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Promoting motorcycle awareness, education and safety



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*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
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education, safety, and liberty
through community involvement
and legislative action.*

Less than a dozen days into this September, our nation will mark fifteen years since people with an unhealthy vision attacked modern symbols of our nation, choosing to do so on a date that coincides with the phone number we use to report emergencies.

They wanted to strike at perceived evils of money, military, and political power. But they were only two-thirds successful. The courage of our countrymen arose and prevented them from fully carrying out their plans. Yet the toll taken on that morning continues to stagger imaginations.

An entire generation has grown up who did not live through those events. They did not directly experience the confusion



and disbelief, followed by shock, then fearfulness. They see the images, read the articles without a sense of unfolding horror. It's up to us to provide them context for what happened on that day, just as a previous generation shared their direct experiences of the Pearl Harbor attack.

It is also our duty to not give in to fear or hysteria. Too often they lead to harming citizens in the name of protecting the greater public.

In our motorcycling community, we've seen anti-terrorism regulations applied to motorcycle groups by enforcement individuals or agencies intent on exploiting the situation for their own purposes.

We must continue to stand up to legislation or enforcement that attempts to terrorize us by eroding our basic rights.

And we must continue to educate fellow citizens and elected officials about motorcycling and the issues we face.

It is our quiet, determined courage to carry on that will defeat attempted terrorism, foreign or domestic.

-- Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

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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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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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Former Coordinator

Ah, September.

Warm days, cooler nights, daylight comes later, evening comes sooner, the last month of summer.

School has started and young drivers are posturing and showing off in the way that only those who believe they are invincible can. Parents are hauling their younger children to school and people on their way to work are hurrying to get ahead of the school buses so they won't be late.

What does all of this have in common? You might think its school but the real answer is that people are so occupied

with the changes that fall brings to their lives that they are not paying any attention to you.

It's darker and you are harder to see. People are in a hurry and won't leave an adequate safety zone with the surrounding traffic. Roads are slicker and it takes longer to stop.

Everything is turning against you.

It's time to shake off the "riding-is-easy" attitude of long summer days and start paying more attention to the cages that are on the road but don't want to share. Give yourself more time, ride defensively, and ride safe.

We need you in one piece and in good shape. There is plenty to do this fall.

Once again I'll repeat, elections are gearing up and candidates need help. Use the information furnished by *BikePAC* to find a candidate you can support and help them get elected.

Get caught up in the fervor of politics and run for a position in your chapter or even at the state level. New blood is always welcome and the more people who help, the lighter the load.

Come to the planning session in October and help develop the ideas that guide our



Ed Vaughn

2006
state
coordinator

organization so it operates more effectively and makes it easier to accomplish our goals.

Be an active member of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

-- Ed Vaughn
Sept 2006

[Paul Hering's column will return in October. -- c.o.e.]

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

Central Oregon



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CENTRAL OREGON MEETING **TIME and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --**Douglas County**

Douglas county weather has been beautiful, I hope everyone has been getting in some good ride time.

The next meeting will be held September 22 at *Abby's Pizza* at 1661 NE Stephens street in Roseburg for a meet-and-greet reorganizational meeting.

The October meeting on the 27th we will be having elections for officers positions. Hope everyone will attend and help us keep the *Douglas County Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E.* open. Let's make something great together.

We had a bike night on August 19th at the *Sunset Tavern* at 4818 NE Stephens street in Roseburg. The band was *Stone Tyler*, put on by *Hammyland*

News and Entertainment.

The last bike night of the year will be September 16 at the *Kodiak Bar* located at 929 SE Stephens street in Roseburg at 7 p.m. Hope to see everyone there.

Everyone is excited about *S.O.S.* and have been promoting, hard core.

Please be safe out there,

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Douglas County**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

4th Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Abby's Pizza

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

Hello to all,

It is good to be able to let every one know that *Jackson County Chapter* has had a really fun summer and have had a lot of things going.

We are coming up on the *A.B.A.T.E. of Jackson County Car and Bike Show and Swap Meet* at the *Champion Raceway* in White City, Oregon on September 10-11.

If you choose, you can put yourself on the track and race at the same time.

\$5 for the swap meet, \$10 to get in to watch the race, and \$35 if you would like to race.

Please come and enjoy and have fun. Look forward to seeing everyone there.

We do say a sad good buy to our brother. Gunner passed on from a motorcycle crash. Our prayers are

with his family. We know he is riding in the sky and watching over us.

Autumn State Swap Meet

Flyers and contracts are starting to go out for the autumn state swap meet, so it is fast up and coming. Make plans to attend. his has always been a great event and a fun one as well. Hope to see everyone there.

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

4rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm)

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

Greetings from *Hub City*!

This is the first time I have ever done anything like this, so please bear with me as I stumble through this monthly report.

It has been a pretty busy month with so much going on that there is too much, so we do nothing.

Nic and I have had one of our sons and his two kids staying with us for the summer and I don't remember having that much trouble with our seven kids! Not really, but at times. It is sure quiet when they aren't here.

There has been a lot of road construction going on. They are chip sealing highway 34 to Waldport and just started August 10th. Nic is bitchy because of the chip sealing. He said to tell everyone to be extra

careful when riding on that stuff. It is nasty and not safe for motorcycles. Highway 20 to Newport has been closed at night for construction.

Hub City gathered to ride in support of a brother's family on August 14th. (Too late by the time you read this.)

We have had too many family members go down this year already and the year is only half over. Please be careful when riding.

The weather is promising to get hotter and that means take extra care to stay hydrated. Use sun block and drink lots of water.

Please be safe and enjoy the riding.

Groups are always better as you get to share your experiences.



Always yours,

-- Louanna Gigi Oliver
Hub City Chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

Hi all!

It seems like summer just started yesterday and it is already starting to pass us by. (Way too quick, in my opinion.)

Hub City has had a very busy
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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

We missed turning in anything for last month.

Sometimes wish someone else would volunteer to take this job. I get bored listening to myself repeat myself month-after-month. Maybe someone else could say the same thing in a different way. It's not hard and I will show them the ropes.

This is the big weekend: the 2016 *S.O.S. Run*.

For the first time we have been accepting pre-advanced ticket sales. This has been interesting. It gave us the opportunity to improve our skills in using *PayPal* and the swipe thingie that goes on a cell phone. It will be available at the gate so we can accept debit and credit cards. Hope the process does not slow down registration too much.

Only one more event for the year.

October 1st will be our annual toy run. (See the flyer further back in the newspaper.) Usually lots of fun. We

have some new members who have volunteered to help with the potluck part, including shopping and cooking.

We can always use more volunteers. It's easy, it's fun. Come on out and help.

The toy run is a potluck. The chapter provides the main dishes (usually burgers, sausages, and chicken) and the guests provide everything else. Occasionally someone forgets to bring a side dish.

All we ask is if you are going to eat, please give a \$5 donation, which goes to the kids.

This is a toy run. We also ask everyone to bring a new, unwrapped toy. These will be saved and handed out at Christmas.

Everyone always anxiously await the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus and the short ride through town.

We are unable to block the streets, so we get a little separated by the lights. But we do the best we can to keep close.

When all the riders return to the



grange, we start the potluck.

We also have a silent auction, with lots of great items. We have raffles and 50/50 drawings. Sometimes we have music.

September will be our quarterly potluck meeting. Food always seems to bring out the members. We are a family group and kids are welcome.

Our annual *Run to the Coast* was fun. We rode from Grants Pass to Brookings. The weather was beautiful.

In the far past we had well over 100 riders
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Josephine County **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

I missed the meeting because I've been out on the road for about two and a half weeks now.

The *Hell's Canyon Run* was again good this year with better weather, but attendance down a little.

Phoenix greeted me with 111 degrees, which made getting in most of the miles in the mornings imperative.

Later on, crossing New Mexico, I got caught in a short monsoon where a bolt of lightning struck close enough that I got a shot of voltage hitting my left hand and up my arm. There was no place to stop that was any safer than where I was, so I just cranked her up and moved through it as quick as I could.

I leave scenic Lubbock, Texas tomorrow with *Sturgis* on the route home.

Since I was unable to be at the July

meeting, I had to rely on my usual unreliable sources to find out what occurred.

Jack states that his report from the state meeting had people on the edges of their chairs as usual.

There was more discussion regarding the potential resurrection of the *Beaver Creek Run*. Some possible dates were even bandied about.

But the issue of having the necessary bodies still seems unresolved.

Many of the folks who were instrumental in *Beaver Creek* are beyond burned out and the number of people who worked on the run is pretty depleted. Interesting to see how this shakes out.

Life's too short not to get out there and ride!



-- skid more

Talked to "Skid More" while he was in Texas, and again when he got home. He has been out touring the country side. He said "*the wind flattened his tent while he was in Sturgis, so it was time to come home.*"

It is true *Beaver Creek Run* is on

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Lincoln County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 p.m.)
American Legion Hall, post 116
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- North Coast

Elections

Chapter officer elections are approaching. If you would like to fill a position or would like to nominate someone, let me know. We will have nominations in September and elections in October.

This is always a tough time. There are positions we must fill in order to have an active chapter.

I am proud to say I think we are one of the strongest chapters when it comes to involved members. Just look at the turnouts we have at every meeting. Look at the members showing up at our events. Thank you everyone. Many hands make light work.

Village People Ride

Al has planned our annual event at *Clatsop Retirement Village* for 2 p.m. on Saturday, 11 September. If it gets rained out, the event will move to 2 p.m. Saturday 18 September.

This event is for the residents to enjoy looking at motorcycles, talk to riders, and for those who feel up to it, to go for a little ride.

If you can participate, come on down to 947 Olney avenue in south Astoria.

If you want to give a ride, bring an extra helmet.

The ride will be down highway 202 and back on Youngs River road.

This event is always a joy for the residents and the riders.

Next chapter meeting is 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 20 September at the *Moose Lodge* in Astoria.



Upcoming Event

Spaghetti Dinner and Auction on 19 November. Never too early to start planning.

-- 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**

September is here and this summer has been great for riding. I hope everyone has been able to take advantage of the great weather.

LoCo's fall run is just around the corner on 17 September 2016, starting out at *Colvin's Grill* in Clatskanie. We hope to see everyone there.

Paul mentioned in last month's newspaper that we are seeing more individual accidents crashes this year. Keep your head on a swivel and watch all the other drivers/riders. You ultimately are the one responsible for yourself. We know as riders that people are distracted very easily and do not watch out for us. Paul's

suggestion of taking the *Team Oregon* advanced riders training class is an excellent opportunity to increase your skills. I hope to do this in the near future subject to availability.

Ride safe,

-- Phil Warnke
coordinator
Lower Columbia Chapter

**Lower Columbia****MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

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

July 19, 2016

We had a very small meeting tonight with only eleven people.

We got to hear about Katie Mason's *Soapbox Derby* racing experience.

We decided to send a donation to the *14-U Softball Team* to help them go to the world series.

John Huteson would have won the membership game at \$10, if he had been present. It will be \$15 next meeting.

Gene won the 50/50 game at \$11/11 and donate \$6 back to the Chapter. Thanks, Gene.

August 02, 2016

We had a big boisterous meeting tonight with seven people from the Washington state chapter in Goldendale.

We have been putting good energy into joining with our friends in Goldendale and also trying to have some presence farther out in eastern Oregon. This has always been difficult for *A.B.A.T.E.* and there are a lot of bike brethren out that way to meet and get to know.

Teresa got the stickers made for Katie's race car and had a bunch more made as a new product for chapter members at \$2 each.

Rebel moved to buy 500 extra ride cards for the upcoming event. Motion passed.

Debra brought up that Nic Oliver operates a *Facebook* page in the name of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, which he uses for his own choices



of political opinion, including non-motorcycling issues. She moved to have the state board representative bring it up at the board meeting and try to get it stopped. Motion passed, unanimously.

Bob won the 50/50 game at \$44/44. Congratulations, Bob.

Albino Quarisa would have won the membership game for \$15, if he had been present. It will be \$20 next meeting.

The weather is great for riding. Watch out for chip seal.

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**

Hello, hello fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* members,

The *Southeast Portland Chapter* will have its *Family Picnic and Anniversary Party* on September 17th at the *Oaks Amusement Park*. (7805 SE Oaks Park way in Portland, Oregon.)

Southeast Portland Chapter members past and present plus friends of the *Southeast Portland Chapter* are invited.

We will provide the eats and drinks. You are invited to bring a lot of fun and good times.

Chef Randy will be tending the barbecue, as usual.

We had the toy run bike and display at The Dalles for a car and bike show event on August 13-14 at the request of the *River City Chapter*. (Thank you, Rick Prentice.)

We are trying our best to sell 5,000 raffle tickets by December 3rd, the date of our *37th Annual A.B.A.T.E. / Shriners' Toy Run*. Help us out and buy some raffle tickets.

The next event will be the *Rose City Gun Show* this month.

The gallery page on the *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site has a few videos for you to view.

Our web master, Jim Niece, made a *Run 21* movie that features a number of the *Southeast Portland Chapter* members. We had a pretty good time there and sold a lot of toy run raffle tickets.

As our public relations director Billybob Cameron says, "*Don't give up on talking to people about A.B.A.T.E. Be a preacher.*"



Pound it into their heads. Carry some flyers or trifolds with you and hand those out."

A question: Why don't more people belong to *BikePAC*?

Let's make *A.B.A.T.E.* great again.

Visit the *Southeast Portland Chapter* and toy run web sites to get up-to-date information on what we are doing.

Take it easy,
-- James Niece

secretary
Southeast Portland Chapter

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Southeast Portland**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200
(noon)

M&M Restaurant & Lounge
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**Washington County****WHAT ? !**

Where did summer go?

All right folks, as we head towards autumn with speed that borders on insanity, I want to remind all of you to double-check your cycles for safety and keep your eyes open. As darkness comes earlier and earlier with each passing week, make sure your lights and safety gear are in good condition.

I don't have much to report from August, but we are looking forward to our annual toy run in November. Be sure to reach out to a *WaCo* member to purchase your *Stan Johnston Toy Run* raffle ticket or your *Taurus Judge Revolver* raffle ticket.

The mood out here in *Washington County Chapter* is a somber one. We lost a long-time member and friend early in August. So, let's have

a moment of silence and wish our brother, Wild Bill Ballard, one heck of a ride on the other side. Ride in peace, Wild Bill.

Ride safe.

Ride smart.

Ride,

-- Goat

secretary

WaCo Chapter



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our officers at work

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

13 Aug 2016 (*S.O.S. Run*— Wolf Creek, Oregon)

August 13 2016

Wolf Creek Park, Oregon

Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Paul Hering at 12:20 p.m. at Wolf Creek, Oregon with nine chapters represented. All present are eligible to vote.

Excused chapters: *North Coast, Lower Columbia.*

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees:

Louise Davies (*Josephine County*), Bill Michels (*Washington County*).

Reading, approval of minutes:

Motion made by Nic Oliver to adopt previous minutes as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by Jack Wingfield. Passed unanimously.

Executive Board
Officers' Reports

Coordinator's comments: Paul Hering spoke frankly to the board regarding how he is concerned that our organization's mission seems to be getting lost in petty complaints and back stabbing. He is trying to remain positive, seeking input from members, but has been getting very little participation. He noted that he, like everyone else, has a life and family with their own stresses. Negative stuff is just another added stress for all of us. Each of us needs to do our own job, and not try to do someone else's.

Facebook pages and web site need to reflect our organization's mission, not personal opinions.

Please remember we are a "brother-

hood" and it takes all of us to make that work.

Secretary report, correspondence: Teresa Hepker read a privacy notice from *American Income Life*, confirming that our membership list will never be shared or sold to an outside organization.

Vice-coordinator (north): Dave Witmer was excused due to family medical needs.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen reported that the *38th Annual Coast Run* had about 100 bikes.

S.O.S. Run was in progress as this meeting took place.

Jackson County Swap Meet, in conjunction with *Southern Oregon Speedway*, will be the second weekend of September. Spanky pointed out that there are many motorcycle events taking place at the same time these days, and that impacts attendance and income for individual events because of the competition.

Vice-coordinator (east): Rick Prentice was excused. He is taking part in a three day event at home, promoting *River City Chapter* and the *Shriners' Toy Run* bike raffle.

Treasurer: Karen Tolle said she did not have a report ready because of preparing for *S.O.S. Run*. She forwarded it later.

Checking account = \$ 5,589.94

Savings account = \$31,949.30

PayPal account = \$ 200.00

Membership secretary: Kathy Sahlberg has been working with tech support from *MemberTies* (the computer program that keeps our membership lists) to resolve some issues with how reports print out. It has been slow going and time

consuming, and not all is resolved.

She provided each chapter with a printout and asked that membership secretaries examine them and either call or e-mail her with corrections or questions.

Membership breakdown:

Associated = 160

Expired = 383

Family = 210

Lifetime = 86

Newspaper = 370

Total = 1,217

Plus three "mis-labeled". (To be resolved.)

Sanctioning officer: Todd Sahlberg said sanctioning is up-to-date for this month and next.

Thanks to all for your patience.

Next year will be better, as he has a better understanding now of the process.

Officers' Reports

State auditor: Cindy Witmer was excused.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path was excused.

Sergeant-at-arms (north):

Randy Phipps reported being rested up from *Fossil Campout*.

The next state event is the state fall swap meet.

Sergeant-at-arms (south):

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Sergeant-at-arms (east):

Steve Bishop attended *Pendleton Bike Week* along with Rick Prentice. We may have a table or booth next year to promote *A.B.A.T.E.* and motorcyclists' rights.

Products director: Ted Tracy was absent.

Education director: Geoff White feels his efforts to revive the *Motorcycle*



Teresa Hepker

state
recording
secretary

Awareness Program (M.A.P.) has been slower than he expected. His work is demanding of his time so it has been hard to rebuild the program. He feels we still do need to promote the *M.A.P.*, perhaps in concert with other groups and organizations.

Public relations director:

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State run coordinator (*Fossil*):

Rick Prentice was excused.

Gene Mortimore continues working on the issues around the stage.

State swap meet coordinator:

Todd Sahlberg said envelopes are stuffed and will go in the mail this month.

Set up will be from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, 04 November. We do not have a food vendor yet. We need to promote this event to the public, to bring in foot traffic for the vendors.

Historian: Teresa Hepker had nothing report.

Web page editor: Carl Earl was excused.

Quartermaster: Paul Hering and Gene Mortimore – Paul said he has the tags for the *A.B.A.T.E.* trailer.

Legislative director:

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Brian Stovall reported that candidates are gearing up for November elections, and *BikePAC* is preparing for the 2017 legislative session as well. Go to:

<http://BikePAC.com>

and complete the legislative issues survey there. The results will guide *BikePAC* in developing bill proposals.

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting — 13 August 2016 (continued from previous page)

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Brian Stovall said *BikePAC* has subcommittees set up to work on specific subjects.

Nic Oliver said over 400 survey responses had arrived just last week.

M.R.F. representative: Brian Stovall said, “Join BikePAC! Join M.R.F.! Check their web sites for the latest information.”

Confederation of Clubs representative: Pat “Spanky” Allen said things have been pretty quiet. *CoC* is urging club members to submit reports about discrimination incidents.

Unfinished Business

- *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Facebook* pages. (Nic Oliver, Anna Dahl).

Paul Hering reported no progress yet. Much discussion about inappropriateness of non-motorcycle related posts on *A.B.A.T.E.'s Facebook* page.

New Business

(None)

Announcements

- *River City Chapter* has been working with *Columbia River Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* to cooperate on events, attend each other's meetings.

- Steve Bishop asked members to consider, how your actions within *A.B.A.T.E.* fit with our mission statement? He suggested the *Facebook* issue discussed earlier could hurt our relationship with the governor and impede our legislative goals.

- Jack Wingfield said that *Lincoln County Chapter* is still considering reviving the *Beaver Creek Run*.

- Next state board of directors meeting: noon, 10 September 2016 at *Ciddici's Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

Adjourned: 1:21 p.m.

Upcoming 2016 Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Events

Date:	Event:	Chapter:
21–23 Aug 2016	Hub City Mall Show	Hub City
27 Aug 2016	Biker Night or Poker Run	Hub City
27 Aug 2016	End of Summer Run	Washington County
10-11 Sept 2016	Swap Meet	Jackson County
16 Sept 2016	Bike Night	Douglas County
17 Sept 2016	Teddy Bear Run	Central Oregon
17 Sept 2016	Fall Run	Lower Columbia
17 Sept 2016	Family Picnic	Southeast Portland
01 Oct 2016	Grants Pass Toy Run	Josephine County
Oct 2016	Breast Cancer Run	Jackson County
05 Nov 2016	Fall Swap Meet	state ABATE
19 Nov 2016	Spaghetti Feed	North Coast
19 Nov 2016	Toy Run	Washington County
25 Nov–23 Dec	See's Candy Sale	River City
05 Dec 2016	Holiday Run	North Coast

Monday, 21 Aug 2017 - 10:15 a.m. Oregon total solar eclipse
(Plan your event now, order solar glasses.)

Hub City

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to visit us. Andy has been very supportive of motorcycle rights. In the past, he has written a couple of bills for us trying to repel the helmet regulation and give us freedom of choice. Unfortunately, these did not get voted on but it is great to have him as a friend of ours in the legislation. As a thank you, Hub City gave Andy Olson a metal wall hanging that says “*Hub City*” with flames around it. Thank you, Andy, for supporting motorcycle rights and taking time out of your schedule to visit us.

Right now *Hub City* is gearing up for our annual mall show at *Heritage Mall* coming up in October. *Hub City* members get to put their bikes in the mall for people to walk around and look at for a weekend. One special member volunteers their bike to be used as the picture bike

and visitors to the mall can gear up in leathers and have their picture taken on the motorcycle. We then frame the picture and give it to them. This is a great way to have people meet “bikers” and realize we are their neighbors, coworkers, etc. It is also a good way to promote motorcycle safety, *A.B.A.T.E.*, and let people drool over some awesome motorcycles.

Hopefully the weather through the fall will allow us to all get out and enjoy the beautiful fall scenery and colorful leaves.

Speaking of leaves, be careful of them when you are out there riding, especially if they are wet and/or piled up as they can become very slippery.

Get out there and ride safe and ride smart,

-- A.J.

Lincoln County

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the agenda for 2017. Last meeting we discussed a July date, since the *S.O.S. Run* is now the second weekend in August.

If we get enough young people to carry this off, hopefully it will inspire membership growth. Only thirty years ago *Lincoln County* was one of the largest chapters in the state.

With the weather being so nice, I have ben getting in quite a bit of riding, mostly on my own.

Went to Washington for a wedding in July. I took Millie's *Spyder*. (Lots of storage space.)

With all the summer riding, I know several people having to make repairs.

The purple trike sprung a leak. Under repair. I have been riding it locally, it's fun to watch the tourist reactions.

We have a group heading for Wolf

Creek. (*S.O.S. Run*) By the time you read this, *S.O.S. Run* will be like *Fossil Run*: a part of this year's chapter history.

Keep an eye on-line for the *Cannon Ball Run*. Rich Rau is running coast-to-coast for the second year in a row, this time on a 1916 *Indian*. Rich was one of our charter members.

Should you make it over to the coast on a third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., drop by the *American Legion Post*, and say “Hi” to *Lincoln County A.B.A.T.E.'s* faithful few.

Thanks Gene M. for the hat.

-- Bob

coordinator

Lincoln County Chapter

From yer ...



... for the final year

Sliding Into Another Fall

working without knowing it

c.o.e. – 176

It's that time of year, when autumn begins to nudge us on our shoulders, reminding us to get ready for another change of seasons.

Dry leaves rattle in the narrow vortex of our passing.

Sodden leaves lay waiting patiently for the unwary rider trying to corner too sharply.

Rainbowing oil on newly soaked roads dazzles the eye with its colorful beauty, belying its treacherous slickness.

Tank tops giving way to sweaters and jackets, beanies to full-face.

Rolling into autumn isn't without its compensations.

Deliciously lazy mornings snug in bed, waiting for the morning to warm.

Crisp air revitalizing.

Vision increasing.

Leaves running through the warm color spectrum, foregrounding incredibly blue Maxfield Parrish skies.

You have a job in *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.*

You may not have volunteered for an officer position or to help out at an event, but if you're reading this, you're working for the organization.

You're an *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* state newspaper proofreader.

Your crusty ol' editor does the best he can trying to catch mistakes or correct information before ink meets paper, but if he misses anything or doesn't phrase words just right, you, the cadre of proofreaders, are sure to let him

know.

You do a good job.

You keep c.o.e. nimble, trying to find potential errors before you do so he is spared cat-calls and virtual spoiled vegetables. He even fancies himself to be a better writer

for the experience. (Poor, self-deluded fool.) He continues to attribute any mistakes that seep through to "a chocolate

late low light."

So keep up your good work, unwitting helpers. Let's see if c.o.e. can manage to squeeze out an issue where you find no mistakes.

Who knows, maybe you can even get the state products coordinator to order "*Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Proofreader*" patches for you. (It should have a magnifying glass and

Autumn equinox, when day and night are balanced, before sliding into darkness



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

(big enough to be seen from space)

bloodshot eyeball on it.)

Woke this morning thinking about a motorcycle scene from the 1979 post-apocalypse movie, *Mad Max*.

A policeman has just slid his bike into the side of a car to avoid debris from a massive crash. The driver sickens his head out to ask what happened.

From his prone position, the rider answers, "Don't ask me, man. I just got here myself."

Sadly, all the other motorcycle riders in the movie are stereotyped as sadistic violent thugs astride bikes like CB-750s made up to look and sound like *Harleys*.

Overall, it's a bleak picture of what a possible future could look like.

Bad as our situation may feel sometimes, such a movie helps us appreciate what we have now and the potential we possess to affect our circumstances through education and legislation rather than brute force and violence.

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--GVQD BNVSU

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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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Josephine County

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join us.

Over the years the numbers have started falling a bit. We got down to only 25-30 one year. Last year we had 48 and this year we were back up to 65.

The chapter had some help from members of *B.A.C.A.* They secured a place for us at Brookings Harbor and helped unload tables and chairs.

A special shout out to Derald, Neil, and Jackie who worked their fingers to the bone cooking and serving.

Thanks to all the volunteers along the route manning the check points and to Spanky and Louise who got everyone registered and out on the road as quickly as possible.

Thank you to Judi who came out and helped (did most of the work, actually) cleaning the BBQ and the trailer.

I hope I didn't miss anyone.

Josephine County Chapter always meets on the third Wednesday of the month. Meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. at the *Fruitdale Grange* on the corner of Parkdale and Rogue River highway in Grants Pass.

We have quarterly potlucks the months of March, June, September, November, and December. (We throw in Thanksgiving for good measure.)

Potlucks always start half an hour earlier, at 6 p.m.

Stop on by and visit. We'd love to have you.

-- Karen Tolle

P.S. There are not enough words to thank everyone who volunteered to help bring together this year's *S.O.S. Run*.

With 100 degree-plus temperatures, our attendance was way down. But it seems like everyone who was there had a good time.

Despite the rumors you may have heard, plans are already being made for next year's event. We are considering moving the event to a cooler time of the year.

We will be looking at several calendars to avoid any local conflicts.

We will be looking into some sponsorship's so we can upgrade the music.

We will bring back the poker run and add some new games.

And we will be bringing in a whole new crew with some new ideas.

We will improve the advanced pre-sale ticket purchases.

We will probably not host the state board meeting again. But we will be here. So plan on attending.

See you next year!

A.M.A. Tells E.P.A. To Lower Ethanol Content

The A.M.A. told the U.S. environmental protection agency that it should stop increasing the amount of required ethanol in the nation's fuel supply and, instead, lower the renewable volume obligations for 2017.

The comments submitted to the E.P.A. were accompanied by the signatures of 18,162 motorcyclists, all-terrain-vehicle owners, and others who are concerned that increased amounts of ethanol in their fuel could void warranties, damage engines, and harm other components on their vehicles.

California Closer To Lane-Splitting

California is on track to become the first state to formally recognize lane-splitting as a legal maneuver for motorcyclists.

Assembly bill 51 (AB-51), sponsored by assembly members Bill Quirk and Tom Lackey, authorizes the California Highway Patrol to devise educational guidelines for splitting lanes "in a manner that would ensure the safety of the motorcyclist, drivers, and passengers."

The bill passed the assembly 74-0 on 03 August, with six assembly members not

voting.

The state senate had earlier passed the bill 38-0.

Governor Jerry Brown is expected to the sign the bill when it reaches his desk.

The American Motorcyclist Association fully supports this legislation.

"We are extremely pleased that this bill received such overwhelming support in the assembly," said Wayne Allard, A.M.A. vice president for government relations. "These guidelines will provide motorcyclists and motorists, alike, with the information they need to safely interact in traffic.

At the same time, we hope that California will serve as an example to other states. Research shows that, done responsibly, lane-splitting can reduce traffic congestion and reduce the likelihood of motorcyclists being struck from behind," Allard continued.

AB-51 defines lane-splitting as "driving a motorcycle that has two wheels in contact with the ground between rows of stopped or moving vehicles in the same lane."

The bill also requires the California Highway Patrol to consult with other agencies and organizations with an interest in road safety and motorcyclist behavior in developing the guidelines for responsible



rights

News & Notes

AmericanMotorcyclistAssociation

lane-splitting.

Two state-sponsored studies conducted by the University of California–Berkeley concluded that lane-splitting is a relatively safe maneuver when both the motorcyclist and nearby drivers know the regulation and adhere to "safe and prudent" practices.

Lane-splitting riders were less likely to be rear-ended by another vehicle than were other motorcyclists, according to the studies. And lane-splitting motorcyclists involved in crashes were notably less likely than other motorcyclists in crashes to suffer head injury, torso injury, or fatal injury than other motorcyclists.

The studies also found that there was no meaningful increase in injuries until traffic speed exceeded 50 mph and that speed differentials between lane-splitting motorcyclists and other traffic were not associated with changes in injury occurrence until the differential exceeded 15 mph.

Those findings closely align with lane-splitting guidelines posted on the California

Highway Patrol web site in 2013 and removed in 2014 after a complaint from one Sacramento resident, who argued that the highway patrol was, in effect, making statutes.

California is the only U.S. state where lane-splitting is permitted. Current state regulations neither prohibits nor specifically allows the maneuver.

In many countries, lane-splitting and filtering are normal practices for motorcyclists, Allard said. Particularly in the highly urbanized areas of Europe and Asia, motorcycle and scooter operators are expected to pass between conventional vehicles and advance to the front of the group.

The American Motorcyclist Association's complete position statement on lane-splitting can be found at:

<http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/About-The-A.M.A./lane-splitting-1>



photos by Karen Tolle
(Josephine County Chapter)

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Vision Zero and the Motorcyclist

Washington, D.C. – In the late nineteen-nineties, Europeans saw a flurry of activity surrounding a new concept referred to as “*Vision Zero*”, which was intended to achieve a highway system with no (or zero) fatalities or serious injuries.

While the objective behind the concept is certainly admirable, how that has manifested varies from the extreme to the sensible approach. And, with more and more U.S. cities following Europe’s lead by adopting their own versions of *Vision Zero*, the motorcycle community is paying close attention to what the practical effects of this concept could mean for them.

• Founded On A Simple Principal

Guided by the principal that nothing (not money, convenience, or some would argue freedom of choice) can be put before health and safety, Sweden was the first country to adopt the concept into their statutes. Other countries quickly followed suit including the Norway, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom.

While the concept of “zero deaths or serious injuries” remains the objective, it can be implemented in a number of different ways.

Sweden focused on reduced speed limits while the Netherlands attempted to put a greater area of separation between automobiles and pedestrians or cyclists.

In addition, an emphasis on the design of roads was central to many of the countries implementing new initiatives under the *Vision Zero* umbrella.

• Not So Simple Impact On Motorcyclists

For motorcyclists in the countries embracing *Vision Zero*, there were pros and cons to the governments’ execution efforts.

In the “pro” column, there was wide consensus that pavement conditions on roadways should be suitable so that bikers could avoid changes in friction including addressing cracks, rough spots, potholes, gravel, etc. The motorcycle community in



Europe also voiced opinions over guardrail design and placement and its impact on safety.

However, for all motorcyclists, a very prominent check mark in the “minus” column related to the sentiment expressed by Cales Tingvall, then director of the Swedish national road administration.

Tingvall, one of the original creators of *Vision Zero*, directly addressed motorcycles as they related to the success of the initiative stating that, “*We must prevent the recruiting of new motorcyclists. In long-term thinking, I regret to say that motorcycles must go.*”

Though he later recanted, he went on to make other statements suggesting that motorcycles and *Vision Zero* could never find a real consensus.

Understandably, sentiments like those voiced by one of the key drivers of *Vision Zero* resulted in serious concern about the future of motorcycling in cities and countries adopting this initiative.

Further, during the initial concept building phase for *Vision Zero*,

motorcyclists across Europe, represented by the *Federation of European Motorcyclists’ Associations (F.E.M.A.)* worked to ensure that motorcyclists were not restricted nor discriminated against. Alongside *F.E.M.A.* were representatives from the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* and other motorcycle rights groups and associations including the broader *International Motorcyclist Cooperation Group*. The parties worked together to ensure anti-motorcyclist rhetoric was minimized as well worked to defeat a recommendation to remove powered two-wheelers from some traffic patterns, as this had been suggested in previous conversations surrounding *Vision Zero*.

Despite the positive work done on behalf of motorcyclist rights’ groups during the initial *Vision Zero* planning period, many of the concerns about motorcycle discrimination remain.

• Jumping The Pond

It wasn’t long before proponents of *Vision Zero* began pushing the initiative in the U.S.

In 2014 and 2015, twelve U.S. cities announced their own adaptation of *Vision Zero* using Sweden as the model.

From Los Angeles to New York City and cities in between like Austin and

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Ft. Lauderdale, initiatives started being announced.

While some focused on pedestrian safety and others took a softer approach, other cities, like Seattle for instance, set lofty goals stating that they would achieve *Vision Zero* by 2030 and take whatever precautions necessary in order to attain the objective.

At the time of this writing, it is unclear what, if any, role motorcyclists have in some of the new initiatives popping up in the U.S. Though draconian statements like those spoken by Cales Tingvall have not been repeated yet, some in the motorcycling community who have been following the issue are starting to express apprehension over the growing number of *Vision Zero* cities and what that might mean for universal helmet regulations, high visibility attire, and the future of motorcycling itself.

M.O.T.M. Rapidly Approaching

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For more information about this conference, contact the conference director, Jim Cannon, by calling (804)–314–9071 or by e-mail at:

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See you in September in Oklahoma City!

Driverless Cars Await Guidance

Over the last several months, we've seen more and more companies announce plans to pursue the creation and manufacture of self-driving cars.

Tesla has already been successful, announcing their intention to have an autonomous vehicle ready by 2018 for consumer purchase.

Google's prototype currently has a fleet of 58 self-driving vehicles being tested on public streets in California, Washington, Texas, and Arizona.

General Motors, Daimler, Volvo, Ford, Jaguar Land Rover, Audi, and B.M.W. have also announced plans to pursue the technology.

As with most new technologies, the federal government has to play catch-up to this evolving area as it relates to rules and regulations.

This was made apparent when last month [July 2016], a *Tesla Model S* on autopilot caused a fatal crash in Florida.

Though the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* opened an investigation on the incident, *N.H.T.S.A.* administrator Mark Rosekind indicated that the recent controversy around the crash would not deter the

agency from embracing self-driving cars as part of the future of safety on the nation's roads.

However, the question remains as to what criteria must be established to ensure that driverless cars are safe for consumers.

The department of transportation (*D.O.T.*) has indicated that this guidance is likely to be issued sometime this summer. *D.O.T.* secretary Anthony Foxx has stated that this will come in the form of federal government guidelines for self-driving vehicles. Critics concerned over the technology have reacted negatively to this announcement, stating that guidelines are only voluntary and that enforceable standards must be established.

For some motorcyclists, there is the hope that a rise in driverless cars could eliminate many of those crashes caused by human error in car-versus-motorcycle encounters.

However, others have expressed concerns over whether motorcyclists on the road can be accounted for by the autonomous technology, given their smaller dimensions.

At a recent *D.O.T.* symposium, staff from the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* raised the question to the agency. The spokesperson indicated that motorcycles would absolutely need to be accounted for when developing requirements for self-driving vehicles, given their smaller size on the road.

Other motorcyclists fear a far-worst case scenario, if driverless cars prove successful on the road and significantly lower crash rates, will there be a possibility where **all** vehicles on the road are required to have this technology?

Would this result in opening up a world of self-driving motorcycles?

Though far from likely, these are examples of the many questions being raised. Answers to these questions will largely be dependent on time and the success or failure of this new technology.

Jay Jackson Elected To State Committee

This week, the state motorcycle safety administrators (*S.M.S.A.*) announced the results of its recent elections.

Notably, Jay Jackson, vice-president of the board of directors for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, was elected to serve on the *S.M.S.A.* executive committee as the individual members' representative.

The *S.M.S.A.* is an association representing state motorcycle safety administrators from across the country. The purpose of the group includes goals to influence national policy and standards affecting motorcyclists, provide guidance on state policies or standards, as well as allow for communication, collaboration, and partnerships between motorcycle safety administrators across the U.S. The *S.M.S.A.*'s recent elections resulted in a number of new appointees to the executive committee which leads the organization. Jay Jackson is one of those recently elected.

"*The S.M.S.A. really can serve a valuable purpose,*" stated Jackson who indicated his excitement about rider education programs. "*The previous and incoming executive committees members are dynamic individuals and have the enthusiasm to make things happen,*" he went on to say.

According to Jackson's *S.M.S.A.* nominee biography, he became a certified motorcycle instructor in 1986 and a decade later became state director of the motorcycle safety division for *A.B.A.T.E. of Indiana* where he is still working today. Under his leadership, *A.B.A.T.E. of Indiana's* rider education program expanded exponentially and he started to develop an extensive network of motorcycle safety professionals. In 2000, Jackson received his designation as a chief instructor by the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation*. He has conducted and assisted in numerous training courses across several states.

As the individual members representative to the *S.M.S.A.* executive committee, Jackson is hopeful he can help "cross pollinate" in getting motorcycle rights enthusiasts and motorcycle safety administrators to work together. Given his extensive background in motorcycle rights, his work with the *M.R.F.* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Indiana*, and his strong interest and success in rider training and education programs, Jackson may be just the guy to do the job.

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Congress Considers Anti-Motorcycle Profiling Resolution

House resolution 831 [HR-831] was introduced in the U.S. house of representatives on July 13, 2016 to “Promote awareness of motorcycle profiling and encourage collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling.”

The non-binding resolution defines motorcycle profiling as “the arbitrary practice of enforcement using the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the United States constitution,” and cites complaints surrounding motorcycle profiling in all fifty states.

The National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.) is working with other state and national motorcycle organizations to address profiling legislatively. With Washington state enacting the first anti-profiling regulation in 2011, followed recently by Maryland, a national motorcycle anti-profiling measure would advance the efforts in every state.

HR-831 specifies that the house of representatives:

1. Promotes increased public awareness on the issue of motorcycle profiling.
2. Encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and enforcement agencies to engage in efforts to end motorcycle profiling.
3. Urges state enforcement agency officials to include statements condemning motorcycle profiling in written policies and training materials.

HR-831, introduced by congressmen Reid Ribble (R-WI) and Tim Walberg (R-MI), has been referred to the house committee on the judiciary. Concerned motorcyclists are encouraged to contact their federal representatives to support the bill.

Marine Corps Prohibits “Gang Colors or Symbols” On Camp Pendleton

“Open and visible association with supremacist, extremist, or criminal gangs, to include outlaw motorcycle gangs, by individuals aboard Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton (California) poses a criminal and security threat; inhibits the mission of M.C.B.-C.P.; interferes with the loyalty, morale, good order, and discipline of M.C.B.-C.P. personnel; and discredits the reputation of the installation and the United States Marine Corps,” states MCIWEST-MCB CAMPEN ORDER 5530.2, dated 30 June 2016, and orders that “. . . the wearing or displaying of supremacist, extremist, or criminal gang colors and symbols by any person aboard M.C.B.-C.P. is hereby prohibited.”

Effective upon the date of signature, the order from brigadier general Edward Banta, commanding general of Camp Pendleton, is pursuant to an earlier directive in which “the secretary of defense was directed to prescribe regulations prohibiting active participation by members of the armed forces in a criminal street gang.”

In compiling their “list of ‘outlaw’ motorcycle clubs/gangs whose conduct is prohibited,” among the twenty enumerated clubs named are the *Legacy/Vietnam Vets*, *Boozefighters*, and *Iron Order*, and “Therefore, wearing identifying gang symbols or colors of clothing (to include motorcycle vests) associated with these organizations is prohibited.”

Yelp Censors Christian Bikers

In a July 18th e-mail feedback from internet business review giant Yelp, the Yelp support team in San Francisco informed the elder of a Christian motorcycle group that his review of a coffee shop had been removed after it “was brought to

our attention by the Yelp community, and we found that it fell outside our Content Guidelines...” which were attached.

The offending post?

Removed content: “The Bikers for Christ Motorcycle Ministry is a christian clean and sober group. We meet there (The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf) because they just serve great coffee with a great group of baristas, and a clean and neat facility and no political agenda like Starbucks.

-- Pastor Tom

B.F.C.M.M.

state elder”

New Jersey Registering Autocycles As Motorcycles

Despite lobbying efforts launched by A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State, the New Jersey state senate and assembly disregarded input from motorcyclists and approved a bill that will register so-called “autocycles” (typically a three-wheeled vehicle with a steering wheel and cockpit) as motorcycles.

As states across the country legislatively define autocycles as a separate class of vehicle, and similar federal regulations loom, Trenton bucks the trend.

“Both houses have approved a version that will register autocycles as motorcycles,” writes A.B.A.T.E. of the Garden State in an e-mail request for legislative action, further disseminated to N.C.O.M. member groups; “The only hope is to convince the governor that this is an inappropriate action so that he vetoes the bill.”

Please address your concerns to New Jersey governor Chris Christie at:

constituent.relations@nj.gov

and ask that he veto S-1155 (regulates autocycles as motorcycles), because “Autocycles bear no resemblance to motorcycles and have more in common operationally with two-seater sports cars.” In addition “N.H.T.S.A. is currently in the process of issuing a nationwide regulation

that would mandate a completely new class of vehicle called ‘Autocycle,’ so “if S-1155 is enacted it will have to be repealed to comply with the new federal regulation.”

A.B.A.T.E. further explains; “This will cost the taxpayers of New Jersey a lot of unnecessary expenditures, and allow the misclassified autocycles to avoid vehicle safety regulation in the interim.”

Loud Motorcycle Ticketing Easier In Michigan

Royal Oak, Michigan is making it easier for police to ticket revving motorcycles, noisy cars, and loud music. City commissioners recently approved a new ordinance making it a civil infraction with a fine of up to \$100 for vehicles to emit music, vibrations, or noise that can be heard from fifty feet away or more.

The police chief requested the ordinance amendment under the city’s disorderly conduct code that covers disturbing the peace and noise. Previously, such violations were a criminal misdemeanor, which have a higher burden of proof for police.

The new measure, adopted 13 July 2016, makes the noise violations a civil infraction with no criminal penalties and a lesser burden of proof to make violations stand up in court. With noise tickets being handled as criminal misdemeanors and requiring proof beyond a reasonable doubt, police have had a challenge stopping violators.

“It’s above a seat belt violation but below a moving violation,” said the chief of the civil infraction penalty, adding that the new local regulation will help police address public noise problems from motorcycles and other vehicles with aftermarket upgrades and louder mufflers.

Officers writing tickets for noise violations before the new change in the

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ordinance had to carry devices to measure decibel levels at the time the violations happened. Under the new measure, the city attorney said it would be sufficient for officers to use the patrol vehicle cameras and outside microphones when issuing noise violations.

South Carolina Restricts Beginner's Operator Permits

A person with a beginner's permit in South Carolina is only allowed to operate a motorcycle solo between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Under the new traffic code changes "*A permittee may not operate a motorcycle at any other time unless accompanied by a licensed motorcycle operator twenty-one years of age or older who has at least one year of driving experience.*"

S-689, signed into effect on 07 June 2106 by South Carolina governor Nikki Haley (a staunch supporter of motorcyclists' rights and safety) further requires that the supervising driver must "*be within a safe viewing distance of the permittee when the permittee is operating a motorcycle or a three-wheeled vehicle.*"

Delaware Allows Biker Flashing Brake Lights

As promoted in the Delaware division of motor vehicles motorcycle operator manual, it is recommended to motorcycle operators that they temporarily flash brake lights when stopping in order to increase visibility to other motorists.

There are after market products available that will automatically flash the brake lights up to five times, but such strobes have been illegal in the Delaware code under the prohibition on flashing lights.

House bill-114, signed into effect by governor Jack Markell on 09 June 2016, amends the traffic code to now allow bikes to be equipped with this safety equipment "*when included in a motorcycle, moped, or motorized scooter brake light system in which the brake lamp*

pulses rapidly for no more than five (5) seconds when the brake is applied, and then converts to a continuous light as a normal brake lamp until the time that the brake is released."

Bikers More Attractive Than Drivers

The results of a new research study in England finally validate what we all know to be true: Motorcycle riders are more attractive than car drivers.

The study, by U.K. insurance specialists Carole Nash, asked over 1,000 adults to rate the looks of the opposite sex when dressed in normal attire and riding kit. The aim of the experiment was to try and change perceptions of motorcyclists and overturn any negative stereotypes.

In five out of six cases, members of the public dressed as motorcyclists were voted as more desirable than when dressed as drivers. It's not just levels of attractiveness which came out in the bikers' favor, because riders are also seen to have more positive personality traits. People who own a motorcycle are viewed as adventurous by a third of the opposite sex (34%), closely followed by daring (28%), and fun (26%).

The research also revealed that "one in four blokes would pretend they owned a motorbike to impress a woman and almost a third (31%) said they'd go the whole way and learn to ride one if they knew it would impress a potential partner."

[*c.o.e. note: Sounds like they were posers, not bikers.*]

Goldwing Airbag Recall

Recall, after recall, after recall.

One thing has remained constant in the *Takata* airbag quagmire: The disaster has been confined to the four-wheeled realm.

Not any longer, as the *Honda Goldwing* (the first and so far the only motorcycle equipped with an airbag from the factory) has now been recalled.

The gist of the recall is the same, two

wheels or four: *Takata's* airbag inflators can rupture, potentially propelling shards of metal shrapnel at the vehicle's occupants. Or in this case, the motorcycle riders.

A total of 2,701 motorcycles are involved in this recall, spanning the 2006 through 2010 model years, and only in certain regions. Only *Goldwings* sold or operated in areas with high humidity or frequent temperature cycling are being recalled at this time.

London Surcharge On Older Motorcycles

Another European capital city has committed to hitting riders of older motorcycles with a fee in an attempt to improve European Union air quality.

Recently, Paris announced a ban on motorcycles made before 1999 from certain parts of the city during the day. Violators of the ban face a €35 (U.S. – \$40) fine. The French capital has some of the worst air pollution in the world, and the thinking behind the new regulation is that older motorcycles will not have been built to meet Euro emissions standards and are therefore inclined to pollute disproportionately.

London, too, is desperate to reduce its pollution levels, which are consistently in violation of E.U. regulations. Within the first week of 2016, London exceeded its pollution limit for the entire year.

The British capital has long had a daily congestion charge, currently set at £11.50 (U.S.–\$17), to discourage cars from entering the heart of the city. Motorcycles and scooters have hitherto been exempt from the charge, but plans are in the works to start charging two-wheeled vehicles made before 2007, when Euro 3 emissions standards were first applied to motorcycles.

London motorcyclists have known about this and were expecting to see the charge applied when London introduces its new ultra low emission zone in 2020. But it is now being reported that the charge could be implemented as soon

as next year, and concerned riders have expressed anger at the possibility of a sped-up schedule.

[*c.o.e. note: Given that Great Britain voted itself out of the European Union recently, will this issue go away?*]

Quotable Quote

"Posterity! You will never know how much it cost the present generation to preserve your freedom! I hope you will make good use of it! If you do not, I shall repent it in Heaven that I ever took half the pains to preserve it !"

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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	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			
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	
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
Barry Dadashiell	(503)-556-1133	Rainier	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 motorcyclists, 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 statenews@abateoforegon.net, or send your information to ABATEofOregon.

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

2005 *Soft Tail Deluxe Twin-Cam 88*. Just some of the extras included are: Cam updated with hydraulic adjusters, *Long Shot Vance & Hines* exhaust, windshield, p-pad, sissy bar, leather bags, full chrome upgrades including engine and tool box. Only 24k miles. Not able to ride anymore due to cancer. Bike is fully loaded and worth over 20k. Will take **\$10,000** firm or trade for equivalent tractor with extra attachments. Please contact Wade Ebert at **(541)–487–7374**.
 Serious inquiries only. —————>
(Oct 2016)

For Sale

Bike dollie for sale! Park your *Harley* on it and you can spin it around or push it into a corner. Great for small garage. **\$35** Call John H. in The Dalles at **(541)–980–7328** or e-mail to:
jhuteson@hotmail.com
(Aug 2016)



For Sale

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

Lost

... all that daylight.

Found

... a sky full of stars.

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* members. Business will need to place **paid** advertisements. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play.

news@abateoforegon.net

Note: *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* is not responsible for any items appearing in these advertisements. (Deadline is the 10th of each month.)

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

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

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

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

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

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES: What was the verdict? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

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

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. State Officers For Calendar Year 2016

[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)–890–9042	kmsabate@gmail.com	"877" number discontinued (unused)
Run sanctioning [EB]			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)–821–2252	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			
Geoff White	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, Mike Friend	(541)–659–8715	CoCNorth@abateoforegon.net	

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

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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: _____

September 2016 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
(mabon)				1  new moon	2	3 BikePAC noon - Salem library
4 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	5 Labor Day	6 River City 1900 (7 pm)	7	8	9  1st quarter moon	10 ABATE B.O.D. noon Ciddici's Pizza Albany, Oregon JackCo Swap Meet White City
11 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) Lower Columbia 1900 (7 pm) JackCo Swap Meet White City	12 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	13	14	15 Hub City 1900 (7 pm) Jackson County 1800 (6 pm)	16  harvest moon Douglas Co. Bike Night Roseburg	17 CentOr Teddy Bear Run-Bend LoCo-Fall Run-Clats. SE PDX-Family Picnic-Portland
18 Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)	19  Talk-Like-A-Pirate Day http://www.talklikeapirate.com/	20 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) North Coast 1730 (5:30 pm) River City 1900 (7 pm)	21 Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm)	22 Douglas Co. 1900 (7 pm) autumn equinox	23  4th quarter moon	24
25	26 Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)	27	28	29	30  new moon	

next

STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 10 Sept 2016

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:



2016 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run

BN = Biker Night

Date(s):	Event / sponsor:	Location:	Contact phone:
10-11 Sept 2016	Swap Meet / Jackson County	White City	
16 Sept 2016	Bike Night / Douglas County	Roseburg	
17 Sept 2016	Teddy Bear Run / Central Oregon	Bend	
17 Sept 2016	Fall Run / Lower Columbia	Clatskanie	
17 Sept 2016	Family Picnic / SE-PDX	Portland	
01 Oct 2016	Toy Run / Josephine County	Grants Pass	
15-16 Oct 2016	Planning Session / ABATE & BikePAC	Cottage Grove	
Oct 2016	Breast Cancer Run / Jackson County		
05 Nov 2016	Fall State Swap Meet	Hillsboro	
19 Nov 2016	Spaghetti Feed / North Coast	probably Astoria	
19 Nov 2016	Toy Run / Washington County		
25 Nov-23 Dec	See's Candy Sale / River City	The Dalles / Dec state board	
05 Dec 2016	Holiday Run / North Coast	Astoria	
Dec 2016	Shriner Toy Run	Portland	

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>Kelly D's</i> ; 1012 SE Cleveland; Bend	(541)-ppp-nnnn
Douglas County (DC)	4th Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	<i>Abby's Pizza</i> ; 1661 NE Stephens street; Roseburg	(541)-ppp-nnnn
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.)	<i>Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant</i> ; 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	1830 (6:30 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 Sunday	1200 (noon)	<i>M&M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-723-6013 chapter
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	<i>Prime Time Restaurant</i> ; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684

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