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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

*Easyrider*s 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.)*

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

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

In July of 1975, Rob Razor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron

Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California, and Ed Armstrong from *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

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

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

As a result of our newfound political clout, motorcyclists have successfully approached congress twice over the past few years.

First to grant federal protections against insurance discrimination based on mode of transportation because many companies were denying medical benefits to employees injured in motorcycle accidents.

Then, [in the 1998] session, motorcyclists united to put together a pro-active agenda for

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

Promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

### BikePAC of Oregon

A non-profit political action committee formed to advocate for the rights and interests of Oregon's motorcyclists.

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

### Association for Motorcyclists of Oregon (A.M.O.)

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

### Oregon Motorcycle Riders Association, Inc. (O.M.R.A.)

Member-run sanctioning body for off-road motorcycle events for the state of Oregon.

### Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) national/international

Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling.

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

### American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

Premier defender of motorcyclists' rights in the United States. Ferrets out bad laws and anti-motorcycling discrimination at the local, state, federal, and corporate level.

### National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)

Produces conferences, information pieces, and a web site. Has also sponsored the *Confederation of Clubs*, a legal rights organization.

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A	A	Single entity.
B	BROTHERHOOD	The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
A	AGAINST	In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
T	TOTALITARIAN	Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.
E	ENACTMENTS	To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.
	MEANS	FREEDOM



officers at work

# State Coordinator

Hello everyone,

I have high hopes for this new year. Our January state board meeting went very well with much accomplished.

Our state officers now have an officers list from every chapter. This is a great start for our state officers to get to know their respective chapter officers. I thank all chapter secretaries and our state secretary, Yvonne, for all their effort.

One issue we need to address is chapter participation at state board meetings.

The state board of directors are the only people who can make, vote on, and approve motions. The state board consists of the people sent by your chapter to the state board meetings. Every chapter needs to make sure they are represented at every meeting.

***If your regular state board representative cannot make it to a state board meeting, your chapter coordinator needs to make sure someone takes their place.***

Again, we need every chapter to send a representative to **every** state board meeting.

Please plan to attend S.T.E.A.M.

We did not have this great event last year, and we are all excited about this year's **Seminar To Educate And Motivate**. Everyone will have the opportunity to gain some new knowledge, meet new people, and have a great time! Don't miss this free event.

Remember, all chapter treasurers and all chapter coordinators are expected to be there. Please contact me if you have conflicts, as I expect to see you there.

At the last state board meeting, we had a great *Fossil Campout* committee meeting.

Howie Long, Rick Prentice, and Gene Mortimore are hard at work to make this year's campout the best ever.

In my opinion, there is nothing better

than sitting around the campfire with friends, new and old.

Howie, Rick and Gene will need lots of help to make this event a success, so please attend the committee meetings.

John Betts (a.k.a. "Wheels") is hard at work planning the first ever state *Mid Summer Swap Meet*. This is shaping up to be the largest swap meet this state has ever seen. Please call him if you wish to join this exciting committee.

We need you to support our legislative agenda this year.

Spend time in Salem, contact your legislator, be informed. Be involved.

Working together, 2011 can be one of the best years we have had in quite a while.

We need to work together, we need to laugh together, we need to get to know one another.

Please call me with any ideas or



**Ted Tracy**  
state coordinator  
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

comments.

Together we can be great.

At this point my pea brain is smoking and S.T.E.A.M. is coming out my ears. (Forgive the pun.)\*

Take care everyone,

Ted

\* [ crusty ol' editor's note: It's only punny if you don't call attention to it.]

## Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety

Thank you for your wonderful turn out at the November and December meetings.

The forum on the idea of lane sharing had 250 motorcyclists in attendance, besides the committee members and O.D.O.T. safety employees.

What a great thing to have input from so many. (35 testifying in favor of lane sharing and three against.) Each spoke clearly and understandably. We also had several send their thoughts by mail or e-mail.

The percentage for and against were about the same.

The committee decided that since we know what the motorcyclists feel about it and can figure that other vehicle operators are likely against the idea, we need not spend the money on a survey to find out. The perspectives and experience explained by our riders gives information to work with when deciding how to advise, if and when the issues come to that point in the legislature.

It is much appreciated to know how our fellow riders feel and their experiences.

Please remember to be involved by showing up at the state capitol to talk respectfully with your legislators about issues concerning motorcycle rights



**Iris Yeager**  
G.A.C.M.S.  
member

and safety. Numbers are important and make a difference.

The number of deaths due to motorcycle crashes was down somewhat in 2010, a total of 38.

The ages are interesting:

- Two were over 70
- Nine were over 60
- Five were over 50
- Nine were over 40
- Five were over 30
- Seven were over 20
- One was under 20

Information to contemplate.

2010 had another busy year training riders. 5,353 riders passed the basic training class.

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

## Central Oregon



No Report

The previous meeting of the *Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety* was on January 21, 2011 at the transportation safety division office. 6:30 p.m., 235 Union Street N.E. Salem, Oregon.

The February meeting will be on the 18th, same time, same place.

Look forward to seeing you again,

Iris Yeager

#### CENTRAL OREGON MEETING

##### TIME and PLACE

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2: p.m.)  
Northside Bar & Grill  
62860 Boyd Acres road  
Bend, Oregon

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

Well, it's a new year and with it brings a few new faces for the *Douglas County Chapter* officers. As we let go of last year, we would like to thank those who have served the chapter the past year(s) and thank them for all their hard work in making *Douglas County Chapter* shine. You have made a positive impact on our chapter.

At the helm for *Douglas County* 2011, is Jim Waggoner, fondly referred to as the "Waggonater" because he can do anything. And like Arnold in *The Terminator*, Jim said "I'll be back" and so he is, as *Douglas County* coordinator.

Jim's right hand man will be Tom Burns, assisting as vice-coordinator.

With Becky Garino resigning as secretary, Chris Shull (that's me) was elected as secretary and will do the best she can to uphold the gaping hole Becky left behind. We thank her for the creative words submitted monthly on behalf of *Douglas County*.

Also resigning this year as membership secretary, is our wonderful Ta Ta Sista, Janie Curtis. Janie has been the magnet for *Douglas County Chapter* for several years, consistently attracting new faces to join as members. She has done an awesome job and our numbers are strong because of her winning personality. Thank you Janie! Elected as the new membership secretary was Dan Rice, of *Hogg Brothers*. If you have any questions regarding membership, you may send them to Dan via e-mail to [dcabatemembers@live.com](mailto:dcabatemembers@live.com) or call (541)-673-4644.

Sandy Garcia was elected as the new treasurer, and the remaining roles saw the same members being reelected to their posts.

Janie will now be assisting Tania with public relations, so watch out *Douglas County*, you have to red-heads to contend with.

Although Willie Shull was elected as our state board and state

legislature representative, he has declined to continue in that role, so a new member will be elected in the upcoming meeting later in the month. Details will follow. Thank you Willie for your reports in the 2010.

Event planning is currently underway as we look forward with excitement and hope for a fantastic new year.

*Josephine* and *Douglas County* had their first S.O.S. meeting of the year and plan on another successful run. If you want to be part of this committee, we welcome your input! Please feel free to join us at our next meeting, 1 p.m., February 20th, at *Double R Dance / Rae Ray's*, located at 4550 old highway 99 south, in Roseburg.

If this year proves to be anything like last year, time will fly by and in a blink August will be upon us, once again we'll gather from all corners of Oregon exchanging great times and

memories.

I look forward in anticipation with high hopes for a wonderful year. Enjoy the journey, enjoy the ride.

Chris Shull  
secretary

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**Douglas County  
MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
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**A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Jackson County**

Greetings fellow travelers,

Welcome to S.T.E.A.M. month!

Seminar To Educate And Motivate

Yup, the bride and I are planning on being there and hope to see Rot, Geoff, and some other "originals" up there in Salem.

The last one I attended was in 2001, so I suppose I'm a bit overdue. We hope to drag some more peoples up there with us.

The toy runs are done and the stockings folded away. We are diligently seeking more members or potentials, but it's a bit rough to identify anyone who may even ride a motorcycle in these frigid, frozen climes.

We had no meeting in December, but will be "all over it" in January.

Happy new year to you.

See you at S.T.E.A.M. and many thanks to our c.o.e. for his hard work.

Rubber down, chrome up, and be brutally aware of the terminally unaware,

Mikey, Sherry  
*Jackson County Chapter*



**Jackson County  
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1830 ( 6:30 pm )  
Saxton's  
4618 N. Pacific highway  
Central Point

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

Hello freedom fighters!

Looks like *Hub City* will be having another one of their biker nights in March. Please check our killer web site: <http://www.hubcityabate.com> for more details.

Thanks, Don Mason, for making our electronic portal stand out and carry lots of good biker information. Check our web site anytime you need to catch up on our political agenda, find a link, or just view some photos from the crazy *Hub City* adventures.

*Hub City* has new slate of officers and it looks like we're in good hands. I'm glad to see some new people step up to interject their ideas, and give the old guard a chance to catch their breath. All of us taking a turn means that we shouldn't see the total burnout of officers that plagues many groups. Welcome, all you officers.

I'd also like to thank the outgoing officers. They've set the standard high at *Hub City*.

It really is critical to meet your representatives if you want results that you like to come out of any of those buildings in Salem. If a legislator puts a face with a certain issue that comes before them, they're much more likely to vote in the way that you wanted.

We all need to support the *Adult Freedom of Choice Helmet Reform* bill. We'll have a bill number posted soon, so keep an eye

on the *BikePAC* page and ours at *Hub City*. *BikePAC* will have talking points on their web site and in print soon. We need to use this information and make sure we all say the same polite and pointed things the same way every time, from every one of us. It's a proven strategy. Why don't we use it? I know I will.

*Hub City* would like to thank representative Andy Olson for supporting our fight for freedom. Andy is a unique individual who upon meeting him, gives you hope that honesty, ethics, and real logic might still exist in government. All fact, no brag.

S.T.E.A.M. is February 26 in Salem. Please attend this one-of-a-kind training event put on by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Education director Geoff White puts an incredible amount of effort in to this *A.B.A.T.E.*-funded event, so let's not waste this chance to learn how to get more from our hard work.

Geoff has arranged short classes on many topics related to *A.B.A.T.E.* and motorcycling.

One of the classes you can attend at S.T.E.A.M. will help you be more effective with the efforts you put in to make this system of government work for us, not against us. Most of us don't know a lobbyist or a legislator personally, so here's a place where a real insider shows up and teaches



you the little inside details that make your voice ring over the rest. Might as well make your time and effort go as far as possible, right?

There's also going to be different classes about the treasurer's office and teaching the *Motorcycle Awareness Program*. It's a lot of fun.

Please attend S.T.E.A.M. on February 26, beginning at 9 a.m. at *Chemeketa Community College*, off Lancaster boulevard, in Salem.

Watch for signs, or ask for the theater complex. (I bet our gracious editor has a map in this fine newspaper somewhere.)

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### **Hub City MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *Josephine County*

Happy new year,

Many of our members started the year off by participating in the *Rogue Valley Polar Bear Ride*. Fifteen bikes left *Herb's* in Grants Pass and met up with twenty-eight bikes from Central Point/Medford at the *Rogue River V.F.W.* The *V.F.W.* put on an awesome champagne brunch for us.

The day turned out to be beautiful. It was a crisp 38 degrees, but sunny and mostly dry. I understand that at least a few bikes had to ride through some of the white stuff to get out of their driveways, but for the most part, the roads were dry by the time we got on them.

We had a wonderful Christmas potluck in December.

And our membership seems to be slowly increasing. A few former members have renewed as we continue to contact them and encourage them to return.

Welcome to our new members from Crescent City and Brookings.

Until a new chapter can be established over on the coast, several new members have joined the *Josephine County Chapter*.

Congratulations to all the new and

returning officers. Most of the officers are the same as last year, but we have added a few ones.

2011 Josephine County officers:

**Coordinator** – Pat “Spanky” Allen  
**Vice-coordinator** – Richard Headley  
**Secretary/editor** – Karen Headley  
**Treasurer** – Karen Tolle  
**Membership secretary** – Maryann Bauwens  
**Sgt-at-arms** – Bruce “Doc” Wilson  
**Awareness director** – Pete Zwinkle  
**Chaplain** – Tim Duffy  
**Co-road captain** – Rudy Bauwens  
**Co-road captain** – Richard Headley  
**Historian** – Jackie Kilpatrick  
**State board representative** – Larry Balloy  
**Legislative representative** – Larry Balloy

Offices still open: Quartermaster and product director.

Exact dates for 2011 events should be ready for the next newspaper, but tentatively we are planning the following events for this year:

- May – Southern Oregon swap meet
- August – *Run to the Coast*
- August 19-21 – *S.O.S.* run with *Douglas County Chapter*



- October – Grants Pass toy run
- October – Halloween party with *Jackson County Chapter*

Ride safe.  
See you down the road,

Karen Tolle  
outgoing *JoCo* secretary/editor



With the help of our two road captains, we would also like to have a few “fun” rides this summer. Evening rides to dinner or Sunday rides to lunch. Maybe even some weekday runs if enough people are interested.

As always, you are invited to attend our chapter meeting:

Third Wednesday every month, at the Fruitdale grange on the *Rogue River* highway in Grants Pass at 6:30 p.m.

March, June, September and December we have potlucks.

At other meetings we sometimes have snacks, but we always have coffee and sodas at every meeting.

### **Josephine County MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1830  
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange  
1440 Parkdale Drive  
Grants Pass

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

At our last meeting in December, several things were decided in *Lincoln County Chapter*.

We will have one meeting a month in January, February, and March. The meetings will be held on the the 3rd Tuesday of each month so that reports from the state board meeting will be fresh news.

We will be holding our anniversary party on March 26th at the *American Legion* hall.

It will start off with our traditional *Long John Poker Run* in the morning. Breakfast at 9 a.m.

Registration for the poker run starts at 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Riders leave at 11 a.m.

Join us after the run for winners awards and the party at the hall.

We hope you will join us.

### 2011 Lincoln County Chapter officers:

- Coordinator** – Vince Schweiger
- Vice-coordinator** – Ralph Janes
- Secretary** – Millie Highfill
- Treasurer** – Bob Highfill
- Membership** – Deb Becker
- State representative** – Millie Highfill
- Ways and means** – Tina Wahl and Mona Pulliam
- Sgt-at-arms** – Ian Aylward, Ralph Janes
- Legislative director** – Jack Wingfield
- Education director** – J.G. Groves
- Historian** – Bob Highfill

It has been cool on the coast but a few of us went triking and really enjoyed it. You just need to make sure you get in early.

Keep the rubber side down and the rider up,

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



Lincoln County Chapter - A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

**Long John Poker Run & 29th Anniversary Party**

**Saturday, March 26th**

STARTS AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL – POST #116  
424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT

Breakfast by American Legion Riders @ 9:00a.m. \$5 per person  
Poker Run Sign Ups – 9AM to 10:00AM  
Leave at 11:00AM  
\$5 a hand (multiple hands ok)

**Open to the Public**

JOIN US AFTERWARDS FOR OUR ANNIVERSARY PARTY  
AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL at 424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT

Taco/Burrito Bar Dinner @ 6:00p.m. \$6 per person  
(Adult Beverages Available in Lounge Upstairs)

**Door Prizes and 50/50 Raffle**  
Entertainment Begins at 7pm

**Note date change →**

**Lincoln County**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 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**

Greetings from the north coast, which has been very wet and cold over the last many weeks, unlike the weather I enjoyed vacationing far south of the border over the last three weeks.

With the holidays and vacations over, it's time to get back to chapter business and continue our work to grow our membership, plan our new events, get back into the area schools, explore other opportunities to present the *Motorcycle Awareness Program*, and work toward educating our elected officials as to how we feel about the issues that affect our lives.

Our elected officials are not mind readers. We all must communicate our opinions via phone calls, letters, e-mail, and visits not only to our representatives in Salem but our local officials who have influence in Salem as well.

My appreciation to the *Hub City Chapter* for their work with representative Andy Olson who has developed a draft *Adult Choice Helmet Reform* bill to be introduced

in the upcoming session. As they say in their January 2011 chapter report, this is “huge”. Let's all be sure to rise to the occasion when the “call for action” notices emerge from *BikerPAC* and others to directly contact our representatives in support of this bill.

Reminding everyone that S.T.E.A.M (Seminar to Educate and Motivate) is right around the corner this month, scheduled for February 26th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at *Chemeketa Community College* in Salem. (See the state newspaper for more information.) I wish to strongly encourage all the new chapter officers and members from the ranks to attend this annual informative and stimulating event, which provides great networking opportunities as well.

All the best from the *North Coast Chapter*,

Al Jaques  
chapter coordinator



**North Coast**  
**MEETING TIME and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 1000 ( 10 am )  
*Moose Lodge*  
420 17th Street  
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome  
**POINT of CONTACT**

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Astoria, OR 97103



## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Lower Columbia

Congratulations to our new officers of 2011:

**Coordinator** – Dave Witmer  
**Vice-coordinator** – Donnie Vittetoe  
**Treasurer** – Phil Warnke  
**Secretary** – Cindy Witmer  
**Membership secretary** – Eva Bridges  
**Sgt-at-arms** – Mike Donaldson  
**Vice sgt-at-arms** – Rick Indergard  
**Chaplain** – Gary Dashiell  
**Historian** – Veronna Hendrickson  
**State board representative** – Dewayne Sterba.

As February approaches, we are diligently working on preparing the best crab dinner on this side of the Rockies! This is an opportunity for you to taste the freshest crab around. (It helps that our new vice-coordinator, Donnie Vittetoe, is a crab fisherman.) So come one come all to Clatskanie American Legion hall on February 12th to enjoy it. You can even bring your valentine. Just follow the signs and arrows. Tickets are \$15 before and \$20 at the door.

See you all there.

As the new year has begun, and believing that we as a chapter are an asset to our community, we have looked ahead at what we want to accomplish this year in the way of setting goals.

The most important goal that we see is more member involvement. In the next month, we will be exploring ideas on how we can accomplish the first of many goals to come.

Here in the *LoCo Chapter* we always start our meetings out with the pledge of allegiance and then a moment of silence for our downed brothers/ sisters and our service men and woman.

At our last meeting, our chaplain Gary Dashiell, talked about how in the book of ecclesiastes chapter 3 it is stated that we have a time for everything. In the verses it states that we have a time to mourn and a time to dance.

We on the lower Columbia are in the time of mourning as one of the service men in our community has been killed.

When entering into the area of service whether, it is a branch of the military or as a public defender, they all take an oath.

Ralph Painter, ( the chief of police in the city of Rainer) took his very seriously



as he lost his life protecting and serving the community of which he loved.

We will be taking a moment of silence to honor him at our next meeting. We ask that you do the same.

Dave Witmer  
 coordinator  
 Lower Columbia

**Lower Columbia**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
 Colvin's Pub & Grill  
 123 N. Nehalem  
 Clatskanie, Oregon  
 (near where highway 47 joins 30)  
**POINT of CONTACT**  
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 Clatskanie, OR 97016

[ Discarded slogan: "Give your sweetie crabs for Valentine's Day in Clatskanie". ]

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

**January 4, 2011**  
**Regular Meeting**

We had about ten people at tonight's meeting.

We discussed our recent projects and made out some checks.

Richard invented a new way of doing a 50/50. Ask him to explain it to you. (I can't.)

We also discussed issues from the board of directors meeting and made decisions for chapter response.

The weather has been clear, but it sure is cold.

-- Brian



### Upcoming Meetings

**01 February 2011**

**15 February 2011**

**10th Annual Cherry Festival**  
**Poker Run**  
Sponsored by River City Chapter, ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

ALL RIDERS WELCOME

**Sat. April 9 2011**  
 Sign in at  
**Kmart/Big K**  
 2640 W 6th Street  
 The Dalles, OR

**after the Teddy Bear Parade**  
 Last rider out by 12:30 PM  
 Last call for prizes 3:30 PM

FOR INFORMATION: Call Richard at 541-739-2879 or Email - teresa\_hepker@gorge.net or write to: River City ABATE, PO Box 1422, The Dalles, OR 97058

This event is sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Contributions or gifts to ABATE of Oregon are not tax-deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

Poker run fees will benefit River City Chapter, ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

ABATE of Oregon, Inc. promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

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



**River City**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
 Shiloh Inn  
 The Dalles  
**POINT of CONTACT**  
 Rick Prentice (541)-296-8083  
 Brian Stovall (541)-298-1317  
**CHAPTER ADDRESS:**  
 P.O. Box 1422  
 The Dalles, OR 97058



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

Okay, the January meeting is over. We had twelve people brave the cold weather to sit around the meeting table.

This month we addressed the legislator coming back into session and getting involved at the capitol. We discussed *Black Wednesday* (02 February) and how important it is for people to be there.

Also the fact that S.T.E.A.M. is right around the corner February 26.

We still need help in the form of chapter officers.

The Salem meeting has been moved to the first Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. at *Almost Home Restaurant*. Same place, same time, just a new day.

Above all else have a great ride. And keep warm.

Rick



**Note date change →**

### Salem

#### **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
*Almost Home Restaurant*  
3310 Market Street, Salem

#### **POINTS of CONTACT**

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Salem, OR 97309  
salemchapterabate@earthlink.net

## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Washington County

One month into the year and *Washington County Chapter* is already cooking!

The officers and run committee met to start the year off right. We're planning some great events for the year and look forward to record levels of participation.

The first thing on our calendar is *Black Wednesday* at the state capitol. It's February 2nd, just days away by the time you receive this issue. This is our chance to make a visible impact on our legislators, and show them that we want our voices counted. Our chapter usually meets up with other folks from the Portland area to ride down in a bigger group. Typical meeting place is the rest area near Wilsonville on I-5 south. Check the *WaCo* web site for details.

Coming up quickly is S.T.E.A.M. on February 26 at *Chemeketa Community College* in Salem. I talked a lot about this event in the last issue, but it's worth another plug. It will be a day well worth your time. See the flyer in this issue

for details.

The run committee is hard at work on preparations for our annual birthday party on Saturday, April 2. We'll have live music, dancing, prizes, 50/50, and auction items. This party is always a fantastic time and a great chance to support your chapter. It's a fund-raising event to support all the other things we do during the year.

There you have it, three chances to get up off the couch and actively participate in motorcycling events before the riding season even starts. Don't miss out on these experiences. Show up, visit with friends, let your voice be heard.

It takes all of us doing what we can do to continue to make our organization the best that it can be.

As always, you can find the latest news, contact information, and photos of chapter events at our web site:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow



### Washington County

#### **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1930  
( 7:30 p.m. )  
*Prime Time Restaurant*  
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

#### **POINT of CONTACT**

(503)-643-4725

#### **CHAPTER ADDRESS:**

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Cornelius, OR 97113



# A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Southeast Portland

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### Southeast Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)  
M&M Restaurant & Lounge  
137 N. Main -- Gresham

### POINT of CONTACT

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**S.T.E.A.M.**  
*is coming back*  
(Seminars To Educate/Enhance And Motivate)

**Saturday  
26 February 2011**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Chemeketa Community College  
4000 Lancaster Drive NE  
(at Cooley drive)  
building 3, rooms 18, 19, 20  
Salem, Oregon

I-5 exit 260-B east → Chemawa right → 99-E east → Lancaster left → Cooley

- ♦ Open to all A.B.A.T.E. members
- ♦ Meet folks from all over the state
- ♦ Motorcycle Awareness Program training
- ♦ Legislative information
- ♦ Mandatory fun for chapter treasurers

See you there!  
(By the way, there's no charge for attending.)  
Sponsored by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

**34th Annual Fossil Campout**  
Bear Hollow: May 27 - 30, 2011

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**Mid-Summer All Motorcycle Swap Meet and Bike Show**  
An Indoor/Outdoor Event at the Armory, 10000 NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Drive, Portland, OR  
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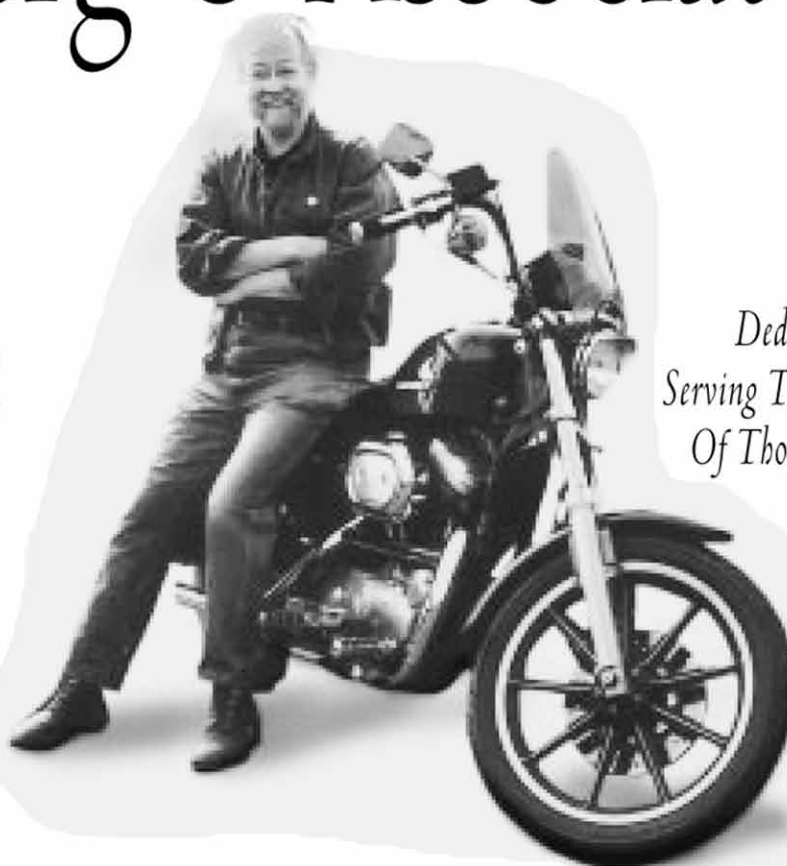
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## Our Officers at Work

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

08 January 2011

*Ciddici's Pizza*  
Albany, Oregon



The meeting was called to order by Ted at 12:15 p.m. with 10 of 12 chapters represented.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

**Guests and first time attendees:** Kevin (*Josephine County Chapter*)

**Reading, approval of minutes:** Motion made by Matt to adopt minutes as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by Millie Highfill. Motion passed.

Excused – *Central Oregon Chapter*.

Absent – *Douglas County* and *Central Oregon* chapters.

**Coordinator's comments:** Ted Tracy is very happy to report of the fantastic response with the chapter officer rosters that have been turned in. This will be a great beginning to the new year ahead. *Jackson County* and *Lower Columbia* rosters to come in soon. Ted will e-mail Don Mason with the legislative officers list by the end of the week.

Ted will be setting up a portable file box containing all chapter secretary reports. He asks that all chapter officers follow up with their chapter secretaries. Please send all reports to Ted Tracy and a copy to Yvonne Sahnaw, state secretary.

Ted would like to remind everyone all chapter treasurers are required to attend S.T.E.A.M.

**Secretary report and correspondence:** Yvonne Sahnaw – Thank you for sending in your new chapter officer rosters.

### \*\*\*\* Officers' Reports \*\*\*\*

**Vice-coordinator (north):** Allan Nichols noted the Corvallis national guard unit was being presented with a presidential unit citation for their part in Iraq. Congratulations!

**Vice-coordinator (south):** Pat "Spanky" reminded everyone to phone in your absence to the coordinator if you will not make the board of directors meeting. Spanky will follow up with *Douglas County* on their attendance issue.

**Vice-coordinator (east):**

< Vacant >

**Treasurer:** Kay Sipple's report reviewed 2010 income and expenses. She reminded everyone that we won't have funds to cover expenses at this pace. Our red ink sits at \$2,847.

Checking account balance is currently \$1,320.00.

*Pay Pal* account has \$932.00.

Our money market account has \$2,1002.96.

*Josephine County's* report was just received this morning.

Kay would like to ask that reports be turned in prior to the board of directors meeting as auditor, Connie, needs the reports to compile and print out her report for the board of directors meeting. Thank you for your cooperation, everyone.

The February board of directors meeting will be the last date to turn in December 2010 copy of bank statements, printed copy of reconciliation report from *Quicken*, and the December thumb drive with the *Quicken* backup.

### ***This is mandatory.***

If a chapter fails to turn in this information, they will be reporting their accounts to the I.R.S. by themselves. *A.B.A.T.E.* cannot and will not pay excess fines for non-compliance. Our not-for-profit status may be in jeopardy at that point.

Kay has been doing research with a couple of bank institutions.

At this time, *Chase Bank* would charge a monthly fee of \$50. This

would take care of *Fossil* once a year as well as membership payments. *Wells Fargo* is charging \$144 per year. Further research is needed to compliment our needs.

**Membership secretary:** Linda Henderson. Membership is continuing to drop. *Douglas County* asked for a list of expired memberships to contact. It was commented that some of elapsed memberships were actual officers. There's also a couple of chapters, *River City* and *Hub City*, who have followed up on expired memberships. Linda gave thanks to them for doing a great job with their sustaining memberships.

Tri-folds and remittance envelopes were discussed. Rot Path volunteered to do the type-setting free of charge, and the board of directors elected plan A with a cost of \$478. Plan A covers tri-folds and remittance envelopes.

**Sanctioning officer:** Matt Price *A.B.A.T.E.* is prepared to submit all sanctioning for the current runs.

**State auditor:** Connie Kintz (Excused) Report reviewed by Kay. *Lincoln County* and *Salem* currently have no vote. *Josephine County* is currently on probation. Everyone else is in good standing.

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path Please have your chapter reports in by the 10th.

Any information submitted for publication needs to be in a universal format.

Now would also be a good time to update any chapter photos for the paper.

*Jackson County* has yet to submit a photo for the paper.

Kay has done a great job with advertisers payments for 2011. Payments received from Sam Hochberg, Richard Lester, Linda J. Smith realtor, *Hogg Brothers*. With her help, we have reduced our monthly costs by half. Again, thank you Kay for a great job.

There will be a map in the next newspaper for the location of the next board of directors' meeting in Clatskanie.

**Legislative director:** Randy Phipps — Opening session information can be found on the state web site.

Discussion on California's vehicle code, section 5201. Key points of this code are: "License plate characters



Yvonne Sahnaw  
state recording secretary

must be displayed upright and from left to right, and rear plates mounted not less than 12 inches nor more than 60 inches from the ground." This will have great impact on old bikes as well as custom built bikes.

**Sergeant-at-arms (north):** Randy Phipps – No report.

**Sergeant-at-arms (south):**

< Vacant >

**Sergeant-at-arms (east):** Jim Middleton – (Absent)

**Products director:** Dave Meeker (Absent) Brian would like to see *A.B.A.T.E.* inventory increase, including some hoodies and large dress shirts. Preferably XL and XXL. He feels this would also be a great source of revenue for *A.B.A.T.E.* Ted will follow up with Dave on ordering new inventory.

**Education director:** Geoff White covered details for S.T.E.A.M. He will be there as soon as the facility is open, between 8 and 9 a.m. Opening session starts at 9 a.m. We will have three classrooms and the use of the hallway. Each session will be approximately one hour long.

Still looking for some facilitators. So far, we have Allan Nichols for the federal portion; Linda, Yvonne, and Rot Path for the secretarial; Ted for leadership; Patricia will have a power point presentation on share the road. Geoff will follow up with Jill Tracy for the education portion, since she is a *Team Oregon* instructor.

There will be a two hour session for the treasurers.

We still need a public relations facilitator as well as a group riding facilitator. Membership facilitator will be Linda with the help of Rot Path.

On the state legislative activity, Heidi has someone for a one hour session. He will cover programming Americans for prosperity and basic

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## A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting — 08 January 2011 (continued)

lobbying by citizens. Geoff will personally take care of his fuel expenses so that he can guarantee his services at no cost to A.B.A.T.E.

If anyone needs hotel accommodations, please see Geoff.

### Public relations director:

< Vacant >

**Fossil coordinator:** Howie Long  
We will have a *Fossil* flier ready within the next two weeks. The A.B.A.T.E. web site will be updated with the new dates. Memorial weekend, May 27, 28 and 29th. We have the county paperwork completed and the ranch papers signed. The new contract will be for five years at \$750 per year.

We need a public relations officer. Anyone interested should see him please. He will be working on saturating the east side of Oregon with promotional information on *Fossil*. Spanky said he would promote the event in northern California and Nevada through his club affiliations.

Security will be handled by Randy and Jim. All chapters are encouraged to volunteer with the security.

Howie will be calling Debra Lutje for assistance with the public relations.

Gene will have a leather coat and tickets available for purchase at our next meeting. Also working on a permanent stage floor.

Allan asked if there would be any recreational vehicle parking, and Gene will have the property across the road, which is less than mile away, ready for RV parking.

**M.R.F. representative:** Allan Nichols — M.R.F. has two events scheduled. The *Best of the West* in Ogden, Utah and *Meeting of the Minds* in September.

He had a "call to action" last Monday, but realized a vote had already passed. He apologizes and will try to do better.

He does have business cards available for anyone interested in one.

At this time, M.R.F.'s focus is getting the word out to Oregon rider enthusiasts.

If your M.R.F. membership has elapsed, please see Allan or Brian for renewal.

**Swap meet coordinator:** John "Wheels" Betts has received all prior

year information from Patricia and all the vendors information as well. Anyone wanting to help with this event would be greatly appreciated. The swap meet will be held July 31st at the Portland armory.

Brian informed Wheels that he did not need permission to get a committee together. Any officer in this organization is empowered to establish around their position a committee to have successful events.

Allan reminded the board that we should have everyone work together for the good of A.B.A.T.E. rather than individual chapters running swap meets. This is one of few events that we run to build our account with.

Spanky said it's common knowledge that the *Southeast Portland Chapter* has way more money than A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and we need our swap meet to operate as an organizational event.

**Historian:** Jennifer Brackman — No report.

**Web page editor:** Trace Ceccacci — (Excused.)

**Quartermaster:** Dwayne Sterba — The generator is ready for *Fossil*.

**BikePAC representative:** Randy Phipps — *Black Wednesday* is February 2nd, room 350 on the third floor. Everyone attending is asked to sign in around 8 a.m. for accurate record of attendance.

Heidi emphasized using the Oregon web site to aid in contacting the state legislature as well as at the federal level.

*BikePAC* will have the ability to coordinate individuals with staff.

**Confederation of Clubs representative (north):** David Hickerson — (Absent.)

**Confederation of Clubs representative (south):** Pat "Spanky" Allen — No report.

### Unfinished Business

- Tabled motion to have 10% tithing go directly into legislative fund failed.
- We still need a public relations director. Please speak to your local chapters for anyone interested in the position.
- Also, a vice-coordinator (east) and sergeant-at-arms (south) are needed for 2011. Anyone

interested, please call Ted Tracy.

### New Business

- Ted spoke on the upcoming swap meet to be held by our *Southeast Portland Chapter* in the spring. Lee Austin withdrew his previous motion. After much discussion, Ted said he would like to see everyone support Wheels with the July state swap meet. A committee should be formed before our next board of directors meeting.
- Motion made by Dwayne (*Lower Columbia*) and seconded by Nic (*Hub City*). Reads: "Raise the tithing from 10% to a 25% for chapter-sanctioned events to increase state funds back to where we need them so we can keep A.B.A.T.E. legislative actions funded." **Motion failed** 8–2.
- Motion made by Gordon (*Washington County*) and seconded by Matt Price (*Hub City*). Reads: "To purchase an M.R.F. banner at a cost of \$75 to be used by the state M.R.F. representative at information booth [for] runs and other events. Banner will remain state property." **Motion passed** with nine in favor.

### Announcements

- Rot Path commented on the political potential of the January newspaper front page. It was good public relations at the capital. Can be used as a tool to get legislators looking at us. Please take a January newspaper with you if you are going to the capital and pass around.
- Geoff White spoke on the *Run 21* event. All A.B.A.T.E. chapters have an opportunity to set up a 10' x 10' vendor booth, at no cost, to be used for chapter fundraiser at the run. Discount tickets will be available for groups of ten or more. A letter will be out soon with more details.
- Nic reminded everyone of *Black Wednesday*, February 2nd. Please wear black. We need to make our presence known.
- Next board of directors meeting will coincide with the *Third Annual Crab Dinner* put on by *Lower Columbia Chapter*. Proceeds to benefit a college scholarship fund

as well as *Lower Columbia Chapter*. Dwayne has tickets available for purchase if anyone is interested. Tickets are \$15 each and \$20 each at the door. Bring your appetites.

- Kevin, of south Oregon, has started a business. He runs a hearse service. If you want a different way to go to your final destination, going old school/rider. Cards are available. Special rates for members of A.B.A.T.E. He is also promoting a wooden baseball cap holder that he makes for \$20. Anyone interested, please see him.

- Vacant positions for 2011 board of directors:

Vice-coordinator (east)  
Public relations director  
Sergeant-at-arms (south)

- Next state board of directors meeting is February 12th at *Colvin's Pub* in Clatskanie, Oregon.

Adjourned at 2:40 p.m.



Isabella (Kay's grand-daughter) acted as runner during the meeting.



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Gate opens 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Prizes given throughout the day (must be present to win)

Admission:  
\$5 = A.B.A.T.E. member  
\$8 = non-member

- Parking in designated areas available on-site
- Motorcycle parking in front of building
- No pets or animals of any kind permitted

Swap meet coordinator: "Wheels"  
vendor information: (971)-285-6523  
e-mail: [SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net](mailto:SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net)

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our web site:  
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

From The ...

## GUNNY'S SACK

The new year is upon us and I'm wondering if we are ready for the challenges we face in the motorcycle world. We are profiled and harassed by police agencies, especially if we wear a patch that denotes us as a member of a club. Society as a whole refuses to recognize most clubs as riding clubs. Instead they would rather call us outlaw bikers. Several of the larger clubs see more of this than others. I wish I had the answers to how to get this Hollywood notion out of the equation.

This year we have licensing provisions that might not be in our best interest. Can we carry our firearms to the gunsmith for repair on our bikes without a concealed carry permit? Can we get our respective states to allow lane splitting like in California? What about mandatory high visibility clothing, and a myriad of other questions that concern us?

How about getting our people involved in the legislative process in our states and maybe as wild as it seems, some of us running for various offices. In Oregon, just getting folks to the state capitol building for biker days is a real chore. In excess of 200,000 licensed motorcycles in this state and maybe 200 folks show up for these events. In all 76 of my years I don't have the answers. If anyone out there does, get a hold of me as fast as you can.

### Newsbits —N—Pieces

**Simulators For Bikers?** — In Great Britain there has been a study that says using motorcycle simulators for training may save lives. Yeah! This may be a good idea. Works for airplane training, so why not for bikes? I spent many hours in aircraft simulators a few years ago, and appreciate the time spent. Made me a lot safer pilot. Maybe some lives can be saved.

The findings of the U.K. study showed that experience on its own does not necessarily make riders safer on the road and in some cases the experienced riders behaved more like the novice riders.

Bikers, your test vehicle awaits.

Those riders who had taken ad-

vanced motorcycle safety training however used better road positioning to anticipate and respond to hazards, kept to urban speed limits, and actually made better progress through bends than the other groups of novice and experienced bikers.

**Motorcycle Safety And Enforcement Training** — The *International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement* and *N.H.T.S.A.* have teamed up to harass motorcyclists even more than before. If you wear colors of a club you are considered an outlaw. They have put together the nastiest mess I have ever seen to keep us under their collective thumbs. It's called the instructor training manual. This thing tells police enforcement folks how to stop so called outlaw bikers and remain safe doing so. To find out more on this abomination check it out at:

<http://www.newyorkfreedomriders.com>

**Oregon** — There are days when a motorcycle commuter smiles when he comes upon a traffic jam. He eases on the throttle and slowly works his way to the front of the jam-up. Of course, those days are during his road trips to California, the only state that allows the controversial practice of "lane-splitting" by motorcyclists.

Back home in Oregon, however, the day may be coming when the state's other 204,800 endorsed motorcycle riders will be able to squeeze through daily gridlock in the same way.

The *Oregon Governor's Advisory Committee for Motorcycle Safety* held a meeting where this was discussed by folks attending, and it was *very* well-attended by a wide variety of riders, many of whom took the opportunity to speak. The committee discussed conducting a study on this, which was later put on hold, with the view that this is a legislative matter. The money that might have used for the study was redirected to motorcycle training.

A new Oregon department of transportation report found that lane-splitting, also known as lane-sharing and filtering, could reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as congestion. Oregon legislators had introduced proposals in 2001 and 2007 to change state statutes to permit lane-splitting. Neither bill made it to the floor. Maybe it's time to try it again, this time with documentary information that makes sense.

**Europe** — Pay attention folks. Anti-lock braking is coming to the U.S.A., sooner or later. According to the *European Transport Safety Council*

(*E.T.S.C.*), the risk of suffering a fatal crash is 18 times greater for motorcyclists than car drivers, assuming the same distance is traveled. The thinking is anti-lock braking would lessen the chances of riders skidding out of control during sudden panic stops.

**New Jersey** — Tiered licensing for motorcyclists has reared its head here and just might wind up on the governor's desk. If it does, he is expected to sign it.

I wonder how many of these folks making such regulations are riders.

New Jersey, keep your eyes open.

**California** — This comes courtesy of the *Biker Republic* news service, at <http://www.bikerrepublic.org>

Apparently several freeway drivers were angered by a highway sign stating "Share the road. Look twice for Motorcyclists."

The prevailing sentiment were complaints.

Motorists actually said it wasn't up to them to keep an eye out for motorcyclists. The message that appeared on electronic freeway signs in San Diego was intended to be innocuous and helpful. Instead, in some people it triggered resentment and even anger.

Motorcyclists told the newspaper that they welcomed the drive-by message campaign. Drivers are less attentive than ever, distracted by cell phones and other electronics, as well as more traditional distractions such as music, food, conversation and rapid lane-changing.

I say *all* motorists are responsible to pay attention to their surroundings, whether in a cage or on a bike.

**North Carolina** — This new regulation says that if you're under 18 years of age, you must take a rider course to get your endorsement. Regulation went into effect January 2011.

**N.H.T.S.A. Recall Notices** — 2010 *Triumph*: Engine oil filter plug/dipstick. Get in touch with your dealer right away and get the defect corrected.

### Gunny Again

Now is the time to start thinking about the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* (*N.C.O.M.*) annual convention.

This year it will be in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The *Hyatt Regency Albuquerque* at 330 Tijeras Avenue



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

N.W. will host this huge event. When making reservations be sure to mention you're with *N.C.O.M.*, for the special room rate of \$80 plus tax.

Make plans now and save up the bucks or get your organization to send ya. Every year this gets bigger than the last.

The seminars and workshops are second to none and the work is intense.

There is so much information that every group should send at least two people so everything can be covered.

In a crash?

Call your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney for help.

Won't cost ya any money up front. Call **1-(800)-531-2424** or 1-(800)-On-A-Bike for the main offices and they will connect ya with the right folks.

Sam Hochberg here in Oregon is at **(503)-224-1106** in Portland.

E-mail him at: [Sambikelaw@aol.com](mailto:Sambikelaw@aol.com)

Find lots more at

<http://www.aimncom.com>

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny  
chief of staff  
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# Political Flying Bikes

## Words, Words, Words . . .

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c.o.e.'s web site: (such as it is) <http://www.otoolevideomagic/RotPath/>

One of the benefits of winter (aside from wearing flannel shirts) is that with the leaves off the deciduous trees, one can see more when out riding or driving. The relationship between one thing to another is easier to see when temporarily revealed during the colder months.

It gives us a different perspective in a world that is often so familiar as to be taken for granted.

Same thing happens if we can change our altitude via hills, mountains, hot air balloons, airplanes, flying cars or bikes. We can see patterns that are hidden to us when we are too close to the surface.

All this is an allegory for the political process.

Every time new people take office, we have the opportunity to educate them about motorcyclists' concerns and issues. Even though politicians often change offices, when we take a long-term look at our efforts, we are providing a growing pool of elected officials who recognize our community and who know who to turn to for information whenever motorcycle issues come before them.

Office holders really appreciate folks who offer potential solutions to problems they point out.

Officials (and crusty ol' editors) tend to be less enthusiastic toward people who just like to whine about

what's wrong or point out mistakes.

We need to be involved at the grassroots level — attending rallies, visiting legislators and their staffs, sitting in on committee meetings, witnessing the legislative process from house or senate galleries. We need to be totally caught up in the close-up process in order to succeed.

Yet, there are times when we need to step back, to look at the overall political patterns and trends so we can decide where our efforts can be most effective.

It's like detailing a bike to a theme. You work up close doing all the fussy little bits, but every once in a while you need to step back to see the overall effect of your efforts.

It's not about looking, it's about seeing.

Not every member or motorcyclist can get to the capitol in Salem to carry on our state educational efforts.

But that doesn't mean they can't be involved.

People at a distance from the capitol can serve as our "eyes in the sky", giving us perspective and recognizing patterns that can't be seen from too close.

They can also inform, educate, and affect their local city councils, planning committees, county commissioners, and elected officials who represent them in Salem, priming the way for others to apply a tricked-out paint job.

. . .  
This issue may mark the beginning of the final year of Rot Path's turn at the helm of the *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* state newspaper.

February begins year ten as crusty ol' editor and that is an embarrassingly long time for anyone in an all volunteer organization to camp on an officer position. Although such a long tenure provides a degree of stability, it runs the risk of the office holder becoming hide-bound and decreases the opportunities for others to participate and share their perspectives.

Back in February of 2002 when Rot Path published his first issue, he wondered if he'd be able to last for a decade without being run out of town figuratively or electronically.

So far the pitchforks and torches have stayed out of sight, though one suspects that they are always close at hand. (It's the virtual tar and feathers that seem to be applied with great enthusiasm.)

The only issue that doesn't contain any mistakes is the next one.

. . .  
Just a reminder for all reports and articles being sent in for publication in the state newsrag . . . er, paper.

You have a quota of one exclamation mark per submission.

Use it wisely!



**Rot Path**  
crusty ol' editor

. . .  
In the middle of this month, both our state and yer crusty ol' editor begin new trips around the sun.

Yep, Oregon and c.o.e. were born on the same day, ninety-one years apart. We share some common traits such as looking a little rough around the edges most mornings and seemingly uncontrollable growth. Meanwhile, only an "H" separates the greying of our air and hair.

### A Word On Words

The words we use affect our attitudes towards situations and consequently, our actions.

One of yer crusty ol' editor's major concerns is the use of the word "accident".

"Accident" indicates that damage, injury, or death was beyond human ability to affect a situation.

This is simply not true in the vast majority of cases.

Most so-called "accidents" are the result of human error by action, inaction, or inattention.

By referring to crashes as "accidents", people are evading responsibility and are not being held accountable for their actions.

This is the opposite of our on-going goals as motorcycle activists.

We need to use the words "crash", "collision", "wreck" and such instead of "accident", then determine what human error caused them. Only then can we concentrate on methods of prevention and accountability that are truly effective.

#### Contacting yer crusty ol' editor:

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[statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net](mailto:statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net)

Mail: *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.*

att. newspaper editor

P.O. box 4504

Portland, Oregon 97208

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

## FEBRUARY Cryptogram

WYZS GVF LSVOE EX AS WTHSB,

VOB QIKYXFYF LIFE AS USDE VWYHS,

XOS LIFE OSHSK...

EIKO [ECSYK] AVQU XO WYZS.

--SWSVOXK KXXFSHSWE


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 skulldruidery.

( Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 21 )

[Sad to say, but yer crusty ol' editor won't be at the February state board meeting.]

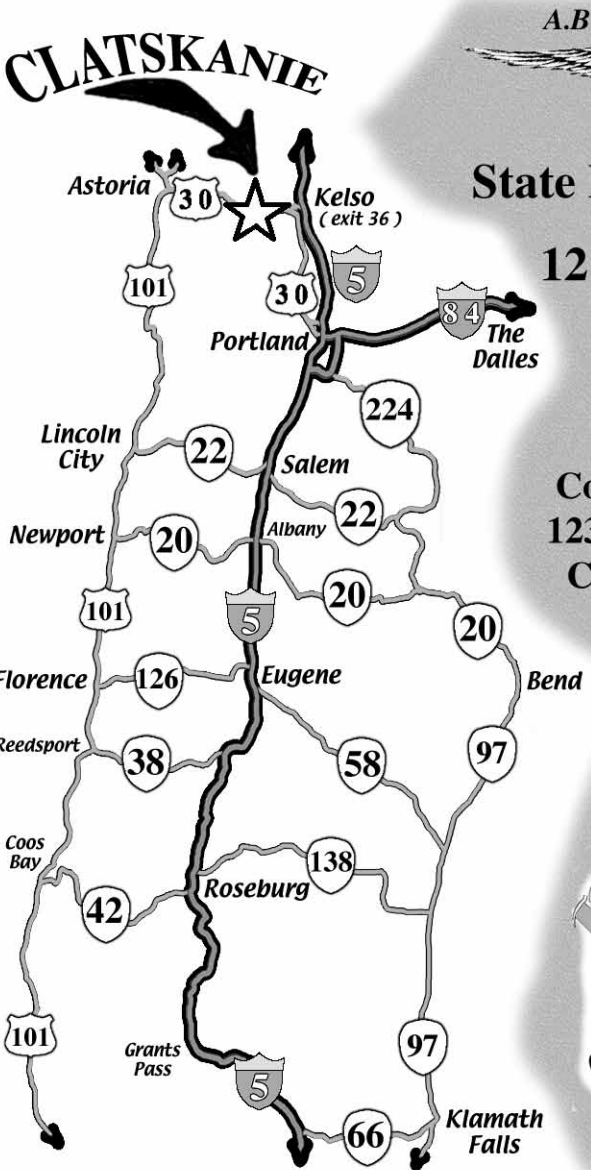

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon



## State Board Meeting

**12 February 2011**  
noon

This month only meeting at  
**Colvin's Pub & Grill**  
123 S. Nehalem Street  
Clatskanie, Oregon  
(503)-308-2059

Lower Columbia A.B.A.T.E.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Crab Dinner

Fund Raiser

February 12<sup>th</sup> 2011 1:00 – 6:00 pm

**Clatskanie American Legion Hall**  
\$15.00 now or \$20.00 at the door  
Call Lori @ 360-430-2508 for tickets, sales end Feb. 9, 2011

50/50 Pot Door Prizes



Menu includes - one whole crab, ear of corn, coleslaw or green salad, French bread, and soft drink or coffee.  
Menu may have substitutions due to availability of seafood.

Sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon Inc.  
Proceeds go to Lower Columbia Chapter of ABATE & College Scholarship fund  
ABATE of Oregon is a not-for-profit organization supporting motorcycle rights and education.  
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon  
Southeast Portland Chapter

## Anniversary Party

Saturday  
**12 March 2011**

7 p.m. until ?  
M&M Restaurant  
137 N. Main  
Gresham, Oregon

LIVE MUSIC DOOR PRIZES

50/50 DRAWING BROOMSTICK POOL



Southeast Portland Chapter

### Canned Food Drive

Saturday, 12 March 2011

- meet at M&M at 10 a.m.
- leave at 11:30 a.m.
- arrive Harbor Lights Mission at noon

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Lincoln County Chapter - A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

## Long John Poker Run

&  
29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party

**Saturday, March 26th**

STARTS AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL – POST #116  
424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT

Breakfast by American Legion Riders @ 9:00a.m. \$5 per person  
Poker Run Sign Ups – 9AM to 10:00AM  
Leave at 11:00AM  
\$5 a hand (multiple hands ok)



# Open to the Public

JOIN US AFTERWARDS FOR OUR ANNIVERSARY PARTY  
AT AMERICAN LEGION HALL at 424 W. OLIVE ST. NEWPORT  
(Adult Beverages Available in Lounge Upstairs)

**Door Prizes and 50/50 Raffle**  
**Entertainment Begins at 7pm**

FOR MORE INFO:  
Ralph: 541-265-6850  
Bob: 541-265-7586-3533  
Randy: 541-563-5501

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**S.T.E.A.M.**  
*is coming back*  
(Seminars To Educate/Enthuse And Motivate)

**Saturday**  
**26 February 2011**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Chemeketa Community College**  
**4000 Lancaster Drive NE**  
(at Cooley drive)  
**building 3, rooms 18, 19, 20**  
**Salem, Oregon**

I-5 exit 260-B  $\xrightarrow{\text{east}}$  Chemawa  $\xrightarrow{\text{right}}$  99-E  $\xrightarrow{\text{left}}$  Lancaster  $\xrightarrow{\text{left}}$  Cooley

- Open to all A.B.A.T.E. members
- Meet folks from all over the state
- Motorcycle Awareness Program training
- Legislative information
- Mandatory fun for chapter treasurers

*See you there!*  
(By the way, there's no charge for attending)

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**S.T.E.A.M.**  
**26 February 2011**  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FREE! FREE!

➤ Open to all A.B.A.T.E. members

**from the north**  
I-5 exit 260-B

**from the south**  
I-5 exit 256  
R → Market  
L → Lancaster  
R → Cooley

GPS coordinates:  
44° 58' 46.54" N  
122° 58' 39.35" W

exit 256 Market Street

### Salem Lodging for S.T.E.A.M.-2011

(pricing does *not* include discounts such as AAA, AARP, or seniors)

**Near the Market street exit on I-5 :**

<p><b>Best Western Black Bear Inn</b> 1600 Motor Court Northeast (SE of Market &amp; I-5) (503) 581-1559 Rates start at \$69 plus tax</p> <p><b>Comfort Inn and Suites</b> 1775 Freeway Court (NW of Market &amp; I-5) (503)-588-0515 Rates start at \$85 plus tax</p> <p><b>Cozy Inn and Suites</b> 1875 N.E. Fisher Road (NE of Market &amp; I-5) (503)-588-5423 Rates start at \$50 plus tax</p> <p><b>Holiday Lodge</b> 1400 Hawthorne Avenue Northeast (SW of Market &amp; I-5) (503) 585-2323</p> <p><b>Motel 6</b> 1401 Hawthorne Avenue (SW of Market &amp; I-5) (503)-371-8026 Rates start at \$43.99 plus tax</p> <p><b>Phoenix Inn and Suites</b> 1590 Weston Court N.E. (SW of Market &amp; I-5) (888)-239-9593 Rates start at \$99 plus tax</p> <p><b>Red Lion Inn</b> 3301 Market Street Northeast (NW of Market &amp; I-5) (503) 370-7888 Rates start at \$99 plus tax</p>	<p><b>Shilo Inn Suites</b> 3304 Market Street Northeast (SW of Market &amp; I-5) (503) 581-4001 Rates start at \$70-\$90 plus tax</p> <p><b>Super 8 Motel</b> 1288 Hawthorne N.E. (SW of Market &amp; I-5) (503)-370-8888 Rates start at \$54.99 plus tax</p>
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**Near the highway 99E exit on I-5 :**

<p><b>Roadway Inn</b> 3340 Astoria Way N.E. (503)-393-6000 Rates start at \$49.99 plus tax</p>
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**Other Salem areas :**

<p><b>Crossland Economy Studios</b> 3535 Fisher Road N.E. (near Harley dealer) (503)-363-7557 Rates start at \$40 plus tax</p> <p><b>Howard Johnson</b> 2250 Mission St. (503)-375-7710 Rates start at \$52 plus tax</p> <p><b>Travel Lodge</b> 1555 State Street (3 blocks from capitol) (503)-581-2466 Rates start at \$55 plus tax</p>	<p><b>Cozy Inn</b></p> <p><b>Red Lion Inn</b></p> <p><b>Comfort Inn</b></p> <p><b>Shilo Inn</b></p> <p><b>Motel 6</b></p> <p><b>Holiday Lodge</b></p> <p><b>Super 8</b></p>
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-- compiled by Geoff White and Rot Path

### Salem motels for S.T.E.A.M.

to Chemeketa Community College

MARKET STREET

exit 256

MARKET STREET

LANCASTER DRIVE-NE

**WASHINGTON COUNTY  
ABATE  
OF OREGON  
7<sup>th</sup>  
ANNUAL  
BIRTHDAY PARTY**

**SAVE THE DATE  
APRIL  
2<sup>nd</sup>  
HILLSBORO ELKS LODGE  
21865 NW QUATAMA RD**

THIS FLYER WILL BE UPDATED AS MORE INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. DETAILS FOR THIS EVENT ARE BEING PERFECTED FOR MAXIMUM ENJOYMENT.

FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT OUR RUN COORDINATOR AT:  
RUNCOORDINATOR@WACOABATE.INFO  
WWW.WACOABATE.INFO

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# 10th Annual Cherry Festival Poker Run

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

ALL RIDERS WELCOME

**Sat. April 9  
2011**

Sign in at  
**Kmart/Big K**  
2640 W 6th Street  
The Dalles, OR

**after the Teddy Bear Parade**

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

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

FOR INFORMATION: Call Richard at 541-739-2879 or Email - [teresa\\_hepker@gorge.net](mailto:teresa_hepker@gorge.net) or write to: River City ABATE, PO Box 1422, The Dalles, OR 97058

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Poker run fees will benefit River City Chapter, ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

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

## 34th Annual Fossil Campout

Bear Hollow: May 27 – 30, 2011

Live Music Friday, Saturday & Sunday Night!  
Bands- Hogfat, Megan James Band and more.  
**Bike Rodeo & Bike Show! Tattoo Contest!  
Scavenger Hunt! Poker Run! Vendors!**

Advance Tickets: Members \$30, Non-Members \$35. At the Gate: Members \$35, Non-Members \$40  
Day Passes Member \$15 Non-member \$20 at gate  
On-line ticket sales at:  
<http://www.fossilcampout.com>  
Gates open @ Noon on Friday

For more information Contact Howie Long (503)791-2862  
**Special thanks to Stewart Leathers**

Due to space limitations only groups of TEN or more (excluding vendors) will be allowed one support vehicle of no more than 20 feet in length

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

Dedicated to Freedom of the Road

## Mid-Summer All Motorcycle Swap Meet and Bike Show

An Indoor/Outdoor Event at the Armory, 10000 NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Drive, Portland, OR

**Sunday, 31 July 2011**  
Gate opens 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission:  
\$5 = A.B.A.T.E. member  
\$8 = non-member

**Prizes given throughout the day**  
(must be present to win)

- Parking in designated areas available on-site
- Motorcycle parking in front of building
- No pets or animals of any kind permitted

Swap meet coordinator : "Wheels"  
vendor information : (971)-285-6523  
e-mail : [SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net](mailto:SwapMeet@abateoforegon.net)

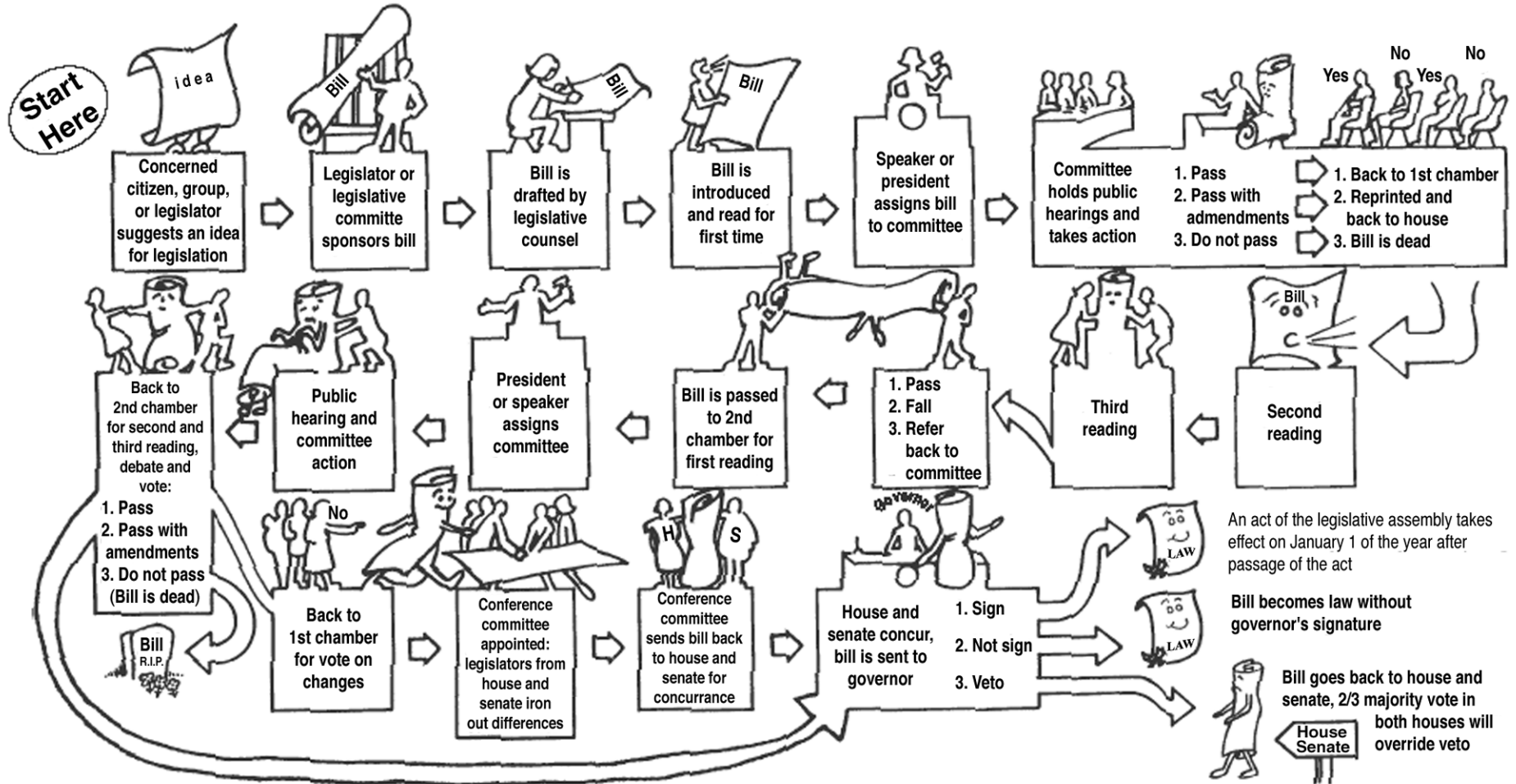
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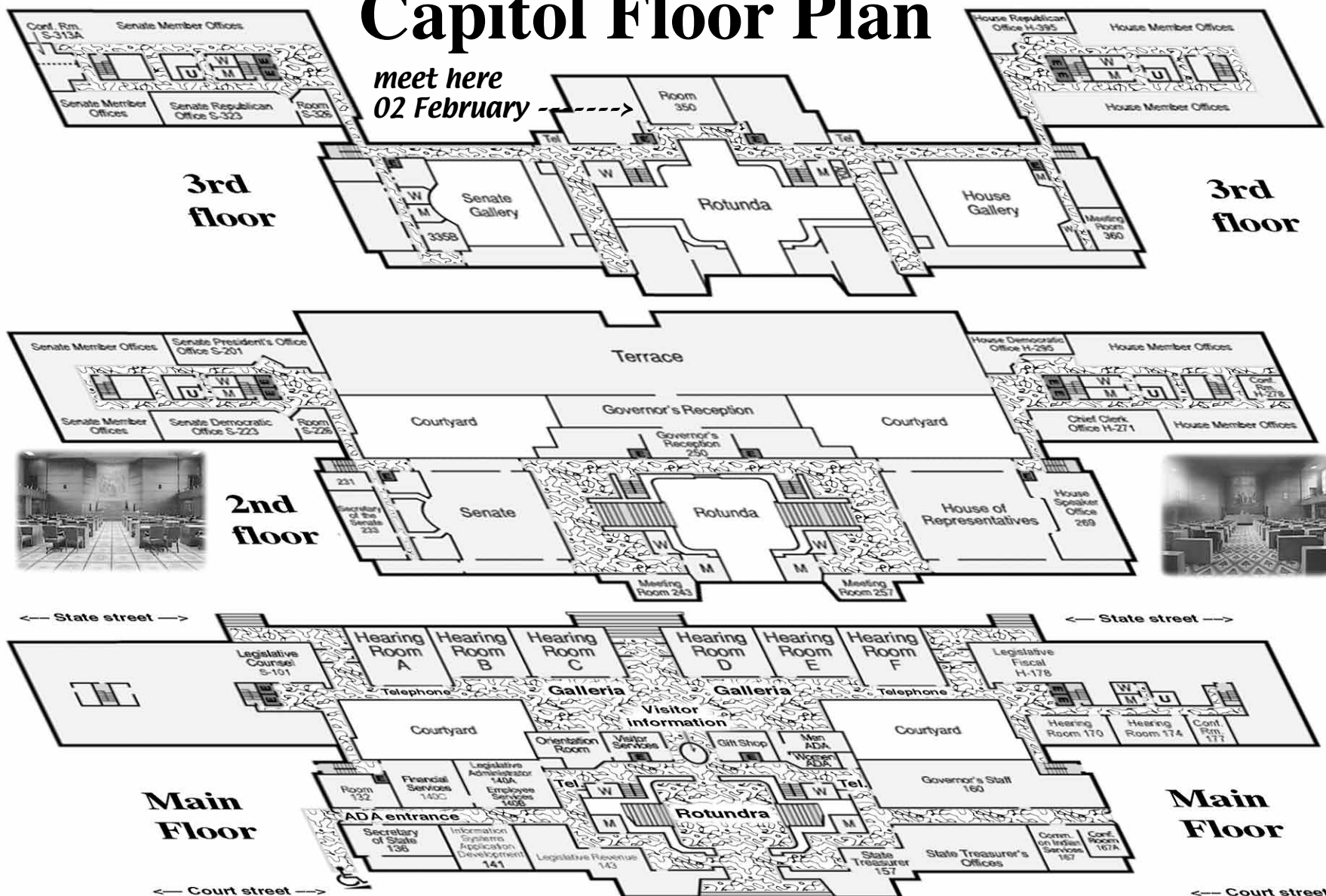
# How An Idea Becomes Law

*A Simple View of the Oregon Legislative Process*



## Capitol Floor Plan

meet here  
02 February



## Time To Act

Last month in the *A.B.A.T.E.* state newspaper I read several requests for people to contact their legislators.

By the time this article is printed, the legislature will be in full swing and *Black Wednesday* will be upon us.

I want to empower you, Oregon motorcyclists, to act legislatively.

That means to tell your legislator what *you* want.

We have to be in charge of motorcycling in our state.

We have to get good motorcycle legislation passed and bad motorcycle legislation stopped.

It is *BikePAC's* responsibility to track the legislation and everyone's responsibility to stay informed, then act.

We can do that through using *A.B.A.T.E.* and the various chapter web sites, publications, blogs, and A.B.A.T.E. meetings.

Getting good legislation through will take a collective effort of Oregon motorcyclists. I know many of you think one person can't make a difference, but you are dead wrong.

When a legislator gets as little as six messages on a subject, he/she starts paying attention.

Six.

We have had 300 to 500 hundred motorcyclists show up for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*.

We can make a difference and here is how.

Contact your legislator.

They listen to their constituents. Every legislator's web-page states that they welcome ideas, comments, and questions.

Go to

<http://www.leg.state.or.us> to find your representative and your senator, read about

who they are, then contact them. (You are their boss, after all. They are suppose to represent you.) Part of your responsibility is to educate them on motorcycling issues. They can't really understand our concerns if they haven't been out on Oregon highways on motorcycles or heard first hand from a motorcycling constituent. If you are in their district, that makes you, the voter, their constituent. You vote them in or out of office.

The following are specific steps that I want you to use in contacting your legislator.

1. Get an appointment. Call right now.

Search the Oregon legislature website, following the directions to find your legislators.

Federal legislators will appear first.

Scroll down to state legislators. State senators are followed by your state representative.

The first things you will see are phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and web site information. Write down the phone numbers and e-mail address of both, then go read about your legislators. It's usually a one page biography. Some actually ride.

When you make contact with your legislators office, tell them you are a constituent and you would like to meet your legislators in person. You'll have two people to meet one in the house and one in the senate. (They are on opposite sides of the capitol building, so be prepared for a hike.)

2. If you can't get an appointment for February 2, make it for another day and just go meet them. Perhaps you could share with your legislator one personal experience that you have had on the highways.

3. E-mail your legislator if you are more comfortable with that. They will respond.

4. Contact the following house members of the transportation and economic development committee:

Patrick Sheehan	[R-51]
(503)-986-1451	
Damascus-Estacada	
Shawn Lindsay	[R-30]
(503)-986-1430	N
Hillsboro	
Nancy Nathanson	[D-13]
(503)-986-1423	N. Eugene
Jim Weidner	[R-24]
(503)-986-1424	
McMinnville	
Brad Witt	[D-31]
(503)-986-1431	Astoria-
Scappoose	
Cliff Bentz	[R-60]
(503)-986-1460	Ontario
Tobias Read	[D-37]
(503)-986-1437	Beaverton
E Terry Beyer	[D-12]
(503)-986-1412	N
Springfield	

Bentz and Read will share the chair

Beyer and Sheehan will share the vice-chair

These members of the Oregon house hear most motorcycling issues first. If we tell our legislators to contact them in regards to a specific issue, they will. I know, both my senator and my representative pledged their support for my issue, the



Heidi Disrud

legislative director  
Oregon BikePAC

“helmet bill”. I was sent a copy of the letter my representative wrote to the chair of the transportation committee requesting to have our idea heard.

Guys, it works.

And the more pressure we apply politically, the better it works.

So look for legislative alerts, make a phone call or two, write, come to the capitol. We will get the job done for our sake.

Try it you won't be sorry.

Heidi Disrud  
legislative director  
*BikePAC of Oregon*  
heidi@midvalleycycles.com



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News &amp; Notes

American Motorcyclist Association

**California** — A new state regulation makes possession of motorcycle theft tools illegal. Assembly bill 1848, sponsored by assemblyperson Martin Garrick (R-Solana Beach), targets so-called “pigtailed”, which are homemade ignitions that can allow a crook to start a motorcycle in as little as 20 seconds. As of 01 January 2011, possessing such a device will be a misdemeanor, and anyone caught with one could get up to six months in jail and be fined \$1,000.

Previously state regulations banned the possession of burglar tools such as “slim jims,” shaved keys, or bolt cutters, if police enforcement could establish the intent to use them to break into or steal a car, truck, or S.U.V., but not a motorcycle.

**Scotts Valley, California** — The Scotts Valley police department became the first enforcement agency in California to accept delivery of a *Zero DS* electric motorcycle to assist in local patrols and traffic enforcement. The acquisition serves as a benchmark for evaluating the performance capabilities of the electric motorcycles in policing enforcement situations, such as responding through traffic and on local bike trails.

**Idaho** — The *U.S. Forest Service* is seeking road user input regarding shared use.

**Salmon-Challis National Forest** officials are seeking input on whether to close high-use, high-speed forest roads to O.H.V. riders for safety and liability reasons, or adopt alternatives such as public education, post warning signs, or widening roads.

The *Forest Service* is seeking public comments via a posting on its web site on how to prevent or reduce the risk of crashes on heavily traveled forest roads.

Since 2009, when the Idaho legislature eliminated a provision in Idaho highway code requiring O.H.V. riders to carry a driver's license, the *Forest Service* has been discussing ways to avoid crashes between young, inexperienced A.T.V. riders and other vehicles.

Forest officials are backing away from restrictions such as closing roads to O.H.V. riders and leaning heavily toward public education, including putting up “Share the Road” signs on high-traffic roads of concern such as the *Custer Motorway*.

**Indianapolis, Indiana** — Senate bill 108, sponsored by senator Edward Charbonneau (R-Valparaiso), would permit the purchase, sale, or trade of motorcycles on Sunday. Currently, it is a class B misdemeanor to do so.

**Frankfort, Kentucky** — House bill 163, sponsored by representative Jim Wayne (D-Louisville), would require all motorcycle operators and passengers to wear approved protective headgear, in the manner prescribed by the secretary of the transportation cabinet, at all times that the vehicle is in motion.

**Lincoln, Nebraska** — Legislative bill 52, sponsored by senator Bob Krist (NP-Omaha), would permit adults (those over 15 but less than 21 years-of-age) and with satisfactory completion of a motorcycle safety course to make their own decision regarding motorcycle helmet use. Satisfactory completion would require compliance with the relevant regulations under the *Motorcycle Safety Education Act*. Qualified motorcyclists would be required to carry a “helmet not required” label on their class M operator's license or under the class M endorsement on their operator's license.

The bill also requires eye protection for all motorcycle operators and passengers in the form of glasses that cover the orbital region of a person's face, a protective face shield attached to a protective helmet, goggles, or a windshield on the motorcycle that protects the operator's and passengers horizontal line of vision in all operating positions.

**Jackson, Mississippi** — House bill 311, sponsored by representative Rita Martinson (R-Madison), would require the department of public safety to establish and operate a motorcycle safety and operator training program. An additional \$5 annual highway privilege tax on each motorcycle and an additional

\$1 fee on each temporary motorcycle operator's permit would provide partial funding for the program.

If enacted, the bill would exempt first-time applicants for a motorcycle endorsement or a restricted motorcycle operator's license from the written and skill tests if they provide a certificate showing successful completion of a course.

Also, house bill 253, sponsored by representative Larry Byrd (R-Petal), would authorize the issuance of special motorcycle license plates for recipients of the purple heart medal.

**Las Vegas, Nevada** — The metropolitan police department recently unveiled seven electric motorcycles at its convention center area command. The motorcycles were donated by the *Consumer Electronics Association* and are nearly silent with a top speed of 62 mph. Police said officers have pushed them to 65 mph. The motorcycles are not intended for high-speed chases but will be used where they're most effective: on “the strip”, one of the most congested areas in the valley.

**Albuquerque, New Mexico** — The *New Mexico Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance (N.M.O.H.V.A.)* has won their appeal of the recent travel management plan decision for the Mountainair ranger district of *Cibola National Forest*. The recent notice, sent by the southwestern region office, announced the reversal of the decision because the Mountainair range district's travel management environmental assessment didn't disclose effects to forest-wide trends for habitats and populations in a consistent manner.

The Mountainair range's decision would have removed 253 miles of existing roads from public use. The decision also would have severely limited where the public could enjoy motorized camping by limiting dispersed motorized camping to less than 24 miles of camping corridors.

*N.M.O.H.V.A.* has been directly involved with the forest service's travel management planning process across all New Mexico forests to ensure appropriate access and

motorized recreation opportunities are preserved and promoted. *N.M.O.H.V.A.* provided formal input to the Mountainair ranger district travel management process during scoping and provided written comments on the draft environmental assessment. When the decision ignored these comments, *N.M.O.H.V.A.* exercised their right to appeal.

Visit <http://www.NMOHVA.org> for more information.

**Albany, New York** — Assembly bill 135, sponsored by assemblyperson Rory Lancman (D-Fresh Meadows) would require the inspection and sound-level testing of all motorcycle exhaust systems during the New York state vehicle inspection process. A motorcycle would have to comply with the sound level provisions established in section 386 of the vehicle and traffic regulation in order to pass the inspection and receive a validation sticker.

**North Carolina** — A new regulation requires anyone under 18 who applies for a motorcycle license in North Carolina to pass a safety class. The course, which is also required for those seeking a learner's permit or motorcycle endorsement, must be taught by the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation* or the *North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Education Program*.

The new regulation also says that a person less than 18 years of age may not ride a motorcycle with a passenger.

In addition, the regulation closes a loophole that allowed motorcyclists to receive an 18-month permit and renew it indefinitely. This allowed them to hit the road after simply passing a vision test, a highway sign test, and a written motorcycle knowledge test.



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

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# N.H.T.S.A. Still Pushing Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints Nationwide

The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* has ignored congressional requests to halt or delay a plan to implement and fund motorcycle-only checkpoints nationwide.

The first federally-funded checkpoints, dubbed "roadside motorcycle safety checkpoints," will be launched by the Georgia department of public safety, via a *N.H.T.S.A.* grant to the Georgia state patrol. *N.H.T.S.A.* has implemented the checkpoint funding plan despite being asked by members of congress not to fund the program until the merits were explained.

*N.H.T.S.A.* has requested applications from policing agencies across the country to conduct "safety checks" that specifically target motorcyclists to pull aside for a lengthy inspection of their vehicle, equipment, and paperwork.

The New York state police have been conducting motorcycle-only checkpoints since 2007, often targeting major motorcycle events such as *Americade*. Seeking a legal remedy to stop the constitutionally questionable roadblocks, *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney Mitchell Proner of New York city has filed a class action lawsuit against the N.Y.S.P. and New York state on behalf of *A.B.A.T.E. of New York* and the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*

Proner believes the federal court will agree that the stops are designed primarily for policing purposes as opposed to public safety purposes. "Rather than promoting any legitimate public safety concern, the checkpoints are intended to harass and intimidate motorcyclists attempting to attend motorcycle events, thereby depriving them of their first amendment right to freedom of assembly as well as their fourth, fifth and fourteenth amendment rights to due process, equal protection and freedom from

*unreasonable searches and seizures."*

## Rider Training Trumps Riding Experience

A new study utilizing a motorcycle simulator has found that formal advanced training is better than the school of hard knocks regarding how a rider reacts to emergency situations on the road.

A *Triumph* mounted on a custom rig designed and built at the *University of Nottingham's Centre for Motorcycle Ergonomics and Rider Human Factors* in England was used to investigate the attitudes, behaviors, and skills of different types of riders according to their level of experience and training, with simulation software projecting different riding scenarios onto a large screen in front of the rider.

Three groups: novice, experienced, and those who had taken advanced motorcycle training, were put through identical scenarios on the simulator as well as other tasks in the laboratory to test aspects of their hazard perception and behavior.

The researchers discovered that experience on its own does not necessarily make riders safer on the road, while those riders who had taken advanced motorcycle safety training used better road positioning to anticipate and respond to hazards, kept to urban speed limits, and actually made better progress through bends than the other groups of novice and experienced bikers.

"This is one of the most in-depth studies of its kind ever conducted," said Dr. Alex Stedmon from the *Human Factors Research Group*. "Whilst experience seems to help develop rider skills to an extent, advanced training appears to develop deeper levels of awareness, perception and responsibility," Stedmon noted. "It also appears to make riders better urban riders and quicker, smoother,



and safer riders in rural settings."

## N.T.S.B. Calls For States To Require Helmets

The *National Transportation Safety Board* stated on Tuesday, November 19, that all states should require riders to wear federally approved helmets.

Christopher A. Hart, the *N.T.S.B.*'s vice chairman, called motorcycle crashes "a public health issue." and said that helmet regulations have been added for the first time to the *N.T.S.B.*'s "most wanted list" of safety improvement priorities. The list is considered a powerful tool by which the *N.T.S.B.* forces legislative change.

But highway safety regulations are largely left up to the states, which have been increasingly resistant to many federal recommendations, and the transportation agency's appeal comes at a time when motorcycle deaths have actually been on the decrease since 2009.

This is not the first time there has been federal pressure exerted on states to pass helmet requirements. In the late 1960s, congress threatened to withhold highway funding for states failing to adopt universal helmet requirements, and within a few years almost every state had a helmet mandate.

But by the late 1970s, political resistance and pressure from motorcycle groups convinced congress to break the link between motorcycle requirements and federal highway funds, and over half the states repealed their helmet requirements.

In 1991, congress decided to try again, offering safety grants to states that enforced helmet and seatbelt requirements. States that didn't enforce such legislation had three percent of their federal highway money redirected to their highway safety programs. Still, only two states re-instituted helmet requirements and by 1995 the federal effort was again overturned and five more states soon repealed their helmet requirements.

Today, only 20 states require all



riders to wear helmets, and last year more state legislatures considered legislation to repeal helmet requirements than to enact them.

Forcing states to implement safety regulations is not territory the safety board wants to enter, according to Steve Blackstone, *N.T.S.B.*'s state and local government relations specialist, who said "We are not prescriptive. We cannot mandate implementation."

But on the same day as the *N.T.S.B.* proclamation, the insurance industry advocacy group *Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety* called upon congress to observe the *N.T.S.B.* recommendation and "enact federal legislation that would result in all states adopting all-rider helmet use requirements."

## New Jersey Establishes Stringent Guidelines For New Riders

A measure sponsored by senator Nicholas J. Sacco, chairman of the senate transportation committee, which would establish safety guidelines for new motorcycle riders in the *Garden State* was approved by the assembly recently by a vote of 67-7.

The bill, S-736, would enact several motorcycle safety regulations, including a tiered licensing provision. Under the bill, if a person is issued a motorcycle license for a vehicle with a smaller-size engine (less than 231 cubic centimeters) they would be legally prohibited from operating a motorcycle with an engine displacement of more than 500 cc. Senator Sacco said that this provision would ensure that new motorcycle riders are restricted from operating vehicles with engines that are too powerful for that driver's skill level.

Among other provisions, the bill would also require all applicants under the age of 18 to complete a motorcycle safety program as a condition for licensure or endorsement.

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## N.C.O.M. (continued)

The bill was approved by the senate by a vote of 31-3 on August 23, but must be returned to consider assembly amendments which were largely technical in nature. If approved in the senate, it would head to the governor to be signed into effect.

### Motorcycle Sales Down, Ridership Up

Motorcycle sales continue to be hard hit, despite the declared end to the recession, but according to the *Motorcycle Industry Council* there are other indicators that point to a brighter future for the two-wheel industry.

Although year-to-date market data reveals an 18.3% drop in new unit sales, tire sales are up 6.6% in 2010 versus 2009, indicating motorcyclists are still enthusiastic about the sport and riding.

In addition, motorcycle miles traveled increased by "approximately 5% last year, some 1.3 billion more miles than in 2008," according to the *M.I.C.'s* 2009 motorcycle owner survey.

"In many ways, we are better poised for a comeback than ever," said Ty van Hooydonk, communications director for the council.

### China Becomes World's Largest Motorcycle Producer

China has now overtaken Japan as the largest producer of motorcycles in the world. Yearly, 50 million motorcycles are produced worldwide, and China now produces at least 27.5 million of that figure or a little more than 50% of the total world production. China has already taken over the top spot in world automobile production by producing more cars than Japan and the U.S. combined.

Interestingly, some historic American companies like *Harley-Davidson* are moving ahead for plans to produce motorcycles in China, but whether they will be exported to the U.S. or simply sold in this Asian market is not quite known yet.

The city of Chongqing has become China's motorcycle production center, with more than 10 million motorcycles a year coming out of

this modern city alone. In fact, four of five of the largest Chinese motorcycle brands that produce over one million units a year come out of this city. China has more than 130 motorcycle brands.

Expect to see more powerful and modern motorcycles coming from China as this nation seeks to become the largest and most powerful economy in the world.

### Older Bikers Have More Sex

"Older single bikers are putting down more miles than their married counterparts, if you know what we mean," reported <http://www.clutchandchrome.com> about a recently released *A.A.R.P.* sex survey. Although the study wasn't specifically aimed at motorcycle enthusiasts, with a large part of riding demographics firmly in the age bracket surveyed, the study can make riders look at each other in a slightly different light.

Aside from older riders having more sex than may be generally considered [average], results from the *A.A.R.P.* sex survey, *Sex, Romance, and Relationships: A.A.R.P. Survey of Midlife and Older Adults*, also contradicted popular opinion with singles age 45+ showing a higher satisfaction rate and having more sex than married couples in the same age group.

But some stereotypes rang true in the *A.A.R.P.* study, such as which sex made sex a priority. Men are more than five times as likely as women with 45% versus 8% to say they think of sex once or more every day,

and men also rank sex higher on the list of what makes for a high quality of life.

And if any further correlation needed to be drawn between the *A.A.R.P.* study and motorcycle enthusiasts, the final conclusion seems to draw a pretty solid line. Just as with riding, the largest predictor of sexual satisfaction is the number of times, or the frequency a respondent gets in the saddle. The number of people who consider themselves satisfied rockets to 84% if they "ride" more than once a week while the number falls to 59% for those who only "hit the road" twice a month.

### Weird News Head Games

In Lagos, Nigeria, motorcycle taxis called "okada" are so dangerous that local hospitals have special orthopedic wards meant just for people who have suffered crashes while riding them. So you'd think a regulation requiring passengers to wear helmets would be welcomed.

But it turns out that, for many Nigerians, the only thing scarier than a motorcycle taxi is a motorcycle helmet. Many people refuse to wear them out of fear of juju, or supernatural powers. Some fret that previous passengers may have put nefarious juju spells on the helmets to steal someone's good fortune, or to make a person disappear in order to be used in a sacred ritual.

"Our people are quite superstitious about anything dealing with their head," says Ralph Ibuzo, who created the *Original Lapa Guard*, a

cloth cap that he claims can protect wearers from disease and sudden disappearance. "People believe that if you put on a helmet, [others] can take away your brain, or your good luck," he told the *Wall Street Journal*, so the hygienic cap provides a thin layer of separation between the head and a helmet full of potential trouble.

Aside from preventing paranormal paranoia, Mr. Ibuzo also has legality on his side as this sub-Saharan city enacted a traffic regulation last year that requires okada passengers to don helmets. But despite efforts at enforcement by city officials and traffic police, most passengers refuse to wear them out of concern about juju, widely feared throughout west Africa.

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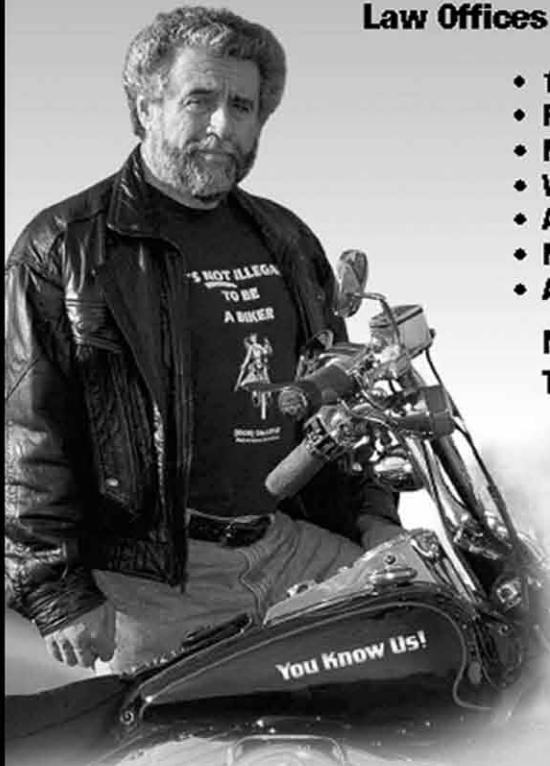
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Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Lincoln County area (updated September 2007)**

Ralph, Wanda Janes	(541)-265-6850	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joe & Ruth	(541)-563-3711	central coast	X	X		X	X	X	X
Bob & Millie	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Walt Young	(541)-336-9550	central coast	X	X	X		X		
Ed & Laura	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X					X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast	X		X	X	X	X	

**North Coast area**

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

Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X				
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X				
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X	X	
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X				
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence				X	X		
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton				X			

**South Coast area**

Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X		
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X	X	
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X	
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X	
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point					X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay					X		

**Portland area**

Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie	X	X	X		X	X	X
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X		X

**Is Your Road List Entry Correct?**

Please call  
**(503)-838-6893**  
if your information changes.

name: \_\_\_\_\_ phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ location: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Portland area (continued)**

Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X		X	X
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X		X
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X		X
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland			X		X	X	

**Southern Oregon area**

Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X			X	X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Washington County area**

Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rich, Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625		X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Willamette Valley area**

Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X				X		X
Michael Boggs	(541)-367-9728		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X		X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X				
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod Hatter	(541)-744-2494	Springfield	X			X	X		X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X				X		X
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/s Corvalli	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X		X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X			X			X
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X				X		X

**other areas**

Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways**

Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your **local** community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified. Ensure that you have the names of the streets or roads and give accurate information about the safety problem.

Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>



## Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**



1997 custom built softail. Former Katrina victim. Hidden belt primary, Vance & Hines pro pipe exhaust, electric air horn, custom headlight, powder coated frame. Too many new parts to list. **\$8,000** or best offer. (Much more invested but have new Heritage and wife says one must go.) Pictures available. Was at last Hub City Mall Show. Call Nic at (541)-223-3827 or e-mail to: [nic\\_oliver@peak.org](mailto:nic_oliver@peak.org)

(Mar 2011)

**For Sale**

One pair F78/14 studded snow tires mounted on Ford five hole passenger car wheels. Fits early Mustang or Mercury Cougar. Used one short period of time. Very good rubber with plenty of studs. **\$30** or best offer. Call (503)-257-7390, leave message. Thank you.

(Apr 2011)

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To first million Oregon A.B.A.T.E. members. Your Oregon A.B.A.T.E. membership lets you reach hundreds potential buyers for three months, all for the measly price of ... free. That's right, member classified ads are one more perk of belonging to A.B.A.T.E. So use the application inside the rear cover. Phone/FAX your ad to: (503)-838-6893 E-mail to: [statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net](mailto:statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net)

**For Sale**



2009 Harley-Davidson Electra Glide Classic 17,400 miles **\$15,500** ( Blue book = \$18,200 )  
Cruise control, performance exhaust, stage 1 upgrade, trailer hitch, wind deflectors, trunk rack, new ME880 rear tire. Serviced with Amsoil synthetic. I have all service records. Factory warranty until May 28, 2011.  
Richard Headley (541)-234-4212 or (541)-660-1158

( March 2011 )

**Found**

Chance to talk with other members of A.B.A.T.E. from throughout the state at S.T.E.A.M. on Saturday, 26 February 2011. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Chemeketa Community College, building 3 in Salem. And it's free.

**Employment Wanted**

Unemployed (just like everybody else) heavy equipment operator. Hustling, odd jobs. Got any scrap metal laying around? Portland area.

Arthur West (503)-351-5054

Teamster driver looking for union driving job. (503)-282-6285



<http://teamoregon.orst.edu/>

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### HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. 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

The form can be filled out on-line at: <http://www.abateoforegon-se.org/stopreportforma.html>

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_





(Return address )

**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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Membership Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Members in Same Household:

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

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

Please send completed application to:

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

Total members: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_

( revised Jan 2011 — Rot Path )

Membership Rates:					
number of members	type	one year	two years	three years	five years
_____	Single	\$ 30	\$ 55	\$ 80	\$125
_____	Couple	\$ 35	\$ 65	\$ 95	\$150
_____	Family	\$ 40	\$ 75	\$110	\$175
_____	Sustaining	\$100			
	_____ Lifetime	\$300			

( please circle desired duration of membership. )

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

Comments:

# February 2011

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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## STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 12 Feb 2011

location **1200 ( noon )** location  
 change → Colvin's Pub & Grill ← change  
 123 N. Nehalem  
 Clatskanie, Oregon  
 Fossil committee meeting – 1100 (11 a.m.)

First he black leathered the capitol,  
 Then got S.T.E.A.M.ed up where he met y'all,  
 The busier his mind,  
 The less he would imbibe,  
 By spring he'd broken alcohol's thrall.

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## 2011 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event – Chapter / Sponsor:	Location:	Contact number:
02 Feb 2011	Black Wednesday / BikePAC	Salem	
12 Feb 2011	Crab Dinner / LoCo	Clatskanie	(360)–430–2508
26 Feb 2011	S.T.E.A.M. / ABATE of Oregon	(T.B.A.)	(503)–774–7558
12 Mar 2011	Anniversary Party / SE-PDX	Portland	
26 Mar 2011	Long John PR / LinCo	Newport	(541)–265–6850
02 Apr 2011	7th Birthday Party / WaCo	Hillsboro	
27–30 May 2011	Fossil Campout / ABATE	Fossil	
22–24 July	Run–21/ SE-PDX		
31 July 2011	Swap Meet / ABATE	Portland	
~ Oct 2011(?)	Fall Swap Meet (?) / ABATE	Portland	
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## CHAPTER MEETINGS – A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

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Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)–383–0889
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Del Ray Cafe; 5669 NE Stephens St; Winchester	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SW Fifth Street; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Saxton's; 4618 N. Pacific highway; Central Point	(541)–665–5864
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Riverside or All Sports Grant's Pass	(541)–474–3553
Lincoln County (LinCo)	3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	1st Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–728–4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)– 298–5502
Salem	1st Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–378–0100
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–665–2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)–357–3684