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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

## “Low Standards For Driver’s Licenses Are A Threat To Safety”



by  
Matt Price  
state coordinator  
A.B.A.T.E. of  
Oregon, Inc.

Under this headline, the *Statesman-Journal* published a letter to the editor on December 22, 2007.

“A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc., while maintaining that freedom of choice regarding the use of helmets is paramount, is dedicated to awareness, education, motorcyclist safety, and freedom of the road.

The critical situation that ensues from a lack of stringent standards relative to the issuance of driver’s licenses results in a condition that threatens the lives of over two hundred thousand Oregonians. Those people whose mode of transportation was green before the ecological movement was founded and practical before parking spaces became scarce, are in constant danger to their lives because driver’s licenses are routinely issued to persons whose background and driving abilities are questionable at best.

We urge the *Oregon Department of Transportation* and those who establish and maintain the standards for licensing of drivers to “raise the bar” to assure the safe usage of Oregon’s roadways to all properly licensed drivers, regardless of the mode of transportation they choose.

Cultural disparity can not be overlooked or ignored as a source of constant danger to pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorcyclists. Persons of foreign cultures must be more rigorously trained and be required to be fluent in English or the cost of safe signage alone will be prohibitive.

Addressing this issue is of the

utmost importance to the lives of Oregon’s motorists.”

Matthew Price,  
state coordinator  
*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc.*

Things to consider acting upon in the immediate future:

- Attending the legislative special session on Monday, February 4th 0830, (that’s 8:30 a.m.) is the time to be there. Come earlier so we can get organized for filling the gallery and making this a *very* black Monday. They need to get a permanent impression that we will stand fast for our rights.

- Opening up the rank and file by offering free membership for one year to any purchaser of any motorized vehicle with less than four wheels. One *Harley* dealer and a multi-brand import dealer have already enthusiastically agreed to help us reach our goals!

- Having a booth at the state fair! Someone already suggested that we could display the *Shriners’* bike and sell tickets for it while we educate the public and make them aware of the need to be members of *A.B.A.T.E.* I’ll be looking for a dealer to provide a scooter for the display so people know we represent all motorcyclists. Families from all over the state attend this, possibly twelve-day event. If each chapter takes one day, those who fill the booth get free admission!

- Think about what an education foundation with 501(c)3 status could

accomplish for us using other people’s money to get our message before the public with a dedicated advertising campaign. Dealers, insurance companies, and others could make tax-deductible contributions to educate cagers to the constant presence of motorcycles on the streets and roads.

Want more?


Make your opinion heard, your vote count, and your presence felt. Attend your chapter meetings and show up at the state board of director sessions and get connected!

KSU! - Let’s ride.

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# Central Oregon



Once again hello from *Central Oregon*,

Nothing new to report at this time since we have not had our meeting yet.

I would like to say thank you to Scotty and for hosting the Christmas party. The food and company was wonderful. Hope everyone had a good time.

I truly hope everybody will support the new coordinator as much as they have me. I have greatly appreciated all the help and support that I have received over the past couple of years. It has been a very rewarding experience to act as coordinator.


Thank you very much to all.

Later,

Kevin

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CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)  
*Black Horse Saloon*  
 Bend, Oregon  
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# Douglas County



Greetings everyone from *Douglas County*,

We have been conspicuously absent from this publication. A very, very busy secretary was the reason.

Yes, I am back for another year and am happy to serve.

We had a wonderful Christmas party here and although it was well attended, we missed quite a few folks out there.

We combined our meeting with the party and held our annual election of officers. There are some of us old timers back and some welcomed new faces as well.

We are excited and looking forward to 2008.


Even though this is February, I would like to extend wishes from our chapter to yours for a very happy, safe and prosperous new year!

Looking forward to seeing you down the road,

Becky Garino  
secretary  
*Douglas County Chapter*

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DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
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# Hub City



Well, the start of a new year has hit and with it has come a new year of re-responsibilities.

Most riders do a okay job with their bike maintenance, but when was the last time it was fully serviced? During the cold wet weather is the perfect time to get your bike in good running condition.

Also on the issue of maintenance: how is the rider being proactive in the matters of health? Have you had a physical lately? If not, is it because of fear or insurance? (Or lack of?)

As we get older we need to think of those things such as "Do I have enough coverage? Does your bike insurance policy provide for life flight for that time when you have to be airlifted?" Knowing that if you do not have this type of coverage, it will cost you \$10,000 to \$15,000. (If not more.)

How much disability insurance do you have and does it meet your needs of what you make in wages? (If you're off work for an extended period of time and no money is coming in, it can be quite a hungry time in a person's life.)

Does your medical insurance at work provide for short term or long term coverage?

Do you have life and funeral insurance to help with all those expenses that will come if you should meet you demise?

I am not in the insurance business.

But after being on medical disability for most of the last year, I realized I would have been screwed had it not been for insurance.

Having enough insurance will not



only protect you but will protect your loved ones.

A new year gives us all a chance to get our houses in order.

It is also a time to mend old fences, get involved, education, to give a helping hand.


I would like to personally say thank you to all my family within the Hub City family. You helped me have one of the best summer ever. I hope one day to repay your kindness. So go out have a great and safe new year.

Later,

Fingers

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**HUB CITY MEETING TIME**  
**and PLACE**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7pm)  
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# Josephine County



It sure has been quiet during these winter months and I know a lot of folks are [jonesin?] to get out and ride. We've had a few days down south that were hospitable to bikers, but not many this winter.

There's not a lot to report. Jo County is getting their ride list together for the coming year, planning a lot of fun in the sun, and trying to stay warm while we do it. More on that in the next newsletter.

The *United Bikers of Southern Oregon (U.B.S.O.)* have a new chapter president who was actually their president once before. Our own A.B.A.T.E. coordinator, Pat "Spanky" Allen has been elected to that position. Yes, he will still be our coordinator also. Does he ever sleep???

That's about it for the south at this time. The following is a press release that has been of interest to many of us in southern Oregon regarding the helmet laws.

*Fellow biker rights advocates and freedom fighters,*

*There is important constitutional helmet law litigation, originally brought by Richard Quigley that requires your support for it to succeed. It is set for trial in May 2008 in the same California courthouse where Quigley obtained the judicial opinion that the California helmet law was unconstitutionally vague as applied. The present litigation, if successful, will build on that victory now to defeat the California helmet law on the same constitutional due process grounds. We anticipate, furthermore, that the appellate decision resulting from the case will also assist freedom fighters across the nation to defeat their helmet laws.*

*The purpose of this correspondence is to request your help to properly fund the trial. We urge you to pass the hat, dig deep, and send your checks to:*

*"Judicial Fund" c/o A.B.A.T.E. of California, 10240*

*Seventh Avenue, Hesperia, CA 92345.*

*True to the tradition of the small but great state of Delaware, the first state to ratify the United States Constitution, the three Delaware A.B.A.T.E. chapters have announced that they will be the first to stand to defend the constitution, specifically by doing their part to assure*

*( continued on page 40 )*

**JOSEPHINE COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports****Lincoln County**

The Christmas holidays are behind us and we have made and probably broken at least one new year's resolution. I'm sure though that a good time was had by all.

We delivered our families their gifts on a windy and rainy day. Everyone had a good time doing so as soon as all felt the spirit of Christmas.

We did cancel our first meeting in January since it fell on new year's day. Our new officers will be taking office at our second meeting.

The coast has taken a beating this year so far. The winds have been very strong and very wet. Freezing temperatures have also come to the coast. It is now finally warming up.

We are discussing our anniversary party, doing some clean up of the highways, and then looking in to see what needs to be done at *Beaver Creek*. There does not ever seem to be a shortage of things to be done, it is just getting our motors revved up. Must be time to engage brain and get the cobwebs swept out.

I'm not sure at this time who will be doing the newsletter articles this year. I'm treasurer again and have done them for the last couple of years. Who knows.

Ralph is again taking over the reins of coordinator so that Bob will be able to put his time and effort into being a state board representative.

We all feel a dedication to what we do and want to do our best. I feel that going through and looking to where we started and seeing where we are now means we will find things that we thought were lost and add them back into what we are about.



*A.B.A.T.E.* is a great group of people from all walks of life and with one thing in common: the love of freedom of choice.

We are all looking forward to good weather and seeing all of you on the road again.

Keep the rubber side down and the wind to your back.


Millie

*Lincoln County A.B.A.T.E.*

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**LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-**  
**ING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900  
( 7 pm )  
*American Legion Hall Post 116*  
424 W. Olive Street  
Newport

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

# North Coast



Being the rainy season, people tend to hibernate on the coast.

We voted in new officers which include some new faces.

- coordinator** -Howie Long
- vice-coordinator** - ( Open )
- secretary** -Skye McKey
- membership secretary** -Chris Hucke
- treasurer** -Linda Long
- legislative** -Howie Long
- state representative** -Howie Long
- sergeant at arms** -Rick Verbrugge
- education director** -Al Jaques
- historian** -Laird Adkins
- run coordinator** -Don Kelly

*Moose Lodge.*

See ya at S.T.E.A.M.,

Howie

The meeting was also entertained by an arousing skit from Patricia Carner and Geoff White on the benefits of S.T.E.A.M. and M.A.P. We appreciated their early morning drive to the coast.

I know I'm looking forward to S.T.E.A.M. for a tune-up and curious as to what topics Moonrider will speak about.

We also had our first run committee meeting of the year. New run coordinator, Good Don, had some fresh ideas for the chapter interacting. We decided on run dates and ate our Tuesday tacos from the


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NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 1000 ( 10 am )  
*Moose Lodge*  
420 17th Street  
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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# River City



December 18, 2007

We came.

We met.

We partied!

Our annual Christmas party was a great success.

We did our White Elephant gift exchange with Teresa changing the rules as we went. There were some great gifts. We had twenty or so people and lots of food and fun.

— Brian

Irregular Meeting



*River City Chapter* members riding in the new year.  
( **Brrr . . . !** )

—  
Christmas Party at Zim's

Called to order by Rick at 7:?? p.m., about twenty people present.

Board report: Brian and Gene gave the board of directors report about state elections.

***Party!***

Meeting adjourned about 8:30 p.m.

**Upcoming meetings**

January 15, 2008

**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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# Salem



We shifted our meeting a week in advance due to the Christmas holiday.

Discussion was held on S.B.1959 and a sample letter from Heidi to our two senators was presented.

Nominations were opened up again for all positions and elections were held. All current officers were reelected. No one was nominated for secretary so this position remains unfilled. (After the meeting however, a suspect stepped up to volunteer.)

The opening day of the Oregon legislative special session will be on 04 February 2008 and all are encouraged to attend. Set up an appointment with your state representative and senator. We will gather at 8:30 a.m. at the capitol.

S.T.E.A.M. will be held on 16 February 2008 at the *Eagles* in Albany starting at 9 a.m.

*Team Oregon* is looking for suitable training sites. A football-size parking lot, (say, 50 by 100 yards) with less than a five degree slope.

Salem *A.B.A.T.E.* is also looking for a similar site to hold a Battletrax event. Contact us if you know of something suitable.

*O.S.U.* has been dropped as one of

the defendants in the *M.\$.F.* lawsuit. This information was found on Wendy Moon's [journalspace.com](http://journalspace.com)

As you know, Wendy is the guest speaker at S.T.E.A.M., so please attend to thank her for all her hard work.


Looking forward to seeing everyone at the capitol and S.T.E.A.M.

With respect,

Quiet  
G.J.M.C.

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SALEM MEETING  
TIME and PLACE  
 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
*Almost Home Restaurant*  
 3310 Market Street, Salem

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

First and foremost, thanks for all of the wonderful support.

Our benefit for Rotten Roger was a huge success!

Matt and Michelle were able to deliver \$3,140 (from the event) to Roger. He was overwhelmed.

The entertainment was amazing. How could we forget, *Rawbillyet* band, *Francine West and the High Speed Wobblers*, *South Bound*, *Blues Train*, *Blues Priority (?)*, and *Idle Hands?*

Awesome job everyone!

A special thanks to Art West for all of his help, all of the helpers on the collection of wonderful door prizes, and to Sissy along with her staff of the *M & M*. Your help really made this event as successful as it was.

Please share this with everyone who may have attended or made contributions. You've all made a difference.

Many thanks!

As many know, Bud and Val Selvy went down on their bike and Bud had been in coma for a few weeks at *O.H.S.U.* Good news is that he is out of the coma and is now moving around. There will be a benefit fundraiser to help both of them out January 19, 2008 at the *M&M*.

Because the event has not taken place yet and this will get to all of you after it does, I would like to say thank you to everyone who has contributed their time and money to helping their family out.

All of us wish Bud and Rotten Roger quick recoveries!

Welcome new and returning officers:

**membership secretary**

– Jennifer Cox

**vice coordinator**

– Turtle (a.k.a. Wayno Pitkin )

**treasurer**

– Vicki (a.k.a. Killer)

The *Southeast Portland Chapter* would also like to extend a thank you to Lee Austin for his many years of support and vast contributions!


Have a safe 2008 and remember to keep the rubber side down!

Jennifer and SoftTail

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S.E. Portland MEETING  
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*M/M Restaurant & Lounge*  
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# Twin Rivers

*Twin Rivers Chapter Welcomes You*



Happy new year 2008!

Well, it looks, to me, as we all survived another year. Thank God!

Now, as I have stated previously, we still have a lot of very important runs, as well as, other events, both as individual chapters and as a state organization, that are on the calendar, such as:

*Sweet Heart Dance:* Saturday, 09 February (*Twin Rivers Chapter*)

S.T.E.A.M.: Saturday, 16 February – Albany (state *A.B.A.T.E.*)

*Spring Swap Meet:* Sunday, 27 April (state *A.B.A.T.E.*)

*Summer Run:* (Dates will be posted in March issue chapter report)

*Shrinners Toy Run 2008:* Saturday, 06 December (state *A.B.A.T.E.*)

Annual meeting: Saturday, 13 December - (Watch for details - date may change.)

*N.C.O.M.* - (Do we have one scheduled for Portland anytime soon? If so, when?)

I would, personally, like to see all of the state and chapter officers (all chapters) at S.T.E.A.M., biker days, state legislative events, and the annual meeting.

I would like to, if I did not do so in

the January article, once again, extend a very heartfelt thank you to all of the state officers. (Both the resigning officer's and the new officers.)

In addition, I think it is almost time to start breaking out our spring and summer riding gear. Not quite, but soon. So, either way, we will be seeing more bikes out on the road.

Okay, so it may not be warming up yet. However, it is still important to continue to be careful. Nobody likes to see others hurt, whether we know them personally or otherwise.


Until next time, see you on the road and at a chapter/state meeting/event somewhere in this wonderful state and, as has been stated previously by a lot of other members, keep the rubber on the road.

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

**Washington County**

07 January 2008

Meeting came to order at 7:15 p.m.

1. Roger: Thanked everyone for their commitment to serve as *WaCo* officers. Also expressed thanks to the 2007 officers. If anyone faces a tragedy or can't attend a meeting, it's okay to ask for help and hope we all perform duties as volunteered.

Ed: Assistants don't need to be an officer to help out.

2. *A.B.A.T.E.* is about motorcycle safety and things like *S.T.E.A.M., Best of the West*. We are helping to raise funds and at the same time to keep it fun.

3. We have new officers, new positions which may not be done the same as before.

4. What make up the executive board if decisions need to be addressed before next meeting, in a timely manner are at least five executive members.

5. Chapter: Running smoothly.

Have a few new ideas, officer positions. State board representative: just covering general ideas, not read the minutes since its already in the bulletin. Discuss items that would affect the chapter.

6. Ted: Not enough information at the meetings. (Sorry, Jordan!) Paul: take a vote on information from state board representative. Roger: He would be able to spend \$1 to \$300 if state needed money. Lynda: Already suggested? Let Jordan know of where the parameters are.

7. Education: Fallen by the wayside

8. Historian: Need to go through the history books, look up things like what the attendance was like in the 1980's, what the costs of old memberships were, what the hairstyle and color were like, etc.

9. Events: *End of Summer Run* (has the worst weather and lots of mud), the same as other chapters. Topics of discussion: Toy run needs to go back to Hillsboro. One police force. (But there are state and county roads is why.) Ed: Parade permits? Different

than permit vs. escorts.

10. Birthday party: April 5th. Need help from Ted. Another spaghetti feed, no minimum. Ed: Is spaghetti on the menu? Wendy: Hillsboro *Elks* don't have a high enough turnover. Basket party will be at Tina's March 27th a 2 p.m. Need donations as well as donations for balloons which were sold for \$5 each. Can we donate alcohol? Yes, it's okay. Need flyer information. Veta: Sanctioning to be done 90 days before party. Wendy: Will check on the hotel and give

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**WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1930  
( 7:30pm )

*Prime Time Restaurant*  
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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

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



Our Christmas dinner and year end meeting was held at *Mac's* in the *Veteran's Memorial Building* at 16th and Willamette in Eugene. We had 38 members and one guest, Poe Elizondo.

It was a great turnout and it was good to socialize with so many and enjoy the holiday season together.

Jeff began the meeting by handing out plaques of appreciation to all of the 2007 officers. We gave special recognition to one member who has been active for some time now and who stepped up to fill a vacated position he had held in the past without even being asked. Jeff presented Bob Lowell with a lifetime A.B.A.T.E. membership and we thanked him for all he has done for the chapter. He has been a wonderful chaplain and really cares for us. We then held the new 2008 officer elections.

The elected 2008 officers are as follows:

- coordinator** – Jeff Schauer
- vice coordinator** – Hal Fletcher
- secretary** – Rick Maish
- state representative** – Rod Hatter
- treasurer** – Anne Cokeley
- membership secretary**  
– Lonny Cokeley
- news editor** – Sue Burnes
- web editor** – Rod Hatter
- activities coordinator**  
– Sunny Major
- casino night coordinator**  
– Wendy Taylor
- chapter chaplain** – Bob Lowell
- sergeant of arms** – Gary Jackson
- legislative director**  
– Open (Still needs to be filled)

Our vice-coordinator, Sunny, told us about an event held in early August called *Too Broke for Sturgis* put on by the *St. Joe River Riders*, a chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of North Idaho. She thought this would be a great rally to go to as a chapter and will try to get us more information on it.

Rick Maish gave us the state board meeting report and noted all of the 2008 state officers. He said that the state still needs to fill the state run sanctioning position, and the south vice- coordinator position. He also mentioned that Moonrider will be a guest speaker at the upcoming S.T.E.A.M. event, February 16th, 2008 at the *Eagles Lodge* in Albany on Broadalbin. He encouraged all to be in on it.

Hal Fletcher introduced “Gypsy” Sue Burnes to everyone as the new chapter news editor and said he would help her get started at putting the newsletter together, but noted he thought she would be pretty good at it. Thank you to Sue, for volunteering to do this job. Hal has been great at doing it for quite some time now, and it is good to see someone step up to take that job over.

Rod then discussed the web site and told everyone that the events page has been updated with most of the major western events for 2008 posted on it. He will be looking for all events to be posted and encouraged all to contact him if they know of one not listed yet.

Our chaplain Bob Lowell discussed the true meaning of Christmas and encouraged everyone to remember their fellow man all throughout the year. He thanked everyone for bringing foods and gifts for the grandmother with two grandsons we adopted to help with Christmas this year. We also managed to raise an additional \$79 for them by passing the hat around. He said this is what Christmas is all about and showed appreciation to the group as a whole.

It was a pleasant evening for everyone and a lot of fun watching people steal “white elephant” gifts from each other. There was quite a match between Poe Elizondo and Bob Lowell as to which one had the most prizes stolen from them, but

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WILAMETTE VALLEY  
MEETING TIME and PLACE  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
*Roaring Rapids Pizza*  
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## Our Officers at Work

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

12 January 2008 – Albany Eagles

Meeting was called to order by Matt Price, coordinator, at 12:21 p.m. with 11 of 12 chapters represented. All chapters were eligible to vote with the exception of *Douglas County* and *Twin Rivers*.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

Guests and first time attendees: Jeff Schauer, Art Schell, Debra Lutje, Trace Ceccacci.

Motion made by Howie Long to accept minutes from December 8th state board meeting as printed in the newsmagazine. *Josephine County* seconded. Motion Passed

**Coordinator comments:** Matt said that as a preacher he is used to public speaking but that he will not talk for an hour at a time.

Said that things cannot be done by him but must be done by all. He stated that he is not the Lone Ranger and will not try to be one and that *A.B.A.T.E.* is all of us working together.

Stated that he has contacted the state fair board about a booth at the *Oregon State Fair*.

He also said that because

*BikePAC* has a problem with the *May Awareness Rally* regarding insurance that *A.B.A.T.E.* would cover that need this year.

Reported that the executive board had voted to go ahead with the sanctioning of *Fossil* this year. He is hoping that *Salem Chapter* will do the games like last year. He also stated that there is a lot of help out there

and all we need to do is to get the help involved and go forward.

**Correspondence:** A Christmas card from *Specific Alloy Components, Inc.*, Rod Hatter's company. A number of out-of-state newsletters are available for anyone who wishes to look at them or take them, if they want.

**Vice coordinator-north:** Heidi Disrude – No report at this time.

**Vice coordinator-south:**

< Vacant >

**Vice coordinator-east:** Gene Mortimore reported that he has a lot in motion for *Fossil* right now and that is all that he had to report.

**Treasurer:** Joye "Grace" Howell – Report given by Sue Mills with Grace sitting along side her. Report handed in.

We currently have in checking, \$2,224.13 and in savings, \$34,007.36, for a total of \$36,231.49.

Wanted to give everyone kudos for getting this much in the state accounts this year. It is way up from last year. We need to get better money management for the future and that may include setting up budgets for our functions.

Put out a call to all chapter representatives to go to their chapters and be sure that the chapter treasurer contact is given to the state treasurer and that the membership secretary needs the current officer list for all chapters.

There will be training at S.T.E.A.M. and all chapter treasurers need to attend this training.

Stated that all chapter treasurers



Nic Oliver  
state recording secretary

need to be computer literate, have computers and have *Quicken*.

Deb Ross reported that the former *Columbia River* and *Northeast Portland Chapters*, which are now *Twin Rivers Chapter*, have to get their old accounts closed. This could be a very big problem with the *I.R.S.* and this needs to be done **now**. Randy Phipps said that he would get this information to *Twin Rivers Chapter* about the old accounts needing to be closed. There was also a need for the new chapter to have it's name on the mailbox paperwork at the post office. Randy said that he would check into this also, as the box is his.

Representatives take back to their chapters that the chapter treasurers must know what they are doing if they are going to fill this position. Sue said that this only takes about one hour a month, not a lot but very important, if the accounts are to be kept accurate.

**Membership secretary:** Linda Henderson – Excused, at the *Easyrider* show. Report for December handed in and given by Patricia Carner.

We currently have 1,919 members with 90 due to expire.

*Willamette Valley Chapter* has had the best record at membership retention, to which Jeff Schauer jokingly told everyone that "we pay them".

There will be a workshop at S.T.E.A.M. on membership.

Patricia said that Linda could use

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some help at the *Easyrider* show in Portland and that the only help has come from *North Coast*. A number of people stated that their chapters would get someone there to help her or that they were going to the show and would help her out.

**Sanctioning Officer:** < Vacant > Matt reported that the executive board had voted 5 to 1 to get things moving for *Fossil*. Also reported that Robert has all the stuff from Lee, our former sanctioning officer.

**State Auditor:** Deb Ross reported that she just got the report from *Washington County Chapter* and that *Willamette Valley Chapter* has not turned in anything since September 30th of 2007. The *Southeast Portland Chapter* has a new treasurer and that she is helping them figure things out before things to the accountant for preparation of *I.R.S.* reporting.

Thanked everyone who is getting their reports in on time.

**Newsmagazine editor:** Rot Path – Excused, report as sent by email:

I've discovered that I will be unable to attend the *A.B.A.T.E.* state board on 12 January 2008 due to a prior commitment. Please thank all the officers and chapter representatives on my behalf for getting their November and December reports submitted in such a timely manner. It helped maintain on-time delivery of the newsmagazine during those busy months. Congratulations and thank you to all newly-elected chapter and state officers.

For their benefit, I'd like to draw their attention to the following: Chapter and officer reports for the state magazine are due by the tenth of each month. (Get them in as soon

as you can for this month but before the 15th) E-mailing is the best way to send reports, though written or FAXing reports are acceptable for those without computer access. (Beware that errors often occur when written/FAX reports are transcribed.) The state newsmagazine e-mail address

is: **statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net**

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**Legislative director:** Quiet Mike and Mel reported that February 4th is the start of the special legislative session. Also reported that one of the state senators has filed a lawsuit alleging that this is an illegal session. Asked that everyone who possibly can, report to the capital at 8:30 a.m. and that as many people as possible are needed. Matt stated that legal street parking must be followed, that there is no special arrangement made for other parking. It came to light that the *State Parks and Recreation* department has taken over some of the special parking on the capital grounds. Brian Stovall made the suggestion that if you park your bike in a metered space to leave enough room for other bikes and that if you see a space with a bike in it and also see an empty space, to take the empty space to maximize the parking for more motorcycles. Also watch each other's meters so that no tickets are issued. It was stated that this needs to be a "Black Monday". (A lot of black leather everywhere.)

**Sergeant at arms – north:** Randy Phipps reported that he will be at the fountain area at the capital on February 4th to assist riders find appropriate parking and for people not to park in the fountain area. That area needs special permission and arrangements made prior to usage.

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Also reported that he will have a *Fossil* security sign up sheet at the next Board of Directors meeting in February. Chapters need to sign up to help out as this is every *A.B.A.T.E.* member's responsibility to work at *Fossil*. This is to make money for *A.B.A.T.E.* so that we can do the job for which we all signed on for. It is not a party for us but for others. Everyone should get signed in early in order to hopefully get the time slots that they would like. Would also like to see chapter's sign up for specific duties, such as gate security and such. This frees up people to do other jobs and makes things much easier for everyone.

**Sergeant at arms – south:** Bill Foster reported that he will also be at the capital and will be assisting Randy.

Also reported that he has been to *Douglas County Chapter* meetings twice recently. The new chapter coordinator is also the chapter representative and he was told that the coordinator would be at the board of directors meeting but for some reason did not show up today. Bill said he would go to the next meeting and find out what is going on because *Douglas County* is way out of compliance and the board of directors needs to know why. This action will hopefully prevent any further action from being taken by the board of directors against the chapter.

Also asked that all chapter representatives take back to their chapters the need for chapter sergeant-at-arms to get their contact information to Randy Phipps as it is their responsibility to arrange their

chapter's help at *Fossil*. (Additional note: *Douglas County Chapter* has a new meeting time and place. The third Thursday at 7 p.m. at *Willie D's* restaurant at 443 SE Jackson in Roseburg.)

**Sergeant at arms – east:** Art Schultz – No report.

**Products director:** Dave Meeker – Absent.

**Education director:** Patricia Carner reported that the S.T.E.A.M. flyers are ready but are subject to change if there is a need. Reported that Troy Consales with the state of Oregon, will be attending S.T.E.A.M. and will talk on how we can coordinate with the state on issues of safety and education.

Good news, Troy's office is utilizing 2008 funds for "bus wraps" (advertising "Watch Out for Motorcycles") in Eugene, Corvallis, Medford, and Portland. This should break on May 1st in time for *Motorcycle Awareness Month*.

Wendy Moon, a.k.a. "Moonrider", will be the guest speaker at S.T.E.A.M. and has confirmed. Just need to finalize arrangements for plane tickets with her. Thanked Quiet Mike for all of his assistance in getting her for S.T.E.A.M.

All chapter representatives need to get rosters from their chapters of instructors for the *Motorcycle Awareness Program* to Patricia or Geoff as soon as possible. Would also like input from people on places where a booth could be put up to promote the *Motorcycle Awareness Program*.

S.T.E.A.M. is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. for sign up and will run to approximately 4 p.m.

Patricia asked that we think about moving S.T.E.A.M. from the three-day weekend in February to the previous week and hold the regularly scheduled board of directors meeting at S.T.E.A.M. This might bring about more participation as well as show non-members what we are about and this will possibly get us new members.

**Education director II:** Geoff White – Reported that this is now the second half of the school year. Also handed out "wings" and certificates to the new instructors; Teresa Price, Matt Price, and Heidi Disrude.

**Public relations director:** Debra Lutje – No report at this time. Would appreciate help in understanding her job and suggestions of ways to perform it.

**State run coordinator (*Fossil*):** Howie Long reported that team workers were needed for *Fossil*.

Had a good run committee meeting prior to the board of directors meeting. Howie wants to get all chapters involved in *Fossil* in some capacity.

Stated that there were 290 *A.B.A.T.E.* members at *Fossil* last year and that was not a good showing considering there are over 1,900 members. This is our major run and suggested that even if a member could not attend, they could buy a ticket and support *A.B.A.T.E.* that way. More chapter involvement is needed to get the flyers out, which are now ready. Printing costs actually came to about \$90 more than last year. Not too bad considering how much actual printing costs have gone up. There is help needed with set up, clean up, gate and information

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booth at *Fossil*. Chapter representatives take this to your chapters and get them to report to Howie with their commitment to help out.

Bill Foster reported that in the past, chapters have taken the responsibility for certain portions of the *Fossil Run*, such as the gate, and stage setup and would like to see more involvement.

*Washington County* has been *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's* "grunt" in that they have always stepped up to help out more than anyone else and Howie wanted to say "thank you" for their dedication to *A.B.A.T.E.* in this manner. It is fantastic to be able to rely on such great help.

Also mentioned that *Salem Chapter* did great games last year and hopes that they will volunteer to put on the games again this year.

Did bring up the insurance problem that seems to occur every year with *A.B.A.T.E.* having their insurance run out just before *Fossil* and having to try and get new insurance every year while worrying about putting on the *Fossil Run*. Asked if we could possibly make arrangements to get this changed so that we don't have to worry about *Fossil* being insured at the same time as getting the run put on. We need to get the proof of insurance to the landowners, the ones who are allowing us to use their land for camping, prior to *Fossil*. Robert has the stuff from Lee and this issue is being reviewed right now.

There will be another run committee meeting prior to the board of directors meeting next month and also a *Fossil* clean up work day is being set up.

The issue of recreational vehicles at

*Fossil* was discussed and the suggestion made that RVs not plan on parking at Bear Hollow, as it is a small camping area, that the RVs should go to Shelton Wayside or across the street or even into the

*Fossil* area and leave Bear Hollow for motorcycles only. Rod Hatter suggested that maybe only one RV per chapter be allowed in as a gathering area for the chapter *Fossil* attendees.

Gene Mortimore spoke on the insurance problem and how its lapsing before *Fossil* every year causes many problems that could be avoided in putting on this run if we could but change the time frame for our insurance coverage. He also suggested that we create an outline, with a timeline, for doing this run to prevent unexpected problems from arising in the future.

**State run coordinator II:** Jeff Schuaer – *Fossil* will be different this year than the past few years and we should use these differences to promote *Fossil*. So spread the word that there will be limited fires allowed, running water will be available, and power to the stage will be available. Also available will be bathrooms. Maybe not the flushing kind but not the plastic ones. Of course, the plastic ones will be there too. There may even be phone service available at the time of *Fossil*. There are showers available at the fairgrounds and there may possibly be some at *Fossil*, according to Gene. There will also be trees and limited dust, not like the fairgrounds.

Geoff said that Thursday prior to *Fossil* officially starting will be a set-up party and all are welcome to come

and help set up for the run. This is a fun time and all who can should attend.

**State swap meet coordinator:** William Sanders – Excused, is at the *Easyriders* show and then a funeral and then back to the show.

Randy reported that there are flyer's ready for the swap meet.

Also reported that Willie is working off of funds from last year so there is no current outlay for *A.B.A.T.E.* to worry about.

**Historian:** Mary Burnett brought a lot of the photo albums from past events for everyone to look at. Would like some help with one of the books to identify what function it was. It is from the 1990s.

Said thanks to Bob for his *Fossil* pictures and to Nic for a t-shirt from *A.B.A.T.E.'s* first, and only, *Fall Bash*.

Would like to see more vendors at *Fossil*.

**Web page editor:** Trace Ceccacci reported that no changes have been made on the web page as yet. He will not be able to do so until later this month but will get the *Fossil* information on there as soon as possible.

Stated that Marty still has to turn over the domain names to him and that these must be kept up or someone else could snatch our domain name from us.

There will be changes made to the web site to facilitate more and better use of the internet. Trace said that he will be utilizing *Expression* software from *Microsoft* to do this.

**Quartermaster:** Robert Hale – No report.

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**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Randy Phipps reported that *BikePAC* currently has 83 members and stated that all *A.B.A.T.E.* members should join *BikePAC* as well. This is because *A.B.A.T.E.* is the main source of members and funding for *BikePAC*.

The current membership director of *BikePAC* is Randy Comer and he is working on increasing the membership, as is the development director, Nic Oliver.

The next meeting is February 2nd at noon at the Salem public library, downstairs. This is just prior to the gathering that is planned for February 4th, the start of the special legislative session.

Randy then asked about whether or not *A.B.A.T.E.* is going to continue to support *BikePAC*.

Brian Stovall, the new executive director for *BikePAC*, spoke on the founding of *BikePAC* and how *A.B.A.T.E.*'s support works. This included discussion on the lobbyist, Wayne Schumacher, and how the money is used to pay for the lobbyist's services.

Brian also spoke on the problems encountered regarding putting on the *May Awareness Rally* this year. *BikePAC* has been able to secure *A.M.A.* sanctioning and insurance in the past because of training representatives to handle these functions. This fell by the wayside due to not knowing that we did not have a current trained representative. Brian asked if *BikePAC* could impose on *A.B.A.T.E.* to sanction the *Awareness Rally* and thus provide the insurance. Previous cost of about \$75. Steps are being taken to remedy

this situation for future years.

Mel Yeager reported that this run is a cheap one as it is considered low-risk under the "cruise-in" label. This is because the attendees are all riders who come in and leave without doing more than parking and listening to speakers. While this makes quite a statement at the capital, it is a low risk function.

Matt Price then stated that *A.B.A.T.E.* will step up and sanction this run.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** Pat Williams – No report due to no meeting. The next *CoC* meeting is at the *Brother Speed* clubhouse tomorrow, January 13th.

**Confederation of Clubs representative II:** Ray DeMelo – No report.

### Unfinished Business

- 2008 Vacancies in state officer positions were opened for nominations. None were made. This is an important issue, as we currently do not have a sanctioning officer and that is a very necessary and needed position.

- November board of directors meeting motion held over for vote in this meeting was again discussed. There was much discussion on this issue and two amendments were presented. Both amendments failed to pass. The original motion was then voted on and passed: six in favor, two opposed, and there were two abstentions.

Therefore, the bylaws will be changed to reflect the following: (original motion): That *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* change it's bylaws so that state officers will be elected at October board of directors meeting.

Incumbent officers will remain in office until December to create a two-month overlap of outgoing officers. That the annual meeting will be held Saturday evening following the planning session in October, after the general board meeting but before the November board of directors meeting and an extra board of directors meeting be added on Sunday directly after the planning session to vote on planning session issues.

- Planning session recommendations review/implementation was conducted by Matt Price, coordinator. Rod Hatter of *Willamette Valley Chapter* suggested that a committee be set up to look into this and the matter was tabled for the moment.

- *M.R.F.* ballot for the *S.M.R.O.* was discussed by Brian Stovall and he explained the position and person that he felt was the best qualified for the position, Larry Nielson. Nic had also reviewed the candidates and concurred with Brian. A vote was taken and the board of directors agreed to have Nic send in *A.B.A.T.E.*'s ballot to reflect the vote for Larry Nielson. Nic will take the necessary steps to mail this vote to the *M.R.F.*

### New Business

#### Motions:

1. Made by Nic Oliver, *Hub City Chapter*, seconded by Bob of *Lincoln County*.

*A.B.A.T.E.* to purchase a laptop computer for the recording secretary and membership secretary with appropriate programming. An amendment was made to include one



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for the treasurer. Approximate cost of \$899 each. This motion was tabled for further review and study.

2. Made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Nic Oliver.

That *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* authorize the financial support of *BikePAC of Oregon*. In former years this has been \$6,000 per year. Motion passed 10-0-1.

3. Made by Nic Oliver, *Hub City Chapter*, seconded by Bob of *Lincoln County Chapter*.

*A.B.A.T.E.* change the bylaws, article VI, section 2, subsection F, #3 to read: "Ninety (90) days, action will be taken that could include revocation of the noncompliant chapter's charter."

Much discussion ensued regarding this issue as the current language says that action will be taken to revoke the chapter's charter and Nic felt that this left no room for talk or remedies. After much discussion and arguments, Nic tried to withdraw the motion but a point of order was made by Brian Stovall that seeing as this issue is before the board of directors that the coordinator must decide if the motion was to be printed in the newsmagazine or allowed to be withdrawn. Matt Price decided that the motion was to be published and held for voting in April 2008.

### Announcements

• Next state board of directors meeting: February 9th, 2008, *Eagles Lodge* on Broadalbin in Albany, Oregon, at noon.

• 15 January: Come support the family of Robby Pfeifer, the son of Bob Pfeifer, at the trial for the murder of Bob Pfeifer at 10 a.m. at the

Multnomah county courthouse located at 4th avenue and Main street in downtown Portland. (Judge Wilson's courtroom.)

• 18 January: *G.A.C. (Governor's Advisory Council)* meeting at 6:30 p.m. at 235 Union street in Salem.

• 19 January: *Twin Rivers Cabin Fever Party at The Spare Room*, 4829 NE 42nd avenue, Portland.

• 04 February: *Black Monday*. All who can, need to attend to show legislature that we are watching.

• 09 February: *Twin Rivers Sweetheart Dance, Front Row Saloon*, 3075 NW Front street.

• 09 February: *Fossil* clean up. Contact Howie Long, run coordinator, for more information.

• 16 February: *S.T.E.A.M.*, Albany, Oregon.

• 17 February: Coalition of troop support "Chocolate Sunday Extravaganza" at the McMinnville armory from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and you will get a \$5 "goodie" bag to take home.

• 15 March: *Willamette Valley Spring Casino Night. Spirits Bar* in Springfield, Oregon

• 29-30 March: Resurrection of the bike show at the *Clark County Event Center*, Ridgefield, Washington. For more information go to

<http://www.myspace.com/motorcycleevents>

or call (503) 254-8041

• 26 April: *River City Mystery Ride* at the *7th Annual Cherry Festival*. Sign in at *Spooky's Pizza*, 3320 W 6th street in The Dalles. Last Rider out by 12:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 3:38 p.m.

## Willamette Valley

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Bob won that honor hands down. (Gee, was it because he always grabbed the best stuff to replace his?, Umm, I wonder...)

Anywho, what a great way to spend the holiday.

Tracy Garisto was drawn for the membership drawing of \$40 but wasn't present so missed out.

Bob Lowell won \$42 in the 50/50 drawing and donated it back to the family we adopted for Christmas this year.

Hope everyone has a fantastic Christmas and a very fruitful new year.

Keep it in the sun!

Rod Hatter

W.V. web site editor

<http://www.wvabateoforegon.org>

## Dumped Yer Scoot?



( Photo by Kristen Lewis )

Maybe it's time for a **Team Oregon class.**

(And A.B.A.T.E. pays half the cost.)



# News & Notes

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New York assembly bill 9434, introduced by assembly member Patricia Eddington (D-Medford), would require motorcycle dealers to obtain proof of a purchaser's license to operate a motorcycle and require first time motorcycle purchasers to complete an approved motorcycle rider training program. The bill is before the assembly transportation committee.

Pennsylvania senate bill 1096, introduced by senator John R. Gordner (R-Berwick), would strengthen penalties for certain acts of "trespass by motor vehicle". In addition to the state's existing fine structure, an additional fine of \$150 or \$250 in the case of a second offense, would be added to the sentence. Fine revenue is to be deposited into the state's A.T.V. and snowmobile restricted account.

U.S. house resolution 1919, introduced by representative Maurice D. Hinchey (D-NY), and U.S. senate bill 1170, introduced by senator Dick Durbin (D-IL), would designate more than nine million acres of public lands in Utah as wilderness. The legislation, known as *America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2007* would designate a number of popular areas in southern Utah as wilderness. The bill's text generally lists the areas that would be affected.

The *California Air Resources Board* (C.A.R.B.) announced recently that it concluded an investigation against

*Dynojet Research, Inc.* At issue was the company's *Power Commander* that can be used to alter the air-fuel mixture and engine timing of on- and off-road motorcycles. C.A.R.B. said that the installation of these devices would adversely affect the emissions control systems of vehicles that were certified by the original equipment manufacturers to comply with the agency's emissions standards. *Dynojet* has now certified a California version of the *Power Commander* and has agreed to pay \$1,000,000 in penalties to the *California Air Pollution Control Fund*.

The *Texas Parks and Wildlife* commission recently approved a \$400,000 grant for the development of the *Escondido Draw Recreational Area*, a new off-highway vehicle park located near Ozona in Crockett county. The grant was awarded to the *Texas Motorized Trail Coalition* (T.M.T.C.) for the purpose of developing 3,300 acres into a managed recreational trail park. The land was purchased last year with a \$1.3 million grant. More information is available on the T.P.W.D. web site:

<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/ohv>

Wisconsin Assembly bill 600, introduced by representative Jeffery L. Mursau (R-Crivitz), would expand the state trails council from nine to eleven members and would require that one of the council's representatives be an off-highway motorcycle rider. The state trails

council advises the department of natural resources regarding the planning and management of state trail systems.

Ontario, Canada motorcyclists and scooter riders should be allowed to use the city's high-occupancy vehicle lanes, the city's works committee recommended recently.

The lanes on city roads are now reserved for buses, bikes, taxis, and cars with three occupants. Councillor Case Ootes has been pushing the city to allow motorcycles and scooters with just one occupant as well, to help with traffic congestion and pollution.

City staff had concluded that many motorcycles were not much more fuel efficient than cars, although that was disputed by the heads of various motorcycling and scooter organizations who addressed the committee. The recommendation goes to city council next month.

The *European Commission* (E.C.) has decided not to call for the use of daytime dipped-beam headlights in Europe. This means that the point of view of motorcyclists and other vulnerable road users (V.R.U.) has finally been taken into account.

Although the commission still supports the view that daytime dipped-beam headlights could increase the safety of car drivers and reduce the number of car crashes and fatalities, it recognized that too little information is yet available about the



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impact of this measure on other road users.

This was among the concerns raised by the *Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (F.E.M.A.)* against this proposal. *F.E.M.A.* argued that clear evidence and reliable statistics demonstrating the benefits of compulsory use of dipped beam headlights during the day from countries where it had been introduced were indeed lacking. *F.E.M.A.* further claimed that there were sufficient doubts concerning the quality of some of the research to warrant its promotion as an issue for harmonization. *F.E.M.A.* welcomes the *E.C.* decision and recognizes that this crucial dialogue between stakeholders has led to positive results for motorcyclists. Visit <http://www.fema.ridersrights.org/> for more information.

The *BlueRibbon Coalition* announced changes to its articles of incorporation and bylaws, approved by its board and members at the coalition's annual meeting in late September.

Among the changes are updates to the coalition's corporate purposes, which now clarify that *BlueRibbon* "shall be dedicated to defense and enhancement of recreational access, via motorized, mechanized, and non-mechanized means, to public lands, and to the protection of the environment ..." and "shall be guided by the principle that viable, sustainable and healthy ecosystems ... can be best fostered, maintained and

supported by elected officials, administrators, and an interested public who are able to gain access to, directly observe, and actively manage those ecosystems ..."

*BlueRibbon* is an Idaho nonprofit corporation founded in 1987, organized under and operating in accordance with, section 501(c)(3) of the *Internal Revenue* code.

For an official version of the second restated articles of incorporation go to <http://www.ShareTrails.org>

The state of Canberra, Australia said recently it would ban motorcycle gangs such as the *Hell's Angels* and the *Bandidos* in what the government said would be the world's toughest crackdown on "terrorists within our community."

South Australian premier Mike Rann named eight bike clubs he said were involved in murder, drug trafficking, prostitution, extortion, and weapons smuggling.

Clubs targeted by the ban would include the *Finks*, the *Rebels*, the *Gypsy Jokers*, the *Descendants*, the *Red Devils*, and others.

The Australian crime commission's 2006 report found there were 35 outlaw motorcycle clubs in Australia, with 3,500 members. It said ten gangs had opened 26 new chapters in all six states last year.

Officials said the ban would involve around 200 members, as well as associates. Outlawed members would be prohibited from meeting or communicating, or risk five-year jail terms. Police would also be

empowered to dismantle club property and force members to account for any unexplained wealth or income.

McGhee, Arkansas *A.M.A.* members Don and Helen Wesson were both recently honored by McGhee city leaders, *Chamber of Commerce*, and governor Mike Bebee.

Helen received the city's *Women of the Year* award and Don received special recognition for his work on the city council including conservation issues and their collective work organizing a motorcycle rally known as *Owlfest*.

*Quantya U.S.A.* officially launched distribution of the *Quantya FMX* electric motorcycles for the U.S. market. *Quantya* is the first electric competition-ready electric motocross. *Quantya* electric motorcycles are manufactured in the Swiss city of Lugano to deliver what they claim is the world's sturdiest and technically advanced dirt bike. All *Quantya* motorcycles are *E.C.* certified and warranted for two years.

*Quantya FMX* motorcycles use advanced lithium polymer battery technology with proprietary electronics to power its 14KW motor with a 47 volt or 74 volt battery.

A typical fully charged battery will launch the *FMX* to 40+ mph (governed) and give it a range of up to 2.5 hours.



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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



# Biker Lobbyists Meet With N.T.S.B

A meeting was arranged with the chairman of the *National Transportation Safety Board* on November 28, 2007 by James D. "Doc" Reichenbach II, state president of *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, Inc.* and chairman of the board of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists, N.C.O.M.* and *A.B.A.T.E.* invited the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation's* lobbyist and vice-president of government relations Jeff Hennie to attend the meeting also to discuss the *N.T.S.B.'s* recent recommendations that all states enact mandatory helmet laws, as well as future and past developments in motorcycle safety.

The lobbying team met with Mark V. Rosenker, *N.T.S.B.* chairman, and Robert Sumwalt, *N.T.S.B.* vice chairman. "*N.C.O.M., A.B.A.T.E.,* and the *M.R.F.* explained our views on this subject with extreme prejudice that helmets are not saving lives," said Reichenbach. "Facts and figures were presented to the board for their review."

The gist of the three hour summit is that the *N.T.S.B.* will look into the discrepancies that *N.H.T.S.A.* has been putting out in their statistics and will report their findings to the motorcycling community. While there was agreement on certain issues, the helmet issue is very far apart and no headway was made on either point of view.

"The fact remains that the *N.T.S.B.* stands behind their recommendations and supports them entirely," reported Hennie. "The *M.R.F.,*

*N.C.O.M.,* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida* made it clear that we would continue to oppose any recommendations that call for personal protective equipment laws and crash mitigation."

*A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, Inc.* and the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* want to thank the *M.R.F.* and Jeff Hennie for accepting our invitation to attend this meeting and work together on a united front.

### Is Your Motorcycle Giving You Cancer?

Author Randall Dale Chipkar has published a book called *Motorcycle Cancer?* in which he speculates that radiation from motorcycle engines could be a modern day "black plague".

Saying that the prostate is one of the closest delicate glands invaded by the radiation along with the colon and neighboring organs, Chipkar a few years ago was going to buy his dream cycle, but he placed his extremely low frequency (E.L.F.) electromagnetic field (E.M.F.) gauss meter over one of the seats of an idling bike and was shocked to see the extremely high radiation readings.

"It's a paradox that thousands of motorcycle riders participate in fundraiser rides for cancer awareness when the event itself may be causing cancer... I have met countless avid motorcycle riders diagnosed with similar forms of cancers and

disorders. All of these riders had a type of extremely low frequency electromagnetic field radiation shooting up from their motorcycle seats... The motorcycle industry needs to further investigate this E.M. danger and implement protective measures to minimize rider radiation exposure... People should not have to gamble with their health because they love riding motorcycles... Historically, organizations claimed 'inconclusive proof' concerning electromagnetic health issues. However, inconclusive proof does not mean that something is safe," says Chipkar.

But critics of people such as Chipkar claim that these doom-and-gloom concepts regarding radiation have been heard before and have been conjured up since the 1950s, when atomic energy had firmly become embedded in Americans' psyches, and they never amount to anything other than conspiracy theories.

The critics say that it is too easy to scare people about exposure to radiation because those who can gain from the fear mongering fail to make distinctions between different kinds and levels of radiation exposure.

### Florida Bill Targets "Thrill Riders"

After an eye opening ride-along with the *Florida Highway Patrol* and witnessing motorcyclists pop wheelies, race along over 100 mph, and dangerously disregard road rules,

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state representative Carlos Lopez-Cantera filed a bill in Tallahassee that would toughen penalties on speeding, stunt driving, and hiding or flipping license plates.

"They're just blatantly riding in excessive speeds, putting themselves in danger and putting other motorists in danger," Lopez-Cantera said. "It's just too much."

Law enforcement officers said they are powerless to pursue them and are frustrated as they watch their tactics, like flipping the bike's license plates so they can't be traced. "That tag needs to be permanently attached to that motorcycle," one *F.H.P.* trooper said. "The problem has gotten worse. The laws need to be changed. The penalties need to be stiffer."

Representative Lopez-Cantera is trying to do that. "Something has to be done. They have to actually fear the law because right now they don't," he said, explaining that if his bill becomes law "They'll lose their bike. Their motorcycle license will be revoked for ten years, and it's a mandatory arrest so they will go to jail." The bill could come up for a vote next year.

### Uneasy Riders: Horses Riskier Than Motorcycles

Hour-per-hour in the saddle, more riders are seriously injured riding horses than motorcycles. That is the surprising revelation of a new study from researchers at the university of calgary, Canada.

The hospital admission rate associated with horse-riding injuries

is 0.49 per 1,000 hours, compared to a rate of 0.14 per 1,000 hours of motorcycle riding, according to the study published in the *American Journal of Surgery*.

From 1995 to 2005, there were 7,941 trauma patients at *Foothills*, including 151 who were severely injured while horseback riding. Seven per cent of the riders died of their injuries and 45 per cent required surgery, the study said. Almost half of all riders who were seriously injured (48 per cent) suffered head injuries, and 54 per cent suffered chest injuries. Most riders were hurt by falling or being thrown from the horse, followed by being stomped or kicked.

The reason this happens, said Rob Mulloy, an assistant professor at the *University of Calgary* and co-author of the study, is that "horses are independent beings with their own agenda." Not to mention that horses weigh up to 500 kilograms, move at a speed of up to 65 kilometers an hour, elevate riders up to three meters above ground and kick with a force of nearly one ton.

Dr. Mulloy, who is also a trauma surgeon, said he does not want to discourage people from riding, but hopes the study will serve as a wake-up call about the need to use protective equipment, especially helmets. "You know, cowboy hats are pretty useless," he said, adding that he takes comfort in the fact that

about half of rodeo riders now wear helmets and a large number of cowboys who drive cattle out of the hills are also helmeted.

### Britney Spears Hits Motorcyclist

On Tuesday evening, November 13th, troubled entertainer Britney Spears hit and hospitalized a motorcycle-riding member of the paparazzi as she was trying to evade photographers at a Beverly Hills hotel. The rider sustained serious injuries and was taken to *Ceder-Sinai Medical Center*.

"This came as Spears is already facing hit-and-run charges as well as claims that she ran a red light with her kids in the car while on a cell phone," said a news report by *Entertainment Hollywood*. Britney's driving has taken a bad turn – the 25-year old singer has run over people three times in nearly a month, one of whom was a sheriff's deputy and two were paparazzi.

Spears appeared in court the following day at an emergency custody hearing with Kevin Federline. Kevin Federline's attorney

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## Our Officers at Work

### Education Report

# Sometimes We Do It To Ourselves

I used to ride with a group of girls that enjoyed camping trips with the bikes. We didn't do the runs, just picked spots on the map and headed out. One of our campfire traditions was the *Crumpled Chrome Award*. A mangled exhaust pipe was passed around the fire, upon receipt the person had to tell of a situation involving their bike that resulted in embarrassment, crumpled chrome, excessive labor (pushing bike) or other situation that could have been avoided with prior planning or some application of the brain matter. Unfortunately, I have won the award on a few occasions.

In the telling of the stories, many of the situations could have been avoided with a good pre-trip of the bike. Checking tires, fluids, lights, cables, tie downs when carrying loads, and taking time to clean the windshield or helmet visor prevent a lot of down time on the side of the road. While in motion, remembering to ride your own ride, scanning well ahead, and keeping a safe following distance can buy the rider reaction time to avoid a hazard and deal with a situation. Many of the embarrassing stories were a result of lack of communication between parties – either a passenger situation, riders within the pack, or miscommunication with another vehicle operator.

Now if we were to apply these same preventive measures to our A.B.A.T.E. meetings, perhaps we can reduce some of our broken gavels and reduce the level of frustration.

We have many new officers, many new faces and volunteers.

Let's keep them.

Remembering that our goal is the success of the event or completion of the process, good coaching, team work, and consideration will help our organization reach the goals.

Last Monday I attended a run committee meeting that was a bit of a challenge. It had great attendance, with many members knowing how to put on a run. Both the run and vice run coordinators were new in their jobs, with communication styles that were different – not better or worse – but different than previous leadership. Looking back the next morning, I realized we (all previous officers and committee members) could have assisted in making it a more comfortable situation.

Outgoing officers: Prepare and coach your new officers before their first meeting or presentation. Sit near them to quietly offer support and direction. Feed them accurate information – don't set them up for failure. Remember that new members may want to try something new or have a great idea. While we don't want to reinvent the wheel, most riders know that changing the tires gives you a whole new ride. Go easy, please don't burn them out the first year and thank them for taking over your job. (Otherwise you may get it back.)

New officers: Our meetings can run on. Work on keeping your report short. Listen to other reports during



Patricia Carner  
education director

the meeting so that you can modify your own report and not be redundant. Be flexible and go easy on yourself. The rest of us are glad you stepped up, we are here to support you. Come to S.T.E.A.M. Talk to your counterpart in other chapters and to the state officer, learn skills and techniques that may make the job easier and *network*.

Let's focus on improving the communication between all chapters.

Ride safe,

Patricia



**S.T.E.A.M.**  
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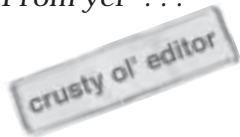
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by  
Rot Path  
crusty ol' editor

This month marks the beginning of yer crusty ol' editor's seventh year of wordsmithing the

*Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* newsmagazine. Up until then he'd spent about five years as the *Salem Chapter* secretary, his chapter reports inflicting considerable electronic trauma on then-editor Gordon Hieronimus's spell checker.

A lot has changed and a lot has remained unaltered in the last decade of *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.*

When our state historian, Mary Burnett, brings old photo albums, fliers, and newsletters to state board meetings, it's both interesting and instructive to look through the material to see what we've been doing that works and what's been dropped because it wasn't working.

Sometimes in trolling through our past activities we can discover methods that have been forgotten that would be of help to us now. Folks who are no longer here continue to speak to us if we will just listen. Our institutionally memory is in those archived pages and photos along with longtime members such as Rotten Roger and Brian Stovall.

We need to listen, ask questions, and if necessary, relearn.

S.T.E.A.M. (Seminars To Educate And Motivate) will be taking place a couple days after Oregon's birthday. (She was admitted to the union in 1859. There's always free cake at the capitol on Valentine's Day.)

If you are new to *A.B.A.T.E.*, it's a great time to learn about the

organization and our place in the greater scheme of life. If you've been a member for awhile, it's still a great time to schmooze and talk with folks face-to-face.

***S.T.E.A.M. is in Albany,  
not Salem, this year.***

The gathering for S.T.E.A.M. is one of the most productive opportunities that *A.B.A.T.E.* has each year. It's one of the few times where we have members from all parts of the state in one place. The air almost crackles with creative energy. This is the time and place to really get involved with *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and the motorcycle rights and education movement.

Start planning and plotting, save yer nickels and dimes, take vacation if ya gotta, but don't miss S.T.E.A.M.

If you're coming from some of the further reaches of the state and need to conserve yer motorcyclin' funds, contact *Hub City Chapter* and see if its members have spare rooms or crash space that you can use. Otherwise there's motels along with several bed-and-breakfasts in the area and decent a hotel out by the airport.

And this year our guest speaker at S.T.E.A.M. is none other than Wendy Moon (a.k.a. "Moonrider") of

<http://moonrider.journalspace.com/> fame. She is proving to be an indispensable source of on-line information about motorcycling issues. We look forward to hearing

her, meeting and talking with her this year. Please come and help welcome Moonrider to our helmet-challenged state.

Don't forget that there is a special session of the Oregon legislature convening on Monday, 04 February. Motorcyclists are being encouraged to attend the opening ceremonies at 8:30 a.m. and to wear their leathers, making it a "black Monday".

Although there may not be any legislative issues directly affecting motorcyclists during this special session, it's important for us to maintain our presence in the capitol at all times just so we are not forgotten.

If this special session goes well, Oregon may begin having annual legislative sessions. Which means that Oregon bikers are really going to have to be actively guarding our hard-won freedoms on a continuing basis.

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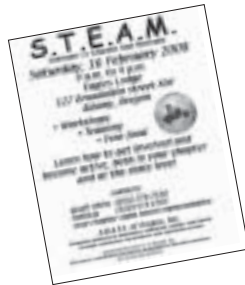
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15 March	Casino Night – Willamette Valley		
26 Apr	Mystery Ride–River City	The Dalles	(541)-296-9303
27 April	Spring Swap Meet – Oregon ABATE	Portland	(503)-249-8791
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# February 2008

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3 Southeast Portland 1200 (12 pm)	4 <b>Salem</b> 0830 capitol building  <b>Black Monday</b> <i>Oregon special legislative session opens -- wear yer leathers</i>	5 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7 pm)  <i>mardi gras !</i>	6  new moon  solar eclipse	7  <b>Chinese New Year</b> ( year of the rat )	8	9 <b>STATE BOARD MEETING</b> Albany Eagles 1200 (12 p.m.) Run Committee 1100 (11 a.m.)  <b>Twin Rivers Sweetheart Dance</b> Portland
10 Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) ----- Twin Rivers 1300 (1 pm)	11 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	12	13  2nd quarter moon Northeast Portland 1900 (7 pm)	14  <b>Valentine's Day</b> [ Oregon an' c.o.e.'s birthdays as well ]	15	16  <b>A.B.A.T.E. S.T.E.A.M.</b> Albany
17 Southeast Portland noon	18  <b>President's Day</b> [ Do ya know which ones? ]  ash tree of the month begins	19 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7 pm)	20  quickenning moon Josephine County 1900 (7 pm) ----- Northeast Portland 1900 (7:00 pm)  lunar eclipse	21 Hub City 1900 (7 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7 pm) ----- Douglas County 1900 (7 pm)	22	23
24 North Coast 1000 (10 am) ----- Twin Rivers 1300 (1 pm)	25 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	26 Salem 1900 (7 pm)	27	28  4th quarter moon	29  leap day	



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# S.T.E.A.M. 2008

Seminar To Educate And Motivate

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**Saturday, February 16, 2008**

*Albany Eagles Lodge*  
127 Broadalbin St. NW  
Albany, Oregon

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration, coffee and donuts
- 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Welcoming session:
  - Coordinator’s comments: Matt Price
  - Guest speaker: Wendy “Moonrider” Moon
  - Announcements
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break



## Session 1

**10:45 – 11:45**

### Officer and Volunteer Training

Officer training will break out to tables: Membership, secretaries, legislative reps, state board reps, treasurers.

All other attendees are invited upstairs to learn about volunteering at runs and events. Discussion will include reducing our risk through observation, communication and action, working together to share the workload and responsibilities.

11:45 a.m.– 12:45 p.m. Lunch provided.

## Session II

**12:45 – 1:45**

### Motivating Your Volunteers

Break out into work groups: Fund raising, officer shadowing, run planning.

1:45 – 2:00 p.m. Break.

## Session III

**2:00 – 3:00**

- Legislative Affairs – Brian Stoval
- *Gunny’s Sack* – Gunny Hutchison
- Leadership – Ken Ray

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Closing session: Communication and putting it into practice.

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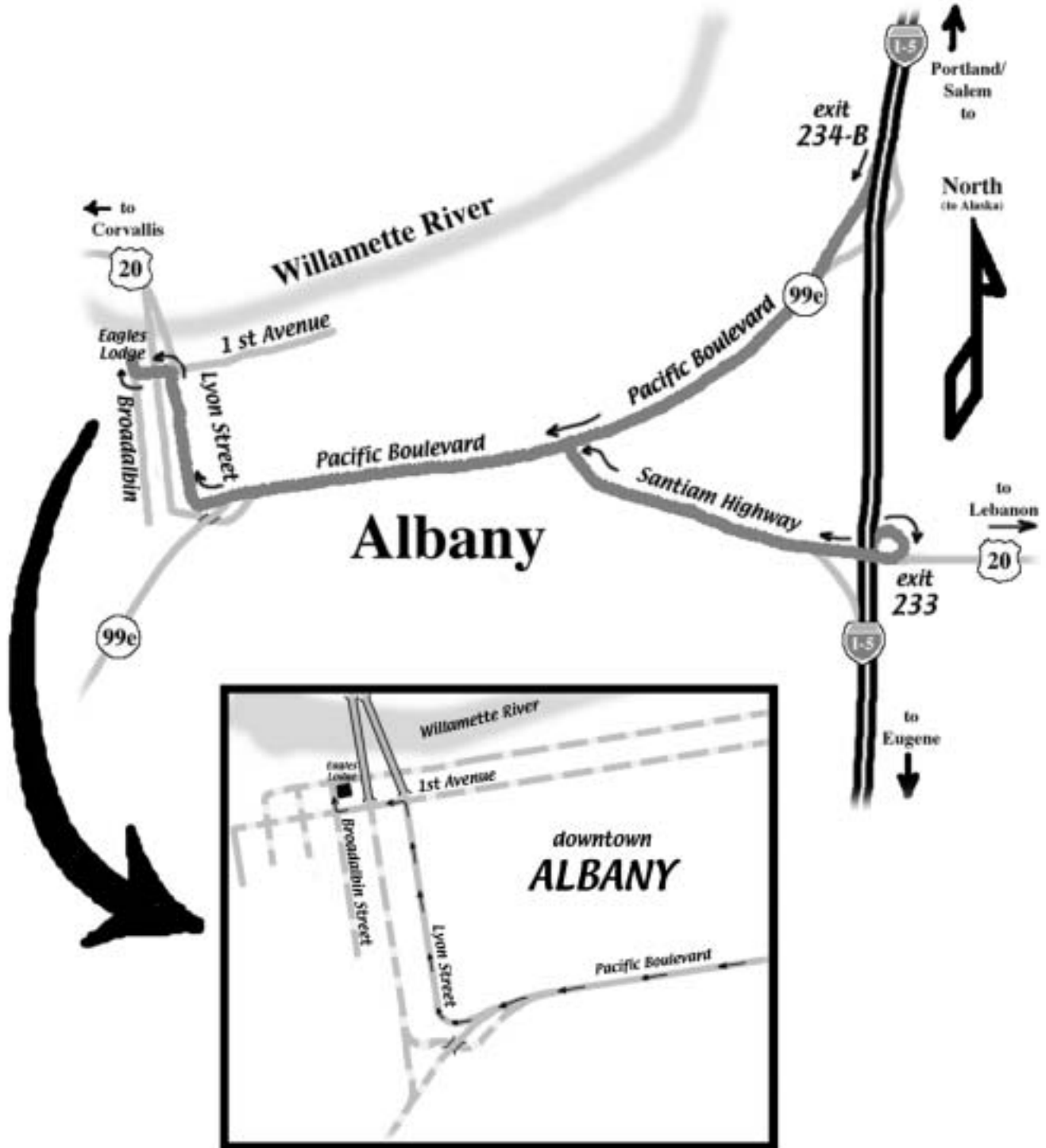
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# S.T.E.A.M.

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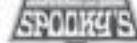
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**Rotten Roger will be helping out.**

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# Three Letters From Rotten Roger

## Rotten Roger's Fundraiser

Thanks to Matt and Michelle Hobbs and the other *Southeast Portland Chapter* members who put on a fundraiser to help me out after my scooter crash.

Thanks to all of the *A.B.A.T.E.* members and non-members who came to the fundraiser and made it a success. Thanks for all the door prize donations too.

I, Rotten Roger, have been a member of *A.B.A.T.E.* for thirty three years.

Through the years, I've met many outstanding *A.B.A.T.E.* members and Freedom Fighters. I've stayed friends with many of you. I've had some rough times in past years and my *A.B.A.T.E.* friends were there to help me out. I'm grateful to belong to such a great brotherhood and sisterhood, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

*A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments.*

Become a member of *A.B.A.T.E.*

Get involved and make a difference.

Many thanks to all,

Rotten Roger

P.S. The closest I can get to a motorcycle is riding an electric grocery cart around the store, but I give 'er hell!

## Rotten Roger Would Like To Share A Little History With *A.B.A.T.E.* Members

As of January 2004, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* had \$90,000 in the bank. With a team of *A.B.A.T.E.* members we had two state runs and four swap meets a year!

At the end of 2004, I decided to take a break.

By 2005, the board of directors reported that the bank account was down to around \$22,000.

By 2006, Willie and I took over the swap meet. It was with team work by *A.B.A.T.E.* helpers that we made the swap meet profitable again.

Before you board members spend money going to Kah-nee-tah for a planning conference, you better think about making *Fossil Run* profitably and cut the expenses to run *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. The coordinator, board members, and *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter members need to help Howie and Willie make these events stay profitable. Don't be spending money you haven't made yet.

Sincerely,

Rotten Roger

## Name Change

*A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments.*

We've had this name for thirty three years.

*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* started *Team Oregon* and the *Motorcycle Awareness Program* which is taught in local high schools. We've fought for motorcycle rights and we have many legislative victories.

If you don't know what *A.B.A.T.E.* means, look it up in the dictionary. We need to keep the name the way it is because we are *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* and that is how we are known. It's how we are remembered.

Get involved and make a difference,

Rotten Roger

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**If you can't annoy somebody, there is little point in writing.**

-- Kingsley Amis

## A.B.A.T.E. - Who are we? by Frank Saxton

*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, as well as the national *A.B.A.T.E.* initiative sponsored by *Easyriders* magazine were created for a singular purpose: to repeal the mandatory motorcycle helmet laws that were springing up all over the United States in the early 1970s.

Back in those days, there was not the organizational identity crisis within *A.B.A.T.E.* that seems to exist today. The only people who joined *A.B.A.T.E.* when *A.B.A.T.E.* started were bikers who hated helmet laws and everything they stood for.

*A.B.A.T.E.* membership and its officers were typically *Harley* riders.

Hard core *Harley* riders.

In part, this was because your average non-*Harley* owner was not a so-called "biker" in the true sense and thus could care less about helmet laws or motorcycle legislation generally. Certainly there were a few very dedicated *A.B.A.T.E.* people out there riding stock rice burners, Beemers and so on, but they were definitely in the minority.

The most active *A.B.A.T.E.* members typically rode modified *Harleys*, a.k.a. "choppers".

Bikes that were fast and loud.

Often they were Vietnam veterans who really "got" that whole freedom concept. Many of the early *A.B.A.T.E.* movers and shakers were club patch holders, who also understood that government has no business dictating clothing ordinances to freedom loving bikers. I recall discussions back then that turned into fist fights at the mere suggestion that maybe we should go

for repeal of the helmet requirement for riders 21 and over versus going for a full helmet law repeal.

Being forced by government to wear a helmet *used* to be a very passionate issue for bikers.

These days, if you query the average rider, as I do on a regular basis, you'll find that most motorcycle owners in Oregon and Washington really don't care about mandatory helmet laws anymore. Some even think they are a good idea!

Most old timers like me understand that mandatory helmet laws have nothing to do with concerns for our safety. In fact, most of the people who are responsible for creating and sustaining this law have a deep dislike (I'm being kind here) of bikers.

Jane and John Cease, the two most responsible for Oregon's current helmet law, *hate* bikers and are not the slightest bit bashful about saying so. That's fairly true of many demo liberals in the legislature even now who vote against our helmet law repeal bills every session. For these people, "freedom of choice" is about being able to legally murder unborn children. Their zeal for "free choice" does not extend to being allowed to make one's own personal safety equipment decisions, apparently.

For these people, it was never concern about the handful of bikers who die each year by being run down by intoxicated or inattentive motorists. Forcing helmets on our heads is just one step towards getting our butts on a bus under their paradigm.

Fatality to accident rates have *never*

gone down once mandatory helmet laws are instituted.

In fact, they typically go up.

By a lot!

What does happen though, after helmet laws are enacted, is that motorcycle registrations go down by about one-third, as they did in Oregon in 1988.

Certainly, if there are 40,000 fewer motorcycles on the road, there are going to be less motorcycle collisions and fatalities.

Duh.

But even a blind man can see that brain bucket laws do nothing to make motorcycle riding any safer.

So .... Do I think that *A.B.A.T.E.* should be solely focused on helmet law repeal as suggested by c.o.e.? \*

No, of course not.

There are a lot more insidious things out there that affect our sport than just helmet laws. But I do believe that helmet law repeal should be our number one priority just like protecting the second amendment is the *N.R.A.*'s top priority.

Sure, raising money, promoting a positive image, conducting social activities and so on are also important. But fighting for our freedom is the genesis of *A.B.A.T.E.* and it needs to remain the most important component for *A.B.A.T.E.*'s reason for being, in my opinion.

*A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan*, which changed it's name to the politically-correct but watered down *American Bikers Aiming Towards Education* may soon be able to purchase the ability to ride helmetless for a mere \$100



**Who Are We ?**

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per year and by complying with a variety of insurance, experience, and other requirements.

“Land of the free and the home of the brave”?

I don't think this is the kind of freedom my father was fighting for when he was with MacArthur in the Philippines. And it wasn't the freedom that I thought I was fighting for in the Mekong Delta.

It's *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* folks. And there is nothing more totalitarian on God's green earth than mandatory helmet laws! If you don't agree with this, maybe *H.O.G.* is the place for you.

Frank Saxton  
 life member, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*  
 founding officer *M.M.A. of Massachusetts*  
 founding member, *A.B.A.T.E. of New Hampshire*  
 abate@easyrider.com

\* [ *c.o.e. note: Nowhere in c.o.e.'s January 2008 editorial was it suggested that A.B.A.T.E. should be solely focused on helmet law repeal. The question asked was:*

“If amending or repealing helmet regulations is the sole function of *A.B.A.T.E.*, why isn't that stated as a guiding principle? Nowhere in *A.B.A.T.E.*'s acronym definition or mission statement is the word “helmet” used.” ]

**Washington County**

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information to Veta. Rick: To take care of security and shuttle. \$2 of door fees from the birthday party go to *Meadowrod Camp*, not *Ruth's House*. Jay: Communication is important. Paul: What is the cost of tickets for single vs. couples? \$10 single, \$17 couples. Ed: Suggestion to vote for a chairperson. Wendy will be in charge.

11. Paul: *Roll-n-Ride* at the winery again? Yes – Len.

12. Kay: Different place? Paul picking out route.

13. *End of Summer Run*: Games – ask older brothers for ideas and maybe have teams? But it also has to fulfill insurance rules and what *A.B.A.T.E.* stands for. *E.O.S.* bands: Kay suggest karaoke machine. Needs sanctioned by June, 90 days before event, and flyer needs to be done by mid May. Jay is starting on this event in February.

14. Toy run: Starting in June. (Committee.)

15. Officer's meetings: To be held first Monday of each month at 7:30 at *Primetime* unless otherwise noted.

16. Jordan: State officers in October; suggest shadowing for a couple of months, want more participation.

17. Ed: Not every meeting needs to have voting done. Vote on issues by January to get more interest. Set a date for issues to be voted.

18. Run committee meetings: Used to be at officers' homes and can be if interested. Otherwise meetings will be held at *Primetime*.

19. Birthday band: Times are usually 6 p.m. – 12 a.m. or 7 p.m. – 1 a.m. What about advanced tickets?

Should be cheaper. Cost before advance. Need hotel information on flier. Group rate with free shuttle. (Ted and Cathy) Helium: Lynda to work on. List of items is needed. Age: 21 and older. Re-gifting is okay. Balloons: Need about 125. How did we do at last auction? To be researched.

**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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 ( Portland )

**(503)-615-3101**

## Josephine County

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that this important constitutional litigation prevails. These three small Delaware a.b.a.t.e. chapters have made an \$8,000 contribution to this judicial fund set up as the war chest for the Quigley litigation. The contribution represents \$8 from each Delaware A.B.A.T.E. member. In announcing the donation, Delaware A.B.A.T.E. state legislative coordinator, Gary K. (Hildy) Hilderbrand stated: "We are releasing this announcement as a challenge to all S.M.R.O.s in every state in the nation to match what our little State has done. A.B.A.T.E. of Delaware is proud to represent the State that started this nation, and first on board with the desperately needed funds to maintain our freedom."

We are writing to urge all S.M.R.O.s across this nation to come together, and follow Delaware's lead, to assure that this important constitutional litigation prevails. We also want you to know that the success we achieve will not just free California bikers from the shackles of our oppressive helmet law; it will set the precedent that we hope will assure that every other state can obtain or preserve freedom.

The legislative helmet wars have entered an entirely new battlefield on which S.M.R.O.s now face not only the insurance industry and medical lobbyists but the federal government now wearing the face of the National Transportation Safety Board. The September 2007 N.T.S.B. recommendations and the reinvigorated helmet law proponent activity nationwide should cause rights advocates in every state to consider whether it will be realistic to expect with any certainty that freedom can be

achieved against these even greater powers lining up against us, and indeed, whether the S.M.R.O.s in the free and semi-free states we will be able to hold on to their freedom.

The N.T.S.B. has made a specific recommendation to every state, and that is to adopt or amend the state helmet laws to require that **all** riders wear helmets conforming to the federal motorcycle helmet performance standard set forth in F.M.V.S.S. 218. This already has happened in Nebraska and North Carolina.

The importance of the Quigley California litigation is in part derived from the fact that the California helmet law is precisely the law that the N.T.S.B. has recommended. It is a law requiring all California motorcyclists and their passengers to wear helmets compliant with F.M.V.S.S. 218.

The present litigation is the culmination of 17 years of concerted work by Richard Quigley and California freedom fighters like Steve Bianco, the truck driver responsible for the constitutional appellate law which has set the C.H.P. up for this fall. Steve Bianco is also one of the four remaining plaintiffs in the Quigley litigation who will carry this litigation forward now following Quig's passing.

If successful, our victory will hammer the final constitutional nail into the coffin of the California helmet law. It is 17 years of work which we also hope may be able to shortcut the road to freedom for those who will fight for it in the courts of our sister states. Indeed, it is our greatest hope that our victory will serve as important constitutional precedent for freedom fighters to obtain the same result in every state in which

a helmet law presently requires use of F.M.V.S.S. 218 compliant helmets, and every other state in which such a law is subsequently enacted pursuant to the N.T.S.B.'s recommendations.

Thank you for your consideration in the above regard.

*In freedom and brotherhood,*

Tony "Pan" Sanfelipo  
founder, A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin  
B.O.L.T. national director  
Sturgis Freedom Fighters Hall of  
Fame, 2002


Until we meet again, be safe and ride smart,

Gypsy  
recording secretary

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### the reverend Billy Hults' **Three Rules For Living Together**

1. Everybody eats.
2. Nobody hits.
3. There is no third rule.

# N.C.O.M. NEWS ( continued form page 25 )

convinced Los Angeles superior court commissioner Scott Gordon to ban Spears from driving with their kids. Federline has temporary custody of Sean Preston, 2, and Jayden James, 1, because Spears has defied court orders.

## Weird News

### Blind Pedestrians Fight Against "Silent" Deadly Hybrids

Can hybrids and alternative fuel vehicles be dangerous?

To blind pedestrians, the answer is "Yes," because they can be silent killers.

As manufacturers look for ways to improve the fuel efficiency of their vehicles, alternatives to relying solely on gasoline engines are being adopted for both cars and motorcycles. Companies are looking to gasoline-electric hybrids, diesel engines, all-electric vehicles and fuel cells.

But one negative impact of such vehicles is in regards to their near-silent operation in city driving. Since most hybrids turn off their gasoline engine during low-speed city driving and rely on electric motors for propulsion, the most noise that many people may hear from the vehicles are a slight electric whine and a hint of tire noise. Deemed too quiet, some electric and fuel cell motorbikes now even come equipped with an artificial audio "vroom" with adjustable volume control.

Blind pedestrians have taken this issue to heart and are going after hybrids as they feel the silent vehicles pose a serious safety threat, and the U.S. *National Federation of the Blind (N.F.o.B.)* is putting the issue back to the forefront.

The *N.F.o.B.* has worked with the *Association of International Auto Manufacturers (A.I.A.M.)* and the *Society of Automotive Engineers*

(*S.A.E.*) to look into the possibility of forcing automobiles to emit recognizable sound at all time. The *A.I.A.M.* is even looking into "the possibility of setting a minimum noise level standard for hybrid vehicles," according to safety director Mike Camissa.

The *Department of Transportation*, the *Federal Highway Administration*, and the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* have expressed little interest in the idea.

1.3 million people in the United States (out of a total population of 303,036,973 people) are legally blind.

## Quotable Quote

"It's the constant and determined effort that breaks down all resistance, sweeps away all obstacles."

Claude M. Bristol  
(1891-1951)  
American author

## Albany Lodgings Available During S.T.E.A.M.

### Hotels and Motels

#### Albany Days Inn & Suites

1100 Price Rd. SE  
1-(800)-626-1900, (541)-928-5050

#### Best Western Pony Soldier Inn

315 Airport Rd. SE  
1-(800)-634-PONY,  
(541)-928-6322

#### Budget Inn

2727 Pacific Blvd. SE  
(541)-926-4246

#### Comfort Suites

100 Opal Court  
1-(800)-517-4000, (541)-928-2053

#### City Center Motel

1730 Pacific Blvd SE  
(541)-926-8442

#### Econo Lodge Albany

1212 Price Rd SE  
(541) 926-0170

#### Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites

105 Opal Court  
1-(800)-465-4329,  
(541)-928-8820

#### Jolly Motel

1410 Washington St SW  
(541)-926-7871

#### La Quinta Inn And Suites

251 Airport Rd SE  
(800)-531-5900, (541) 928-0921

#### Marco Polo

2410 Pacific Blvd. SE  
(541)-926-4401

#### Motel 6

2735 Pacific Blvd. SE  
(800)-4-Motel 6, (541)-926-4233

#### Phoenix Inn Suites

3410 Spicer Rd SE  
1-(888)-889-0208,  
(541)-926-5696

#### Quality Inn

1100 Price Rd SE  
(541) 928-5050

#### Relax Inn

1212 Price Rd. SE  
1-(888)-321-3352,  
(541)-926-0170

#### Star Dust Motel

2735 Pacific Blvd SE  
(541)-926-4233

#### Valu Inn

3125 Santiam Hwy SE  
(541)-926-1538

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#### Dreams Bed & Breakfast

(541)-926-7540

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206 7th Ave SW  
(541)-791-5281

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#### Albany/Corvallis KOA

33775 Oakville Rd SW  
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#### Knox Butte RV Park-Albany

125 Expo Parkway Northeast  
(541)-928-9033

#### The Blue OX RV Park

4000 Blue OX DR. S.E.  
(541)-482-4138



From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK

So your Gunny broke down and bought a little house just a little north of Portland in a town called St. Helens. Just up the Columbia river about fifteen miles or so. Think I'm gonna like the permanence of a place I can call my own again. Escrow closed the first week of January.

Funny how things happen so quickly when things all finally come together.

January of course is when I write for the February edition. I try and stay ahead of the game but I guess mileage and old age combine and slow me down. Been rode hard and put away wet too many times.

Enough of my rambling. Lets get to the meat and taters!

### Newsbits–N–Pieces

**Paris and Dakar:** It appears the terrorist game is causing the authorities connected to the world-famous *Paris-Dakar Rally*, the cross-country motorcycle race, to cancel it. We had better get a handle on those folks or the world as we know it today will disappear. Its becoming a real pain in the rear when decent folks can't function because they feel threatened.

**Loveland, Colorado:** I guess bikers aren't the only ones that find controversy with the wearing of helmets. The idea that they convey a sense of false security pops up in the skiing community too, even though they're worn completely voluntarily. (At least so far.)

Two young skiers, wearing helmets, died on slopes in Colorado because

they apparently felt safer wearing the critters, according to a wire story.

Helmets are *not* a replacement for intelligence.

No way, no how.

Too many people are dying because they think helmets are the cure-all for stupid mistakes. You can fall for that false sense of security if you're not paying attention to that little phenomenon. We all have said it over and over again, **training and education** are the keys to safety. I don't care what sport you want to name.

**Burma:** Look out for the elephants when riding here. Two men were riding on a motorcycle near the southern beach resort of Hua Hin when they came across a herd of elephants blocking the road. They tried to go around them, but one elephant charged the bike and they crashed into a ditch. The herd then trampled the two men. I guess they weren't killed but they got bounced around pretty good. Don't want no elephants around me or my scooter.

**Manila, Philippines:** Even though motorcycles are one of the main forms of transportation here, their lawmakers are attempting to ban them from main thoroughfares and national highways in the country. They cite deaths and injuries from motorcycle crashes as a public health epidemic. Banning bikes won't solve the problem, but educating riders and policing drivers will go a long way to help.

**Daytona Beach, Florida:** A story making the rounds is alleging that some of the leather you buy may be



Gunny  
chief of staff  
*Oregon A.I.M.*

toxic. Some countries use toxic materials in their tanning processes, and Pakistan and China are some of those countries. The leather may be less expensive to buy, but is the threat to your health worth saving a buck or two?

In Pakistan, the leather is tanned with lead-based chromium chemicals, which can be an environmental concern. If you buy boots made in China ya might be putting your feet into a toxic waste dump.

Most American leather is tanned overseas, so even if a product says "Made in the U.S.A.," that may just mean assembled here with leather treated elsewhere.

I'd like to know how true this information is.

If anyone has better info on this, I'd be happy to share it with *Sack* readers. You can reach me at [AIMGunny@aol.com](mailto:AIMGunny@aol.com), and send a copy to my editor, too. That's Sam Hochberg, our Oregon *A.I.M.* lawyer. **He's still SamBikeLaw@aol.com**

### New York: Club

#### Discrimination Okayed

A federal appeals court ruling has upheld the firing of three correctional guards for their ties to motorcycle clubs. The court said the firing didn't violate the employees' constitutional rights when they were fired for their association with the *Outlaws Motorcycle Club*. The second U.S. circuit court of appeals said in a 77-page decision said that the officers'

## GUNNY'S SACK ( continued )

conduct "had the potential in several ways to disrupt and reflect negatively on department of corrections' operations."

Wow! So they're at it again.

If ya belong to a motorcycle club you could lose your job with a correctional facility.

Lets hope this one is overturned in the higher courts. Thanks and a tip o' the handlebar to Whistle Bill, I.C.V.M.C. and Oregon C.O.C., for passing along this story to us.

### Right On! The B.M.F. Know Your Rights Guide

The *British Motorcyclists Federation*, the United Kingdom's most influential rider lobby group, has added a *Know Your Rights* guide to its handy, pocket-sized series of "fast facts" cards.

Funny how things can get around.

The *A.I.M.* program has had the same kind of information, also in booklet form, for a year or so now. It's written by our Wisconsin *A.I.M.* (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) attorney, Michael Mandelman, and you can get a copy from your local *A.I.M.* attorney. They're also distributed to the *Confederations of Clubs*, and you can probably get one from *A.I.M.* directly, by giving them a call, at 1-(800)-On-A-Bike, or on-line at <http://www.aimncom.com>

It's about time an idea from us went across the pond for a change. Of course we gotta remember, they drive on the wrong side of the road over there.

### Bike Clubs Banned In South Australia

"Bikie" gangs like the *Hells Angels*, the *Gypsy Jokers*, and the *Finks* will be banned in south Australia, under new laws the state government says are the toughest in the world. These motorcycle clubs are considered "terrorists within our community," premier Mike Rann declared of 'bikie gangs,' saying they are involved in drug trafficking, murder, extortion, intimidation, and firearms smuggling.

"This is an evil within our nation and we in South Australia intend to lead Australia in the fight against bikie gangs," he said. If these laws are passed they will likely take effect in 2008. The scary part for me is that kind of thing has a way of finding it's insidious way into our country. Pay very close attention to this one, brothers and sisters.

### Gunny Again

Just a reminder folks that these pearls of wisdom are sponsored by the law offices of *Sam Hochberg and Associates*, and by Richard M. Lester. Sam's people are the ones here in Oregon that in association with the law offices of Richard Lester in California see to it that bikers are protected in the courts in the event of an accident or other run-in with the powers that be. If you are ever involved in a crash, do yourself a favor and call these people for assistance in fighting the insurance companies for fair compensation for your injuries and damage to your vehicle. Doesn't have to be a bike – they take care of cars too. They are

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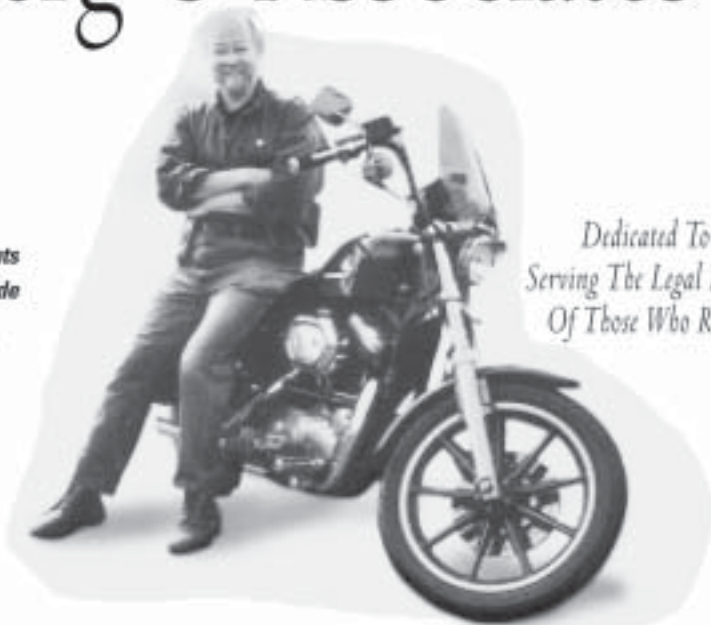
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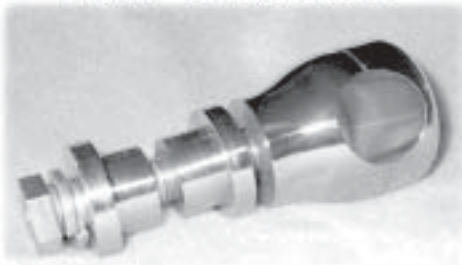
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Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X											X			
Dan the Wizard (?)	(541)-961-3207	central coast	X	X		X	X	X	X								
Brenden Kane (?)	(541)-265-3535	central coast	X		X		X	X	X								
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Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
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Is Your Road List Entry Correct?  
Please call (503)-838-6893 if your information changes.

# HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or DOT administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation.

PLEASE SEND TO:

Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205  
ATTN: Gunny

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_

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

### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)**

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO

Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)**

If modified describe: \_\_\_\_\_

# Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**

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**For Sale**

**Wanted**

Free adult dogs.  
We have rescued a bunch of mini-doxies and they need good homes. They are adult females, ages 2-5 years with different colors and hairstyles. Please call **(541)-487-5570** (Albany area) if you are interested. They are healthy and family-oriented. (They like people.) We just can't hold onto this many dogs. These are dogs are free to anyone who would like a great addition to their family, ride in their big rig, playmate for their kids, or even just as a pet. Help us save them from destruction by the county and adopt one or more. Great gift!  
(Mar 2008)

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. **\$12,500** or best offer. Pictures available on *Southeast Portland Chapter* web site in classified ads. Call **(503)-257-7390**  
(Apr 2008)

1977 *Shovelhead FLH*.  
4,000 miles on rebuilt engine. B-grind cam, oil cooler, extra parts, original fiberglass. \$9,000 Springfield **(541)-736-0242** or **(541)-554-4795**  
(Apr 2008)

**Seeking Parts? Or That Special Bike?**  
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?  
(No business ads, please. This is personal.)

1980 *Evo* system heads, intake for S&S "E" carb, 10:1 pistons, 0.010 w/cylinders **\$750**  
561 S&S cam **\$100**  
Tapered adjustable *Reu-Tech* pushrods **\$80**  
*Jim's* roller rockers **\$350**  
Less than 2,000 miles on parts, will take **\$1,100** for all. For info call **(541)-472-0924** (southern Oregon area)  
(Mar 2008)

( Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 44 )

## February Cryptogram

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—VAT SVKFOO

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

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.

**S.T.E.A.M.**  
*Seminars To Educate And Motivate*  
**Saturday, 16 February 2008**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Eagles Lodge  
127 Broadalbin street NW  
Albany, Oregon

- Workshops
- Training
- Free food



These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to Oregon A.B.A.T.E. members. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play. Business and services will need to place *paid* advertisements.  
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Contact: **(503)-838-6893** (V/F)  
or  
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.  
att. Member Ads  
P.O. box 4504  
Portland, Oregon 97208



**STATE OFFICERS FOR CALANDAR YEAR 2008**

<b>Position/Name:</b>	<b>Phone #:</b>	<b>E-mail:</b>	<b>FAX #:</b>
COORDINATOR	1-(800)-xxx-xxxx (state-wide)		
Matt Price	(503) 463-4003		
VICE-COORDINATOR NORTH			
Heidi Disrud			
VICE-COORDINATOR SOUTH			
< VACANT >			
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST	(541)-933-3725(c)		
Gene Mortimore	(541)-993-3725 (c)	mortimoreeloise@yahoo.com	
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY			
Linda Henderson	(503)-615-3101	jimandlinda802@verizon.net	
SECRETARY			
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	chippawop@netscape.com	
TREASURER			
Joye Howell			
STATE AUDITOR			
Debbie Ross	(503)-855-3101	carverbiker1@comcast.net	(503)-855-3165
NEWSMAGAZINE EDITOR			
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net	(503)-838-6893
LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR			
Quiet Mike			
SGT-AT-ARMS NORTH			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	neportabate@yahoo.com	
SGT-AT-ARMS SOUTH			
Bill Foster	(541)-942-7039		
SGT-AT-ARMS EAST			
Art Schultz			
PRODUCTS DIRECTOR			
Dave Meeker	(503)-985-0233	P.O. box 563; Gaston, OR 97119	
EDUCATION DIRECTOR-1			
Patricia Carner	(503)-671-0124	patriciahdgal@msn.com	
EDUCATION DIRECTOR-2			
Geoffrey White	(503)-774-7558	gwhite5528@worldnet.att.net	
PUBLIC RELATIONS			
Debra Lutje			
FOSSIL COORDINATOR			
Howie Long	(503)-325-4376	hll@pacifier.com	
SWAP MEET COORDINATOR			
Willie Sanders	(503)-249-8791		
RUN COORDINATOR-2			
Jeff Schauer			
HISTORIAN			
Mary Burnett	(541)-259-3860		
RUN SANCTIONING			
[ Refer sanctioning requests to Matt Price, state coordinator ]			
WEB PAGE EDITOR			
Trace Ceccacci			
QUARTERMASTER			
Robert Hale	(503)-314-2518		
BIKEPAC REPRESENTATIVE			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	neportabate@yahoo.com	
CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP #1			
Pat Williams	(360)-852-8890	PatWilliams55@aol.com	
CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP #2			
Ray DeMelo	(503)-551-8627	redvtwin79@yahoo.com	

(Return address on reverse side)

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

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NEW ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ (tape bottom edge)

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please send completed application to:

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

**97208**

Annual Rates: ___ Individual membership      \$25 ___ Couple membership          \$30 ___ Family membership          \$35 ___ Lifetime membership        \$250	Total number of members: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____ Date paid: _____
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.  
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Portland, ORegon 97208

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED STANDARD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**

PORTLAND, OREGON  
PERMIT No. 3142

**TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED  
DATED MATERIAL**

He hadn't found love with a model,  
Nor in the depths of any bottle,  
So he set them aside  
And went out to ride,  
Finding peace as he opened the throttle.  
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**NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:**

**Saturday, 09 February 2008 at noon**

*Eagles Lodge – Albany, Oregon*

**RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100**

**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
Douglas County	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Illie D's</i> ; 443 SE Jackson; Roseburg	(541)-672-5966
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	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1000 (10 <sup>am</sup> )	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
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>Almost Home Restaurant</i> 3310 Market Street, Salem	(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
Twin Rivers	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun	1300 (1 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>The Spare Room</i> ; 4830 N. E. 42nd.; Portland	(503)-960-5421
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;	(541)-688-4268