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# Welcome to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

## What We're About

### A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit organization

In Oregon, A.B.A.T.E. stands for *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*, which isn't nearly as subversive as it sounds. It means that we act as legislative watchdogs to help ensure that any legislation affecting motorcyclists is fair and that elected officials are fully informed regarding motorcycle issues.

- A.B.A.T.E. is a not-for-profit motorcycle organization devoted to raising member and public awareness about motorcycle issues and safety through education and community involvement. We also raise money for organizations that represent motorcyclist's concerns such as *BikePAC*.

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to A.B.A.T.E. Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

So scan through our newsmagazine. If you like what you read, check out the chapter meeting listing on the back cover. Drop in on a meeting and see what we're about. You just might find a new family in A.B.A.T.E. And as Melinda says: "Bikers give great hugs."

-- Rot Path  
crusty ol' editor

### 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.

by Bill Bish

(A.B.A.T.E. of California ; executive coordinator, *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*)

*"You have to know where you've been to know where you're going!"*

*Easyriders* magazine editor Lou Kimzey issued a plea in issue #3, October 1971, for bikers to come together to fight impending restrictions from the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration* (N.H.T.S.A.) by joining a new national biker's rights organization called the *National Custom Cycle Association*. But because of a conflict with the acronym the name was changed in February 1972 to *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* (A.B.A.T.E.).

*Easyriders* began granting state charters around 1974, and Keith Ball was the original national coordinator. The biggest threat was that the U.S. D.O.T. (*Department of Transportation*) was investigating ways to restrict modified or customized "choppers" which they deemed unsafe, especially extended forks.

As the rights movement grew, Don Pittsley, a member of the *Huns Motorcycle Club* in Connecticut convinced his congressman, representative Stewart McKinney, to introduce H.R.3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet laws.

In July of 1975, Rob Razor of the *American Motorcyclist Association* (A.M.A.), Ron Roloff of the M.M.A. of California and Ed Armstrong of A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

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

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

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years, first to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

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

So, there you have it.

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

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# State Coordinator's Comments



by Ed Vaughn

Procrastination indeed!

If it was only that simple.

The real excuse was computer trouble.

But that's not really a good excuse. I could have gone to the library or borrowed computer time from a friend. What it boils down to is there is no good excuse for not meeting your obligations and I apologize for not meeting mine.

I've been hearing grumblings that our organization doesn't care about what happens in the south of the state and that the northern chapters are running things to suit themselves. Two years ago when our state coordinator was from the south, it was chapters in the north grumbling about the southern chapters getting everything their way. And last year when many of the state officers came from the middle of the state then the center had to much power.

Such is life.

The truth is *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* is about as evenly divided as a statewide organization can hope to be — six chapters in the north, five chapters in the south (now that south coast has relinquished their charter), and two in the east. Bless the chapters in the east for having the wisdom to, more often then not, see the big picture and cast their vote for the good of the whole.

I think that's the problem: We get so caught up in our own personal wants and what's convenient for ourselves that we quit looking at the larger picture.

Want to quit feeling like you're being picked on?

Then take a step back and get a view of what's going on all across the state and not just what's happening in your own little fiefdom.

Get more involved.

Make sure you have a representative at every state board meeting and get involved as a state officer.

We all have one vote per chapter. Make sure you are represented to the best of your ability. Make sure your state board representative brings back accurate reports and that when they travel to the board meeting they know what your chapter wants.

One last suggestion: If you aren't happy with the way *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* works, come to the planning session in August and be apart of the process that makes the changes and sets the direction for our future.

Ed Vaughn

## Join *A.B.A.T.E.* and Make A Difference

**For considerably less than the price of topping off yer cage's fuel tank you can join *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and get this fine rag mailed directly to you. A membership form is available in every issue inside the back cover.**

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( c.o.e.note - Turns out Ed was having computer problems last month and that's the reason there were no comments from him.)

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

Once again from Central Oregon we say hello,

Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. Sure have had no shortage of sunny days for great riding. At times a bit on the warm side, but that beats having to bundle up in long johns!

Our fifth annual *Rocks, Bridges, and Lakes Run* was held on the 16th of June and we had a very good turnout with over ninety people showing up. Certainly appreciate the support. Thank you to everyone who helped on the run and to both *City Slickers* and *Coyote Creek* for hosting us. We sure can fill up the deck there.


The run generated \$1,305 and the chapter donated another \$695 to make \$1,000 to *M.R.F.* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Ron was the lucky winner of the 50/50 hand, walking away with over \$550. Pays to show up folks!!!

The only down side to the day was afterwards one of our members, Michele Williams, had a car pull out in front of her and she sustained major injuries in the form of a broken leg and knee and serious road rash. She is a real trooper and is up and about. Good for you Michelle.

Just want to remind everyone to

please start collecting for the teddy bear run which is only two months away. If you receive a donation, ask for a couple of business cards to put with the item so they can be recognized for the donation.


Renee' and Kevin

  
**Central Oregon ABATE Chapter Presents**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Teddy Bear Poker Run**  
**September 29, 2007**

Group ride beginning at the BlackHorse Saloon  
 25555 Brinson Blvd., Bend 541-382-4278

Time: Gathering for breakfast 8:00 a.m.  
 Ride begins at 10:00 a.m.

The Teddy Bears will be delivered to all Central Oregon area  
 hospital emergency rooms.

  
 \$8.00 hand with a brand new Teddy Bear  
 \$18.00 hand no Teddy Bear  
 Door Prizes and Raffle

CONTACTS: JOHN BAUMANN 541-382-6146 and KEVIN ANDERSON 541-389-2167  
 All proceeds from this run go to the Central Oregon ABATE Chapter.  
 ABATE of Oregon, a national motorcycle emergency, education, safety, and health group, currently has a record of  
 participation in efforts to assist all types of disaster and crisis situations. All charitable contributions for relief of disaster are tax-deductible.

**CENTRAL OREGON MEET-**  
**ING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)  
*Black Horse Saloon*  
 Bend, Oregon  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**

# Columbia River

We had an unofficial meeting which started at 12:42 p.m.

The minutes were waived. We had no treasurer report or toy run report.

We were told of a national recall of some *Michelin* tires.

There was no historian.

*Summer Run* is going as scheduled. Each chapter is to bring two cans of gas, five door prizes, and two boxes of garbage bags (50 to 100 count). Next meeting is in August one hour before *Northeast Portland Chapter* meeting.

New business is the joining of *Northeast Portland* and *Columbia River Chapters*. A form letter will be sent to all members of both chapters to invite them to *Columbia River's* next meeting, August 12 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss this matter. We will decide then.

Sanctioning guidelines are being voted on this next Saturday.

There is a family picnic the week after *End of the Summer Run* for the chapters.

Meeting was adjourned.

Linda  
membership secretary



**COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-**

**ING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)

*The Spare Room*

4830 N.E. 42nd -- Portland

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

Hello from *Douglas County*,

The sun is out and we are riding! *Thundering Water Poker Run* was a huge success and we are very appreciative of every one of the riders who participated. It was a beautiful day for a run up the river for a look at the waterfalls. We had a nice time of eating and exchanging "road tales" at the last stop, and we hope no one left hungry. Our big winner was "Willie D!" There was a good showing from Lane county, the folks down south, Coos county and of course the "usual suspects" from here in *Douglas County*. (You know who you are.)

This weekend several of our members will be participating in the local *Relay for Life* campaign for the *American Cancer Society*. One of our long time members, Gino Benidetti, himself a cancer survivor is hosting a team sponsored by *Umpqua Custom Cycles*. It's an honor to participate in the event and to have one of our members spearheading the team. Thanks everyone for making this event a success. Many of us, our families, and friends have been touched by cancer and we will not surrender to it, because we are all fighters.

With *Independence Day* just past, I cannot help but be moved by the

recent losses Oregon has suffered in Iraq.

On Saturday many of our chapter members will be riding with the *Patriot Guard* to Coos Bay and then on Sunday to Klamath Falls to honor two of our fallen heroes.

Regardless of how anyone feels about the war or the politics behind it, it is incumbent upon us all to support and honor the brave young men and women who are giving their lives for us. Our freedoms, and there are many, were purchased with blood of our forebearers; the men, women and children who have borne the price of our liberty.

Well, lots more events to come. Go get out there and support our chapter events. With the loss of *S.O.S.* this year, many of our folks will be attending the *Git-R-Done Run* down here the 17-19 of August. (Non-*A.B.A.T.E.* run.) We will no doubt miss the good times of years' past, and especially seeing all the regulars who helped make *S.O.S.* a success, a darn good time, and a tradition. Here's hoping for 2008....

Ride safe, be sane, and remember what "Let those who ride decide" really means.

Becky Gairno  
*Douglas County*  
secretary

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7:00pm )  
*Round Table Pizza*

Roseburg

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

# Hub City



Yee haw, happy 4th of July,

Hope it was a safe and enjoyable time for all.

The celebration for our country's birthday is still a great time to remember the cost it took to be free!

On June we held our sixth annual poker run with about 130 riders leaving *Humpty's Dump* and finale stop at the *Dixie Creek Tavern* in Tangent. Hope all of you big bikers enjoyed the hula hoop in Crabtree!

I have been looking forward to the *Fourth Annual One Night Stand*, which continues to get better and better with much fun and festivities happening during the event! This a 21 and over event. You can get all the details at

<http://www.hubcityabate.com>

This event is sponsored by many, many wonderful businesses here in the Albany area and they need to be acknowledged.

They are Mr and Mrs Tucker, Bill Foss, *Bogey's Bar and Grill*, *Ciddici's Pizza*, *Sunbelt Rentals*, and so many more that I have forgot the names of. So if you think you have a need from one of these places, send them your business. They are biker-friendly!

Also need to say thanks to the many folks who put in many long hours of work for these events, which without you would never happen.

Safety.

Safety.

Safety.

This cannot be said enough!

Since April of this year there have been four riders from *Hub City* who have came into contact with deer on



the roads, two winding up in the hospitals, *Life Flight*, the whole ten yards.

Is this due to inexperience or just becoming complacent? Probably both.

Hydrate and hydrate some more folks as the weather has really been hot as late. (And we are not talking about your favorite suds either.)

I have found that the brother and sisterhood of the biking community has the biggest heart, the most giving and generous of all who I have had the pleasure of knowing.

On a note of thanks to the many people for their help to members of our group, who have had some losses this last year of both personal and physical.

I hope that everyone gets to enjoy this riding season and make it to the next one!

Later,

Fingers



### HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

**Josephine County**

We wait for the good weather and when it gets here, sometimes it's almost too hot to ride. A couple of these days in the wind felt like riding through a blast furnace. Then the late evening arrives and that's a nice relief! .

Reminder once again: Don't forget to mark your calendars for our big chapter fund raiser and really good time when we hold our *Fourth Annual Run-To-The-Coast* poker ride on August 4th. Sign in will take place at the *Wilderville Store* on highway 199 in Wilderville at 9 a.m. Last rider out will be at 11 a.m. and last hand in at 2 p.m. The entry fee is \$10 for the first hand and \$5 for each additional hand. The high hand will win \$200 sponsored by KLDR/KAJO radio station in Grants Pass. Second highest hand will receive \$100 sponsored by *Full Throttle Custom Cycle* in Grants Pass. Low hand will receive \$50 sponsored by *Kate's Redwood Tavern* on highway 199 in Grants Pass. There will be a spaghetti feed at end of run put on by the *Sons of God MC* for only \$5. You can purchase tickets for the feed ahead of time at *Full Throttle Custom Cycle*,

849 Rogue River highway. In addition, the Del Norte county fair will also be open in Crescent City at end of run with a lot of great entertainment, rodeo, and a good time. This is going to be a lot of fun.

Then on August 12, go on the *Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association Ride Around the Valley* to support the appreciation BBQ at the *White City Veteran's Administration* domiciliary on September 9th. Sign-in will be at *J.D.'s Sport Pub* at 10 a.m., last bike out at 12. End of run will be *Kate's Redwood Bar and Grill* by 4 p.m. \$150 high hand and \$75 low hand. Entry fee is \$10 for the first hand and \$5 for each additional hand. This will be an enjoyable run up to Shady Cove and through the valley.

A new addition to the list is the *Git 'Er Done Run* which will be held August 17-19th at *Meadow Wood RV Park and Campground* just off I-5 at exit 83 if you're going north, exit 86 if going south. The address is 869 Autumn Lane, Glendale, Oregon. This run replaces the *S.O.S. Run* that five southern Oregon A.B.A.T.E. chapters have held each year.

Due to A.B.A.T.E. state guidelines regarding conflicts in chapter schedules within the state, southern Oregon wasn't allowed to have their run. A northern chapter scheduled those days first. This is not an A.B.A.T.E.-sanctioned run. Check with *Full Throttle* and *D & S Harley* for flyers. Food, bands, bike games, beer garden, and camping.

To our many members, be safe on the road, make sure your dues are paid, and see you all next meeting

Gypsy  
recording secretary

**JOSEPHINE COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1900 (7 pm)  
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1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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

# Lincoln County

Remember those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer?

They are alive and well.

Oregon is showing what she is really made of.

We are working several times a week at Beaver Creek. Some people take time out to take vacations and those who head east are tending to come back early. They don't feel guilty for leaving but couldn't stand the heat. Love living in God's country. Just waiting to see what tomorrow brings. Heat or pleasant conditions. We are seeing a definite increase in bike traffic on the coast. It is some of the best weather for it in a long time.

Our meetings have been short so obviously we all have one thing on the mind. It would appear that way since there is not much on the agenda but our run. It's nice to see that regarding an effort this large.

There is so much happening locally that sometimes it seems I'm not sure exactly which way I'm going. I'm sure people all around they state have that feeling. I'm just thankful that the kids are all raised and we are empty nesters. This would be a challenge with kids still at home. Of course, some still have adult children in the nest. Glad that it's not me.

As a lot of you know, I sold my bike and Bob is building me a trike at this time. I'm keeping my endorsement so that I can ride it and it would be nice to get some strength back to be able to get on two again. When you have your own bike for twenty years, it is hard to want to pack again. For me, a trike is the answer for right now.



Enjoy the weather, keep cool and keep the rubber side down and we hope to see you all soon,

Millie



**LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**

# North Coast



Boy, summer is here and *North Coast Chapter* is busy.

Our *Around Saddle Mountain* run went off without a hitch. Besides dealing with some moisture, 82 riders prevailed. It was one of the best uniform pack runs I've been on. Our coffers received a much needed boost. Thanks to our volunteers and sponsors. Coordinator Paul Ebelmesser was our road captain, not Al Jaques as was previously stated, and did a great job. Also Vicki Wilcoxon and Skye McKey were a big help.

North Coast had four riders attend the funeral run to Gig Harbor for SFC Chris Henderson who died in Afghanistan fighting for our freedom. Al, Tony, Holly, and myself joined *WaCo* and others for this solemn memorial. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Henderson family.

On a personal note this is the second soldier memorial run I have been to. It seems like such a waste.

*De jevu* all over again.

At the local bike show in Seaside *North Coast Chapter* was invited to have a booth and took full advantage of the opportunity to showcase the real purpose of *A.B.A.T.E.*

Coordinator Paul, new sergeant-at-arms Rick, and membership secretary Chris spread the word, signed up new members, and sold a few products. A very positive experience.

Due to the low attendance of the *Fruit Loop Run*, we are giving it a face lift. On Saturday, August 18th, the new *Two Rivers Run* will start at the Olney store, ten minutes east of Astoria on highway 202. We will then head east over to Longview and finish back in Knappa at *Camp 9 Restaurant* on highway 30. Riders will be able to ride at their own pace with two hour stops. Watch for flyer.

On a sad note, long time logger and owner Delmar Jepson, who worked hard all his life to establish his logging business, retired as an avid *Harley* rider, only to die riding. As he passed a car, the car turned into him. This is the second time this has happened in northwest Oregon this year.

We as *A.B.A.T.E.* members need to get the word out about our purpose of teaching and fighting for our rights, to help avoid some of these tragedies.

Enjoy the great weather and stay alert!

Howie

North Coast Chapter A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.		
<b>Two Rivers Run</b>		
Saturday August 18 2007		
1st Place 11:00 11:00 11:00	Registration 8:00 to 10:00 \$5 11:00 at Olney 10 miles East of Astoria Drop First Card	1st 12:00 12:00 12:00 Drawing
Second Card 1000 to 1000 1000 to 1000	Third Card 1000 to 1000 1000 to 1000	Fourth Card 1000 to 1000 1000 to 1000
1st Place & Return Welcome	1000 Card & Party Time 10:00 to 10:00 Camp 9	1st Place 1st 11:00 to 11:00 1st Place 11:00 to 11:00 Knappa
Many Thanks to our Sponsors!		

## NORTH COAST MEETING

### TIME and PLACE

1st Thursday 1900 (7 pm)  
*Dundee's* – Seaside  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 1000 (10 am)  
*Moose Lodge*  
 420 17th Street  
 Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports**

# Northeast Portland



**( No report. )**

Dedicated to Freedom of the Road



ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

## All Motorcycle Fall Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event  
at the Armory, 10000 NE Med Drive, Portland, Oregon

### Sunday, September 30, 2007

Gates open to the public at 9 AM

**Admission:**  
\$5 ABATE Member and \$8 Non-Member

- Register Classic Car/Cycle to be given away at 4 PM • Worth \$200
- Meet in person to sale • Many other door prizes given throughout the day!

Swap Meet parking available on site  
Bike parking in front of building

Parking in designated areas only    NO pets of any kind allowed

**For Swap Meet Vendor Information  
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**N.E. PORTLAND MEETING**  
**TIMES and PLACE**  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1900  
(7:00pm)  
*Round Table Pizza*  
4141 NE 122<sup>nd</sup> -- Portland

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

# River City



**June 19, 2007**

Small group tonight.

Long meeting due to long state board of directors report and lots of discussion of everything.

We started late because of a budget committee meeting that went long. It takes time and we are working it out. We are planning a special meeting in a public place (*Jammin' July Fest*) to try to attract new members. That's 7 p.m. July 14 in downtown The Dalles.

We had no drawings tonight because we were running very late and adjourned at 9:02. We also bought a raffle ticket for the Fossil school district fundraising event in the name of the Fossil school district.

— Brian

**July 3, 2007**

It was very warm here today: 95 degrees.

Our meeting was small but lively.

We had quite a good discussion about the proposed budget and then passed it. We will be holding a special meeting on July 14 in downtown The Dalles at *Jammin' July Fest* to show the public who we are and how we do things. The meeting begins at 5 p.m.

Teresa won the 50/50 and donated her share of the \$9 back to the chapter. Thanks, Teresa.

Upcoming events:

*BikePAC* annual meeting, 07 July; *Ride-To-Work Day*, 18 July; Dave and Sue's annual party, 21 July; *Diabetes Run*, 28 July.

— Brian

**Regular Meeting**

Called to order by Rick at 7:03 p.m., nine people present.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Rick. Rick read the mission statement

Guests and new members: None.

Minutes: Waived on a motion by Debra because they were presented in written form

Correspondence: *M.R.F. Reports*.

Treasury report \$256.29 in checking and \$1,976.38 savings.

Bills submitted: None.

Membership report: 73 members.

Board report: None.

Legislative report: *BikePAC* annual meeting 07 July.

Ways and means report: New raffle: Minnie Mouse. Brian moved to adopt budget as presented, lots of discussion followed, passed.

Public relations report: Cards are in the works.

Historian report: None.

Old Business

Group riding protocols: White River, nice ride!

Planned rides: *Seaside Bikefest*, *BikePAC* annual meeting, *Ride-To-Work Day*, 18 July; Dave and Sue's annual party, 21 July; *Diabetes Run*, 28 July.

New Business

Teresa moved to do a postcard notification of our upcoming events, passed.

50/50 was won by Teresa at \$4.50/\$4.50. She donated her share back to the chapter. Thanks Teresa.

Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

**Upcoming meetings**

07 August 2007

21 August 2007

**RIVER CITY MEETING**

**TIMES and PLACE**

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

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

# Salem



The Oregon legislative session is over with nothing bad or good to report.

The vulnerable user bill HB-3314 did not include motorcyclists.

Representative Tobias Reed carried this bill onto the floor. Thanks for nothing, pal.

Seems like a lot of our representatives are overlooking us.

What to do?

Do not support the ones who ignore us and only wish we would go away. We are not leaving this party and will be the last ones standing. Become more involved in your political party. Consider civil disobedience as another way of protest.

All the motorcyclists I have met in our continuing efforts to protect our rights have my deepest respect and admiration.

We had fifteen folks and five guests show up at our meeting.

Support the *A.B.A.T.E.* runs that are coming up.

Robin from *Southeast Portland Chapter* stopped in to invite us to *Run 21*.

With respect,

Quiet  
*G.J.M.C.*

**SALEM MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**  
4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
*J.C.'s Pizzeria*  
4200 River Road north, Keizer

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

**Southeast Portland**

### From A Man With A Big Heart

And I mean that from the bottom of my heart.

I was just getting ready to leave for one of my chapter meetings (I do five of them a month plus a state board meeting) when the phone rang and on the other end was a fine voice of a man saying, "Hello, my name is Allen Wenzel and I live in Prairie City, Oregon and I am reading the state board minutes here from last month and what do you all need a laptop computer for the *Shiner Toy Run*?"

I explained and he asks "Have you gotten it yet?"

"No" was my answer.

"Well, how about me buying you one but I require certain conditions."

I listened and agreed after I heard them.

Folks, the *Shiners' Toy Run* now has the laptop computer and are well on their way to improving technology and able to serve everyone much better.

Allen, our deepest thanks goes to you and the kindest of hearts. The kids will be served better then ever.

— Lee Austin, Michael Friend, Matt Hobbs, and the Portland chapters' *Shiner's Toy Run*. (Taken from *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site.)

Those of you who know me know that it takes a lot for me to be at a loss

for words. The kindness and generosity of one man did it for me.

Next time you are wondering "what can I do to help," (or the famous "I'm only one person" remember how Allen's gift has allowed so many others to benefit. If you have never been to the [*Shiners' Toy Run*] equipment presentation, go to the next one. You will see all the hard work that the toy run committee puts in, year after year.

Support the toy run and buy your [raffle] bike tickets. It's the least you can do, even if you are "only one person." And remember when you purchase that one ticket you enrich a child's' life.

The *Save the Summer Run Party* was a lot of fun. It was nice to see some old faces and meet some new ones. The entertainment, *J.R. Sims and the Texas Special*, was outstanding as usual. Thank you J.R.

And, thanks to all of you who supported the cause. The folks at the *M & M Restaurant/Lounge* made a big difference to the cause. Laura (*Stewart's Leathers*) donated some fine leather goods for our drawing.

Special thanks to all the volunteers. For the first time I can remember we had extra help and everyone was able to enjoy themselves.

Thanks to our dedicated supports and contributors, we were able to contribute

\$762 to our *Summer Run* fund.

Don't forget that *Summer Run* is held in Birkenfeld August 17 -19 this year. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Run 21* has not been held yet. (As this goes to print.) Our run committee has been putting in overtime to ensure that this will be the best one yet! But, who doesn't have fun at *Run 21*? (Look for more news on the highlights for this event in the next edition of this newsletter.)

Ride safe always,

Soft Tail and Honey Buns

#### S.E. Portland MEETING

#### TIMES and PLACE

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)

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

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

# Washington County



The dog days of summer have hit and the dog refuses to go outside. Although there is nothing like a nice ride after work, it is just too darn hot. We all remind each other to stay hydrated and stay alert, along with the other reminders to check our bikes, our attitudes and our riding skills.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the *End of Summer Run* in the middle of September. We will be at the same location as recent years, although we are sharing the field with both *Run 21* and *Summer Run*. Different events, different themes, possibly different weather.

In the interest of saving room in the state newsmagazine, I will keep it short and hopefully allow an *End of Summer Run* flier to be printed in legible size.

One last piece of business and then it is off to some air conditioning:

The family of Chris Henderson wishes to thank everyone for their support and friendship after their loss. We appreciate the support of

those who stood for us when we could not, the friends who stood beside us during the difficult times and the thoughts of those who were with us all along this hard journey. Although the loss is still deep within us, the warmth and friendship have helped us through the darkest times.

Thank you.

Washington County Chapter  
ABATE of Oregon

## End of Summer Run

**Live Music**  
Friday & Saturday

**Tickets**  
Members: \$20 advance  
\$25 at gate

**Non-members:**  
\$20 advance  
\$25 at gate

**Race Pins & Shirts**  
Available

Washington County  
ABATE  
1111 Ave. 212  
Cornelius, OR 97113



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For more information contact:  
Washington County Chapter Run Coordinator  
Paul Tracy  
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Will see you in Birkenfeld

<http://www.washingtonabate.org>

**Food & Merchants**  
Vendors  
Call early for more info and food space.  
For vendor info call:  
Paul Tracy  
503-357-3040

**Items "Need Run for Other Runners?"**

**Ride Fun Cards**

We honor  
Dr. Jim Henderson  
founder of the  
Washington County  
Chapter. We are  
proud to recognize  
his vision and to  
continue his work.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1930  
( 7:30pm )  
*Prime Time Restaurant*  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports

Our June meeting was held at *Roaring Rapids Pizza*, 4006 Franklin boulevard in Eugene on Thursday, June 21st. We only had one guest, our good buddy from Australia, Eddy William, and fourteen members attending. The fine weather must have kept others out there running around somewhere.

After we did the pledge of allegiance, Jeff brought up discussion on upcoming events. The day right after our next meeting is when everyone is planning on leaving for *Summer Eruptions*, over by Fort Rock. Rod said he'd have to leave town on that Thursday, so Noel volunteered to keep the minutes for that meeting. Other events that are coming up are the Riders for Christ poker run in Oakridge, at the Nazareth Church on July 7th, and the Heaven Bound Riders Mystery poker run in Springfield, at the Springfield Faith Center on July 28th.

Rod gave his state report, and it looks like the state needs someone to step up as the state run coordinator because Ted is stepping down after 18 years of volunteering. It was also mentioned that Bobby Schneider is having health issues that is causing him to resign. Rot Path would like all members to give him updated information for *Duffy's Road List* in the state newsmagazine as soon as possible.

It was mentioned at the state meeting that the city of Vacaville in California is considering a law to require all groups of motorcycle riders to get a parade permit, and supply \$1,000,000 of liability insurance coverage, even groups as

## Willamette Valley A.B.A.T.E.



small as maybe three motorcycles?

Quiet Mike asked all chapter representative to ask each chapter what other legislative issues besides helmets they'd like to see addressed. The only thing mentioned at our meeting was that the state should develop legal guidelines for motorcycle safety course requirements similar to what is now used by *TEAM Oregon*.

We then discussed getting more members involved in setting up the *Swashbuckling Biker* event.

We were advised we need to call the people who wish to participate and remind them of the *Swashbuckling* meeting so they don't forget about it.

Starr Sommerhalder was drawn for the membership drawing of \$60 but was not present.

50/50 drawing of \$17 was won by Lonny Cokeley. Hal brought three packs of *Harley* beef jerky to give out as raffle prizes and all was taken. See what ya miss by not making the meetings.

Hope to see ya all at *Summer Eruptions*. And have a great riding season. Don't forget your sunscreen.

Keep it in the sun!

Rod Hatter

WV chapter web site editor

<http://www.wvabateoforegon.org>



### WILAMETTE VALLEY

#### MEETING TIME and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
*Roaring Rapids Pizza*

4006 Franklin Blvd; Eugene

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

14 July 2007 – Eagle's Lodge – Albany, Oregon

Meeting was called to order by Richard Colwell, vice-coordinator–north, at 12:09 p.m. with eleven of thirteen chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance.

Moment of silence for downed brothers and sisters and service men and women.

**Guests and first time attendees:**

Dale Clark, president of *Operation Homefront, Oregon* attended with his assistant. He spoke about a freedom walk they are sponsoring to keep the media aware of what happened on 11 September 2001. This organization provides many services to service men and women and their families. These services include assistance with food, finances, disaster relief, counseling, moving, e-Care packages, education and much more. Left some flyers.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Brian to accept minutes from June state board meeting as printed in the newsmagazine. Jim Jones seconded. Approved.

**Coordinator comments:** (Ed Vaughn) Excused, working. E-mail read by Nic: "Encourage the state board members to continue working on getting e-mail addresses for their entire membership A.S.A.P. Double check with *Lincoln County* on August state board meeting at the Newport Hospital." (*Lincoln County Chapter* confirmed that all is ready for August 11th.)

**Correspondence:** Lots of newsletters from out-of-state and local. Some run flyers also. One of

the flyers had four complimentary tickets attached, which were quickly snatched up by Mary and Lee.

**Vice coordinator–north:** (Richard Colwell) Acting chair in coordinator's absence. Has three concerns:

1. There are too many people going down from stupid [causes]. There are too many people riding without proper training or experience. So be careful out there.
2. The legislature may be out but we can't stop our work. There is much that needs to be done to prepare for the next session. The best way that you can help is to contact *BikePAC* and volunteer some of your time.
3. This has to do with the [state] newsmagazine but will wait for Rot Path's report.

**Vice coordinator–south:** (Jim Jones) Confused about information just received regarding the southern chapters. Other than that, there is no report.

**Vice coordinator–east:** (Gene Mortimore) Absent. Report given by Brian Stovall. All bills for *Fossil* are paid with receipts given to Sue Mills. Reported that he attended the *Central Oregon Chapter's* meeting. Also contacted a local judge about the use of Shelton Park (the original site for *Fossil*) which is just past Bear Hollow (the next site used for *Fossil*).

**Membership secretary:** (Linda Henderson) We currently have 2,537 members. Full report in packets.

**Treasurer:** (Sue Mills) Report in packets. We currently have \$38,778.89 total in all accounts.



Nic Oliver  
state recording secretary

Mike from *Central Oregon* presented a check for \$1,000 to Sue for their *Rocks, Lakes, & Bridges Run* and matching the challenge made by *River City*.

Reported that *Columbia River* still has *Fossil* tickets that need to be turned in.

Mel asked about the status of the rent check for the use of the *Eagles* lodge. Sue reported that we are ten months behind and it would be easier if she could pay in six-month increments rather than monthly. The suggestion was agreed to and she will issue a check for the ten months past due and for six more months.

**State auditor:** (Deb Ross) Reported that all chapters were in last month. Thanks to everyone.

Also, *Quicken* needs to be reconciled before sending it in.

**Newsmagazine editor:** (Rot Path) All chapters reported in last month. Thanks a lot. Only one chapter this month has not reported in.

**Chapters:** This is the best way for you to get out information on your runs and events. The earlier that you do this, the better. When the sanctioning officer sanctions your run/event, he will then forward your flyer to [state newsmagazine] for publication. It is faster and easier this way. Be sure to include your flyer with your application for sanctioning.

May not be at the August meeting. The *Oregon Country Fair* is biker  
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friendly with parking near the gate. You must have purchased your tickets before you arrive, as they are not for sale at the event.

Richard, vice coordinator–north, added that it would help if the [state] officers, especially, update their information in the newsmagazine to include their cell phones. Also to check your information to be sure that it is correct/current. There is a form on-line for this.

All membership secretaries need to be sure that they send [chapter] officer information to the state [membership secretary].

There was a request made for information on the cost savings of the [half-page run fliers]. The cost savings were explained as in number of pages. We are charged in groups of eight pages and the more groups then the greater the cost. A part group counts as a whole group. The [half]-page [fliers] helps keep the page number down, thereby saving money. With the cost of postage having gone up, the cost of mailing for July was about \$500.

**Legislative director:** (Mel Yeager) Read legislative report as turned in to the newsmagazine.

Read a letter from Dawn Tedder, who wanted to inform and warn riders about having P.I.P. on their insurance for their motorcycle. She quoted O.R.S.–742.520 on operating a motorcycle and liability. P.I.P. insurance will protect you much better than most realize. It can be hard to get with some companies and others charge a very large fee for carrying this insurance. So shop around but get P.I.P. insurance.

**Sergeant at arms–north:** (Randy

Phipps) Absent. (Transportation broke down.)

**Sergeant at arms–south:** (Bill Foster) Excused, working.

**Sergeant at arms–east:** ( Vacant – need volunteer.)

**Products director:** (Dave Meeker) Reported that he has created a “volunteer” rocker for members. Gave \$80 to the state from sales. Reported that *Fossil* run pins were sold out but more have been ordered and will be available soon for those who didn't get one.

**Education director:** (Patricia Carner) Absent.

**Education director II:** (Geoff Whit) Excused.

Robert Hale wanted to thank Geoff for all of his help at *Fossil*.

Report read by Nic from e-mail received: “The education department is still working through the summer with summer school driver's education classes. The next class visit in the Portland area will be a *David Douglas High School* on July 19th at 4:00 p.m. Please call Geoff White at

(503)-774-7558 if you would like details on this class visit. It may be summer, but it is not too early to start thinking and planning for [next] year's S.T.E.A.M. conference. [This] year's conference was quite a success and [next] year we have an opportunity to build a terrific agenda with your help and input, people. Remember to drink lots of liquids when on long rides or at our various summer events. Oh yeah, make those the kind of liquids that hydrate. Hope to see you at *Run 21*. Take care y'all. Regards, Geoff White”

**Public relations director:** (Joan McCarty) Absent.

**State run coordinator (*Fossil*):** (Ted Tracy) Absent.

**State run coordinator II:** (Howie Long) Announced that Ted Tracy has resigned as state run coordinator (*Fossil*). Reported that, overall, *Fossil* has profited *A.B.A.T.E.* to the tune of \$14,628.86 to this date. The porta-potties have not yet been paid though. Everything but a couple of t-shirts were sold at *Fossil*.

**State swap meet coordinator:** (William Sanders) Excused. It was reported that the swap meet phones have been forwarded while Roger is out of town. Things are being handled.

**Historian:** (Mary Burnett) Reported that she would like any and all information, pictures for the books. Also anything on Chris Henderson is wanted for the book.

**Sanctioning officer:** (Lee Austin) When submitting a property for use on a run the contact for that property should include an e-mail address whenever possible as this will help speeding up the sanctioning process for the site chosen.

Sanctioning done for *Douglas County, Washington County, North Coast's Two Rivers Run, Beaver Creek Run, Hub City, and Mid Summer Poker Run*.

**Web page editor:** (Marty Soehrman) Excused, working. Mel spoke that the modem access questions should be handled by Marty as it is his baby. There is no information available at the meeting today. Brian went over past reasoning for having this projected modem hookup at the meeting. The problem being that we still have no modem at the meeting and one was supposed to have been purchased. What do we do? We need to check with Marty as he is one that is accountable for this project getting done.

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**Quartermaster:** (Robert Hale) Thanked everyone for letting him do this job. Reported that the *Fossil* equipment has all been gone over and repairs made where needed, with the exception of the *Cushmans*. New racks have been built and are on the stage trailer and the new electrical panel has been installed but needs an electrical cord for the panel. Lee has one and offered it. Jokingly stated that he is surprised that we still have all of our parts for the awnings and such as the way they were stored was terrible. It is all taken care of now. Robert also stated that he has a "mister" available for use at hot runs. Sue Mills stated that she appreciates all of Robert's hard work in taking such great care of *A.B.A.T.E.*'s stuff.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** (Randy Phipps) Excused, [transportation] broke down. Mel reported that Ken Ray has retired as executive director so *BikePAC* is now a committee run organization until elections have been held. This will be done at the October 6th meeting at the *Salem Public Library*. All necessary elections will be held at that time.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** Pat Williams read from the minutes of the last meeting. (Complete copy with state minutes.)

Judge denies city of Portland motion and has allowed the *Gypsy Jokers vs Portland* to go to trial.

The *Top Hatters Motorcycle Club* lost their case in appeal and are now moving on to next step.

July 20th is the *Free Souls* rodeo. Next meeting is tomorrow in Grants Pass.

**Planning session:** The news-magazine billing questions are still being worked on. This is a work in

progress and many improvements have been made and more are coming.

Iris reported on the *Governor's Advisory Committee* meeting. *Team Oregon/M.S.F.* problems: reported a short history on issue. Currently, a judge has ruled that the case will be heard in California. That is all there is on that. This year there have been twelve single vehicle [crashes] involving motorcycles. Copies of reports on deaths so far this year show [?] of last years total. One half of the [crashes] were unendorsed riders. We need to get unendorsed riders to go in and get their endorsements. Cable barriers are being looked into for viability and as to just how dangerous are they. Comparisons of the cable versus the concrete barriers are being examined. Steve Walker (spouse of Vickie Walker) wants training mandatory before getting endorsed. Also wants it so that you cannot buy and dealers cannot sell a motorcycle to an unendorsed person.

### Unfinished Business

- Officer vacancy: Sergeant at arms—east. No nominations.
- Vote to adopt the revised sanctioning guidelines was 9-1 in favor of adoption.

### New Business

Lee Austin showed a flyer for a *Git-R-Done* run and explained that there were some issues with the run not being approved and the sponsors wanting to put the run on, even without the state's approval. Lee said that he told them that they could not use *A.B.A.T.E.*'s name, money, equipment, or any other thing that belongs to *A.B.A.T.E.* if they do this [run]. It seems that there have been some problems brewing and threats

have been made. Brian Stovall said that if there is a problem that the chapter should use the by-laws and write to the executive board about any violation, if there is one. Nic suggested that the executive board look into this further and find the root of the problem and see what can be done. That will allow the executive board to make decisions and act on *A.B.A.T.E.*'s behalf without having to wait to resolve this. Lee said that he is going to the meeting. Nic is to get a hold of the coordinator, Ed Vaughn, on what steps to take. The next meeting is *Douglas County*, next Tuesday, 17 July at 6:30 p.m. at the *Round Table Pizza* in Roseburg.

### Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting: 11 August 2007, Newport Hospital, Newport Oregon, at noon.
- Lee announced that he would be absent [from] that meeting.
- *Run 21* is 27-29 July 2007.
- *Central Oregon Rocks, Lakes, & Bridges Run* [for *M.R.F./A.B.A.T.E.*] presented \$1,000 check [to *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.*].
- *Two Rivers Run* is 18 August 2007.
- *Beaver Creek* is 11-12 August 2007.
- International *Norton* motorcycle meeting in Utah, 18-20 July 2007.
- *Hub City One Night Stand* is 04-05 August 2007.
- *Washington County Mid Summer Poker Run* is 28 July 2007.
- *Doug Tousley Swap Meet and Bike Show* wants an *A.B.A.T.E.* booth 20 July 2007.
- *Sangfreud Motorcycle* gathering in Portland this weekend
- *River City Jammin' July* in the Dalles has prompted *River City Chapter* to have their meeting on the "street" to get the public's interest in what *A.B.A.T.E.* does.
- *Summer Run* 17-19 August 2007.
- 50/50 was won by Mel who won \$9 and a cup cooler.

Meeting adjourned 2:35 p.m.



The Denver, Colorado city council passed a new law that essentially requires all riders in the city to use only stock exhaust systems on their motorcycles. It's a law that addresses sound issues by unfairly targeting only motorcyclists, and the *A.M.A.* is seeking a dialogue with Denver city officials to try to find a solution.

On June 4, Denver officials approved changes to the city's vehicle noise ordinance that allow police to issue tickets to riders if their bikes don't have a federal *Environmental Protection Agency* sound-certification label on the exhaust systems. The new ordinance, which takes effect July 1, would apply to all motorcycles made since 1982, which was the first year that federal law required motorcycles sold in the U.S. to comply with *E.P.A.* sound regulations.

In practical terms, that means the bike would be required to have the original exhaust system installed by the manufacturer. Violators would have two weeks to prove to a judge that they have fixed the problem or would be forced to pay a \$500 fine.

Previously, the Denver ordinance required all motor vehicles to pass a sound test that set a limit of 80 decibels at 25 feet. That type of performance standard remains in effect for cars and trucks, except that the allowable limits have been raised. Under the new ordinance, vehicles with a gross weight rating under 10,000 pounds couldn't exceed 82 db(A) at 25 feet, and trucks over 10,000 pounds couldn't exceed 90

db(A) at 50 feet. Only motorcycles would be subject to the *E.P.A.* sound certification labeling requirement.

Tennessee HB-1335 (*Right of Way Violations*) passed the Tennessee house today by a margin of 93-3. State representative Rob Briley did a fine job of carrying the bill to success in the house while senator Tim Burchett carried the companion senate bill, SB-794, to success.

The bill will go to the governor after the senate signs off on a minor amendment that removes unnecessary language that was left in by mistake.

Representative Briley will ask the governor to schedule a ceremonial bill signing event at his earliest convenience.

It will be up to the motorcyclists of Tennessee to educate those who will enforce and prosecute under this new law. Talking with your local police, prosecutors and judges is the best way to make sure the authorities use the new law where applicable.

For further information on this and other volunteer state legislation see the state watch section of <http://www.amadirectlink.com/> or *C.M.T./A.B.A.T.E. of Tennessee, Inc's.* web site <http://www.cmtabate.com/>

The U.S. *Federal Highway Administration* has released a fact sheet that explores alternative methodological approaches for determining the relative risk of alcohol-impaired motorcycle riders being involved in a crash, and rider

impairment at different blood alcohol concentration levels. For more information go to <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/>

The European commission's proposal for a directive on infrastructure management (directive) was rejected by the European parliament. Parliament voted against a proposal aiming to save hundreds of lives per year on Europe's main road network.

The directive, warmly welcomed by road users including the *Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (F.E.M.A.)*, was aimed at providing Member States safety management procedures and guidance to ensure that safety is integrated in all phases of road planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance, and could indeed drastically reduce the number of road fatalities as well as helping meet the road safety targets set in 2001. (50% reduction of road casualties by 2010.)

During the last voting session of 5 June, the transport committee however rejected the directive on road infrastructure safety management as a whole. Being described as "too bureaucratic" and "too costly", the directive was eventually judged "unnecessary"!

Proposed cuts in the *U.S. Forest Service* recreation and trails programs have been on the pages of *News & Notes* and other publications many times asking for your help. Well, some of our collective hard work is



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beginning to pay off.

On May 23rd, the house appropriations subcommittee on interior, environment, and related agencies, the subcommittee with jurisdiction over the *Forest Service* budget, recommended to the full committee a budget of \$272 million for the recreation program and \$78.8 million for the trails program. The president's budget submission called for a recreation budget of only \$231 million and a trails budget of \$66.4 million.

This is a significant turn of events for our issues and riders should be pleased with this progress to date. However, we can't celebrate yet because the appropriations process is far from over so keep those calls and letters coming. We need to gain the approval of the full appropriations committee, the house of representatives and the U.S. senate before the process is complete.

Nevada AB-396 prohibits a homeowner's association ("common-interest community") from banning motorcycles from the community. However, the homeowner's association may still place "reasonable" restrictions on parking and storage of motorcycles. The legislation, which passed 42-0 in the assembly and 19-2 in the senate, became a state law that takes effect October 1.

The U.S. *Consumer Product Safety Commission* (C.P.S.C.) is warning consumers who own a *Kazuma*

*Meerkat* 50 youth all-terrain vehicle (A.T.V.) that children are at severe risk of injury or death due to multiple safety defects with this off-road vehicle.

The unusual warning, which carries no legal weight, was apparently issued because the C.P.S.C. lacks a quorum and currently has no authority to require companies to provide accident or injury information. The C.P.S.C. said *Kazuma* has refused to cooperate with its inquiry.

The A.T.V.s, which were imported by *Kazuma Pacific Inc.*, of Stafford, Texas, were found to have several serious defects. The C.P.S.C. staff determined that the *Meerkat* 50 lacks front brakes, has no parking brake, is missing a neutral indicator light, and can be started in gear. Additionally, the owner's manual does not contain complete information on safe operation and maintenance of the A.T.V.

The risk with these A.T.V.s is severe because these vehicles are intended for children age 6 to 11. In many cases, youth riders are just learning how to operate an A.T.V. and may not have the experience necessary to help them avoid hazards associated with this product's defects.

*Transport for London* (T.f.L.) have been conducting monitored motorcycle access to bus lanes trials on three trial sites since 2002, but a draft version of an executive summary for their report suggested that the final conclusion might be

that the results of the trial would be inconclusive.

In trials carried out by Kingston and Westminster, Kingston had little negative feedback whereas Westminster had positive indications of casualty reductions, despite the trial only been operative for nine months.

One Maryland lawmaker, speaking about sport bikes, claims they are "wreaking a tremendous amount of havoc on our roadways," and says the state should consider banning the motorcycles from street use.

"They are potential death machines in the wrong hands," says delegate Bill Bronrott of Montgomery County. "I think we should look at the possibility of saying, 'these are only intended for recreational use and should be used on race courses rather than on public highways.'"

Delegate Bronrott says Maryland state police are contacting jurisdictions around the country to see how they handle the motorcycles. He says Maryland needs to investigate whether higher penalties would reduce problems associated with the motorcycles and/or whether laws need to be changed.

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# Tommy Thompson And The “Sturgis Factor”

His campaign has very little money, his polling numbers are... well, let's just say they are sub-par, and he is not exactly the darling of national media. Yet there is an almost religious like fervor among his supporters that makes former Wisconsin governor Tommy Thompson's presidential candidacy hard to dismiss.

Governor Thompson is a motorcycle rider. Not a photo op or Saturday afternoon parade rider, but a real motorcyclist who takes thousand mile plus trips. He has won much respect from Wisconsin bikers for his time in the saddle and they regard him as one of their own.

Despite a lack of special interest cash, governor Thompson feels that his campaign of commonsense conservatism will resonate in the heartland. His campaign strategy is that a win or a very strong showing in the Iowa presidential straw poll this August would act as a springboard to his moving into contention for the republican nomination. He is asking his friends in the motorcycle community for help.

In writing about governor Thompson's campaign strategy in the *Washington Post*, columnist George Will described something called the “Sturgis Factor.” The “Sturgis Factor”, as defined by Mr. Will, is the possibility of a large number of motorcyclists returning home from the annual motorcycle rally and participating in the straw poll. Could this politically hard to define voting block turn from the current front running juggernauts and cast their lot with a fellow rider such as Mr. Thompson? In a small sampling such as the straw poll a solid block vote would have an impact. A strong showing by

the governor could change the dynamic of the G.O.P. race as it heads into the primary season.

Before one snickers and turns away, it may be worth a moment to recall some early presidential frontrunners who purportedly couldn't lose (anyone remember Gary Hart?) and a once obscure governor from a small southern state who stunned the political world in 1992 by beating an incumbent president who had a double digit lead early on in the race.

Picking whom will be the next president of the United States sixteen months before election day is akin to playing the horses on a muddy race track. It's not usual for the frontrunner to fade in the stretch.

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (more specifically *M.R.F.PAC*) is not endorsing a candidate in the Iowa straw poll. We are encouraging involvement however.

A group of riders has formed *Team Tommy* to support the governor's campaign. *Team Tommy* counts among its members the founder of *A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin*. They are planning a ride on August 10 in Ames to support the governor's efforts which will coincide with the Iowa straw poll. Non-Iowa residents will be welcome to participate in the parade. Check out *Team Tommy's* web site at

<http://www.teamtommy.org>  
and consider supporting a fellow rider.

No matter which presidential candidate you support, whether you are a democrat, republican, or independent, you have to admit that seeing terms such as the “Sturgis Factor” used by such a prestigious journalist as George Will means that we are doing something



right. Perhaps a new term has been coined here. Let's hope the “Sturgis Factor” is something that will blossom into increased political involvement and activism by motorcyclists and play a part in many congressional and local races throughout the country in 2008.

Michael Kerr

*M.R.F.* vice president

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## Immigration Reform And Motorcycling?

After six intense weeks of negotiations, parliamentary maneuvering and white house entreaties, the senate rejected president Bush's vision of an immigration overhaul last Thursday, likely killing the legislation until after the 2008 elections.

On a crucial procedural move requiring the support of 60 senators to advance the bill to a final vote, backers of the bill failed to get even a majority. The 46-53 vote against ending debate on the bill (S 1639) all but ended Bush's chances of winning the sweeping domestic policy achievement he campaigned on as far back as 2000.

Supporters said determining exactly when and why the momentum slipped away could be difficult, but they began to sense trouble early Thursday when senate switchboards lit up.

Hours before the demise of the complex and highly contentious bill, a deluge of phone calls from constituents, mostly clamoring for the measure's defeat, tied up the lines to several senate offices.

The vote came down to a group of 18 senators (12 republicans and six democrats) who voted to resume debate June 26 but switched Thursday when pushed to move toward finishing up. The senate parliamentary procedure requires a “cloture” (or motion to end

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all debate and vote on the measure) vote to pass with a super majority (60 votes out of possible 100). When that failed to happen the immigration reform package was all but dead on the table.

So what does this have to do with motorcycles you ask? Well nothing, and everything. This immigration package has been a serious issue for almost ten years and arguably longer. There are millions of people who want something to change and millions more who need something to change. We are hemorrhaging money through our borders on the backs of illegal aliens. You would think that at this point any immigration policy is better than what we have now and therefore an easy legislative lift for the congress.

No matter what side of the fence you are on, when it comes to immigration policy you must admire one thing: the grassroots efforts of those impacted by the proposed reform. Considering just how desperately we need some sort of reliable, workable immigration policy, the grassroots efforts stopped what would have changed the lives of millions of people.

My point is this, if a small group of Americans decide that the congress is going in the wrong direction, pull them back and change the direction of the United States government. We as active motorcyclists can forget this from time to time so remember, it is all about staying educated and motivated in order to agitate.

### Grant Deadline Approaching

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* alerts you to the approaching deadline for this year's federal motorcycle safety grants. The official deadline for any state to apply for funds in 2008 is August 1, 2007.

Thanks in large part to the efforts of the *M.R.F.* and numerous state motorcyclists' rights organizations (*S.M.R.O.*), as well as concerned motorcyclists nationwide, *S.A.F.E. T.E.A.-L.U.* or *Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (PL-109-59)* directed the U.S. *Department of Transportation (U.S.D.O.T.)* through its *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* to set aside \$25 million to be spent through fiscal year 2009 for motorcycle safety initiatives. The same procedure as last year stands for states to apply for the funds.

The governor's highway safety representative in your state must sign the official application before it can be sent to Washington D.C. for approval.

Once approved, the money will be dispersed from D.C. back to your governor's highway safety representative. It's then up to the state to determine how the money is best spent and, if appropriate, to turn some of it over to a non-profit or not-for-profit organization in that state.

Last year 44 states received grants of at least \$100 thousand each, totaling almost \$6 million in grant money across the country, with no matching funds

required. This marks the first time in history that the federal government has made funds available specifically for motorcycle rider education and awareness campaigns. According to the law any state that qualifies will receive at least \$100 thousand. This is largely, if not entirely, the result of years of lobbying by the *M.R.F.* and the *S.M.R.O.s.*

In order to be eligible for the funds, states must meet one of six criteria the first year and two criteria the second and subsequent years.

The six criteria are as follows:

1. The state must have a motorcycle rider training program.
2. The state must have a motorcycle awareness program.
3. The state must have a reduction in fatalities involving motorcycles.
4. The state must have an effective impaired driving program.
5. The state must have a reduction in fatalities and crashes involving impaired motorcyclists.
6. Use of fees collected by the state from motorcyclists for motorcycle programs must be used for motorcycle programs.

Many states had a large amount of success with this program this year. The *M.R.F.* encourages you to stay in contact your state officials overseeing the administration of this important grant program in order to ensure the best use of these limited funds. Naturally, if you have any questions regarding the grant program or the application process, you can call the *M.R.F.* office and we'll be happy to help guide you.

#### M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

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# Congress Considers Motorcycle Awareness Month

For many years the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* has worked toward getting May officially designated by congress as *Motorcycle Awareness Month* nationwide. Although virtually every state and major municipality now issues motorcycle awareness proclamations, no such congressional proclamation has ever been passed to bring national awareness to motorcycle safety.

During the mid-90's the house of representatives banned such resolutions primarily due to the costs incurred by the public to work hundreds of these special days, weeks and months through the legislative process.

The federal government did officially recognize May 2004 as *National Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month*, thanks to the efforts of retiring U.S. senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, a member of the *N.C.O.M.* legislative task force whose senate resolution 168 was passed by unanimous consent of the U.S. senate, but this did not provide a permanent solution.

Now, congressman Michael Burgess of Texas has introduced house resolution 339, a non-binding "sense of congress" measure that supports the goals of a *Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month* in perpetuity. Though barred from setting aside periods on the calendar for a specific purpose or cause, HR-339 "supports the goals of a motorcycle safety

awareness month" without officially designating such a month.

Your help is needed to get the measure enacted. Please contact your congressional representatives and request that they support house resolution 339, and make our federal legislators aware of motorcyclists' overwhelming support for this effort.

### Helmet-Free For A Fee

Following on the heels of governor Jennifer Granholm's veto of a helmet law repeal bill passed by the Michigan legislature last year, a new piece of legislation has been introduced that puts a price on freedom by allowing riders to opt out of the state's helmet requirement by paying a fee.

House bill 4749 was recently introduced by state representative Barbarah Farrah (D-Southgate), and sponsored by no fewer than 60 representatives, that would allow motorcyclists the opportunity to buy their freedom for \$100 per year or \$200 for a three-year no-helmet permit. Supporters argue that the measure could ring up more than \$25 million for the cash strapped state.

Motorcyclists could circumvent the mandatory helmet law, under the new bill, if they are 21 or older, have been licensed to operate a motorcycle for at least two years, complete a motorcycle safety course, have insurance or security of \$20,000 for first-party medical benefits in the event of a crash, and purchase an endorsement for their license plate

and license.



### Tennessee Enacts R-O-W Legislation

"I am proud to announce that HB-1335 (*Right of Way Violations*) passed the Tennessee house today by a margin of 93-3," exclaimed a jubilant Mike Hays, legislative director for *C.M.T./A.B.A.T.E., Inc.*

The bill will go to the governor after the senate signs off on a minor amendment, and state representative Rob Briley who sponsored the house bill will ask the governor to schedule a ceremonial bill signing event at his earliest convenience. Senator Tim Burchett sponsored the companion senate bill, SB-794.

"It will be up to the motorcyclists of Tennessee to educate those who will enforce and prosecute under this new law," added Hays. "Talking with your local police, prosecutors and judges is the best way to make sure the authorities use the new law where applicable."

Meanwhile, the Tennessee general assembly is wrapping up for the year and HB-1283/SB-1511, Tennessee's helmet law modification bills, will be rolled into the 2008 legislative session. The helmet law repealer has passed the senate and has passed the house transportation committee.

"When we launched the house bill, Dr. Joey Hensley, representative from Hohenwald, Tennessee, lifetime rider and *C.M.T./A.B.A.T.E.* member was the prime sponsor," explained Hays. "But Dr. Hensley decided that there was entirely too much emphasis on



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the helmet and no attention paid to reducing the crashes, so he withdrew as the prime sponsor and long time supporter representative Curry Todd of Collierville took the lead.”

Dr. Hensley has challenged the medical community to join with the motorcycling community to address issues that will lead to safer riding.

Pointing out that Tennessee’s fatality and injury rates are consistently higher than most of the 30 states that allow responsible adults the option of wearing a helmet, representative Todd said, “I stand strong on the rights of adults to have freedom of choice. Helmets are sold in the apparel department of dealerships, not the safety department. There is ample evidence to show that as states have repealed helmet laws, injury and fatality rates have declined. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the Tennessee legislature and the freedom loving motorcyclists of Tennessee to allow responsible adults the right to choose their riding apparel.”

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### Denver Tells Bikers To Pipe Down

The Denver city council has passed an ordinance aimed at muffling motorcycles that have been modified to make them louder, over thundering opposition from local bikers and motorcycle businesses. City councilman Rick Garcia said he sponsored council bill 242 in response to mounting complaints from residents about thunderous hogs rolling through his northwest Denver districts at all hours. But

bikers call the new law discriminatory.

The municipal ordinance, which passed 8-2, is the toughest noise law in the nation and will allow officers to ticket motorcyclists if a bike made after 1982 has a muffler lacking a mandatory factory U.S. *Environmental Protection Agency* noise certification stamp certifying that the exhaust system is in compliance, instead of testing the decibel level with a noise meter as previously required.

That means police will be able to pull over motorcycles they consider too loud, citing riders whose muffler isn’t *E.P.A.*-certified, though noisy cars and trucks are still subject only to a sound-meter test, which motorcyclists say is more fair because it’s more objective.

As motorcycles soar in popularity, so do laws that restrict their sound levels. The city of Albuquerque, New Mexico enacted a similar noise ordinance in 2002, but an uproar from the riding community convinced the city to switch to sound-meter testing.

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### Weird News Terror Scare Entraps Motorcyclists

Six motorcyclists, including five students, were on a fun ride after dinner in Calcutta, India, when they were hauled off to the police station and interrogated overnight as suspected terrorists.

Their crime: stopping their motorcycles in front of the *American Center* as one of them received a call

on his cellphone. The sight of the six, on three motorcycles, was enough for the cops manning the “high-security” address to suspect them to be terrorists. Fearing an attack (with memories of the January 2002 strike at the site and other recent terror bombings fresh in their minds) the guards called a police patrol team that rushed to the spot.

It took a whole night’s grilling for the police to realize that the six were anything but terrorists, and they were released the next morning.

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### Quotable Quote

“If we desire respect for the law, we must first make the law respectable.”

Louis D. Brandeis  
(1856–1941)

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# Legislative Report



Mel Yeager  
state legislative director  
*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*

Since there is no legislative business at hand, I am concentrating my efforts toward getting ready for the future.

There may be a legislative session starting in February 2008 for a short period.

The plan is to concentrate on issues that had a hearing but did not reach a conclusion in the house and senate.

I will be watching the legislature for issues of interest to motorcycles and keep you informed.

In the meantime, the next glaring need is for each and every motorcyclist to get involved with the political process in your county.

Grassroots efforts work.

The way to do it is to go to a meeting of one of the major political

parties in your county, and ask to become a precinct committee person. [P.C.P.] You can be appointed to represent a section of your community. Anyone living in or near a precinct is eligible.

Let's fill those committees with motorcyclists!

By attending a monthly meeting, your voice will be heard and issues dear to motorcyclists can be brought to the attention of other members of the committee, who may not be aware of your needs.

When candidates to fill political office are discussed, the members of the committee make recommendations as to the person to run for public office. It is right here that we can insure that the proper candidate is the one getting the nod

from the committee. This is when we can help our friends get elected to serve in the legislature and uphold our ideas and issues.

Believe me, *A.B.A.T.E.*, *A.M.O.*, *U.F.R.*, *Gold Wing Riders*, *O.V.M.A.*, *H.O.G.*, and all other rider groups in Oregon can, by working together, accomplish our goals.

*BikePAC* alone can not do it.

We need the votes in committee and on the floor when our bills are decided.

Let's get busy now becoming a P.C.P. Don't expect someone else to do it.

Mel Yeager

( Answer to July cryptogram on page 48. )

## August Cryptogram

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—XAOJUSAD UZVAX, 1935

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HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. ("Y" might equal "L" for instance.) Look for word patterns to help establish which word is what. (Single letters will be "I" or "A"; "the" and "and" are common three-letter words; the most widely used English letter is "E".)

Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skulldruggery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

## Are You A Biker Geek?

Beware e-mail cons and frauds.

The latest scams involve fake bank account update requests and e-card deliveries.

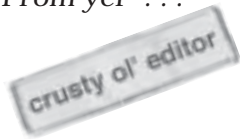
- Absolutely no bank or financial institution ever uses the internet to update customer account information.

*Never!* They will contact you to set up a face-to-face appointment. Any such e-mailed requests may look authentic but account and personal information you provide is used by identity thieves to steal your money and ruin your good name.

- Unless you recognize an e-card (electronic greeting card) sender's name, never ever click on the link provided. It will take you places you don't want to be or will attempt to download potentially harmful software into your computer to steal personal information.

— crusty ol' editor

From yer . . .



# How Embarrassing

*Sometimes We Do It To Ourselves – part 2*

c.o.e. – 67



by  
Rot Path

c.o.e. fell off his bike.  
In front of hundreds of people.  
Twice.  
And he was stopped both times.

For the last dozen or so years, yer crusty ol' editor has been riding in an Independence Day parade as part of *Western Days* in the aptly-named community of Independence/Monmouth, Oregon.

It was just Rot Path that first time. Over the years more and more riders have joined, riding lidless and having a good ol' time.

This year we had three and a half two-wheelers, a couple of hacks, and over half a dozen trikes. All of us were making room to circle around, going forth and back in front of the crowds. (Most of whom absolutely love us.)

Yer crusty ol' editor managed to preserve last year's parade paint job on his bike, and so the Rot Cycle was bedecked once again as a sailing ship complete with bow sprint, hardware store anchors and canon, and a square-rigged mast with ratty black sails. (She was dubbed the *Brown Oyster*, so as not to be confused with any *Black Pearls*.) And the crusty ol' rider wore pirate garb with a large rodent on his shoulder. (That would be 22/7, a pi-rat.)

When there's room in the parade, c.o.e. likes to stand on the pegs and gently swoop from side to side going down the street. Or when things are crowded or stopped, he tends to make tight slow circles to the left using engine torque to help stay

upright.

About three quarters of the way through the parade we're starting to wilt in the heat and engine temperatures are way in the red. We were coming down a small hill and Rot Path was circling when a trike came zipping uphill from behind another vehicle and surprised yer c.o.e. as he was cross hill.

By some sort of unwritten or spoken agreement, we always slow for each other in such cases. This trike didn't, so c.o.e. had to turn tighter while stopping to avoid hitting him.

*Some would call it public embarrassment.*

*To c.o.e. it's merely showmanship.*

The bike began tipping uphill and Rot path couldn't get a leg down quick enough stop it. It slowly went on to its left side and c.o.e. was on the ground.

Immediately it seemed like dozens of people were right there helping get bike and rider back up. We were right in the middle of the road and the rest of the parade was stopped behind us. All yer crusty ol' editor wanted to do at that point was get the bike restarted and get the parade rolling again.

So with the bike aimed cross hill, yer c.o.e. attempts to enthusiastically leap back on. A little *too* enthusiastically, it seems. The bike begins leaning downhill. But yer

crusty ol' editor's pirate leg is too short to reach the ground on that side. (It's further away.) And so over goes the bike in the other direction, this time going down so completely that it pops the turn signal cover out of the *Windjammer* and sprawls yer crusty ol' editor on the ground once more.

Again help is right there to get us both upright again. This time c.o.e. walks the cycle over to the curb so the parade can get past. The engine is too hot and too flooded to start.

Eventually a shady spot was found and the engine cooled down enough to restart. Yer crust ol' editor rejoined the very tail end of the parade right behind some custom and funny cars.

But the important thing was that he got back on his metal pony after being thrown and finished the parade.

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# 2007 RUN LISTINGS

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

04 Aug	One Night Stand–Hub City	Albany	(541)-967-7802
04-05 Aug	Coast Run–Josephine Co		(541)-471-6049
10-12 Aug	Beaver Creek–Lincoln County	Newport	(541)-265-6850
17-19 Aug	Summer Run–CR, NE, SE Portland	Estacada	(503)-760-9015
17 Aug	Hog Run-CMA		
18 Aug	Run For The Wind–O.C.V.A.	Lincoln City	(541)-961-3065
23-26 Aug	Harley Drags–AHDRA	Woodburn	
25 Aug	Freedom Run	Washington	
08 Sept	Dancing Bikers–Salem Chapter		(503)-390-4292
09 Sept	Swap Meet–Monroe, Washington		
09 Sept	Sunset Poker Run		
Sept	Last Chance Run–JoCo		(541)-471-6049
14-16 Sept	End of Summer Run–WaCo		(503)-628-5445
15 Sept	Swashbuckling Bikers–Willamette		(541)-471-6049
20-23 Sept	Meeting of the Minds–MRF	Iowa	
22 Sept	Chapters Picnic–NE, SE		(503)-777-5121
29 Sept	Teddy Bear Run–CentOr		(541)-389-2167
30 Sept	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet		(503)-249-8791
06 Oct	Biker Night–Salem Chapter		(503)-390-4292
07 Oct	Toy Run– JoCo		(541)-471-6049
13 Oct	Casino Night–Willamette Valley Chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
27 Oct	Halloween Party–Columbia River	TBA	(503)-933-4986
27-28 Oct	Mall Show–Hub City	Albany	(541)-
TBA Oct	ABATE of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-
30 Oct	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
17 Nov	Biker Night–Salem Chapter		(503)-390-4292
17 Nov	Toy Run–WaCo Chapter		(503)-628-5445
20 Nov	North Coast Spaghetti Feed and Auction	Astoria	(503)-325-2823
01 Dec	Shriners' Toy Run	Portland	(503)-
09 Dec	Toy Run–Salem Chapter	Salem	(503)-390-4292
Dec	North Coast Toy Run	Astoria	(503)-325-2823
Dec	Willamette Valley Mission Benefit	Eugene	(503)-351-8193







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# August 2007

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Northeast Portland 1900 ( 7 pm)  lammas	<b>2</b> North Coast 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <i>Hub City One Night Stand Albany</i> <i>Josephine County Coast Run Wilderville</i>
<b>5</b>  4th quarter moon Southeast Portland 1200 (12 pm)  hazel tree of the month begins	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Lincoln County 1900 ( 7 pm) ----- River City 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <i>Lincoln County Beaver Creek Newport</i>	<b>11</b> <b>STATE BOARD MEETING</b> Newport Hospital 1200 (12 p.m.)  <i>Lincoln County Beaver Creek Newport</i>
<b>12</b>  new moon Central Oregon 1400 ( 2 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm) <i>Lincoln County Beaver Creek Newport</i>	<b>13</b> Washington Co. 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Josephine County 1900 ( 7 pm) ----- Northeast Portland 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>16</b> Hub City 1900 ( 7 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>17</b> <i>Portland Chapters Summer Run Birkenfeld</i>	<b>18</b> <i>North Coast Two Rivers Run Astoria</i> ----- <i>Portland Chapters Summer Run Birkenfeld</i>
<b>19</b> Southeast Portland noon  <i>Portland Chapters Summer Run Birkenfeld</i>	<b>20</b>  2nd quarter moon	<b>21</b> Douglas County 1900 ( 7 pm) ----- Lincoln County 1900 ( 7 pm) ----- River City 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> North Coast 1000 ( 10 am)  women's equality day	<b>27</b> WaCo 1900 ( 7 pm)	<b>28</b>  full moon ( corn moon ) Salem 1900 ( 7 pm)  lunar eclipse-1152	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

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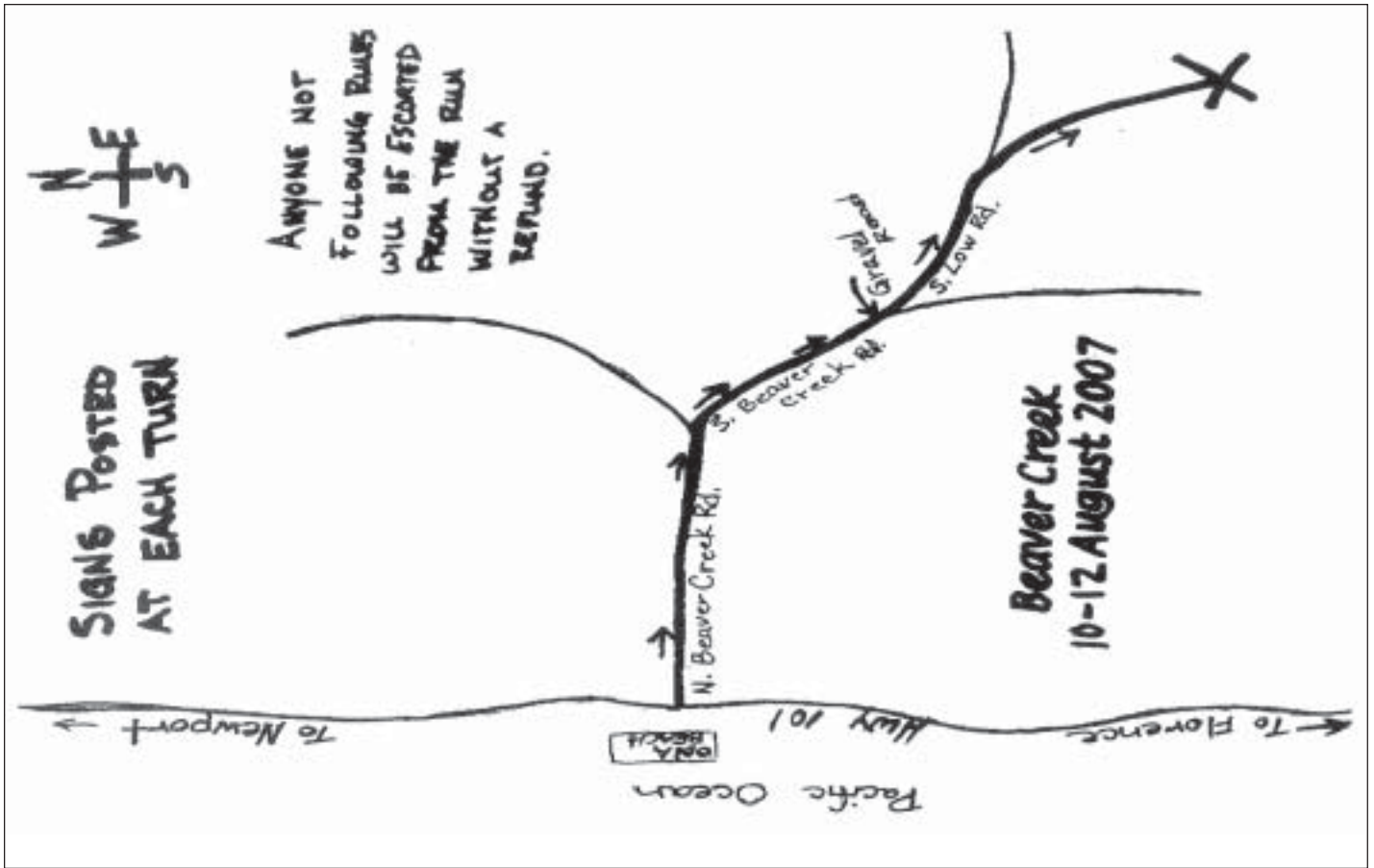
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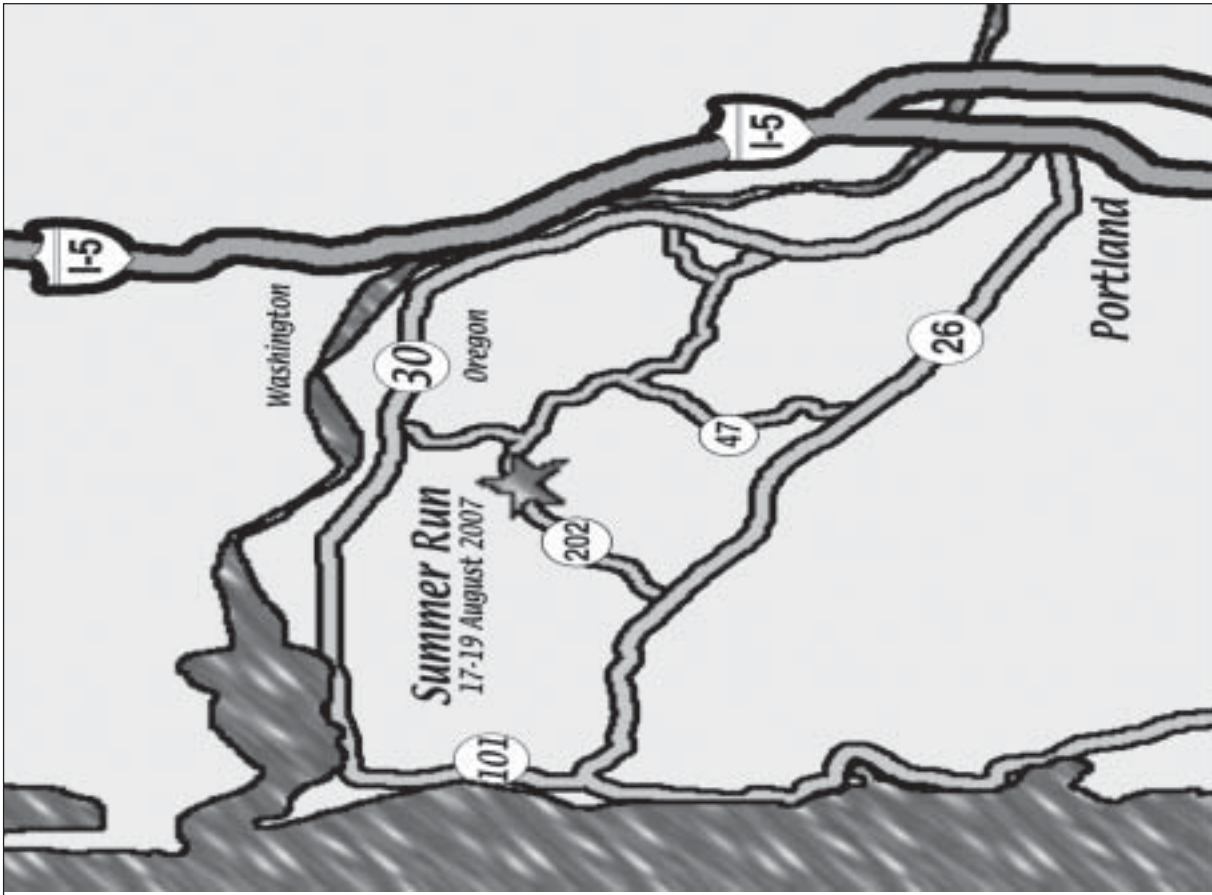
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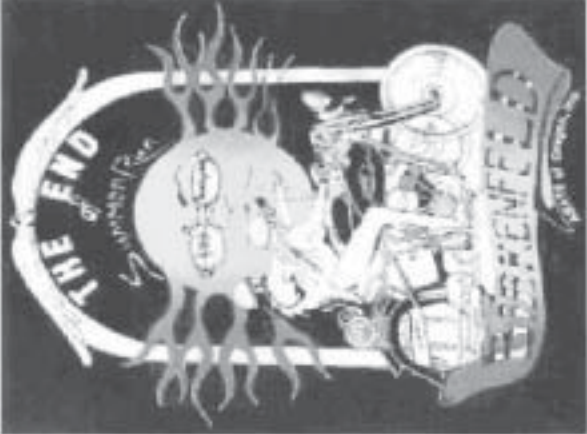
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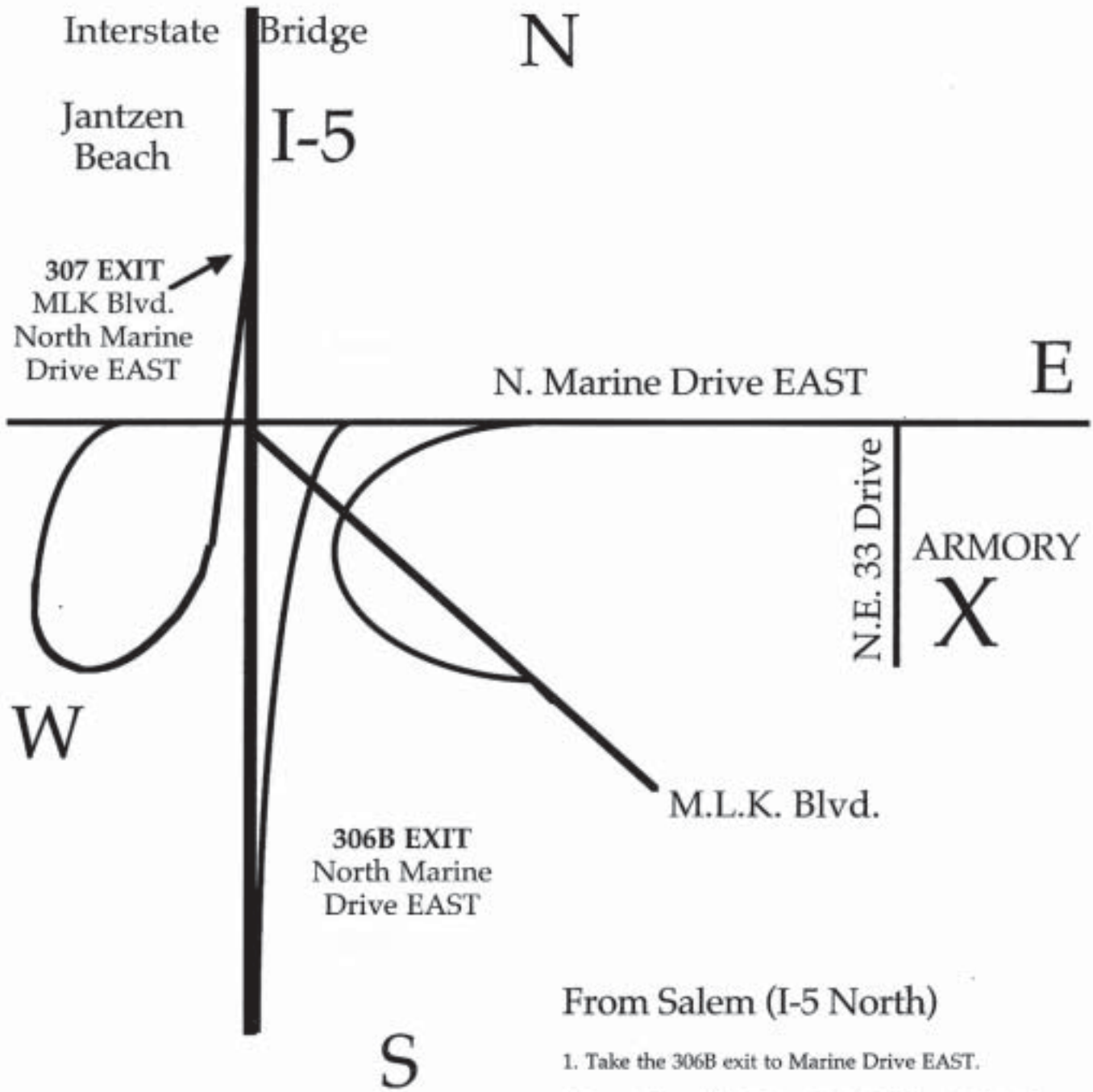
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# Oregon BikePAC



Mel Yeager  
*BikePAC of Oregon*

The meeting opened at 12:15 p.m. chaired by executive director, Ken Ray. Attending were ten people with Randy Phipps absent due to a mechanical breakdown. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented. The financial report showed the traffic of both accounts since January 1, 2007, with the balances of both as of June 30, 2007.

Ken noted that Randy Comer was doing a great job in keeping our membership numbers on track and helping with e-mail addresses as needed. Quiet Mike was recognized as being instrumental in our legislative efforts by organizing an e-mail effort and getting members to participate. Also discussed was the future legislative process of the next session. We all need to keep in contact with our legislators so they can be aware of our views of motorcycling issues. We talked about our involvement in our two bills and what to do differently.

Ken Ray turned over the *BikePAC* products money bag to the treasurer for later use of buying and selling *BikePAC* products. Ken will store the products in his shop until needed in the future.

The *May Awareness Rally* generated a lot of interest in the motorcycling communities and by the media. Two or three television stations aired the rally although the local papers had no mention of the event. Ken had sent press releases to media from Portland to Grants Pass three weeks prior to the event. It got some results that we would not have seen without that effort.

Brian Stovall reported on the legislative activities now and planned for the future. The next session is to start in February 2008 and plan to consider issues that had a hearing, but had not

reached a conclusion during the 2007 session.

Brian was contacted by news media about the motorcycle wrecks that happened over the weekend of *Fossil*. He suggested that they contact *O.D.O.T.* safety division and *Team Oregon* for the information as we don't keep statistics.

Iris Yeager, member of the *Governor's Committee on Motorcycle Safety*, was asked to check on the plans for a cable barrier between the opposing traffic lanes on highway 26 near Boring, Oregon. She also reported that the next meeting of the *G.C.M.S* was moved up one week to the second Friday in July. Iris also noted that of the 45 deaths of motorcyclists in Oregon, that only three were endorsed and had formal rider training. Iris told about the water closet media efforts by *O.D.O.T.* safety division. Also, that *Team Oregon* was geared up to train 2,000 more students than normal at this time.

Development director Nic Oliver has been driving around Oregon making contact with businesses, riding groups, and shops wherever he can find them in an effort to generate interest in becoming a corporate sponsor of *BikePAC*. Mel and Randy will share e-mail addresses of good contact people so that they can send Nic a list of business, groups, and shops.

## Old Business

Our web site director has quit and we now have no web master. Randy Comer will work with Ken Ray to obtain the necessary information to restart the web site and keep it up to date. Brian commended Randy's work in creating the list of e-mails from the *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* membership list. He will

receive help from *A.B.A.T.E.* to keep the information current.

## New Business

- Recruiting for executive director for *BikePAC*: Anyone interested please contact any member of the executive board, Brian Stovall [gulducatti@gorge.net](mailto:gulducatti@gorge.net), Mel Yeager [mel\\_yeager@msn.com](mailto:mel_yeager@msn.com), Randy Comer [geckorlc@verizon.net](mailto:geckorlc@verizon.net), or Nic Oliver [chippawop@netscape.com](mailto:chippawop@netscape.com).

- Mel is to arrange to change our telephone number to the answering service with forwarding instructions.

- The *Democratic Motorcycle Caucus (D.M.C.)* has had election of officers. Chairperson is Brian Stovall, vice-chair is Ted Tracy, membership secretary is Randy Phipps, and communication secretary is Teresa Hepker. Brian will send information and invitation to attend the next meeting of the *D.M.C.*

- Prior to the next meeting of *BikePAC* there will be a formal announcement thirty days prior to the meeting as it will be a full board meeting. All members of the advisory board should plan to attend.

The next meeting for *BikePAC of Oregon* will be held on 06 October 2007 at noon. It is planned that we will meet at the Salem public library, although arrangements have not yet been made.

Meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

From The . . .

# GUNNY'S SACK

## Reflections On 15 Years Of The Sack



Gunny  
chief of staff  
Oregon A.I.M.

The *Gunny's Sack* has been around now for nearly fifteen years.

As I reflect on those years I realize the motorcycle world has changed, mostly for the good. We nevertheless have a long way to go.

We still drink and get on our bikes and then can't understand why we get ourselves killed.

We still ride these wonderful machines and never think to sharpen our skills and take rider courses, and then wonder why we're targets on the highways.

Naturally, I'm talking in generalities. Many of us do not drink and ride and do take rider courses.

My point is, we are not getting the word out to everyone strongly enough to get the rest of us involved in our own safety.

### Helmet Laws Or The Constitution?

We are still all hung up on helmet laws when there are so many other things out there that effect our lives much more than wearing headgear. Not that we can't fight on more than one front, but I'm especially worried about the *N.A.F.T.A.* highway that's proposed to run from the Mexican border up through Texas, Kansas City and on to Canada. This beast is planned to be built and maintained by a foreign contractor and paid for by tolls to that company. This country would have little or no say in how or why it exists, yet we are expected

to bear the burden of much of the costs involved, to include the loss of property and of some small towns, just to provide ease of building the thing. It's planned to be straight as an arrow, without regard as to who or what might be displaced. Read up on it!

### Dental Reflections

Your Gunny saw this article in the dentist's office recently. It's too good for me to try and paraphrase, so all of it follows:

#### *A Declaration Of Dependence*

*We, the undersigned, having grown weary of the burden of freedom and responsibility, do hereby foreswear, forfeit, and waive our following rights:*

*1) Our right to protect our physical persons. We pay the government (and quite well) to do this for us, through the police, the military, and far too many other government agencies to count. We have chosen to disregard numerous court decisions that they have no responsibilities to us individually, and still place our fate entirely in their hands. And when they fail us, we will blame our excessive freedoms and surrender more rights in the name of physical safety.*

*2) Our right to tally and pay our own taxes. We have chosen to separate ourselves from the cost of our government by delegating to government and employers the task of paying our taxes, through "withholding." Instead of being presented with a bill for payment, our taxes are taken from us before we even see our salary. Then, when (as is often the case) we have overpaid, we rejoice and see as a gift our*

*refund, and choose not to realize that this refund is simply the government repaying an interest-free loan from us. The only real burden we choose to accept is that of filing our own returns, when we can see just how much of our labors are on behalf of the government. (And if one presidential candidate has his way, he will relieve us of even this onerous task.)*

*3) Our right to make decisions for our own safety. Every one of us knows, or ought to know, that certain things are safe and unsafe, healthy and unhealthy. Trans fats are terrible for our bodies. Seatbelts, in nearly every circumstance, improve our chances of surviving a car crash almost logarithmically. Motorcycle helmets, even more so.*

*In these and in countless other ways, we know what the smart thing to do is. But we do not wish to be burdened with the responsibility of caring for ourselves, so we call upon the government to make certain we make the right choices, and accept whatever punishment, fine, or sanction they see fit if we put ourselves at risk.*

*In the name of our own safety, our own security, and our own peace of mind, we, the undersigned, do hereby pledge our lives, our fortunes, our liberty, our judgment, and our own common sense.*

*Signed,  
far too many Americans.*

This sort of apathy feeds the daily erosion of our constitution and bill of rights, perpetrated by those we elect to make our laws. It's time to stop the process and look to our welfare. If we don't, this nation will collapse on itself, and we'll have no one to blame but ourselves. Our constitution is under attack by those who think these documents are outdated. In Europe,

## GUNNY'S SACK ( continued )

whole countries have lost some of their national identities through the European Parliament, a non-elected group. Those countries don't even have their own currency anymore. They all use the "euro." No more British pounds or German marks. We are likewise losing our freedoms here almost daily, a little piece at a time, and usually in the name of security.

I didn't even mention the evils of the *U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act* [*Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism*], the lives we are sacrificing in corporate warfare all over the planet that seems to have no end. I can't believe that this country, with all its strength and wisdom, can't devise strategy to win these conflicts and get this carnage brought to an end, or to have won without bullets in the first place, if and when winning is in the interests of the American people.

### Newsbits-N-Pieces

*Australian Speed* – Citizens in Adelaide are up in arms over unfair ticketing for speeding in their town. It seems the police have set their speed traps about five kilometers/hr under the actual speed limits to increase the take on fines. The error in speedometers on most cars is just about that: five km/h! The drivers here are victims of overzealous servants of the masses. Maybe we here in this country ought to check out our own speed traps. I see those little trailers and vans with speed measuring devices all the time here in Oregon.

*California* – In Newport Beach, cops fall off their scooters too. Problem with that is the guy was responding to an emergency 911 call. A cage driver stopped suddenly in his path and the cop

smacked into the rear of the cage. Not badly hurt, but didn't get the job done.

*Huntsville, Alabama* – A man here was accused of speeding when he struck and killed a motorcyclist, and then drove away. He was taken into custody only after a group at a nearby *Sonic* restaurant saw him get out of his wrecked car and these good citizens chased him back to the accident scene!

### Gunny Again

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Gunny  
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# Photos of *Fossil*

*(Thank you to the gentleman at the July state board meeting who offered these photos. We didn't catch yer name.)*



*Setting up for the weenie bite game. Look at all that PVC. (Hmmm . . . wonder why the water to the camp ground has stopped?)*



*A near miss and the dog is okay.*



*That's one hurtin' puppie.  
(Note—Several hot dogs were harmed during the production of this game.)*

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## Deadly Summer? -- Rot Pat, c.o.e.

Did yer crusty ol' editor read more newspapers than usual or has this summer been unusually deadly for Oregon motorcyclists?

In a one week period there was a young Salem man who was killed while showing off his new bike to friends one Sunday morning in a big-box parking lot. (Yes, he was wearing a helmet. No, it didn't prevent a broken neck.) An older gentleman bounced off the driver door of an RV he was passing when it turned left. (Witnesses said the RV was signaling the turn. Yer c.o.e. wonders how far in advance of the turn that signaling began.) Then a young woman fell off the back of a bike whose rider lost control attempting to pop a wheelie

after illegally passing another vehicle.

All three of these crashes appear to be the responsibility of the riders.

Higher fuel prices have driven many summer time road users to motorcycles as an economical form of transportation.

But are they qualified to operate the two-wheeled machines?

Are they even endorsed for motorcycles?

Have they taken any kind of rider safety program?

Having experience riding bicycles makes the transition to motorcycles easier, but is no substitute for a basic rider course and road experience.

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Thank you and keep cool,

-- Rot Path

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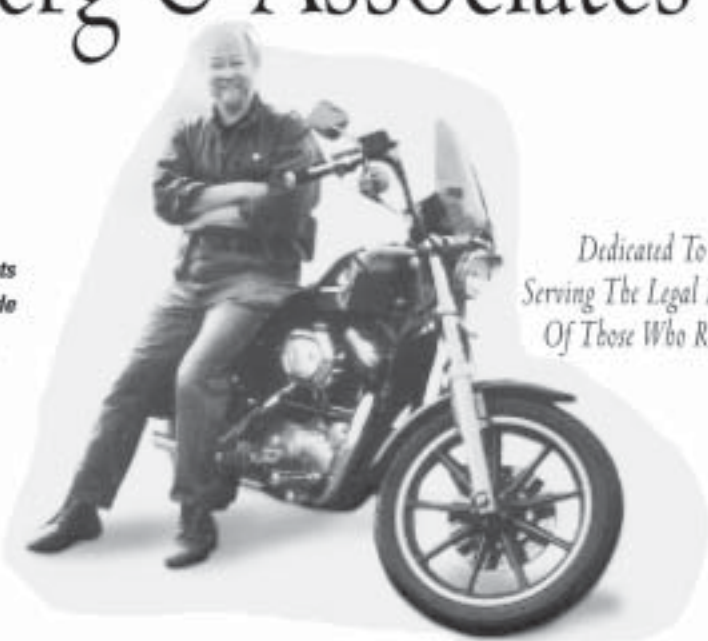
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# A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Duffy's Revived Road List

Please keep your information up-to-date.  
Contact yer crusty ol' editor with any changes.

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### Central Oregon area

John Baunmann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X	X	X	X				
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Steve ChakAr	(541)-410-0389		X	X	X	X	X			
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X		X			
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond		X	X	X	X		X	
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### North Coast area

Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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### Salem area

Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X					
Michael Boggs	(503)-391-5600	Salem	X	X	X	X	X		X	
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Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/Myrtle Point							X	
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Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside				X		X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X				X	X	
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B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9496	Portland
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Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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2005 custom built softail, flat black paint with special graphics and pin-stripe, fat bob style gas tanks, blackened out spoked 21 inch front wheel with bright red ring on outer edge. Custom 18 inch stainless steel rear wheel with stainless steel diamond style spokes with 170 series Avon tire. Powder-coated custom *Kraftech* frame with 34 degree rake and 2-inch stretch. 80 inch black and chrome *Evo*-style motor with updates to carburetor, powder-coated heat resistant black modified *Screaming Eagle* dual exhaust. Black and chrome *Harley* 5-speed transmission. Powder-coated flat track style handlebars and wide glide front end. Custom built fenders. **\$13,500** or best offer. Pictures available on *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site in classified ads. Call (503)-257-7390 (Oct 2007)

EasyRider magazines. Twenty-one years (1978-2005), 127 issues. Excellent condition. **\$70** Call Alan at (541)-563-6526 and leave message.

(Sept 2007)

**For Sale**

1962 vintage *Aloha* travel trailer, fifteen foot including hitch. Sleeps four plus hammock. Extra propane tank. Partially refurnished. No leaks. Tows easily. **\$1,250**. Call (503)-285-4487 before 8 p.m.

(Sept 2007)

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Reach over 2,000 folks with their own little personal treasure troves who may be willing to part with them if you cross their palms with silver. (Or paper or plastic.) Wanted ads are another one of your perks as a member of *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* Aren't you glad you joined us?

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( Cryptogram and answer are elsewhere . . . like pages 26 and 48. )

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**P.O. Box 4504**  
**Portland, Oregon**  
**97208**

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEW ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.**  
**Membership Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Members in Same Household:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Congressional District: \_\_\_\_\_ Senator: \_\_\_\_\_ Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Annual Rates:</b>	
___ Individual membership	\$25
___ Couple membership	\$30
___ Family membership	\$35
___ Lifetime membership	\$250

Total number of members: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please send completed application to:

**Membership Secretary**  
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PORTLAND, OREGON  
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**TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED  
DATED MATERIAL**

Two-up they rode through the summer heat,  
After a while they felt kinda beat,  
So they had some water,  
Just like they should oughtta,  
And now they feel like they've had a treat.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:  
Saturday, 11 August 2007 at noon  
*Newport Hospital* – Newport, Oregon  
**RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100**

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## CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	1400 (2 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Black Horse Saloon</i> ; Bend	(541)-389-2167
Columbia River	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	1230 (12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>The Spare Room</i> ; 4830 N. E. 42nd.; Portland	(503)-807-1606
Douglas County	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg	(541)-459-7652
Hub City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-967-7802
Josephine County	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Fruitdale Grange</i> ; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-471-6049
Lincoln County	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport	(541)-265-7586
North Coast	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> ) 1000 (10 <sup>am</sup> )	<i>Dundee's</i> ; Seaside <i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
Northeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> ; Portland	(503)-777-5121
River City	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Roadstop Restaurant</i> ; 2nd Street, The Dalles	(541)-296-8083
Salem	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>C.C.'s Pizzeria</i> , 4200 River Road north, Keizer	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	1200 (noon)	<i>M&amp;M Restaurant &amp; Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-666-8806
Washington County	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	1930 (7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Prime Time Restaurant</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3040
Willamette Valley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Roaring Rapids Pizza</i> 4006 Franklin Boulevard; Eugene	(541)-688-4268