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February 2017

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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 Brother-hood 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.

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 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.

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

$\mathbf{A} =$ Single entity.

B ROTHERHOOD = 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.

T OTALITARIAN = 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.

E NACTMENTS = To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinence; a decree; a regulation.

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State Coordinator

Greeting!

As I sit here on this very cold and snowy day, I think of warm days and cool breezes riding down winding roads.

Are you already thinking of nice long rides with wind in your face?

This time of year it's only natural to dream of these things when you're a passionate rider. If you are a passionate rider, I hope that you are taking the opportunity afforded to you to get your ride in top notch riding condition.

Most repair shops offer discounts and incentives for doing maintenance and repairs this time of year. Plan now, so that you can enjoy all your riding time later

Enough of day dreaming, now back to the real world.

Here we are in February and that means that our legislators are back in session, and the serious business of motorcycle rights is in our hands.

Please check the web site at:

http://www.Bikepac.com for all the current legislation that's going on.

Also please be ready to volunteer a little time to help *BikePAC* achieve victories for all motorcycle riders.

Please check all the flyers listed in later pages of this publication for upcoming events around the state. Try to support as many *A.B.A.T.E.* events in other chapters as possible.

Remember we are all brothers and sisters in *A.B.A.T.E.* What is good for one is good for all.

I hope to see you at an event soon.

Or if you have any questions or suggestions, please call me. I would love to hear from you.

Yours in the brotherhood,

-- Paul Hering

P.S. I hope you all have a happy *Valentines Day*.



Paul Hering

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

Central Oregon





CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.) Kelly D's Irish Sports Bar & Grill 1012 SE Cleveland street Bend, Oregon

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Douglas County

Hello my dear friends who ride in the wind.

Well the new year is here and lots a chance. to do and places to go.

Last meeting the team discussed getting t-shirts and prices. Also discussed were our group's special biker events and finalizing ideas for the Thundering Waters Poker Run.

We are excited about this year's events.

We are looking forward to having a chapter member from Bikers for Christ at our next meeting.

Just as a reminder, our chapter has new faces and new ideas. So grab your hat, scarfs, gloves, and give us



Everyone is welcome to come to our meetings. The chapter will be talking about a t-shirt design for Thundering Water's Poker Run. Sponsors welcome.

Biker nights sanctioning forms have been finalized and submitted.

Please note: There was an error in last month's report. No 50/50 or raffles at chapter meetings until we are a bigger chapter.

Go Douglas County Chapter!

Douglas County on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ 1521250574871175/ 367198656679619/

Douglas County MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Thursday at 1800 (6 pm) Round Table Pizza 2040 NW Stewart parkway Roseburg (541)-ppp-nnnn

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





Jackson County **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

4rd Thursday at 1800 (6 pm) Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant 2339 Biddle road Medford, Oregon (541)-

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

Brrr, it sure has been cold out there. Can you believe all the snow and ice we have had this year?

It sure seems to be a good time to work on all of those motorcycle projects that we put off in spring, summer, and fall so we can feel the breeze on our faces. It is also a good time to give the bike a good going over to make sure everything will be ready to go. Then when the ground starts thawing out, drying up some, and the sun comes out, you can get on it and go for a fun ride with no worries.

If you do hit the road in the winter, be sure you and your ride are properly prepared.

Be extra careful in the shady areas as there could be ice hiding there. Also watch for all the sand, gravel, and loose debris they put on the roads when it is icy. Speaking of cold, it is getting to be that time for *Hub City*'s annual *Chili Buns Ride*. It is always a fun time to get to see all those people we have not seen while we have been hibernating in the winter. This year it will be on February 17, 2017, and leaves from *Bi-Mart* at 1701 Shaff road in Stayton, Oregon. It should be a great route, great time, and there will be lots of prizes to be won, so come on out and join us. Keep an eye out for our flyer on our facebook page, web page, and hopefully in the newspaper. [Provided anyone bothers to send crusty ol' editor a copy of the flier.]

Hub City would also like to extend a big thank you to everyone who stepped up to fill in board positions for our chapter and at the state level.





Here is a list of *Hub City*'s board:

Director – Tracy Traw.
Vice-director – Tom Corrick
Secretary – Amy Johnson
Treasurer – Donita Rietz
Run coordinator – Brad Upton
Legislative – Dave Ezell.

Also a big thank you to all of our members who come to our meetings, help out at our functions, support our cause, and join us to have fun.

Ride safe all!

Hub City MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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http://www.hubcityabate.com

https://www.facebook.com/ hubcityabate

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

Josephine County

January is not starting off with a bang, more like a thud.

Not sure what the official counts are or the total measurements, but seems like we have had ten or eleven straight days of snow, with a lot of rain mixed in today. Officials are calling flood watch and flood warnings all over the area. And yes, our streets are flooded and our streams are breaching the banks. Let's hope that we are not all washed away by the time this report gets printed.

Yes, we know this is Oregon, and yes we know it snows and rains in Oregon. But these past ten days have been a record-breaking season. Something like most snow we've had in 100 years. No one was ready for this!

Congratulations to all the newly elected officers. We look forward to working with all of you this year. Few changes at the state level, and a few changes within *JoCo Chapter*, but a lot of old familiar faces too.

[c.o.e. sez, "Less of the 'old', please."]

We are well on our way to another eventful year.

Sanctioning paperwork has been turned in.

Preliminary flyers are being printed.

Advertising in all the right places (we hope we got them all) has begun.

Facebook seems to be a very popular place to advertise these



days, so we have added our events to several group pages. And all the usual calendars that we could find, including *Quick Throttle*, *Thunder Press*, *Cyclefish*, *Lightning Customs*, *Motorcycle Monster*, *Biker Events*, *Motorcycle Roads*, *Where2Ride*, and *Let's-Ride*.

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Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/ Josephine-County-ABATE-484373891732466/?fref=ts

Josephine County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

Fruitdale Grange 1440 Parkdale Drive Grants Pass

POINT of CONTACT

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





Lincoln County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 p.m.) *American Legion Hall*, post 116 424 W. Olive Street Newport

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





North Coast MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

Children are welcome

POINT of CONTACT

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

Lower Columbia

Greetings from Lower Columbia,

The Christmas season has come and gone. Many of us were quite busy with friends and family.

Kris, Laura, and Angie took some time out of their busy schedules. This year the girls purchased enough gifts and chow which they delivered to Turning Point. United Steel Workers Local 1097 of the Wauna Georgia Pacific paper mill chipped in with the usual donation. Together with the funds coming in to our chapter from the community from different events throughout the year, we were able to sponsor ten families with a

complete Christmas.

We had our Christmas pot luck during the December meeting and elected officers.

Thanks to the past officers. I'm looking forward to working with the new ones.

It's been a wee bit cold so far this winter. Not suitable for any real riding. We canceled our January meeting for that very reason.

-- Dave Bridges coordinator



Lower Columbia **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd Sunday at 1900 (7 pm)

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

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

January 03 2017

The first meeting of 2017 was on groups in Oregon! January 3, with fifteen members present.

Lorraine Umbarger, our treasurer, reported \$7,744.01 in the bank. This includes a profit of \$1,960.92 for this year's sale of See's Candies. (In spite of several days of very wintery weather, we still sold out of stock on December 23.) Everyone who worked on it was happy with the return.

Thanks especially to Rick, Teresa, Brian, Lorraine, Sandy, Debra, and Steve for your work to make this event a success. We run the candy sale from a trailer in the downtown area of The Dalles, from the day after Thanksgiving until December 23.

Now in our sixth year, we are one of See's Candies top fundraising

The chapter approved sending \$400 to state A.B.A.T.E. as tithing for this event.

Rick Prentice and Rebel Sprague reported that this year's Cherry Festival Poker Run will include the historic Maryhill Loops road* as a checkpoint, and *Route 30* (brewery) as the final checkpoint in downtown The Dalles. Rick is talking with the Route 30 owners regarding coordination with Chamber of Commerce Cherry Festival events, and possible live music and reserved motorcycle parking. We are researching whether the standard insurance through A.B.A.T.E. will be sufficient for Maryhilll Museum to approve our use of the Loops road.



Roadside Cleanup

Rebel has been doing our highway 30 roadside cleanup on his breaks as he drives through the area on his job. It was already quite clean before the snow fell, and now anything that was there has been shoved into a snowdrift. (Easy pickings for spring.) Thanks, Rebel.

Planned Rides

April 22, 2017– Cherry Festival/ Teddy Bear Parade/ River City Poker Run

May 26-29, 2017 – *Fossil Campout*

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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

Hey there,

Hope everyone is feeling positive about the future of humanity despite the rampant evil intentioned acts of insanity that are happening every day all over the world.

I'm really glad that *A.B.A.T.E.* is a well-intentioned organization that promotes the higher good through helping others and communities by means of toy runs, food drives, and other similar events.

The next toy run / A.B.A.T.E. event is the 8th Annual One Moto Show which is happening 10-12 February in Portland. This is a prime event for making A.B.A.T.E. better known in the motorcycling community.

We will have the toy run bike

display there and we will be promoting A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC interests as well. I would like some of our friends in the Washington County Chapter to help us with manning the booth. There will be two three-hour shifts on Friday, four three-plus-hour shifts on Saturday, and two three-hour shifts on Sunday. We need at least three people on each shift.

This is not an *all-hands-on-deck-at-once* thing.

Call or contact James at:

(503)-775-2203

or

raffleinfo@abatetoyrun.com to get on the schedule.



The *One Moto* flyer is on the *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site at:

http://www.abatese.net

This is an important legislative year. Help us to get our legislative information out at the *One Moto Show*. Let's really give the time and energy to contacting our representatives with a mind to getting our bills passed.

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Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/ sechapter/?fref=ts

Southeast Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)

M&M Restaurant & Lounge 137 N. Main -- Gresham

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http://www.abatese.net

http://www.abatetoyrun.com

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

Washington County

We haven't had a meeting since the last report, so nothing new to report.

I will just use this space to list the dates of the *Washington County Chapter* events for 2017:

15 Apr – Spring Biker Night

17 June – *Roll-N-Ride*

15 July – Scavenger Hunt

26 Aug – End of Summer Run

18 Nov – Stan Johnston Memorial

Toy Run

Until next month,

Ride safe, Ride smart, Ride.

-- Goat secretary Washington County Chapter



Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/ WaCoChapter/?fref=ts

Washington County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

Prime Time Restaurant 4450 Pacific avenue Forest Grove

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CHAPTER ADDRESS:

P.O. Box 202 Cornelius, OR 97113 our officers at work

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

14 January 2017 (Ciddici's Pizza—Albany, Oregon)

January state board meeting cancelled L due to even more nasty, winter-like weather L



Cindy Witmer

state recording secretary elf

our officers at work

State Treasurer Report

Reminder to all chapters:

At the February state board meeting there will be a budget meeting *before* the board meeting, starting at about 11:15 a.m.

This will be a good opportunity for treasurer's to be a part of the state budget process.

Pizza will be available for all in attendance.

Please pass the word to all chapter treasurers (new as well as returning) that there will be a treasurer's training session following the February state board meeting.

Please bring the red treasurer's book that was handed out last year. (If you have one.)

The treasurers' meeting will start as soon as the board meeting is finished, but no sooner than 2 p.m. (Might be a little later since the last two board meetings were canceled, so the regular board meeting might be a little longer than normal.)

Meeting will be held at *Ciddici's* Pizza at 133 SW 5th avenue in



downtown Albany.

Please RSVP by February 9th so I know how many to expect.

Thank you.

We are still missing a few event reconciliation reports from last year. Reconciliation reports are due for every sanctioned event, even if your event was canceled or if your event didn't make any money.

For 2017 I have received a check from *Hub City* for sanctioning, but all other chapters are due. Please get those checks in as soon as possible.

I'm not supposed to receive any of the sanctioning forms. Those go to Todd. I only need your check and a list of your events.

Thank you.

See you all in February,

-- Karen Tolle state treasurer and auditor (541)-660-8730 freeflitterfly@msn.com

Josephine County

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If anyone has other sites they use, please let us know. I think it would be great if all the chapters share this information for the benefit of everyone.

Our calendar for 2017 has been

29-30 April – 20th Annual Southern Oregon Swap Meet and Bike Show

Rally

05 Aug – 39th Annual Run-to-the-Coast

31 Aug-03 Sept – 2017 S.O.S. Run 07 Oct – 14th Annual Grants Pass Toy Run

Bike nights don't seem to work well in our area, but we will be planning a few dinner rides this summer. We look forward to Fossil Campout, the state swap meets up north, and of course seeing everyone at state board of directors meetings.

Josephine County Chapter meetings are the third Wednesday each month, with quarterly potlucks March, June, September, November, and December.

We meet at the Fruitdale Grange 06 May - Motorcycle Awareness on 1440 Parkdale drive in Grants Pass, corner of Parkdale and Rogue River highway.

Meetings start at 6:30 p.m.

Potlucks start at 6 p.m.

Guests are always welcome. We are a family friendly chapter.

-- Karen Tolle JoCo Chapter





River City

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Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Teresa Hepker, secretary

*The Maryhill Loops road was an experimental road in south central Washington, United States, built by Good Roads promoter Samuel Hill with the help of engineer and landscape architect Samuel C. Lancaster, climbing the Columbia hills from the Columbia river and the Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railway to his planned Quaker utopian community at Maryhill, Washington.

Built in 1911 as the first asphalt road in the state, and by-passed by the present U.S. route 97 after World War II, the road achieved low grades with horseshoe curves. The design became the model for the figure-eight loops on the historic Columbia River Highway in Oregon, designed by Lancaster several years later. The road is now owned by the Maryhill Museum of Art.

The road is closed to public motor vehicle traffic but is open to pedestrians and bicycles. The Maryhill Museum of Art rents use of the road for private events by automobile, motorcycle, bicycling, and long boarding clubs. The yearly International Downhill Federation World Cup series downhill long boarding and street luge event is held there.





From yer ...

We Need S.T.E.A.M. Back

We need shared unity and learning

c.o.e. - 181

One event that *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* used to host was Seminars To Educate And Motivate. (S.T.E.A.M.)

. . . another "last" year

It was a one-day gathering of members from all over the state where a motivational speaker was provided, then participants could break off to a variety of small sessions, covering topics such as leadership, officer training, event planning, public relations, legislative updates and training. The training was aimed at general membership, along with new chapter or state officers.

Members in the area where S.T.E.A.M. was held would often open up spare rooms in their homes so folks coming from greater distances could arrive a day early and not have to worry about long rides or drives coming and going. Some members turned the weekend into a mini-vacation, checking into a motel, hotel, or bedand-breakfast so they could explore the area while visiting.

But a number of years ago, the election of state officers was moved from December to October, the idea being that outgoing officers would have three months to train p their replacements.

Gradually S.T.E.A.M. began to lose it's momentum due to weather (it was held in February), necessity, location changes, personnel changes, and other factors. 2012 was the last year that Oregon A.B.A.T.E. held a S.T.E.A.M. event.

The value of S.T.E.A.M. was that it brought together our members from all over the state to share information and learn in an informal environment. It created a sense of state-wide unity, that we belonged to something greater than our individual chapters. We went home with a vision of where we needed to go and a sense of purpose.

That doesn't seem to be the case anymore.

Imagine trying to have a group ride where a destination was supplied, but no route. Add to that mix riders who didn't know how to ride motorcycles.

times (if at all) while the countryside would be littered with blood and guts and burning wreckage.

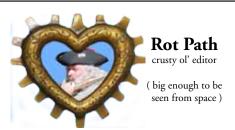
It feels like chapters are operating largely on their own, often with only a vague idea of their ultimate goal, going through the motions of holding meetings and putting on events. Members don't seem to feel that strong sense of overall organization unity, while people seem reluctant to volunteer for office or they flay around because they haven't received the training they need to confidently carry out the duties of elected office.

We need to reestablish S.T.E.A.M. and we need to begin planning it now.

No putting it off until the October planning session.

Create a committee at the February state board meeting (weather permitting), decide when and where to hold S.T.E.A.M., then secure a venue by the March meeting.

Schedule a speaker who can teach You'd have folks arriving at different us the fundamental principles of lead-



ership. (Have a backup speaker arranged.)

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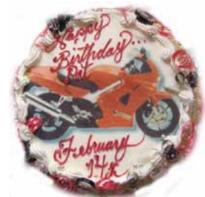
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Begin circulating fliers several months before S.T.E.A.M. so people have time to plan for attending.

Reestablishing S.T.E.A.M. is going to strengthen Oregon A.B.A.T.E. while refocusing our efforts towards more effective action.



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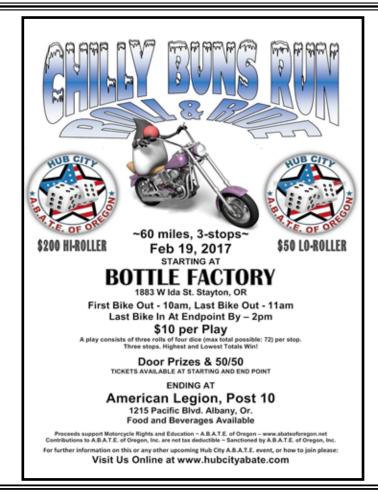
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A.M.A. Objects To 100% Tariff On European Bikes

The American Motorcyclist Association strongly objects to a federal agency's attempt to tack a 100 per cent or higher tariff on motorcycles made in Europe as part of a trade battle over hormones in U.S. beef.

The office of United States trade representative requested comments on December 28th regarding its proposal to include tariffs on motorcycles with an engine size between 51 cc and 500 cc imported from the European Union.

The A.M.A. opposes the proposed tariff, because trade disputes residing within the boundaries of the agricultural industry should not be solved with trade sanctions levied against non-agricultural products.

"There is no logical link between motorcycles and beef," said Wayne Allard, A.M.A. vice-president of government relations. "It is absurd to even consider such a move."

The office of the U.S. representative is responsible developing and coordinating international trade, commodity, and direct investment policy, and overseeing negotiations with other countries. The head of U.S.T.R. is the U.S. trade representative, a cabinet member who serves as the president's principal trade adviser, negotiator, and spokesperson on trade issues.

If the agency enacts this motorcycle tariff, serious and potentially irreversible harm will be done to American small and medium-sized business owners selling the vehicles, and to American families who buy these motorcycles for commuting and outdoor recreation.

"Should the availability of motorcycles be hindered by these unjustified trade sanctions, dealerships may close, leaving countless Americans without jobs," Allard said. "The negative effects of the proposed sanctions will not only harm the motorcycle sales industry, but will spread through the aftermarket equipment sector, recreation equipment sales, the sports entertainment industry and further down the line."

Affected manufacturers include Aprilla, Beta. B.M.W, Ducati, Fantic, Gas Gas, Husqvarna, K.T.M., Montesa, Piaggio, Scorpa, Sherco, T.M., and Vespa.

The same agency tried the same tactic in 2008, but the effort was thwarted when the A.M.A., the Motorcycle Industry Council, along with bike manufacturers and retailers rallied motorcyclists against the plan. At that time, the U.S. trade representative instead raised the tariff on a variety of European food products.



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Motorcycle Riders Foundation

M.R.F. Releases Its 2017 Legislative Agenda



This week the *Motorcycle Riders* Foundation (M.R.F.) released its 2017 legislative agenda to its members. As a direct result of the commentary and discussion from attendees at the legislative strategy session held at the annual Meeting of the Minds, this exercise establishes the M.R.F.'s federal legislative agenda for the upcoming year.

"Our legislative agenda, which is determined by our members each year, ensures that the M.R.F. is laser-focused on those issues important to motorcyclists nationwide," said president Kirk "Hardtail" Willard. "Our network of volunteers and staff are some of the most talented and influential in the world of motorcycle rights, and we look forward to working with president-elect Trump, his administration and our senate and house leaders in identifying legislation that will

enhance the motorcycle lifestyle and community."

The M.R.F.'s legislative agenda showcases the diverse range of interests that the organization advocates on behalf of each year, with issues impacting independent riders, state motorcycle rights organizations, motorcycle and riding clubs, and others in this diverse community. In addition, the agenda prioritizes aggressive campaigns to combat government overreach with a particular emphasis on the Environmental Protection Agency and other state environment agencies whose policies adversely impact the motorcycle parts and after market industry.

To learn more about the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* and its 2017 legislative agenda, contact Megan Ekstrom, vice-president of government affairs and public relations at: **Megan@mrf.org**

Motorcyclists Underrepresented On Motorcyclist Advisory Council

Motorcyclists across the country were discouraged to find out that the *Federal Highway Administration* (*F.H.A.*) will only require one motorcyclist to serve on an advisory council supposedly dedicated to representing those who ride.

The motorcyclist advisory council (M.A.C.), a newly reestablished group, is supposed to serve and advise the *F.H.A.* on issues critical to motorcyclists across the nation. By design, the M.A.C. would allow motorcyclists the opportunity to discuss how they are affected by roadway design, barriers, construction, and the emergence of intelligent transportation systems like driverless vehicles.

However, according to a notice in

the *Federal Register*, the council is instead requiring participants with safety and engineering backgrounds and only indicating room for one representative from the motorcycling community.

The M.A.C. of the Past

original motorcyclist advisory council was established in a 2005 highway bill. The 2005 legislation called for the administrator of the F.H.A. to have a dialogue with the motorcycle community on infrastructure issues of concern to motorcyclists. The council had ten members consisting representatives from motorcycling community as well as individuals with professional expertise in national motorcyclist safety.

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According to the 2005 regulation, four of the ten council members were to include members of the motorcycling community from various state and federal motorcycle associations. The other six members would serve to provide the necessary technical expertise related to roadway design, safety, and other issues.

However, in 2009 the highway bill expired and along with it, so did the council. Motorcyclists were disheartened. The M.A.C. was the only official forum they had to express to authorities at the department of transportation the issues they faced on the road. That's why when the council was reestablished in 2016, it was viewed as a positive development to once again open a dialogue between government officials and motorcyclists across the nation.

A Short-Lived Celebration

Though motorcyclists applauded congress for reestablishing the council, this positivity was short-lived.

This week, the *F.H.A.* announced plans to officially open nominations for participants to serve on the newly reestablished council.

The council would again consist of ten members. However unlike in 2005, only one representative from a motorcycle association will be required to serve. Many balked including Kirk "Hardtail" Willard, president of the board of directors for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*:

"Despite our best efforts to ensure the motorcycle community had a seat at the table, the F.H.A. has dismissed our concerns and efforts instead emphasizing council

members with safety and engineering backgrounds without any experience actually riding a motorcycle. Including only one motorcyclist in this group is not only imbalanced, unfair, and contrary to the mission of the M.A.C., but it defeats the entire purpose of the council. The M.A.C. was supposed to carry the voice of motorcyclists. Having only one member as an actual motorcyclist will render this council ineffective."

Dozens of members of congress appeared to agree with Willard. Over the summer a letter was sent to the *F.H.A.* encouraging them to adopt similar language as the 2005 *M.A.C.* which included at least four motorcyclists in the panel of ten. It appears this letter was largely ignored by the *F.H.A.*

The *F.H.A.* remains supportive of the council and its approach to its participants going forward indicating that technical expertise was necessary to ensure the *M.A.C.* is able to fulfill its charter. The notice from the agency also indicated that all meetings of the *M.A.C.* would be public, therefore allowing others to speak in support or against of the council's activities.

Nonetheless, the motorcycle displeased. community remains Lobbyist for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, Megan Ekstrom said, "It's unfortunate that the F.H.A. is choosing to move forward with a motorcyclist advisory council that will not be representative of actual motorcyclists. There are over ten million bikers on the road in the U.S. and those numbers are increasing. This community is desperate to have a dialogue with the administration and yet, their requests have fallen on deaf ears. This is a perfect example of the government 'knowing what's best' for a diverse community with a unique set of needs. It's a travesty that none of this will be represented in this so-called motorcyclist' advisory council."

Nominations to serve on the council are due at the end of February.

R.P.M. Act Surfaces In 115th Congress

For the amateur racing industry, the year started out on a strong note. One of the first bills to be introduced in the newly indoctrinated 115th session of congress was the *Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act* of 2017. (*R.P.M. Act*)

U.S. representative Patrick McHenry (R-NC) reintroduced HR—350 which protects U.S. citizens' right to modify street cars and motorcycles into dedicated race vehicles and industry's right to sell the parts that enable racers to compete.

The same measure was introduced during the last legislative session and though it ultimately didn't see floor time, it had broad bipartisan support with over 100 supporters in the house of representatives and dozens in the U.S. senate.

This year, HR-350 started out with sixty-one cosponsors, with those numbers already increasing as additional supporters begin to sign on.

Representative McHenry released a statement with the introduction of the bill saying, "Last year, I was proud to lead the fight against the misguided E.P.A. regulation targeting racing, but our work is not done," said the congressman. "In the coming months, I look forward to working with my colleagues in congress and the new

administration to ensure the R.P.M. Act becomes [a regulation]."

The *R.P.M.* Act came to fruition after the E.P.A. proposed a rule to establish phase 2 regulations for greenhouse gas (G.H.G.) emissions in 2015.

Within the 625-page rule making was one sentence that would have the effect of banning any conversion of street automobiles or motorcycles into racing vehicles. The language pertaining to race-modified street vehicles and motorcycles was included seemingly at random within a huge proposal having to do with cutting emissions from heavy and medium-duty trucks. However, it would effectively outlaw part of the amateur car and motorcycle racing industry.

In April of 2016, the *E.P.A.* announced that, under pressure from congress, it would drop the language from its proposed regulations.

However, despite the *E.P.A.*'s announcement, spokespersons from the agency are still stating that the clarification does not affect *E.P.A.*'s enforcement authority. This shows the clear intent of the *E.P.A.* to attempt to overstep its bounds, as outlined by the *Clean Air Act*, in an effort to strip motorcyclists of the rights to modify their motorcycles as they see fit.

Supporters of the *R.P.M.* Act will provide clarity to industry and enthusiasts that the *Clean Air Act* allows motor vehicles, including motorcycles, to be converted into dedicated race vehicles.

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compiled and edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists





New Year, Renewed Efforts In D.C.

With the 114th congress adjourned, and a new congressional session that began in January, some federal bills that motorcyclists have been advocating will expire and need to be reintroduced.

• House resolution–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 National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.) is working with other state and national motorcycle organizations address profiling legislatively. And with Washington state enacting the first anti-profiling regulation in 2011, followed by Maryland this year, a national motorcycle antiprofiling measure would advance the efforts in every state to prevent discriminatory enforcement.

• HR–4715 and S–2659, the R.P.M. Act (Recognizing the Protection of Motorsports Act of 2016), would ensure that the American tradition of modifying vehicles into dedicated racetrack competitors is not only continued for today, but will be protected for future generations of race fans as well.

Although the federal E.P.A. bowed to political pressure and public outcry this past April by removing provisions from proposed regulations that would prohibited have street-legal

vehicles, including motorcycles, from being modified for racing, members of both chambers of congress have introduced bipartisan legislation to protect the sport of racing by blocking the E.P.A. from over-regulating the industry and ensuring that it remains legal to convert street legal motor vehicles for racing purposes.

- Responding to the controversy over the proliferation of E15 fuel, which is not approved for use by any motorcycle manufacturer and can invalidate warranties, congress is considering HR-5108 (the Food and Fuel Consumer Protection Act of 2016) "to alleviate the ethanol blend wall under the renewable fuel program." Specifically, the bipartisan bill would cap the ethanol content of fuel at 9.7%, and would also affect the E.P.A.'s renewable volume obligations under renewable fuel standard.
- In January, congress banned the use of federal funds for controversial motorcycle-only checkpoints as part of a \$305 billion highway bill called the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (F.A.S.T.) Act, as well as allocating more than \$4 million towards motorcycle safety programs.

Going forward into the next congress and an all new administration bikers must work to protect those advancements we've already made.

New Vehicles Required To Talk To Each Other

[So, it's okay for cars to text each other while driving, but not humans -- c.o.e.]

U.S. auto-safety regulators have proposed new rules requiring automakers adopt to crashavoidance technology that allows all new vehicles to communicate with each other, a move that could help accelerate the development of self-driving cars.

The requirement of so-called vehicle-to-vehicle connectivity (V2V) on all consumer vehicles within the next five years is viewed as central to the development of a new age of cars that can avoid crashes by wirelessly monitoring each other.

V2V technology uses shortrange radio communication to allow vehicles to identify each other's speed, location, direction, and acceleration or braking, within a radius of about 1,000 feet. (300 meters)

The move marks a concrete step by the national highway traffic safety administration (N.H.T.S.A.) toward its goal of eliminating roadway deaths within thirty year. Agency officials told *USA Today* that vehicle-to-vehicle and vehicleto-infrastructure technology could eliminate or greatly reduce the seriousness of up to 80% of crashes that don't involve driver impairment.

N.H.T.S.A. pledges that the new technology would not divulge any personal information regarding drivers.

Europeans To Test Autonomous Cars With Motorcycles

Vehicle authorities will cooperate European motorcyclists' with organizations to conduct their own test program with different brands of semi-autonomous cars. "The Dutch are authorizing further testing to see if these 'semi-autonomous' cars can operate safely with motorcycles on the road," says Oregon A.I.M. (Aid *Motorcyclists*) Injured and C.O.C. (Confederation of Clubs) attorney Sam Hochberg, who alerted N.C.O.M. about this important issue here and abroad. "This is going to be a real issue here in the U.S.A. in the not-toodistant future."

In response to a letter motorcyclists' organizations F.E.M.A. (Federation of European Associations). *Motorcyclists* M.A.G. NL (Motorcycle Action *Group* – Netherlands) and *K.N.M.V.* (Dutch Motorcycle Association) sent to R.D.W., with regard to the European type approval of the Tesla by R.D.W., a meeting took place recently where the motorcyclists worries were addressed. (R.D.W. is the Netherlands vehicle authority that issued the European type approval for *Tesla*.)

A driver of a *Tesla* (and other advanced cars) can leave key actions to the vehicle itself, while in the opinion of the motorcyclists' organizations this equipment is not sufficiently tested with motorcycles.

In the discussion about the concerns that motorcyclists have with admitting semi-autonomous vehicles on the roads, it soon became clear that many of the concerns of the motorcyclists' community are shared by R.D.W.

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R.D.W. proposes, in cooperation with the motorcyclists' organizations, to conduct their own test program with different brands of cars with advanced driver assistance systems. *R.D.W.* also believes (as do the riders) that testing with motorcycles should be part of the test protocol for European type approval.

Dolf Willigers, general secretary of F.E.M.A. observed, "We are very pleased with the outcome of this first meeting with the experts of R.D.W.. We are going to act together and we will see in the field tests to which extent the technique takes motorcyclists into account."

Anti-Mask Regs Used Against Bandanas

During the Confederation of Clubs (C.O.C.) meeting at the N.C.O.M. Region I Seminar in Irvine, California during November, as an example of discriminatory profiling, attendees were notified of motorcyclists in Louisiana who have allegedly been arrested for wearing bandanas over their faces while riding because police claim that covering your face in public violates the state's anti-mask regulation against concealing your identity.

According to Louisiana statute (LSA-R.S. 14:313) – "No person shall use or wear in any public place of any character whatsoever, or in any open place in view thereof, a hood or mask, or anything in the nature of either, or any facial disguise of any kind or description, calculated to conceal or hide the identity of the person or to prevent his being readily recognized... Whoever violates this section shall be imprisoned for not less than six months nor more than three years."

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It was further noted that many states have similar anti-mask regulations on the books, so be aware.

[Heads up kids, halloween is canceled. -- c.o.e.]

The Twin Peaks Ambush

On the fateful day of May 17, 2015, hundreds of motorcyclists and rights activists met in Waco, Texas to discuss current events and motorcyclist rights issues at a meeting of the Texas *Confederation of Clubs and Independents*. (C.O.C.&I.) Many subsequently had their lives changed forever.

Nine people died, another seventeen were injured that day after police opened fire on the gathering.

Before the dust settled, 192 people were arrested, and charged with cookie cutter charges of participation in organized crime and held on \$1 million bail each.

Ultimately 106 were indicted on felony charges of "engaging in organized criminal activity."

A recent post from Easyriders Scuttlebutt announces that Donald Charles Davis, who runs the popular Aging Rebel biker news site "has penned this interesting book entitled "The Twin Peaks Ambush: A True Story About The Press, The Police And The Last American Outlaws", including far reaching interviews with people who were there on the scene, and attempts to make sense of it all. (A tall order.)

He has done a good service, and we recommend the book to anyone who has an open mind and a heart.

Bikers lives do matter."

Weird News

Witchdoctor Summons Bees To Stop Motorcycle Thief

Local news reports from Mbooni, Makueni in Kenya claim that a motorcyclist has managed to recover his bike from a thief after asking the local witchdoctor for help.

The witchdoctor allegedly contacted a large swarm of bees that had already begun to invade a local market, and sent them to track down the stolen motorcycle instead.

According to **motofire.com**, the spell worked, and the thief is said to have run off for dear life as the bees began settling onto the yoke and tank of the bike, as depicted in photographs of the scene.

The reports then go on to suggest that the bees "also protected the bike from any further interruption for over half an hour until the owner could arrive, who then took his motorcycle home."

Some say the swarm was merely an act of nature and nothing supernatural at all. Assistant chief Patrick Mwanzia said that the swarm simply arrived after the queen of the hive got stuck within the bike's handlebars. And, in fact, "a similar incident had happened just days before when another bike was covered in a swarm for over two hours"

But how does that explain how the queen bee just happened to get stuck in that particular stolen bike?

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

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-- James Niece secretary Southeast Portland Chapter









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Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	Λ						X		L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton					X		
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		Coast area									Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City					X		X
Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay			X		X				Michael Boggs	(541)-367-0728	Sweet Home		X	X	X		X	X
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X					X		٦.	T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X				X
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay		Х	X	X		X		\cup	Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X			X	X		X
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside	v	v	X	v	X	v		4	Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)				X		X	X	X
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	Х	X	X	X			1 /		Corvallis							
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X			Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X		X	
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X		X			Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X		Χ	
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point						X			Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X		X
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609	,		\mathbf{X}		X		X			Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille			X		X	X			~ ~ .		Corvallis							
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		1	Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield		X				X	
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/					X			Х	Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea		X				X	
		Myrtle Point									Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X			X			X
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay					X				Michael, Peggy Schneider		Eugene		X	X		X	X	X
	Washingt	on County a	area								Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X	37		X
Mike Darneille					X				X		Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X		X
Paul Hering	345		X	X	X				X		D 41		Oregon area		3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503)-649-7344			X					X		Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X		Х		X	
Gordon Sahnow			X						X		Judi Berglin	(541)–272–7505	Medford	3.7	37	X	37	X	37	X
Ted and Jill Tracy	(503)-819-8113		X		X	X			X		Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	Х			X	
Ed, Tina Vaughn	(503)-nnn-nnnn		Х		Х	X	Х	X			Rock On	(541)-459-3541	I-C-		v	v	X X		X	
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625			X					X		Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo		Λ	Λ	Λ	Λ	Λ	Λ
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Dick Edmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie			X X	Х			X	X	Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond			v	X			
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland			X			X			Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend	Λ	X	X	Λ	Λ		
Roy Kirk Ken Mortallero	(503)-653-0183 (503)-860-2793	Portland Portland		X	Λ		X X		X		Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X			X	x	хх
James Niece	(503)-860-2/93	Portland	Y		Y	X			X		Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X				X	21	71 /1
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada				X		X			David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond	21		X		X		X
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland	71			X					Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X		X	X	X		X
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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

Member's Classified Advertisments

For Sale

For Sale

For Sale

Lost

... my heart to riding motorcycles.

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.

Just think ...

Your ad could be here.

Or here.

(Free for memebrs)

news@abateoforegon.net

Label permanently fastened inside? (YES) (NO)

Found

... they didn't expect chocolate.

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.)

MODEL:

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES

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

Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play.

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 motorcycists get pulled over - prevent profiling and harassment)

The form can be filled out on-line at: http:				home	
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PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: H	ELMET / OTHER (specify)				
CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO F	OR: HELMET / OTHER (specify)				
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COURT LOCATION: city / county:					
NY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED A	T THE SAME TIME? LIST:				
F THERE WERE ANY CRIMINAL (CHARGES (not infractions), SPEC	XIFY:			
ou should IMMEDIATELY obtain	LEGAL ADVICE if you were cha	arged with a crime.			
Did officer follow normal traffic laws	in making the stop? (YES) (NO)			
f no explain:					
Did officer treat you fairly and respe	ctfully? (YES) (NO) If no expla	in:			
Vas your helmet confiscated? YES					
Were you given an explanation on lift verbal, describe:		NO) If YES was the	explanation? WRI	TTEN VER	BAL BOTH
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DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

Carl Earl

Quartermaster

Legislative director

BikePAC representative

Pat Allen, Mike Friend

M.R.F. representative

Paul Hering, Gene Mortimore

< Position open and available for you >

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< Position open and available for you > Confederation of Clubs representative

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. State Officers For Calendar Year 2017

[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]		Ü	
Cindy Witmer	(360)-560-6403	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 (pro tem)			NOTICE
Karen Tolle	(541)-660-8730	auditor@abateoforegon.net	>>> NOTICE <<<
Newspaper editor			
Rot Path	(503)–838–6893 (c)	news@abateoforegon.net	Newly elected chapter and state
Sgt-at-arms (north)			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	SergeantNorth@abateoforegon.net	officers are invited to attend the
Sgt-at-arms (south)			Jaunary 2017 state board meeting
Diana Nicolay		SergeantSouth@abateoforegon.net	at Ciddici's Pizza in downtown
Sgt-at-arms (east)			Albany, Oregon. (133 SE 5th
Steve Bishop	(541)-980-7017	SergeantEast@abateoforegon.net	
Products director			avenue) The meeting begins at
< Position open and available for you >		products@abateoforegon.net	noon.
Education director			This will be an excellent time
Geoff White		Education@abateoforegon.net	
Public relations			and place to ask questions about
< Position open and available for you >	(aaa)–ppp–nnnn	pr@abateoforegon.net	your job and receive answers from
Fossil coordinator			experienced people who know
Rick Prentice	(541)-980-4230	Fossil@abateoforegon.net	how Oregon A.B.A.T.E. works.
Swap meet coordinator			
Todd Sahlberg	(541)-821-2252	SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net	Come early and enjoy great
Historian			pizza with wonderful people.
Teresa Hepker	(541)-965-2701	Historian@abateoforegon.net	(Like your own fine self.)
Web page editor			
0.15.1	(502) 225 (022	1 0 1 6	

webmaster@abateoforegon.net

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(503)-313-7129

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(541)-659-8715

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(Return address) CHANGE OF ADDRESS ^-- fold along this line --^ DON'T FER-GET YER STAMF

> (state membership secretary notes) Chapter: Renewal? New member ? Membership # Patch Received? No

NEW ADDRESS:

NAME:

Please send completed application

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

97208

Membership

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:

ZIP CODE:

STATE:

SIGNATURE:

* Single, couple, 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

** Sustaining member :

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

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number of members t	type	one year	two years	three years	five years		
	Single*	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125	(please circle desired	Total members:
	Couple* (Includes couple. Add				\$200	duration of membership.)	Date paid:
	Sustaining** (Includes name printed	\$100 d in state ne	\$190 wspaper.)	\$280	\$450	12015)	A.B.A.1.B.

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

Life*

(Individuals only. Join second chapter for \$5 per year.)

Comments:



Washington County 1930 (7:30 pm)

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Date:

19 Feb 2017

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Have A Smart Phone?

(Or a reasonably intelligent

communications device ?

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Event / sponsor:

Chilly Buns Run / Hub City

Mar 2017 1 2 3 4
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Location:

Stayton

State BOARD MEETING Saturday, 11 Feb 2017

next

new moon

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1200 (noon) – Ciddici's Pizza 133 SE Fifth avenue–Albany, Oregon 1100 = Budget meeting

~ 2 p.m. – Treasurers' meeting

A biker thought she would play cupid, But some riders can be quite stupid, The object of her love, Had the brains of a dove,

The whole thing left her really poop-ed.

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2017 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS (boldface indicates state-sanctioned Oregon A.B.A.T.E. events)

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BN = **B**iker **N**ight

Contact phone:

PR = Poker Run

QR code for Oregon	18 Mar 2017	Biker Casino Night / Hub City	Albany
A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:	18 Mar 2017	Food drive delivery / SE-PDX	
	Apr 2017	State Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE	Hillsboro
A.B.A.T.E.	22 Apr 2017	Spring Fever / North Coast	
A.D.A.I.E.	29, 30 Apr 2017	Southern Oregon Swap Meet	
	06 May 2017	May Motorcycle Awareness Day	Salem
	06 May 2017	Southern Oregon Motorcycle Awareness Day	Grants Pass
心灵经过 分处表	13 May 2017	Yer Mother's Poker Run / SE-PDX	
667	May 2017	40 th Annual Fossil Campout / Oregon ABATE	Fossil, Oregon
	24 June 2017	Around Saddle Mountain / North Coast	
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	21 Aug 2017-1015	Total solar eclipse	Oregon
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:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Kelly D's; 1012 SE Cleveland; Bend	(541)–ppp–nnnn

Chapter: Day: Central Oregon (CentOr) 2nd Sund 4th Thursday 1800 (6 p.m.) Round Table Pizza; 2040 NW Stewart parkway; Roseburg (541)-ppp-nnnn Douglas County (DC) Hub City (HC) 3rd Thursday 1900 (7 p.m.) Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth avenue; Albany (541) - 928 - 2536(individual members agree on where and when they meet) Indian Creek (IC) [members-at-large] Jackson County (JackCo) 3rd Thursday 1800 (6 p.m.) Witham's Truck Stop Restaurant; Medford (541)-Josephine County (JoCo) 3rd Wednesday 1830 (6:30 p.m.) Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass (541)-659-8715 Spanky 1830 (6:30 p.m.) (541)-265-9017Lincoln County (LinCo) 3rd Tuesday American Legion hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport 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 Sunday 1200 (noon) M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham (503)-723-6013 chapter Washington County (WaCo) 2nd & 4th Mon 1930 (7:30 p.m.) Prime Time Restaurant; 4450 Pacific avenue; Forest Grove (503) - 357 - 3684