

# A.B.A.T.E.

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## The "Other" U.S. Flag



**Few Citizens Know  
Of Our Peace Time  
Flag**  
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At every meeting where the Pledge of Allegiance is recited, I've noticed that there is always someone, other than me, who does not participate in this public ritual. I've always been bothered by the fact that we don't talk about it and it is important to me that you don't get the wrong idea. In honor of the Fourth of July, I would like to explain my freedom of speech decision to not say the Pledge of Allegiance at our meetings.

First of all, I consider myself a patriot. This country is not perfect, but we are by far the best place in the world to live, to work and to raise our children. I love my country and I actively fight to protect our freedom as citizens. I am absolutely willing to fight for the principles set forth in the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

However, I think that these are the words we should be reciting:

*"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, [support the] Constitution [of] the United States of America."*

Do you recognize these words?

They changed the world.

They aren't mine, but I believe they are an accurate reflection of what I believe in — more so than the Pledge of Allegiance.

I think the founding philosophy of this country is what's important, and not a single symbolic element, like the flag. I am very proud of what the U.S.

flag represents, but there is so much more to my allegiance to this country.

The U.S. Constitution is the ultimate symbol of freedom to me. It is what we are all about as a democratic nation of people and resources. It is the glue that holds us together and gives us strength. The Constitution is the heart and soul of this country, and to it alone, I pledge my loyalty as an honored citizen.

I'm pretty sure that the country isn't going to change because of what I think, but while you are saying your Pledge of Allegiance, I am reciting the Preamble in my head. Please don't pass judgment about my patriotism. I will never take my blessings of liberty for granted. I love my country.

Happy Fourth of July.

Anonymous

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

## What We're About

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

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

- We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

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

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride on.

We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to A.B.A.T.E.

Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working on are important to their community.

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

-- Rot Path

### MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

In July of 1975, Rob Rasor of the American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.), Ron Roloff of the M.M.A. of California and Ed Armstrong of A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago presented the House Subcommittee on Surface Transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

Later that year, with California being sued by the D.O.T. because Governor Ronald Reagan refused to comply with the federal helmet law mandate, Roloff helped convince California Senator Alan Cranston to offer the language of the bill as an amendment to the 1975 Federal Highway Act, which passed with overwhelming support from the California delegation because of the

impending lawsuit, and was signed by President Gerald Ford on May 5, 1976.

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

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

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## Dedication of Angie's Bench at *Fossil Run*



photo by Spike



*Spike speaks at the dedication of Angie's bench at Fossil in May. (He couldn't find a soap box.)*



*Angie Jensen's memorial bench was unveiled at this year's Fossil Run.*



*The bench's creators.*



*Brian, Teresa, and Roger, three people very important to Angie, think of her as they try out the bench.*

*All photos by Spike  
(Including the one he's in?)*

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

*Central Oregon Chapter*

Because our meeting time was changed to the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30, we have not had a meeting before this report was due.

I would like to thank all the people who showed up and helped with our roadside clean up. It was awesome.

*Fossil* has come and gone. A good time was had by all. Saw some old friends and met some new friends.

*Good weekend and good people.*

On June 29th the

*Central Oregon Coalition of Motorcyclists* and

*Black Horse Saloon* in Bend is having a one-day blowout. There will be a poker run, bikini bike wash, bike shows, burnout pit, live music, and vendors. A.B.A.T.E. of Central Oregon would like to put up a booth. If anyone would like to help and get involved, please give me a call.

The chapter has voted to give our like-new, but used stuffed animals to *Central Oregon Battery and Rape Alliance* (C.O.B.R.A.). The area emergency rooms will no longer take used animals.

C.O.B.R.A. will use the animals for their big fund raiser at the *Cascade Children's Festival* in Bend at Drake Park. The festival is on Saturday, July 27. On Friday afternoon they deliver the stuffed animals to the park with a dump truck. We have been invited to ride with the truck when it makes the delivery. There should be some good media coverage at the park. The more people riding from our chapter the better. A very good reason to start the weekend early. For more specifics, give me a call.

We are planning a chapter ride to the state board meeting in Junction City on July 13th. We will work out a time and place to meet at our next meeting, Thursday, June 20th and will get that information to the members.

Ride free,  
John

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1830 (6:30pm)  
Abby's Pizza  
Redmond

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

*Columbia River Chapter*

At last, we finished Angie's Memorial Bench, installed it in Fossil and had a dedication ceremony there which was well attended, both by bikers and townspeople. The Mayor of Fossil spoke briefly and expressed his appreciation of us generally and of Rotten Roger and Angie in particular. Damon and his sons, Mike and Patrick, and Billy Bob, all from White Salmon, worked on constructing the bench as did Rusty and Stan Taylor. Jimmy Calcagno made the beautiful plaque which was designed by Janet. All those who helped make this memorial a reality, including all of the chapter members who contributed generously to its expense, are to be congratulated.

*Fossil* was quite the run with a new event, Mud Wrestling, a big hit. Our own Kornfed was a competitor; however, the restrictive rules limited her effectiveness and she did not advance beyond the first round. Another chapter member, Sara Lewis, was going to compete but felt that it was unfair for her to do so because of her skills as a black belt in Tae Kwon Do. Sara recently won a national Tae Kwon Do tournament held in Washington State so maybe it was just as well that she did not compete in the mud at Fossil.

Another twist was having the bike show downtown. The mayor allowed us to close down the main drag and park in the street. Shades of Sturgis.

We are awaiting Kornfed's report of the N.C.O.M. convention and one from Terri about the *Best of the West*.

In my next report, I will let you all know how *Angie's Run* went.

Spike

COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-  
ING TIME and PLACE

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)  
U & I Tavern  
6910 North Interstate Avenue --  
Portland  
Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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

***Douglas County Chapter***

Yes, I know we didn't have a report for *Douglas County* last month. First time since we reorganized that we didn't have one. But Remember April starts with "A" and "A" stands for "awfull."

Now when May came around I came out of my depression and started ridin' and partyin' with all our folks.

We had 8 members attend the *Motorcycle Awareness* day in Salem to start off the month.

We had our meeting on the 5th of May and invited all our County Commission candidates to speak to us. Only one, Republican Dan Van Slyke, showed up. He told us how he represented private and personal rights. He believes in our right to choose. Oh yeah, he won!

Didn't Kevin Manix speak at the state meeting? Oh yeah, he won too! Shows what power we have.

The middle of the month brought us to *Rhody* time. Lots of our members were present there. At

*Rhody* we are all spread out alot more than at other events. Many of us have motel rooms and then others camp. It makes it harder to stick together. The weather didn't turn bad until it was time to leave on Sunday, so once again old mother nature cooperated.

If you missed me walking on the clown's stilts in the parking lot of the

*Money Saver Motel* well, too bad for you. I had lots of courage thanks to Captain Morgan and the betting was that I would loose my teeth but I prevailed. Don't think I'd try it if I was sober.

The next weekend was split with the big crowd going to

*Fossil* and another bunch attending a Marriage Ceramony. Gene Reed told me that his girl-type friend, Pam Herd, won first place in the Potato Hunt at *Fossil*. I guess this was her first time attempting any biker games. She'll be a real trooper for us here in *Douglas County*. Special thanks to *Doyle's Harley-Davidson* of Roseburg and *Umpqua Custom Cycle* for prizes that were donated for *Fossil*. About 15 members from Douglas County attended. I still think that if the date wasn't so close to *Rhody* that more would attend *Fossil*.

The other event for the weekend was the marriage of Rocky Spann to his girl Roxy. 66 people and 8 motorcycles were there. Rocky is a member of *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.* and also a member of the *Iron Riders of Winston*. Terry Rideout officiated for them.

A fellow biker and good friend of mine past away on May 21st. His name was Dennis Woll. He wasn't a member of A.B.A.T.E., but he knew and rode with many of us. His funeral was on May 25th and 40 bikes and 10 U.P.S. tractors led the funeral procession. Quite a few A.B.A.T.E. members were present including me and his Uncle Roger Woll who is a *Douglas County* member.

I heard that on May 31st the *Iron Riders of Winston* and some *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.* members provided security for the recreationvehicle show at River Bend park.

Once again the *Iron Riders* and *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.* members attended a picnic at Whistlers Bend park. Quite a few of the *Iron Riders* are A.B.A.T.E.

members, so the events cross over really well. This was on June 2nd.

June 1st seven bikes all packing double from *Douglas County A.B.A.T.E.* went to Albany to support the new

*Hub City Chapter* with their poker run.

June 2nd was a problem as it was our meeting date and also the date of the largest poker run I've ever attended. The *Blackjack Poker Run* out of Springfield to Junction City was terrific. About a dozen *Douglas County* members went to this instead of the local meeting. The meeting was short I heard and I don't know really what went on there. Looking forward to *Iron Horse* and wished I had gone to the *Redwood Run* but there's always next year.

Joe Brumbach  
Chapter Secretary

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE**

1st Sunday at 1230 ( 12:30pm )  
Round Table Pizza  
Roseburg

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

*Hub City Chapter*

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

I didn't know where to start with all of the thank you's that this chapter owes.

I was so pleased with our chapter showing up in force at Fossil and getting involved.

Winning the largest percentage plaque was unexpected icing.

But this wonderful bunch of folks didn't give me even a full week before they had me awestruck again. As most of you know by now, we made our first attempt at putting on a poker run on June 1st. We had so many volunteers step up that there weren't enough jobs to go around. To add to that, everybody took on their assignment with a passion that can't be matched. I think I could go on about our great *team* all day. But I'm sure you got the point by now.

I would like to thank all of the riders who showed up to support us.

If you would like to make constructive suggestions on how we can improve for next year. We would be glad to hear from you. You made all our efforts worthwhile.

We would also like to thank our illustrious state coordinator and newsletter editor for riding south to spend the day with us.

HUB CITY MEETING TIME

and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7pm)  
Pizza Hut at Heritage Mall  
Albany

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

Lincoln County Chapter

Hi Everyone!

Well another Fossil has come and gone. The weather was perfect. Only one shower (that I can recall) that knocked the dust down.

The playing field at the Fairgrounds was excellent, and the Bike Show right down town in the middle of the street was the best ever!!!

Here are the results from the Bike Games and Bike Show:

Fossil Bike Games

BRONTO BOOT

- 1st. Dale
- 2nd. Will
- 3rd. Jashua

PING PONG BALL DROP

- 1st. Dale & ?
- 2nd. Phil & Cherie
- 3rd. Sonny Boy & ?

PLANK RACE

- 1st. Sonny Boy
- 2nd. Cole
- 3rd. Dana

WEENIE BITE

- 1st. Scott & Terri
- 2nd. Cole & Cherie
- 3rd. Damen & Judy

SLOW RACE

- 1st. Cole
- 2nd. Dana
- 3rd. Don

Fossil Bike Show

BEST STOCK

- 1st. Mike Beller
- 2nd. Stephan Baton
- 3rd. David Neys

BEST CUSTOM

- 1st. Gary Beutler
- 2nd. Randy Man
- 3rd. Tacey Little

RAT

- 1st. Milo
- 2nd. Rich Lopatin
- 3rd. Tattoo Bob

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

- 1st. Mad Dash
- 2nd. Gary Beutler
- 3rd. David Neys

Sorry if I've spelled anyone's name wrong, and I apologize for not getting the results for the Potato Hunt or the Egg Toss. If you didn't make Fossil this year you should try to make it a point to go there and see the new A.B.A.T.E. display at the Fossil museum, and of course Angie's Bench that is a beautiful work of art.

That's it for now.  
Happy 4th of July to all!

Ride Safe,  
Shirley



**LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1930 ( 7:30 pm )  
 American Legion Hall Post 116  
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**North Coast Chapter**

Greetings from the North Coast,

Well, by the time this gets into print our

*Around Saddle Mountain* run will be over and gone, so let's hope we all had great weather, met a lot of new friends and every one of us had a wonderful time. To those of you who came down for our run: Thanks, and we hope to see you again next year!

The next thing on our agenda is getting the North Coast coffee trailer geared up for the *Cowchip Boogie* in July. Got to blow the dust off, restock and get things shining so we can serve you all your favorite brew in the morning.

Our Coordinator Chuck Stuart has gone off to see the other ocean on his bagger, so things may be quiet here for a month. I hope he has a great trip and comes back rested and refreshed.

We continue to increase our membership, little by little, picking up two new members at our last meeting.

Luke Hodges would have won \$50 in our membership drawing if he had been present. You have to be present to win, so, if you're a member, come to a meeting: it might be your lucky day.

If you're looking for a place to come on a jaunt, be sure to swing by the coast. When it's pretty here, it's really pretty here!

Amelia



**NORTH COAST MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**  
4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 1000  
( 10 am )  
Merts Campus  
3 miles east of Astoria  
Industrial Arts Building  
Children are welcome

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( Children are welcome to what -- play with the drill press? )

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

*Northeast Portland Chapter*

Many things amaze me.

I recently took a motorcycle trip to the Grand Canyon. It was truly a beautiful sight. The pictures I took hint at what it looks like and cannot do the place justice. Of course, I am always amazed by God's handiwork. I am amazed at how spring rolls around every year leading us into another great riding season in Oregon.

I am very amazed a great deal right now by our chapter. It was just a short time ago we were thinking we might have to throw in the towel for good around here. Cooler heads prevailed and we hung in there. It's a good thing because there would be one less thing to be amazed about if we closed up shop.

We've got a wonderful mix of people who are coming to the meetings and are becoming involved in this great thing we call A.B.A.T.E. All the new blood we have has created a new energy that should keep things jumping around here for quite a while. It's really a fun group and I enjoy seeing every single member at our meetings. All of our meetings these last couple of months have been outstanding with guest speakers, great discussion, the sharing of information and ideas, and great camaraderie. As of our last meeting we signed up three new members putting our chapter total up to 95 members.

By the time you read this report we will have had our elections and I think you will find some surprising results. We should have a new Coordinator, a new Secretary/Membership Secretary, a new Sergeant of Arms, and possibly a New Ways and Means officer.

Already this year we've seen some

great things come out of the chapter with Diesel's work with the Motorcyclist's caucus within the Democratic Party, Rotten Roger's swap meet and run coordination, Randy's work with BikePac, Oopy's Northeast Chapter website, plus all the things everyone else is doing.

Stay tuned for more great stuff including a Northeast Chapter Poker Run on August 31<sup>st</sup> (flyer to follow).

And so this will be my last report that I will write to you. Bev will be taking over giving a new voice to the chapter each month in the newsletter. I am looking forward to continuing with being your *Shriners Toy Run* representative and being your Chaplain if the chapter so desires.

It's been a great time serving you as your Chapter Secretary/Membership Secretary these last couple of years.

Ride safe, ride well,

Mike

N.E. PORTLAND MEETINGTIMES and PLACE

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

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**River City Chapter**

21 May 2002

We had lots of discussion about rides for the summer. Joy is putting together a chapter phone list so members can contact each other about possible activities.

Lots of preparations for going to *Fossil* were made and everyone is anticipating the weekend.

Dale Ruff would have won our Chapter drawing at \$5, if he had been present.

French won our 50/50 at \$6/\$6.

Reguar meeting — May 21, 2002

Called to order by Dan at 7:03 pm. 16 people present, 2 arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. none.

Guests or new members: none

Minutes were waived, with a correction about paying the insurance bill, on a motion by Mike Farmer because they were presented in written form.

No correspondence.

Treasury Report is \$848.76

Bills submitted for payment:

Membership Report 80

Board Report: *Fossil* prep is almost complete. Meeting led by Joe Lawrence, who did a fine job.

Legislative Report: Brian reported on the governow race.

Ways and Means Report: Joy reported t-shirts are here tonight.

Public Relations Report: none

Historian Report: Johnna will bring the book to *Fossil*.

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols Ride cards available

Planned rides:

Fossil prep: Teresa moved to donate

a 3X shirt for a door prize, passed.

Johnna brought caution tape.

New Business

Mike Farmer moved that we Adopt a Highway (Fulton Canyon), passed. Mike will be the liaison with O.D.O.T.

Steve Boston brought up a resource for a safety presentation, bring up after

*Fossil*.

Next Meeting: 7:00 PM, Tuesday, June 4, 2002 at Lone Pine Restaurant

Coordinator's Comments:

Announcements: Solstice Party at Stovall/Hepkers on Sat, 6/22/02,

Membership Drawing for \$5 would have been won by Dale Ruff if he had been present

50/50 won by French at \$6/\$6.

Adjourned 7:51 pm

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04 June 2002

We set dates for several rides for the summer. Joy brought the Chapter phone list for editing.

We talded about having some safety presentations, *Adopt a Highway*, and the Mike McDermott Fund, which we will present to Jane at the next meeting. It is over \$300, thanks to the generosity of folks coming into the *Fossil Run*.

Marty Million would have won our Chapter drawing at \$10, if he had been present.

Brian won our 50/50 at \$8/\$8, and donated his share back to the Chapter.

Thanks, Brian..

Regular Meeting--04 June 2002

Called to order by Lee at 7:03 pm.

17 people present, 1 arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Lee.

Guests or new members: none

Minutes were waived, on a motion by Pat Eikanas because they were presented in written form.

Correspondence was the state BOD minutes and an M.R.F. Sustaining membership certificate.

Treasury Report is \$869.76

Bills submitted for payment: Joy for postage \$20.40 motion to pay by Brian, passed. Mike, \$302 for shirts, motion to pay by French, passed

Membership Report 80

Board Report:

Legislative Report: Brian and Teresa went to the D.P.O. CC meeting in Newport last weekend, The District 59 Democratic candidate, Jim Gilbertson was there and Brian began talking to him about our issues. More on that later.

Ways and Means Report: Joy reported t-shirts are here tonight.

Public Relations Report: none

Historian Report: none

**RIVER CITY MEETING**

**TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7pm )

Lone Pine Restaurant

335 Lone Pine Dr. -- The Dalles

( I-84 & US-97 )

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

*Salem Chapter*

Well *Fossil* must have been a real kick in the behind. Hope you all had a little fun for me since I was unable to attend this year.

Our Chapter is planning a poker run for July 13th. This is the first annual for the *Fox Creek Poker Run*. We have it all planned and sanctioned and we are having a good time getting it all together. Come on in and give us a helping hand for this event it should be a lot of fun.

I was at the *May Awareness Rally* this year it was the best one yet since I have been going this last 7 years. Hoping we can really show up for the call next year. This year Kevin Mannex who ran for Governor on the Republican ticket came to the rally. I was impressed with his presentation. I am sure it was our numbers at the rally that helped him win the race. Maybe next year we will get media coverage.

Hope to see you all at *Beaver Creek*.  
Take good care,  
Murge

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Minutes for Salem Chapter – May  
28<sup>th</sup>, 2002

Submitted by Michelle - Interim  
Secretary (just this time)

With 23 members signing in, the stage was set for a smooth productive meeting.

The planning for the July 13th *Fox Creek Poker Run* is going strong. There should be a flier pertaining to that very thing in this newsletter.

At the State Meeting earlier this month (May) there was a handout called *Hangin' with the Pack* that Rick Maish passed around. The info in this for riding as a group is invaluable. This was passed around during meeting along with the regular report from the State Representative.

Our Coordinator for the evening was Marleen who as Vice-Coordinator was filling in for Jeff. She did a wonderful job. Watch out Jeff.

Two items were moved forward to next meeting for consideration. They were: Deciding on insurance need and cost for the July 13th Poker Run and renewing the supporting membership for BikePAC.

As there were a couple of members not in attendance, we thought we would wait for their input.

Michelle was reimbursed by the Chapter for the items she purchased to be taken to *Fossil* as donations to

the event.

If I would choose the one thing that comes to the forefront about these meetings is how much more interesting they are since members of the C.M.A. have been attending. While also being A.B.A.T.E. members, they bring a fresh look, great comments, and weird humor to the proceedings.

Hope you all had fun in *Fossil*. Know I did.

May you always have what you want and want what you have.

Chapter Goddess,  
Michelle

SALEM MEETING TIME  
and PLACE

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
Pietro's Pizza  
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**A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports**

**South Coast Chapter**

It's final!

*Coos River Run* is going to happen!

Plan to attend the event of the South Coast.

Contact Gordon Dunn at (541)-396-4896 for ticket and t-shirt information. There will be camping, music, bike games, people games, kid's games, duck races, tricycle races, and just plain good times! Bring the family for a fun-filled weekend 19-21 July. Call Gordon at (541)-396-4896 and get your tickets now! Hurry, space is limited!

After *Coos River* comes *S.O.S.* If you thought last year was great, this year is even better. Things are coming together to help you have a great summer!

Hope everyone has been able to get some riding time this year. Our chapter has a ride the first Sunday of each month. Our Road Captain, Mike Richards, knows a lot of beautiful spots to ride to and through. If you are in the area, please join us.

Don't forget, this is still an election year. Please remember to vote in November. Voting is a privilege and is your chance to voice your opinion by casting your ballot for the candidate who best represents your interests or feelings. Don't complain if you don't vote. Work hard to change things next time.

Our latest activities include the "Flash" Gordon Baker Memorial Food Drive in November (benefits the Salvation Army) and the Andy Proctor Memorial Toy Run in

December (also benefits the Salvation Army). We also host Shore Acres one night during the Christmas Lights. That is a lot of fun. We meet a lot of new people and greet old friends. If you have not seen the Shore Acres lights at Christmas, come down and take a look — they are beautiful.

There will be a new event in February next year — the auction where only A.B.A.T.E. bucks may be spent. Quite a few bucks have been earned so far this year so the auction promises to be a good time.

By the time this goes to print, Walt and Sandy of *Coos Cycle* will have hosted the first "Christmas in June" retreat at Laverne Park in Coos County near Coquille. They are busy raising funds to purchase toys for the

*Andy Proctor Toy Run* in December. Last year they raised enough money to purchase a truckload of toys and bicycles for families in the community. South Coast Chapter members really appreciate their participation in the Toy Run and hope they will continue their support.

Thank you!

Continue to have a great summer of riding. Watch out for rain showers — they may cause the road to become slick — always be prepared.

Hope to see you at *Coos River*.

Karen Bauder  
Secretary

**SOUTH COAST MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 1100 ( 11am )  
 Gino's Pizza  
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Southeast Portland Chapter**

Hello to all you good people,

Well now wasn't *Fossil* a great time?

I know that all the different camps from *Southeast Chapter* had a great time.

Judy's beer belly contest was a great success, with 18 participant aces this year. Matt's tireless efforts with security made the whole campout a comfortable experience. Michelle and all the others [who] helped out at the A.B.A.T.E. booth did a great job too. Thanks to all [who] volunteered at the gate.

Hope you had fun.

I always do.

A special thank you to Wayno for waking the whole campout up at 5:30 in the morning Saturday buzzing everyone in the Parasail. We'll get you back Wayno!!

The only thing missing from *Fossil* this year was the famous "Buffalo Camp". We missed you Buff and Pee-Wee!!!

Now on to the *Southeast Chapter Poker Run!!!* What a fantastic turn out. Especially with the weather. We had down pours of rain, thunder showers and then some sunshine. The approximate count on the bikes (thanks to Wyoming), was over 45. We had a caravan of some five cages. There were 64 souls who bought in on hands (some of them doubles).

Thank you to all [who] showed up this year!!! This Poker Run helps with the seed money for *Run 21*. Thanks to you all, the poker run was great and so will be *Run 21*.

Anna, Vicki, Dianne, Cathy, Cindy, Ron and James, special kudos to you. You all made this event happen!! Here

are some more thanks— to everyone [who] donated door prizes. To the *Stagecoach Saloon, Cascade Inn, Gateway Inn, Hitching Post Saloon,* and the *M&M Restaurant and Lounge,* thank you for your hospitality. People, these establishments were very biker accommodating. Lets try and show them some patronage in the future.

Well let's get on to *Run 21* now.

Southeast Portland's

*Run 21* is coming up the end of this month. We have one more committee meeting to go. The last committee meeting will be at Lee's house on July 2nd, (Tuesday) at 7:30 pm. If anyone out there has any input concerning this run, please attend. Ootherwise everything is going great.

Tickets are available in advance from committee persons or on line in advance at:

<http://www.run21info.com/>  
at a \$5.00 discount.

See ya all out and about. Ride safe.

Later,

Mammy Tami

P.S. Congratulations to Wayno for officially being elected a Republican precinct committe person (P.C.P.) for Multnomah County Precinct 3000.

As of the 21st day of, May, 2002.

Hey you all!!!!

Get involved.

You can do this too!!

Bye now!!!

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

**Washington County Chapter**

There were 56 bikes out for the *Washington County Poker Run* on 18 May. No mishaps and a great day to ride. Thanks to *Destination Harley-Davidson* and the *Prime Time Sports Bar* for allowing us to gather at their establishments and to the *Rogue Pub* and *Lakeside Stores* for letting us descend upon them as stopping points.

Congratulations to *Hub City* for their *First Annual Poker Run*. Those [who] made the run enjoyed it, those [who] tried appreciated all the help from the fine members for their assistance with that darned tire . . . Debbie Done will proudly display that fine *Hard Luck* trophy in some as-yet undetermined location. I" ask to see it every time I'm at her house.

Enclosed with this submission are photos of some of the members who "survived" the *Laughlin River Run*. Yes, that is our Run Coordinator, Jim Henderson, and his lovely wife, Cindy, on Route 66. The eventws in Laughlin allowed them extra time to get home and a more senic adventure than they had originally planned.

*Washington County* (WaCo) chapter is gearing up for our annual Roll-n-Ride event late in June. This year, we are honoring a fallen rider and we have renamed it the *Mark Forness Family Picnic and Roll-n-Ride*. We hope to have Tim Horn back to play again at the picnic this year, and as always, the Chapter will be supplying the food and soft drinks. It is a potluck, so there is bound to be some really good food to follow the fun ride that has been planned.

We are also getting ready for the *End of Summer Run* with *North Coast* and are looking forward to a great time as

well. Lots of work to do before September.

meeting attendance is up with longer days and warmer temperatures. Goldlocks and Roger Yarnell both won 50/50 drawings at May meetings. Big Bob and John Borelli both won membership drawings as well. I guess it pays to attend those meetings.

Since I will be helping out at the Oregon Public Broadcasting membership drive Rot Path was pushing in early June, I guess that ends it for now.

Be safe and watch out for the other guy!

Linda Wells  
WaCo Secretary



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

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 1930  
( 7:30pm )  
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Willamette Valley Chapter**



Well, I guess it's official, the summer riding season is here!

*Yahoo!*

The *Rhody Run* was a blast. An excellent turn out, lots of great memories and a few lessons learned.

I didn't go to

*Fossil*, I had to do *some* yard work to justify all the fun I have been having. I heard the mud wrestling was a hit, the grass was green and those who attended had a good time.

Then there was

*Redwood!* Holy buckets, yet *another* almost religious-like experience! *For sure*, if I have to explain, you wouldn't understand.

*Iron Horse* is coming up and I can hardly wait. *Willamette Valley* ladies remember, put *Run 21* on your calendar for our 2nd annual ladies-only ride. So far I have 6 confirmed [who] are bold enough to attend. If you are interested, give me a call. Even if you don't ride, we are going to need a support vehicle to carry all that beer and ice! Watch out men..... you haven't partied until you have partied with us! My calendar is packed with both A.B.A.T.E. events and events that support other organizations. I think that is what a real "brotherhood" is about.

I wish everything in life were about fun and excitement. Unfortunately as I hit the ripe old age of 34, I'm learning it's not. I'd like to take a

minute to honor and remember the many brothers and sisters whose lives have been changed forever this spring. In the Willamette Valley alone we have lost many beloved fellow riders for seemingly no reason at all. "They" say things happen for a reason. I guess if "they" have to explain, I'll be the first to admit, I don't understand. If this isn't enough, there are still more, struggling for their lives, learning to cope with a vastly different life that awaits them and countless others licking their wounds.

Still, I don't understand.

My way of dealing is to awake each morning, thank my higher power for my first breath of the day, the health of my loved ones and a good thought to all those who are suffering from an important loss in their lives. I am blessed today and I understand that can be taken away at any minute. I can only hope no life or loss was in vain.

May we all take from each of these tragic events, a lesson that may make our life last a little bit longer. We hear these messages everyday, remember to listen.

Be safe!

Know your bike!

Have a plan for unplanned events!

Ride like your invisible to everybody else.

And *ride your own ride!*

Thank you Robin, Marie, Matt, Joe

and Donna, Alice, Keith, Randy, John G., Gene, Hal, Rick and Lyn, Michael and everyone else [who] has ever ridden with me in the last year and some. Thanks for keeping one eye opened for me and helping me to stay safe. I love you all.

Have a safe, fun, summer.

Live, Love and Laugh,

Dawn

(The Road Queen Ridin' a Road King)

WILAMETTE VALLEY

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7pm )

Foxfire Restaurant

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## Education Director

by Geoff White



Greetings from Nora Rohde and Geoff White,

Well, *Motorcycle Awareness Month* has come and gone. Thank you to all the riders [who] have worked to keep the energy and ideals of motorcycle awareness so strong here in Oregon. I believe that we had an excellent showing this year at the state capital with over 320 riders in attendance. Wouldn't it be something to see if even half of the motorcycle operators in the state decided to attend this particular event each year. There probably would not be any way to get all those bikes in and out of the area in the time that we have for the rally! It sure would show our state how important it is to be aware of us and probably a few more folks would pay more attention to our desires.

Don't get me wrong, I'm never going to complain that 320 riders is not a good turn out. I'm very proud to be in a group of that size when it comes to expressing the importance of motorcycling and motorcyclist's rights and desires.

Thank you people for the great effort and all of your support. It really makes my job here all that more delightful and fulfilling.

I would like to thank Ken Ray and *BikePAC of Oregon* for taking on the responsibility of setting up the rally each year. Their efforts enable us to look well organized and sincere in our requests and representation.

Thank you to people like Brian Stovall, Teresa Hepker, David Ganslein, Randy Phipps, Ted and Jill

Tracy, Lyle Irons, Mel and Iris Yeager and many many others who constantly strive to keep our rights and interests in the foreground on a legislative basis. Thanks to all the instructors who stood with me to illustrate the desire of our organizations to provide safer and friendlier roadways for all motorists.

Thank you to all the organizations that contributed their time, resources, and efforts to provide a fun, educational, and inspirational event.

Definitely my sincere thanks go out to all of you [who] showed up to put a face on the Oregon motorcycling public. We will certainly be heard clearly if we remain highly visible here in Oregon.

The school year has been winding down and some of the Driver's Education classes will cease until next Fall. In Portland, we have already been given some requests for summer school class visits that we will definitely try to accommodate. Instructors out there try to keep in touch with the schools just in case they might have some possible summer requests for our *Motorcycle Awareness Program* presentations.

Remember to get any reports of classes in to me, so we can get a total tallied for this school year in our records. These records are used by our organizations as tools in working with our legislative processes and various communications. This information helps us to illustrate that we stand steadfast in our commitment of making motorcycling a safe, enjoyable, and essential activity.

I'll try to keep in touch with the schools that usually request our services, and I'll try to reach out to the schools that for some reason or other have failed to contact us this year. I hope that our cost didn't scare any of these schools away.

Sorry folks, bad joke.

Our *Motorcycle Awareness* presentations are free. They don't cost the schools anything but an hour of their time.

All in all, we had a pretty good year worth of class visits. Thank you to all the instructors who made this a successful year.

Anyone interested in becoming an instructor please see a current instructor, Nora Rohde, or myself for information on how to become a certified instructor or how to bring the program to a school near you. The only way we can reach out to more schools and more people is with your help and assistance. I know that the training is rough, and some don't survive, or at least walk the same way afterward, but those who make it are forever rewarded with infinite wealth, charm and grace, sex appeal, wisdom and enlightenment. (Where are my boots?) Actually it's just a cool thing to do, and motorcyclists will have a better time on the road because of your efforts.

I had a terrific time this year at *Fossil*. How 'bout you? I wasn't sure that I would be able to make it, but it worked out in the end.

Thank you to all the vendors who I was able to meet and work with. You folks were great, and I look forward to working with you in the future.

I really enjoyed meeting John and Jane, the Mayor of Fossil and his wife on Saturday. We spent some time

walking throughout the run site meeting people and chatting. What a wonderful couple they [are].

We [were] even invited to bring our *Motorcycle Awareness* presentation to Fossil next year as part of the event. If it works out, we will offer the presentation to an audience on the Thursday just before the *Fossil* camp out weekend. I will be there on that day to help with the set up anyway, so I will schedule the presentation to take an hour out of my set up help to run into Fossil, give the class, and head back to continue helping.

If this sounds like something that you would be interested in participating in, please feel free to come to the *Fossil* camp out on Thursday to join us. I feel that this is a great way for us to show the town of

Fossil that we really appreciate their hospitality and friendliness.

Have a great summer of riding, and I hope to see you at some time or another. My working situation is still a bit unsteady, so I'm afraid that I may not be able to make it to as many events as I would like to. Hopefully, things will get back to normal on my work status, so I can figure out how to run the rest of my life again.

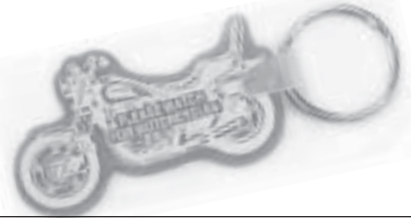
It's too bad that employment should be such a deciding factor in determining how everything else in your life should run, huh?

Ahh, I gotta hit that lottery!

Have good rides, frequent meetings with friends, lazy summer days, cool summer nights, and memorable experiences.

May the easy road spread out before you as you spread the awareness, ya'll. Take care,

Geoff White and Nora Rohde



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# Public Relations Director

by Melinda McCrossen



I sure hope I get this off in time to make the newsletter. Without a state meeting to get ready for, I just didn't get my report done on time. Good thing Rot Path is kind to me! Anyway, here's all the news that's fit to print.

*Fossil* was a blast and the weather was fine. It's always wonderful seeing old friends and making some new ones. The work load was shared by many and a good time was had by all, including Roger. I think everyone, except Wendy, got some rest during the event. It truly was a team effort this year and it made all the difference in the world. Thanks to everyone who helped. My biggest thank you, however, goes to the people who helped to set up and tear down *Fossil*. It's like building a city, running it, and then completely pulling it apart, which includes cleaning it up.

Thanks to everyone who donated time, money or prizes to the event. We actually ran ourselves like a democratic community, which is the way it should be — but we can't be a democracy without citizen participation, which is why we need your help. Participation is the ultimate goal. See, I managed to work politics into this report too!

I hope you give extra hugs to the state officers who also work these events. Not only do state officers volunteer at the event, but they have a huge amount of work because of the event. The Treasurer has to get the money ready, before, during and after the event, as well as paying massive amounts of bills. The Products Director has to order and organize products for sale, before and

after our events. The Membership Secretary has to process all of the new members we sign up and I spend hours sending out press releases and posters before the event. Roger, he simply works 24/7 year 'round. I guess that would make it 12/24/7, huh?

Before I launch into the official report I want to let the people who depend on me know that I will be having surgery on June 26. I will be totally unavailable the first two weeks of July and then, after that, I will be able to answer the phone and my e-mail if you have any questions. The bottom line is that I won't be able to get any A.B.A.T.E. work done for a good part of the summer.

I've been told that it will take six to eight weeks to recover, which means that if I'm good, I'll see you at *Beaver Creek*. Without a doubt I will see you at *Summer Run* and hopefully the *End of Summer Run*. The saddest news is that I will miss the *Coos River Run*, again. Damn, the bad luck. I love summer road trips.

So, in order to get ready for the rest of the year, I've sent out a fax to the biker press about the *Swap Meet* on November 17th. Roger and I will be finalizing a poster and vendor letter for the event sometime next week. Then, I should be good to go until I'm back in the saddle again.

The good news is that Simon Milward will be back in the state in August. He will be speaking in Beaverton in August. Jill Tracy asked

me to help with the promotion of his presentation and I am thrilled to be able to help out. If you missed Simon at S.T.E.A.M., like me, you will most definitely want to make this event. Everyone who has heard him speak, has been deeply moved by the work he is doing. Watch the A.B.A.T.E. newsletter for a flyer. This is an event you won't want to miss. I should know.

Well, I'll keep it short and to the point this month, for a change. I discovered that some of the people I've been saying nice things about have let their membership lapse and haven't read a word of my good tidings. Even if you don't know me, or don't even want to know me, don't let your membership lapse! We need everyone to know what's going on, no matter how active or inactive you are with your local chapter. But then, the A.B.A.T.E. newsletter happens to be my favorite reading material.

My Public Relations report will be back in September. Take care and think good thoughts.

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# Another Biker Down

by Rick Maish

Damn I'm getting tired of these types of messages.

Just got off the phone with Terry Foster (12 June at 10:am) and he was in a bike accident with another biker going to *Fossil*.

It happened on Saturday (25 May at 1:PM) of the *Fossil Run* about 5 miles out of town on Highway 218 coming from Madras and Antelope. He and two others he was riding with were in a left hand corner when another biker coming from *Fossil* crashed into Terry in the left side breaking his left leg. One of his riding buddies had to drive back to Madras to get help. Took better than a hour for the ambulance to get to him. Leg is badly shattered just below the knee and above the ankle. One note Terry made was the fact that he did have all of his leathers on, and they were still in good shape with only a few scratches. He was very surprised at the left leg of his chaps that just had a few scratches on it. He feels that his chaps may have saved his leg from more damage.

Terry is at home now, but will be going back into surgery Friday at 10:am at Sacred Heart, short stay to have rods and pins installed to hold his leg together. He says he'll be back out of the hospital Saturday.

Already having trouble with bike repairs and/or replacement, so directed him to Sam Hochberg

I'm going to see him Friday night after his surgery. We once worked together at Weyerhaeuser. Terry is one of our newer / old members. He just re-signed up a month ago.

Accidents.

It's been a rather bad start for us here in Lane County for this riding season.

First we had a rider killed when a car hit him from behind while turning into his driveway.

Then there was Rob Crawford who hit a deer. Then we had several accidents during the Rhody Weekend, one was a head collision with a pickup that sent Michael Rhodes and his daughter Kimberly Edman. to the hospital. Then there was Brian Minard, he still doesn't know what happened, but has lost his lower leg because of an accident.

Then this last weekend we have two Harley Riders that ran into a stopped car while it was making a turn in a corner.

And now we hear this about Terry Foster while going to the *Fossil Campout* getting hit by another biker.

I also heard that the *Free Souls Motorcycle Club* lost one of their Brothers up in Idaho. "Wolfman" was his name, I think.

Then we also lost Steve Overton of *Clean and Sober*, though he wasn't on his bike at the time, he was still another biker lost.

Benefit ride for Mike Rhodes on June 30th, more details to come after Saturday's *Blackjack Ride and Meeting*.

We *all* need to be aware this riding season, watch out for the other guy who's not watching out for you! Give yourself some extra room, time and use more caution than usual.

*[ Editor's note — The term "accident" indicates that that there is little that anyone can do to prevent them. The word attempts to remove responsibility on the part of the person who caused injury or damage. In fact, most "accidents" are really crashes that can be traced to human error. Even the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles avoids using the term "accident" in its publications.*

*Let's start calling actions for what they are. Let's make cage drivers (and bikers) who harm bikers accept responsibility for their actions. A careless crash is a careless crash. ]*

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From The

## GUNNY'S SACK

I gotta tell ya about the National Coalition Of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.) convention in New Orleans this May. It was one of the best ever, especially for me.

I was a recipient of one of the "Silver Spoke" awards given to various people each year for their contributions to the motorcycle world over the years. I was, and am, honored and still in disbelief. I may be the recipient but you folks are the reason it happened. There is no way for me to describe what it does to a person when their peers feel they have done good works and tell you how they feel. Thank you all.

There were about 1,100 (my guess) attendees. We had seminars which included information about some of the lawsuits and other actions our A.I.M. attorneys are involved in around the country, all for the benefit of bikers. We had a repeat performance of something we did last year: A mock-legislative session, to teach us how to work a bill through a state legislature. We were also updated on issues coming at us from across the pond.

There are many more things coming at us even here in this country that are of far more concern to us than the laws that require us to wear a hat when we ride. Mandatory "end of life" for vehicles, and emission standards and controls that can eventually do away with the air cooled motorcycle engines as we know them today.

Standardization of motorcycle attire from one end of the world to another is another bright idea some person has come up with. And the idea of some sort of air-bag protection still is rearing

its ugly head. One such device is on the market now. And we in the states still worry about helmets. *Wow!* The idea of maybe having to wear an air-bag scares the hell out of me a lot worse than a stupid helmet.

Here in Oregon, we still have Dr. Tax as governor for a short while longer. He is now doing his level best to panic our people into voting for higher income taxes and at least fifty cents more tax on cigarettes. He can't balance the budget and we already pay some of the highest taxes in the nation. If I ran business the way he does, I'd be bankrupt.

Please folks, get out and vote. We only had a 40% turn out for this past (May) election country wide. I like to think at least bikers voted in higher proportions, but I don't know. In Oregon there are enough *rider endorsed* people that, had we all voted, we could have had anything we wanted on the ballot. Think about it! *Every vote counts*, especially when the rest of our population doesn't bother. *Nuff said!*

### NEWS BITS-N-PIECES

*Rome, Georgia* — Suzuki Motor Corp is now a bona fide made-in-America manufacturer with the opening of a \$30 million factory in Georgia. They promise on time delivery of all their vehicles. They expect to employ 150 workers full time.

*Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada* — The Regina Leader Post tells us that Canada now has an anti-gang law aimed at motorcycle clubs that have clubhouses in and around towns. Its



called: *Manitoba's Fortified Buildings Act*, known around the area as the "Biker Bunker Law." It gives the police the power to shut down clubhouses because the police decide they are a danger to the community. Talk about *nazi's*.

*Harrisburg, Pennsylvania* — From the *PRNewswire* comes these stats: In Pennsylvania there were 20 people killed in Memorial Day crashes according to the State Police investigating the incidents. In addition there were 327 injured and 724 wrecks. All this in 4 days. *One* of the dead was riding a motorcycle. There were 5,831 speeding tickets and 268 were charged with driving under the influence. These were just the things that the State Police investigated, not the whole picture. What about the city cops and sheriffs? This just in one state folks. We need to be more vigilant. We are killing our people on the highways faster than we can with wars.

*New Hampshire* — Officials here are considering the implementation of rider courses in order to get or retain the right to ride a motorcycle. Driving courses are required for cars and boats, but at present bikers don't have to. 38 other states require rider courses now. New Hampshire is trying to make sure they will be able to offer the courses to all 65,000 who need them before making the courses

mandatory.

*Richmond, British Columbia* — *Wow!* This just might be the tool we've been looking for: Saltire Systems Inc., a developer of tire pressure and temperature monitoring technology, is showcasing a tire monitoring system for motorcycles at *Refine 2002* in mid-June, in Essen, Germany. This gizmo is made for bikes, and it's designed to warn us of sudden changes in tire pressure, so we can get set for the dreaded blowout on our scooters at speed.

This thing is scheduled to go on sale in the U.S.A. by the end of 2002, and be compatible with all rides. This here kid will be looking at that there doodad very closely.

*Dearborn, Michigan* — A.A.A. is at it again. They are saying the repeal of the helmet law here will increase deaths and injuries in motorcycle accidents. Never mind that the accidents are mostly caused by fools driving cages. Never mind that car drivers will never wear helmets, although if the A.A.A. were right, it would save many more head injuries in car accidents.

House Bill 4823, sponsored by Representative Gene Dearest (R-Manchester), would remove the mandatory helmet requirement for all riders and passengers 21 years of age or older, but does not require motorcycle riders to carry Personal Injury Protection (P.I.P.) insurance coverage. I hope the legislators keep their wits about them and pass this bill.

*Miami, Florida* — Well now! Seems the fight against terrorism has taken the F.B.I. away from the business of supporting the local police in their

harassment wars against motorcycle clubs. "Now that the F.B.I. is going to be focused on its core mission of terrorism, I'm wondering how our state and local agencies are going to deal with motorcycle gangs, narcotics trafficking and white-collar crime," Washington State Patrol Chief Renal Seras said. "White collar crimes usually don't usually occur in just one city or one county ... and the F.B.I. has been really helpful with that over the years." Smaller agencies may feel more of a pinch. In Peoria County, Illinois, Sheriff Chuck Scaffold said the F.B.I. provides crucial support for fighting "gang" activity. The local cops are now faced with the terrible task of keeping tabs on scooter people all by themselves. My! If they spent more time on legitimate vehicle stops and the pursuit of real criminals, they'd save money and do us all a lot more good.

*Athens, Greece* — Seems there's a new riding hazard we can worry about: Flying spiders! According to the Associated Press, a 33 year-old woman was riding her scoot when a spider got blown into her ear. Started to hurt after awhile, so the doc took a peek, and there it was! He videotaped the little bugger inside her ear, just in case people called him a liar. According to the doc, the temperature inside your ear is comfy for spiders. Let's not let that rumor out to the Spider world!.

### **GUNNY AGAIN**

That does it for this month folks. Remember the riding season is in full swing now and rider courses are filling up fast. Hope you can get in on one. These pearls of wisdom are part of the nationwide network of A.I.M.

attorneys and as such are part of the protection and information they provide us. If, God forbid, you have an incident on your scoot or car, get a hold of your nearest A.I.M. attorney for free advice or representation. Call nationwide at 1-(800)-531-2424, or 1-(800)-On-A-Bike. Sam Hochberg, our local Oregon A.I.M. attorney, can be found at 1-(800)-347-1106, or in the Portland area at (503)-224-1106. Sam will be glad to give free advice on any motorcycle-related issue. And I'll see *you* all at the runs in the Northwest!

Keep the round side on the bottom,  
Gunny  
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## American Motorcyclist Association



The American Motorcyclist Association Washington, D.C. office is moving to a new location, closer to Capitol Hill, where we diligently work for the nation's motorcyclists.

Effective June 1, 2002 the new contact information will be:

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New Jersey Assembly member Eric Munoz (R - Summit), not satisfied with Department of Natural Resources (D.N.R.) regulations that prohibit the operation of off-highway motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles in state parks and forests, proposes to ban them as a matter of law.

Munoz introduced Assembly Bill 2238, which not only reiterates the general ban on motorized recreation but would also prohibit the D.N.R. from permitting any motorized "special events" in state parks and forests. The A.M.A. opposes the bill and encourages all New Jersey motorcyclists to write their legislators.

Arizona House Bill 2501, Emissions Testing Exemption for Motorcycles, introduced by Representative Dean Coley (R - District 21), was signed into law by Governor Jane Dee Hull.

The bill requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality to contact the United States Environmental Protection Agency and request a vehicle emissions testing exemption for motorcycles and

collectible vehicles from the State Implementation Plan. About 25,000 of the state's 82,000 registered motorcycles require emissions testing in both Maricopa and Pima County under the current program.

California's Oceano Dunes State Vehicle Recreation Area (S.V.R.A.) remains open.

Oceano Dunes S.V.R.A., one of the last beaches open for O.H.V. (Off-Highway Vehicle) use in California, will remain open this summer and for years to come thanks to the efforts of multiple use groups and the Davis Administration during recent permit hearings held by the California Coastal Commission.

Massachusetts Governor Jane Swift signed House Bill 4334 (Veteran Plates for Motorcycles) into law, authorizing the Registry of Motor Vehicles to issue veteran plates to motorcyclists who qualify. The Massachusetts Motorcycle Association, A.B.A.T.E. of Massachusetts and A.M.A. Community Councils, together with other motorcyclist groups and individuals, strongly supported this legislation to allow veterans to display special plates on their motorcycles.

The Bureau of Land Management (B.L.M.) in Nevada will develop a Resource Management Plan (R.M.P.) for the 815,000 acre Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area in northwestern Nevada.

Although nearly 380,000 acres of the National Conservation Area have

been congressionally designated as wilderness, the agency plans to maintain motorized access to the non-designated lands by designating some of the existing roads and trails for motorized vehicle use in the R.M.P.

A Draft Environmental Impact Statement and R.M.P. are expected this fall. In the meantime, the B.L.M. will receive public comment and provide additional information about the National Conservation Area at [www.blackrockhighrock.org](http://www.blackrockhighrock.org).

New York Assembly members Ortiz, Diaz, Gordon, Green, Tocci have introduced A11387, which mandates the installation of ignition interlock devices by 2005 for motor vehicles manufactured for use in the state as well as for second hand motor vehicles sold within the state, and mandates all motor vehicles in New York shall be equipped with such devices by 2006.

This bill requires the installation of ignition interlock devices, similar to breathalyzers, in all motor vehicles sold or registered in New York State.

Ignition interlocking devices are defined as any blood alcohol concentration equivalence measuring device which connects to a motor vehicle ignition system and prevents a motor vehicle from being started without first determining through an essential deep lung breath sample that the operator's equivalent breath alcohol level does not exceed the calibrated setting on such device.

On May 13, 2002, the bill was referred to the Assembly Transportation Committee.



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British government officials have rejected calls to ban the use of mobile phones in cars, claiming it would be impossible to police such a law.

Despite a recent study showing how using a mobile phone while driving is more dangerous than drunk driving, ministers have instead decided to focus on a campaign they hope will persuade drivers to turn off their phones.

This news comes despite a recent research project in Canada revealed that drivers were four times more likely to crash while using a phone.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, which has been campaigning for a ban for several years, said that at least 17 people in the United Kingdom had been killed as a result drivers distracted by their mobile phones. (*MCNews*)

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Taiwan's government is finally allowing bikes over 150cc to be imported but it's ruled they can't be used on the road.

The country has been forced to let big bikes in after joining the World Trade Organization but the Ministry of Transport slapped the ban on bigger bikes saying "we don't want to encourage people to go motorcycling." (*AP*)

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Motorcycle manufacturers, effective June 24, 2002, are exempt from having to equip motorcycles with an emission control device that may not function properly on those vehicles, under an Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) final rule published May 24 (67 Fed. Reg. 36,765).

The device, known as a gasoline

tank filler inlet restrictor, allows the insertion of an unleaded gasoline pump nozzle but prevents a leaded gasoline pump nozzle from being inserted.

There is "relatively little risk of misfueling a motorcycle," E.P.A. said.

Because inlet "restrictors have never prevented the use of leaded gasoline in motorcycles," the agency will exempt motorcycles from having to be equipped with the inlet restrictor.

According to the agency, gasoline tank filler inlet restrictors do not work well with most motorcycle fuel tanks, especially the saddle type of tank, because of their shallow depth. The restrictors were intended to prevent damage to emission control devices, such as catalytic converters, installed on many motor vehicles to reduce ozone.

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New York Senate Bill 4922 (S4922), introduced by Senator John A. DeFrancisco (R-District 49) and Assembly Bill 8781 (A8781), introduced by Assemblyman Joseph D. Morelle (D-District 132), reestablish a dedicated user-based funding source for private land trail development for All-Terrain vehicles (A.T.V.'s) and off-highway motorcycles (O.H.M.s). Revenue from the currently mandatory A.T.V./O.H.M. registration would be split 50/50 between the State's General Fund and the Trail Fund. A program would be established with the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (O.P.R.H.P.) to distribute grants to government agencies and private nonprofit groups for trail development, maintenance, education, and

enforcement.

In 1986 the original New York Senate A.T.V. law established mandatory registration of all recreational A.T.V.s and O.H.M.s, and 50% of the fee was to be set aside for a trail fund. However, while funds accumulated, the grant program was never established.

And in 1990 the fund was abolished and over \$500,000 was removed to the State's General Fund to make up for shortfalls in the State's budget due to economic recession. Since then 100% of the \$10 registration fee has been deposited to the General fund with no return to riders, for a total unrealized investment of over \$6 million since 1986.

New York State Off-Road Association (N.Y.S.O.R.V.A.) has secured sponsorship of Trail Funding bills ever since 1993. And with the growing interest in A.T.V./O.H.M. recreation, your support for S4922 and A8781 is needed now to make sure New York's more than a quarter of a million A.T.V./O.H.M. trail riders finally get the long-overdue legal trail system they deserve.

Letters in support of S4922 may be sent to your Senator at the New York Senate, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247 while letters in support of A8781 may be sent to your Assembly Member at the New York State Assembly, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248.

You may send a letter and/or electronic mail message of support to your Senator and Assembly Member by entering your zip code in the

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Missouri's 91st General Assembly voted for the last time Friday, May 17, 2002. Included in this session were some good, and not so good, votes for motorcyclists in the "Show Me State".

Veteran's License Plates for motorcyclists were approved in both the House and Senate. These bills are on Governor Holden's desk for his signature or veto.

Clutch's Law (similar to A.M.A.'s Motorcyclist Matter campaign) went down to defeat in the final two weeks of session. While substitute language was made ready, Senator Morris Westfall, Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, decided this legislation was too controversial and might derail other language attached to the bill. To make amends with the "bikers" a provision was added to the bill that would allow \$1.00 for every criminal-related traffic offense to go to the Missouri Motorcycle Safety Program.

After passing both Transportation Committees, legislation on adult helmet modification bills was effectively stuck in a drawer for the year.

Colorado A.M.A. member Jim Bensberg won the top line ballot designation for El Paso County Commissioner, District 5 at the El Paso County Republican Assembly.

Bensberg will now advance to the Primary Election Aug. 13, 2002. The winner of the Republican primary will

face a Democrat, Dean Tollefson, in the General Election.

Connecticut's Department of Environmental Protection (D.E.P.) presented the long anticipated report All Terrain Vehicle Policy and Procedures. New England Trail Riders Association (N.E.T.R.A.) was the Off-highway Vehicle (O.H.V.) group invited to this presentation. The report lays out a plan, similar to the program in other states, in which an organization can sign an agreement with the state to maintain an O.H.V. riding area.

The program, if implemented, would ultimately lead to a higher level of control and responsibility by the O.H.V. organization with the state's concession agreement. Environmental studies, traffic studies, endangered/threatened species evaluation, historic evaluation, wetlands evaluation, etc. would all be done at the O.H.V. organization's cost, and then presented to the DEP for acceptance.

One problem with the policy is that it did not include off-highway motorcycles, only A.T.V.s. There were two separate definitions for "A.T.V." in state law. One included motorcycles, and one did not. The D.E.P. used the definition which only included 3 and 4 wheeled A.T.V.s, even though there is nothing in the law which would prohibit the state from including motorcycles in an O.H.V. area.

N.E.T.R.A. lobbyist and Representative Pam Sawyer worked to rewrite the strict definition of "A.T.V." to include off-road motorcycles. This



updated definition is included in current legislation passed by the state legislature and now waiting on Governor Rowland, who is expected to sign it into law.

The next step will be two public hearings on the new A.T.V. policy. It will be important that all O.H.V. enthusiasts participate in these hearings to support the opening of O.H.V. riding areas, but also to ask the D.E.P. to make the approval process outlined in their report less expensive and less difficult for the O.H.V. organization.

Public hearings are being scheduled. Call the N.E.T.R.A. Hotline (860)-693-9111 or check [www.NETRA.org](http://www.NETRA.org) to check the dates.

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

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

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# M.R.F. RELOCATES!

As reported, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation is “movin’ on up,” from a basement unit to the street level where the nation’s exclusive Washington advocate for street riders belongs! Recently, the building that housed the M.R.F.’s D.C. headquarters for over a decade changed hands. The new landlord raised the rent, and options for new office space in the area were few and typically double the cost. Thanks to the help of Pat Thompson, an M.R.F. member who lives on Capitol Hill, we moved to our new office yesterday - brighter, more convenient and all for slightly less rent than we’ve been paying!

Unfortunately, we will have some difficulties in handling e-mail and telephone calls as quickly as we’d like for the next few days. However, we anticipate that full service will be restored by Wednesday, May 29, and meanwhile Bev and I will check voice mail regularly and e-mails from home in the evenings.

All mail for the M.R.F. will continue to go to the same post office box (P.O. Box 1808, Washington, D.C. 20013) and the phone and fax numbers will remain the same.

## **COLORADO INVADES WASHINGTON!**

Motorcyclists’ rights advocates from the Rockies all but invaded Washington, D.C. this month, racking up relationships with Congressmen across the political spectrum and building awareness of our Big Three concerns: E.P.A., health

care and transportation (an ever growing issue ranging from rider safety to N.H.T.S.A.).

## **“THE MOTORCYCLE: THE IDEAL S.O.V.”**

Sounds like an advertising slogan, doesn’t it? ”The Motorcycle: The Ideal Single-Occupancy Vehicle.” True enough! With no road-wear, the gridlock-busting, gas-miserly motorcycle carries 1.0 persons to and from work, about equal to the 1.1 persons carried by the road-eroding, gas-guzzling, gridlock-generator we call “the cage.” But the news is not the slogan but the copywriter: Congressman Mark Udall suggested it. The man who won the “Green Sense Award” from a coalition of environmental advocacy groups heard from the A.B.A.T.E. of Colorado lobbying team of Dave Christy, Shane Cain, M.R.F. Rep Miles France, “Torch” Barr and Kelly Block (guess who’s the fire fighter!).

We focused the briefing on adverse environmental impacts of an overly-restrictive rule on street bike emissions. (For the one-pager on the issue, go to [http://www.mrf.org/pp\\_arc10-21-01.php](http://www.mrf.org/pp_arc10-21-01.php) on the M.R.F. web page.) In addition to personally briefing Congressman Udall, we met Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, M.R.F. Champion of Motorcyclists Rights & Safety and our Lion in the U.S. Senate, and briefed his chief staffer on E.P.A. and health care progress and on details of our TEA-21 Reauthorization Agenda. We also briefed the staffs of Senator Wayne

Allard and Congressmen Scott McInnis, Bob Schaffer, Joel Hefley and Tom Tancredo.

## **IMPACT!**

Whenever your S.M.R.O. visits Washington, your impact reaches far beyond your state’s Congressional delegation. For example, ABATE of Colorado and I ran into Congressman John Dingell of Michigan. He is a health care champ and ranking member of the committee that oversees NHTSA, and the powerful Congressman greeted us warmly. The relationships grow.

## **MAKING HEADWAY**

Thanks to the Leaders of A.B.A.T.E. of Colorado for funding and supporting this crucial trip. The M.R.F.-S.M.R.O. partnership means fighting the fight on *all* fronts, federal as well as state/local. When you talk to people about joining M.R.F. or strengthening the M.R.F.-S.M.R.O. partnership, ask them: You wouldn’t fight a two-front war on one front, would you? Ride with the Leaders™: Join the M.R.F. And support your S.M.R.O.’s partnership with the M.R.F.

## **MY RIDE WEST BECOMES ANOTHER PLANE RIDE**

Unfortunately, I must fly (not ride) to *Best of the West* in Spokane due to the fact that I need to spend as much time as possible in D.C. to help Bev get the new office up and running. I will keep working with A.B.A.T.E. of

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West Virginia, Kentucky Motorcycle Association/Kentucky Bikers Association, A.B.A.T.E. of Ohio and other interested S.M.R.O.s (State Motorcycle Rights Organizations) on important in-district visits later this summer. Meanwhile, our new digs - and yours - are one block from a Metro stop and located directly in the heart of Washington's historic "Eastern Market" ([www.easternmarket.net](http://www.easternmarket.net)).

Plan your visit soon!

### **A.B.A.T.E./C.M.R.O.**

#### **HITS D.C.**

If 4 bikers in the Halls of Congress look like 40, we must have looked 200-strong when A.B.A.T.E./Concerned Motorcycle Riders of Ohio dispatched nearly 20 freedom fighters to Capitol Hill. Led by Judi Minter and Dave Bucco, A.B.A.T.E./C.M.R.O.'s team consisted of Dani Joseph, Bill and Joanne Hickerson, Bruce Fair, Jim Smith, Dale and Lynn Stickle, Margaret Kimble, Dale Williams, Ed Soden, Wayne Jewel, Theresa Wright, Gary Tankersley, Chery Townsend, Mike Stanley, and Ray and Linda Kooyman.

#### **KEY VISITS**

We paid a personal visit to Congressman Steve LaTourette, M.R.F. Champion of Motorcyclists' Rights and Safety. A member of the House Transportation Committee, the Congressman was intrigued with and supportive of our TEA-21 Reauthorization Agenda. We also briefed the staffs of Stephanie Tubbs

Jones, Sherrod Brown, Deborah Pryce and Ralph Regula. A.B.A.T.E./C.M.R.O. also paid a visit to Congressman Tom Sawyer who, just days before, lost the Democratic primary contest to State Senator Tim Ryan. This is one of those races, friends, that pits champ versus champ, and A.B.A.T.E./C.M.R.O. expressed to Congressman Sawyer their support for him should he pursue other opportunities for elective office.

### **HEALTH CARE OUTRAGE!**

A life-long rider and member of the Trojans Motorcycle Club, A.B.A.T.E./C.M.R.O.'s Mike Stanley of Columbus is recovering pretty well from a motorcycle accident, but his cash flow is still under the knife. Mike paid his health care premiums dutifully, but after the company paid his bills, it wanted its money back. After that Y2K regulation on the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Mike's company leapt through the loophole that all but invites insurance companies to deny us benefits in case of accident. Mike is still reimbursing the company for benefits it would have covered had he been hit while walking or driving a car.

#### **LET'S KEEP ROLLING!**

Whether it's by regulation or legislation, this health care outrage will be remedied only if we keep pushing. To rescue health care and save families from financial ruin, Mike Stanley came to D.C. to talk to

his Congressman. Follow in Mike's footsteps! Ride with the Leaders (tm): Join the M.R.F. And be sure to support your S.M.R.O.'s partnership with the M.R.F.

Yours for the right to ride, and your friend,

Tom

Approximately 125 riders from about a dozen states and Canada descended on historic Lexington, Massachusetts, the last weekend in April for *Beast of the East*, M.R.F.'s premier leadership seminar for the Northeastern U.S. We moved the conference date to the end of April in the hope that more participants would be able to ride to *Beast* this year, but unfortunately the temperature plummeted and it snowed and rained all weekend! That didn't stop me from riding to Lexington from Virginia, but it sure was a cold, wet trip!

Our superb co-host for *Beast*: the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association. (You'll recall that M.M.A. and M.R.F. visited Congressional offices in Massachusetts last November, so for me, it was a family reunion.) In addition to M.R.F. board members, presenters included Rick Remz on helmet removal; a motorist awareness panel featuring Betsy Lister, New Hampshire Representatives and N.H.M.R.O. founders Bob LeTourneau and Sherm Packard and Imre Szauter from the American Motorcyclist Association; Steve Sebestyen, deputy registrar of the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (R.M.V.) on getting things

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done administratively (rather than legislatively); A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania's Joe Dickey on member recruitment; Betsy Lister on motorcycle insurance; Kevin Griffin and Jeannie Cousens on S.M.R.O. newsletters; and Dr. John Haberstroh with Paul Cote on helmets and neck injuries.

Long-time M.R.F. members Sherm and Bob gave attendees insights into the troubles being faced in state transportation budgeting. A.M.A. and M.R.F. presented awards to Massachusetts R.M.V.'s Steve Sebestyen for working with M.M.A. to make Motorist Awareness of Motorcycles a reality in the Commonwealth. I was also pleased to see good friends from A.B.A.T.E. of Massachusetts participating - a sign of the ongoing spirit of cooperation and partnership in our movement. The camaraderie between attendees was nothing short of electric thanks to M.R.F. Conference Coordinator Pam Piacenti and the top-drawer M.M.A. team ably led by Jimi Ricci and Paul Cote. Let's keep rolling!

Tom Pauley, President of the M.R.F., offered these reflections on this year's *Beast of the East* experience:

On the flyer announcing the *Beast of the East* are the words "Where Liberty Began." When you read these words, the impact of their meaning is somewhat significant. The place where America and the American ideals were born has an impact, especially at this time when we have been attacked and our freedoms are in jeopardy. The real impact,

however, takes place when you stand where the first American Patriots stood. To walk the ground where the blood of those first true "Freedom Fighters" was spilled is a very humbling experience. Many times we have used the words "Freedom Fighter" to describe those that feel strongly about the individual rights we have as motorcycling Americans.

But once you stand in the footprints of those first Sons of Liberty you are changed forever. Suddenly "Freedom Fighter" is more than a name we use to describe our efforts.

The last time I have felt so emotional about a place was when I visited the Vietnam Memorial in Washington D.C. I think that was because The Wall is a tribute to members of my generation, and I can understand why that piece of polished black stone evokes so much emotion.

That old bridge and the small village green near Lexington, Massachusetts is a place that every American should visit, to take a few minutes to reflect on the significance of those somewhat modest places.

That reflection set the theme for *Beast of the East 2002* and helped all who attended appreciate what those early Freedom Fighters died for.

They died so that we could have the right to gather in groups to talk freely about what is right or wrong with the government. They died to give us the right to act as a group to change government, if the government does not suit us. They died for our right to be free to travel this great country without fear of unjust laws. They

died so we would all remember that we not only have the right, but that we have the duty to change government that does not govern fairly.

And they died so that we would know that it does not take a majority to effect change, but that a small, resolute and vocal minority can have a significant impact on the way government acts.

We owe these rights to those farmers, storekeepers and plain everyday folks that gave their lives in the name of freedom so many years ago.

Be sure to visit the M.R.F. web page at [www.mrf.org](http://www.mrf.org) for more information about registering for *Best of the West 2002* in Spokane, Washington (June 7-9) and *Meeting of the Minds 2002* in Lansing, Michigan (September 26-29).

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

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# N.C.O.M. CONVENTION -- A TESTAMENT TO UNITY



Ralph Buss, Lloyd "Animal" Rector, Fred Hill, Greg Butcher (received by his wife, pictured, Kathy Butcher), Curtis Clements, **Gunny**, John Paliwoda, Bill Bish, Ron Roloff, Keith Ball, John Randolph.

### N.C.O.M. CONVENTION...A TESTAMENT TO UNITY

Tensions were running high within the motorcycle community in the waning weeks prior to the 17th annual N.C.O.M. Convention, May 9-11, but despite the cancellations or over-patrolling of numerous biker events around the country in the wake of recent bloodshed, patch holders and motorcycle rights activists descended on the Radisson Hotel in New Orleans in near-record numbers for a weekend of learning, sharing, networking and unity.

"This shit has got to stop," exclaimed one *Confederation of Clubs* chairman about the outbreak of violence, drawing a standing ovation from the crowded Patch Holders Meeting. J.W. Rock of the *Bandidos Motorcycle Club* and chairman of the *Confederation of Clubs* of Central Texas read a prepared statement during the meeting:

"We the *Confederations of Clubs*, now organized for patch holders in 39 States and two Canadian Provinces, do hereby reaffirm our support for the principles of N.C.O.M. and the motorcyclists' rights movement. As members of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*, the many autonomous *Confederations of Clubs* support N.C.O.M.'s efforts to have all motorcyclists become more involved in our government, more active in the preservation of our Liberties, and more dedicated to the Unity of all motorcycle organizations."

Although law enforcement was abundant, it was not oppressive, and the only violence reported was about 10,000 crowdads that got their tails shucked and their heads sucked in a local park at the Freedom Fighters' Crawfish Boil hosted by A.B.A.T.E. of Louisiana on Friday night.

Many problems are solved and friendships forged during the social

activities at the N.C.O.M. Convention, but the weekend is structured around seminars such as *Computer Privacy and the Internet*, *Women in Motorcycling*, *Is Your Bike Headed to the Scrap Heap?*, and the ever-popular mock legislative session; and meetings like the N.C.O.M. Board of Directors meeting, the N.C.O.M. Legislative Task Force meeting, the A.I.M. Attorneys Conference and other regional and special interest meetings, where centuries of combined knowledge are freely accessible.

This year's Convention was dedicated to the memory of Bruce Johnson, long time lobbyist for A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania, who died of cancer earlier this year. In a moving tribute to *Brothers and Sisters Lost*, "Doc" Reichenbach, Chairman of the N.C.O.M. Board and President of A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, Inc., read a list of names of recently deceased Freedom Fighters (*including several*



from Oregon and some others I forget — Sam) including Bear, Terry Kepl, Anal Andy from the *Outsiders Motorcycle Club*, submitted by motorcycle clubs and organizations for this special dedication. A.B.A.T.E. of Florida donated a brass bell to N.C.O.M. which was rung once for each name on the 18-page list, which took eight minutes to read.

But that somber note aside, the Convention seminars were thought-provoking, the meetings stimulating and the enthusiasm electrifying!

The *Silver Spoke Awards Banquet* topped off the weekend's festivities by honoring those amongst us who have distinguished themselves within the motorcycling community. This year's honorees were: West Virginia State Delegate Greg Butcher - Government; Ohio A.I.M. Attorney Ralph C. Buss - Legal; John Paliwoda, Director of the *California Motorcycle Dealers' Association* - Commerce; Keith Ball, former editor of *Easyridders* and founder of **BikerNet.com** - Media; and Special Awards were presented to "Gunny," Oregon A.I.M. Chief of Staff; Curtis Clements of the Christian Motorcycle Association; and posthumously to John Randolph, A.I.M. Chief of Staff with the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester.

The Ron Roloff Lifetime Achievement Award was awarded to Bill Bish, former N.C.O.M. Executive Director, and the *Fred Hill International Award* was given to Lloyd "Animal" Rector, founder of the Organization of Responsible Bikers of Nova Scotia.

The local Louisiana newspaper, the *Times-Picayune*, wrapped up the weekend under the headline, "Convention Puts Police on Alert - But Bikers In New Orleans to Learn Their Rights," and had this to say about the conference; "While police and federal authorities stepped up patrols for a gathering of motorcyclists in New Orleans this weekend, the bikers themselves spent much of their time attending workshops such as *How a Bill Becomes Law*. Legal talk was in high gear at the convention, where seminars included *The New Terrorists Laws and Their Effect on Your Group* and *How to Form a Political Action Committee*. By late Saturday, authorities said the weekend was running smoothly."

Next year's N.C.O.M. Convention will be held May 8-10, 2003, at the Four Points Sheraton in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Call the N.C.O.M. office at

(800)-525-5355 for further details.

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N.C.O.M. Convention 2002  
New Orleans, Louisiana

The annual N.C.O.M. (National Coalition of Motorcyclists) Convention held in New Orleans, Louisiana and sponsored by the

*Louisiana Confederation of Clubs* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Louisiana*, was a huge success by bringing together bikers from all corners of the country as well as some from around the world, to discuss current affairs as well as discussions about the future of motorcycling and what problems we might encounter in the future.

The *Confederation of Clubs* had a very large turn out and they are to be

commended for the way they presented themselves.

In lieu of the recent events the occurred in Nevada, the New Orleans Police department was out in force and prepared for what some of their superiors [perceived] to be a threat. After lots of communication, it became clear that they were over staffed and it was not long before they cut back on the amount of visible law enforcement personal. I spoke with several police officers and was told that they were impressed by our presence and felt there was a greater chance for an incident from the annual Elks convention than from us.

The *Confederation*, in a show of solidarity, made a public statement, stating their commitment to working with the M.R.O.'s [Motorcycle Rights Organizations] to achieve a better environment for all motorcyclists.

The weekend was full of positive workshops dealing with many issues and were well attended by all. The Legislative Task Force [L.T.F.], had another "mock" Legislative Hearing and it doesn't get much more real than that.

Thanks to Representative Nancy Argenziano, Florida legislator, and Senator Jim Putman of South Dakota for their assistance to make it a success and thanks to all the members of the L.T.F. who were but for a sort while, themselves legislators.

A different twist this year was that the session was led by none other than Jesse McDugald of South Carolina, who is a school teacher by profession and he did a great job of educating the audience.

Oregon was recognized once again for the effective role the motorcycling

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community provides to the Oregon Legislature and the laws that have been made or changed on behalf of the Oregon motorcyclists. I feel very proud to represent A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon on the Board of Directors. Oregon had one of the largest groups in attendance and we got to see Gunny receive an award for all the hard work he does for us as well as all motorcyclists everywhere.

The Oregon *Confederation of Clubs* were well represented by several members including Longview Tom, *Gypsy Jokers Motorcycle Club*, Pigpen, *Outsiders Motorcycle Club* and others whose names escape me now.

All in all there was a great sense of accomplishment, as we were able to bring people together for a common cause and, we were also able to get folks inspired to go home and light the fire under others to stand up for their rights.

It is ever more important right now as we get close to the election in November for the next Governor of Oregon. Most know what we have had to endure under leadership of the current Governor. Now is the time to closely examine the candidates and ask them how they feel about your right to choose for your own safety. Remember this is *not* about *helmets*, it's about *freedom* and the right for responsible peoples to make their own choices.

Do yourself a favor and do one for future generations. Get involved, don't sit back and say, "Someone else will do it."

We have the ability to regain but one small piece of freedom, and by doing so, others might follow our example.

*We are making a difference,*

Butch Harbaugh  
N.C.O.M.  
Legislative Task Force Chairman

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## The Road to Birkenfeld

by Maddog

Well another year is here and we are well on our way to providing a great run for all of the motorcycling community. The committee has been meeting for 4 months, which the main priority was getting a new site. Hood River was not very hospitable for our type of run, music being too loud one of the main factors. I'm not sure of that and their reasoning, but it was not mine to judge their codes when twenty cop cars are sitting down the road waiting to see if we are going to shut down. No problem this year.

I've gone through quite an extensive bit of work to acquire "Billy Gordon and the Blue Rockers" this year. We had to get a run site arranged before I could ink the bands. I had talked to Frank Moyer, who is Jimmy Van Zant's manager, a couple of times, but the problem again was lead time to arrange a couple of shows between here and Missouri to allow us to keep the cost of hiring "JVZ" or one of his other bands called "The Southern Rock Allstars". Southern Rock consists of Dave Hlubek, who founded "Molly Hatchet", Jason Spires, who was a founding member of "Blackfoot", and Jay Johnson, who was a charter member of "Rossington Band". Rossington Band was a spin-off of "Lynyrd Skynyrd" after Ronnie Van Zant was killed in a plane crash. Brian Bidleman, of Thunderbolt Productions, is the manager for "The Fryed Brothers", has also expressed an interest in returning to Run 21 again. Hopefully with a little success this year we can manage to bring you a couple of these bands next year.

As usual, this year we will have the same giveaways as last year and I must say the design on the run pin will be exceptional. We will be giving out 250 free pins this year again to the first riders that come through the gate. Because there were some people that did not get one and expressed an interest in having one, my suggestion is try and get there early. In the event you cannot possibly get there I have ordered an extra 50 that will be sold Saturday afternoon so your chances of having one will be a little better. I would like to have enough for everyone, but as you all know that is not possible until we have increased our size some and can substantiate the loss of buying that many. Again this year our Friday and Saturday night surprises will happen again and you all know what they are if you have been to Run 21 before. This year it will happen a little different due to the fact that some people took it upon themselves not to share, but take it back to their camp.

T-shirts will be the exceptional art that Jason has done in the past, front and back, with the low price of \$15. We are very proud of the high quality that you deserve. Run 21 will also be having our fun entertainment with another Leather Show using the exceptional models that we had last year, those people getting discounts on the option of buying the clothing. Judy will again be having the Beer Belly contest and I must say that was quite interesting. There will be a new burnout pit this year somewhere not so near the stage or vendors as to not

create the cloud we did last year. As usual we will have the bike show and bike games to go along with the other happenings. We are striving to give you a good weekend, something you will want to come back to again and again, and this is why we pass out the survey. Please take the time to fill it out so the following year we can work on our mistakes to make a more enjoyable run.

Two things we have added this year is our permanent web site, <http://www.run21.info/>, which will keep you up to date on new items and in the future, pics from the previous run. Also we have added online advance tickets using your credit card to help accommodate you in getting a ticket easier. Any flyer will also have a form for sending in through the mail.

All in all, the main thing is for you to have a relaxing fun filled weekend without being gouged at every turn. I hope to see you all this year and for all of you that patronized us in the last couple of years I would like to thank you for coming to one of the "new" premier runs of the Northwest. Ride safe and rubber side down.

From the office of the Dog,  
Appreciatively yours,

Maddog

*[ Editor's note -- The preceeding letter was supposed to appear in the June newsletter, but aliens befuddled the crusty ol' editor's remaining brain cell and the piece was misplaced until Maddog routed the dastardly invaders with his rocket bike and a bottle of homemade sangria. ]*

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## Letters From Our Members

[ *Editor's note -- the following is in reply to a letter appearing in the June newsletter which called into question whether A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. is really a brotherhood.* ]

Dear Mr. Boardman,

I'm sorry you don't feel that A.B.A.T.E. is a "brotherhood".

Why did you join A.B.A.T.E.?

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

Not only are we active in the community through fundraising and community service, we have a motorcycle awareness program each chapter takes to the local schools and we work

*with* our local government to make changes we feel are relevant. Your participation can range from simply attending our events to helping plan and work the events, from attending chapter meetings to volunteering for a chapter or even a state officer position. Everyone benefits to some extent by the efforts of this volunteer organization.

When your bike needs gas, you can now legally pump your own in Oregon, thanks in part to the "brotherhood" and efforts of A.B.A.T.E. members.

[*Editor's note — what we have is "assisted service". An attendant still hands the hose to the rider.*] The day may not be too far off before you have the right to choose not to wear a helmet.

Do you live in an area where you have

to take your car for emissions testing? Do you want to have to do that with your bike?

As for gun show paranoia, I have been told you are anti-gun. As stated in my June newsletter submission (turn to page 15 of that issue), that opinion is your right. But month after month, the government is working to take away something that our founding fathers thought was important enough to include in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Tragedies happen when people don't take responsibilities for their own actions and when parents don't teach their children right from wrong.

Not all of us are politicians and lawyers. Depending on your situation (which was not clearly stated), maybe an A.I.M. attorney would have been someone you should have contacted.

But I can assure you, the people I've met since I joined A.B.A.T.E. have been wonderful. Let me give you a few examples:

Saturday, June 1st, several *Washington County* members rode 70 miles to attend the *Hub City Poker Run*. As three of us were leaving the check-in site, one member had a flat and the tire separated from the rim. *Hub City* members called around for a shop to repair the tire, rounded up a truck and trailer and got the bike to *Fred's Honda* in Corvallis. Jordon Heeter was ready and waiting. The officers at *Hub City* made sure we knew the ending location and everyone was aware of what happened by the time we got there. Thanks to everyone at *Hub City*, especially Al

Sims, for their help and the Hard Luck trophy. These people were the epitome of kindness and concern.

On more than one occasion when I have been beside the road taking a break or waiting for someone, riders will stop to make sure everything is okay. I do the same.

Last year on the way home from Durango, some chapter officers met up with a rider somewhere in Nevada at a Harley shop. Turns out the fellow was from the same neck of the woods as the officers. I heard from the fellow about these great, friendly people he'd met. Turns out I already knew them and was not surprised by his pleasant encounter.

More than once I have seen members step up and help each other and strangers, when it was in their power to do so. Do not confuse "bikers" with uncaring people. Not only do we like to ride, we chose to ride and that is just facet in most of our lives. We have family, friends, jobs, hobbies, and interests in addition to riding.

Once again, I don't know what you got a ticket for, but why did you join A.B.A.T.E.?

Linda Wells

*Washington County Secretary*

From yer crusty ol' editor . . .



Happy Birthday USiAns,

Which U.S. flag are you flying?

Back when Rot Path became yer crusty ol' editor, he was getting miffed at how many folks were incorrectly displaying and treating the U.S. flag several months after the 11 September tragedies. While doing a web search for a government site that had proper flag etiquette, he became distracted when he came across the following web site:

[www.civil-liberties.com/pages/mystery\\_of\\_the\\_flag.htm](http://www.civil-liberties.com/pages/mystery_of_the_flag.htm)

*This issue marks six months since Rot Path became yer crusty ol' editor.*

Most folks don't realize that there are actually two United States flags. (Even Rot Path was unaware of the fact until doing this web search.)

Seems that the flag we're so used to seeing everywhere is actually the military flag of the federal government flown in time of war, especially if it's got the gold fringe on three sides. (Some web sites claim that particular flag indicates that maritime law is in effect wherever it's displayed and that constitutional protections are suspended.)

The other flag, the one that few people know about, is the peacetime flag, flown when the country is not at war. (Small wonder we never see it.) That flag has vertical red and white stripes instead of horizontal ones and the colors in the star field are reversed. (Blue stars on a white field.) The number of stripes varies from 13 to 16 depending on how many states had been admitted to the union when the flag was made. Also, the crest of

the United States sometimes replaces the star field in some variations. About the only place you can still see this flag displayed now days is over some U.S. Custom Houses. (Alaska is one place where it's been observed.) The only other remnant is the flag of the Coast Guard, since it is not a branch of the military in peacetime. That flag has the Coast Guard crest in the stripe field.

Like a lot of people, Rot Path hadn't realized why so many folks continue to dwell on the U.S. Civil War until visiting some of the web sites linked to issues of U.S. flags. Those of us involved in legislative matters affecting Oregon motorcyclists know how convoluted politics can be. But the unresolved issues from the Civil War that have never been addressed by our politicians is a real eye-opener. And they continue to affect our lives and even define how we ride. (Federal government using highway funding to extort mandatory state helmet legislation is one example.)

It's been six months since Rot Path became editor of the Oregon A.B.A.T.E. newsletter. It has and continues to be a learning experience for everyone involved. Once again Rot Path would like to thank Gordon and all the previous editors for the foundation they built for our newsletter. (And Gordon still patiently fields de-

creasingly panicky questions from the present editor.)

There have been mistakes made in the newsletter, primarily errors of omissions. It's one of the humanity things. But despite being merely human, Rot Path will continue to strive to give you the best damn A.B.A.T.E. newsletter in the country. Yer present crusty ol' editor (c.o.e.) sees the function of our newsletter as threefold (not to be confused with trifolds):

- 1 - To pass on information that affects our members.
- 2 - A recruitment tool to interest people in our organization and give them basic information about what we do.
- 3 - An historical document so that our organizational descendants can know what we faced and how we handled problems (which is why yer c.o.e. insists on accuracy and won't print rumors.
- 4 - Provide a source of monthly amusement . . . (Okay, that was four items. Consider it a crusty ol' editor's prerogative.)

Thank you to every one who contributes and supports our newsletter,

-- Rot Path



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July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Fox Creek Poker Run	(503)-873-2492 (Salem)	
July 13 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup>	Black Dog Poker Run	(503)-670-9060 (Mt. Scott M/C)	
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Salem H.O.G. Poker Run	(503)-390-1589	
July 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	Coos River Run	(541)-759-2388 (S. Coast)	
July 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	Cow Chip Boogie	(360)-577-7905	
July 19 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	Third Annual Ladies Ride	(208)-245-2320 (Idaho)	
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Rose City H.O.G. Poker Run		
July 26 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup>	Run 21 S.E. Portland Chapter	(503)-760-9015	
July 26 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ocean Shores Rally		
August 9 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup>	Beaver Creek	(541)-563-6526 (Lincoln Co.)	
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Applegate Poker Run	(503)-393-2834	
August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mt. Scott Road Run	(503)-670-9060 (Mt. Scott M/C)	
August 16 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Run Portland Chapters	(503)-760-9015	
August 16 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>	Oregon State H.O.G. Rally		
August 17 <sup>th</sup>	O.V.M.A. Poker Run	(503)-378-7311	
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Dual Sport	(503)-670-9060	
August 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	S.O.S. Run So. Oregon Chapters	(541)-821-1487	
August 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	O.V.M.A./Chinook Winds		
August 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	The Big Event	<a href="http://www.angelfire.com/falcon/botwnomadsbigevent/">www.angelfire.com/falcon/botwnomadsbigevent/</a>	
August 31 <sup>st</sup>	Rotary Air and Bike Show N. Bend	(541)-759-2388 (S. Coast)	
Aug 31 <sup>st</sup> - Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Freindship Run	(208)-245-2320 (Idaho)	
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September 7 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	A.H.D.R.A. All Harley Drags--Woodburn		
September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rogue Ride for St. Judes	(541)-282-9764 (Shady Cove)	
September 20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of Summer Run	(503)-861-1703 (WaCo/N. Coast)	
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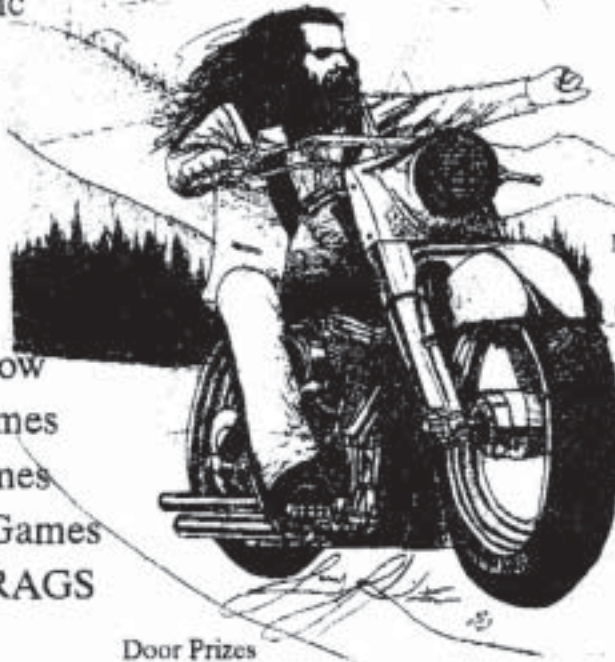
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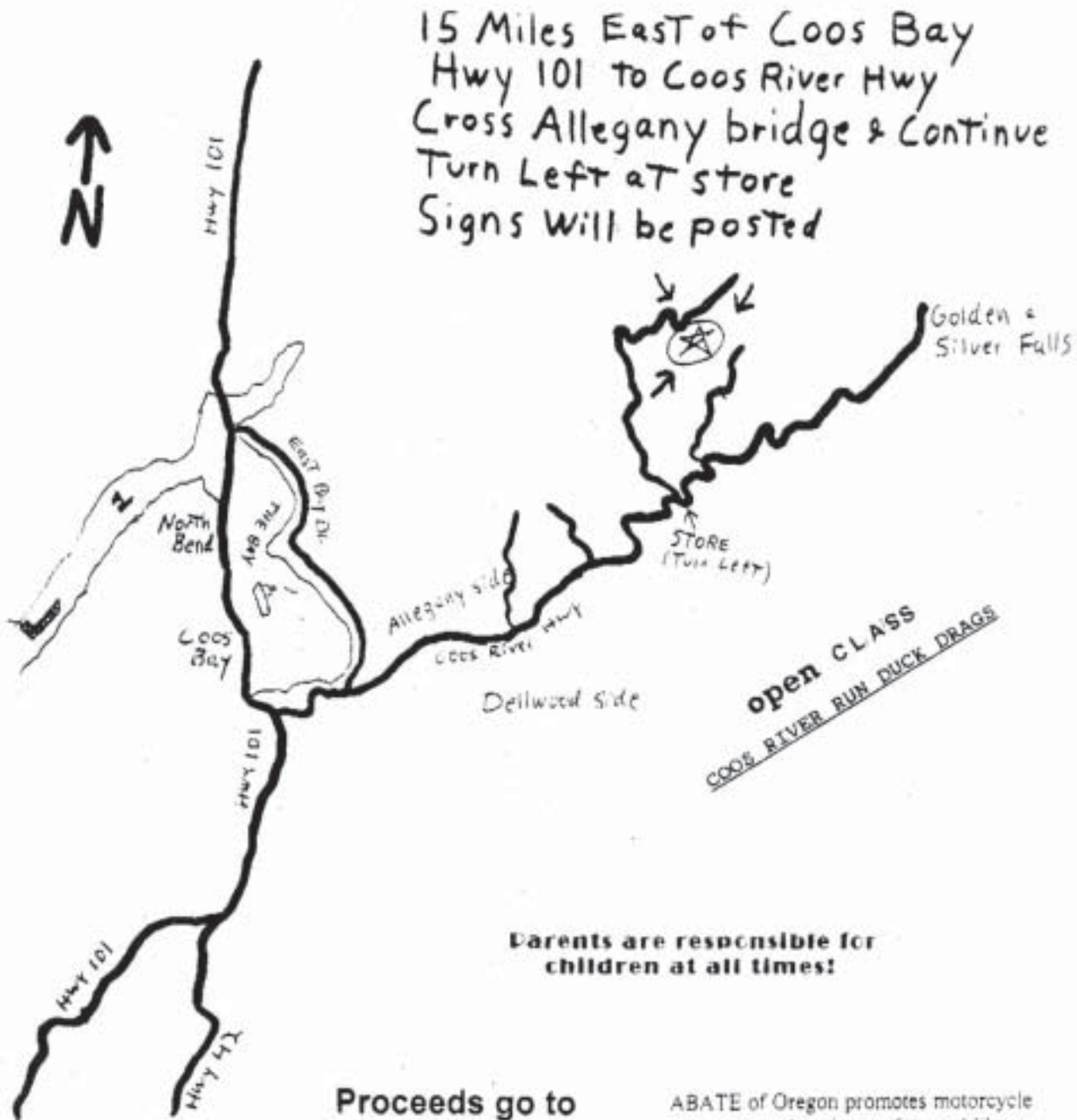
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South Coast Chapter  
P. O. Box 4175  
Coos Bay, OR 97420

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FIRES  
FIREWORKS  
PETS OR  
ATTITUDES  
NO EXCEPTIONS!

GATES  
CLOSED TO  
OUTBOUND  
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**Parents are responsible for children at all times!**

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**250  
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RUN 21  
PINS!\***



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**Who:** Hosted by ABATE SE Portland Chapter

**When:** July 26, 27 & 28

**Where:** Flying W Ranch, Birkenfeld, Oregon  
(See map on back of this flyer.)

**How Much:** \$20.00 in advance, \$25.00 at the gate (per person)

(No refunds. Purchase online at: [www.run21.info](http://www.run21.info) or use the mail-in form on back of this flyer)

**Music:** Friday-Band t.b.a., Saturday Night-JR Simms opening up for...

## **BILLY GORDON** *and the* **Blue Rockers**

Easyrider Magazine, "We enjoyed the hell out of them".

Washington Post-Blues on Parade, "Gordon's gifts as a guitarist are hard to ignore".

Bottom Line: If you haven't seen Billy Gordon-its about time you did!

**Excitement all weekend long! Come see live Buffalo!**

- BYOB Only
- ADULT Games
- Bike Games
- Saturday Surprise
- Non-Rider Games
- Ride In Bike Show
- Beer Belly Contest
- Burnout Contest
- Fashion Show

**Run 21 is an ALL Adult Run. No one under 21 will be admitted.**

**No ID! No admittance! Gates close at 10:00 PM.**

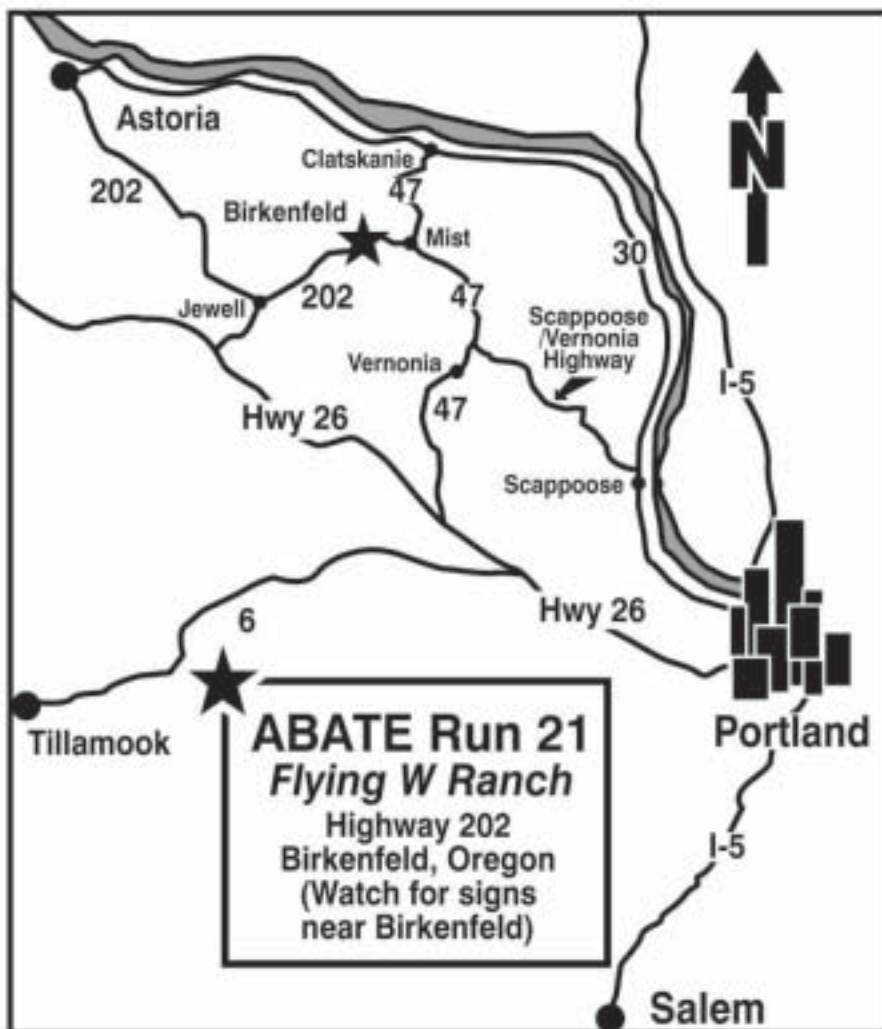
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Sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon Sanctioning Committee.

All proceeds to benefit motorcycle rights, education and legislation.  
Contributions and/or donations are not tax deductible for tax purposes.

\* First 250 people with paid admission thru the gate.

If you have any questions: Call Lee 503-760-9015



**ABATE Run 21**  
*Flying W Ranch*  
 Highway 202  
 Birkenfeld, Oregon  
 (Watch for signs  
 near Birkenfeld)

**ADVANCE TICKETS** can be purchased using Visa, Visa Debit, Mastercard & Discover cards on line at: [www.run21.info](http://www.run21.info) until July 15th, 2002.



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**ABATE Southeast Portland Chapter**  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 # Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20.00 each = Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cashiers check, money orders and personal checks only! (10 day wait for personal checks)

**"NO" MAIL ADVANCE TICKETS BEYOND JULY 1st, 2002!**

Why buy advance tickets? Because..... **GATE TICKETS WILL BE \$25.00**

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# SUMMER RUN 2002

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WHEN: AUG, 16,17,18

WHERE: 46949 SE CLAUSON RD, ESTACADA OR

MUSIC BY: FRIDAY NITE: 6:30-9:30 P.M. JACKSTRAW, :10:00-1:00 A.M-

FALSHBACK. SATURDAY:6:30-9:30 PM. HITMAN, : 10:00-1:00 A.M. JR SIMS AND TEXAS SPECIAL

FOOD VENDORS , BEER VENDOR , BIKE GAMES ,AND RIDE IN BIKE SHOW.

**NO !**

**250 RUN PINS FREE !**

FIRES

WITH PAID ADMISSION AT THE GATE

FIREWORKS

FIREARMS

ATTITUDES, OR YOU WILL BE ASK TO LEAVE WITH NO REFUND



NO PETS ! ON LEASH OR OTHERWISE THIS WILL BE ENFORCED

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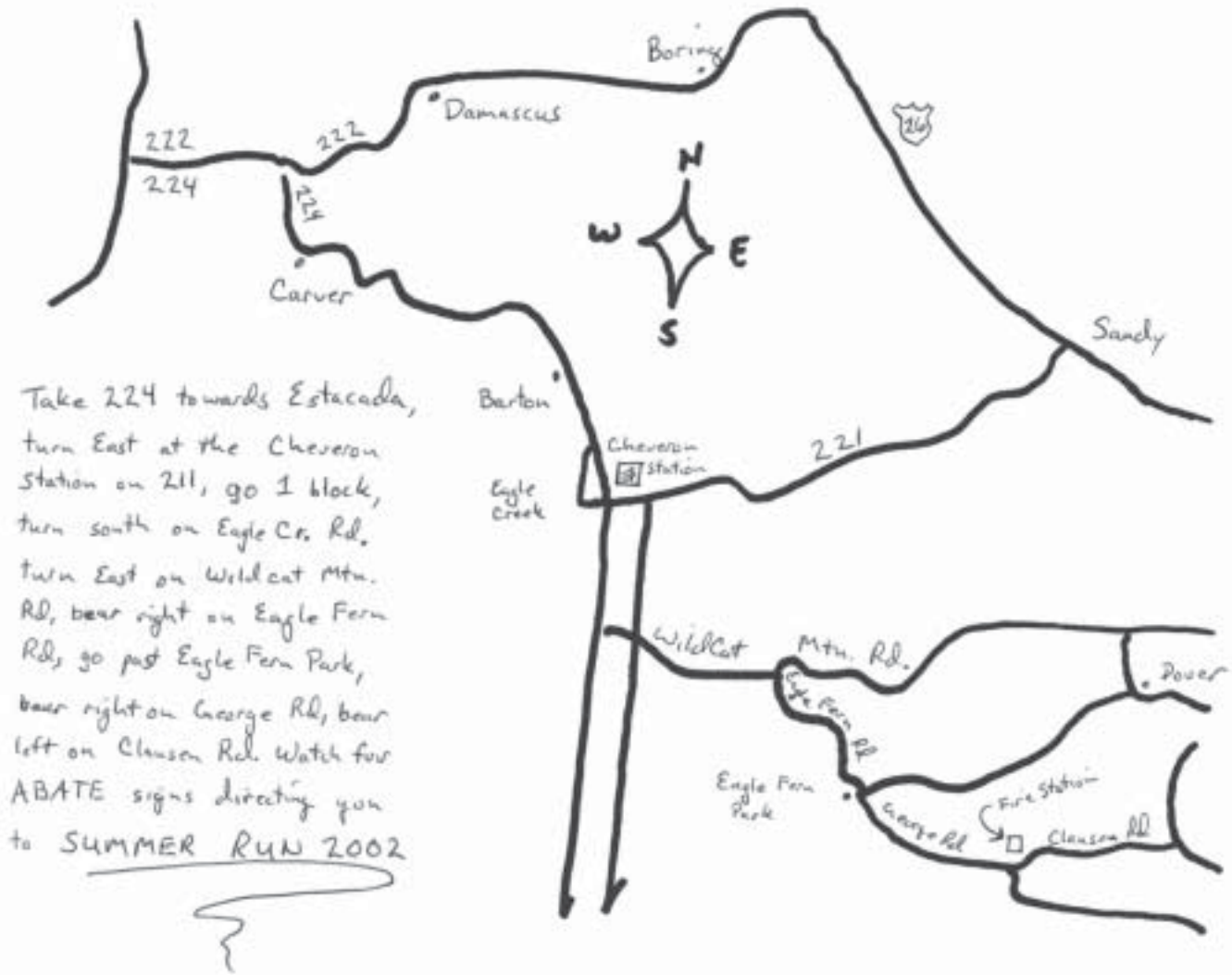
GATE OPENS AT 3:00 PM FRIDAY, CLOSBS AT 10:00 PM TO OUTBOUND TRAFFIC  
NO ADVANCED TICKETS \$15,00 MEMBERS, NON MEMBERS \$20,00 AT THE GATE  
ONLY. \$5,00 DISCOUNT ON NEW MEMBERSHIP AT THE RUN, KIDS UNDER 14  
FREE.

CONTACT LEE AUSTIN 503-760-9015

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# SUMMER RUN 2002



Take 224 towards Estacada,  
turn East at the Cheveron  
Station on 211, go 1 block,  
turn south on Eagle Cr. Rd.  
turn East on Wildcat Mtn.  
Rd, bear right on Eagle Fern  
Rd, go past Eagle Fern Park,  
bear right on George Rd, bear  
left on Clauson Rd. Watch for  
ABATE signs directing you  
to SUMMER RUN 2002

Lincoln Co. Chapter A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon  
Presents the

**50th Annual Beaver Creek Run**  
1982 Seal Rock, Oregon 2002

Kenny Lee  
& the  
Sundowners



June  
Rushing  
Band

Supper Camping Bike Games Bonfire Vendors

**USUAL PLACE -- USUAL DAYS**  
(for those who really have to know - Aug. 9 - 10 - 11)

**DONATION: \$13.00 AT THE GATE**

14 AND UNDER FREE  
GATE CLOSES AT 10 P.M. TO OUTGOING TRAFFIC

**NO:** ATTITUDE  
FIREARMS  
FIREWORKS  
CAMPFIRES

PETS: HOME  
PEOPLE ON  
PROPERTY  
YOURS ON  
LEASH AND  
AT  
YOUR OWN  
RISK

**NO ONE  
UNDER 18  
ADMITTED  
WITHOUT  
PARENT**

**INFO:**

JOE: 241-983-3111  
RALPH: 241-282-8820

**VENDOR INFO:**

GARY - 241-283-3250

**CHILDREN ARE RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THEIR PARENTS  
AT ALL TIMES**

**SORRY  
NO MAP**

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(Hey!... don't blame yer crusty ol' editor for this one.)



**North Valley  
Chapter  
Oregon Veterans  
Motorcycle Assn.**

**Poker Run**

Registration:  
10:00 am till 12:00 noon  
\$5.00 each hand

**Saturday  
August 17, 2002**

50/50  
Drawing

**Start** Pink Elephant  
Corner of State & Lancaster  
Salem, OR

Door  
Prizes

**End** at the Pink  
between 4 & 5 pm.  
Food Available

Raffel  
Drawing

High Hand                      Low Hand Pays  
Pays \$50.00                      \$25.00

**CONTACT:**

Alan (503) 378-7311  
Tim (503) 585-9553  
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**ALL RIDERS WELCOME**



**S.O.S.**



AN A.B.A.T.E. COALITION RUN  
**WOLF CREEK PARK, WOLF CREEK, OR.**  
**AUGUST 23 TO AUGUST 25, 2002**

For Further Information Contact:

S.O.S. ABATE COALITION OF CHAPTER'S

Tim Rhode, Southern Oregon ABATE @ 541.821.1487

Michael Taylor, Willamette Valley ABATE @ 541.485.2352

Charlie Hill, South Coast ABATE @ 541.759.2388

Abe Zafferano, Douglas County ABATE @ 541.677.7366

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**FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHT**

**BIKE GAMES  
& SHOW  
DOOR PRIZES  
POKER RUN**

**T-SHIRTS  
RUN PINS  
FOOD  
BEVERAGES**

**Vendors Contact:  
Tom Orsini  
Southern Oregon  
541.749.8635**

**GATES OPEN**

**FRIDAY @ 12 NOON**

**MRO'S \$20**

**NON-MRO'S \$25**

**\$5 Refund On New Membership**

**KIDS UNDER 15 ARE FREE**

**SEPARATE RV & AUTO PARKING**

**RULES**

**NO FIRE ARMS,**

**NO HASSLES,**

**NO REFUNDS,**

**NO PETS**

**NO ATTITUDES**

**KIDS UNDER 18 MUST BE IN**

**CAMPSITE BY 10:00PM.**

**OUT BOUND TRAFFIC CLOSSES AT 10PM**

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# End of Summer Run



North Coast/Washington Co Chapters

Invites you to Birkenfeld, Oregon

Live Music All  
Weekend!

Featuring some of the best  
bands in the Northwest.  
Including the Sinners  
Club on Saturday  
Night.

**Tickets**  
\$20 Members  
\$25 Non-Members  
Kids under 12 are free.  
Tickets include 3 days,  
two nights camping,  
entertainments and all  
games.

Washington County  
ABATE  
P.O. Box 202  
Cornelius, OR 97113

Sept. 20-22, 2002



For more information Contact:  
North Coast:  
Chuck Stuart 503-325-1703  
Washington County:  
Jim Henderson 503-648-6047  
[www.wacoabate.com](http://www.wacoabate.com)  
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The Rules

- No Pets
- No Fireworks
- No Illegal Firearms
- No Campfires
- No Bad Attitudes
- Parent caught not supervising their children will be escorted out without a refund.

Food and Merchant  
Vendors

All vendors welcome-call  
early for more info and  
best space.

North Coast  
ABATE  
P.O. Box 1123  
Astoria, Oregon 97103

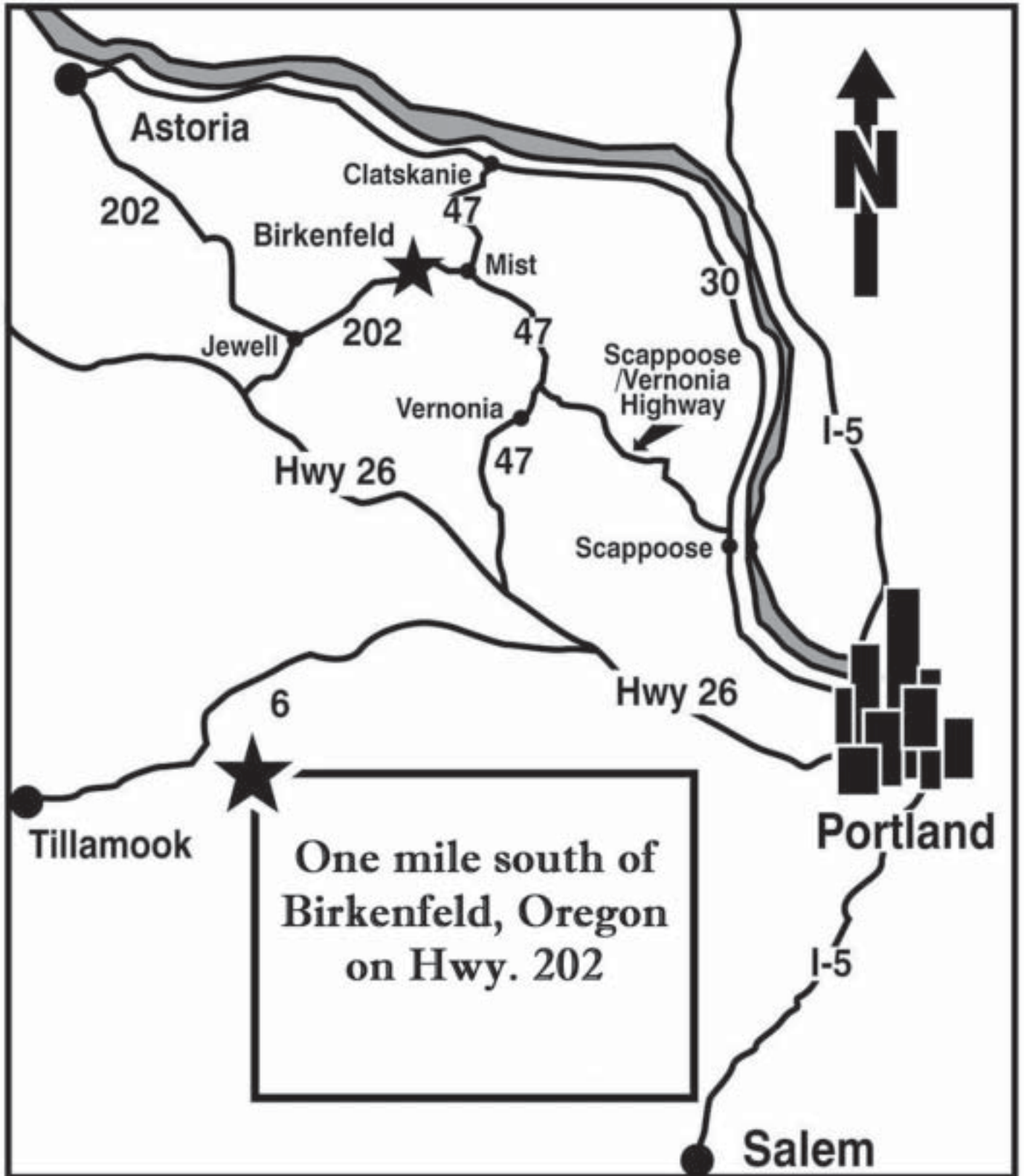
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## More From The Fossil Run



photo by Spike

To whom it may concern:

Wow! is all I have to say. *Fossil* was *great!*

Our first camp out, my buddies and I made no bones about attending. Rode our bikes all the way from Portland.

Beautiful people, great times, lots of memories made there, not to mention friends.

Learned about A.B.A.T.E. What a great cause. Wish I knew about A.B.A.T.E. before, due to I suffer from "Bike of the Blood", and look forward to joining your Southeast Portland chapter and riding with all members everywhere.

Thanks again for a *great time.*

Ride Safe,

Troy M. Leighton

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

Hello to all who now, were at *Fossil Run*. I am very grateful I got to be there. I tried my hardest to find someone to get me there by *sky diving*. Yet the best thing of all is *Hey I was there* and that is a *god thing*.

I just want to say thank you to all. Especially to Mr. Rotten Roger, and I am grateful for all.

I believe it was Mr. Jeff, one of the A.B.A.T.E. members, who helped on Saturday to get my tent spread out more. If I missed your real name, I'm sure you know who I am. Thank you beyond what words can say.

I'd also like to say mega thanks to Squirrel who really helped in making shade for me on Saturday. And then my my ride, the Taxi Dude, showed up, then I had to go.

I also want to say "thank you" to Mr. Michael who had the red Camero. It was a blessing meeting you. You are a good soul and a good person. I won't forget talking with you and I hope I was able to make you laugh. You're a very kind person. I wish you well. Hope you write.

I am also very blessed that A.B.A.T.E. [accepted] the flag that was given to me, supposedly in regards to my father who's memorial I was not allowed to attend.

Why?

I will not ever know in this life time.

Please hang it for all the brothers and sisters who have passed on. I do believe I gave it with love and honor, even if Pchi-on family. [?]

A.B.A.T.E. has been my family for 25 years.

Hey Mr. Roger, I was told it was your 24th event of *Fossil Run*. I hope they did not roast you.

I'm glad I didn't stay, for if people knew it was my 25th anniversary, woohh!

I guess it was to be me leaving. If my health keeps going maybe I'll get another chance and see *Fossil* again with all of us old-timers. It was very hard to leave. I cried. I love all life.

I thank Mr. Roger again for my t-shirt. You're a very honorable dude.

When [my] C.D. is out, \$20 for a signed one.

I love all.

May the blessing be,

Mama Cat

P.S. My father, Louis E. Azzarelli, served in the Air Force. Died in Veteran's Administration hospital in Bozo, Idaho. He did more and served World War II, Korean War, Viet Nam War.

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

Amended 4 December, 2000

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **Name**

- A. The corporation hereinafter referred to as A.B.A.T.E., is legally known as A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. which stands for: *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* and its duration shall be perpetual.

### **ARTICLE II**

#### **Jurisdiction**

- A. A.B.A.T.E. shall:
1. Have jurisdiction of all members, chapters and use of name and logo within the state of Oregon.
  2. Maintain equitable relations between all its members and chapters.
  3. Assure the democratic right to assemble, voice opinions and take action on matters of mutual interest to motorcyclists.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **Purpose**

- A. A.B.A.T.E. shall be organized and operated exclusively for the promotion of social welfare. Subject to the limitations stated in the Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of this corporation shall be to engage in any lawful activities, none of which are for profit, for which corporations may be organized under Chapter 65 of the Oregon Revised Statutes ( or its corresponding future provisions ) and 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 ( or its corresponding future provisions ).
- B. A.B.A.T.E.'s primary purposes shall be:
1. Dedication to freedom of the road.
  2. Education programs to assist all motorcyclists, especially the young and/or novice riders, to reduce accidents and to improve rider skills.
  3. Public awareness programs promoting motorcycling.
  4. Fair motorcycle legislation.
- C. A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education,

safety and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **Organizational Structure**

- A. The structure of A.B.A.T.E. shall consist of the following:
1. Membership
  2. Chapters
  3. State Board of Directors
  4. Committees
  5. State Executive Board

### **ARTICLE V**

#### **Membership**

##### **Section 1 - Eligibility**

- A. There is only one qualification for membership, that being the payment of dues established by the State Board of Directors. No group or class is required to join. No group or class is denied membership.

##### **Section 2 - Application**

- A. Membership in A.B.A.T.E. shall be obtained and maintained through application to A.B.A.T.E..
- B. Each application for membership shall be accompanied by dues established by the State Board of Directors and submitted to the State Membership Secretary.
- C. Memberships are non-assessable, non-transferable, non-assignable and non-refundable.
- D. Each member will decide which Chapter they want to belong to, or may decide to be a Member-At-Large (Indian Creek).
- E. A.B.A.T.E. membership records will remain confidential, and will be used *only* for A.B.A.T.E. purposes.

##### **Section 3 - Transfer**

- A. The transfer of membership from any Chapter to the jurisdiction of another Chapter, shall be in writing to the State Membership Secretary.
- B. The transfer of Chapter membership must be registered with the Membership Secretary of the Chapter receiving the member and with the

State Membership Secretary to acquire voting rights in the Chapter transferred to.

##### **Section 4 - Duties of the members**

It shall be the duty of each member of A.B.A.T.E. to:

- A. Abide by the A.B.A.T.E of Oregon, Inc. Bylaws.
- B. Conduct him/her self in keeping with the traditions and principles of the organization with respect to his/her fellow members, the community, its laws, and the good name of A.B.A.T.E of Oregon, Inc.
- C. Bring to the attention of the State Board of Directors presiding officer any activity that is not in the best interest of A.B.A.T.E.

##### **Section 5 - Termination of Membership**

- A. Membership in A.B.A.T.E. will be terminated upon death, written request from the member, nonpayment of dues, theft of A.B.A.T.E. assets, or by decision of the State Board of Directors.

##### **Section 6 - Annual Meeting**

- A. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in December with the date, time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors.
1. Notice of such meeting, describing the date, time and place, shall be delivered to the Membership by means of the newsletter, not less than thirty ( 30 ) days prior to the annual meeting.
  2. The Board of Directors is authorized to set an alternative date, time and place for the annual meeting.

### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **Chapters**

**Section 1 -** To receive a Charter as a Chapter in A.B.A.T.E. a group must:

- A. Have ten ( 10 ) paid-up members.
- B. Elect from those paid-up members a Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and one ( 1 ) State Representative.
- C. Make application to the State Board of Directors for a Charter.

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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Bylaws  
( continued )**

**Section 2** - To remain as a Chapter in A.B.A.T.E. the Chapter must:

- A. Abide by the A.B.A.T.E. Bylaws, The State Guidelines for Forming a New Chapter, the A.B.A.T.E. Financial Policies and Procedures, the A.B.A.T.E. Media Guidelines, the A.B.A.T.E. Event Sanctioning Guidelines and any other A.B.A.T.E. documents that are relevant to Chapter operations or the corresponding future provisions of the aforementioned items.
- B. Abide by the decisions rendered by the State Board of Directors.
- C. Send copies of Chapter minutes to the State Coordinator within seven ( 7 ) days of the Chapter meeting.
- D. Ensure the participation of Chapter State Representatives at State Board of Directors' meetings, unless excused by the State Coordinator.
- E. Submit a monthly Chapter report to the state newsletter by the 10th of each month.
- F. Any Chapter in noncompliance with any of the aforementioned items for over:
  - 1. Thirty ( 30 ) days, will be put on probationary status
  - 2. Sixty ( 60 ) days, will not be allowed to vote at the State Board Meeting.
  - 3. Ninety ( 90 ) days, action will be taken to revoke the Chapter's Charter.
- G. The Charter of any Chapter may be terminated upon receipt of a written request by the Chapter's Coordinator, delivered by a Chapter Representative to the State Board of Directors. The State Board of Directors has the final authority in this matter.

**ARTICLE VII  
Board of Directors**

- A. The State Board of Directors will be the governing body of A.B.A.T.E. and will meet at a time and place to be determined by the State Executive Board.
- B. The State Board of Directors will be composed of one State Representative elected by each Chapter, which will constitute the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.

- C. The term of office for a Director is one ( 1 ) year.
- D. Director resignations or vacancies will be filled by election by the responsible Chapter.
- E. A majority of the State Board of Directors must be present and eligible to vote, to constitute a quorum.
- F. The State Board of Directors will use Robert's Rules of Order as a guideline to conduct meetings.
- G. Motions brought before the State Board of Directors which will directly affect the general membership will be referred to the Chapters for discussion and voted on at the next State Board of Directors meeting, unless a delay in voting will cause a disruption in the transaction of business by the organization.
  - 1. Only a Director may bring a motion before the State Board of Directors.
  - 2. Any member in good standing may draft or originate a motion.
- H. No Director shall receive payment for services rendered/provided to A.B.A.T.E..
- I. There shall be no voting by proxy.
- J. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors.
  - 1. Notice of such meetings, describing the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting, shall be delivered to each Director not less than seven ( 7 ) days prior to the meeting, by means of voice, mail or electronic devices.
- K. Any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors may allow the usage of telecommunication devices to enable remotely located Directors to participate in the meeting, so long as all parties can hear each other.

**ARTICLE VIII  
Committees**

- A. The State Board of Directors may establish such other committees as it deems necessary and desirable. Such committees may exercise functions of the Board of Directors or may be advisory committees.
- B. Any committee that exercises any

function of the Board of Directors shall have a minimum of one ( 1 ) Director or one ( 1 ) State Officer as part of the committee's composition.

- C. A quorum at a Committee meeting exercising Board functions shall be a majority of all Committee members present before the meeting begins.
- D. No committee may authorize payment of any part of the income or profit of the corporation to its directors or officers; may approve dissolution, merger, or the sale, pledge or transfer of all or substantially all of the corporation's assets; may elect, appoint, or remove directors or fill vacancies on the board or any of its committees; nor may adopt, amend, or repeal the Articles, Bylaws, or any resolution by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE IX  
State Officers**

**Section 1.** State Executive Board ( required positions )

- A. Coordinator
- B. Vice-Coordinator ( 1 to 3 positions as required )
- C. Treasurer
- D.. Membership Secretary
- E.. Recording Secretary

**Section 2.** Other Officer Positions

- A. Other State officer positions, not being Executive Board positions, may exist or be created as authorized by the State Executive Board and Board of Directors.

**Section 3.** Duties

- A. All State officers are to abide by the State Officer Guidelines, A.B.A.T.E. Bylaws, and any other relevant A.B.A.T.E. documents in the performance of their offices.
- B. No State officer shall receive payment for services rendered/provided to A.B.A.T.E..

**Section 4.** Authority

- A. The State Executive Board, by simple majority, has the authority to:
  - 1. Issue statements on the behalf of the organization.
  - 2. Expend funds.
  - 3. Take any action deemed necessary to accomplish the goals of the organization

**Section 5. Elections and Vacancies**

- A. The election of State Officers shall be held at the last meeting of each year by the voting membership of the State Board of Directors.
- B. The number of State Officers shall be at least , but not limited to, five (5).
- C. Vacancies of State Officer positions may be filled by appointment by the State Coordinator, pending ratification at the next State Board Meeting, by the State Board of Directors.

**Section 6. Rules and dates**

- A. The nomination and election of State Officers shall be conducted under the supervision of the State Coordinator. The State Coordinator shall have the authority and responsibility to see that nominations are conducted in accordance with these Bylaws, with reasonable opportunity for each Director to vote.
- B. All questions concerning the conduct and challenges of elections shall be determined by the Executive Board, subject to the right of appeal by the Board of Directors.
- C. The term of each elected office shall be one (1) year, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.
- D. The State Coordinator will notify the Membership prior to November 1st of the election year that he/she will be receiving nominations for all offices, and that all Members eligible to hold office are eligible to be nominated at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- E. Any member in good standing may make a nomination.
- F. The State Coordinator shall advise each nominee not eligible for election of the reason he/she is not eligible for nomination. The Coordinator shall also obtain assurance from each eligible nominee that he/she will accept the position for which he/she has been nominated.
- G. The nomination of an eligible absentee member can only occur when the absentee member indicates their acceptance of nomination, in writing to the State Coordinator. .
- H. Only Members in good standing shall be eligible to vote or hold office.
- I. No elected Officer shall qualify to take office unless and until he/she meets the

qualifications/requirements, set forth in these Bylaws.

- J. All elected Officers will assume office on the first meeting in January.

**ARTICLE X**

**Grievances**

**Section 1. Procedure**

- A. Member complaints, disputes, dissatisfaction, problems and etc., with or about A.B.A.T.E., shall be handled as follows:
  1. The interested parties are urged to talk to each other with a view towards agreement, resolution or compromise.
  2. If necessary, the interested parties can present the issue at hand to the Chapter for discussion and possible handling.
  3. If conditions warrant it, the interested parties can request a hearing before the State Board of Directors.
  4. The State Board of Directors has the final authority in resolving grievances.

**ARTICLE XI**

**Discipline**

**Section 1. Procedure**

- A. In the event that a Member of A.B.A.T.E. acts in such a way as to cause damage to A.B.A.T.E., its' Chapters, its' Officers or its' Members, a complaint may be lodged with a member of the State Executive Board.
  1. The State Executive Board will determine if there is merit to the complaint, and if so will initiate disciplinary procedure.
  2. Disciplinary actions may be one or more of the following:
    - a. A verbal warning or discussion.
    - b. A written reprimand.
    - c. Suspension
  3. The affected Member can request a hearing before the State Board of Directors.
  4. The State Board of Directors has the final authority as regards disciplinary actions. ( as per Article V, Sec. 5A )

**ARTICLE XII**

**Finances**

- A. The fiscal year of A.B.A.T.E. shall be January 1 through December 31.
- B. All funds obtained from membership fees, donations and organizational benefits shall be used for:
  1. Rider and non-rider education.
  2. Distribution or dissemination of organizational information.
  3. Legislative action.
  4. Organizational requirements and general costs incurred in the operation of the organization itself, none of which shall go to any member or officer with the exception of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenditures directly related to A.B.A.T.E. activities authorized by the State Board of Directors and/or the State Executive Board.

**ARTICLE XIII**

**Amendments To Bylaws**

- A. These Bylaws may be amended by the Board of Directors by a majority of directors present, if a quorum is present.
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*Addendum:*

Articles of Incorporation history:  
 established 8/22/1975  
 amended 9/27/84  
 Bylaw history: established 8/26/1975,  
 ratified 1/3/77  
 amended 5/9/78, ratified 11/13/78  
 amended 10/93, ratified 11/1/93  
 amended 11/95, ratified 1/13/96  
 amended 12/4/00, ratified 2/10/01  
 Rules of Operation history:  
 established 7/1/1980  
 amended in 4/83, 4/84, 4/86, 6/89, 11/93, 1/96  
 12/4/00 - included in the amended Bylaws of 12/4/00  
 Bylaws Effective **10 Feb. 2001** , as approved by the A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. Board of Directors.

## WORLD BIKER SHOWS MOTORCYCLES WORKING FOR KIDS, HEALTH



Simon Milward

Dear friends,

A big welcome to new sponsors. I'm e-mailing from *Americade*, a massive motorcycle event at Lake George in the beautiful Adirondack Mountains in upstate New York. Here we raised \$2,000.

### Fundraising

Since returning from my brief visit to the United Kingdom, I've been running all around Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania on the dollar trail in northeast U.S.A.. We've collected \$7,000 in this time bringing the total raised to about \$73,000. A very big thanks for \$1,000 donations from Deutsch Financial Services (serving motorcycle dealers) in California and the Theo B. Bean Foundation of [www.GoMotorcycle.com](http://www.GoMotorcycle.com) (providing internet shop fronts) based in Connecticut.

Other new corporate sponsors are *Shore Riders Motorcycle Club* (Maryland), *BMW Bikers of Metropolitan Washington* ([www.bmwbmw.org](http://www.bmwbmw.org)), [www.RamapoMC.org](http://www.RamapoMC.org), [www.BMWbobs.com](http://www.BMWbobs.com), *Hudson Valley Harley Owners Group* and *Americade*. Presentations also took place at *Ocean Thunder Harley Owners Group* and *Nassau Wings Motorcycle Club* who said they would probably become Corporates.

Presently fundraising is directed mostly towards *Health for All*. This [organization]:

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But most important is the leverage. Donations create leverage on the big bike producers and importers to take it seriously and contribute meaningful funding. They'd then have a tool to improve the image of motorcycling. I refuse to believe the motorcycle industry cannot see this as a positive opportunity.

The most important leverage is on the disgraceful squandering of international development aid. Over \$100 billion is spent each year by the likes of the United Nations and the World Bank on developing nations. All of us around the world pay it in taxes, our governments give it to bodies like the United Nations and the World Bank.

Why is there no improvement after decades?

Because aid bureaucrats squander away the money. Because governments give the cash only on condition it is paid back to their country in contracts. So poverty, hardship and discontent continues.

I for one am appalled and ashamed.

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looking for people to help raise some more cash. We still haven't enough to run the project for the second year yet, let alone the third. Please contact me if you can help, like get me a venue with 30+ people in riding distance of my United States schedule. See [www.millennium-ride.com](http://www.millennium-ride.com), or sign up some individual sponsors yourself.

Recent news stories in major United States bike magazines like *Rider*, *Motorcycle Cruiser* and *Cycle World* will hopefully help with all this.

United Kingdom-Europe: world tour digital slideshows are being coordinated by Kate Kenlock in Exeter for around 2004, register your interest and invitations with her on [Kate@away.co.uk](mailto:Kate@away.co.uk).

*Rolling Thunder* was a 250,000 strong bike ride in Washington D.C. in May. Riders from all over the country converged at the Lincoln Monument near to the Wall. The Wall lists the names of those who gave their lives in the Vietnam War. The rally was staged in support of efforts to find Prisoners of War thought still to be alive or the remains of those missing in action. What struck me most about the Vietnam War here are the current psychological injuries of the soldiers, in particular how the government and many of the people used them as scapegoats for their own failings. I'll stand with those veterans. It was my pleasure to party with them the day before the Ride.

**Bike . . .**

. . . is going fine. Odyssey gave me a new battery recently. I picked up a new fuse box in the United Kingdom and some sprocket sets from *Talon Engineering* in Yeovil. My latest drive chain has only managed to come from Florida. It is about the fifth.

**United Kingdom**

I didn't want to return home until my ride was over. "Going home halfway through is for whimps," I thought. But I had no choice, having to sort out my house problems and put it on the market. If it sells I should be able to stay on the road for another 10 or so years!

No, I'm not seriously thinking of that.

It sure was weird being home though. It was all a bit unreal, reality for me now is being out here somewhere in this beautiful world.

I like the British and Britain though. Getting lost on country lanes, the spring flowers coming out, the ancient stone churches and thatched roof cottages. Great to see my parents and new nephews and other kids being reared by my three brothers and their women. Made me feel a bit broody I must admit.

Seeing John T and the workshop where my bike was built was like going back into the womb. John's still making weird and wonderful suspension systems and frames, busy engineering freedom for some lucky folks. The debate on the War on Terrorism is different in the U.K. where people more openly question all aspects of "the Middle East problem". In the U.S. there is still a vast lack of understanding by the people. The U.K. media was refreshing.

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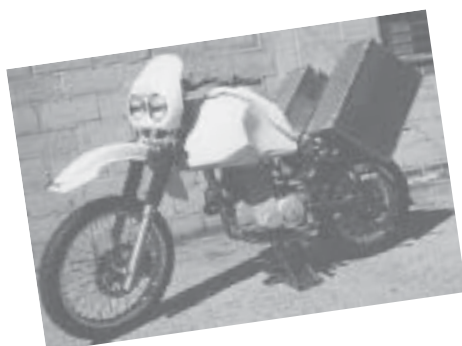


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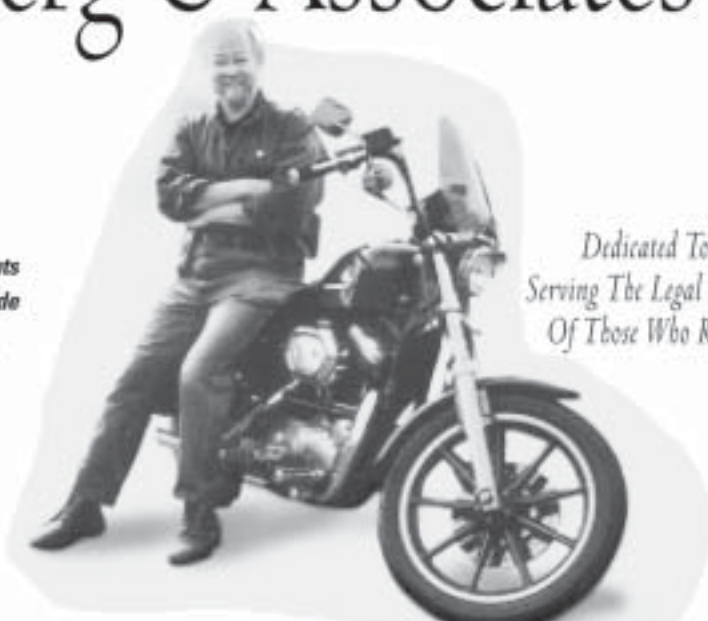
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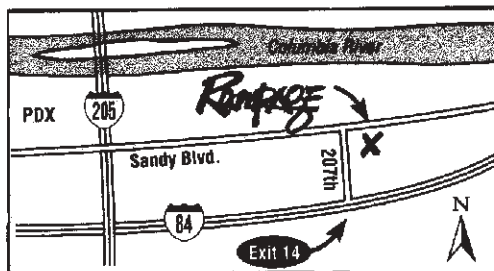
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## Minibikes and Small Machines -- part 2

by Mick Anderson



The minibike was now going to pass into Anderson hands.

This would be a coup for all of us, not just me. My brothers knew that, by association, they were going to get to ride too.

So this was a big day when Gregg and I marched over to Rollie's house with the cash to buy the minibike.

You could smell the grass and hear the locusts making their unique sounds that were always a backdrop.

There she was all clean and gleaming in the hot June sun. The bike was ours and all we had to do was start it.

It didn't have much power but we didn't have anything to compare it to so it was fast enough. What you did was turn the throttle until enough RPM's built to make the clutch spin to make it crawl forward. The rest was just getting up some speed and maybe finding a good hill to go down.

It was fun being propelled down the road on two wheels without having to pedal.

I would ride the thing everyday that I had gas money and as long as the gas lasted.

When I wasn't riding I would take things apart and find out how they worked.

The thing never broke down. It was like a dependable old lawnmower. Maybe a fouled plug every once in the while because I messed with the carb, but essentially a maintenance-free ride.

My father told me the most important thing anyone ever told me about the internal combustion engine and I listened for a change because it was in my best interest.

The engine needs oil.

Oil is not gas, oil is the blood. Gas may be the heart, but oil is necessary for it to run. If it doesn't have oil it will die and be very costly to fix, if it can be. He had said this about every machine we owned so it was burned into our little male consciousnesses.

I remembered to check it.

I'd wake up everyday with a purpose.

The reason to be.

It was to be like Steve.

I remember starting at the top of the hill in our yard one sunny summer afternoon. For some reason, I got a good start and a lot of speed up quick. I was probably going 35 miles an hour. The bike had no shocks and when I hit the rock that was so deftly hidden in the grass and buried deeply in the earth, I didn't even realize I had bit it.

I was just gliding inches above the earth.

It was as close as I'll ever get I hope to flying like Superman.

I could feel the grass wisping by underneath me and I remember thinking this is going to hurt when I hit. Then I hit the ground and started rolling for what seemed like forever. I thought I heard my brothers but wasn't sure.

It was surreal when I came to.

I was in a sort of a fog and I could hear voices but didn't recognize any of it.

I hurt so badly I did not know where I was damaged, but it hurt.

Slowly I came out of it and I saw Gregg running up to me saying

"Wow! That was cool!", then picking up the bike and pushing it up the hill.

The bike was fine; I was fucked up.

Things cleared a bit, but boy, did the pain get my attention.

I rode on that 2 acres for many years after that on many machines. But that rock, I *always* knew where that rock was.

That was my first bad wreck on a motorized bike and it didn't even occur to me to stop riding.

I was sore for a long time and it took about half the day to get oriented again, but *not* riding a bike again never occurred to me.

I guess you can obsess about football, baseball or ballet.

I just had to ride daylight to dark when I could.

If you wanted to talk or listen, I would chew your ear off talking about riding too.

At this time in 1971 motorcycles were popular much like they are now in 2002.

My friends were all getting dirt bikes and I was feeling the need for speed too.

The difference between a minibike and a dirt bike is so great that it is like comparing the minibike to a bicycle.

I was getting bigger and the Tecumseh engine, as noble and dependable as it was, could no longer feed my addiction.

That is when I came to own my first, but not last Harley-Davidson Motorcycle.

The motor company received no respect from anyone at this time.



AMF had bought out the Corporation in 1969, I think, and the quality and dependability were very poor, unless you were a mechanic with a portable machine shop.

I don't know how much was true and how much was a bad story repeated over and over.

All I know is that when I got my 1969 Leggero, a 65cc engine bike made in Italy by Ammerrici Harley Davidson, my friends would taunt and tease me saying "Harley 65-vroom-vroom".

I didn't care.

I loved going to the Harley shop which was a barn in front of a farmhouse out in Windham. You had to go to the main house to get the owner to open the shop.

It was very cool at 12 years old getting my Mom to take me to a real bike shop.

Maybe the other kids had the opportunity to go to Suzuki and get their cool parts but I went to Harley where I saw real bikers.

They were good to me, maybe because I was a kid. But all the bikers I ever met as a kid treated me with respect, and that was part of the process for me in becoming a biker myself, I guess.

Most of the Harley shops at the time were either folding or barely making it, so getting parts was a waiting process.

I still loved my bike.

I want to talk about bikers then and bikers now.

In the early seventies most riders of Harleys were in one of two categories: outlaw club riders and what we called independents.

Sure there were the old guys on baggers, but a Harley rider was

basically a different individual.

Even the independents were outlaws to society and in fact many were. They just didn't ride with a club.

But people were afraid of Harley riders.

When they pulled up to a light the parents would tell their kids not to stare at the bad man on a motorcycle.

The sound of a V-twin brought fear into the hearts of mainstream society.

We had a different perspective in our house.

My Dad worked with an outlaw rider named Jack. Jack was what you would call an anomaly — someone who you just couldn't press into a mold.

He liked it that way too.

We would hear stories about him and his wife getting into bar fights and taking on citizens when they were outnumbered because of an off-handed remark about the riders of motorcycles and some kind of a reference to smell.

Well, I could picture Jack throwing the punch and his wife jumping on some big construction worker's back pounding him with a beer stein.

My dad worked with Jack in the construction business so they were good friends. Jack used to tease me about my dirt bikes later asking if I needed some more rice to run them.

Jack was a kind man. He and his wife helped people out and did charitable things much like the riders do these days do on Runs and events.

I guess what I am saying is today you see everyone from judges to outlaws riding and that's good because Harley-Davidson wouldn't have made it otherwise.

The truth is that you should not look down on the old-timer on a

greasy shovel or rat bike because he isn't riding a new Twin Cam V rocket or whatever the company is producing now. These are the individuals who really made it possible for all of us to ride today because of their loyalty and allegiance to the Harley-Davidson, even when they were doing a terrible job and didn't deserve it.

When the other kids came over to ride, Rollie on his Suzuki 90 or Rocky on his Honda SL 100. I couldn't keep up with them so, I had to be crazier than them. I'd pull wheelies and ride a long way or ride off a cliff flying into the air and sometimes landing, other times crashing.

I would do anything try to climb it, jump it, or crash into it.

I may not of been fast, but I was quickly becoming known for being out of control and wild.

One day I was pulling a wheelie and riding through the yard when the front forks came apart in midair and I watched as my front wheel and half of my forks fell away.

I had to come down and I did to a quick stop and ungraceful dismount.

It was all I had, so as the bikes became faster and the Japanese had quicker and better bikes, I relented and decided I had to have a big dirt bike.

I read *Dirt Bike Magazine* like a biblical text. I read and then reread it until the next issue.

I also got my hands on a new rag called *Easyriders* and to a pubescent teen that was the bomb, seeing bare breasted women and choppers in the same magazine.

And people asked why I always chased bad girls.

Hell, I was doomed from the get go.

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Sm\_\_\_\_ Med\_\_\_\_ Lg\_\_\_\_ X-Lg\_\_\_\_

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**HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM**

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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)**

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

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\_\_\_ Individual membership \$20  
 \_\_\_ Couple membership \$25  
 \_\_\_ Family membership \$30

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

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

New member ?

Yes \_\_\_

No \_\_\_

Patch Received ?

Yes \_\_\_

No \_\_\_

Renewal ?

Yes \_\_\_

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“You know I love you my dear,  
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**NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:**

Saturday, 13 July 2002 at Noon  
7th and Kalmia  
Junction City, Oregon

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

Chapter:	Date/Time::	Location:
Central Oregon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1830 (6:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Abby’s Pizza; Redmond
Columbia River	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 1230(12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	U&I Tavern; 6910 N. Interstate Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 1230 (12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Round Table Pizza; Roseburg
Hub City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Pizza Hut at Heritage Mall; Albany
Lincoln County	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1930 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday 1000 (10 <sup>am</sup> )	Merts Campus; 6540 Liberty Lane; Astoria
Northeast. Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Round Table Pizza; 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> ; Portland
River City	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Lone Pine Restaurant;335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles ( I-84 & US-97 )
Salem	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Pietro’s Pizza;1637 Hawthorne Ave NE; Salem
South Coast	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 1100 (11 <sup>am</sup> )	Gino’s Pizza; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun 1200 (noon)	M/M restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 1400 (2 <sup>pm</sup> )	Oregano’s Pizza; Gold Hill
Washington County	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Prime Time Sports Bart; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Wilamette Valley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Foxfire Restaurant; 4740 Main Street; Springfield