

April is *Appreciate Yer Crusty Ol' Editor Month*. No, it's not an official designation, the governor doesn't read a proclamation, and it doesn't mean you have to place offerings of chocolate before c.o.e. at the next state board meeting.

It just means that every report and article for the April issue is printed as received — no formatting, no spell checking, no cleaning up errors and mistakes. It's a matter



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(as foolishness)

The Monthly Rag

Promoting motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty

Let those who ride decide

of taking the concept of "April Fools!" and extending it to the entire month. (And it reduces c.o.e.'s workload once a year.)

As it happens, it also demonstrates how much goes on behind the scenes the rest of the year to bring you a quality and professional

publication that instills pride in members and can also be used to recruit new members and sway elected officials to support our efforts.

By extension, we have officers and volunteers at the chapter and state levels who toil on our behalf

throughout the year, often without having their efforts recognized. We all need to pause and consider what people are doing for us, then thank them frequently so they and what they're doing. Lee Austin and the *Southeast Portland Chapter* often give out certificates to members who are putting in extra effort on behalf of the organization. That's a good example that all of us could follow.

Lirpa 2009

be a clever person, scan the pictures into *PhotoShop*, then follow the *Jet Propulsion Laboratory* guidelines for creating a three dimensional image.

These two photographs can be viewed as a three-dimensional im-



age. Hold photos in well lit area and focus your eyes beyond the page. Slowly and slightly cross your eyes until you can see a third image between the two photos. This will be the 3-D image. You may need to vary the distance of the page from your eyes to experience the three dimensional effect, but when you do, you'll be able to move your head

slightly to see the image shift. If you can't get it to work for you, find or

>>> **MISSION STATEMENT** <<<

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

On Wednesday, March 4, 2009, The United States House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce passed legislation that would make it illegal for insurance providers to exploit what is known as the "source of injury exclusion" loophole; reports the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

On that day the committee chaired by US Representative Henry Waxman considered 10 bills that had passed the House with bipartisan support in the 110th Congress. Under a motion those bills were ordered favorably reported to the House by unanimous consent.

Under current law, insurance providers can refuse to pay for treatment of an injury based solely on the source of the injury. Simply by pointing to the "source of injury" law, no prior notice of possible denial of benefits for that source of injury is required.

Sources of injury that can be used as a

reason by insurance providers to refuse payment of medical bills include motorcycling, snow skiing, ATVs and horseback riding.

According to HR 1253, known as the Health Insurance Source of Injury Clarification Act, if an insurance provider wants to be able to put limitations on payment for an injury from a specific source they must meet the following requirements.

- * "Make such limitations and restrictions explicit and clear;"
- * "If part of a group plan, must be disclosed to plan sponsor in advance of the point of sale of plan;"
- * "The plan sponsor and issuer of health insurance coverage provide a description that is easily understandable to the participant prior to enrollment."

To summarize the legalese, your health

insurance provider can limit payment for an injury sustained on a motorcycle so long as it is spelled out to you in simple terms well in advance of you joining the plan.

Closing the loophole entirely and mandating that insurance companies must cover all injuries sustained while operating a legal motorcycle is still the ultimate goal of the MRF. HR 1253 puts Congress on record that this issue needs attention and is willing to work on it.

since February 2009 no longer have the PDF files on them. In ver server capacity by a web site master, so hopefully we have exceeded his allowed files have been forwarded to the state web site. Some time in the future, news is that the information on his web site is that the issues of the state newstrags

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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 newsmagazine. 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 H.R.3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet laws.

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 of *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 law 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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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- A A
Single entity.
- B BROTHERHOOD
The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
- A AGAINST
In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
- T 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.
- E ENACTMENTS
To make into law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.

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State Coordinator's Comments

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Jordan Kelley
state coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of
Oregon, Inc.

And I still probably didn't say it enough. Please remember "Actions Speak Louder Than Words" Being there and showing you care about your rights and what the legislature is doing, goes much farther than whining to your buddies over beer. And maybe, just maybe, if we all show up and let them know we won't sit quietly by while they take our rights, the only whining you will have to do is about the weather. If you haven't heard HB2186 is set to remove your right to choose any equipment not provided by the Manufacturer of your vehicle, be that motorcycle or cage. And this goes right down to the tires on your ride. So if you are

comfortable with the DEQ telling you what tires, oil, grade of fuel, exhaust, spark plug wires, etc. you can have on your bike, or car, than you probably need to go to the Rally. On the other hand if you do care, and you want to have a really good time, come on down! BikePAC has arranged for a staging area outside of town so we can keep a steady, and orderly! stream of bikes rolling though the capitol from about 10 am on. They are also getting vendors for food and and music down there for us as well. Hey, maybe they will see what good time we have and join us and see what kind freedom we are working for. Be there or be there!

"Rightful liberty is unobstructed action according to our will within limits drawn around us by the equal rights of others. I do not add 'within the limits of the law' because law is often but the tyrant's will, and always so when it violates the rights of the individual."
— Thomas Jefferson

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports Central Oregon

We Still have snow on the ground and the Sun pops out every now and again as a teaser. By the time you read this we should have voted on moving our meeting place to the Northside Bar & Grill. 62860 Boyd Acres Road, Bend, OR 97701, Phone 541-383-0889. It's time for a change. The next meeting will be held on April 19th, 2009 due to Easter Sunday.

I have been thinking of having T-Shirts made for our MRF Run in June. A local Graphic Design Business that is in need of help has come up with some ideas. This will be our 1st year of having MRF Run T-Shirts. The MRF Run will be called R.O.A.R - Ride for your American Rights this year. We will also be planning a new route. The last route was getting old. Timbers South in Bend has offered to host all of us Bikers as the starting point in the morning. More to be announced as we get closer to the date.

We are gaining new member every



meeting. Now if we can get everyone to attend the meetings at the same time.... Hint Hint....We'd have an awesome turn out. So grab your fellow brothers & sisters and let's get this party started.

As we all know, Spring is in the air and the dogs are shedding. Summer is just around the corner. We need to check our Bikes. Now's the time to do it. Hopefully all the Bikes have been stored off the ground to alleviate flat spots on the tires and all the Trickle Chargers have been on. So let's all get ready to change our oil, do your safety checks and lube those cables, or "lube your rods" for some of us, and warm up those engines. The fun is about to begin.

Inclosing, let's plan to have a kick ass summer with our brothers &

sisters and my the bugs enjoy your toothpaste.

Animal
Central Oregon Coordinator

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE
2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)
Northside Bar & Grill
62860 Boyd Acres road
Bend, Oregon
POINT of CONTACT
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Michelle Williams (541)-977-4001
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Redmond OR 97756

Greetings from Douglas County where things are hoppin'. We have got some plans for the summer! Mark your calendars now for the Thundering Water Poker Run up the historic and beautiful North Umpqua River (with free BBQ at the end provided by Bikers for Christ) on July 19th.

We are also planning a series of Bike Nites, for local, fun rides.

April 17 - Pete's Drive In - Harvard Ave

May 29 - Black & Gold - Roseburg

June 19 - Co yote Jack's - Hwy 99 off exit 119

July 17 - Willie D's - Roseburg Town Center

August 21 - Johnny's Drive In - Winston

September 18 - Winchester Deli

October - Coyote Jack's (last one of the year)

Get there about 6pm and plan for a good time, 50/50, drawings, etc.

One more reminder for ABATE of Oregon founding member Mike Button and his wife Belva. Please

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



send up prayers and good thoughts for them as Mike is not doing well.

If you can, contributions to:

Mike & Belva Button
c/o Douglas County Abate
PO Box 501

Roseburg, Or 97470

Mike and Belva appreciate all the support they have had over the years.

Let's not forget them now, cards are always welcome.

Well, 29 degrees (brrr)in Eugene this morning, daylight savings time is here, looking forward to some warmer weather and more wind in my face. Get your last minute maintenance done and let's get ready to ride.

See you on the road (soon I hope),
Becky Garino

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-
ING TIME and PLACE**
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
Willie D's
443 S.E. Jackson street;
Roseburg (541)-672-5966
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports —

Hub City



Well the sunshine is coming, and with it, the 2009 riding season. This year's crew of officers has settled nicely into their new (and in some cases, old) positions. The meetings have started to crank up to their usual lively pace at Hub City and the ideas are flowing on how to accomplish our objectives this season in terms of both the legislative and involvement angles and those which keep us together as a family (riding and having fun!) Our Vice Coordinator Al has

already planted the seed for weekly "Friday-nighters" now that it is getting warmer and lighter out whereby any and all are invited to take a ride around the valley. Stay tuned at our meetings and our web site for updates there.

Our 8th Annual Poker Run will be June 6th starting out at Humpty's Dump in Albany where you will be given directions to the next legs from there as always. Last bike out at 11:00. Please see our flyer on our web site, the state web site, or in the monthly news mag

(thanks Rot Path!)

Our first big ride as a chapter will be the May Awareness Rally at the Capital on May 2nd. We traditionally have a large showing and a good time getting there and back – this year should be no exception so please join on this ride to show our legislators and other Oregon motorcyclists that we say what we mean and we mean what we say. BikePac and A.B.A.T.E. are shaking things up this year for the May rally to expand our day and how we have traditionally done things in the past. Please plan to attend.

If you live in the Albany area and have not been out to meet us yet, please join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Ciddici's pizza in downtown Albany for dinner and discussion. Topics range from motorcycle rights, awareness, education and how and where to ride in the area this year with the Hub City Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon. Your opinion (riders and non-riders) is appreciated and welcomed.

To get more info:
Our web site:
www.hubcityabate.com
Discussion forum:
www.oregonridersforum.com
Keep the rubbery parts on the pavement.
- Don(Coordinator, Hub City A.B.A.T.E.)

**HUB CITY MEETING TIME
and PLACE**
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 Fifth Street
Albany
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Garry Hastie (541)-967-7802
CHAPTER ADDRESS:
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Albany, OR 97321

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



A big reminder to everyone — meeting time has changed to 6:00 pm. Still on the 3rd Wednesday, still at the Fruitdale Grange.

There was no meeting in January. February there was a small meeting. Bad weather and no bike events during the winter tend to keep members at home. Upcoming events were discussed and calendars handed out. March meeting will be a potluck. It was discussed having a potluck every meeting since more members turn out for potlucks. Will discuss again at March meeting to see if more people agree.

It was agreed that our chapter will help support; the UBSO/MIAP Spaghetti dinner. It will be held at the Rogue River VFW on Apr 4th, 3pm

- 8pm. Leadfoot will perform. The dinner will raise money to help the MIAP escort three decorated vertans from the Sacramento CA and Phoenix AZ to Arlington Cemetary for proper vertans honors. During March and April we will be working with other groups and organizations to promote Motorcycle Awareness Month in May. Posters will be printed and distributed throughout the area to encourage participation at the May 2nd event in Salem.

May 3rd will be the May Poker Run. Usually one of the first runs or bike-riding events of the year. Starts at Herb's La Casita in Grants Pass, 9:00-10:30. About a two-hour ride. \$100 best hand, \$50 second best, and

something for worst hand. Raffles and 50/50 drawings.

Abate will host the 10th Annual Southern Oregon Swap Meet. May 29-31st at Touville Lodge. Vendors set up Friday noon-5pm. Open to the public Sat 9am-5pm and Sun 9am-noon. Church service on Sunday morning. Entry fee only \$2. At this low price, members pay same price as non members. Vendors can contact Pat Wine at 541-832-2219

Run to the Coast will be Aug 8th.; Ride from Grants Pass to Crescent City.

SOS is tentatively planned for Aug 21-23. Roseburg and Josephine County will work together on this once again.

Finishing up the year with the Last Chance Ride and BBQ on Sept 6th and the Annual Abate Toy Run on Sun, Oct 4th.

The Board is working hard to increase membership and all

current members are asked to invite a friend to the next meeting, and on the next ride. Warm weather is right around the corner. Local rides will start up again and we are looking forward to getting back out on the road. Hope to see you all out there soon.

Karen
Secretary

JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 3rd Wednesdays at 1800 (6 pm)
Fruitdale Grange
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 Grants Pass
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports **Lincoln County**



H owdy!

A we yes....April, hopefully bringing out the Fool and Easter Bunny in all of us.

S o sorry I can't think of much going on this month. Last month brought us 70 degree weather, the first day of Spring, and snow. Next month brings us Motorcycle Awareness Month, May Awareness Ralley at the State Capitol, Fossil, Memorial Day, and the Swap Meet. Please try to attend any or better yet all of these events.

W ould like to report on our L.J. Poker Run/ Anniversary Party, but as of press time they haven't happened yet.

R emember all Lincon Co members, and if you just happen to be in the neighborhood, meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month.

W ell, until next month,

Ride
Safe,

S hirley

LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 pm)
American Legion Hall Post 116
 424 W. Olive Street
 Newport
POINT of CONTACT
 Bob (541)-265-7586
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 P.O. Box 372
 South Beach, OR 97366

Call to Order-Willy Brown (Vice-Coordinator) called the meeting to order at approximately 2:35

Pledge
Moment of silence

Reading of the Minutes-Cindy Witmer read the minutes of the January meeting. It was motioned to accept the minutes

Officers Reports-

Coordinator-Absent but asked Willy to read a letter of thanks to all who helped at the crab feed.

Vice Coordinator-read the letter and commented on how well the crab feed went.

Treasurer-Bruce Holt reported that we know have some money in our account with the addition of the proceeds from the crab feed.

Membership Secretary-Eva Bridges reported that the state has us down for 36 members and with the 4 new we should be at 40. By the time this letter goes to press we have 43 members.

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

Lower Columbia



State Rep. - Could not attend the meeting due to the crab feed being held on the same day.

Committee Reports-

Crab feed- Many members praised the efficiency of the cleaning and the crew that worked the crab feed. You could hardly tell this was the very first one. Donnie responded that we would be able to continue to this annually. Phil Warnke thanked the members again from the crab committee for a job well done.

Poker Run- The committee is setting up the stops for the poker run. They are still looking for a place in

the Astoria area. They are going on a pre-trail run tomorrow February 22, 2009. Contact Laura Mohar for room at the Shilo in Seaside.

All of the stops for our first annual poker run have been established and flyers have been mailed around for distribution. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

I sure wish the snow would go away, they would sweep up the gravel and plug some pot holes.

Dave Bridges
Coordinator, LoCo

LOWER COLUMBIA

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Saturdays at 1430 (2:30 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

North Coast



Things are quiet on the North Coast front. Four chapter officers did make it to STEAM. I'm sure some knowledge was absorbed. The pig farmer from Iowa (Slider) was quite humorous, and had great insight on motorcycle crashes and how to give the crashees the best opportunity to survive. I even used some of the technique in my work first-aid classes.

Good Don is having run meetings in preparation for our summer runs. AROUND SADDLE MOUNTAIN is coming in June. We have revised our route for the first time in years basically in the interest of safety. Hopefully the Flyer will make this printing.

Also we will end at the Seaside American Legion, a larger and dryer venue. THE MIST MOUNTAIN RUN is always a work in progress, so expect surprises. Don't forget our meetings have been moved to the third Sunday, same place same time. Since our next meeting is on Easter Sunday, Don suggested we have a Bunny Run after the meeting, weather permitting. Use your imagination. Come to our next run meeting April 14 6:00 pm Taco Tuesday at the Astoria Moose, and throw in your two bits.

Dry Howie

Stay

NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

3rd Sunday at 1000 (10 am)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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Astoria, OR 97103

A.B.A.T.E. chapter report **River City**

February 17, 2009

ADDENDUM:

BikePAC legislative bill list in order of importance with Y (yew) or N (no) recommendation

N - HB 2554 - Vulnerable Road User Bill: Adds scooters, needs to add motorcycles to the bill as vulnerable users to get our support.

Y - HB 2499 - Adult Helmet Choice Restoration: Helmet use choice for those 21 and older.

Y - HB 2409 - Medical exemption from helmet use.

? - HB 2377, HB 2038 & SB 319 - All relating to distracted driving while using a mobile communication device.

N - HB 5549 - Increase in fees at DMV.

N - HB 2120 - Study of motor vehicle fuel taxes - To decide on changes to gas tax.

N - HB 2266 - A tracking bill that would allow law enforcement to plant a tracking device on your vehicle to track your movements without your permission or knowledge and without the need for a court order or approval.

? SB 124 - Increases the penalty for operating a motorcycle while unendorsed to \$720 .

Y - SB 125 - Education driver Training =

Yes only if MAP is added.
N - SB 369 - Defines "quadricycle" for purposes of Oregon Vehicle Code and creates offense of failure of operator to wear motorcycle helmet.
? - SB 345 - Directs ODOT to design graphic for motorcycle registration plates.
Y - SB 432 - Require discount from all insurance companies with proof of motorcycle training course.

We had some pretty good discussion of the legislative stuff tonight. It seems our own John Huffman is the sponsor of the Vulnerable Road Users bill, so let's write him a bunch of letters or call his office to get motorcycles added to this bill. Some of this stuff is pretty whacky dangerous, so speak out and let your opinion be heard.

Michael Hildreth would have won the membership drawing for \$10 if he had been present. No 50/50 tonight. Our highway cleanup is this Sunday. Come to our Poker Run in April to see how clean we keep it.

—
Brian

Maarch 3, 2009



Upcoming meetings

March 17, 2009 April 7, 2009

\$15 and donated it back to the Chapter. Bob won the 50/50 at \$8/\$8 and donated \$7 back to the Chapter. Thank you both.

—
Brian

COMMENTS

Tonight's meeting was small but lots of fun. People were in good moods what with Larry's birthday, Brian's layoff, Richard and Richard passing Team Oregon training and Bob was back to eating sugar. Larry led the meeting since Rick was at his grandpa's birthday party (90 or 91). We had all the usual reports. Check into HB 2186 which would regulate sales of aftermarket tires and is the tip of the iceberg of automaker monopoly.

Larry won the membership drawing for

RIVER CITY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm)
Roadstop Restaurant
2nd Street -- The Dalles

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Meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with 18 people in attendance. We had seven guests. Our current financial statement has \$570 in the bank.

We focused our discussion on upcoming legislation. On the federal level, H.R. 45 Blair-Holt is an attack on the second amendment and deserves your immediate attention. In the Oregon house HB 2120 Alternative fuel tax could raise the current tax up to 22cents per gallon. HB2409 medical exemption for helmet use, dead in committee, needs work on language. HB 2266 warrants for mobile tracking device. Cleans up language in existing law. The police can currently get a warrant to place a device on your vehicle but they do not have to inform you. Pay attention when you clean your bike. HB 2499 Adult choice of helmet use is sitting in the transportation committee. HB 2186 only allows OEM parts to be installed on your vehicle. HB2554 Vulnerable user bill. We have not made it on this one yet. On the senate side SB 124 increase fine for riding unendorsed

A.B.A.T.E. chapter report **Salem**



to \$720 passed and moved to the house. SB 369 creation of Quadracycle designation and training. These are not motorcycles as we know them. There are others that are of some interest. So far they will raise fees, raise fines, and get you nothing in return. Quiet GJMC

SALEM MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
Almost Home Restaurant
3310 Market Street, Salem

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter report **Southeast Portland**

Hello to all you good people,

I hope this finds you all safe and warm at home getting your bikes and senses in tune for the official opening of riding season. Yes folk's spring is here! This year that means while getting your bike ready to ride (for those who don't all year!); you need to be extra cautious of lingering road hazards. This winter has been a freakish one and as I sit and type this the snow is falling outside and on the roads. Springtime is fun with crisp clean air and long forgotten sun on your cheeks, the glint of freshly polished paint and chrome in your eyes. This winter has been harsh to say the least so with your spring outings be safe, be cautious and, be free.

The May Awareness Rally is near. Our Road Captain tells of plans for Big Thunder to the steps of the Capitol Building. Meet up to ride to Salem and meet up again to ride as 'One Massive Impending Issue' for our legislators, neighbors, friends and foe's to think of all year long.

Fossil is a week early this year. Or it seems to be!!!! Support the States official run. Let's not let Fossil become a fossil folks. The Fossil Campout was the first ABATE run I ever attended and one of my best memories ever. Do you remember your first Fossil? Did you have fun? Spread the word. Bring someone who has never been or someone who hasn't in years. Make new memories and expectations for next time.

Hey ya all have almost an extra month to clean out those garages, shops, and sheds. Make new shopping lists try on your leathers and see if all those holiday treats made ya need any alterations. The Spring Swap Meet isn't happening until the weekend after Fossil this year. Due to a scheduled deployment from the Portland Army. God Bless them and keep



them safe.

Our chapters 28th Anniversary Party will have come and gone by this printing. Thank you in advance to those who came in support and also to those who came for the canned food delivery that morning. More to come in the May report.

On our Canned Food Drive, on February 21st SE Chapter hosted its 2nd Annual Musicians Benefit. Thank you to everyone that made the time in that busy day to attend. STEAM and other happenings kept some away but all in all we had a good time. We were able to make a profit for the food drive account. Would like to say 'Thank you' to Sissy and her crew at the M&M for letting us host the benefit at her establishment. Eric Savage for an awesome solo set. My Brother JR Sims for his 'Burmin Texas Blues' (and bringing my sister home). The Yanks, who needs say more! Rooster and the Gillman, smooth as usual. Kerry Stickler and Marquee (god bless you Renee). Megan James (love the rock n roll!). Robb Elliott, who needs say more than the name! JBL sound for the professional..... Thankyou to those that helped out with the gate, with security and, the lot. The two little ones for the donation that made

fifty bucks at auction. Nora for that too!! Twin Rivers deserves a special one. We love you all and your 'Official A** Hole'.

One last note. Our chapter membership is down and keeps falling. I know the economy sucks and money is short in everyone's wallet. God I have seen moths fly from Turtles many a time!! Next time you need to get someone a gift, give one of an ABATE membership or renewal. Mothers Day and Fathers Day are both on there way. Bring a guest or a member who has been absent to the next meeting you attend. Attend another chapters meeting and encourage multiple chapter membership. Join another chapter and challenge them to join SE!!!

On membership, we have a progressive membership drawing at our chapter meetings. The last two chapter members who lost out on winning were: JOE ESTAS' FOR \$100.00 AND NANCY LAL FOR \$105.00. YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN THE DRAWING. BEING PRESENT ALSO HELPS YOU GET INFORMED INSPIRED AND WIN IN MORE WAYS THAN YOU EXPECT!!!

Love and Respect

Mammy Tami



S.E. Portland MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)

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

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter report **Twin Rivers**

Greetings from Twin Rivers. We had a very productive meeting today— we had 16 members and 1 guest. We would still like to see more members show up at the meetings. Even though he had just gotten out of the hospital a few days prior to the meeting, our coordinator Lee Austin still attended and ran the meeting in a show of dedication to the chapter—despite everybody telling him to stay home and recuperate. e are going to be holding our 1st annual Twin Rivers chapter anniversary party on Saturday, November 21st—a location and time have yet to be set. Now that spring is here, many of you who put your bikes away for the winter season are now getting ready to ride again, so remember to tune up your bike, change your oil, and make sure that your tires are in good condition so that you may have a safe and enjoyable ride. That's all for now untill next month.



KJ Brewer
secretary
Twin Rivers

TWIN RIVERS MEETING

TIME and PLACE

2nd and 4th Sunday at 1300 (1 pm)

Spare Room
NE 42 nd street -- Portland
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports **Washington County**

Spring is here, and the call of the road is too tempting to resist. Before you head out on your first ride to make up for the long, cold winter we've had, be sure to take a few extra minutes to do an in-depth pre-trip inspection. We all check the obvious things before each ride, right? But for those who don't ride daily through the winter, things can settle and need attention as you gear up for the season. Just some of the things that need to be checked are: tire condition and pressure, lights and turn signals, control cables, shocks, oil and other fluid levels, belts and chains, and of course the battery. Don't wait until the last minute to find an issue that could keep you sidelined while all your friends are out riding.

For those of you who missed STEAM, Slider Gilmore gave a fantastic presentation on first response at the scene of a motorcycle accident. Even those of us who've been certified in CPR and First Aid for years learned many things we'd never considered before. Whether you

ride or not, EVERYONE should know basic CPR and First Aid ~ you really never know when you could find yourself in a situation where your knowledge makes the difference in life or death for someone around you. For those who are not yet certified, our own Patricia Carner will be offering certification courses in the near future. Stay tuned for details.

Our first event of the year, the WaCo Birthday Party, is on Saturday, April 4th at the Hillsboro Elks Lodge. The theme is Mardi Gras, and Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers are playing so bring your dancing shoes! We'll have auction items, 50/50 and door prize drawings, balloon pop prizes, and more. See the flyer in this issue for more details. Big thanks to SE Portland Chapter for the donation of 2 tickets to Run 21, to be given away that night. These will be coveted prizes ~ we appreciate your generosity! Each chapter in Oregon has received two comp tickets to the birthday party. We hope to see you all there!



Check out our website for the latest news and information about Washington County Chapter: www.wacoabate.info.

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow

WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930 (7:30pm)
Prime Time Restaurant
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports **Willamette Valley A.B.A.T.E.**

Hello all! And welcome to the 2009 riding season with Willamette Valley Chapter! First a SHORT note...

It's been an interesting trip indeed since taking over the coordinator position – dealing with discontent and confusion over what exactly BikePAC is doing in the current session, getting a clear agreement about what it is they are pursuing on biker's behalf, and figuring how to breath some life back into it. Unfortunately, I've found that the problem lies not simply with BikePAC but as much with the biker community at large. It seems we've all lost some momentum. In the past month BikePAC has given us two clear objectives: The vulnerable user bill issue and the helmet issue... in that order. Our lobbyist will also be there to support or head off motorcycle related legislation that comes up as the session moves ahead. I was able to get this information, and a great deal about "position", from Wayne Schumacher directly. The next thing is to make BikePAC a viable information and promotion vehicle for all of us bikers out here with issues and concerns that need to be addressed. To do that they need money and support. That means getting the bikers back in the fold! And to do that, ABATE needs to MEAN something to the membership.

That brings me to what we at Willamette



Valley have chosen to do in the months (years) ahead: Bring back what was once a powerful and effective membership. It's time we had some FUN again! Seems pretty clear that to get some consensus, we need to get together! That is where common ground is found, and with that we will find our motivation and purpose. The first thing was to get a different meeting place – something Jeff has been pushing for a long time. Wendy found a great spot at Far Man's Restaurant and our first meeting had a huge turnout (37)! Matt Swartz brought an awesome, hand-made, foldout, picture and posting board that showed everyone what we once had and a place to post events to come. He also built some directional signs we can use for runs. Matt is our new Run Coordinator and sergeant at arms and is really jazzed to make things happen for us this summer. Then, Wendy suggested a little social gathering at Sharky's Pub and Grub. That, too, was a great success with as many as 35 to 40 people showing up. Thanks to the High Rollers for coming to visit as well! Lostein has some fantastic ideas for scrap-booking past and future chapter events, Sunny is in high gear

putting us back in touch with community service with some great runs supporting important causes such as Cancer survivors and child abuse, and Rod has resurrected our chapter web page with info, pics, run calendar, and links that rivals even the state's webpage! Wendy is still actively organizing our Rhody Run and both Casino Nights – our chapter's biggest money-makers. And, of course, there are all the other die-hards that have kept this chapter alive and who are determined to liven things up. Thanks to Rick and Lyn, Lonney and Anne, and Bob and Deb Lowell who've stuck with us all these years. Special thanks to Jeff for keeping the chapter afloat during its decline and taking on the vice-coordinator position in order to continue with his valuable input. And certainly we can't forget all the others who have already started coming back to the chapter, filled with hopes of reviving the old "family" and making the many newer members feel welcome and appreciated. This summer is filled with plenty of fun times: Summer Eruption, A "Bowling Run" up Willamette Highway, the Magical Mystery Run, Beaver Creek, plenty of Day rides, and many more of those great

Saturday afternoon social get-togethers. We're also putting together a "Cowboy Dinner Tree" Run and campout to the Christmas Valley area in late August! (Matt is definitely on a roll!!!). Show up, enjoy, and be a part of this great chapter! We need each other.

Michael

WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Far Man Restaurant and Bar
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Our Officers at Work

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

14 March 2009 – Eagles' Lodge; Albany, Oregon

Meeting was called to order by Jordan Kelley, Coordinator, at 12:07pm with 11 of 13 Chapters represented. All Chapters present were eligible to vote. Absent Chapters – Josephine County, Twin Rivers.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for downed Brothers/Sisters and Service men/women. Jordan reminded everyone that just because we do not know whether any of our brother and sisters are down, their absence from this meeting does not mean that they are okay. We need to remember everyone in our organization. Lee Austin is having serious health issues right now.

Randy Phipps also just returned home from the hospital.

Guests and First Time attendees: Douglas County Chapter Rep.

Tonia Judd

Motion made by Bob Highfill, Lincoln County Chapter, to accept minutes from February 14th State Board meeting as printed in the Newsmagazine, Mike Durkee, Central Oregon Chapter, seconded the motion. Motion passed
Coordinator Comments: Jordan Kelley – Reported that Pat Williams is now 2nd on the list for her transplant. She has to stay within 1 hour of the VA hospital in Portland and won't be at the meetings for a while. There isn't a meeting till June of the CoC so there is not a problem. Everyone remember her. There was a hat passed to help her with expenses. (the hat after the meeting contained \$61.36. Gunny won the BikePAC 50/50 of \$4, which he donated to the hat also) Jordan reported that if you missed STEAM then you really missed out. Slider Gilmore was amazing and had great information. The information on what to do when you come to an accident scene was great and very important. This was a great way to get motivated towards saving the lives of our brothers and sisters. Sam Hochberg spoke on the need for being sure of your coverage in case of a motorcycle accident. The average

bill for an auto driver is about \$38,000, while a motorcycle is around \$74,000. A few extra dollars spent on higher limits could save you a lot in medical bills. Secretary Report & Correspondence: There are some periodicals for anyone that wants to see what the rest of the country is up to. There was an email that Jordan spoke on regarding the Motorbooks company. A company that wants us to buy books from them on motorcycle repairs and more and then we can sell them as a fundraiser. It was decided that Nic should bring in the book that he has for people to look before any decision is made.

Nic read a letter from the City of Spray asking for our support for them to get a grant for an outside toilet, like the City of Fossil did. It was brought out that the Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) of the area have been notorious for harassing motorcyclists that have come anywhere near Spray, even though they have never had a problem with us. It was decided that Nic was to send the letter to our Vice Coordinator East, Gene Mortimore, so that he could go and address the City Council meeting in Spray and address our concerns and see what happens. The Board decided that unless we can get some cooperation from the City Council to curtail the LEO's of the area then we cannot support their quest.

Vice Coordinator North: Ted Tracy – Excused/Sick – Jordan reported on the Quartermaster stuff, that the stage trailer is on mobile home axles and cannot have brakes put on it. The tarp/stage cover has been taken out to be cleaned and repaired. The cost is going to be about \$400. Howie said that he would talk to Gene about options for putting brakes on the stage trailer.

Vice Coordinator South: Annette Murray – Excused due to health.

Vice Coordinator East: Gene Mortimore – Excused – Brian reported that Gene is working in Fossil this weekend to get Bear Hollow ready. Anyone that wants



Nic Oliver,
state recording secretary

to help would be welcome.

Treasurer: Kay Sipple – Reported that we currently have \$700 in checking, \$3,030 in CD, \$10,490 in Savings. Reported that Josephine County is the only Chapter that is still out of compliance in many ways. Kay asked that each Chapter Representative check with their Chapter to verify that everyone is working towards the same goal. It was decided that there is to be an Executive Board meeting after the regular meeting to discuss the problem with Josephine County Chapter. Also reported that there were no changes needed in the Financial Procedures for the Operations Manual.
Membership Secretary: Linda Henderson – Excused. Report turned in. Currently have 1743 members, down from 1897 last year.

Sanctioning Officer: Matt Price – Excused – All Runs submitted to date are approved and sanctioned, with the exception of Run 21. There is a hold up due to the need for the liquor vendor paperwork not being in yet. This is a tremendous liability issue and all paperwork must be in before sanctioning will be approved. Also reported that the Sanctioning Policy, as is on our website, is complete and doesn't need any changes for the Operations Manual.
State Auditor: Richard Misener – Reported that he concurs with Kay on the need for the information. Robert commended Kay for all of her hard work despite her not getting a lot of cooperation and having to put up with a lot of crap. Hr also reported that he needs Quicken for his computer and Kay has her disc for him. He said that if you cannot send the information in a pdf or other format (always prefer use of Quicken) that he can open then the information needs to be sent in hard copy through the snail mail.

Newsmagazine Editor: Rot Path – Rot Path reported that all reports

are in on time this month and thanked everyone for that. He mentioned that he has a disc for Trace and will get it to him. He is going to be working with Trace to try and put past issues of the newsletter on the website for people to look at if they wish. It was noted that the date for the Swap Meet was wrong in the newsletter. It is May 31st at the Armory.
Legislative Director: Justin Handke – Reported on a Department of Agriculture report on Off Road Vehicle use. This pertains to closing 4 sites here in Oregon. Justin and Nic Oliver, BikePAC, spoke on the issues facing motorcyclists in Oregon this session. An updated bill list was included in every Chapter packet to be taken back to the Chapters and discussed. It was recommended that anyone that wants to speak to their legislator should contact BikePAC to have one of them go with you. This will prevent any misinformation getting regarding our stance and what we are looking for. Nic pointed out that this is a very tricky process and that while we may be taking one stand, we cannot be too careful about how that stand is used for us or against us on another issue.
Sergeant at Arms North: Randy Phipps – Excused – Medical – No report at this time.
Sergeant at Arms South: Bill Foster – Bill volunteered to go to Josephine County Chapter at their next meeting. He will deliver the message from the Executive Board. He also stated that he will be at the Awareness Rally on May 2nd, working the ABATE booth.
Sergeant at Arms East: Jim Middleton – Reported that he is working on getting names for Security at the Fossil Run and that he would help Gene with the stage trailer.
Products Director: Dave Meeker – Reported that the artwork is in for this year's Fossil Run. He also reported that he had \$137 in sales prior to today. He is getting ready to order t-shirts for Fossil, so if any special orders are wanted, now is the time to let him know or they will not be available. Also getting the order for the year bars ready and asked about how many to buy. He

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stated that he ordered 600 last year and the Board discussed and suggested 500 this year. That, of course, is because other Chapter's also use them.

Education Director: Patricia Carner – Reported that she is done spending money so Kay can stop worrying. Reported that STEAM was FANTASTIC and Slider Gilmore was tremendous. She was disappointed in the turnout though. Slider Gilmore has convinced her to be part of Accident Scene Management and has started a project for a Response Team for Runs, etc. These teams would make sure an accident scene is handled properly and gather information that could save someone's life. The first step is to become First Aid certified (Medic first). She is an authorized teacher of the course and can help someone get their First Aid card. She will teach classes for minimum of 6 people and a maximum of 12, for \$25 each to cover materials. Don Mason, Hub City Coordinator, suggested that she charge \$30 per person and designate the extra \$5 to the Chapter that has her put on the class. (there was, of course, someone that had to whine about the cost. Come on people, not everything can be free!)

Education Director II: Geoff White – Excused – Report by Pat C. was that he was working on David Douglas High and others for MAP (Motorcycle Awareness Program) classes.

Public Relations Director: Debra Lutje – Reported that there have been 384 hits on the website. Also reported that all major media has been informed of our upcoming events. She also suggests that ABATE purchase 2,000 of the maps that our ad is in to show our support. She was asked about the cost which she said was 80 cents a map. (Total of \$1,600) This did not meet with favor due to our financial status.

State Run Coordinator (Fossil): VACANT

State Run Coordinator II: Howie Long – Reported that it is "Crunch Time". We need to get the word

out as this is how we make our money to operate on. The large flyers are larger this year and there are smaller (1/2 page) flyers available and some even smaller ones (1/4 page). The tickets are available and every ticket signed for will be accounted for. Whoever signs for tickets will be held accountable for the tickets or the money. We need a Chapter to step up and do the games in Fossil this year. There is also help needed with tear down after the run (stage, etc.). You can sign up at the information booth at the Run. The usual mud wrestling and tattoo stuff will be available. Also a new route for the Poker Run has been set. Suggested that every Chapter get people signed up to help out in different areas. This Run is put on by ABATE to make money and it is everyone's responsibility to help make it a success.

Things needed from EACH

Chapter: 5 – Door prizes
5gal Gas for the Generator
Trash Bags (Very Large Ones)

Toilet Paper (the paperwork is never done)

The Fossil Run Committee meets at 11am, just before the BOD.

Everyone is welcome.

State Swap Meet Coordinator: Patricia Carner – Reported that the Swap Meet is May 31st this year. With the National Guard units being deployed and armories being closed during readiness, it was hard to get a date and place under budget. So we had to move the date but the place remains the same. There are vendors already on board but we have lost a couple due to the economy. There is help needed with security and with parking management. Pat also reported that Josephine County Chapter is having their Swap Meet the same day. This is a great thing as now the entire state is covered from North to South. Flyers for the State Swap Meet are on the website and they have maps on them.

Historian: VACANT —

Web Page Editor: Trace Ceccacci – Excused due to work schedule.

Quartermaster: Ted Tracy —

Excused – Patricia Carner reported that in addition to the report given in the Vice Coordinator North's report, she said that all the Historian totes are in the trailer. There is a lot of cool stuff in there regarding our history. All of the garbage is now gone.

ABATE's BikePAC Representative: Randy Phipps – Excused — Nic Oliver, newly confirmed Executive Director of BikePAC of Oregon, Inc, asked Bill Foster if he could help get people to clean up after the May Awareness Rally. This has been one of the things in the past that ABATE does that the people at the Capitol like about us. An updated list of bills and how BikePAC stands on the bills, was included in each packet for review by each Chapter.

Confederation of Clubs Representative: Patricia Williams – Excused – Medical – Per phone call to Nic on 3/14, she reported that she has to stay within 1 hour of the VA hospital and can't make it to the Albany meeting. Pat asked that someone replace her at the NCOM Conference May 7-11 in Reno, Nevada. She will not be able to attend. Someone will also need to contact Richard Lester/Sam Hochberg to let them know of the change for registration and plane fare arrangements. Justin volunteered and the Board agreed for him to replace Pat W. Confederation of Clubs Representative II: Kay Sipple – Stated that her aunt is close to the pearly gates and was not available for the last CoC meeting.

Unfinished Business – Operations Manual Committee report given by Nic. He stated that now that he knows what to do about the missing pieces, he can now start finishing the manual and hopes to have it, in draft form, at the next Board of Directors meeting. Brian and Nic are looking at making sure that the rewrite of the corporate paperwork is redone as simply as possible and still fit the needs of the State of Oregon. Vacant officer positions nominations:

Run Coordinator I (Fossil): None

Historian: None

New Business:

New Motions:

1) Motion made by Tonia Judd, Douglas County Chapter; seconded by Nic Oliver, Hub City Chapter.; "To send names submitted to the Meeting of the Minds and cover the registration fees and other costs, including banquet, to be figured out later. Amended to pay registration now to get discount and figure travel, etc later. Voting took place: 8-yea, 0-nay, 2-abstentions. Motion Passed

2) Motion made by Brian Stovall, River City Chapter; seconded by Bob Highfill, Lincoln County Chapter.; "ONPA ad for June - \$500". This was turned over to Debra Lutje, PR Director, who stated that we have till June to decide on this but she wanted to do the ad again. She stated that it would be in 44 newspapers, statewide. The call for the vote resulted in a Motion to Table. Vote to Table took place: 8-yea, 1-nay, 1-abstention. Motion To Table Passed. Motion tabled.

Announcements:
Next State Board of Directors Meeting: April 11th, 2009; at the Eagles Lodge, Albany, Oregon, at noon.

4/4/09 Washington County (WaCo) is having their birthday party at the Hillsboro Elks Lodge. Couples \$17 or \$10 per person. Mardi Gras Theme !!! Contact Len Punzel at 503-680-3269 for more information.

4/25 Cherry Festival in the Dalles, River City is selling Teddy Bears for \$20 each till March 27 for charity.

Come join the Teddy Bear Run, Poker Run and Cherry festival. 5/2/2009 May Awareness Rally and Bike Show at the Capitol.

More information to come regarding this event. Staging to flood downtown Salem with motorcycles takes place from 8am to 9am at the old Kmart parking lot on North Portland Road. See flyer for more details.

5/7-11 NCOM convention in Reno, Nevada

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6/6 Hub City Presents it's 8th Annual Poker Run. Meet at 10am at Humpty's Dump Bar and Grill at 916 NE Old Salem Road in Albany. Come have a GREAT Time! For more information call Don Mason at 541-791-1919

6/12-14/09 Best of the West Conference in Phoenix, Arizona

6/14 Roll-N-Ride presented by Washington County Chapter. Beaverton Honda-Yamaha at 10380 Cascade Blvd in Tigard is the starting point at 10am. Call Len Punzel for more information at 503-680-3269

6/27 Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run presented by North Coast Chapter. Contact Don Kelly at 503-325-3566 for more information.

July is the time for Run 21, presented by SE Portland Chapter. There will only be 2,500 tickets available for this event. There will be a special band there this year –

FOGHAT ! If you are interested, please check out their website for advance tickets and information.

8/22-23 All Harley Drags at the Woodburn Racetrack in Woodburn, Oregon.

9/24-27 MRF Meeting of the Minds Conference. National level. Minneapolis, Minnesota. Sheraton Hotel.

Meeting adjourned 3:05 PM

Answer to Lirpa CRYPTOGRAM

He capers, he dances, he has eyes of youth,
he writes verses, he speaks holidays,
he smells April and May
— Shakespeare

Slider Gilmore Speaks At S.T.E.A.M.



Jordan Kelley (state coordinator) and Nic Oliver (state secretary) surround Slider at S.T.E.A.M. (Photos by Louanna Oliver.)



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FOSSIL EVENTS for 2008

- ABATE FOSSIL CAMPOUT** - Memorial Weekend
- BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL** - Fourth of July Weekend
- FOSSIL CRUZ-IN Car Show** - July 5
- MULE DAYS** - July 18th thru 20th
- FAIR & RODEO** - August 7th thru 10th
- KINZUA GOLF TOURNEY** - June 21, and July 12 & 13
- MURDER MYSTERY WEEKEND** - Third Saturday In September

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BikePAC Report



March 7th 2009

Meeting opened at by Nic Oliver, Interim Executive Director. There were 13 members in attendance. Opening comments were made by Nic Oliver followed by introduction of attendees. Mel Yeager gave copies of the minutes of the previous meeting. Minutes were approved as presented Mel Yeager then gave out copies of the financial report. The financial report was approved as presented. No report from Quiet Mike as he has been too busy working to be effective. Report was then made by Wayne Schumacher as to the status of the bills being processed through the legislature (see pages named „Current Bills and Numbers%). Wayne explained each bill as he went through the list. Decisions were made as to BikePAC,s stand on the various issues. After discussion of the bills the following decisions were made about each bill:

SB 2554 Vulnerable User bill— Watch for amendments then decide
HB 2499 Helmet Choice Restoration~Monitor and support

HB 2409 Medical Exemption for helmet law—Monitor only
HB 2377 HB 2038 & SB 319 Distracted driving—Monitor only
SB 5549 Increase Motorcycle Fees~Monitor and Oppose
HB 2120 Motor vehicle fuel taxes~Monitor and oppose
HB 2266 Tracking device on vehicle~Monitor only
SB 124 Increase penalty for riding unendorsed~Monitor and Support
SB 125 Driver education Training~Monitor
SB 369 Quadricycle~Definition and requirements~Oppose actively
SB 345 Graphic Plates for Motorcycles~Monitor
SB 432 Require Insurance Companies to notify Riders of available discount—Monitor
SB 546 Mandatory Training Bill~Monitor and oppose
HB 2543 Allows rider to hang up fuel hose~Monitor
HB 2186 After-market Parts bill~Monitor and oppose
HB 2038 Refer to HB2377 etc
Our Website will be reworked by Trace Ceccacci as time permits.
Marge Gunter gave a Membership report
Election of Executive Director- Motion made and seconded to elect

Nic Oliver. Passed
May Awareness Rally~Discussed and assignments passed out to attendees.
Flyer was presented and printing will be done ASAP. Distribute to all email lists.
Next meeting April 4th at Noon in the Salem Public Library. This is also Brian,s birthday.
Meeting adjourned 1:49 PM.

Mel Yeager
Secretary/treasurer

During the meeting, The E-board voted to acceptthe offer fr om Trace Ceccacci to be the webmaster for BikePAC. He will get started as soon as possible to update the webpage. All officers of BikePAC are to provide a report of some kind each month for the purpose of keeping fresh information on the website.
There was a bit of confusion as to the number of a bill that was discussed during the meeting. SB 2554 should be HB 2554.
Mel Yeager
Secretary/treasurer

Behind The Scenes

Greetings earthlings,

The imperial galactic high council is rather curious as to the location of your chapter report.

As you may recall, under the provisions of subsection MMMIXC of the galactic charter, "failure to submit chapter reports by the tenth of each earth-standard month may result in planetary disolution or worse."

Now we wouldn't want that weighing heavily on what's left of you mind after your mudball is decimated, would we?

No doubt your reports were delayed in subspace and will have arrived by the time the imperial senate meets on 14 March of your calendar, yes?

For the imperium,

envoy Rot Path, c.o.e.
12 March 2009 ESE



BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

Membership Application

PO Box 5612
Salem, OR 97304
www.bikepac.com

(please circle desired type of membership below)

<p>Individual</p> <p>Associate \$15 Full \$30+ Family \$40+ MAB* \$60+</p>	<p>Corporate</p> <p>Sponsor \$150 Supporting \$300 Platinum \$750 MAB* \$1000</p>	<p>Group or Club</p> <p>General \$75 Supporting \$150 MAB* \$300</p>
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*Member of the Advisory Board

Your contribution will be directed into the BikePAC general fund, which includes the education fund, unless you specify the following:
Put \$ _____ of my contribution into a dedicated fund supporting motorcycle-friendly candidates
(Qualifies for Oregon tax credit up to \$50 individual and \$100 couple)

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____
Email _____
I am in state senate district _____
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BikePAC of Oregon -- A Political Action Committee Of Motorcyclists For Motorcyclists

Political Action Committee (PAC) n. A committee formed by a special interest group to raise money and make contributions to the campaigns of political candidates whom they support and to create or directly influence legislation on behalf of that group.

BikePAC of Oregon promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy

Our Officers at Work

Education Report

Hey, it has been a busy month. A lot happening in the Education arena. Many of the Chapters have jumped on the Awareness Sign campaign. THANK YOU!

I want to thank everyone who came to STEAM. Slider gave a fantastic talk on the 'Golden Hour', Accident Scene Management. He spoke about reducing the response time between the accident and the arrival of paramedics. The focus was on On-going Assessment, gathering information that can be relayed to the paramedics that may

make a difference in saving the person's life. He did not get into the First Aid side of things, rather referred that to our own training. However, the information he gave us is vital to supporting a downed rider at the scene. I'm sure most of you will hear more about it from members of your chapter who attended.

Due to Slider's presentation, I have expanded my training to create and purchase supplies to do a mobile First Aid, CPR, AED training program. I will be happy to come to your chapter and do a First Aid

training class that will give you a 2 year Certification through Medic First Aid. This certification meets requirements for schools, parks departments and employers in any State. Contact me by email or phone if your Chapter would like to hold a class, minimum of six people please and I can do this is someone's home. Slider encouraged us to have as many members First Aid trained so that we have ample support at runs, rides and campouts.



Patricia Carner
state education director

It's Spring - although still snowing! Check out your bike, tires, fuel, change the oil, get it running. Review your skills, sign up for a safety refresher class through Team Oregon. Let's have a safe and fun Summer.

Patricia
Education Director
patriciahdgal@msn.com
503-475-8765

Our Officers at Work

Swap Meet Report

Please note the date change MAY 31, 2009 at the Portland Armory.

We have had to change the date due to the troops being deployed in April and May. After speaking to many of our vendors, the date change avoids conflicts with other events and keeps us in the same

great location. Josephine County ABATE will be holding a Swap Meet the same weekend in Grants Pass, so no matter where you are in the State, please plan to come to one of these events and support ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Updated flyers, vendor forms and

letters are on our website. If you would like to volunteer to help with security, the gate, the information booth or clean up, please contact me. This is our main fund raiser for ABATE - please pitch in and help.



Patricia Carner
state swap meet coordinator

Thank you,
Patricia
Swap Meet Coordinator
patriciahdgal@msn.com
503-475-8765

Our Officers at Work

Fossil Report

I know everyone is working on their bikes getting ready for summer, getting oil changed, putting bikes back together, tune ups, checking tires for their run to Fossil on Memorial Day weekend. For the first campout of the year, wouldn't it be great to ride the Eastern Oregon Highways.

There is great line up of bands: The Wheeler County Ramblers will be back with their unique style of music and the Band-Its will be back for their fourth year straight. The Band-Its have been moved up from Sunday to be our featured band on Saturday night with their new awarding winning harmonica player. Friday night, Livewire, our new AC DC tribute band will be playing, special effects will kick off our weekend and get people fired up. Sunday is Fossil Night, all locals get

in for \$5. The night starts with ABATE's own One Day, then straight from a Saturday night show at Spray Rodeo will be a Hermiston based Country Rock band Hired Guns. Friday night entertainment includes a Tattoo contest. Saturday at Fossil will be the Bike Show and Games at the Fairgrounds. In the evening between the bands will be a return of the 'Hide the Salami' game and Adult entertainment at 10:00. Don't go home early as Sunday is packed full with a new route for the 100% payout Poker Run, followed by Mud Wrestling. By the way, we need volunteers to help refereeing the Adult entertainment and the Mud Wrestling. The Bear Hollow campsite is looking better all the time. Gene Mortimore has been hard at work, improving the site to be better than

last year. We have acquired more surrounding area for added tent sites. The Fossil Campout is one of three fundraisers for ABATE of Oregon, To keep ABATE doing the job of supporting the motorcycle community, we need funds to properly meet these goal. Fossil is a fun way of meeting this goal by camping and riding. As Chapter members it is your job to SPREAD THE WORD. Your Chapter Reps have posters, flyers, tickets, etc. to help you get started or contact me. The Fossil Campout is old school fun, let's keep the tradition alive.

Vice Run Coordinator,
Howie

Howie Long

Fossil vice-coordinator

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WE DO THE REST. WE SEND THE NEW MEMBER PACKET OR RENEWAL WITH A CARD INDICATING THE GIVER.

Please make sure you print clearly and fill in all the information. Also, include a note with your info for the card. Gift Memberships are an excellent gift for anyone not already a member or someone who is not current.

From yer . . .

crusty ol' editor

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Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

Were the good ol' days really better?

Memory is a tricky thing.

It can be selective and even highly imaginative.

The neural connections that yer crusty ol' editor uses to recall past events would have him believing that Oregon A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC used to be a lot more dynamic -- especially in legislative years.

Find back copies of state newsmagazines and papers for the first half of odd years. They document rallies and activities throughout legislative sessions. They show our successes and what worked. We need to learn from our own past.

We've had some amazing people belonging to, leading, or working with both organizations. Some are still involved. Many have burned out or become disillusioned by apparent apathy. Some have merely moved on to other activities and interests.

We need folks like you to pick up where they've left off.

Our organizations are like the log rafts that used to be shepherded downstream on the Willamette river. Two tugboats were used, one at either end. The one in front selected the best path through all the twists and

turns of the streambed. The aft boat supplied momentum or braking to keep the raft from wandering off course and running aground.

We elect folks at the chapter and state level to guide our path. But it is we the membership who provide the momentum and help keep things on track.

To be effective we must understand where we are trying to go, then work together towards that goal. We can't sit back and wait for someone else to look out for our interests because nobody else is going to do it for us. It's up to each of us whether we succeed in our educational and legislative efforts.

Each of us must challenge stereotypes whenever they are presented: in conversations, meetings, legislative hearings, radio, television, movies, advertising, magazines or newspapers.

Each of us must make opportunities to educate the public and officials about what we face when riding scooters, motorcycles, trikes, or off-road vehicles.

And each of us must remain vigilant for uninformed or malicious attempts to legislate or limit our freely chosen mode of transportation;

efforts based not on knowledge but on fear and/or ignorance.

We must become the minute women and men of our age -- ready to defend our remaining freedoms at a minute's notice.



But with words and knowledge instead of bullets.

We need people with a vision of where we want to go and what we want to accomplish.

We need members who will supply momentum and officers who will find the best path for our efforts.

We need you.

Riders need us.

With April showers come freshly scrubbed skies and the intensity of life being reborn with vibrant colours as we roll throughout the countryside, drinking it all in with all our senses.

P.S. The web site URLs listed last month for back issues of the state newsmags since February 2002 no longer have the PDF files on them. In yer crusty ol' editor's zeal to place the information on his web site, he exceeded his allowed server capacity by a considerable margin.

The good news is that the files have been forwarded to the state web master, so hopefully we may see them on the state web site some time in the future ... hopefully before we finally have our flying cars. (So many cage drivers have enough difficulty handling two dimensional driving. Adding another dimension would just give them a third direction for coming at us.)

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c.o.e.'s web site: (such as it is)

<http://www.otoolevideomagic/RotPath/>

Contacting yer crusty ol' editor:
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 Portland, Oregon 97208

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

(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 12)

April Cryptogram

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MI VNHEIG LINGIG, MI GRIPUG MYZHKPXG,

MI GWIZZG PRNHZ POK WPX.

— GMPUIGRIPNI

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

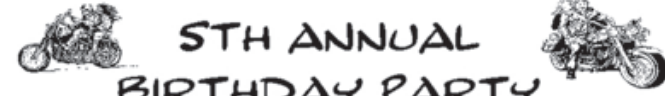
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INVITES YOU TO OUR
5TH ANNUAL
BIRTHDAY PARTY



WHERE: HILLSBORO ELKS
21865 NW QUATAMA RD
WHEN: SAT APRIL 4TH 7:30 PM
\$10 PER PERSON OR
\$17 PER COUPLE



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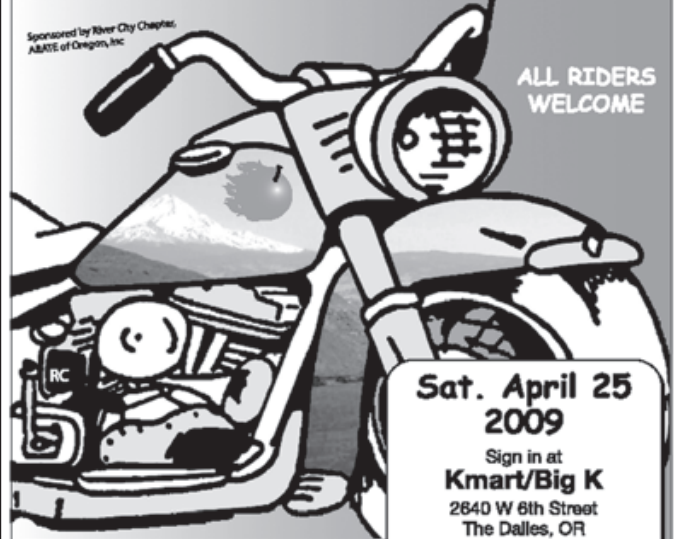
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8th Annual Cherry Festival Poker Run Poker Run

Sponsored by River City Chapter,
ABATE of Oregon, Inc.



ALL RIDERS
WELCOME

Sat. April 25
2009

Sign in at
Kmart/Big K
2840 W 6th Street
The Dalles, OR

after the **Teddy Bear Parade**

Last rider out by 12:30 PM
Last call for prizes 3:30 PM

\$15 Donation Includes One Poker Hand
Extra Hand \$5
Cash Prizes High & Low Hands
Door Prizes

FOR INFORMATION: Call 541-296-9303 or
Email - Debra.Lutge@gmail.com or write to:
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Lower Columbia Chapter

Poker Run

May 9, 2009
9 a.m.

begins from
Colvin's Pub & Grill
Clatskanie, Oregon

Check out Colvin's breakfast menu beginning at 6 a.m.
So get there early as we will leave at 9 a.m. sharp

ends at
Girtle's
Seaside, Oregon

\$10 per hand
(buy as many as you like)

75% to be paid out
\$30 to the worst hand
the remainder to the winning hand

- Door Prizes
- 50/50 pot too!

contact Karen Monroe for discounted rooms at the Shilo Inn (Seaside) (360)-738-1549

Sanctioned by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
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32nd Annual Fossil Campout

Bear Hollow: May 22-25, 2009

Live Music Friday, Saturday & Sunday Night!

Bike Rodeo & Bike Show!

Tattoo Contest!

Vendors!

100% Payout Poker Run

Advance Tickets: Members \$30, Non-Members \$35

At the Gate: Members \$35, Non-Members \$40

Gates open @ Noon on Friday

For more information Contact Howie Long (503)791-2862

Vender information contact Steve Baton (503) 761-3362

Due to space limitations only groups of TEN or more (excluding
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feet in length



All proceeds benefit Motorcycle Rights, Education, Awareness and Safety. Contributions or gifts to
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and

BikePAC of Oregon

Motorcycle Awareness Rally

Let's Wake Up The State!

02 May 2009

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Salem, Oregon

Josephine County Chapter



Poker Run

Everyone Invited

Sunday, May 3, 2009
Sign in Starts at 9:00 am
Last Rider Out by 10:30 am
Last Hand in by 1:00 pm

Prizes:
Best Poker Hand \$100
2nd Best Hand \$50
Worst Hand Dinner for Two

Raffles and 50/50 Drawings
Don't need to be present to win

Entry Fee:
\$10 First Hand
\$5 Additional Hands

Run Start: Herb's La Casita
515 Rogue River Hwy
Grants Pass, OR 97527

For information:
Spanky @541-659-8715
Karen @541-660-8730



All Riders/All Bikes

Poker Run to benefit Chapter activities
In their support of various local charities

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Josephine County Chapter



Join your friends, family &
Favorite vendors at the

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Dedicated to Freedom of the Road

10th

Annual Southern Oregon Motorcycle Swap Meet & Expo

Presented by Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.
(Formerly Southern Oregon Bikers Swap Meet Hosted by Mike Horn)

May 29 - 31, 2009
Fri: Noon- 5:00 vendor set-up
Sat: 9:00 - 5:00, Sun: 9:00 - noon
Touville Lodge
9367 Table Rock Rd, Central Point



Great Food, Live Music, Cold
& Hot Drinks, Door Prizes,
Lots of vendors, Raffle prizes
Sunday morning service

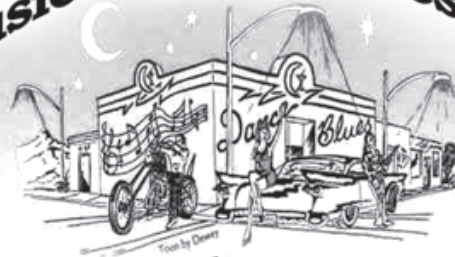
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(new lower fee)
Children under 12 free

VENDOR SPOTS OPEN
Call Pat Wine @ 541-832-2219
For vendor information

For general information:
Spanky @ 541-659-8715 or
Karen @ 541-660-8730

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All Motorcycle Spring Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event at the Armory, 10000 NE 33rd Drive, Portland, OR
(change! -->) **Sunday, 31 May 2009** (<--change!)



Admission: \$5 ABATE Member and \$8 Non-Member
Gate opens at 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

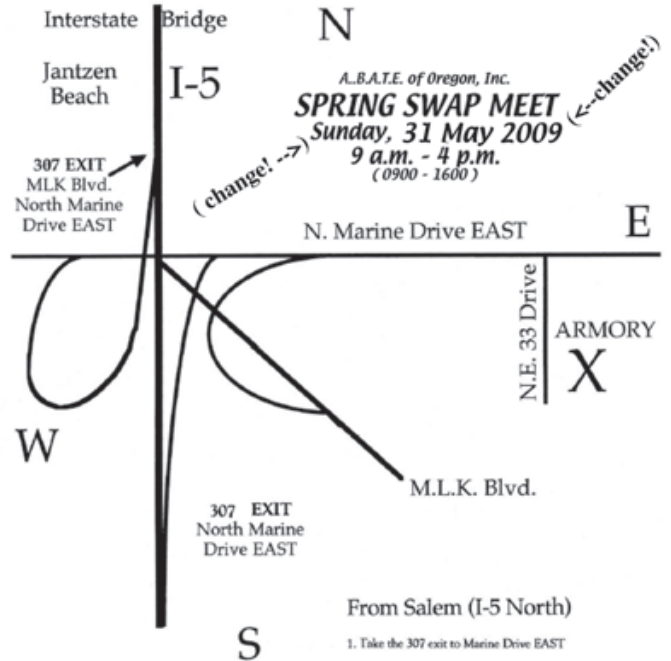
Parking available on site / Bike parking in front of building
Parking in designated areas only - No pets of any kind allowed

Swap Meet Coordinator Patricia Carner - for vendor information contact
503-475-8765 or e-mail patriciahdgal@msn.com

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From Salem (I-5 North)

From Salem (I-5 North)

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2. Turn right off of Marine Drive EAST to N.E. 33rd Drive.
- 3 First building on the left.

From Seattle (I-5 South)

1. Take the 307 exit to Marine Drive EAST.
(After going over the I-5 overpass, Marine Drive EAST goes under M. L. King Blvd. and follow the signs.)

2. Turn right off of Marine Drive EAST to N.E. 33rd Drive.
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From I-84

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THE 14TH ANNUAL

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PRIZES 50-50
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POKER RUN

EACH EXTRA
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SATURDAY JUNE 27TH 2009

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:00AM AT THE RELIEF PITCHER IN SEASIDE. RUN DEPARTS AT 10:00AM
START AT ANY POINT ON THE RUN

FIRST CARD DRAW - WORKER'S TAVERN, ASTORIA SECOND CARD DRAW - COLVIN'S PUB & GRILL, CLATSkanie

THIRD CARD DRAW: LION'S DEN, VERNONIA FOURTH CARD DRAW: BIRKENFIELD COUNTRY STORE, BIRKENFIELD

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| Douglas County | 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 P.M. at "Willie D's" 443 SE Jackson St., Roseburg |
| Hub City | 3rd Thursday at 7 P.M. at Ciddio's Pizzeria, 133 Fifth Street, Albany |
| Josephine County | 3rd Wednesday at 7:00pm at Fruitdale Grange, 1440 Parkdale Dr. Grants Pass |
| Lincoln County | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. at the American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive St., Newport |
| Lower Columbia | 3rd Saturday at 1:00 PM at Big Guy's Restaurant and Lounge, Clatskanie |
| North Coast | 4th Sunday at 10AM at Moose Lodge, 420 17th Street, Astoria |
| River City | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 7 P.M. at the Roadstop Restaurant, 302 W. 2nd St., The Dalles |
| Salem... | 4th Tuesday at 7 P.M. at Almost Home Restaurant, 3310 Market St NE, Salem |
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American Motorcyclist Association

Call to action: Stop the ban of youth OHVs

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 was passed to make children's everyday toys safer, but the rule's implementation is threatening the ban youth OHVs entirely. Action is needed now.

New member benefit: Free AMA Roadside Assistance

The AMA has announced that members can receive free AMA Roadside Assistance. This groundbreaking benefit is free to members who opt-in to renew their memberships automatically. The first 25,000 members to sign up will receive a \$10 shopping coupon from AMA partner BikeBandit.com. AMA announces multi-million dollar endowments to support

heritage, rights and racing. The AMA has created three separate \$1 million endowments to support the AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum, the Association's government relations activities and amateur racing programs.

KTM North America to sponsor the AMA KTM National Dual Sport Trail Riding Series

From the EXC off-road race bike to the 990 Super Enduro, KTM builds some of the most versatile and extreme dual-sport motorcycles available today. Now, the company is putting its name on the country's premier schedule of dual-sport events, the AMA KTM National Dual Sport Trail Riding Series.

BSA is Marque Of The Year for AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days 2009

One of Great Britain's most storied motorcycle companies, BSA, will be the Marque of the Year for AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days 2009, the world's largest gathering of vintage motorcycle enthusiasts, set for July 24-26 at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio.

Member Benefit

Not only has BikeBandit.com, one of the leading online retailers of original equipment manufacturer (OEM) and aftermarket parts, increased its AMA member discount to 10 percent, but the first 25,000 members who enroll in the new AMA autorenewal program will receive a \$10 shopping coupon from the company..

Threats to Motorcycling in America

In three interviews with AmericanMotorcyclist.com, AMA

President and CEO Rob Dingman discusses three of the most critical issues facing motorcyclists today: responsible OHV access to public lands, the challenge of excessive sound, and helmet use and rider education.

AMA Ice Race Grand Championships Postponed

Due to unseasonably warm winter weather, the 2009 AMA Ice Race Grand Championships originally scheduled for this weekend, have been moved to Feb. 21-22 at the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mount Pleasant, Mich. But just because its delayed, doesn't mean you should miss it.

Take Home MotoStars

"MotoStars: Celebrities + Motorcycles" is one of the most dynamic and engaging exhibits ever displayed at the AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum. Can't get there in person? The official book of the exhibit is the next best thing. Buy it in the Museum gift shop.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

BEAST of the East is Nearly Upon Us.



The pre-registration deadline is rapidly approaching. BEAST of the East is one of our regional events that allow interested motorcyclists' rights activists to learn about issues affecting our right to ride. It offers workshops on how to be more involved, be more effective and make our presence known. This year the Conference is hosted by ABATE of Delaware in Rehoboth Beach, DE. The dates are April 17-19. We will be headquartered at the Atlantic Sands Hotel and Conference Center. Our agenda this year includes workshops on Effective Lobby Days, Being More Effective in your SMRO, Robert's Rules of Order and more. We will have a session that will provide

updates on legislation happening in states across the country, as well as a general session that outlines what legislation is expected at the national level which will affect our rights as motorcyclists. The cut-off date for pre-registration is March 17. The cut-off date for hotel reservations is the same date. The regional Conferences are a great way for local chapters and districts to send as many attendees as what want to attend. A chapter registration fee of only \$100.00 allows unlimited attendees from a given chapter/district to attend. The \$100.00 registration fee does not include the banquet. When registering as a chapter you must provide a list of attendees and the banquet fees of \$35.00 each. MRF members registering

individually pay only \$60.00 prior to March 17; after that date it will be \$70.00. Non-MRF members pay an additional \$10.00. We are anticipating lots of energy and well focused discussions. This is not an event you want to miss. Get those registrations in now. Conference Registration Fees Increasing Due to the continued cost increase to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation of putting on conferences, it has become necessary to change the registration fees for upcoming conferences. This is a change the MRF does not make lightly. Much consideration and

discussion went into this change. The bottom line is that our conferences are operating at a financial loss to the organization. This is a loss we can no longer afford. The registration fee change will start with the 2009 BEST of the West and Meeting of the Minds conferences. Individual registration fees will increase ten dollars each. Chapter registration fees for BEST of the West will increase by fifty dollars. Those registering for BEST of the West individually will now pay \$70.00 and after "price"(MRF member price) prior to May 12. After that date the registration fee for individuals will be \$80.00. Non-MRF members will pay \$80.00 and \$90.00 respectively.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation (continued)

Chapter registration for BEST of the West will increase to \$150.00 each chapter or district. This chapter registration does not include the banquet which still must be paid separately. Registration for Meeting of the Minds 2009 will increase to \$70.00, MRF member price, prior to August 24. After that date the registration fee for individuals will be \$80.00. Non-MRF members will pay \$80.00 and \$90.00 respectively. You do have an opportunity to beat the price increase. Any registrations post-marked, or processed on-line, prior to March 20 will be honored at the old price. You already know you will be attending, so save the \$10.00 and register now! We look forward to seeing you.

California Senate Bill 35

Beverly Hills Does It Again

A Beverly Hills, California state senator has introduced legislation that would require motorcycles to participate in the state's vehicle "smog check" program. The program was designed to service cars and because of that motorcycles were exempt "until the Department of Consumer Affairs implements test procedures applicable to motorcycles"

according to standing state California state law. Senator Fran Pavely (D) is the main sponsor of the bill which would require all motorcycles beginning with model year 2000 to be tested starting in 2012. This bill is problematic for a number of reasons. First off, it provides for no funding for the development of testing procedures. Secondly, no funding for the accommodation of the new 1.2 million motorcycles at the check stations. This will result in a financial burden for the California government at a time when every penny is already spoken for. In the MRF's view, the California state legislature should reconsider this motion. When the funding is available, it would then seem more feasible to invest in proper investigatory programs to best determine how to test motorcycles or if it is even necessary. Read the bill here: http://info.sen.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/sen/sb_0401-0450/sb_435_bill_20090226_introduced.html

President Obama Announces DOT Official.

Barack Obama has announced that he plans to nominate Roy Kienitz for Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy, Department of Transportation BIO

Roy Kienitz is currently the Deputy Chief of Staff for Governor Rendell. Roy has been a leader on Gov. Rendell's staff for Transportation, Alternative Energy, and Environment initiatives since 2003. Prior to his time in Pennsylvania, Kienitz served as Secretary of the Maryland Department of Planning. Kienitz has also served as the Executive Director to the Surface Transportation Policy Project where he was a strong advocate for innovation in transportation policy. Kienitz's prior experience also includes working for Former Senator Moynihan as Chief of Staff and the U.S. Senate Environment & Public Works Committee. Originally from California, Kienitz earned his bachelor's degree in Aquatic Biology from the University of California in 1983. Upon close examination of Kienitz some conflicting ideologies emerge. Kienitz worked for Senator Daniel Moynihan in the late eighties and early nineties as the chief of staff for the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. That committee, at that time, was responsible for writing the surface transportation authorization bill (ISTEA) that included the penalties on states that did not have mandatory helmet laws. Kienitz was instrumental at the senior staff level in putting those penalties in place. However, Kienitz's most recent post with Governor Rendell puts him in place at the same time ABATE of



PA was modifying the state helmet law. ABATE of PA has never heard from him or anything that he did to stop the new law from going into effect. Which Kienitz will end up in DC to report to DOT Secretary LaHood? That remains to be seen.

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, incorporated in 1987, is a membership based national motorcyclists' rights organization headquartered in Washington D.C. The *M.R.F.* is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycling safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. The *M.R.F.* provides members and state motorcyclists' rights organizations with direction and information to protect motorcyclists' rights and motorcycling. The MRF sponsors annual regional and national educational seminars for motorcyclists' rights activists and publishes a bi-monthly newsletter, *The M.R.F. Reports*.

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE APPROVES BILL TO PROTECT HEALTH INSURANCE FOR RIDERS

On March 4, by voice vote, the House Energy and Commerce Committee passed bipartisan legislation to strengthen health insurance coverage for injuries incurred while participating in legal recreational and transportation activities, such as motorcycling, riding ATVs, snowmobiling and horseback riding.

"This bill requires health insurance companies to be up front and honest with their policy holders when limitations or restrictions are placed on benefits," said Rep. Bart Stupak (D-MI) who introduced the measure with Rep. Michael Burgess (R-TX). "Many Americans are unaware that their health insurance may not cover injuries resulting from certain recreational activities because their policy is unclear or overly broad."

H.R. 1253, the "Health Insurance Restrictions and Limitations Clarification Act of 2009", would establish new disclosure rules requiring health insurance plans to provide a description of limitations and exclusions in their policies. Specifically, the bill requires that coverage exclusions must be "explicit and clear" and that they must be disclosed to plan sponsors in advance of the point of sale. The bill further requires that plan sponsors and insurers must disclose such coverage exclusions to enrollees "in a form that is easily understandable" both before enrollment and upon their enrollment at the earliest opportunity that other materials are provided.

In January 2001, a rule was issued that created an inadvertent loophole in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Because of the way the rule was written, it has allowed insurers to deny health benefits for a covered injury resulting from participation in recreational activities such as skiing, horseback riding, ATV riding, snowmobiling and motorcycling.

In many situations the exclusions are unclear or overly broad, creating confusion for individuals who may ride motorcycles, horses, snowmobiles, ATVs or participate in other legal activities that could result in an injury.

"Passing this straight forward legislation would protect those across the country who ride motorcycles, horses, snowmobiles, ATVs or participate in other recreational activities from being caught by surprise," Stupak said.

Stupak is a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which has jurisdiction over health policy. H.R. 1253 awaits consideration by the full House of Representatives, which previously approved the legislation in September 2008, but the bill was not considered by the Senate in the 110th Congress.

KIDDIE BIKE BAN COULD COST BILLIONS

The new lead-content rules that have banned the sales of many youth motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles could cost the industry over \$1 billion in lost economic value this year, predicts the Motorcycle Industry Council. Last year, more than 100,000 of the youth-oriented vehicles were sold. Today, more than 13,000 dealers nationwide are stuck holding onto millions of dollars in inventory as the off-road industry now finds itself crippled and rather confused in the destructive wake of the CPSIA in an already harsh economy.

Motorcycle dealers across the country are fuming, saying the ban couldn't have come at a worse time, making sluggish sales in a tough economy even tougher. Powersports manufacturers are advising their dealers to pull the banned models off the sales floor or risk heavy fines under the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008, which

went into force February 10th. Intentionally or otherwise, the CPSIA has effectively banned the production, importing and sale of kids' motorcycles and ATVs because certain parts of the vehicles unavoidably contain more lead than is deemed allowable on children's products - for instance, on the battery terminals, brake components and valve stems - and the CPSC has interpreted this to mean that OHVs (off-highway vehicles) present a lead-poisoning threat to children 12 and under. Not only can they not sell the new vehicles, but they're not even allowed to sell parts for them!

Dealers from every corner of the country and other concerned individuals have flooded the CPSC and Congress with calls, e-mails and more than 100,000 letters complaining about the new law and urging support for exclusions from the act for powersports vehicles, parts and accessories.

They claim in part that the lead present in their products pose no health risk to children because the only interaction would be by hand, not mouth, and that a toxicologist study reveals that exposure is substantially less than the intake of lead from food and water.

UTAH MAY REWARD HELMET WEARERS

In a unique and interesting twist to mandatory helmet laws, the state of Utah is considering a bill that would reward riders who break the law while wearing a helmet.

The House Transportation Committee unanimously approved a proposal from Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove (R-Garland) that would knock \$10 off of the fine for motorcyclists cited for traffic violations if they are wearing a helmet at the time.

"Instead of just punishment, why not give an incentive for people to use a helmet?," Menlove told the Standard-Examiner newspaper.

The committee also unanimously tabled a bill that would mandate helmet use for all riders in Utah's largest cities. Additionally,

the measure would have increased the age limit at which motorcycle riders in Utah are required to wear helmets from 18 to 21; require anyone riding with a passenger under 21 to wear a helmet; and require riders of any age operating on a learning permit to wear a helmet.

A contingent of bikers came to the committee meeting to voice their opposition to the bill. Eric Stine, education coordinator for ABATE Utah, said the focus of motorcycle safety should be on educating the public about watching for motorcyclists while driving. "We believe in accident prevention, not safer crashes. Many sports and activities are more dangerous than motorcycle riding. We will never be able to legislate the risk out of living."

SHOW-ME FREEDOM

Missouri is the latest state looking to give adult motorcycle riders the choice of wearing a helmet while riding. The Missouri Senate has endorsed legislation that, if signed into law, would repeal their decades-old helmet law and allow motorcyclists 21 and older the option to ride without a helmet.

Many feel the bill stands a good chance of passing because Senators this year tacked the helmet provisions onto a larger bill regarding motorcycle insurance. The bill, sponsored by State Senator Luann Ridgeway of District 17, was approved with little debate and is expected to pass easily in the House, which generally has been more receptive to efforts to repeal helmet requirements for adults. According to Freedom of Road Riders (FORR-MO), a non-profit motorcyclists' advocacy group, the change in legislation would be a welcome one.

In the meantime, several other states are reviewing motorcycle helmet laws, including Arkansas where a proposal to require motorcyclists to wear a helmet or carry thousands of dollars in health insurance failed to make it out of committee.

Senate Bill 29 by Sen. Kim Hendren (R-Gravette) would have compelled motorcyclists to provide proof of at



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least \$10,000 in health insurance coverage if they opted to not wear a helmet, but the proposal failed to get a motion recommending its passage and died in the Senate Transportation, Technology and Legislative Affairs Committee. Legislators were overwhelmed by calls to committee members from motorcycle enthusiasts, lead by ABATE of Arkansas, who argued that the measure would unfairly target them, negatively impact tourism, and would drive business away from the state's motorcycle dealers.

In Nevada, Assemblyman Don Gustavson (R-Sparks) has introduced AB300 to repeal state law which has mandated helmet usage since 1971. In seeking to modify current law to allow choice for motorcyclists 21 years or older with at least one year experience, Gustavson is citing studies which prove that mandated helmet laws injure the economy while doing little to increase safety. Using California as an example, Gustavson said the death rate was 2% higher after passage of mandated helmet usage, while revenues continually declined due to loss of registration fees and sales taxes from weakened motorcycle sales. "Our neighbor suffered a 26% drop in new motorcycle sales in 1992-93 after passage of their mandatory helmet law resulting in job loss and costing the state nearly \$17 million in lost tax & fee revenue."

Gustavson said that tourism will increase in Nevada after the law is modified. Using Pennsylvania as an example, Gustavson pointed out that "Thunder in the Valley" saw attendance jump from 70,000 to over 100,000 the very first year after their law was modified.

Gustavson also emphasized that repeal of current law will add jobs and multiply revenues to Nevada through additional sales and payroll taxes without increasing any new fees or taxes. After Florida reformed their helmet law, motorcycle sales jumped 143% in Florida in five years generating \$166 million in sales tax revenue.

Last November, Assemblyman Gustavson was selected by the NCOM Board of Directors to receive the Silver Spoke Award for Government at the upcoming

NCOM Convention, May 7-10, 2009 at the Nugget Casino & Resort in Reno, Nevada. For more information, call the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) 525-5355 or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

RIDE SMART - MOTORCYCLES IMPROVE BRAIN FUNCTION

Riding motorcycles helps keep drivers young by invigorating their brains, the scientist behind popular "Brain Training" computer software said recently, citing a new scientific study. "The driver's brain gets activated by riding motorbikes" in part because it requires heightened alertness, Japanese neuroscientist Ryuta Kawashima said after his research team and Yamaha Motor conducted a string of experiments involving middle-aged men.

"In a convenient and easy environment, the human mind and body get used to setting the hurdle low," he warned. "Our final conclusion is that riding motorcycles can lead to smart ageing."

Kawashima is the designer of "Brain Training" software, which incorporates quizzes and other games and is available on the Nintendo DS game console under the name "Brain Age".

A self-professed motorcycle fan, 49-year-old Kawashima cited a new study conducted jointly by Yamaha and Tohoku University, for which he works.

One experiment involved 22 men in their 40s and 50s who held motorcycle licenses but had not operated a cycle for at least a decade. They were randomly split into two groups, with one asked to resume riding motorcycles in everyday life for two months, and another that kept using bicycles or cars. Kawashima says research showed the motorcycle-riding team demonstrated improvements in memory, space recognition and other functions of the prefrontal area. The area covers memory, information processing and concentration functions.

"The group that rode motorbikes posted higher marks in cognitive function tests," Kawashima said.

In a test requiring the men to remember a set of numbers in reverse

order, the riders' scores jumped by more than 50 percent in two months, while the non-riders' marks deteriorated slightly, he said.

The riders also said they made fewer mistakes at work and felt happier.

"Mental care is a very big issue in modern society," said Kawashima. "I think we made an interesting stir here as data showed you can improve your mental condition simply by using motorbikes to commute."

In 2003, Kawashima authored "Train Your Brain: 60 Days to a Better Brain". More recently, he teamed with Toyota to help develop intelligent cars designed to help seniors drive safely.

SMOG CHECKS MAY INCLUDE MOTORCYCLES

SB 435, introduced by California State Senator Fran Pavely (D-Beverly Hills), would include motorcycles in the state's Smog Check Program. In a review of the Smog Check Program, the California Inspection and Maintenance Review Committee's recommendations included "implement a non-loaded mode biennial Smog Check inspection on motorcycles."

In a brief explanation of their strategy, the report states:

"Inspection of Motorcycles: Include motorcycle inspections as part of Smog Check. Studies indicate that motorcycles are subject to high rates of exhaust system tampering which subsequently increases the vehicle emissions."

Existing law exempts motorcycles from inspection "until the department implements test procedures applicable to motorcycles," which the legislation seeks to accomplish. If passed the new emissions law would require motorcycle owners in California to get Smog checks for their motorcycles once every two years. The law would take effect January 1, 2012 and cover all on-highway motorcycles model year 2000 or newer.

Opponents say the bill is simply a thinly veiled attempt to levy yet another fee to offset the states record budget deficit and point to a recent raid of the OHV trust fund of \$90 million dollars for non-OHV related expenditures. The bikes potentially affected are in fact the cleanest in the nation, having already been required to meet the stricter California CARB

emissions standards years prior to similar requirements being adopted nationally by the federal EPA.

For a long time the Golden State has been granted special waivers from the Environmental Protection Agency to enact stiffer emissions regulations for autos and motorcycles. During the Bush administration, a dozen other states requested EPA waivers to increase their own regulations to match California's, but were denied. It is expected that the new Obama administration will reverse this decision, which may lead to variable emissions rules from state to state for automobiles, and potentially for motorcycles.




QUOTABLE QUOTE: "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines, Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream."

Mark Twain (aka Samuel Clemens, 1835-1910), American writer & humorist

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From The . . .

Every year A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon hosts The Seminar To Educate And Motivate, or "STEAM" for short. It's done to pass information to its members and others that have an interest in making their lives and the lives of their neighbors better. It covers aspects of safety, education, legislation, and many other subjects related to our daily lives as bikers. This year we were honored to have as a guest speaker, Slider Gilmore a renowned EMT from Iowa who puts on a presentation called "Two Wheeled Trauma." He teaches us what we can do at an accident scene to help the injured before the medical folks arrive, such as how to direct traffic, organize, and preserve the scene, safely immobilize victims to prevent further injuries, and write down vital info to help the medics treat the injured. He teaches some simple first aid to those that need it, too. The presentation is about three hours, and not to be missed if you know he is in your area. Slider's presentation is part of the NCOM (National Coalition of Motorcyclists) Speakers Program. Richard M. Lester has set this up so that if your group wants a speaker like SLIDER to come to YOUR event, your organization only pays a third of the cost. NCOM picks up a third, and your local AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) Attorney picks up the other third. In Oregon, that was Sam Hochberg, who's been Oregon's AIM lawyer for about 22 years now. After STEAM, I got to take Slider around a small part of our great state. We went to Astoria, the end of the Pacific adventure of Lewis and Clark at Fort Clatsop. I took him up to the Bonneville Power Dam where much of our electric power is generated, and to the Federal fish hatchery there. That's the home of the huge Sturgeon fish native to the Columbia River. We toured some of the

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many spectacular waterfalls we have in the Gorge, too. We appreciate him taking the valuable time from his life to enlighten us as to the things we can do to help our people when they are involved in accidents. After all, as fellow riders, we are generally the first ones at the scene of a motorcycle accident. Sam Hochberg and his associate lawyer Brian Ruff also gave a legal presentation at STEAM that dovetailed in some ways with what Slider was saying: INSURE YOURSELVES PROPERLY, which in short, means to carry VERY high policy limits in your uninsured/underinsured and liability policies. Don't settle for the state minimums; they're way too little. Remember, Sam and Brian and I will come do our song and dance for ya at your organization here in Oregon. Just drop Sam an email note at SamBikeLaw@aol.com, or me at AIMGunny@aol.com – or just use the phone and ask for Sam or Brian at 503-224-1106.

NEWSBITS 'N' PIECES:
AUSTRALIA: We thought the war amongst the Muslims was confined to the east; not so. It seems Shiite and Sunni Muslims who ride in Australia can't get along either. According to newspaper stories from down under, the Comanchero is involved in an escalating feud with a new club, Notorious. The president of Notorious is a Lebanese-Australian with a long-standing association with a "bikie" from a colorful Sydney Sunni Lebanese family. On the other side of the conflict is the president of the Comanchero City Crew, a Beirut-born Shiite who grew up in the St. George area. Guess they need to form their own Confederations of Clubs and maybe stop their fighting!
WISCONSIN:

recession is affecting every aspect of every life in this country. Harley announced it will cut 1,100 jobs over the next two years including 845 in Milwaukee. Some facilities in Wisconsin will be closed. Hang in there folks, we will recover.

MYRTLE BEACH, SC: Update – Citations were issued to 57 motorcyclists in the protest ride there, against that city's newly-enacted municipal helmet law. Not a state law, mind you. This was part of that city's efforts to get rid of the biker events there altogether. Our AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) Lawyer there, TOM McGRATH, has offered to represent all of them for free. More next Sack..

ILLINOIS: Tattoo You: Now even tattoo parlors are targets for lawmakers. They are saying tattoos identify criminals, and tattoo artists that tattoo some symbols on folks could be fined and have licenses revoked. Somehow the legislator that introduced this ludicrous bill thinks cracking down on tattoo parlors will eliminate street gang problems for them. Maybe we need to start giving elected officials intelligence tests to see if they qualify to be elected. I never cease to be amazed at some of the legislation I see from time to time.

HOLLISTER, CA: The popular Hollister motorcycle rally has been canceled because the city says it can't afford the costs of security it feels it needs to protect its population.

Many consider Hollister a turning point in not only the evolution of the biker, but in how the public perceived motorcyclists from events which took place during and after the Gypsy Tour motorcycle rally in July, 1947. The rally, which was sponsored by the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), was attended by about 4000 people and would be later sensationalized in news reports and magazine articles reporting of bikers "taking over the town." MANY surviving eyewitnesses however, including non-riders, contradict many of the more inflammatory news reports and articles, and claim some controversial photographs were staged. In any event, stay tuned, but

Part of the Federal recovery package could pull Harley-Davidson out of their doldrums. This



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it looks like no run this year. **QUEBEC, CANADA:** The government is considering a law to make helmets mandatory for some winter sports, according to the CBC. People who ski and snowboard may be required to wear helmets on Quebec slopes as early as next year, according to the province's minister responsible for sports.

The beast has come again and we need to fight it. Nothing against the VOLUNTARY wearing of helmets if that suits you but I need to be the steward of MY safety not someone that knows nothing about me or mine.

ARKANSAS LIDLESS: They tried it again here and the people spoke. There will not be a helmet law here this year. If we all speak up and not wait for someone else to do it for us we can get helmets off our heads and keep them off where they aren't the law now. They tried to make people that rode bare-headed to carry \$10,000.00 dollars worth of insurance in the event of an accident. That to me is saying "if I get into an accident its my fault and I need to protect myself." More than 70% of injury accidents involving more than one vehicle are caused by other drivers. That's the sad facts folks.

GUNNY AGAIN: I say again folks if ya get into a scrape call your nearest AIM attorney. He will help ya or turn you to someone who can. Don't waste your time and money trying to get something done you don't have the expertise to do. These guys do it all the time and KNOW what they are doing. Besides they ride out there with us and know the world we live in. Call 1-800-531-2424 or 1-800-On-A-Bike, 24/7! But don't go down: Keep the round side on the bottom! Gunny, Oregon's AIM Chief of Staff

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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: _____

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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: _____

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

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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: _____

Annual Rates:

_____ Individual membership \$25
 _____ Couple membership \$30
 _____ Family membership \$35
 _____ Lifetime membership \$250

Total number of members: _____
 Amount enclosed: \$ _____
 Date paid: _____

Congressional District: _____

Senator: _____

Representative: _____

Chapter: _____	
New member ?	Renewal ?
Yes _____	Yes _____
No _____	Membership # _____
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Yes _____	
No _____	

Please send completed application to:

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STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 11 April 2009
at noon
Eagles' Lodge
127 Broadalbin street NW
Albany, Oregon
Run committee meeting at 1100

Although his drinking is vigorous,
Amounts, when, and where are rigorous,
He is nobody's fool,
And a rider who'll,
Not risk himself or the rest of us.

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2009 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event-Sponsor:	Location:	Contct number:
04 April 2009	Birthday Party – Washington County	Hillsboro	(503)–680–3269
11 April 2009	Spring Casino Night – Willamette Valley		
25 April 2009	Poker Run – River City	The Dalles	(541)–296–9303
02 May 2009	May Awareness Rally – Oregon ABATE	Salem	
02 May 2009	May Awareness Rally – Josephine County	Grants Pass	(541)–659–8715
03 May 2009	Poker Run – Josephine County	Grants Pass	(541)–659–8715
09 May 2009	Poker Run – Lower Columbia	Catskanie	
17 May 2009	Rhody Run – Willamette Valley		
22–25 May 2009	Fossil Campout – Oregon ABATE	Fossil, Oregon	(503)–791–2862
29–31 May 2009	Southern Oregon swap meet – JoCo	Central Point	(541)–659–8715
31 May 2009	Swap Meet – Oregon ABATE	Portland	(503)–475–8765
06 June 2009	Poker Run – Hub City	Albany	(541)–791–1919
14 June 2009	Roll & Ride – Washington County	Beaverton	(503)–680–3269
27 June 2009	Round Saddle Mountain – North Coast	Seaside	(503)–325–3566
24–26 July 2009	Run–21 – Southeast Portland	Birkenfeld	(503)–706–7061

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2 nd Sunday	1400 (2 ^{pm})	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)–383–0889
Douglas County (DC)	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Willie D's; 443 SE Jackson; Roseburg	(541)–672–5966
Hub City (HC)	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)–967–7802
Josephine County (JoCo)	3 rd Wednesday	1800 (6 ^{pm})	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)–471–6049
Lincoln County (LinCo)	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–7586
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	3 rd Saturday	1430 (2:30 ^{pm})	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–308–2059
North Coast (NC)	3 th Sunday	1000 (10 ^{am})	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–4376
River City (RC)	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Roadstop Restaurant; 2nd Street, The Dalles	(541)–296–8083
Salem	4 th Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–390–4292
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1 st & 3 rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–666–8806
Twin Rivers (TR)	2 nd & 4 th Sun	1300 (1 ^{pm})	Spare Room; NE 42 nd street.; Portland	(503)–960–5421
Washington County (WaCo)	2 nd & 4 th Mon	1930 (7:30 ^{pm})	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)–643–4725
Willamette Valley (WV)	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Far Man Resaurant and Bar; 3111 Gateway; Springfield	(541)–935–4632