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Suggested Speed + 10 ? ... Not !



Riding or driving on Oregon roads, folks often encounter yellow warning signs for curves with a smaller safe speed sign mounted underneath the main sign. One of the first lessons beginning drivers seem to learn (unofficially) is that you can add ten miles an hour to the recommended safe speed under normal dry driving conditions. All that is changing.

Ever wonder how highway engineers came up with those safe speeds?

Back in the early part of the previous century (1930s) traffic safety-types with slipsticks would



drive around curves in vehicles of the day with



a metal ball sitting in a pool of mercury or an aircraft bank indicator mounted firmly to said



vehicle. Curves were signed based on speeds that produced very little centrifugal force.

Cars, pick-ups, trucks, buses, and motorcycles have changed considerably in the last eighty years. Suspension systems and tires have improved, allowing vehicles to comfortably cruise through curves at higher-than-posted speeds.

A 2008 study by Oregon State University found that there was inconsistent signing of safe curve speeds in Oregon. The original report can be viewed at:

http://www.oregon.gov/odot/td/tp_res/docs/reports/2007/spr_641.pdf

In the interests of consistency, the standards for curve speed signing were updated

nationally in 2009. (Using vehicles from the 1990s, so we're still twenty years behind.) Measuring technology utilizing accelerometers and computers was used to update the math behind computing safe turn speeds.

Oregon department of transportation (O.D.O.T.) updated its standards to match the national comfort thresholds in 2011.

In most cases, safe curve speeds are going up.

That means that the previous practice of adding 10 m.p.h. to the posted safe curve speeds can end up causing you to enter curves at dangerous speeds that could cause skids and unintentional off-road activity. (Crashes.)

Signs are being updated, but there is no visual difference between old and new curve speed signs.

The O.D.O.T. communications division is supposed to be outreaching to road users about the changes. How many of you are aware of these changes?

A better idea would be to put reflective red and white tape under the revised curve speed so that road users had a visual indication that signs had been updated.



The bottom line when riding roads new-to-you is to *approach curves at the suggested safe speed.*

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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 Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California, and Ed Armstrong

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

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

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

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

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

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

congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

BikePAC of Oregon

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

BikePAC works within the political process.

Association for Motorcyclists

of Oregon (A.M.O.)

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

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

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

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

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)

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

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

regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

A = Single entity.

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

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

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

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

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officers at work

State Coordinator

Greetings to all my fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* brothers and sisters,

Have you all been enjoying this unseasonably warm weather? Most of the weather has been great for poker runs, or just day rides, But I will say personally that when it gets to 100 degrees and above, that's just not pleasant.

Well summer is in full swing, and that means lots of activities.

Along with your time spent with family and friends, please try to volunteer some time to *A.B.A.T.E.* We need you at the local meetings and chapter events.

I would also love to see you at a state meeting, or event. Please come and

join your fellow members the second Saturday of each month to discuss and help guide where *A.B.A.T.E.* needs to go. The next board meeting will be held at the *S.O.S. Run* in Wolf Creek. This run is sponsored by the chapters in the southern part of our state, and they do a terrific job. Thank you all in advance for a wonderful weekend.

Starting at our August meeting we will be taking nominations for next year's board positions. All of the positions are vital to the continued success of our organization. Please talk about filling these positions from people in your chapter. Surely you must know someone who you think

could make a difference. It's not hard, and it really isn't that time consuming. Please don't try to make it someone else's job.

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

I hope to see many of you at the *S.O.S. Campout* at Wolf Creek, but if not there then at another *A.B.A.T.E.* function soon.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering



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

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

The weather here has been wonderful for riding, except for having to dodge or wait out the occasional thundershower. I have been seeing a lot of bikes out on the road and have managed to get some wind in my face and a few bugs in my teeth as well.

Please join us for our *Teddy Bear Run* on September 19. We always have a good time and usually get some air time on the Bend news channel. This helps reinforce the positive image of motorcyclists in central Oregon.

I have been seeing too many motorcycle crash and/or fatality stories in the news. Please keep yourself and your friends safe on the road. Motorcycles are very unforgiving of ignorance and inattention.

Preparation and focus are the keys to fun and safe riding.

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

June Meeting Report

We finalized our *Whistlers Bend Poker Run*, reserved space in *Whistlers Bend* state park in Roseburg, Oregon.

Our meetings over the last two months (May and June) have not been well attended. As a chapter we need to find out why our meeting participation has fallen off. Some of it may be due to vacations, family obligations, and so on. (In my case, two grandsons graduating from high school kept me from the June meeting, and in July my spouse and I should be in the middle of Montana, two up.)



We are having the following bike nights over the coming months:

- July 10 – *La Piata*, 237 west “B” in Drain (541)-836-2386
- August 14 – *The Narrows Tavern*, 21608 north Umpqua highway in Glide (541)-496-0490
- September 11 – *Pizza Place*, 919 north Old Pacific highway in Myrtle Creek, (541)-863-2584
- October 19 – *Dakota Pizza*, 105 Dakota street in Sutherlin (541)-459-0005

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

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

Douglas County**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

The summer is going fast and a lot going on with rides. Be safe.

We are moving closer to our first poker run and having a good time planning it. Hope that everyone can make it to this and support the fight against breast cancer. October 24 at *Joe's Bar and Grill*. (2061 Roberts road at Crater Lake avenue, Medford.) All are welcome.

We are going to have a yard sale for the month of July on the 25th. If you are coming through Medford, feel free to stop in. Hope to make new acquaintances through this and more community support.

State Swap Meet

We have the date and place pinned down. We are going to kick off the fall swap meet on November 7 at Hillsboro *Elks Lodge*. Hope to have all come and find the Christmas present for that hard--to--find--for person or yourself. Flyers will be coming out soon and the vendors will be getting their mailings the first part of August. Hope to have the booths sold quick and be able to have a good swap meet.

-- Todd
• coordinator
Jackson County Chapter
• state swap meet coordinator

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

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

Hi all!

Wow, what a hot summer it has been. I hope everyone has been out riding, enjoying the weather, and staying cool.

I have been especially excited for summer to come as I got my first bike in December. I have been riding on the back with my husband for the past ten-plus years.

I have thought about riding myself for awhile, finally took the plunge, and am loving it. I am so hooked.

I started just by going to empty parking lots and practiced getting the bike moving. After that, I got my motorcycle permit and went out on some back roads. Soon after that I did the *Team Oregon* basic riders training.

What a great class that was. I really liked the way they broke everything down. I learned so much and was

exhausted by the end of the weekend. But it was worth it.

Now I am working on practicing what I learned, putting some miles on my bike, and gaining experience riding my own. I love everything about it. I am really excited for us to be able to take off on rides together.

Hub City has been busy putting on biker nights and two poker runs this year thus far. Keep an eye out for the next event. We also like to do Friday night dinner rides so keep an eye out for information on *Facebook* about the next dinner ride. It is fun to ride together and get some yummy food. This is a great way to get to know other members or to meet fellow riders.

Be on the lookout for other biker events going on around the state and go



out there. Support riders everywhere

I hope everyone can get out on the road and put some miles on their bike.

Try to stay cool and ride safe.

See ya on the road.

If you are ever looking for something to do on the third Thursday of the month, come join *Hub City* at *Ciddici's Pizza* at 133 S.E. Fifth street in Albany.

See ya there.

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

Good early morning to all,

So sorry we had to miss *Fossil Campout*. Lance was just not feeling well enough to make the trip. We heard that it was a good one and everyone quite enjoyed themselves. Maybe some a little more than others, but that's usually the case.

This is our busiest time of the year. Putting last minutes touches on the *S.O.S. Run*, getting ready for the *Coast Run*, and starting to make plans for the toy run. Every year we start out saying we are going to start early, we are not going to wait until the last minute. Then it seems like here we are again frantically pulling everything together at the same time. Where does the time go?

Our *Run to the Coast* starts in

Grants Pass. We travel out beautiful 199. (Or is it 99? I always get confused because they cross in Grants Pass and run together for awhile and I'm not sure where they separate again.)

The end of our journey finds us at the harbor in Brookings, having burgers and hot dogs on the beach. This is a long standing tradition for southern Oregon.

Saturday, August 1st. *J.D.'s Sports Pub and Deli*, 690 Redwood highway in Grants Pass. Sign-in starts at 10 a.m., last bike out at 11. \$10 first hand, \$5 additional hands. \$200/\$150/\$75 prizes with lots of other prizes to be won.

While *Douglas County Chapter* is doing some reorganizing this year and with several members heading to Sturgis, *Josephine County Chapter* is working extra hard to put on the



S.O.S. Run.

We will once again host the August state board meeting at Wolf Creek. But this year the meeting will moved over to the gazebo area in hopes to have it a little quieter.

Many members of other chapters have stepped up and volunteered a few hours here and there so we don't lose this valuable event. We look forward to next year when *Douglas County Chapter* and members of *Indian Creek* will be able to return and make this a true coalition event once again.

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 are only in the mid-60s. [Early July] Must be a cooling trend happening on the coast.

Some of our members headed out for the *Hells Canyon Run* today. Sure hope the weather is comfortable for them. Hope they have a great time while they are there.

Several members are planning on going to Wolf Creek also. Plans are being made, items are being put aside to pack for it. Guys crack me up on how they plan for things. I guess that is why we love them.

Decisions were made and I'll be having a glowing personality. I start my radiation treatments on the 14th of July, so by the time you read this I

will be done.

Glad it's going to be over.

We hope you are all enjoying the riding weather as those on the coast are.

Ride safe,

-- Millie

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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Newport

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

Well, I was right.

Around Saddle Mountain was great.

- The weather could not have been better.
- We had 91 people sign in on the run.
- We counted 81 bikes in Vernonia.
- Everyone was safe and had a good time.
- Early numbers say we made around \$1,500 after expenses. Laird Adkins will have the final report at our July 21 meeting.

There was a bit of hustle and a big change of plans when we arrived in Vernonia and found out there was a five-to-ten mile backup in Seaside. Run coordinator Al Jaques and road captain Billy Varozza made the decision to alter the route.

They made some calls, then chose to head down highway 202 and make the third stop at the *Big O Saloon* in Olney after talking with owners Dale

and Shawrron Searls.

The *Elderberry Inn* was notified we would not be coming, and the *Big O* busted their tails, blocking off one of their parking lots for the bikes and bringing in extra staff.

Thanks to everyone at the *Big O*, and for Al and Billy manning the logistics so well.

After reviving in Olney, we continued to Seaside via Youngs River and Tucker and Logan roads, sneaking into Seaside the back way to the Seaside *American Legion* without much traffic at all, if you don't count the ninety-one motorcyclists with smiles on their faces.

So I guess this this year's run should be named "*Just Missed Saddle Mountain.*" Fortunately, it seems we did not miss a great ride.

-- Carl Earl

chapter coordinator

North Coast A.B.A.T.E.



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*,

As I write this, we successfully pulled off another great *Heritage Day Celebration* and cookout. Thanks to all the support from the local community for patronizing our booth.

Thank you to all the *LoCo* members who supported in one way or another as well.

While we are on the subject of thanks, I wanted to say thank you to our veterans and forefathers for their sacrifices to enable us to live in a country of freedom.

Paul, thank you for showing support and answering questions while attending our June meeting for *LoCo*.

Paul brought up a great point in the June newsletter < “*We need everyone’s*

support to continue to do the good things that give each the freedom to choose.” This always brings up the question to myself, what I done to help with this lately? What have you done and can you do more?

When this is published, I will be on the road with a group of *A.B.A.T.E.* members from *LoCo* and *North Coast* participating in the Sturgis rally. I am excited to finally experience a ride and event like this.

Be safe, ride hard, and keep the rubber on the road,

-- Phil



**Lower Columbia
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

Colvin's Pub & Grill
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Clatskanie, Oregon
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **River City**

June 16, 2015

We had a small meeting tonight with only eight people.

We have new 40th anniversary shirts available, so contact Teresa at (541)-965-2701. We have long sleeve in stock at \$20 and will be getting short sleeve at \$10.

Shelley won the membership game for \$45.

Brian won the 50/50 game at \$8/7 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

We will be scheduling another time for a chapter picture, so watch for the announcement here.

July 7, 2015

Steve brought cookies for his new ride, a *Victory*. He's having trouble with the *Beamer*. Now he has two, so one should always be running. Right?

This was a very relaxed meeting with lots of talk. The meeting place was in disarray due to new employees and the cook leaving for prison. But we all got food eventually.

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

Scotty won the 50/50 game at \$15/14. He donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Scotty. The bike on the agenda was a 1942 *Indian* four. Three people got it right.



Upcoming Meetings

August 04, 2015

August 18, 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

Hi there,

I hope everyone is having a groovin', throttle-twisting time this summer.

We are going to have our family picnic at Oaks Park on August 29th. Hope to see you there. The Flyer can be seen on the *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site:

<http://www.abatase.net>

On September 19th, the *SE Chapter* is staging the *Solstice Dice Derby*. Put this ride on your agenda for sure.

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!

Fill out the stop report if you get stopped by the police. This information can then be used to help us in our legislative and judicial actions. The report goes to Sam Hochberg, *BikePAC*, *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, etc. We need member input to help us improve our way of doing things. We also want to know what we are doing right.

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

Get out and ride to as many events and runs as you 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,

-- James Niece
secretary

Southeast Portland Chapter

Southeast Portland**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st & 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Washington County

August.

AUGUST?!

I can't believe it's already August.

Where did July go?

Or, for that matter, where did the first half of 2015 go?

Here in *Washington County Chapter* we have been busy planning our events.

Coming up in August is our *End of Summer Poker Run*. Perhaps one of these years it will turn back into a weekend campout. But, for now, the poker run entertains us in late August.

We are going to start out at *Beaverton Motorcycles* in Tigard, Oregon on August 29th. Check out the flyer in this issue for more details.

In July we had our first ever scavenger

hunt run on July 18th. Poker runs and dice events are fun but, a scavenger hunt is a whole different animal. If you didn't get a chance to join us this year, be sure to check it out next summer with us as we are sure to do it again.

In the world of *Washington County A.B.A.T.E.*, that about covers our last month's activities. Be sure to join us for the *E.O.S. Poker Run* in August and our upcoming biker night in October. More on that later.

For now,
Ride Safe.
Ride Smart.
Ride.

-- Goat
secretary
WaCo 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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Cornelius, OR 97113

Our Officers at Work

Fine folks attending

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

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

Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Paul Hering at 12:01 p.m. with eight chapters represented, all eligible to vote. Josephine County, North Coast and Douglas County were excused.

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees:

Ken Argo (*Hub City*), Mike Friend (*Southeast Portland*), Gary (*Lower Columbia*).

Reading, approval of previous minutes: Correction: At the June meeting, Ted Tracy was elected to the position of products director.

Motion made by Randy Phipps to adopt as printed in the state newspaper, seconded by Jack Wingfield. Approved by voice vote.

Executive Board Reports

Coordinator's comments: Paul Hering reminded us of the importance of supporting each other, urged us to attend events and meetings of other chapters. We are a brotherhood.

Secretary report, correspondence: Teresa Hepker encouraged board members to check out some of the out-of-state newsletters we receive each month.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer said he and Cindy have been busy the last two weeks, attending *Waco's Roll-N-Rode*, *North Coast's Saddle Mountain Run*, and selling gun safe tickets. The winner was a ticket given as a door prize at *Fossil Campout*. runner-up was Teresa Hepker.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat

"Spanky" Allen was excused.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice has been on the road a lot too, attending *WaCo's Roll-N-Ride* and *River City's* regular Sunday rides. He's looking forward to *S.O.S.* and several *River City* chapter officers will be attending too.

Treasurer: Karen Tolle (Received by e-mail):

Sorry Lance and I didn't make it up to the meeting today. Lance was not feeling well and it's a long drive when you're not feeling well.

I had the following reports in the chapter mail boxes. Monthly profit/loss report for the state accounts.

Checking = \$4,297.89

Savings = \$22,938.06

PayPal = \$200.00

U.S. Postmaster = \$130.85

Final *Fossil* report = \$7,080.66

Final spring swap meet report = \$2,356.92

Up-to-date sanctioning/tithing report. This shows a list of all sanctioned chapter events as I know them compared to turned-in event reconciliation reports and tithing payments.

Even if your event is an anniversary or social event, with zero money, event reconciliation reports are still needed.

I am missing reports held in March for the *North Coast* car club swap and the *Southeast Portland* anniversary party, the May *Hub City* bike night, the June *Hub City* poker run, *WaCo's Roll N Ride*, *North Coast's Around Saddle Mountain*, and *LoCo's Heritage Days*.

Hotel room signup sheet for the October planning meeting in Cottage Grove. The *Comfort Inn* has changed its name to the *Quality Inn*. Anyone attending the October planning meeting needs to let me know if they want a room for one night or two, how many beds and if anyone is willing to share. Rooms are \$7-\$10 per night cheaper if booked in advance on the internet. Right now they are holding thirteen rooms for us. (Half with one bed, half with two.)

I will send out all the above reports to all the chapters and anyone else who would like a copy.

Under unfinished business I was going to discuss the fifty flash drives we purchased last month.

I pulled twelve drives to set aside for the state auditor. She will be able to archive chapter reports and store each chapter plus the state files on individual flash drives.

There was a discussion about what to put onto the flash drives and how to use them. I downloaded from the *A.B.A.T.E.* web site copies of the *A.B.A.T.E.* bylaws, the operations manual, the sanctioning guidelines, the membership form, sanctioning form, event reconciliation report, and the expense report.

I was going to ask the board if these are the documents that should be downloaded onto all of the flash drives, including the ones we are going to offer for sale.

The *S.O.S.* event is progressing slowly. It's coming up soon and we will have two more committee meetings before the event. Anyone wishing to attend the B.O.D. meeting at Wolf Creek but not stay or visit the event will be given a special free pass



Teresa Hepker

state
recording
secretary

to enter, but will be asked to leave immediately following the meeting.

Camping for the weekend (Friday and Saturday nights) is \$25 and day passes for Saturday-only will be \$15. Volunteers are still needed and there will be a sign up sheet at the check-in table for volunteers.

Membership secretary: Kathy Sahlberg reported that all chapters are now up to date in the computer system.

We have 1,286 members, and 242 renewals are due through the end of September. Renewal notices are being mailed on time.

Sanctioning officer: Robert Terrill reminded the board he will not be able to serve in this position next year and hopes a candidate will step up to the position. He is willing to work with the new person to learn the process so the transition can be smooth.

Insurance forms for July and the first half of August have been submitted to the company.

Flyers should be sent to Robert in .pdf or .jpg *only*. Other formats don't work.

Remember that sanctioning is central to the financial health of our organization, since most of our income is generated by chapter events.

Officers' Reports

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

11 July 2015 (continued from page 9)

State auditor: Cindy Witmer received a draft of the 2014 taxes from the accountant, and she noticed a number of changes and corrections that need to be made. She has asked Karen, Teresa and Paul to also review the draft return.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path has not yet received chapter reports from *Jackson County*, *North Coast*, and *Washington County*. They were due on July 10.

He will not be attending *S.O.S.* and will thus miss the August board meeting. He asked for a volunteer to pick up extra newspapers to give out at the run. Brian Stovall offered to do that.

Sergeant-a-arms (north): Randy Phipps had nothing to report.

Sergeant-a-arms (south): Lance Tolle (Received by e-mail):

Each month the *Umpqua Bank* spotlights a local business and allows them to put up a display at the three branches in town. We asked a manager how does a business gets picked and she said “you want to have a display?” Haven’t fully worked out the details, but wouldn’t it be great to have a motorcycle on display in the bank with a big poster that describes *A.B.A.T.E.* and what we do? I think the main focus could be “*We’re not just about Harley’s*” and “*We fight for the rights of all motorcyclists*” and on different days we could have different bikes on display. Great way to get some attention.

Sergeant-a-arms (east): Steve Bishop shared a poem which will be published in the August *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper.

Products director: Ted Tracy picked up all the products from councilman Dave Meeker and from Paul Hering. He shared his plan to narrow down



inventory and get photos of products to set up an on-line store. He intends to have a products booth at the state swap meets and at *Fossil*. He also reported that he has resigned from the *Governor’s Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety*. The committee is looking to fill the vacancy with a motorcycle rider’s advocate. A second spot will open up in the fall. If you are interested in serving, Ted can help you with the process.

Education director: V A C A N T

Public relations director: V A C A N T

State run coordinator (*Fossil*): Rick Prentice has had some contacts with bands interested in performing next year and is working on next year’s plans.

State swap meet coordinator: Todd Sahlberg says the Hillsboro *Elks* location is confirmed for November 7 and he is contacting vendors and taking reservations. After having investigated his options, he announced that he will be willing and able to serve again next year. This news was received by the board with pleasure.

Historian: Teresa Hepker had no report.

Web page editor: Carl Earl was excused.

Quartermaster: The firewood vendor in *Fossil* requested the loan of one of the shelter frames used at *Fossil* to cover his machinery until he gets a

structure build. Gene Mortimore and Paul Hering agreed to the loan, as this vendor plans to supply firewood again next year.

Legislative director: V A C A N T

Don Mason thanked all the people who came to Salem once or repeatedly, especially Paula Leslie and Mike Friend. This is how democracy is supposed to work.

The legislature ended on July 6, and now the legislators are home and looking forward to their next election. Between now and November they will all be eager to attend your meetings. Invite them to come and tell you about their experiences in Salem, and to listen and learn about your concerns and issues.

Paula Leslie reported a number of issues that *BikePAC* will be discussing for future action.

1. Ignition interlocks on bikes: Currently, a judge may require a camera to be installed with the breathalyzer. Only one place in Oregon will install an interlock on a motorcycle, but the cameras are not waterproof and they won’t install one.

2. Milkman Mike bill: Define motorcyclists as vulnerable road users.

3. Anti-profiling in police activities.

4. Lane filtering: *O.D.O.T.* said that recessed reflectors on highways have been complained about by motorcyclists, so they make

lane filtering too dangerous.

Paula said that *N.H.T.S.A.* is coming to assess Oregon’s motorcycle safety program and she has been asked to give a presentation about how *BikePAC* and *A.B.A.T.E.* communicate their goals and issues. Mike Friend will also be giving a presentation on behalf of *Bikers for Christ*.

A.B.A.T.E.’s BikePAC representative: Brian Stovall had no additional information to share.

M.R.F. representative: Brian Stovall reported that the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* is proposing new rules for motorcycle helmet standards to make it easier for enforcement to ticket “non-complying” helmets. You can submit your comments on this proposal, and other issues, by going to the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* web site:

<http://www.mrf.org/>

Click on “Alerts/Current Alerts” and check out the links there.

If the proposed rule is adopted, we are likely to see more tickets and harassment over the helmets we choose to wear.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat “Spanky” Allen was excused.

Mike Friend reported that three issues were highlighted at the May *N.C.O.M.* convention in Denver:

1. *Save the Patch* campaign to raise money to help the *Mongols Motorcycle Club* with legal expenses over the government’s attempt to take away their trademarked logo. A second club, *Devils Disciples*, has now been targeted as well.

2. Using social media and technology to advance our rights and goals.

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From yer ...



... yet again

Earliest this year yer crusty ol' editor enthused about changing his eating habits to more nutritious fare that resulted in losing weight and feeling better. Then he celebrated with some so-called "feel good" treats. Trouble was that once started on the not-so-good-for-you non-foods, it was difficult to stop. The result has been gaining back a lot of the weight (turns out it was misplaced, not lost), along with attendant symptoms and problems. (So much for the idea of getting back on the Rot Cycle by the end of summer.)

This seems to be a pattern in c.o.e.'s own battle of the bulge: three months of success and progress followed by celebrating

and jumping off the wagon. In talking with other A.B.A.T.E. members, he finds that he is not alone in such an experience.

One month left of blowing through school zones at the posted speed.

Come September, we'll all need to retrain ourselves to slow down to 20 m.p.h. in order to protect the upcoming generation of potential motorcycle riders.

Weighty Topic

furry assistant editor

c.o.e. – 163



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

On the first of June yer crusty ol' editor rescued a feral kitten trapped in the farm's garage. (Blue eyes, Z-shaped tail, so she's named Blue-Z.)

Editing last month's paper wasn't much of a problem because Bloozie could be confined to the kitchen and utility room with a pet gate.

But now that she's ten weeks old, the pet gate only slows her

down and c.o.e. finds that he has to close himself off in the bedroom computer corner to avoid adorable distractions.

Being bachelor father/mother to a kitten wasn't in the job description.

Still, wouldn't trade it.

AUGUST Cryptogram

O I L I H M P I H T A H J Q R K G A F A H A P M P O K Z D O R R ,
O D R C C F C D D P A Z E K A F I B T A O X O R ,
J I M K M H I F F A Z R Q M I P Z H M C R A O X A ,
F P O L L K Z L H I S S A P O U O Q .

-- A R K E O J A M T S O I O M O Q R C P

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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Portland, Oregon 97208

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.)

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
Best Poker Hand \$200	\$5 Additional Hands
2 nd Best Hand \$150	Info: Spanky 541-659-8715
Worst Hand \$75	Karen 541-660-8730
	freeflitterfly@msn.com

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

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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
Vendors contact: Pat Wine 541-832-2219
No Firearms | No Fireworks | NO DOGS

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3. Using the "stop form" to report questionable enforcement activity targeting motorcyclists. The stop form link at <http://www.oregoncoc.org/> will get your report to Sam Hochberg's office here in Oregon.

Unfinished Business

- (From 13 June 2015)
Motion to purchase a new tarp for product, information booth at *Fossil Campout*. Tabled for further research. No action.
- Planning session October 16-18 at *V.F.W.* in Cottage Grove. Thirteen rooms have been blocked in at the motel but Paul needs contact information for the *V.F.W.* hall.

- Open positions: Legislative director, education director, public relations.

- Nominations for 2016 officers will be on August agenda, elections in October.

New Business

None.

Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting: August 8, 2015 at *S.O.S. Run*, Wolf Creek, Oregon.

- Don Mason said that the final order for 40th Anniversary shirts will be delivered at the September board meeting in Albany.

- Ted Tracy suggested that members talk to their insurance agent about discounts for

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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@abateoregon.net



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first annual

Run To Beat Breast Cancer

October 24, 2015

Joe's Sports Bar

Roberts road

Medford, Oregon



Start time: 10 a.m. – kickstands up: 11 a.m.
\$20 per bike – Second hand \$5

For information, call Todd (541)–890–9047
of Andy (541)–864–9434

BBQ provided by Star Catering. Pre-registration available

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Josephine County

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S.O.S. will be the second weekend in August: August 7-9. Gate opens on Friday at noon. Weekend prices are being held at the \$25 member, \$30 non-member with day passes on Saturday for \$15. There will be two bands, wet T-shirt contest, games, bike show, and a short poker run out to Galice for breakfast. Vendors will be on-site selling the usual stuff. Looks like Laura of *Stewart Leathers* is planning to make it down.

The *Annual Grants Pass Toy Run* will be held the first Saturday in October, October 3rd. Staging at 1 p.m., kick stands up at 1:30. Chapter provides chicken, burgers, and dogs while we ask everyone who attends to bring a side dish. If you have a large group, you might consider bringing two.

This is a family event, so bring the family. Donations of \$5 per person or one *new* unwrapped toy per person would be greatly appreciated.

Wish you could all see the smiles on the faces of the little ones while they are opening their gifts. It's amazing.

That's enough for now. I better get a few hours of sleep before heading up to Albany.

See you down the road,

Karen and Lance



ALL RIDERS AND MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOME!

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

TEDDY BEAR RUN

September 19 2015



Proceeds to benefit A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and Central Oregon Chapter A.B.A.T.E.

Dice Hands:

\$5.00 with bear
\$10.00 without bear

Payout for the high and low hands.

50/50 raffle

Lots of items for raffle as well.

Join with us and deliver Teddy Bears to Central Oregon Hospitals.

Registration: 9:00 am

Start Place:
Northside Bar & Grill
62860 Boyd Acres Rd.
Bend, OR

Ride starts at 10:00 am
This is a group ride.

Contacts:
Bob Terrill
503-887-3032
Kevin Anderson
541-389-2167

In Memory of Jay "Jaybird" Foltz



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



Loco's Annual Fall POKER RUN



Date: September 19th 2015 @ 10:00am

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

\$15.00 per hand, or 2 hands for \$25.00

Great Door Prizes

50/50 pot too!!
Leaving @ 10:00 sharp

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

Contact Information: Philip Warmke Cell: 503-739-0647 Email: pand112@yahoo.com

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Motorcycle Awareness



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Central Oregon	2nd Sunday – 2 p.m.	Izzy's Pizza	Redmond
Douglas County	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	The Loft (Del Rey Cafe)	Winchester
Hub City	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	Ciddici's Pizza	Albany
Jackson County	3rd Tuesday – 6 p.m.	Witham's Restaurant	Medford
Josephine County	3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.	Fruitdale grange	Grant's Pass
Lincoln County	3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	American Legion	Newport
Lower Columbia	2nd Sunday – 7 p.m.	Colvin's Pub	Clatskanie
North Coast	3rd Tuesday – 5:30 p.m.	Moose lodge	Astoria
River City	1st and 3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	Shiloh Inn	The Dalles
Southeast Portland	3rd Sunday – noon	M&M Restaurant	Gresham
Washington County	2nd and 4th Monday – 7:30 p.m.	Pime Time	Forrest Grove

Group Riding Hand Signals

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

Motorcycle-Only Checkpoint Defunding

U.S. senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) urged fellow senators Bill Nelson (D-Fla.) and John Thune (R-S.D.) to include language from her *Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act* in the surface transportation authorization bill.

Thune is chairman of the committee on commerce, science and transportation. Nelson is the ranking member.

Shaheen's bill (S-127) would

prohibit the secretary of transportation from providing grants to be used for motorcycle-only checkpoints or programs to check for helmet use.

New Jersey Nixes Registration Renewals

AB-4541, introduced by assemblymen Michael Patrick Carroll (R-Morris County) and Declan J. O'Scanlon Jr. (R-Red Bank), would eliminate the registration renewal requirements for passenger cars,



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motorcycles and noncommercial trucks. Registration would be required only for transfer of ownership.

Texas Defines Autocycles

Effective in May, the state has an official definition for "autocycles."

SB-449 created the "autocycle" category for vehicles with no more than three wheels on the ground,

seats instead of saddles, and steering wheels in place of the handlebars. The autocycles are designed to meet federal safety requirements for motorcycles. Operators do not have to complete motorcycle training, but they must comply with state motorcycle helmet requirements.

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completing a *Team Oregon* class. Gene Mortimore reported that *SAFECO* gave him a discount for being an *A.B.A.T.E.* member. Each company has different rules. Check with your agent.

Upcoming Events

Aug 01 – *Run To The Coast*
(Josephine County)

Aug 7-9 – *S.O.S. Run*
(Josephine County)

Aug 29 – *E.O.S. Poker Run*
(Washington County)

Sept. 19 – *Teddy Bear Run*
(Central Oregon)

Sept. 19 – *Fall Run*
(Lower Columbia)

Oct 03 – *Grants Pass toy run*

Oct 10 – *Biker Night*
(Washington County)

Oct 24 – *Jackson County poker run*

Nov 01 – 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: 1:50 p.m.

Mr. Parts Counter Man

The sound of your talk, when you're on the telephone,
Almost reassures me that, I am not alone.

What I want to hear, is your voice say,
"Your special order part, will be there in a day."

You sound so strong, and it seems you're trying hard,
But your talk is a little weaker, after getting, the number off my card.

I want to go riding, it's adventure that I seek,
So I put in my order in and wait for a week.

I'm all enthusiastic, getting my parts will be nice,
Until I find out, you've had to back-order twice.

I'm hoping that my patience don't blow up oh too soon,
Because it really sucks, being broke down in June.

So if making me insane, is part of your plan,
I'm giving you that crazy look, Mr. Parts Counter Man.

-- Steve B.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Possible Interstate Tolling Expansion



June 16, 2015

As a member of the *Alliance for Toll-Free Interstates (A.T.F.I.)*, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* works with the *A.T.F.I.* on a regular basis to ensure that your right to ride is not infringed upon with heavy interstate tolling. Please take a few minutes to review this and respond.

The *M.R.F.* has learned that the U.S. senate environment and public works committee (*E.P.W.*), which has jurisdiction over the interstate highway system, is considering expanding interstate tolling at its June 24th bill markup.

Please take action by sending an e-mail to your senator if they sit on the *E.P.W.* committee. Add a sentence urging them to contact chairman Inhofe directly about rejecting tolls.

Tell the *E.P.W.* committee “no tolls” in just fifteen seconds

Over the past seventeen years, the *Interstate Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot Program (I.S.R.R.P.P.)* has served its purpose

and demonstrated the unviability of tolling existing interstates. Six states have pursued tolls via the *I.S.R.R.P.P.*, and all failed primarily due to the widespread public outcry over tolling’s negative consequences, which in some cases even triggered legislative action to protect interstates from tolls. Pilot programs are meant to be temporary. Now approaching twenty years, the *I.S.R.R.P.P.* has run its course and should be repealed, not expanded or made more flexible.

We all know that tolling existing interstates would have serious negative consequences. Businesses would face higher operating expenses and be forced to pass those costs on to consumers. Commuters and travelers would face steep cost increases, and hourly employees might have to work an extra hour per day just to pay the toll to and from work. Traffic diversion around tolls onto secondary routes would cause congestion, increased crashes, create higher road wear and repair costs for local governments,

and slow first response times. The cost to ride will be dramatically higher.

Additionally, our founding fathers gave congress the responsibility to regulate commerce. This now includes funding and maintaining the interstate highway system, and passing the buck to the states is an abdication of duty and violates the spirit of the U.S. constitution’s commerce clause. It may be politically expedient to frame it as a “states’ rights” issue, but this ignores the safety, equity, and interstate commerce implications. Most importantly, it will not solve the highway funding problem.

Please join the *M.R.F.* in urging the *E.P.W.* committee and its chairman, senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK), to protect interstates from the burden of new tolls.

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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. COAST TO COAST BIKER NEWS

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D.O.T. Crackdown On Novelty Helmets

U.S. transportation regulators on Wednesday, May 20 called for stronger rules for motorcycle helmets, proposing additional safety requirements in an effort to crack down on “novelty” helmets that do not meet federal standards.

Department of Transportation officials say such uncertified helmets are unsafe and do not protect riders in crashes, despite being sold and marketed for use on the road.

The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* proposes to amend *Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (F.M.V.S.S.)* No. 218 to modify the existing performance requirements of the standard by adding construction requirements.

Its proposed rule making changes would further define what makes an acceptable motorcycle helmet, from its thickness to its compression ability, “in an attempt to help riders and state enforcement officials identify inferior helmets.” Such changes aim “to reduce fatalities and injuries resulting from traffic [crashes] involving use of motorcycle helmets” that fail to meet federal standards, D.O.T. regulators told *Reuters* news agency, adding that rider deaths are disproportionately high due in part to the high number of motorcyclists wearing substandard helmets.

It is not clear why so many motorcycle riders use inferior helmets, said the regulators, but they say part of the problem seems to be that riders do not understand the risks. Novelty helmets can also be cheaper and appear “more comfortable or stylish,” they added.

So-called “novelty” helmets generally cover a smaller area of the head, have

thin liners and are often sold with disclaimers stating that they are not for highway use “yet they are sold to highway users and used in great numbers by motorcyclists.”

Tougher standards are expected to help authorities prosecute sellers of noncompliant helmets in states where helmets are mandatory, regulators said.

D.O.T. Lobby Ban Repeal Attempt Thwarted

A provision contained in a federal appropriations bill could have struck down the D.O.T. lobby ban implemented by congress in 1998 to prevent the department of transportation from strong-arming states on helmet regulations and other unwanted legislation.

However, thanks to the swift actions of national and state motorcyclists rights organizations, riders across the country rose to the occasion and supported an amendment introduced by congressional representatives Tim Walberg (R-MI), Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI), and Reid Ribble (R-WI) to strip the offending provision.

When the U.S. house of representatives addressed the *2016 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act (HR-2577)* on June 3-4, section 102 was removed.

Oregon Motorcyclists Get Limited Red Lights Exception

Changing traffic regulations that affect motorcyclists often spark plenty of debate in state legislatures, but

that was not the case with a measure allowing two-wheel vehicles to go through malfunctioning stoplights that passed the Oregon legislature unanimously and was signed into effect by governor Kate Brown on May 21st.

Under SB-533, riders will be allowed to proceed through a red light only after it fails to go through one full cycle -- and then only if done with caution. State Representative John Davis (R-Wilsonville) calls it a “very, very limited exception” to the normal rules covering red lights.

Effective January 1, 2016, Oregon will join sixteen other states with similar “dead red” regulations that allow riders to proceed through red lights that do not detect their presence and fail to provide a green light: Minnesota (2002), Tennessee (2003), Arkansas (2005), Idaho (2006), Wisconsin (2006), North Carolina (2007), South Carolina (2008), Missouri (2008), Oklahoma (2010), Kansas (2011), Virginia (2011), Illinois (except Chicago – 2012), Nevada (2014), Indiana (2014), Kentucky (2015), and Washington (2015).

In Texas and California, state regulations requires stoplights to be fitted with sensors that detect motorcycles.

Nevada Amends Handlebar Height Regs

After passing the state assembly unanimously, AB-422 was signed into effect by governor Brian Sandoval on May 21, 2015 to amend the state’s handlebar height regulation.

Effective October 1, 2015, section 1 of this bill prohibits a local authority

from enacting an ordinance governing the operation and equipment of a motorcycle or a moped which is in conflict with any existing state regulations.

Under existing statutes, a person is prohibited from riding a motorcycle or a moped equipped with handlebars which extend above the rider’s shoulders.

Section 2 of this bill provides that handlebars may extend not more than six inches above the rider’s shoulders.

Alabama Motorcycle License Bill Passes

Alabamians will need to have a motorcycle classification on their license and take a written exam or safety course under a bill that has passed the state legislature and awaits the governor’s signature.

Alabama is the only state that doesn’t require a specific motorcycle license, and this measure “will make sure that those who are riding motorcycles are qualified and know enough about motorcycle safety,” said the bill’s sponsor state representative, Phillip Pettus (R-Greenhill).

Pettus’ house bill 212 now goes to the governor for his signature.

Currently, only motorcyclists age 14 and 15 have to take a written test and get the M classification. Those older than that may get the classification, but don’t have to. Motorcyclists who already have the M classification will be grandfathered in.

Upon governor Robert J. Bentley’s approval, the new licensure requirement will become effective January 1, 2016,

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and enforcement will then be able to issue tickets to motorcyclists who don't have the M classification.

The bill also allows drivers to complete a safety course instead of the written test. There's a \$5 fee for the written test.

Motorcyclist Fatalities Drop For Second Straight Year

Riding a motorcycle in the U.S. is continuing to get a little safer. Based on a preliminary survey of 2014 fatality data, the *Governors Highway Safety Association* is predicting a second consecutive year-over-year drop in deaths for the first time on record since 1997.

The *G.H.S.A.* is predicting 4,584 motorcyclist deaths in 2014, a 1.8-percent drop. The organization bases its forecasts on motorcycle fatality data for January through September in all fifty states and the District of Columbia. From this raw information, deaths fell in 27 states in 2014, increased in 19 and remained the same in four, plus DC.

While good in the short term, the *G.H.S.A.* still thinks there's a lot to do to reduce rider deaths; 28% of fatal crashes in 2013 involved riders with a blood alcohol concentration above 0.08, 34% of those killed were speeding, and 25% didn't have a valid motorcycle license.

Of course the *G.H.S.A.* recommends that all states adopt universal helmet requirements, noting that currently only nineteen states and D.C. require all riders be helmeted.

Presidential Hopefuls Ride High On The Hog

Demonstrating the political capital of motorcycles, seven of the republican candidates running for president in 2016 descended on Iowa on June 6 to participate in freshman senator Jodi Ernst's inaugural *Roast and Ride* fundraiser. Senator Ernst hopped on her *Harley-Davidson Softail* alongside Wisconsin governor Scott Walker on his *Road King* along with more than 300 motorcyclists in tow for a 38-mile ride from Des Moines to the *Central Iowa Expo* in Boone for the pig roast, which Ernst hopes will become an electoral tradition.

Former governor Rick Perry, R-Texas, took a different route to the roast, riding in with a group of veterans from the town of Perry, and was the only other 2016 contender to arrive on two wheels. Carly Fiorina rode a tractor in a local parade and renewed her attacks on Hillary Clinton. The audience remained engaged throughout the speeches of South Carolina senator Lindsey Graham, Dr. Ben Carson, Florida senator Marco Rubio, and former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee.

Now that former Florida governor Jeb Bush has officially launched his presidential bid, senator Ernst invited him to the first-in-the-nation caucus state for a ride; "*I'd love to see him on a Harley*" and she offered to "hook him up" with a motorcycle.

Motorcyclists possess some of the traits she would like to see in a future president: "*I think you have to be a leader and you have to make decisive determinations of what path you take,*" Ernst said. "*Whatever that path is, you have to follow it.*"

Weird News

Cops Create Traffic Jam To Catch Bikers Splitting Lanes

New York police officers were recently caught on camera intentionally causing a traffic jam on the highway to catch motorcyclists splitting lanes through the stopped vehicles.

The *YouTube* video has gone viral on the internet, and was picked up by www.filmingcops.com, a conglomerative blogging service documenting police abuse otherwise ignored by traditional media outlets.

The narrator of the *YouTube* clip claims that the police actually shut down the entire highway for the sole purpose of catching bikers driving in between lanes. Several unsuspecting bikers can be seen in the video being pulled over as cops demand their license and registration, while the video shows the rest of the traffic on the highway at a complete stop for some time so that the cops can generate ticket revenues; "*This appears to be one of the most epic parasitic wealth-extractions in recent memory.*"

Quotable Quote

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(1561-1626)

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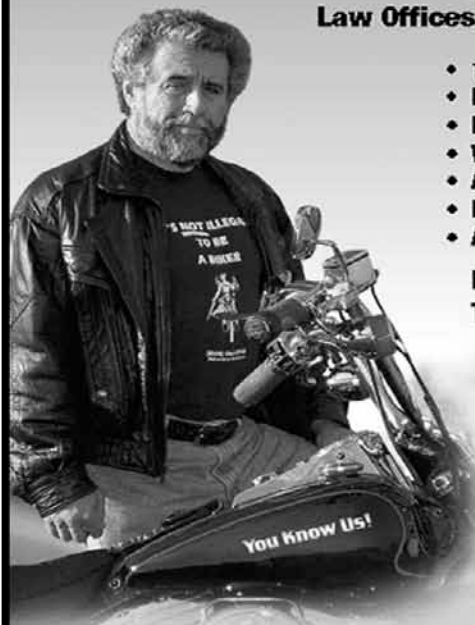
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LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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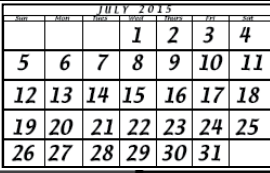





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9 Central Oregon—1400 (2 pm) Lower Columbia—1900 (7 pm) Southeast Portland—1200 (noon) SOS Campout Wolf Creek	10 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	11	12	13 <i>Lefthanders Day</i>	14  new moon	15
16 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon) <i>Roller Coaster Day (1898)</i>	17	18 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) North Coast 1730 (5:30 pm) <i>Bad Poetry Day</i> River City 1900 (7 pm)	19 Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm)	20 Douglas Co. 1900 (7 pm) Hub City – 1900 (7 pm) Jackson County 1800 (6 pm)	21	22  1st quarter moon
23	24 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	25	26	27	28	29  corn moon
30 <i>Toasted Marshmallow Day</i>	31					

STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 08 Aug 2015

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

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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:
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	Teddy Bear Run / CentOr	Bend	(503)–887–3032
19 Sep 2015	Fall Poker Run / LoCo	Clatskanie	(503)–739–0647
19 Sep 2015	Soltice Dice Derby / SE-PDX	Portland	(503)–327–5436
03 Oct 2015	Toy Run / JoCo	Grants Pass	
24 Oct 2015	BBC Poker Run / JackCo	Medford	(541)–890–9047
17-18 Oct 2015	Planning Session / ABATE	Cottage Grove	
01 Nov–26 Dec	Care bear collection / North Coast		
07 Nov 2015	Fall Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE	Hillsboro	
21 Nov 2015	Spaghetti dinner & auction / North Coast		
05 Dec 2015	Holiday Run / North Coast		

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

>> Location <<

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Izzy's Pizza; 810 SW 11th; Redmond	(541)–504–1678
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	The Loft (Del Rey Cafe); 5669 N.E. Stephens st.; Winchester	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large]	(individual members agree on where and when they meet)			
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd 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
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