have breakfast)

JD's Sports Pub and Deli

690 Redwood Hwy, Grants Pass

Sign-ups also accepted at Taylor's Sausage
202 S Redwood Hwy, Cave Junction

Prizes: **\$10 First Hand**
\$5 Additional Hands

Best Poker Hand \$200
2nd Best Hand \$150
Worst Hand \$75

Info: Spanky 541-659-8715
Karen 541-660-8730
freeflitterfly@msn.com

The ride ends in Brookings *** Lunch will be available for a donation

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Hub City

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I have meet some wonderful Americans who have served our country and have heard some amazing war stories about some amazing war heroes.

So now you know a bit about my journey and why it was so important for me to try, try again when it came to getting my license.

On a side note, today I went on my first poker run.

What a blast!

Sad to say on the down side that I am burnt and have a bee sting on my face to show for it. < LOL >

It was a great run put on by *Hub City* that had an awesome turnout with lots of prizes given away and a beautiful ride.

Keep an eye out for the next *Hub City* adventure and come join us.

Remember if you win the 50/50 this month, you get to write an article too.

Ride safe everyone.

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

Rider Education



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Motorcycle Awareness



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

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

Bear Hollow

Bear Hollow calls to us, this time, every year,
We gather in her arms, to fill her valley with cheer,
We gather as A.B.A.T.E. chapters, to sponsor a motorcycle run,
Years of families returning, a history of having fun,
The sounds of jubilation, ringing in the air,
When you are with her, you haven't got a care.
The trees are so majestic, and gently full of grace,
Is it any wonder why we return to this place?
The respect we have for her, is really perfectly clear,
We just hope to hear her calling, this time again, next year.

--- Steve B.

SE Portland

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can. Carry some tri-folds with you and spread the good word of A.B.A.T.E. Hope to see you on the road.

Fill out the stop report if you get stopped by the police and experience harassment or profiling during the stop. This report allows us to have a record of these incidents. This information can then be used to help us in our legislative and judicial actions. The report goes to Sam Hochberg, BikePAC, the Confederation of Clubs, and A.B.A.T.E.

<http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

Visit the SE Chapter's education page for valuable information on M.A.P. classes, group riding techniques, educational Youtube riding videos, Slider Gilmore's Two-Wheel Trauma class report, the stop report and more.

Fill out the SE Chapter's membership survey to let us know what you think about the chapter meetings, chapter events and runs, and etc. We need member input to help us improve our way of doing things. We also want to know what we are doing right.

-- James Niece
secretary
Southeast Portland Chapter



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

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For more information contact:
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Vendors contact: Pat Wine 541-832-2219
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ABATE of Oregon, Inc. SE Portland Chapter Solstice Dice Derby

All Riders Welcome

Sat. Sept. 19th, 2015

Meet at Andrew's Water Hole Sports Bar & Grill
19642 SE Stark St.
Portland, OR 97233
Sign in at 10:00 am - Last bike out at 11:00 am
Cash Prizes for High & Low Roll Totals
\$10.00 Buy In - \$5 for Each Extra Dice Roll Play
50 / 50 Raffle



Contact: Phil Jones (503) 327-5436
Email: secoordinator@abate-se.net

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A.B.A.T.E. 40th Anniversary Shirts

Hub City Chapter took orders for the new 40th anniversary shirts.

Five chapters placed orders and picked up shirts at the June board meeting: Josephine County, Lower Columbia, Washington County, River City, Douglas County, and Hub City.

Most chapters ordered quantities based on pre-orders, but may have a few still available for sale.

The long sleeve shirts say "A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon" on one sleeve and the chapter name on the second sleeve.

Short sleeve shirts only have the design on the front.

The shirts ordered by the state have one blank sleeve with A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon on the other.

If there is enough interest for additional shirts, a second order may be placed, but it needs to be done quickly. (Within the next month or so.)

Additional shirts may be ordered and picked up at the next state board meeting, or shipped to you. (Cost of shipping will be added.) The state products department has only eight shirts.

Each chapter can decide on how much they want to charge. The products director has not decided pricing for the state, but it was suggested that the state might be selling short sleeve shirts for \$12-\$15 and long sleeve shirts for \$25. (No extra charge for the 2X or 3X.)

After many years of service to A.B.A.T.E., Dave Meeker has resigned as products director. At the June state board meeting, Ted Tracy was elected new products director. Any questions, please call or e-mail Ted.

-- Karen Tolle
state treasurer (541)-660-8730

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



A new study by the *University of California Berkeley* shows that motorcyclists who split lanes in heavy traffic are significantly less likely to be struck from behind by other motorists and are less likely to suffer head or torso injuries, the *A.M.A.* reports.

Researchers, led by Dr. Thomas Rice of the *Safe Transportation Research and Education Center (SafeTREC)*, reviewed nearly 6,000 motorcycle-involved traffic collisions between June 2012 and August 2013, including 997 in which the riders were splitting lanes at the time of the crash.

“Perhaps one of the most dangerous situations for any motorcyclist is being caught in congested traffic, where stop-and-go vehicles, distracted and inattentive vehicle operators, and environmental conditions increase the risk of physical contact with another vehicle or hazard,” said Wayne Allard, *A.M.A.* vice president for government relations. *“Reducing a motorcyclist’s exposure to vehicles that are frequently accelerating and decelerating on congested roadways can be one way to reduce rear-end collisions for those most vulnerable in traffic.”*

Among the *U.C. Berkeley* findings:

- Lane-splitting is safe if done in traffic moving at 50 mph or less, and if motorcyclists do not exceed the speed of other vehicles by more than 15 mph;
- 69 percent of lane-splitting motorcyclists were exceeding the traffic speed by 15 mph or less; speed differentials up to 15 mph were not associated with changes in the frequency of injury;
- Compared to riders who were not splitting lanes, lane-splitting motorcyclists were markedly less likely to suffer head injury (9 percent vs. 17 percent), torso injury (19 percent vs. 29 percent) or fatal injury (1.2 percent vs. 3 percent);

- Lane-splitting riders were significantly less likely to be rear-ended than non-lane-splitting riders (2.6 percent vs. 4.6 percent);

- Lane-splitting motorcyclists were more likely to be wearing a full-face helmet than other motorcyclists (81 percent vs. 67 percent);

- Compared to other motorcyclists, lane-splitting riders were more often riding on weekdays and during commuting hours, were using better helmets and were traveling at slower speeds;

- Lane-splitting riders were less likely to have been using alcohol.

“These new findings bolster our position that responsible lane-splitting is a safe and effective riding technique that can be beneficial for riders and motorists alike,” Allard said. *“Lane splitting eases traffic congestion by taking motorcyclists out of the line of cars and trucks. And the practice increases safety by allowing motorcycle riders to avoid the risk of rear-end collisions in stopped or slow-moving traffic.”*

Motorcycle lane splitting is a common practice in many countries throughout the world, particularly in the highly urbanized areas of Europe and Asia. Long recognized as a way to alleviate traffic congestion and reduce the risk of crashes, the practice nevertheless remains largely prohibited in the United States, with California currently being the exception.

The *U.C.-Berkeley* study is the latest to examine crash data related to lane splitting and follows a similar report issued in October 2014.

“We want to remind motorists that permitting lane splitting is not the same as requiring it,” Allard said. *“Where it is allowed, lane splitting is an issue of choice, and formalizing the practice will give riders and law enforcement alike clear guidelines for its responsible practice.”*

Lane-Splitting Motorcyclists Safer

The *A.M.A.* formally endorses responsible lane splitting and will continue to assist groups and individuals working to bring legal lane splitting and/or filtering to their states.

Harley-Davidson Offers Free Riding Academy Training To U.S. Military

The *Harley-Davidson Motor Company* is offering free motorcycle training to all current and former U.S. military personnel from May 16 (Armed Forces Day) through September 13.

The *Learn to Ride* program will be provided through the company’s riding academy and is available to active-duty, retired, reservists, and veterans.

A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days Celebrates Hall of Fame Museum

On July 10-12 at *Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course* in Lexington, Ohio, *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* (the country’s grandest rally of old motorcycles and the people who love them) will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the *American Motorcyclist Association Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum*.

“The A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum has been showcasing motorcycling’s greatest heroes for twenty-five years,” said *A.M.A.* president and C.E.O., Rob Dingman. *“We’re proud of the work the museum accomplishes to shine a spotlight on motorcycling’s best and brightest. We invite the entire motorcycling community to join us this July for vintage racing, bike shows, seminars and more as we recognize all our hall of famers for their accomplishments.”*

Tickets to *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* are available now to the general public through:

<http://www.midohio.com>

Kids 12 and under are admitted free with a paying adult.

The museum was founded in 1990 to provide a permanent home to the

A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame, which celebrates and preserves the rich tradition of motorcycling in America through the recognition of the sport’s greatest heroes.

Proceeds from *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* are donated to the *American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation*, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization tasked with funding the operation of the museum and hall of fame activities.

A display at *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* will highlight the evolution of the museum, including a look at exhibits from over the years, while various activities will support the museum’s current and future exhibits.

The museum has grown from a partition of the *A.M.A.*’s old location in Westerville, Ohio, to a facility adjacent to the current *A.M.A.* headquarters on its campus in Pickerington, Ohio. The top level showcases hall of fame members, with bikes and memorabilia dating to the beginning of the 20th Century. The lower level features both themed exhibits as well as many unique machines from the hall of fame’s permanent collection.

A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days is the home of the *A.M.A.* vintage grand championship, which includes road racing, motocross, hare scrambles, trials and dirt track. Another top attraction is north America’s largest motorcycle swap meet with parts, bikes, and memorabilia from all eras. Bike shows bring out examples of some of history’s most beloved motorcycles, while stunt shows, such as the *American Motor Drome Wall of Death*, and demo rides of current production bikes keep attendees entertained. Informative seminars feature some of the country’s leading experts on numerous motorcycling topics.

It all adds up to one of motorcycling’s premier events.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Ethanol Production Slashed



The *Environmental Protection Agency* (*E.P.A.*) announces Friday, May 29th that it would reduce the amount of ethanol requirements for gasoline, reports the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*). This proposal would cut ethanol production for 2014, 2015, and 2016. The *E.P.A.* cites market conditions and the lack of non-corn renewable fuel sources like plant waste from being developed on any sort of commercial scale.

A 2007 regulation, known as the *Renewable Fuels Standard* (*R.F.S.*), requires refiners to blend in an increasing amount of biofuels into the United States gasoline supply each year. According to the proposal, the levels of ethanol will still continue to increase, but less than it would have, preventing the administration from achieving the goals of the 2007 legislation.

“The *E.P.A.* has missed several deadlines to lay out the production levels for 2014 and 2015, and this announcement is the reason why,” said Jeff Hennie, vice president of government relations and public affairs for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. “They know that the *R.F.S.* amounts were going to be unattainable, and now we know too.” Hennie also testified at an *E.P.A.* hearing on the *R.F.S.* in favor of a study that would examine the lasting effects of E15 on internal combustion engines.

With today’s domestic oil boom, and the

fact that we are consuming less gasoline than we were in 2007, a void for biofuels was created. Add in the fact that the U.S. is only importing about a third of its oil, and the need for biofuel all but disappears.

In its proposal the *E.P.A.* would increase the levels of blended in 2015 to 16.3 billion gallons, four billion less than what the *R.F.S.* requires. In 2016 the *E.P.A.* would require about five billion less gallons than the regulation requires.

This is obviously a blow to the affected industries around ethanol and a boom for big oil. Whatever side of this equation you end up on, one thing is certain; raising levels of ethanol in fuel from 10 percent (E10) to 15 percent (E15) overnight has been hard on motorcycles. This is why the *M.R.F.* is supporting HR–21 in the United States house of representatives. HR–21, a bill authored by James Sensenbrenner (R-WI), would require a full examination of what effects the higher blends of ethanol have on motors.

Contact your member in the U.S. house of representatives to cosponsor this important legislation.

Bikers Inside the Beltway

This year was another highly successful *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*) event in our nation’s capitol. We were blessed with perfect weather and a robust number

of citizen motorcycle lobbyists on the most important day of the year for motorcyclists.

Motorcyclists from Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin descended onto capitol hill to defend the freedoms of motorcyclists.

This year’s only national lobby event for motorcyclists resulted in over 500 individual interactions with senate and house offices to advance the *M.R.F.* agenda in Washington D.C.

The focus of *Bikers Inside The Beltway* 2015 (*B.I.T.B.*) was HR–1861 and SB–127, bills to prohibit federal funding of motorcycle-only roadside checkpoints.

The group also lobbied for HR–21, a bill that would require the *Environmental Protection Agency* to halt the sale of E-15 gasoline and conduct an independent study on the effects of the E-15 blend on internal combustion engines.

The group also advocated for the passage of black box privacy legislation.

Autocycle legislation was also discussed.

Representative Jim Sensenbrenner’s letter of inquiry to the *E.P.A.* was hand-delivered to multiple relevant members of congress during the event.

This year’s congressional program was held on the house side of capitol hill. The attendees heard from several members of congress who were all very supportive towards the motorcycle rights community.

This year’s *Bikers Inside the Beltway* was a tremendous success.

The *M.R.F.* thanks all of you who attended from near and far to defend liberty.

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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**N.C.O.M. Hails Third Decade With Denver Convention**

You could smell it in the air, as distinct as a Denver dispensary and just as intoxicating: unity, and cooperation in the face of critical challenges affecting today's motorcyclists.

Coming Together in one of the largest gatherings of bikers' rights activists in America, the *30th Annual N.C.O.M. Convention*, May 7-10 in Denver, Colorado addressed issues of mutual concern for the betterment of biking.

For three decades, over Mother's Day weekend the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* has provided a forum for diverse factions of the motorcycle community to meet in the spirit of teamwork to tackle topics such as biker anti-profiling legislation, save the patch litigation, freedom of the road and use of the courts, as well as seminars on public relations and social media, lobbying 101, and working with your legislators.

Friday's opening ceremonies was one of the best-attended ever and the energetic congregation of concerned riders from across the country encompassed various segments of motorcycling from clubs to rights organizations and from touring groups to sport bikers, all there to learn and share with mutual respect.

Special meetings were on the weekend's agenda in support of *N.C.O.M.'s* many outreach programs for *Women In Motorcycling*, *Clean and Sober Roundtable*, *National Sport Bike Association (N.S.B.A.)*, and *Christian Unity Conference*, in addition to the *Confederation of Clubs* general patch holders meeting.

During the *Silver Spoke* awards banquet on Saturday evening, several honorees were recognized for their contributions to improving the image of motorcycling, including:

Media – Joe Teresi, *Easyriders Magazine*

Commerce – New York Myke, *San Diego Harley-Davidson*

Legal – Joe Ritzo - *A.I.M.* attorney for ME, NH, MA, and VT

Entertainment – Danny “The Count” Koker for *Counting Cars* TV show on the *History Channel*

Special recognition – Larry Lindsey, *Dixie A.B.A.T.E.*, Alabama

Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award – presented to Jerry Theophilopoulos, *A.I.M.* attorney for Florida.

Next year's *31st Annual N.C.O.M. Convention* will be held May 5-8, 2016 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. For further information, contact *N.C.O.M.* at **1-(800) ON-A-BIKE** or visit <http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com>

Right-To-Repair Decision Expected From U.S.**Copyright Office**

In July, the *U.S. Copyright Office (U.S.C.O.)* is expected to issue a decision about a vehicle owner's right to alter any of the computer software or code that controls the vehicle's operations.

Though the decision is based on briefs filed by agricultural and automotive vehicle manufacturers, it could potentially have implications for motorcycles, A.T.V., U.T.V., personal water craft, and other vehicles that use computer software to control ignition, fuel, stability, traction, braking, and other vehicle operating systems.

In the briefs, the manufacturers argue that allowing owners, non-manufacturer approved service technicians, or anyone but their own designated technicians to view or alter the computer software or codes is not allowed under the anti-circumvention prohibition in section 1201 of the *Digital Millennium Copyright Act (D.M.C.A.)* which, if applied as manufacturers suggest, restricts vehicle software inspection, repair, and modification. The original intent of the *D.M.C.A.*, however, was more to prevent code copying that could involve copyright infringement.

Every three years, the librarian of congress, working with the copyright office, hears requests from members of the public whose speech and other rights are affected by the legislation and considers whether to grant exemptions.

Maryland Bans Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints

The Maryland legislature has joined a growing list of states to prohibit enforcement officers from conducting roadside checkpoints that specifically target motorcyclists.

HB-917, introduced by Maryland delegate Benjamin Kramer (D-Wheaton) and companion bill SB-716 introduced by state senator Jamie Raskin (D-Takoma Park) state that “a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint may not target only motorcycles for inspection or evaluation.”

The bipartisan legislation passed unanimously in the house 137-0 on March 19, and the senate 47-0 on March 29, then was signed into effect on May 12, making Maryland the eighth state to pass legislation against motorcycle-only checkpoints. Another eleven states have prohibited such discriminatory roadblocks either on constitutional grounds or by judicial action.

Kansas Creates New**“Autocycle” Classification**

Under a new regulation in Kansas, “autocycle” is now defined as a three-wheel motorcycle that has a steering wheel and seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride it.

House bill 2044, signed into effect by governor Sam Brownback on May 7, 2015 after passing the legislature near-unanimously by both chambers, creates the new classification of vehicles which proponents say are neither cars nor motorcycles and need their own

classification to protect drivers from breaking regulations.

The federal government classifies any vehicle with less than four wheels as a motorcycle, which requires a motorcycle license to operate. But some say the motorcycle license test isn't helpful for operating autocycles because they aren't driven the same way.

“It's a requirement that makes absolutely no sense,” said Joel Sheltroun, vice president of governmental affairs for *Elio Motors*, a Phoenix company that plans to start making autocycles in 2016. “My customer base, a lot of them, don't have motorcycle licenses and they're not going to go out and rent a motorcycle, learn how to drive it, go down and take a test just so they can drive our vehicle, especially seniors.”

HB-2044 allows drivers to operate an autocycle without a motorcycle endorsement. Sheltroun said about eighteen states are working on legislation for autocycles and six states already passed legislation for defining autocycles. Otherwise, out-of-state drivers could run into trouble if they drive into a state where a motorcycle license is required, as drivers would automatically be breaking regulations and could face tickets or possibly get their vehicle impounded until they could prove they had a motorcycle license.

Wisconsin Legalizes Colored Lighting

The Wisconsin legislature has passed a bill legalizing colored motorcycle lights.

Current Wisconsin regulations (and in most U.S. states) prohibits operating a motor vehicle with lights other than white or amber in front and red in the rear.

The bill's assembly sponsor, John Jagler (R-Watertown), says colored L.E.D. lights are becoming more popular on motorcycles. He says more lights will

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increase motorcycle visibility, making them safer.

Under the bill, people could equip their motorcycles with any color lights aside blue as long as they don't flash or rotate.

The assembly passed the bill. The senate passed the bill on a voice vote on May 6, sending the measure to governor Scott Walker.

In the meantime, a similar measure, HB-3944, would amend the Illinois vehicle code to "provide that a motorcycle may be equipped with auxiliary accent lights, including standard bulb running lights and light emitting diode pods and strips. Provides that the auxiliary accent lights shall not be red or white or oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights. Defines 'auxiliary accent light'."

The measure passed senate transportation committee 16-0 on May 13 and has been placed on the senate calendar.

Georgia Governor Vetoes "Dead Red" Bill

Georgia governor Nathan Deal has vetoed a bill passed by the state legislature that would have allowed cyclists, both bicyclists and motorcyclists, to ride through unresponsive red lights, sometimes referred to as "dead red" legislation.

On May 12, 2015 the governor nixed senate bill 76, *Motorcycle Mobility Safety Act*, relating to the safe operation of a motorcycle, inoperative traffic-control signal, issuing the following veto message:

"While I am sympathetic to the concerns and causes of motorcyclists and bicyclists, this legislation does not provide an adequate solution and presents a confusing exception to motorists. Furthermore, senate bill 76 would eliminate the current fifteen-inch height restriction placed on motorcycle handlebars. Motorcycles equipped with handlebars more than fifteen inches in height pose a safety hazard due to the increased difficulty in steering and decreased control.

In 2014, crashes involving motorcycles and bicycles accounted for thirteen percent of the fatalities on Georgia roads, and I do not see how this legislation will enhance roadway safety. Therefore, in the interest of providing the necessary roadway safety Georgians deserve, I hereby veto senate bill 76."

Aussie Cops Swap "Criminal Motorcycle Gangs" For "Outlaw" Tag

Queensland police have dropped the term "criminal motorcycle gangs" for bikies in a sign of a new political climate, quietly reverting to the more widely used "outlaw" tag, the description used by the new labor police minister.

The term "criminal motorcycle gangs" was coined by the former Newman government, which directed police to adopt it from the outset of its legislative and public relations campaign against bikies in 2013.

However, the new Palaszczuk labor government is reviewing the controversial bikie regulations, including anti-association and mandatory sentencing provisions, after pre-election promises to repeal them.

A government source told *Guardian Australia* that all other Australian police forces, as well as the Australian crime commission, refer to the bikies as O.M.C.G.s, adding that bikies refer to themselves as outlaw motorcycle clubs, 1% clubs, or simply motorcycle clubs.

Insurer Claims Motorcyclists Are Their Own Worst Enemy

According to *Progressive Insurance*, single-vehicle mishaps accounted for more motorcycle-related claims last year than any other event. The insurer processed 3.5 times more of such claims than for rear-end crashes, the next-most common motorcycle incident.

Excess speed is the most common rider-related factor in fatal motorcycle crashes.

Riding while intoxicated on alcohol or controlled substances is another leading cause of motorcycle crashes where another vehicle is not involved.

Weird News Briton Deported For Riding Nude

A British man was to be deported from Cambodia after he was caught riding a motorcycle naked. The 24-year old student from the *University of the West of Scotland*, was booted out for "violating the beautiful customs and culture" of the country.

He spent the weekend in jail after being caught with two other nude riders, a 22-year-old Finnish woman and a 30-year-old Italian man, appearing in a video posted on *YouTube* before being stopped by police fifty miles after shedding their clothes. It's been reported they are to be permanently barred from Cambodia for indecent exposure.

Kandal police chief Eav Chamroeun told the *Phnom Penh Post*, "I think that this was the first time there have been foreign people driving motorcycles naked in Cambodia. Their actions have seriously violated Cambodia's integrity, the beautiful customs and culture of Cambodia, and Cambodian [regulations]. We cannot allow them to commit pornography like this in our country."

Sok Phal, head of the ministry of interior's immigration department, said: "The general department of immigration has asked the leadership of the ministry of interior to expel them from the country as punishment."

Quotable Quote

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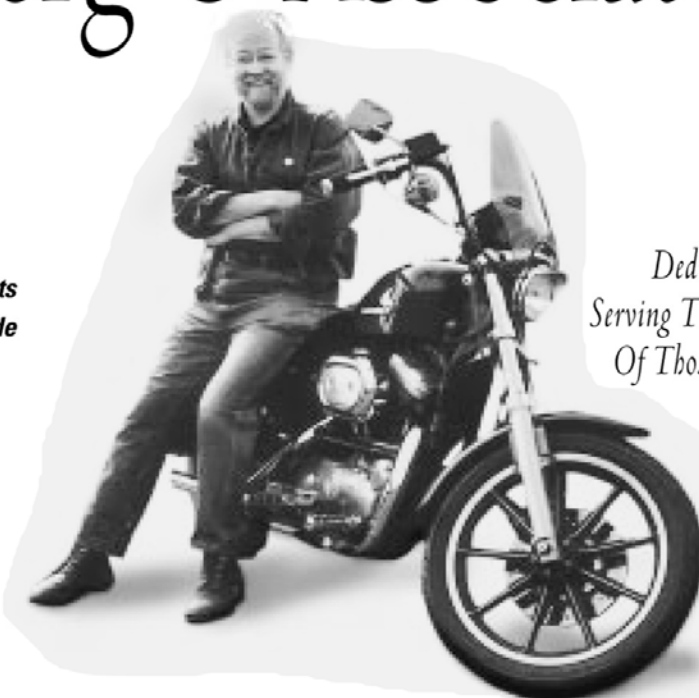
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Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X					X	X	X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X			X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X				X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X					X		X
Southern Oregon area										
Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Judi Berglin	(541)-272-7505	Medford			X			X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X			X	X	X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Central Oregon area										
John Baunmann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X			X	X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X				X		
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X			
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X					
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X		X	X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X		X			
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X		X		X	
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X				
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X	X			X	X	X	
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
other areas										
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways

Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your **local** community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>

If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available. This is a wonderful service provided by folks who care about motorcycles, so please don't abuse their kindness. (Yeah, that means you, telemarketers.) If you would like to participate, phone (503)-838-6893, e-mail to statemwng@abateoforegon.net, or send your information to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

For Sale

Lost

Found

• Metal band saw, cuts 4"x 6" vertical and horizontal - \$175.
 • 14" Ryobi metal cut-off saw, extra blade - \$100.
 • 2006 Honda Helix scooter, 6,000 miles, new tires, 75 mpg - \$2,275.
 Call Rotten Roger at (503-285-4329)
(June 2015)

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.

... the plot.

... a new story on the road.

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

Contact: (503)-838-6893 (V) or A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. att. Member Ads P.O. box 4504 Portland, Oregon 97208

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.)

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			
Ted Tracy	(503)–819–8113	products@abateoforegon.net	
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			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net	
Historian			
Teresa Hepker	(541)–965–2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	
Web page editor			
Carl Earl	(503)–325–6932	webmaster@abateoforegon.net	
Quartermaster			
Paul Hering, Gene Mortimore	(503)–313–7129	Quartermaster@abateoforegon.net	
Legislative director			
< 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	

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

(Return address)

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

DON'T
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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  summer moon	2	3	4 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> Lower Columbia Burgers In Park Clatskanie </div> U.S. independence day
5 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	6	7 River City 1900 (7 pm)	8  4th quarter moon	9	10	11 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> ABATE B.O.D. noon Ciddici's Pizza Albany, Oregon </div>
12 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) <hr/> Lower Columbia 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	13 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	14	15  new moon Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm)	16 Douglas Co. 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Hub City – 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Jackson County 1800 (6 pm)	17	18 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;"> WaCo Scavenger Hunt North Plains </div>
19 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	20	21 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> North Coast 1730 (5:30 pm) <hr/> River City 1900 (7 pm)	22	23	24  1st quarter moon	25
26	27 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	28	29	30	31  thunder moon	

STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 11 July 2015

1200 (noon)

Ciddici's Pizza

133 SE Fifth avenue

Albany, Oregon

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:
04 July 2015	Burgers In The Park / LoCo		
18 July 2015	Scavenger Hunt / WaCo	North Plains	(503)–647–7732
25 July 2015	7th Annual Poker Run / <i>Shadows MC</i>	noon-Town Tavern-Myrtle Creek	
01 Aug 2015	Coast Run / JoCo	Grants Pass	(541)–659–8715
07-09 Aug 2015	S.O.S. Campout / JoCo	Wolf Creek	(541)–659–8715
19 Sep 2015	Fall Run / LoCo		
03 Oct 2015	Toy Run / JoCo	Grants Pass	
? Oct 2015	Poker Run / JackCo		
17-18 Oct 2015	Planning Session / ABATE	Cottage Grove	
01 Nov–26 Dec	Care bear collection / North Coast		
21 Nov 2015	Spaghetti dinner & auction / North Coast		
05 Dec 2015	Holiday Run / North Coast		

Watching fireworks burst in the night air,
Reflecting courage of those who dared,
To stand up to a throne,
Seeking freedom at home,
And founded a nation we still share.

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

>> Location <<

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	<i>Izzy's Pizza</i> ; 810 SW 11th; Redmond	(541)–504–1678
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	<i>The Loft (Del Rey Cafe)</i> ; 5669 N.E. Stephens st.; Winchester	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	(individual members agree on where and when they meet)			
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd 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.)	<i>American Legion</i> hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	2nd Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	<i>Colvin's Pub & Grill</i> ; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–728–4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	<i>Shiloh Inn</i> ; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)–298–5502
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	<i>M&M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–665–2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	<i>Prime Time Restaurant</i> ; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)–357–3684