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Welcome to A.B.A.T.E.

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.

• We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

Instead, *A.B.A.T.E.* is a not-for-profit 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 on.

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 on 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

MISSION STATEMENT

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

A Brief History of A.B.A.T.E.

"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 *Nationa 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.

by Bill Bish Executive Coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists A.B.A.T.E. of California*

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Coordinator's Comments

by Joe Laurance

(Due to a financially-induced telecomunication failure, Joe's column will not be appearing this month. Watch for the return of his wily words of wisdom next month.)

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That School Zone Thing Again

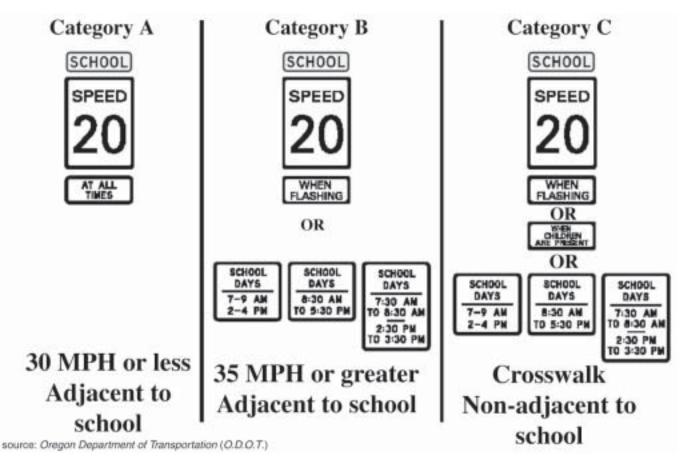
Confusion has increased ever since Oregon placed a 20 MPH school zone speed limit into effect 24/7 on 01 July. Last month the text of SB-179 which authorized the change was printed in its entirity in the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* newsmagazine, which only increased people's consternation.

Below is a graphic representation from *Oregon Department of Transportation* that is supposed to clear everything up. I know that I feel better now. – Rot Path, c.o.e.

Definition of a SCHOOL ZONE

School zones are divided into three categories:

- Category A: Roadways Adjacent to school and 30 mph or less.
- Category B: Roadways Adjacent to school and 35 mph or greater.
- Category C: Crosswalks not adjacent to the school.





A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Central Oregon Chapter



Greetings from sunny Central Oregon!

Last month I mentioned that Gary McGriff could have visitors after wrecking on his *Road King*.

Well sadly enough Gary did not make it. He was a brother and loved to ride. We will miss him.

On another sad note, another local rider "Bennie Benson" was killed when he went down and slid into a concrete truck. Bennie was a well known rider in central Oregon for many years. He was involved in starting the M.R.O.'s in central Oregon as well the central Oregon *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter. We will all miss his smile.

There have been three riders killed in central Oregon this year so far. Not a very good start to the season! Please ride *safe* within your limits and keep your eyes peeled. We don't want to see any more bike wrecks this season.

On a little lighter note, we have our awareness banner hanging on the outside wall of the *Black Horse Saloon* facing Boyd Acres Road. Check it out when you get over there. A big thanks to Larry and Lisa Havinear who are the local *A.B.A.T.E.* members and owners of the *Black Horse Saloon* for allowing us to hang it there.

Our Rocks, Bridges, Lakes Run

supporting the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* was a success again for the second year. It's great to see so many people come out and support our rights as motorcyclists.

A gal from Las Vegas named Rhonda won the \$100 high roll and donated it back to the *M.R.F.* Thank you, Rhonda.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Dave from Chicago. He also donated his winnings, which amounted to \$235 back to the *M.R.F.* Thank you, Dave.

When it was all said and done we raised \$1,340 for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* and if the chapter votes to donate the \$100 used for high dice roll prize our donation will amount to \$1,440.

I would like to thank all of our members who helped make this run a success and all the people who came out and supported the *M.R.F.* It was also great to see a lot of people show up from out of the central Oregon area.

I would like to thank Gary who owns *City Slickers* in Redmond for allowing us to start the run at his establishment and thanks to Eric, owner of *Coyote Creek Cafe and Lounge* in Sisters for allowing us to end the run at his establishment.

Good people, good riding, good

scenery!

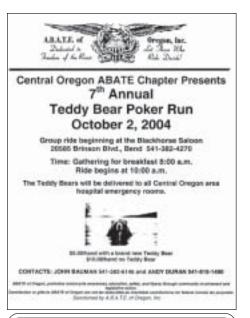
A good time was had by all!

We had a very good June meeting. This was our first meeting at the *Black Horse Saloon* and it was very well attended. 27 members were there and I hope to see more in July. This is very encouraging.

That's about it for this month.

Remember: "United we stand" and you all know the rest of that sentence.

Please ride safe. Later, John



<u>CENTRAL OREGON MEET-</u> ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm) *Black Horse Saloon* Bend, Oregon

POINT of CONTACT John Baumann (541)-382-6146 Andy Duran (541)-815-1490

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"Columbia River Welcome's You"

We met on July 11th and had 35 attendees, including three visitors, one of who was Lee Austin.

Duane reported on the new lobbyist that BikePAC will be hiring. He also reported about the M.R.F. reorganization.

Last meeting there was discussion about what happened at the democratic party of Oregon platform meeting and its convention. Duane, who was present throughout both events, explained what really happened.

Three new traffic laws are now in effect: a school zone speed law; a pedestrian right of way law; and an emergency vehicle one.

Below are my understandings of the new laws.

The first requires that a motorist slow down to 20 mph in a marked school zone at all times, [including] in the middle of the night. There will be a lot of confusion because there will remain signs that will give a posted speed of 35 mph that really mean 20. People are encouraged to lobby their legislators to change this law.

The pedestrian law now requires motorists to stop for pedestrians at marked and unmarked intersections

and the motorists must stay stopped until the pedestrian has completely crossed the intersection.

Finally, if there is an emergency vehicle with its lights flashing, motorists must slow down and yield the right of way. If a police vehicle is parked by the side of the ride with its lights flashing, motorists are now required to move away from the lane nearest to the police vehicle and slow down.

I gave a report on *Angie's Run*. We had thirty bikes and had a great trip from the *Kenton Club* to the *Rock Creek Tavern* to the *Skyline Tavern* and finishing up at *Pier Park* for the barbeque picnic. Tony won the high hand with three kings and Fuzzy the low hand with an eight high.

Thanks to all who did the work to put it on and to all of those who attended.

On the same date as *Angie's Run* a new bike shop called *Oak Grove Choppers* had its grand opening event. It is next to the *River Road House*. A group of chapter members attended and signed up six new members, including the owners, and sold a bunch of toy run raffle tickets.

O.G.C. also had a fifty-fifty drawing

and donated half of it to the *Columbia River Chapter*. Stop by and support these nice folks.

Marie won the short membership drawing.



<u>COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-</u> ING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm) *Jubitz Truck Stop* 10310 N. Vancouver Avenue --Portland Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Douglas County Chapter



The ride season continues and we are looking forward to the S.O.S. run here in the south. Lots of hard work and months of planning goes into these events, so I hope as A.B.A.T.E. members we are all supporting the many events around the state.

The run season has taken a bit of a toll on our motorcycling comrades. Some of you met one of our newest Douglas County members, Roger Horton. Roger served us at Fossil in the first aid booth. Roger went home from *Fossil* with a tiny blister, smaller than a pea on his foot. He developed a serious staph infection that ran through his body, and had the lower part of his leg amputated. Due to the serious infection Roger is still in the hospital and has some difficulty with his kidneys. We, and especially Roger and his family, would appreciate prayers and good thoughts for Roger's continued healing and recovery. The good news is that even though Roger is new to motorcycling, he and his doctor are already discussing what kind of prosthesis he needs to be able to get back on the bike! Go Roger.

Additionally, in the tragedy category, many of you old timers out there will probably remember Robert, better known as Benny Benson from Bend. He attended many a *Fossil* campout and other *A.B.A. T.E.* events over the years. We met Benny at *Fossil* in 1986. Benny went down on his bike north of Bend while riding with some bros on June 28th and died at the scene. Benny was an excellent rider with many years experience. He will be greatly missed by his family, grandchildren, and the biking community.

There is a certain degree risk involved in nearly anything that is meaningful in life. And that's part of why we do this. Let's all remember that motorcycling is something that demands not only skill, but a certain amount of respect for the machine and caution regarding the other people on the road. Support for *A.B.A. T.E.* both by participation and financially to continue preserving our right and choice to ride as well as our rider education programs is a great way to honor those we ride with.

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Ride safe and enjoy the rest of the summer,

Becky Garino secretary *Douglas County Chapter*



DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-ING TIME and PLACE 3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7:00pm) *Round Table Pizza* Roseburg

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Hub City Chapter





Hello everyone!

August here in Oregon means summertime and lots of stuff going on.

A.B.A.T.E. is alive and well!

Remember the upcoming first annual One Night Stand, hosted by Hub City. It will be held on 11 September 2004. Thanks to Shawn Harwood, Hub City run coordinator, and his run committee for all their efforts in organizing our events.

The run will be held in Lacomb at a place called Providence. What a coincidence! We all go through times when a little "providence" could be a good thing.

21 and over only. ID required at gate if you're lucky enough to look close to 21.

\$15 per person entry for a full day of fun and camping. "Bike only" camping will be separated from fopur wheeled vehicles. No alcohol sold on site. Two bands are already booked for your listening and dancing pleasure.

Saturday afternoon will be full of people and bike games, band, and vendors. Thanks to Tacy Little of *A Little More Stuff* for making arrangements for vendors.

Please help support *Hub City* and their fight for biker rights. This is our first attempt at an overnight campout and a lot of effort has gone into preparations. I don't think you will be disappointed.

Thanks to *Hub City* member Fred Tucker and family for allowing us to use their farm for this event.

Please call Shawn at (541)-451-3940 or myself at (541)-926-2161 for more details or see the flyer in this edition of the newsmagazine.

Our June meeting went well with the major issue of discussion being the hiring of a professional lobbyist by the state. *Hub City* voted to direct our chapter representative (Ron Vonsild) to vote for passage of the money measure before the state. This will assure funding for the next two years, at which time we can assess the progress and see where we want to move from there.

A.B.A.T.E. is a legislative action group and it's good to see action on this front. We have many powerful and wealthy foes out there and we must make sure we are represented as well as possible at the state legislature.

Hub City enjoyed a visit from the many other motorcyclist's rights organizations in our area. Represented at our meeting were the *Road Maggots, United Freedom Riders, A.M.O.*, and the *O.V.M.A.* That is a powerful group when all focused toward the same issue! Thanks for coming all you folks, and remember, you're welcome anytime.

Hub City meets on the third Thursday of every month at Ciddici's Pizza in downtown Albany. 133 5th street is the address. 7 PM is the time. Come see what we have to offer!

HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm) *Ciddici's Pizza* 133 Fifth Street Albany

POINT of CONTACT Cliff McCalley (541)-926-8363

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Josephine County Chapter



Well here's another great month.

We had a sup rise visit at our July meeting !! It was a nice suprise to have Joe Laurance pay us a visit. It's always nice to see Joe. He's always got some new information.

July's meeting was great. We had a good showing and the parking lot was full of bikes too.

Before I get into much more I want to bring up the fact that we have to members of our chapter down.

Willy Courtney was hurt in a crash the end of June. Willy's doing okay but needs your prayers. A 70 year old lady decided to cross the highway in front of Willy . He's now in *Oregon Health Science* hospital in Portland. I talked to him a week later. He's in a lot of pain but he's hanging in there. Bill Thomas another one of our members went down near Redding, California. He was going down to see his mom in the hospital when deer ran out in the road in front of him. He tried to get by them and went into a ditch. Bill is doing better every day.

Our prayers are with both members. Bill and Willy are two good guys. The chapter's sending both flowers and cards signed by many of us.

Okay, back to business.

During the meeting we talked about bringing back the *Last Chance Run* next summer and voted on it. This summer we're going to have a chapter overnighter in September 2004.

Also there were plans started for an end of the summer poker run from Grants Pass to *Seven Feathers Casino* in Canyonville that should take place no later then October 2004.

There's also plans for our chapter potluck like we had last October. Plans are for it to happen again in October.

We're also going to have a chapter fund raiser yard sale so we can start putting money together for the *Last Chance Run* next summer. If you have something you'd like to donate for the yard sale call me we will pick it up. Any help that you can volunteer for would be great. Thanks.

Spanky

JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE 1st Thursdays at 1800 (6 pm) Abby's Pizza 205 Beacon Drive Grants Pass POINT of CONTACT

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Lincoln County Chapter

Wow!!! Where has the 12144 summer gone?

Here we are in August already. By the time you get this; we only have a couple more days until *Beaver Creek Run*.

Most of us from *Lincoln County* are ready to party with all of you so I hope to see you all there.

Iris and Sis, you missed out on the number drawing for the month of June.

Rosie Goffinet, you missed out on the bubble fund, as did Mike Wilson, Archie Matthews and Chuck Huntting.

Make sure that you read the12027 newsmagazine and check your membership numbers and come to a meeting to claim a prize.

It has been a very busy summer.

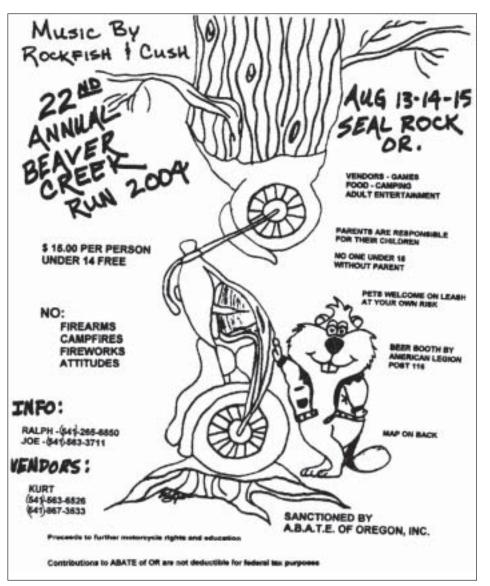
A.B.A.T.E. Lincoln County Chapter entered a bed in the *Beachcombers Day* parade and we brought home the grand sweepstakes trophy. You should have seen the live mermaid who rode on the bed. Thanks, Patty, for the wonderful costume that you made for mermaid Melvina.

But for the bed races the next day the *Beaverly Hillbillies* came in 5th out of 7th place. Not bad for us old folks.

We added ten new or renewd members this month. Welcome to *Lincoln County A.B.A. T.E.* Love to see you at the meetings and get to do some riding with you.

You all ride safe and would love to see you all at *Beaver Creek* the 13-15th. Until next month,

Wanda



LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30 pm) *American Legion* Hall Post 116 424 W. Olive Street Newport

POINT of CONTACT Ralph Janes (541)-265-6850

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

North Coast Chapter



Greetings from the North Coast Chapter,

Our 9th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run is now history and what a great run it was! We had 150 riders from both Oregon and Washington, many A.B.A.T.E. chapters were represented from both states as well. Good to see chapter members from Washington County, Hub City, Salem, Pacific County and more. (No doubt I missed mentioning more.)

The weather cooperated by providing sunshine and warmer temperatures as the day when on. The day was filled with great fun and lots of good times. As always we ended up at the Relief Pitcher Tavern in Seaside. Mike provided a great feed enjoyed by all. We had lots and lots of cool raffle prizes, so many folks left with quite a bounty.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who attended and to all of the many supporters (including the several police departments who provided escorts

members who helped to make this a great run.

Until next year folks. (Next year will be our 10th annual. We'll be looking for 200 riders.)

Our longest traveled rider (Fred) was from Quincy, Washington. Turns out Fred had just returned from a *Rolling* Thunder ride to the new World War II memorial in Washington D.C. (A short trip 11,000 miles in just a few days. He wandered a little bit but had a great trip.) Fred heard about our run in Thunder Press and came down to spend the day with us. Great to have Fred along for the ride. Hope to see him again in the future. Another saltof-the-earth veteran who defended our freedom and rights.

While I didn't make it, I'm told we had a small but good turnout for the Fourth of July barbecue at Jeff and Christina's in Warrenton. Several members rode as a group in Warrenton's Fourth of July parade, including some of the kids (and big kids) on their little bikes. Great fun and good times were had by all on

and blocked intersections) and chapter Fourth once again. Many thanks to Jeff and Christina for their gracious hospitality and chapter support over the years.

> Our chapter campout is coming the weekend of the 13th at the Lone Fir Resort in Cougar. Our Fruit Loop Run is also coming up this month on the 21st. For more information about these two events give a call to Sue Mills (503)-325-2823 or Amelia Williams (503)-325-6686.

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NORTH COAST MEETING **TIME and PLACE**

4 th Thusday at 1900 (7 pm) Moose Lodge 420 17th Street Astoria, Oregon Children are welcome

POINTS of CONTACT Sue Mills (503)-325-2823 aquarianrider@yahoo.com

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Northeast Portland Chapter



Hello from Northeast Portland,

We had our annual elections last month. Here are the results:

Coordinator – Robert Hale Treasurer – Rusty Taylor Recording secretary – Open Membership secretary – Danny Legislative – Diesel Dave Stata board reprecentative – Randy Phipps Public relations – Marty Soerhman Ways and means – Terry Education – Geoff White Historian – Oopy Sgt-at-arms – Lightning

Planning on *Summer Run* is almost finished. The bands are locked in: *Ride Crash Burn* is on Friday night, the *Yanks* are on Saturday night with the *Yanks* bass player and his band closing things down until 2 am Sunday morning. When the bands aren't playing, I get to play D-J on the P.A. system. Let's see, I get to play the best rock and roll that's ever been written, sit in the shade, and drink beer all weekend. Sounds like a tough time but I guess I can suffer through. Anything for *A.B.A.T.E.*

We had our *Nehamlem River Run* at *Paucho's* this weekend. Fire in the hole! Maybe I'll have to back off on the beer

for *Summer Run*. I pretty much passed out at 10 pm. The old bod just isn't up to that "party all night and laugh all day" stuff any more. It's a sad statement when my pillow sounds better than a cold brew and good company around the camp fire.

Run 21 is in two weekends. Be history when you read this. I can't wait to hear the Freyed Brothers and Brian Howe on Friday night and Molly Hatchet and Pat Travers on Saturday night. Last time I heard Molly Hatchet was ten years ago at the Bean Blossum Boogey in Indiana. They kicked it then and I'm betting those guys are still rockin' the house down.

We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at *Roundtable Pizza*, between Sandy Boulevard and I-84, on 122nd in Portland. 7:30 pm is the kick off time. Meetings usually run around an hour and a half. Soft drinks are provided by *Roundtable* and you can buy beer, the salad bar or (duh!) pizza. Motorcycle-friendly places are getting hard to find. *Roundtable* rolls out the red carpet for us. So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

Fred

(360)-901-1520 (cell) (360)-225-4462 (home)



<u>N.E. PORTLAND MEETING</u> <u>TIMES and PLACE</u>

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1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930 (7:30pm) *Round Table Pizza* 4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

POINT of CONTACT Rusty Taylor (503)-777-5121

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

June 15, 2004

Tonight's meeting was boisterous, with lots of discussion about the [state] board of directors report from Del. We talked about the *BikePAC* proposal for a new lobbyist.

We also discussed the democratic convention and chapter refruiting issues.

Nancy Turner would have won the chapter membership drawing for \$75 if she had been present. Our guest, Larry Loop, won the 50/50 at \$13/ \$12. Congratulations.

Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:03 pm.16 people present, two arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee. Guests: Larry Loop.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Debra because they were presented in e-mail and written form.

Corespondence: Bank statement.

Treasury report is \$1404.35; Bills submitted: \$25 reimbursement for attending board meeting to Del, who represented chapter.

Membership report: 73, seven expired.

Board report: Delbert – One of biggest items discussed was *BikePAC* proposal to hire a professional lobbyist, which would take \$ from \$5,000 per year to \$10,000 per year. 1/4 of his time would be ours. Many people supportive of it as a good idea. Some concerened that we won't get anything for it. Chapter discussed this at length.

Legislative report: Brian reported on the democratic party platform and delegate convention.

Ways and means report: The chopper throw will be raffled all summer.

River City Chapter

Public relations report: Cards available. We discussed recruiting in the mid Columbia.

Historian report: New pages in the book

Old Business

Planned rides: *Hollister*; *Sturgis*; *Fran's* – 18 July; *Summit to Surf* – 31 July; *Rocks, Bridges and Lakes* tour – 19 June.

Adopt-a-highway: No progress. Adjourned 8:36 pm

July 6, 2004

Tonight's meeting was small with 14 people, which is 19% of our membership.

We've been on some wonderful rides of late. A couple of weeks ago, we went on one of our favorites. It is a loop up the Klickitat River and aroud to Glennwood, then across Conboy Lake and down to BZ Corners, next to Underwood and then home. As we were coming out of the restaurant in Glennwood, a small group of sportbikes came through and headed the way we were going. French took off on his R1 and caught them, I followed (losing ground) on my monster and Dave and Sue came along on his Harley-Davidson. Dave caught a grasshopper in the eye and had to stop for cleaning. The hoppers were out in swarms and when we passed through them, they would hit us by the hundreds! It was a great ride.

Last week, Fran and Tad from *Southeast Chapter* came up and rode with us. We went out to Maupin and back to Sherar's Bridge on the river road, watching rafters along the way, then up the twisties and over the fields to Grass Valley where we had lunch. Next, we turned off at Moro and went over Gordon Ridge, stopping at the microwave station for the view of mountains (very clear day), then down Fulton Canyon and on home.

Wow!

Bob Watkins would have won the \$80 membership drawing if he had been at the meeting. That pot will increase to \$85 for our next meeting. Norm won the 50/50 at \$8/\$7 and donated back \$5 to the chapter. Thanks, Norm.

Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm.11 people present, three arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee. Guests: none.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Steve because they were presented in e-mail and written form.

Corespondence: *O.V.M.* bike show flyer; *Cow Chip* flyer

Treasury report is \$1386.35

Membership report: 73; seven expired.

Ways and means report: The Chopper Throw will be rafffled all summer.

Historian report: New pages in the book

Old Business

Group riding protocols: Reports of several local accidents. We had a great ride last Sunday and the one before. Last week, seven bikes went to Maupin and up to Grass Valley. The week before, we went on the Glennwood loop.

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River City Chapter (continued)

Planned rides:

Sturgis; *Fran's* 18 July; *Summit-to-Surf* 31 July; *O.V.M.* bike show in Wamic 24 July or *Run 21*;

Dave and Sue Wiebalk's 2nd Annual Biker Barbecue and Sleepover

14 August beginning at 4:00 pm Burgers, dogs and beer provided. Bring a side dish or dessert.

Location: 4835 O'Leary Road, Dee, Oregon.

RSVP by 07 August to (541)-354-3125.

Adopt-a-highway: No progress. New Business

Debra moved to pay Teresa back for table recovering expenses, passed. Adjourned 7:50 pm

Upcoming meetings

03 and 17 August 2004 7:00 pm

RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm) *Lone Pine Restaurant* 335 Lone Pine Dr. -- The Dalles (I-84 & US-197)

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Salem Chapter



It was a warm, muggy night and— Salem Chapter performed again! All that dancing on the tables . . . well, almost! Coulda been! No one's telling for sure . . .

Didn't have a quorum, but we seven solved most of the world's problems relating to politics and the ecology (what else is there). So now all we have to do is convince the majority! Piece of cake!

Noted that the *Westgate Café*, scene of many gatherings in west Salem, has moved from the former location on Wallace Road around the corner to Edgewater Street. So, if you're coming across the bridge from Salem, just go straight! Down the road, that is. Rubber side down.

Also discussed the upcoming runs, including our *Lime Run*. Gonna be great!

The road pickup was rescheduled and the weather cooperated, but only Ted, Michelle, and Morris showed up. And a fine job they did! The litter patrol office will be proud! Let's give them a round of hearty thanks. *And* let's lend more energy (bodies) next time, okay? Thanks to you all in advance!

That wraps it up. Spent the rest of the night ogling bikes and testing them out. See ya next time around: July 27th. Y'all be there!

Respectfully submitted by the ol' substitute goddess,

Sheryl



SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm) *Chalet Restaurant* Market Street, Salem

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports South Coast Chapter



Greeting from the sunny South Coast,

We received some bad news at the end of June which forced us to cancel the *Spook Flanagan Memorial Coos River Run*. Spook passed away a few months ago and since then there has been a dispute over the property where we annually hold the run. Hopefully when everything is settled we will be able to hold the run there in the future.

Our state representative/chaplin, Tom Curran has been in the hospital. He went to Seattle this past week for surgery. His wife called us to say the surgery went well and they are planning to be home by Tuesday. We wish Tom God,s speed in getting well.

Our membership drive went well and we are pleased with the increased membership. Our change in meeting time on Sunday (from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm) has worked well. We have now made the 1:00 pm meeting time permanent. We hope this will continue to produce good turnouts at the meetings.

With the good weather in our area there is a lot going on. I see trailers and more trailers hauling fourwheelers and sand buggies. Also a lot of motorcycles. If you decide to come to the coast, call some our members listed on *Duffy's Revived Road* list. (you don't need to be in trouble to call) and I'm sure they would be happy to tell and/or show you the neat places to visit in the area.

Speaking of lots of traffic, our vice coordinator Michael Van Osdol was run off the road on his way home from work by a couple fighting in a vehicle. The driver never saw Michael. He was too busy fighting with his lady friend. Michael got a sprained ankle. This is another example of vehicles not seeing motorcyclists. So, heads up out there on the road.

S.O.S. is fast approaching and hopefully everyone has their calendars marked to attend. Charlie wanted to give a personal *thank you* to the run committee: Keith, Mary Ann, Michael, Wendy, Hal, Rick, Abe, Cindy, Tim, and Deb for all their hard work in putting *S.O.S.* together.

The S.O.S. run is successful when everyone works together. No one person is responsible for the run success. So when you see the committee people mentioned above let them know you appreciate their efforts.

On a personal note this will be my first ever run (remember I'm the girl without a motorcycle) and I am really looking forward to meeting everyone and seeing the *Fire Spinners*. This group not only spins fire, but they also drum. I'm told they are fantastic. I hope to see you there.

Kris



SOUTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE 3rd Sunday at 1300 (1 pm) *Gino's Pizza* 1324 Virginia Street -- North Bend

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Southeast Portland Chapter



Hey folks,

Ride safe,

By the time you get this months newsmagazine, *Southeast Chapter's Run 21* will have all ready happened. I can't say too much about it this submission other than we are ready to go. If our advanced and online sales are any indication of the gate count, this year's *Run 21* will be the biggest yet.

There are a lot of good people who worked hard on this run and we all hope you had a blast. You can read more about the run in the September issue of this mag.

Next month Southeast and Northeast Chapters are hosting the Annual A.B.A.T.E. Family Picnic. We will be returning to Eagle Fern Park this year. The date is September 25th. We hope to see you, your family, and friends there for a great family get together. Look for flyers.

The last two member's names drawn at our regular meetings membership drawing were: Aaron Channahon and Kevin Kinoshita. They lost out on \$15 and \$20 because they didn't attend a meeting. Later,

Mammy Tami

P.S. Our chapter member, Robert Bodie, is shipping out for Iraq. Wish him God speed.







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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Southern Oregon Chapter

We encourage members to try the *Beaver Creek Run* described in issue. It is a scenic ride up the coast to run site and you'll meet lots of nice folks – your fellow *A.B.A. T.E.* brothers and sisters. Since the state board meeting is held on August 14 in nearby Newport you can attend the meeting and join most of the officers who will return to the *Beaver Creek Run* after the meeting.

The following weekend, Sunday the 22nd, join our *Hot Run* into the cool altitudes of the Cascades. Twisting mountain roads, trees, deer, lakes, trees, isolated ranches, trees, small towns and more trees are the theme. This is a chance to hone your riding skill on curves. Try to stay in your track because many curves (especially the road to the last town) may have gravel or cinders on the middle of the lane. We end the official ride at a lost café overlooking a lake with trails, boating and, of course trees.

"It would be a fine thing for the world if some of this goodwill could be bottled up at Christmas time and dealt out regularly wherever it was needed during the rest of the year. For instance, I'm sure the motorcycle world could stand some of it; for, even though we boast of our 'good fellowship' spirit, there still seems to be a tendency among a good many motorcyclist to slight the fellow riding another kind of machine. Motorcyclist are all bound together by a brotherhood tie through their love of the sport, and what difference does it make what make of machine he rides as long as he belongs to the clan?" Quote by Walter Davidson in December 1920.

Our main subject for the September meeting will be preparing to participate the *Scavenger Hunt* sponsored by the Medford/Phoenix area motorcycle dealers on October 2. I look forward to seeing you there

Also, as elections near, we hope to have advice from *A.B.A.T.E.* on which state and federal legislators are friendly toward motorcyclists, rights that we can pass on to you or will be in the newsletter.

Submitted by

Robert Mumby

Southern Oregon secretary



SOUTHERN OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Wednesday at 1900 (7 pm) *Abby's Legendary Pizza* 2550 Crater Lake Highway Medford, Oregon

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports Washington County Chapter

Our Roll-n-Ride went well, with only a minor error on the directions, which Rich took credit for and apologized to all attendees. The weather cooperated (as it sometimes does), the food was good and the band played on.

This was probably the final *A.B.A.T.E.* event at the Stocker compound as Metro has included the area in the urban growth boundary and made demands on the property owners.

I believe the count was about 80 bikes and Linda Combs came away the winner after the high hand roll-off.

If you are one of the lucky ones who gets your newsmagazine before the first of the month, please come join us on July 31 for *Poker Run/Pig Roast* beginning at *Destination Harley-Davidson* and ending in Cornelius. This was a success last year and there will be cash prizes for poker hands, as well as a pit-barbecued pig and all the fixin's. Check our web site for information.

We did not attend the July 1st Sunday ride because it was the *Fourth* and there were other obligations.

August 1 is the first Sunday ride, and we will see how that works out.

Rich Virchow and Margo Camevale were married on July 10, but we missed the event due to a sudden illness. I can only hope that everything went well. The weather here in the valley was wonderful.

Speaking of weather, it is good to see so many bikes out on the road again. I am not certain if the weather or the high gas prices are causing the increase, but either way, it is an improvement The more of us there are on the road, the more people become used to seeing us and maybe even begin to look for us.

Well, the work is calling and I must answer.

So here is the rest of the business:

Our membership drawing continues to grow, thanks in June to Teddy Tracy and Frank Eckrode, Sr. not being present to win. It is now over \$300. Who will be the next winner? You cannot win if you do not attend.

The Yarnell family cleaned up in the June 50/50 drawings. Both Roger and Sharon won at separate meetings.

Watch out for the other guy because he probably is not watching for you!

Linda Wells *WaCo* secretary



WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30pm) *Prime Time Sports Bar* 4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports



Well lets start off with me apologizing for making the greatest of errors in the last July/August newsmagazine. On the mailing/ address page is a reference to *S.O.S.* and the run dates were incorrect. Lets all repeat after me: "August 27 to 29". It is correct on the run flyer and run dates listed in the newsmagazine. Again, sorry about any confusion.

So onward!

The 4th of July Social was great fun with good weather and a great bunch of bikers to enjoy and celebrate our freedom with. Weather was perfect and we had a great showing this year. Thanks as always to Ruth and all the volunteers who helped set up and tear down the event. Also a special thanks to Lonny and Peggy for doing the cooking, Rick for letting us use his generator and Doug for setting up the bands.

October 14 chapter meeting we will be electing officers and November 4th, normally our officer's meeting, all interested chapter members are invited to attend a 2005 agenda meeting to set up for *Willamette Valley* events and any other items, issues, and concerns for the chapter for this next coming year. I would like every member to attend this agenda meeting to voice how our chapter will do casino nights, poker runs, run procedures and *S.O.S.* or to remove or add events. If you have any ideas or complaints about how the chapter does things, this is the place to air your opinion. This agenda meeting will be a meeting of the minds and will be held at the *Vet's Club*. (Same place as chapter meetings.)

Be a part of the chapter by participating. As with most things, you get back what you put in. Willamette Valley A.B.A.T.E. is growing and as a consequence with new people come new ideas and agendas. This is a good thing. I see our chapter working hard to accept all kinds of bikers from all walks of life joining. We need to listen and learn because many of these riders are the future of A.B.A.T.E. and our chapter. We exclude no one who is willing to step up and help build towards the future. As I have said in the past, if you don't speak up and participate as an officer or help run events, then you should have no complaints. We are all adults here, so goes the theory. Talking heads don't do us much good.

Happy trails and keep the blue sky up and dry pavement down!

Hal





WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE

2rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm) *Veteran's Memorial Building* 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene **POINTS of CONTACT** Hal Fletcher (541)-688-4268 Rick Maish (541)-746-7837 Ruth Johnston (541)-935-6261 **CHAPTER ADDRESS:** Wilamette Valley Chapter ABATE c/o 4618 Daisy Street Springfield, OR 97478 **WEB SITE:** http://www.wvabateoforegon.com

North Coast Chapter (continued from page 10)

Just another quick reminder to come join us for our 3rd Sunday runs each month. These runs start and finish at different locations throughout the north corner of our beautiful state and southwestern Washington state. These fun runs afford another chance to enjoy the sights of our area and the comradely of our brothers and sisters. All bikes and riders are welcome and encouraged to join us. In September the run will be to Mt. St Helens. For more information, give our chapter secretary Amelia Williams a call at (503)-325-6686.

That's about it until next month. All the best from the *North Coast*.

Once again back on my soap box: Don't lose sight of the fight for the freedom of the road. You can make a difference, whether it's a call or e-mail to one of our state representatives in support of legislative issues/actions that affect our freedom or taking the time to visit the state capitol to lobby our representatives. Every one of us has the power. Seize it, make a difference, get involved, exercise your rights. They belong to each and every one of us !!!

Be safe out there. Get out there and enjoy the summer months and all the many *A.B.A.T.E.* events scheduled throughout our beautiful state.

Keep the rubber side down !!!

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Our Officers at Work A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes

10 July 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:11 with 14 of the 15 chapters represented, all present were eligible to vote. Chapter not in attendance was *Southern Oregon*, second time in a row.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the June 12, 2004. Motion made by Kurt Speas, seconded by Brian Stovall to adopt the minutes as published in the news magazine. Motion carried.

Coordinators Comments Joe was glad everyone was here. Be careful going home.

Guests and First Time Attendees

Robert Dale-*Northeast Chapter* coordinator

Correspondence None noted

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Legislative director: Rick Maish included in packets more detail on these subjects. Rick received an e-mail from Pat Ryan to go out and work for candidates of our respective parties. 21 July is *Ride To Work Day* this is world wide and is held the third Wednesday in July.

A.C.L.U. bill that was defeated would have given us some of our rights back.

M.R.F.: 15 July is the deadline for *Young Activist Scholarship* nominations.

M.R.F.P.A.C. campaign released the history of donations made by *M.R.F.P.A.C.*

M.R.F. document on faith of the

Declaration of Independence.

Oregon motorcycle accidents/ deaths.

What's happening elsewhere! Seattle having a parking problem with pay booths. You place on your bike your pay station ticket, then what, along comes another biker and they pull your ticket and put on their's.

A couple of states are interested in working with bikers to promote biker safety.

On August 15, Louisiana is reversing their helmet repel, losing their freedom of choice and losing what they gained just a few years ago. Brian noted you must stay in the game even after gaining victory such as they had or you will lose the battle.

Parents in an eastern state where a kid was killed as a passenger are trying to pass a law against kids riding on back.

The *Iron Butt* award was broken with a 5,632 mile ride in 100 hours on a *Ducati*.

Flyer of *Meeting of the Minds* is included in your packet and a traffic safety connection letter.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Geoff White – Michelle overnighter. Saturday, leaving at 1 FitzHenry received an award from p.m. from the Outsiders house. If BikePAC.

Ken Ray, executive director of *BikePAC* was present and apologized for not making it to the last meeting. Ken said he sent Michael Boggs to represent *BikePAC* and Ken reiterated the need for a professional lobbyist including the fact that outside agencies



by Charlie Hill State Recording Secretary

are threatening the *Team Oregon* team. The *Motorcycle Safety Foundation* has hired a lobbyist whose wife happens to be an attorney who will spend more than \$250,000 to fight against *Team Oregon*.

Campaigning is going on right now! Ken is too busy to do this right now. We need someone who knows the issue and has the time to lobby. Wayne Schumacher has been a lobbyist for many years, he is active in motorcycle clubs and organizations such as H.O.G., A.B.A.T.E., governors advisory chair, M.R.F., etc. He understands what we feel. His quote is less than market value of what he gets from others. Wayne is planning to come to our September board meeting. Some concerns mentioned were: Will we get a report from Wayne to see what progress has been made etc? Ken was sure this would happen.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughan – excused.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Michael Schneider – Next weekend the coalition will ride from Portland to Grants Pass for an overnighter. Saturday, leaving at 1 p.m. from the *Outsiders* house. If anyone is interested in going with them, e-mail Ed.

Education director: Geoff White – Southeast Chapter has put out a BikePAC promotional pack, which is a way to get support through chapters. Thanks to Mel and Iris who have had a busy summer and thanks to *Willamette Valley*. They held an instructor class and have 14 new instructors. Spent last week in southwest Washington to incorporate our M.A.P. class to them.

Education director II: Nora Rohde reported it has been quiet. She did check on the kid passenger rules and what she found out was the passenger must be able to reach the foot pegs.

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy – excused. We have 2,500+ members.

Newsmagazine editor: Rot Path. Ken Ray presented Rot Path with the *Champion of Liberty Award*.

Article – how to display the flag properly and how you shouldn't display the flag on anything that would be thrown away such as paper plates, cups, napkins, etc.

SB179 – School zone speed change. Please be aware of this change in all school zones.

Products: Michelle Hobbs – excused.

Public relations: Melinda McCrossen – excused.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Duane Calkins – Please excuse absence last month as he was at the democratic platform [conference]. Thanks to all those who helped make Fossil a success. Need stairs for trash bin. Half the trash wound up on the ground instead of in the bin. Awnings-need one more for a covering. Everything went well. Committee meetings to begin September, the last Wednesday of the month. Needed more help on Monday. *Hub City* did a great job with the games. Between 1,200 and 1,300 people were there. Also thanks to *BikePAC* for their presence at the run.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton – excused.

State run coordinator II: Michelle FitzHenry – excused.

Treasurer: Ted Tracy – excused. Gave Joe his report.

Checking \$13,560; money market \$52,380 for a total of \$65,940. This was not reconciled as Ted hadn't received the bank statement yet.

State auditor: Nancy Curran – excused. Joe said he had checked with Nancy who had checked with the accountant regarding the amount proposed for paying the lobbyist which would be okay as we need to stay below 50% of our income or \$20,000 which ever is less.

Historian: Iris Yeager reported doing six classes this summer. Lots of family things going on. Please send her pictures of events you go to.

Webpage editor: Mad Dog was not present.

Vice coordinator–north: Larry Brown – excused.

Vice coordinator-south: Tim Rohde had a good time at *Fossil*. June 24-27 Viet Nam wall was in Grants Pass.

A.B.A.T.E. was well represented. Grants Pass motorcycle show is a great way to show community involvement. Vice coordinator–east: Bob Hadley – excused.

Sergeant-at-arms-north: Larry Brown – excused.

Sergeant-at-arms-south: Doc Squires – excused.

Sergeant-at-arms-east: Keith Odoms – excused.

Sanctioning officer: Ron VonSild

Insurance certificates given out. Also have for *Washington County* and *Southeast Portland*.

Still getting stuff late and then the people are jumping him. Ron said he will quit the position if the chapters won't get their stuff in on time so he can get his stuff done in time.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton – excused.

Committee Reports The committee did not meet.

Unfinished Business M.R.F. board meeting – Ken Ray said on a personal note that he wants to meet at *Best of the West* Jeff Hennie, M.R.F. vice president of government relations. He said his reports are fact based and has knowledge of people and the committees. He has a lot of energy and lives in D.C.

Sons of Liberty proposal regarding four regional reps was discussed.

Hardtail went to Europe to the motorcycle conference where they release the M.A.I.D.S. study. This is the kind of study we wish happened here regarding motorcycle crashes. In

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Europe they don't drink and ride at all. The crash rate is 70% more than ours with no alcohol involved. They do consider mopeds a motorcycle and they have filtering and lane splitting which keeps congestion down.

Treasurer report – In good financial shape. The fines mentioned earlier have been mitigated.

M.R.F.P.A.C. is on the federal level. Mike Kerr is in good shape but needs to raise money. *Central Oregon* is one of the largest contributors. Third quarter last year the P.A.C. didn't file *F.I.C.* report. You can have your P.A.C. shutdown. They said just don't do it again.

Steve Zimmer went to the Life Savers.

State reps program came up with M.R.F. membership incentives.

Jeff Hennie doesn't see the *T.E.A.* bill going anywhere right now due to the election year. Peter DeFazio is on the committee, make sure to encourage the house bill revision as it's the one that has what we want in it.

E.P.A. issue-finally published *E.P.A.* for the Lehman. Not much will happen this year.

H.I.P.P.A. SB423, HB429 not moving.

After election "lame duck" bills may be passed.

G.A.I.N. bill – committee has taken it off three times which usually means the committee is not comfortable with it.

Communication – J.D. DePaolantonio, *M.R.F.* membership director, he is sharp, taking our communications and doing membership. *Meeting of the Minds* this year in St. Louis. In 2005 will be in Little Rock.

Rider education-extensively discussed. Oregon is being watched. Rider trainer course is under attack. The motorcycle manufactures are only interested in sales and we think safety should come first.

One of our biggest problems was our office. The office manager is now in place and things are being done. Phones are in place, fax, desks etc. We discovered many of the office work had not been done such as processing new memberships and renewals, this is now all being taken care of.

Planning Session – P.C.P. information. How to become a P.C.P. was printed in the newsmagazine. Week of 24-25th will be the republican platform [conference]. Mel will bring to the next meeting the P.C.P. guidelines.

New Business

Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Kurt Speas that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* engage *BikePAC of Oregon* in a contract for legislative services, allotting no more than \$12,000 per year for the legislative cycle. Motion passed with 13 for and 1 abstention.

Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Brian Stovall that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* support the costs of sending no more than four people to the *Oregon Transportation Safety Conference, Holiday Inn*, Wilsonville, September 22-24, 2004. Cost \$95 per person for a total of \$380. Lodging \$69.12 per room, per night for a total of \$276.48. Possible table cost for display, table not confirmed as yet, has been free in the past. Maximum request \$700 Entry deadline August 31, 2004. Motion passed with 13 for.

Announcements

Joe thanked representatives for a job well done taking information back to the chapters.

Shaina Hill has volunteered to do a *BikePAC* fund raiser making ice mochas at the September and October board meetings.

August 13-15 – Beaver Creek

Tuesday 9:30 traffic safety O.D.O.T.

- *Team Oregon* presenting field portion to be sanctioned.

Take bundle of fall swap meet flyers. Next state board meeting - August 14, 2004 at the *Newport Hospital*

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Education Directors

Greetings from Nora Rohde and Geoff White,

many activities to choose from.

We should consider ourselves very fortunate to have such an active, energetic, and therapeutic mode of motorcycling activity can be quite therapeutic for me at times. I usually seem to feel just a little bit more " tuned up, dialed in, and firing on all cylinders " after a ride these days, even if I'm on my way to work.

There's something kind of special about riding to work in the very early morning (around 4 o'clock) when the sun is still not up, and because of my route, I seem to have the whole road practically to myself. In Portland, an absence of traffic is pretty rare these days. I have a chance to relax and enjoy the ride. My energy is pretty high on the days that I ride to work.

I used to enjoy late night rides to odd destinations at weird times for this same reason. There was something kind of enjoyable about riding to Lincoln City or Astoria at 2:30 on a Tuesday morning for no particular reason except that the bike and I were awake.

With my new working schedule, I haven't had much of a chance to partake in these little adventures.

Our Motorcycle Awareness Program is now crossing the border and heading into Washington state. We've been invited to bring our program to instructors in the Washington area. I'll be providing a training session to a group of interested individuals in the

It's been a beautiful, fun, and busy southwest Washington chapter of summer so far for our A.B.A.T.E. A.B.A.T.E. They will then hopefully group. Each weekend seems to have commence to bring motorcycle awareness presentations to the driver's education classes throughout Washington state.

Actually, I believe that the transportation. I feel that this A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Motorcycle Awareness Program has been offered in some Washington schools on the southern coast. We wish the motorcycle awareness instructors of Washington state all the luck with their program. This is really " spreading the awareness. "

> We've had another busy and productive motorcycle awareness summer class session this year. I would like to thank all of you who have taken the time to visit the various classes with our presentations.

> Mel and Iris Yeager have been quite busy in the Albany area with the high schools and community colleges. They have really shared our message with a lot of new drivers. " Great job " to them for a terrific effort this year. I hope that some of our new instructors will be able to observe their delivery of our program in the near future. I've read the student and teacher comments and I believe that we all have something to learn from these excellent instructors. Make sure that you properly conceal the fact that these classes may be a little fun at times.

> We don't want everyone to steal our thunder. Actually, we could use all the help we can get to deliver our message of sharing the road out. If you are reading this and thinking " I can do that ", contact your A.B.A. T.E. chapter



motorcycle awareness instructors, Nora Rohde, or myself to get the details on becoming part of this valuable team.

I would also like to personally thank Matt Hobbs and Stephan Baton for their work in the Portland area this summer. Many summer school classes are scheduled during the day, and with their ability to attend, we have still been able to fulfill the requests from the driver's education teachers. I was not always able to get the time off from my work to attend these daytime classes. Matt and Stephan kept us alive here. Thank you.

What I have seen from the students' and teachers' comments, their presentations were A-1, top shelf quality. I've worked with both Matt and Stephan and they are both excellent representatives for our program in my opinion.

Now is the perfect time to start considering the new school year and new driver's education classes that we might be able to schedule our presentation into. Start checking with your local schools for opportunities to visit. Nora and I can make up introduction kits for delivery to the classes and administrators.

These kits help to illustrate what our Motorcycle Awareness Program is all about.

They also provide some various examples of feedback from those who have worked with our people. The kits are a good tool for getting that " foot in the door " with the driver's

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Geoff Nora

Legislative Report

Rick's Ramblings on stuff

Well the *Fourth* has come and gone. Hope all had as great an *Independence Day* celebration as we did.

Anyway, on with the report.

This again is slightly condensed from the state board report. If you'd like the full meal deal, e-mail me and I'll add ya to my list:

LynandRick@msn.com

From the *M.R.F.* If you didn't take advantage of the *M.R.F.*'s *Young Activist Scholarship Program*, it closed as of July 15th. But next year be ready, because they will be doing it again next year and we will be reminding you again when it comes around. That's March 15th to July 15th 2005, *so be thinking about it*!!

Ken, at the state board meeting said they have four candidates and what candidates they are. They could be the future biker activists of tomorrow. Will be looking forward to hearing more about them in the future.

Also, the *M.R.F.* (*M.R.F.P.A.C.*) has released a history document on donations to candidates. It only lists four years: 1998-cycle \$1,000; 2000 – \$2,150; 2002 they upped it to \$11,500; now in 2004 they made donations of \$7,400 as of 14 June 2004.

Meeting of the Minds

The nation's premier motorcyclist rights conference is coming up September 23–26 in St. Louis, Missouri. Your own Oregon A.B.A.T.E. will be sending at least seven people to the conference this year and I'm hoping to be one of them as a first timer and I'm very much looking forward to it.

For more information, check-out all of the *M.R.F.* stuff at: http:// www.mrf.org/ While there you can check-out *The M.R.F. Reports*, subscript to the *Leaders Report* or how about this? *Become a member of the M.R.F.* Not only are they our Washington D.C.-based motorcycle rights group, they now offer a *M.R.F. Roadside Assistance Program.* Check them out. You won't be sorry that you joined up.

What's Happening Elsewhere

Seattle, Washington has a parking problem for motorcycles.

I found this one rather amusing myself. Don't get me wrong, some people just have different priorities. A group of bikers are having a parking problem in Seattle, Washington. Really doesn't sound much different than what we most likely have in other places like Eugene, Salem, or Portland and elsewhere. The issue comes down to pay station-type parking verses parking meters for individual vehicles. Except they need/want car spaces split up into individual motorcycle "metered parking" spaces. Why? Because at the pay station-type parking, a biker will buy the ticket and post it on their motorcycle as required. And I have trouble believing fellow bikers actually do this, but they steal the motorcycle parking tickets from fellow bikers. What ever happened to



a little honor amongst bikers?

A couple states working with the biker community. What an idea.

Bikers in Boston praise government officials on their safety efforts for motorcyclists. In the wake of the biggest Laconia Bike Week ever; the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.) would like to express its sincere thanks to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, the Massachusetts Highway Department and motorist, for their diligent efforts with their Check-Twice safety and awareness campaign during Bike Week.

And in Phoenix, Arizona, A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona actually managed to get a \$50,000 grant for billboards to heighten motorcycle awareness in that area.

Now wouldn't that be a great thing to happen here in Oregon?

It's a sad time in Louisiana. Looks like they are about to loose the freedom of choice. They worked hard to get this freedom back in 1999. They will be loosing the right once again to make that personal choice as of August 15th.

Idaho: Heard that the Idaho legislature is working a bill to instill a helmet law. Attempting to check it out. More details as I can get it.

Correction from my state board report: I reported that an eastern state may be looking at making it illegal to allow children to ride as passengers on the back of motorcycles. Well, it's not here in the U.S. Well not *yet* anyway. It's over seas in England.

From the Eastbourne Herald: Seems an 8-year-old kid was the pillion passenger on a 750cc Honda motorcycle ridden by a 35-year-old friend of his dad's that collided with a car. His parents did not know their son was on the bike and he was wearing an ill-fitting adult's helmet. They want to make it illegal for children under 16 to be pillion passengers on any form of motorcycle. Support for the cause has come from several national road safety charities and groups, including Brake, RoadPeace, the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (R.o.S.P.A.), the A.A. and the R.A.C.

Now what concerns me is, we already have a few states working this or maybe it's already a done deal. But, what is taking place in Europe could very well end up here on some safety advocate or legislators agenda.

Just something of interest: Here's your chance to break a motorcycling record. U.S. biker sets new *Iron Butt* record across America.

Yeah, he traveled some 5,632 miles from the northern most part of Alaska (Prudhoe Bay) to the tip of Florida, and he did it in 100 hours even as certified by the *Iron Butt Association* http://www.ironbutt.com/about/ default.cfm

He bested last year's record by guy on a *B.M.W.* by 14 hours and 49 minutes. Wow. Gary Eagan (56) of Salt Lake City, Utah did it on his *Ducati Multistrada*. Full story from Miami:

http://story.news.yahoo.com/ newsimpl=story&cid=573&nci=573&c=13&i=/ n m / 2 0 0 4 0 6 2 3 / o d _ n m / life_biker_dc A note from Pat Ryan, membership director of *BikePAC*: Pat e-mailed us some time back and this is what he had to say:

Well guys,

A very few of us are dedicating some time to canvassing for the candidates of our respective parties and this is something that I hope a lot more of you will get behind. We know that the elections aren't until November and we have a short riding season, but volunteering for a candidate twice a month will really help us when we show up at the capitol in the 2005 session to fight for our rights as bikers.

So, here's the deal. There are something like 110,000 bikers in this state, a few thousand are ABATE members and a few hundred are BikePAC members. If we could get 100 bikers to volunteer for their candidates for a few days a month between now and November, we would have the ear of the legislature like we have never had it before. Of course around half of the candidates are going to lose, but if your representative wins and you helped make that happen, they will greet you like a family member when you show up to lobby them on Biker Days.

Since weekends are for bike runs, think about going out door-to-door or holding a house party, or just licking some envelopes for your candidate during the middle of the week. Here in our house district, we're going out on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Most of your neighbors are out partying on the weekends too and they're getting ready to go on Friday and recuperating on Monday, so midweek is best for everybody.

In the fall the rules change a bit, so

get ready to do "literature drops" and work the phones for your candidate. Again, a few evenings over several weeks will put you at the top of your candidate's list of buddies and if they win, will give you the access.

Also think about donating a little money to your candidate(s). Even \$25 will help get you noticed and if even one hundred of us make our presence felt; we'll have some real leverage in Salem.

Please forward this to every biker who you know. Take it to your chapter meetings and ask the chair for a couple of minutes during the meeting to bring this up to membership.

Partying out and raising money for charity are both worthwhile things to do, but you wouldn't be getting this email if you didn't care about our rights. The politicians won't be showing up at the runs and rallies. You have to go to them.

Thanks for your attention,

Pat Ryan membership director BikePAC





American Motorcyclist Association

Justice for All Building Momentum

The A.M.A. initiative is getting known nationwide

At least half a dozen major motorcycling organizations around the nation are already on board with the concept of the program. And the A.M.A.'s government relations staff has been hard at work spreading the word.

The program advocates legislation establishing tougher penalties when traffic offenses or criminal actions by motorists result in death or serious injury. A.M.A. government relations personnel have been to the *Motorcycle* Riders Foundation's Beast of the East conference in New York, Best of the West conference in Wyoming, and will attend the Meeting of the Minds in St. Louis September 23-26 to promote the program.

Also, A.M.A. officials have been talking with state motorcycling rights organizations, A.M.A. community councils, and other motorcyclists nationwide.

In mid-July, A.M.A. state affairs director Sean Maher will take the program details directly to state lawmakers, explaining the need for revised laws at the annual National Conference of State Legislatures in Salt Lake City.

During August 10-13, the A.M.A. will be at the huge gathering of motorcyclists simply known as Sturgis in South Dakota to promote the initiative. The A.M.A. will be at the Sturgis Music Festival grounds at the

off Main Street.

The *Justice for All* program builds on proposed legislation from the A.M.A.'s Motorcyclists Matter campaign. In writing model legislation that the A.M.A. hopes to get introduced in all 50 states, the association has worked to address traffic offenses as well as crimes.

The A.M.A. has one bill directed at traffic violations, like failure to yield right of way, and another aimed at felony offenses arising from traffic crashes.

A third prong of the campaign involves legislation that would require motorcyclist-awareness instruction in each state's driver-education program. This information, developed by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, is vital to getting car drivers to watch for motorcyclists on the road.

The Massachusetts Motorcycle Association, with help from the A.M.A., got a new law approved in Massachusetts that will introduce a motorcycle-safety-and-awareness module into the state's driver-training curriculum. The A.M.A. applauds the efforts of the M.M.A.

Kudos also go to the Washington Road Riders Association, which got similar legislation approved in the state of Washington.

"Motorcyclists in Massachusetts and Washington state are better off today

corner of 2nd and Lazelle, one block thanks to the hard work of the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association and the Washington Road Riders Association," Maher said. "The creation of these new laws are great examples of what motorcyclists can accomplish when we band together.

> "There's a lot of enthusiasm now for the Justice for All program and we're hopeful that organizations in other states will work with us to get Justice for All laws approved in their states," he added.

> The Justice for All program was launched after former South Dakota congressman Bill Janklow was sentenced to just 100 days in jail after being convicted of second-degree manslaughter in the traffic death of motorcyclist Randolph Scott. Janklow, driving a Cadillac, sped through a stop sign at a rural South Dakota intersection last year and collided with Scott on his Harley-Davidson, killing him.

> While the Janklow case gained national attention, similar cases have, and continue to, occur around the nation. In Iowa, a driver paid a \$70 fine after killing three motorcyclists. In Virginia, a motorist was fined \$200 for killing a motorcyclist. And in Oklahoma, a driver pleaded guilty to negligent homicide in the death of a motorcyclist and was sentenced to 30 months of probation, during which time the driver must perform



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unspecified "acts of kindness and generosity."

Driver Escapes Charge In Death Of Motorcyclist But Not Jail Time

July 9, 2004 – A Maryland driver who avoided a vehicular homicide charge in the death of a motorcyclist by quickly paying a fine for negligent driving wasn't able to avoid jail time.

The driver, Susan Elizabeth Williams, 35, of Ellicott City, rearended Dennis Jerry Sullivan, 42, at a stoplight in September 2003. She was arrested for driving while intoxicated and was ticketed for negligent driving, which carried a \$275 fine.

Sullivan didn't appear injured at the time but died from his injuries a few days later. Prosecutors filed the paperwork to drop the negligent driving charge and to charge Williams with vehicular homicide, but Williams had already paid the negligent driving fine.

Since Williams, in essence, pleaded guilty to negligent driving by paying the fine, she couldn't be charged with vehicular homicide in the same case. That's because to do so would violate constitutional protections against double jeopardy, which involve trying a person twice for the same offense.

In May, Williams was convicted of drunk driving. On July 7, Judge Dennis Sweeney sentenced her to one year in jail, the maximum allowed by law, and stated that he wished he could have sentenced her to a longer term because of Sullivan's death. Meanwhile, Ellicott City police offers no longer issue tickets for negligent driving in suspected drunk driving cases when someone is hurt until the case is reviewed by the police department traffic division.

Grieving Father Donates \$4,000 to *Justice for All*

We all know riders who have been injured or killed on the road. This type of tragedy is particularly painful when the person killed is a relative: a husband, wife, brother, sister, son or daughter.

There's probably really nothing that can be done to ease the pain. But one man who has suffered the loss of a loved one has taken a step to try to help ensure justice for others who suffer the same heartache.

That father, George Kemmerer of Mount Bethel, Pennsylvania, lost a son, Eric, when another motorist stopped in the roadway in the path of his son's motorcycle. The father recently donated \$4,000 to the *A.M.A.*'s *Justice for All* program to try to help others.

Justice for All is a multi-pronged campaign seeking justice for motorcyclists and others seriously injured or killed on the road. Through the campaign and with the help of motorcyclists nationwide, the A.M.A. hopes to get new laws to increase penalties for those who commit manslaughter with a motor vehicle, whether the victim is a motorcyclist, bicyclist, pedestrian, or whomever. The campaign also seeks to impose fines on drivers who commit traffic offenses that injure or kill others. The main thrust is on driver's-license suspensions to get dangerous drivers off the road—at least for a period of time.

A third part of the campaign involves motorcyclist-awareness instruction in each state's drivereducation program. This information is vital for getting car drivers to watch for motorcycles on the road.

The Justice for All campaign is gaining momentum, not only through donations like that of a grieving father and other individuals, but also through the telephone calls, letters and e-mails from people around the nation asking how they can get involved.

You can find out more about the campaign by going to:

www.AMADirectlink.com/justice by e-mailing

justice@amadirectlink.com or by calling Sean Maher, *A.M.A.* director of state affairs at:

(614)-856-1900, ext. 1265

The American Motorcyclist Association is a 270,000-member nonprofit organization.

Established in 1924, the Association's purpose is to pursue, protect and promote the interests of motorcyclists, while serving the needs of its members.

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

www.AMADirectlink.com

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Team Oregon Curriculum Approved

M.S.F. Alleges Infringement

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has learned that the Oregon Traffic Safety Committee met on Tuesday, July 13, 2004 and approved all components of the motorcycle rider training curriculum developed by Team Oregon, with the exception of their experienced course. As of January 1, 2005 the Team Oregon program will be the only curriculum approved for use in the state of Oregon. Called the Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Program (T.O.M.S.), the approved program includes novice, intermediate and advanced courses. It is anticipated that the Team Oregon experienced course will be added by year's end.

The M.R.F. has also learned that the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (M.S.F.) has sent a letter to Oregon State University, alleging that the Team Oregon motorcycle rider training curriculum represents an infringement of M.S.F. intellectual property. This letter was sent prior to Tuesday's Oregon Traffic Safety Committee meeting.

Further, O.D.O.T. officials anticipate that the M.S.F. or other programs may request approval of curricula other than *Team Oregon*'s to qualify for waivers for graduates of other courses, allowing motorcycle endorsements to be issued by those other programs in place of successful completion of the *Team Oregon* program or testing by the *Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles*. O.D.O.T. indicates that the *Oregon Traffic Safety Committee* will consider any such requests, taking into consideration recommendations offered by the Oregon governor's advisory committee on motorcycle safety and Oregon motorcyclists.

The *M.R.F.* is aware *Latus Harley-Davidson/Buell* filed just such a waiver petition late last year for their *Rider's Edge* program. *O.D.O.T.* denied Latus' request to obtain certification as an approved motorcycle safety program and denied their petition to allow their *Rider's Edge* completion cards to be accepted in lieu of Oregon state *D.M.V.* endorsement tests.

T.E.A. Extension Passes Unanimously

With the T.E.A. bill set to expire June 30, the house introduced and passed (by a vote of 418-0) HR 4635, a bill to extend the authority for current surface transportation programs at the current funding levels that were passed in 1998. The senate is expected to follow suit sometime this week. HR 4635 extends the funding through July 31. While 30 days seems like a sufficient amount of time to finish the conference, the reality is that the first and last weeks of July were recess periods for the U.S. congress. The July 31 deadline actually only allows for just under three additional weeks of work. Chairmen Young and Inhofe are convinced the conference can come to a final, bipartisan agreement before the July 23 break. Things will have to pick up a faster pace if that's going to be the case.

Recess Periods

During recess periods, members of congress hold town hall meetings and open discussion forums back home in their districts. The *M.R.F.* urges you to make the most of these opportunities. These forums allow you to interact face-to-face with your federal elected officials.

If your representative or senators are holding any forums, please share the dates, times, and locations with the *M.R.F.* and your state motorcyclists' rights organization. (S.M.R.O.) You can find contact information for your U.S. representative and your two U.S. senators by visiting the following websites:

representative information at

http://www.house.gov/writerep/ and senate information at

http://www.senate.gov

If you do plan to attend a district meeting with your congressman, be sure to prepare some specific questions ahead of time. At this point the *M.R.F.* is focused on three specific pieces of legislation:

1. The reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act* (*T.E.A.*), which is currently being held up over funding and political disputes. Express your support for HR 3550, the house-passed version of the bill that contains the M.R.F.'s motorcycle safety initiatives.



2. HR 1749, the *Health Care Parity* for Legal Transportation and Recreational Activities Act, which will reverse the discrimination against motorcyclists contained in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Visit (H.I.P.A.A.)http:// thomas.loc.gov/ and type "H.R. 1749" in the "Bill Number" box and then click on "Search" to see if your U.S. representative is a co-sponsor of this bill. If he/she is listed, be sure to thank him/her for supporting this important piece of legislation. If he/ she is not listed, ask him/her to consider signing on as a co-sponsor.

3. HR 614, a bill introduced by representative Marilyn Musgrave (R-CO) supporting the goals of the national motorcycle safety and awareness bill sponsored by senator Ben "Nighthorse" Campbell (R-CO) and passed by the senate on April 28, 2004. Be sure to thank your senators for passing senator Campbell's bill unanimously. Ask your U.S. representative to co-sponsor HR 614. To view the text of HR 614, go to http://thomas.loc.gov/ and type "H. Res. 614" in the "Bill Number" box and then click on "Search."

If you are able to attend a town hall meeting, be sure to follow up with a letter to your congressman expressing your appreciation for holding the meeting. Include your questions in the letter, even if you didn't get a chance to ask them in the meeting. This letter will make certain that your legislators will take you and your views seriously. You can find more information regarding all of the issues listed above by visiting the *M.R.F.* website at **http://www.mrf.org**. If you need assistance or guidance before contacting your congressmen, please contact Jeff Hennie, *M.R.F.* vice president of government relations, by e-mailing jeff@mrf.org or calling the *M.R.F.* office at (202)-546-0983

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 MRF is involved in federal and state legislation and regulations, motorcycling safety education, training, licensing and public awareness. The MRF 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 bimonthly newsletter, THE MRF REPORTS.

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

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Central Oregon Chapter

Out and About







From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

My ramblin' opening comments this month are about keepin' our butts *alive*, by practicing some basic *safety*. I'm reading more and more about the crash that could have been prevented if only the rider had taken a safety course. My God folks, aren't our lives worth the time and effort and yes, a few dollars, to learn some of the tricks that could save us if we get into a nasty situation on the road?

Just this last week I was witness to one of those times. The kid was riding a very small dirt mini-bike, and a car pulled out in front of him. He was injured slightly when he caught a handlebar in the ribs when he put the bike on the ground. He told me he thought it was the car's fault he got hurt. I pointed out to him I thought it was *his* fault because he wasn't in proper control of his ride or it wouldn't have happened. We all know that fault doesn't matter anymore to *you* if you're doin' the dirt nap.

The boy here is my grandnephew and he was riding *way* too fast for the conditions. Kids having fun can be a real problem. Fortunately, the injuries were slight and he learned an important lesson.

Unfortunately what I'm seeing a lot of could be cured with just a little education. Our neighbors who don't ride have a dim enough view of us as it is. That's why so many of us live in states without freedom of choice. If we want to ride free, we have to show the public we can without verifying the notion that we're fools to start with riding to begin with.

Keep a weather eye out, good brothers and sisters. We are stalked by

big brother, and he won't be happy until we go to museums to see what motorcycles were.

Newsbits-N-Pieces

Chillicothe: Here is another example of a crash that was preventable. Why did *this* happen? This 14 year-old boy wasn't paying attention to his surroundings. He was very badly injured when *he ran into a steel wire on his motorcycle*. This cable was probably across a driveway or some other approach and he wasn't watching closely enough. I hate to see people hurt, especially kids. You gotta remember, kids have no fear.

Data surveillance of you and me! I read that the A.C.L.U. got their hands on a report from the General Accounting Office, the (G.A.O.). It says our Defense Intelligence Agency, the (D.I.A.), is now running at least four programs on computers used by our freedom-loving pals over at the department of Homeland Security. Sounds like they may be accessing and analyzing private-sector databases in ways that approach "data surveillance" of ordinary citizens.

Now, **some** of us don't think these intrusions are a problem, because after all, they're really *just* to snag terrorists?

The G.A.O.'s investigation uncovered 199 government uses of the statistical analysis techniques known as data-mining programs, and 54 of them use private-sector data. This could include any data held in corporate or other private hands, including credit-card records and internet logs. This raises blinding red flags, doesn't it? This country is losing



liberty so fast I can't even breathe. We had better start to pay attention to our surroundings, folks.

We've also *got* to let our federal lawmakers learn why the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act is really *un*patriotic and needs to be stopped. It puts all our lives out in a fishbowl that we might never climb out of. Y'know, this Gunny fought up and down those hills and gullies in Korea, but this U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act scares me more than those Chinese regulars coming at us in waves. Scares me silly.

New Hope, Minnesota: Viper Motorcycle Company announced that it's going public with the sale of some stock. Might be something to look into. The bike is a good one and seems to be doing well in sales. Better check it out for yourself, though. Don't blame the Gunny if the stock goes down the crapper! It just seems like a solid motorcycle.

Miami, Florida: With sirens blaring and lights flashing, Miami-Dade county fire-rescue workers Roman Bas and Charley Hay raced through some tough midday traffic to answer a 911 call. They beat the fire truck to the scene. How? On souped-up BMW bikes! How about that? The idea that motorcycles really *do* have practical value is finally starting to take hold in the U.S., like it has for years around the world. They are *already* in use in England, Italy, Japan and Malaysia for rescue work. Could it be that the Florida bikers had something to do with Miami's decision? Those folks are

convincing their legislature that felt that his head was hard enough that scooters are a viable means of transportation.

Miami-Dade Fire Rescue may be the first in a major U.S. metropolitan area to use motorcycles to respond to emergency calls.

Crash Kills Best Pal Of Cycle Rider

How much of *this* kind of thing do we read about before we get the message and begin to take advantage of rider courses? Of course in this case maybe it was just plain stupidity that caused the accident. And I'm told you just can't fix stupid.

These two 20-year-old best friends, Killian Breen and Justin Soluri were riding together when they crashed coming off the Williamsburg bridge in Brooklyn, down in New York City. Soluri was killed.

Cops said Breen was speeding across the bridge, lost control and hit a concrete wall, a metal guard rail and a sign. Soluri died almost instantly. Blood tests showed they'd been drinking, but Breen wasn't legally drunk.

Doesn't matter.

Soluri's legally *dead*.

Damn-it, if ya gotta wet yur whistle park the bike. You might save your buddy's life.

Nuff said, folks.

Louisiana – A New Helmet Law

After just five years of freedom, helmets will be mandatory again for riders on Louisiana highways, all beginning August 15th. Their senate voted 26-12 to reinstate the mandatory helmet law that was repealed in 1999 at the behest of thengovernor Mike Foster.

"We had a governor at that time that

he didn't have to wear one, and nobody else should have to wear one," joked senator Joel Chaisson. Chaisson is the senate sponsor of the bill by representative Clara Baudoin. The current governor, Kathleen Blanco, was for reinstatement and she signed the bill.

that will save lives," Chaisson said. He cited statistics found in a recent federal (N.H.T.S.A.) study to back up his claim.

So how did our Louisiana brothers and sisters *lose* their freedom so fast after just five years? Well, N.H.T.S.A. was at again, as I think they *shouldn't* be, at least on the state level. They're using false statistics to influence state lawmaking even after a federal law passed *prohibiting* exactly that!

These *N.H.T.S.A.* people really have some gall. Somebody's got to reign them in and stop them from breaking the law. If we did it, we would go to jail.

Senator Robert Barham deserves his job by reelection because he supported bikers all the way here. The others need to find new jobs. Just my thoughts folks, but I believe in *liberty*.

Gunny Again

I again remind all my brothers and sisters of the good works our Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.) attorneys across this great nation not only take care of us when we get into trouble they also support us with tons of pro bono (free) help with the work they do with our Confederations of Clubs all over this nation and Canada.

I encourage all motorcycle organizations to become part of these very worthwhile groups.

They are our judicial warriors in our fight for our rights in this country. Send a representative to the Confederation of Clubs meeting in your state and look it over. They will welcome you and strive to be helpful with your legal problems too. We are in this together whether we like it or not, and we should all be working "This is commonsense legislation together to preserve our lifestyles.

Motorcycling as we know it is being challenged daily and we will be eliminated if big brother has his way. We all need to step up and be a part of the sport you love or there will be no sport, or lifestyle.

You can reach your nearest

A.I.M. attorney by simply calling 1-800-On-A-Bike, or use the web site: www.aimncom.com - same site is accessed by the world wide web (www).

Enough of the Gunny for this month.

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny chief of staff Oregon A.I.M.

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Free Fender Sticker

Let's face it, bumper stickers just don't fit on motorcycles at all well. What we need is our own line of stickers that will fit our bike's fenders.

Below is a modest first effort. It can be cut out or duplicated at a copy center, then laminated. Stick on with glue, rubber cement, or the rider's best friend–duct tape. Additional text could be added with a *Sharpie*TM.

Education Directors (continued from page 23)

education personnel. Once we have a chance to give the presentation, I believe that the teachers will be impressed. We might simply request for the instructors to have us come in once on a trial basis, and then they can make the decision whether or not to have us return. Good luck and good hunting folks.

Have a great summer of riding out there.

Always remember that anytime you get on your bike and head out, you are a motorcycle awareness representative. Think about what you would like to receive from others and then provide that courtesy.

Any single motorcyclist represents our entire riding culture. Show what a great asset motorcycles and motorcycle riders are to our world. Remember that our rights, safety, freedom and happiness require an effort to educate all those who we come in contact with.

Educate, motivate, don't be late, and a bunch of other "-ates " that might apply.

Spread that awareness, ya'll!

Take care,

Geoff White Nora Rohde

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Hey, I am going to be at the *A.B.A.T.E.* state board meeting this month.

What a year Mel and I have had. We sure hope for more set scheduling for our lives in the future. Although it could be that the lack of certainty we live with keeps us flexible – a quality needed by all and especially when you have the *large* families we are blessed with; and we both know it is a blessing and we do appreciate it.

This past month has been fruitful. We have been able to give the *Motorcycle Awareness Program* to six classes of kids taking the driver's education training classes. There are four more scheduled for this month. It is really fun and the kids seem to like us old folks.

Mel and I have both been involved with the political party doings in this area, both democrats and republicans. Those of us who are able need to "be there" so others remember that we motorcyclists are equally concerned with the laws that affect us all.

Please remember to get a half dozen pictures of your events for the state history books, with a short note on the back explaining what the picture is about.

Thank you much,

Iris

(And if bkers are harmed, it will be.)

From yer ...



Railroaded Justice

An 1886 Case Gave Disproportionate Freedoms c.o.e. -- 31

Often in our personal lives or in our activities as motorcyclists, we may not fully understand the implications or far-reaching consequences of actions we take or decisions we make. (As Martha Stewart recently discovered after being sentenced to five months in jail for insider trading.) When the U.S. legal system and big business is thrown into the mix, individual freedoms for natural-born persons suffers.

How is it that huge corporations can seem to get away with activities that would get we ordinary people thrown in jail? The fact is that it's very difficult to incarcerate a nonentity like a corporation. A corporation doesn't have a physical body. It is a legal creation.

Then why do corporations seem to have such unlimited power?

It's not just to do with their financial and political clout, though that is often considerable.

It is because corporations came to be considered "persons" rather than "artificial persons" under the fourteenth amendment of the United States constitution. (The fourteenth amendment was a post-civil war act designed to ensure that former slaves had the same rights as white people.) This consideration gave corporations all of the rights of an individual under the U.S. constitution without the responsibilities that flesh and blood individuals must endure such as eating, sleeping, aging, and dying.

As a "person", a corporation has more freedom than its human counterparts due to its inherent

wealth, power, and immortality. But it hasn't always been that way.

The chief problem with cancer and corporations is that they will continue to grow until they destroy their host and themselves.

After observing the corporate abuses of such institutions as the East India Company, the framers of our constitution sought to keep corporations tightly reigned in to prevent them from trampling on the rights of citizens of our newly freed country.

aside peoples, the native industrialization in the form of railroad companies began crisscrossing the country with steel rails and trains hauling cargo and people. These railroad corporations grew beyond competitiveness and began absorbing smaller railroads, merging with weaker rivals, and amassing huge profits for the owners. But it was not enough. The railroad companies felt hamstrung by legislation that restricted their growth.

For years the railroads had been trying to gain recognition as individuals under the fourteenth amendment. Then in 1886, a seemingly minor taxation case before the supreme court referred to as Santa Clara County versus Southern Pacific Railroad resulted, not in a ruling declaring corporations to be individuals, but in a judge's statement to that effect that was recorded by a

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court recorder.

There has never been a U.S. supreme court ruling that corporations have the same rights as persons under the U.S. constitution. Yet they will continue to operate as they are invinciple though constitutional persons until we the real people reclaim "person hood" for humans, not faceless and selfish corporations.

Not everyone wants or needs to be tied into computers and the world wide web. But for those who do, below is an excellent web site that goes But as diseases and land lust pushed into detail concerning that 1886 legal decision that has so impacted our world beyond anyone's wildest imagination. (And it's not nearly as dry as you might expect. It goes into the personalities of the people involved in the 1886 court case.)

http://www.thomhartmann.com/ theft.shtml

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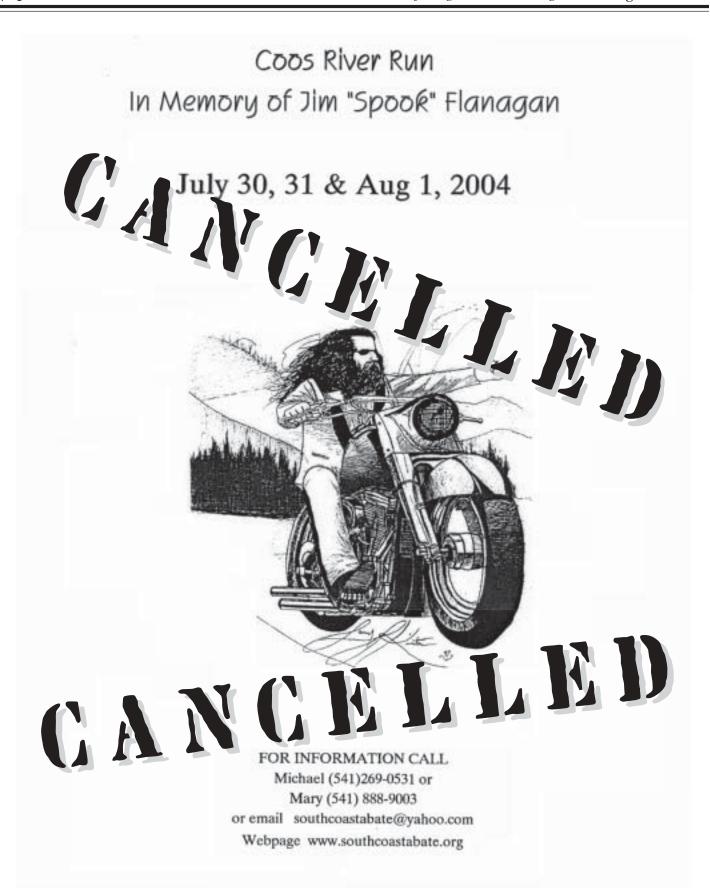
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August 2004

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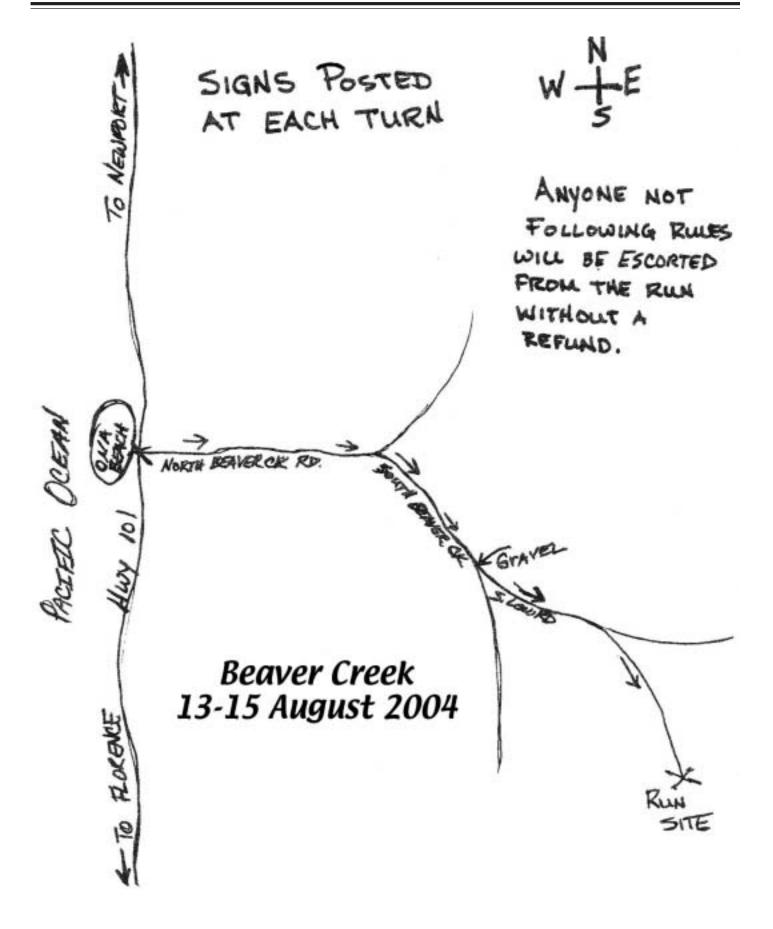




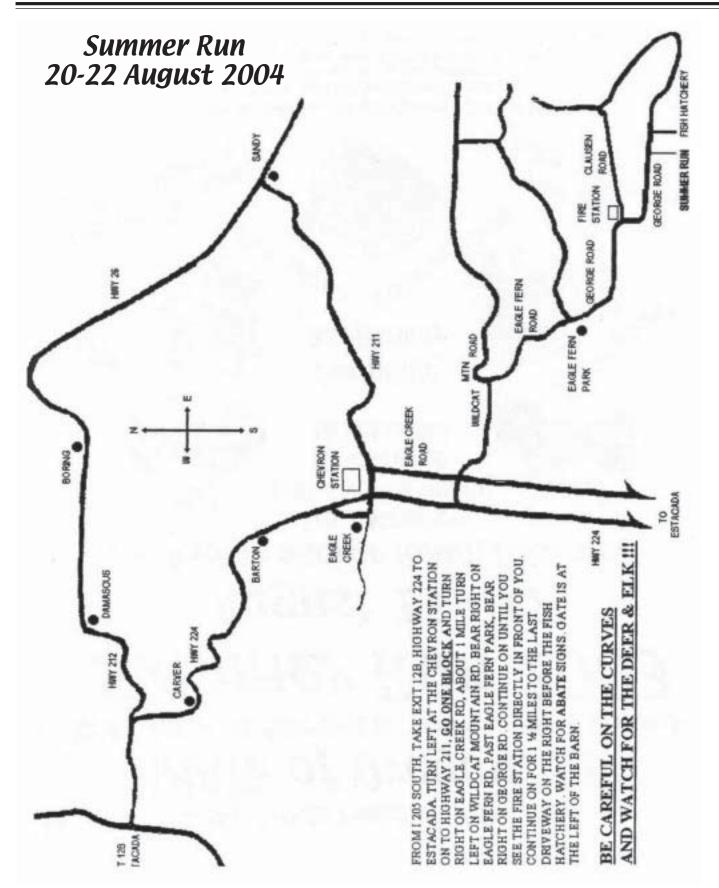


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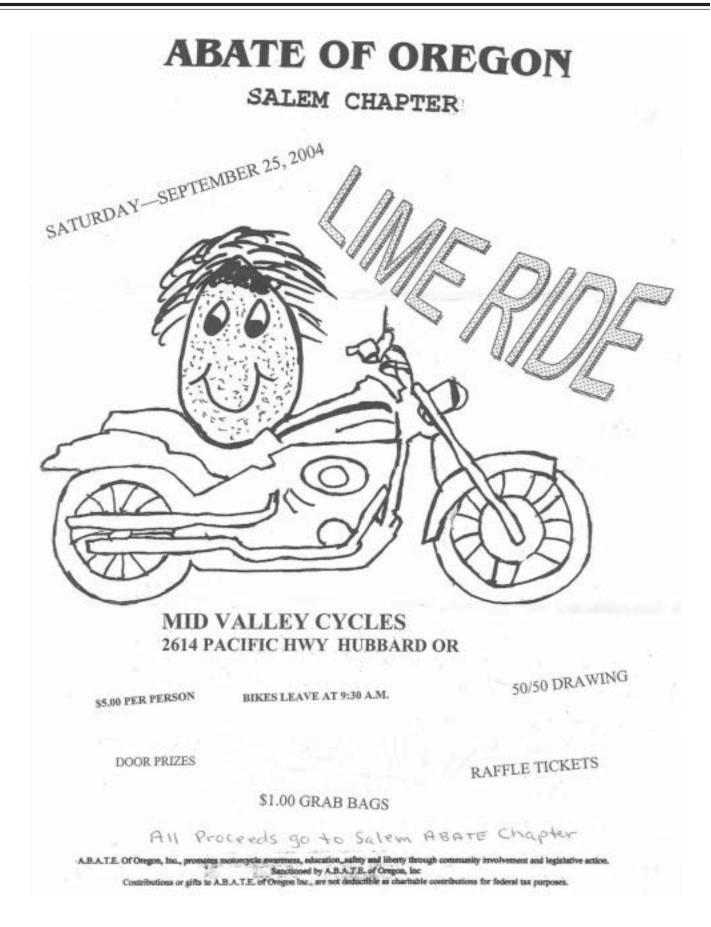
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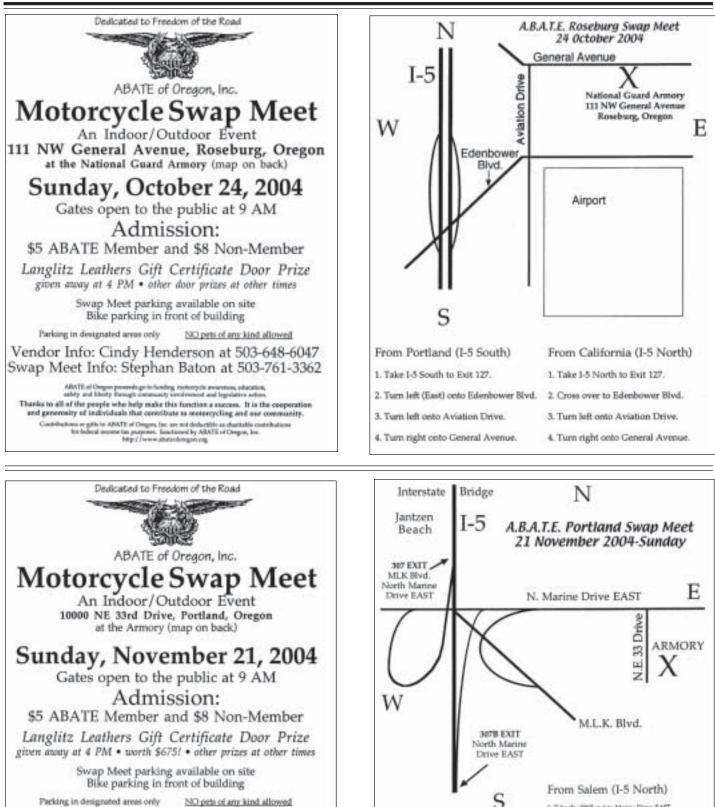
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Millenium Ride

Livingstone, Zambia, 19 June 2004

The mighty smoke that thunders.

The road leads south out of Livingstone in Zambia into the desert. Five kilometres away I see the "mighty smoke" rising.

Is it a herd of elephants kicking up a dust storm, or a giant cauldron of maize being cooked?

No, it is Victoria Falls.

The "smoke" is the spray thrown up after the Zambezi River crashes down 100m to a confined crevice, a fissure in the volcanic rock eroded over millions of years. The falls are 1.7km wide, on the border between Zambia to the north and Zimbabwe to the south. The wind constantly changes direction, soaking you without warning as the water droplets swirl up down and sideways. A mini rainbow a few metres ahead accompanies your walk through the lush green flora.

Recent Zambezi flooding in north west Zambia washed away crops and water levels are the highest for 40 years. So you cannot jump from rock to rock and sip champagne at the top of the falls, joining the hippos who loll around in the shallow waters.

I like Zambia. It is the least developed country I have visited so far in Africa. I've said it before, these sorts of places really twang my heartstrings. It's the people. The beautiful and handsome Zambians have been treating me really well, from the rush of people to help me pick up the bike after I fell off on arrival in Livingstone (I do this every so often just to test reactions!), to the kind folks at the Fairmont and the Zambezi Sun International hotels who are putting me up for free. The latter specializes in adventure activities and this afternoon I am invited to do some rather unorthodox stuff. Zambia comprises 73 tribes and the people are rightly proud of the peace between them.

I've covered a fair distance and several countries since the last update from Swaziland. In Johannesburg I stayed with Ray Collett of South Joburg Ulysses Club, a man who only ever wears shorts riding his Goldwing motorcycle, even during these chilly winter days. Joburg is at elevation 2,000m and was founded on the richest gold seam in the world, though most mines are now exhausted. Said to be the most dangerous city in Africa, authorities advise you not to stop for red traffic lights ("robots") at night. Ray took me to bike hospital who kindly donated a set of shock absorbers, the tenth or eleventh pair on this trip! I also picked up a couple of spare springs just in case and one of the east London shocks is so good I packed that too.

In Joburg I tied up again with Mika Kuhn, my German friend going round the world on his *Yamaha Tenere*, newly arrived from the Caribbean. Together we visited Soweto with the black bike club *The Eagles*, one of only two black clubs in South Africa. There are some very nice houses in Soweto, as well as the many shanty type houses. Some blacks were visibly surprised to see us there. We also visited one of the *Eagles* members in hospital – he was t-boned by a drunken car driver.

The burial of a father of a motorcyclist in Soweto took place in the biggest cemetery I have ever seen. Many people attend funerals because it is customary for the bereaved family to feed everyone afterwards.

It is not clear if the man died of A.I.D.S. People are not open about it. Since that illness destroys immunity, they would rather say the cause is tuberculosis or another disease that does not have the stigma.

Many people wear a red bow as a badge (the same symbol often seen in the wake of 9/11 in the U.S.A.) to raise awareness.

Doctors often are unhelpful in this



Simon Milward

regard, preferring to send patients to around to different specialists without diagnosis so that they all get paid. One medical insurance lady's view was that you can look on the whole thing as a natural culling.

I saw a book detailing how A.I.D.S. came about from an experimental vaccine against polio that went terribly wrong. How chilling.

In the black population it seems to be common to have several sexual partners. In Nambia a U.S.A.I.D.-sponsored roadside billboard read "Speed kills, condoms save".

There are some motorcycle issues in South Africa. For example bikers have to pay the same as cars and trailers to use some of the motorways and the worldwide problem of dangerous diesel spills is common. Progress against the toll problem is slow but surely coordinated by the editor of *Bike SA* magazine, Simon Fourie.

There is little involvement from riders themselves, but I did address the *Joburg Motorcycle Club* president's council on the question. If the riders are to make some pressure on issues this, thereby participating in the international riders movement, a black voice may carry extra weight with the government. *The Eagles* are not yet members of the council and it would be nice to see them welcomed soon.

A short distance north is Pretoria, or rather Tshwane. Authorities are changing the names of many places back to their original names. There is a fear that this will hurt South Africa economically. There is also a view that because blacks have not developed the same sort of work

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ethic as the whites, young whites adopt a "why bother?" attitude and become lazy. Perhaps once things are level the whole country will go forward together.

In Pretoria I stayed a week with *Ulysses National* president Mauritius Meiring at his hillside castle. Most of the time was spent getting the bike ready for the trip into Africa. It is interesting how white South Africans don't consider themselves a part of the true (comparatively undeveloped) Africa. Perhaps I will not find the sort of services needed to get the bike in top condition again.

So many thanks to *Biking Accessories*, *Metzeler*, and to many Ulysses members who gave up a lot of their time especially Gert, Hugo and Dolf. Francois, the Ulysses resident dentist, repaired my tooth, saying the epoxy glue applied in Cape Town would have caused an abscess.

One line from the Ulysses newsletter caught my attention: "Sometimes it takes a whole tank of gas before you can think straight."

How true. One tank can last me two days of riding!

The way I was treated in South Africa was absolutely first class and am lucky to have many friends all over the country.

From South Africa I headed west and made a huge circle round the Okavango Delta. The Okavango river flows into northwest Botswana from Angola and Namibia where it fans out before the waters sink into the Kalahari desert. It teems with wildlife. Botswana has the strongest currency in Africa due to the diamond reserve. luckily for them discovered just after they achieved independence from Britain! The Kalahari is massive, stretching over several countries. Most of the rhinoceros have been killed because the horns are thought to be an aphrodisiac in Asia, where Taiwan is the biggest market.

Outside game parks rhino are as good as extinct, because poachers kill, dehorned rhino so that they don't track them for days, and Taiwanese traders have ordered the killing of all rhino, horns or not, so that their rhino horn stocks become priceless.

I stayed at Drotsky's Camp on the delta, where the guard dogs had been eaten by crocodiles, before heading northwards to Namibia. I shamefully only spent a night in Nambia (at the magnificent Zambezi Lodge), and then only in a strip of land in the north called the Caprivi Strip. This was negotiated by a German to give the Namibians access to the Zambezi River and hence the Indian Ocean, although Nambia has an Atlantic coastline. Namibians living in this area often feel discriminated against by the government, which sent in troops when they went for independence not so long ago.

If you know Africa you will see that I'm snaking my way through the continent.

I'm on my way to Harare in Zimbabwe to meet the people at *Riders* for Health (www.riders.org). They run the International Academy of Vehicle Management where Wili Bala was trained (for free) in 2001. We shall see if the international media reports about Zimbabwe are true. There is certainly a fuel shortage. However my 45 litre fuel tank capacity will easily take me to the capitol from the border at Kariba.

News round up

• The pillion passenger riding ban in Japan has been defeated and will probably be formerly lifted next year.

• Backpack Nation is a unique humanitarian initiative at http:// www.backpacknation.org/ run from the U.S.A. There are twenty finalist stories and you are invited to vote for the five most compelling, which will each win US\$1,000 for the projects. Please participate. One of mine is there and if we win we will use the cash towards getting our Latin motorcycle health outreach candidates trained. All the initiatives are worthy of support so don't simple vote for mine.

• Latest reports from Wili Bala who

runs the motorcycle health fleet on Indonesian Flores island where most likely some of your money is being spent are really encouraging. Wili is promoting democracy and fighting corrupt politicians by involvement in the recent elections. Making effective "peopleballot box-politician" connections is exactly what we need throughout the developing world. You make us proud Wili thank you. (See web site for details.)

Back to the Victoria Falls adventure activities courtesy of www.thezambeziswing.com. Activities take place at a 40 million year old 130m wide gorge, former host of the falls which have eroded backwards half a kilometre in a "Z" pattern. Overcoming fear is what it is all about and best done without thinking too much.

I ran as fast as possible on the ramp and dived head first off the edge of the 100m deep canyon. Peter Pan watch out, I can fly! This is the high wire, first of its kind in the world. The 11mm cable and harness performed marvelously, obviously! Next up was abseiling facing downwards. Third was the big one. The famous swing. I stepped off the edge of the gorge and free-falled 40 metres before the rope tightened and swung me out, back and forth, before coming to rest. I didn't throw up and the adrenaline should keep me going for a few weeks. The organizers have had a 100% success rate. Just do it.

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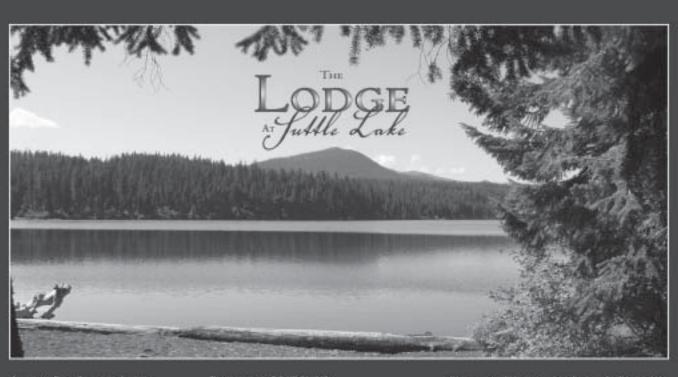
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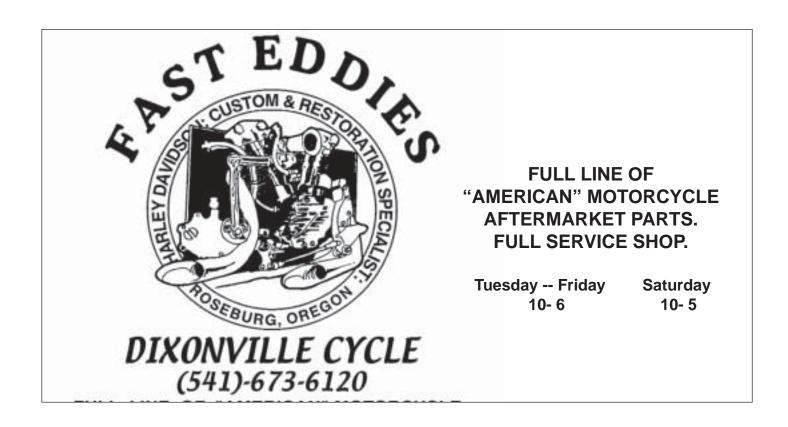


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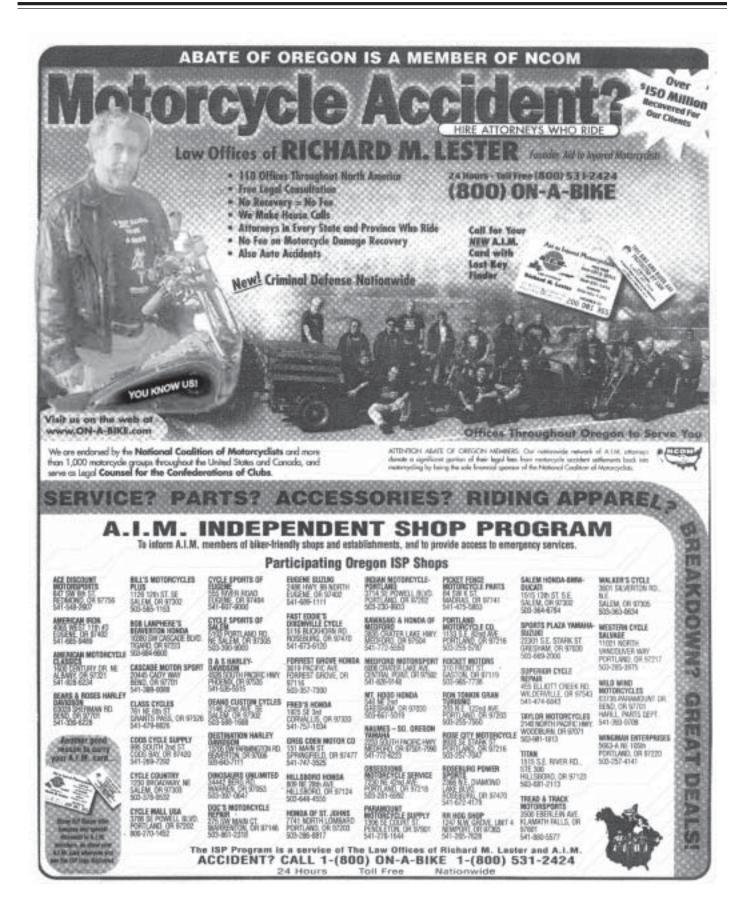
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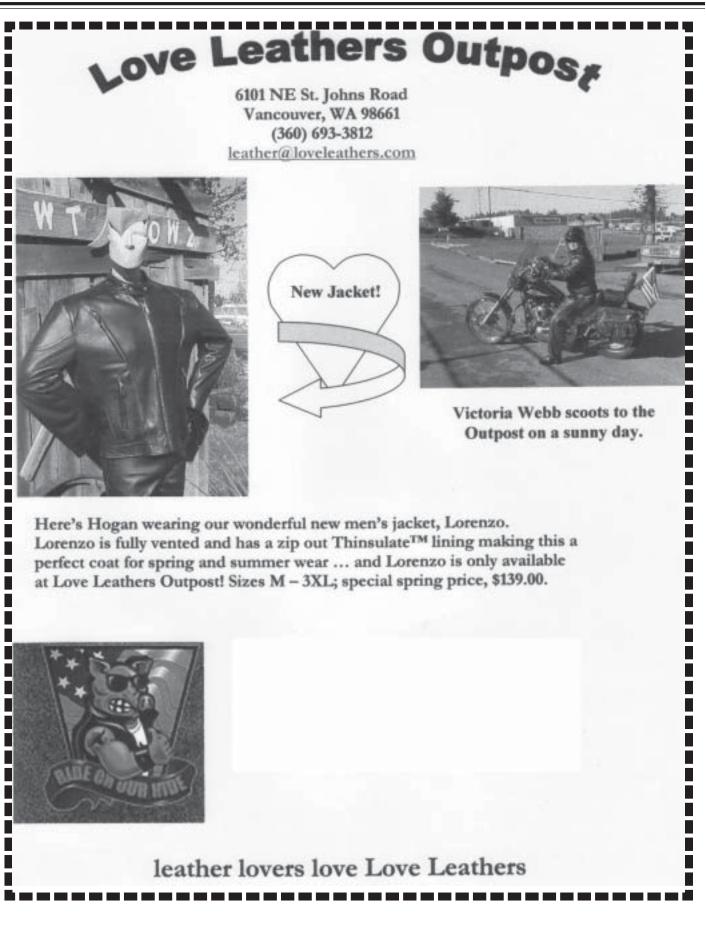
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Greg GoatboyVaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	Х	X		X
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	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black	3.00	
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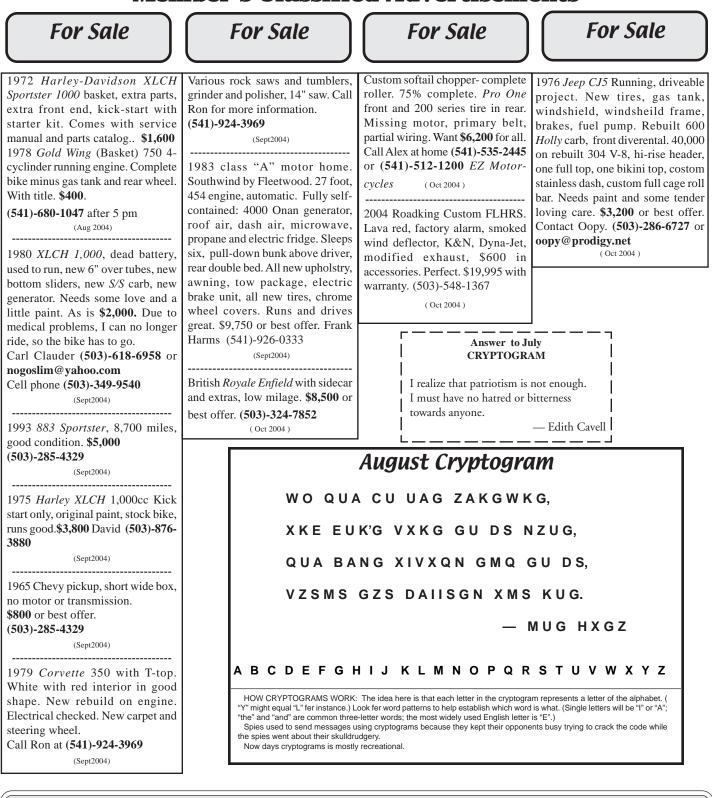
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Shaky realized his D.T.s were fact, So he got checked by a local quack, The doc asked, "Would you say ... You drink a quart per day?" Heck," said Shaky, "I spill more than that!" ©2004--Rot Path (with apologies to Dan Gallery-USN-ret)

NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 14 August 2004 at Noon 930 S.W. Abby Street Newport, Oregon

Hey! . . . The August state board meeting will be in Newport, Oregon at the Newport hospital. (Then off to the *Beaver Creek Run*.)

CHAPTER MEETINGS

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.				
Chapter:	Date/Time:		Location:	
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday	1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	Black Horse Saloon; Bend	
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday	1230(12:30 ^{pm})	Jubitz Truck Stop; 10310 N. Vancouver Ave.;	
			Portland	
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm}))	Round Table Pizza; Roseburg	
Hub City	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	
Josephine County	1 st Thursday	1800 (6 ^{pm})	Abby's Pizza; 205 Beacon Drive; Grants Pass	
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive Street, Newport	
North Coast	4 th Thusday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	
Northeast Portland	1^{st} & 3^{rd} Wed	1930(7:30 ^{pm})	Round Table Pizza; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland	
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Lone Pine Restaurant;335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles	
			(I-84 & US-197)	
Salem	4 th Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Chalet Restaurant, Market Street, Salem	
South Coast	3 rd Sunday	1300 (1 ^{pm})	Gino's Pizza; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend	
Southeast Portland	1^{st} & 3^{rd} Sun	1200 (noon)	M/M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	
Southern Oregon	2 nd Wed	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Abby's Pizza; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford	
Washington County	2^{nd} & 4^{th} Tues	1930(7:30 ^{pm})	Prime Time Sports Bar; 4202 Pacific Ave;	
			Forest Grove	
Willamette Valley	2 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	Veteran's Memorial Building	
			1626 Willamette Street; Eugene	