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The constitution of the United States is a remarkable document. According to Andrew Clark at *BayCon*, it allows anything from bureaucracy to benign dictatorship.

What citizens must periodically ask themselves is "What are we under at this moment in time?"

The governance of this country of individual states is never static: it becomes totalitarian in times of war or perceived crisis; it becomes less restrictive in times of relative peace.

Our constitution was assembled with an eye on European historical abuses of governing power. The people who were to be governed were given special consideration and rights.

The framers of the Declaration of Independence and the constitution were heavily influenced by local conditions and peoples. On the east coast of the land there was a confederation of tribes — a "tribe of tribes". Many of the governing principles that native tribal people had perfected over thousands of years were

incorporated into our documents. The name many tribes gave themselves in their own language translates into English as: "We-The-People."

The constitution of the United States is a remarkable document. But it is only that: a document. Words on parchment.

It is up to each of us individually and collectively as citizens to decide if the ideals those words represent are how we want to guide our lives together.

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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, representative Stewart McKinney, to introduce H.R.3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet laws.

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

by Bill Bish

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

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# Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

This year's *Fossil Campout* was the best in years! As a result of the wet winter that the state experienced, the entire Fossil area, including our campsite, was green with new growth. The weather could not have been better with lots of sun and highs in the upper 70's. The dust that can be a problem at *Fossil* was absent and the only precipitation we saw was a little mist on Sunday. It seems like every run or rally has a different personality and this year's *Fossil* could best be described as "laid back". We just didn't have any problems to speak of.

I thank all of you who attended. You came to support motorcyclist's rights and to have a good time and both goals were well met. My great thanks, also, to all of you who did the big and little jobs that needed doing before, during, and after the only campout organized by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Your state officers consider themselves your hosts for this, the biggest party we throw each year, and work tirelessly for many months to insure it's success.

I'm told it's always a mistake to thank folks by name for fear of missing somebody. So, with apologies for those omitted, thanks to:

"Rotten" Roger Hendricks, run coordinator for *A.B.A.T.E.* state. It's not for nuthin your face was on this year's run t-shirt. Six days with no sleep for you and your crew. No Roger? No Fossil. The two words heard most often? "Ask Roger".

Matt and Michelle Hobbs, vice-coordinator north, sgt-at-arms north, products director. This family act was everywhere doing everything from sales to security.

Bob Hadley, vice-coordinator east. The gate job was dumped in his lap at the last minute and this old soldier came through, sleeping within about thirty feet of the

gate when not on duty which seemed like always.

Ted and Jill Tracy, past state coordinator and current membership secretary. This couple worked tirelessly all weekend long: Jill at the information booth and Ted lots of other places. They even kept the *WaCo's* from running amok and provided a hideout for me and forced Roger when he seemed on the point of collapse. Share your thanks with the *WaCo's*. What a great bunch.

Ed and Wendy Vaughn, Confederation of Clubs representative, coordinator for *Washington County A.B.A.T.E. (WaCo)*, state treasurer. While no one wants to accept responsibility for the *WaCo's*, it's Ed's job. A lot of hard work was done by your chapter people. Wendy worked the gate and info booth receipts and tried to sleep. Emphasis on "tried". Waking her up got to be fun. We are lucky to have her. Oh, Linda, that apple pie was a treat.

Morris and Michelle Lipchitz, run coordinator-2, chapter goddess for *Salem* chapter. There will surely be a special place in heaven for those who cannot say no when asked for help. They both were easy touches and always happy and smiling. Superb hot dogger.

Melinda McCrossen, public relations director for *A.B.A.T.E.* state. Melinda could be found at the information booth most any time of day and seemed to know everybody who came to Fossil. Her lovely daughter shared labor and some of her birthday cake. Please come back next year-and bring the cake.

Brian and Teresa Stovall, *BikePAC* representative and *M.R.F.* newsletter editor. This couple are the heart and soul of Fossil. Thank your chapter for their help at the gate.

Stephan Baton, quartermaster for state *A.B.A.T.E.* The new awning over the stage was his responsibility, again and again and again.

Christian Motorcyclist's Association.



by Joe Laurance

Water and coffee by the barrel and worked the gate when all seemed lost. My thanks to you and your state coordinator, Mark Kemper.

My own *Douglas County Chapter*. Thanks for your work at the gate and for the human sacrifice at the gate fire-pit. Tania is always trying to give too much of herself for this organization.

Me? I was the maniac on the yellow Cushman who nearly crashed dozens of times, did blow a tire off a rim, hauled logs and drunks and kids, and only ran out of gas once and only ran over one person, a good friend until then. I had a ton of fun at this year's Fossil.

You better be there next year!

Got to pack up the bike and head for Denver and *Best of the West*. Maybe I can catch up with the rest of the Oregon crowd who have already left for there. *A.B.A.T.E.*, I want you to get along with each other until I get back.

May HE guard and guide you on all your travels,

Joseph Laurance

( *Crusty ol' editor's note -- See Tina's letter on page 65 concerning E.M.T. activities at Fossil this year.* )

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

## Central Oregon Chapter



Our monthly chapter meeting was held at the *Sisters Creek-Side Park*, just following our very successful annual roadside clean up. Some twelve motorcycles showed up. Twenty-three people total to help.

Thank you, Chuck, for letting us use your fire station and making the coffee. Thanks to all who came out to help with the ever-present threat of rain, or just a plain downpour of intense moisture, we managed to pull off all activities without getting soaked.

Once the roadside clean up project was done, everyone rode to the *Sisters Creek-Side Park* for a bar-b-que and general meeting, which was short due to the really huge, black, heavy clouds that were moving on top of us. Real close to wetness, but we prevailed. We did our Central Oregon Rain Dance, got so full of food that several members had to use their electric start buttons to get going. Thanks to the *Lazy J Ranch* for donating all the food.

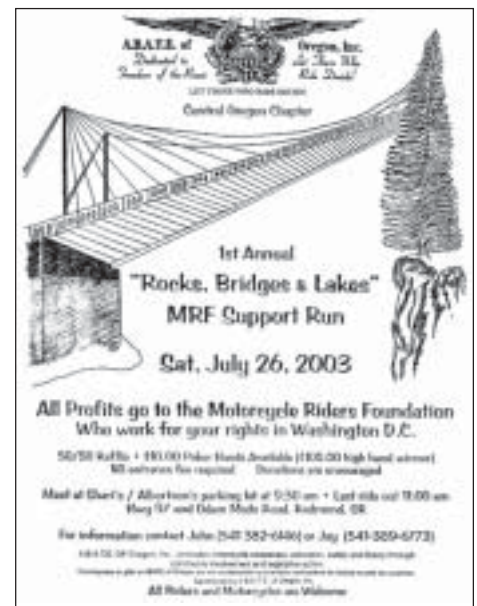
Gladys drew the 50/50 winning ticket which belonged to Paul C., who won \$58 American dollars. Right on.

Don't forget that we are holding our first annual *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) Rocks, Bridges and Lakes* support run on Saturday, July 2, 2003. Hope you can all attend and/or help out. If you have any questions, call John or Jay, and a big thanks to Michael C., for all the work and effort he put into this run!

Just a reminder; officer elections will be held the second Sunday, July 13th, 2:00 p.m.

Remember, "United We Stand," and you all know the rest of that sentence.

Ride safe, ride sure.



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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)  
Old Redmond Hotel  
(next to Sulley's Restaurant)  
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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Columbia River Chapter**

Our June 2003 meeting was short because it preceded the state board of directors meeting and thus we did not have that report.

The main focus of the meeting was to plan for *Angie's Run* to be held on June 21st, the run calendar date notwithstanding. This run used to be the *Run to the Sun* in which we went from Portland, over Mt. Hood, to Haystack Reservoir, outside of Madras. After Angie Jensen died, we changed the run to one in which we memorialized her.

For those of you who did not know Angie, I would like to say some things about her. She was a remarkable person, unfailingly friendly, unbelievably energetic, and whole-heartedly devoted to the cause of liberty. Those qualities were all the more incredible given her medical condition, which she hid successfully from most of us. She had a lung disease that slowly caused her lungs to lose their capacity to absorb oxygen; she was slowly suffocating and hardly anyone knew it. She died in June, 1996. Angie was one of the founders of the *Columbia River* chapter. She worked tirelessly recruiting new members to *A.B.A.T.E.* and inspiring members to keep up the struggle. At most runs, especially Fossil, she could be found at the information booth, providing both information, good cheer and inspiration.

*Angie's Run* is open to *Columbia River* chapters and their invited guests. Besides honoring Angie's memory, we use it as an opportunity to build our chapter and to recruit new members. Usually, we meet at a location selected by the chapter, have a poker run, stop along the route for a moment to remember Angie, and then have a barbeque in a Portland park. We do not advertise it anymore in the newsletter because it is not open to the public; it is a purely a chapter event. If you are interested in joining our chapter, or if you want the opportunity to

remember Angie and her good works, you might consider contacting a chapter member about next year's run.

The other run which our chapter sponsors in the *Summer Run* which we do with the *Northeast* and *Southeast* chapters. This is our major source of revenue and we need to get a better turnout from not only the Portland chapters but other nearby ones. Over the past few years, we have seen little participation from those other local, non-Portland chapters, despite our own support for their runs. It would be nice if they chose to support us as much as we support them. This year's *Summer Run* will include the now famous Rotten Roger golf shoot-out as well as the usual bike games, bike show and sundry contests.

We are looking for someone to put on the kids' games again. Last year, Wade, Heather and Janet did a great job with those kids' games and the kids had a lot of fun. Since this is a family event, we want to make sure that everyone who attends has some fun. I am in charge of the bike games again and am looking into having some events based upon the use of kids' tricycles, perhaps races for both adults and children. I am thinking about a chariot race format. We would need at least two trikes in decent condition for the races although three or four would be better. Anyone got any trikes that we can use?

As the riding season kicks into high gear, so do accidents. Just this Sunday someone who is badly injured over in the Carver area and other less serious but nonetheless potentially life-threatening incidents have occurred.

The first obvious lesson is: be careful, not only with respect to what you are doing but what those fools in those cages are doing. We would be a lot safer if we could get the fools, idiots, drunks and other dangerous drivers off the highways

but that is not going to happen so we have to take care of ourselves and be aware at all times.

Another thing that we can do is to purchase some protection. There is a program called Life Flight and it costs just \$50 per year for a couple to have coverage. If you are a member and you get in an accident and need emergency helicopter evacuation, instead of paying the typical bill of \$5,200, you get it for free. I just put a check and application in the mail today for this program for Janet and me. Call 1-(800)-982-9299 for more information. It might save your life.

Spike

**COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING 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*

Hey gang,

As you know its time again.

Yes!

Run time.

And as some of you may know, it was your newsletter lady's first time to *Fossil*.

First off, I want to ask, "Who the hell thought of this place!" I mean, we're taken [to] the middle of nowhere.

Some of you may know it was DJ's B-day, (at *Fossil*).

Well, talk about sleeping through a rain storm. As he was sleeping it off, I was doing everything I could to hold up the tent, inside and out. I was soaked. Needless to say, he woke up when the sun came out.

Some people's children.

Oh then Joe Laurence tries to use me as a human sacrifice (Oh yah!)

He asked me to help work the gate. I'm thinking, "Okay privet fire."

Just me and DJ.

Joe tells DJ, "Lets get some more fire wood."

Well, they came back just flying in. I'm sitting there me and my bird and (Ya Who!) here they come logs and all, hooked my chair and away we go. They tried to drag me through the fire. Huh! But I lived. Joe said there's one sacrifice every year. I've been

"Fossilized". Thanks Joe.

Well, if you did not know, we had one of our D.C. members drop his bike a week before *Fossil*. (Rockon Orth) Broke both his legs. He had to go to Portland, for special treatment. (Our prayers go out to you, bro.)

We all like to ride but, please remember to ride safe.

If you didn't already know, our membership secretary, Mary Cruz, recently had a loss in her family. Her grandfather passed [on] the Sunday of *Memorial Day* weekend. Our D.C. chapter did a ride by in are respects. (We're here for you, sis.)

Well, our legislative officer, Rex Jamison, helped us to realize just how important it was to get to state. We learned we were missing out on a lot of stuff we needed to know. Like how they're just pushing the helmet law around and don't really have any intention on passing the bill. Thanks again Rex for stepping up for our county.

Now I would like to close with this quote I got from Joe Laurence: "We have really good news editors, but not one of them can spell worth a \_ \_ \_ \_."

Well, someone's got to tell the news I may not spell good, but I tell it good. <smile> ; -)

Be cool.

Your newsletter/secretary/public relations rep,

Tonia Judd



**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 1230 ( 12:30pm )  
Round Table Pizza  
Roseburg

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

### Hub City Chapter



There certainly is a lot to report from Hub City this month!

First of all, let me start by saying, once again, what an awesome group we have! Thank you, one and all, for all your outstanding work!

One of the really great things that happened on Friday May 16th was our first ever “biker night” at the Eagles in Albany. The Eagles opened their doors to our group in a joint venture to help F.I.S.H. F.I.S.H. is a non-profit, non-denominational, Christian organization that helps folks in need get the food they need to survive.

The Eagles opened their doors to us and offered great prime rib dinner at only \$5 each, plus a live band to bring in everyone they could.

The cover charge?

Two cans of food.

Hub City A.B.A.T.E. monitored the food barrel and held a 50/50 drawing. We raised a full barrel of food for F.I.S.H. and had a great time in the process. The really big success was the 50/50. There was \$121 for F.I.S.H. and \$121 for the winner of the drawing. The woman who helps run F.I.S.H. here in Albany was the winner of the drawing and donated her \$121 back to F.I.S.H. A great time was had by everyone and F.I.S.H. was a big winner. Oh, by the way, they love bikers now, too!

At Fossil, we helped Lincoln County with the bike games and bike show. This was a learning experience for us (although a few of us have helped Lincoln County in the past), as Hub City will be running the games next year. This is a rotational process in that we will be training Willamette Valley chapter the year after. Then they will run the games one year and apprentice another chapter the year after that. This should work out really great so that no chapter gets “stuck” with running the games for 20 years like Lincoln County did!!! I think Lincoln County deserves one huge “thank you” from the state and from every other chapter in the state!

At Fossil, also, one of our own newest members had a problem with his bike and wanted to take an opportunity in this forum to say thanks. Terry Carrel expresses his sincere and deep felt thank you to members of Hub City and members of Lincoln County who pitched in to help out, without asking, not knowing him from Adam and not even knowing which chapter he was from, if indeed he was a member of any chapter. As one new to biking and the “biker” culture, he was blown away by how nice everyone was.

Last but not least was our Poker Run. This was held yesterday (07 June) and was a huge success. Wow! What a trip.

Almost 200 bikes; about 120 miles of incredible road; no wrecks... well, nothing even remotely serious; a 50/50 pot of over \$600 (\$300 to the winner); approximately 60 door prizes; a live band and great party at the end..... and everything ran so smoothly that folks just kept talking about it. We got nine new members directly as a result of the poker run – neat folks just keep wanting to join our team of neat folks!

We are starting to conclude that this awesome character of Hub City just might be contagious. Just a simple warning, if you can't handle perma-grin from all the fun and feeling of people genuinely caring about you, then save yourself, stay home.

#### HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7pm)  
Los Dos Amigos  
1402 Pacific Blvd.  
Albany

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

**Lincoln County Chapter**

*Fossil* 2003 Games were once again a success. Thank you to everyone who participated. *Lincoln County Chapter* would also like to thank *Hub City Chapter* for stepping up and taking on the games in the year to come. Now for the results of this year.

**Bronto Boot**

- 1st - Scott Tuttrill  
2nd - Harry Churich  
3rd - Bobby

**Slow Race**

- 1st - Lyle (Tacoma Chapter)  
2nd - Sonny Boy  
3rd - Scott Tuttrill

**Weenie Bite**

- 1st - Mailman & Cheri Hembree  
2nd - Mark Nicholson & ?  
3rd - Tim & Johnna

**Ping Pong Ball Drop**

- 1st - Mailman & Cherie Hembree  
2nd - Ricky & Shelly  
3rd - Charlie Crawford & Patty

**Egg Toss**

- 1st - Travis & Harry  
2nd - Lefty & Gary  
3rd - Lyle & Mailman

**Potato Hunt**

- Wanda Janes & Chris  
Crysta Hembree & Mike (Tacoma)  
Cherie Hembree & Mailman

**Best Custom**

- 1st - Grey Fox  
2nd - Tacy Little  
3rd - Barry Sharbrough

**Best Stock**

- 1st - Bob Walker  
2nd - Cliff Jarvis  
3rd - Bruce Kenyon

**Best Rat**

- 1st - Joe Huff  
2nd - Fur Trap  
3rd - Dirty

**People's Choice**

- 1st - Tacy Little  
2nd - Grey Fox  
3rd - Bob Walker

**Long Distance Rider**

(?) from New Hampshire

**Largest In-State M.R.O.**

*Hub City Chapter*

**Largest Out Of State M.R.O.**

*Tacoma Chapter*

Last but not least:

**Trailer Queen**

Ted Tracy



**LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1930 ( 7:30 pm )  
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

# North Coast Chapter



Greetings from the *North Coast*,

By the time this fine newsletter publication hits the streets our annual (eighth as of this year) *Around Saddle Mountain Run* will be history, and hopefully our the largest and best to-date. I would like to personally thank all of the *North Coast Chapter* officers, members and community supporter's who went the extra mile to put this great run together, good job one and all !!! For those you didn't make the run this year we'll look forward to seeing you next year.

It's official.

The results from yet another mail-in ballot process are in. We now have a new meeting location, day and time. Our new chapter meeting location is the *Moose Lodge* in Astoria (420 17th St), on the 4th Thursday, at 7 pm. This is also pizza night at the *Moose*, so for those would like a bite to eat prior or during the meeting, you are more than welcome to dig in. The folks at the *Moose* are very pleased to have us use

their facilities for both our meetings and annual fund raising events. As always, children and visitors are very welcome at our meetings.

The chapter will be working especially hard during the months of July and August to recruit new members and encourage past members to renew their membership.

Our run committee has started discussions about planning a family run/campout sometime in August. More to follow on this as plans are firmed-up.

The committee has also been putting quite a bit of energy into acquiring and crafting some great auction items for our annual *Spaghetti Feed* fundraiser in November. This is a very important event for the chapter in support of raising funds for our community's disadvantaged kids at Christmas time.

One last note, Christina Kelso would have won the \$75 membership drawing if she had been present at our regular May meeting. Sorry Christina,

maybe next time.

Don't forget, ya can't win if you don't attend.

See you all at our next meeting. (Don't forget our new meeting location and time.)

Keep the rubber side down.

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NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
Moose Lodge  
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Astoria, Oregon  
Children are welcome

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

## River City Chapter

May 20, 2003

First of all, our [chapter] coordinator, Lee Eikanas, was in a serious accident on his bike a week ago. He is currently mending at Emanuel Hospital in Portland. He hit a horse trailer, which turned left in front of him. He's doing well and should be home in another week.

Next, we had a rousing meeting tonight. Dan Turner led in Lee's absence and did a fine job. We have three new members tonight: Rick Prentice, Shelley Gove and Buck Buckland. Welcome to the group. We are pleased to have you with us. By the way, Rick's *Harley-Davidson* can even keep up with my Beemer! What a treat.

We got a note of support on our helmet law bill from Ted Ferrioli, in response to our chapter letter. We also got some nice thank yous from our two recent donation sites: the *Transition Center* and *Mid-Columbia Child and Family Center*. We try to do our part locally to help folks who are in need.

Dan (that lucky soul) won the 50/50 at \$9/\$9 and donated his share back to the chapter. The membership drawing was won by yours truly, Brian Stovall. at \$10 and it paid for my dinner.

**Regular Meeting**

Called to order by Dan at 7:02 pm. 18 people present., one arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance: Led by Dan

Guests or new members: Rick Prentice (who jooined with Shelley Gove, as a couple); Buck Buckland, who also joined tonight, welcome.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Lynne because they were presented in written form.

Correspondence: *Summit to Surf* is Saturday, July 26, *M.O.R.A. Benefit Ride* fliers; *B.O.A.* statement; *M.R.F. Reports*; thank yous from *M.C.C.F.C.* and the Transition Center; and a note of definite support on our helmet law issue from Ted Ferrioli.

Treasury Report is \$657.42.

Membership Report: 84 (plus three new members)

Legislative Report: Washington helmet definition bill is on the governors desk. Our bill is stuck.

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols: We rode to Portland to see Lee at the hospital on Sunday. He was recently in a serious accident near Goldendale. He is mending.

Planned Rides: Nothing to report; Hollister July 3-6-13

Mike suggested setting a date for a Fulton Canyon cleanup. June 7 was set on a motion by Mike, passed.

New Business

New committee idea was put off until the next meeting since Ellon was not here.

Website will have a new look. It will take about a month to complete.

*Fossil* preparation: motion by Dan to donate one chapter shirt., passed. Brian has a couple of shirts, and Debra donated a massage. Norm will get caution tape, Greg and Lynne, Denny and Terri, Brian and Teresa will bring the gas.

Adjourned 7:41 pm

June 3, 2003

Lynne led the meeting tonight and did her usual fine job. Our coordinator, Lee, is in rehab and doing well after his accident. We are looking forward to having him back soon. We had a lively discussion of the *Fossil Run* and the problems the chapter members had on gate duty.

We also elected a new Ways and Means officer, Debra Lutje, who will have help from Matt Snyder. Welcome to officer land and jump in and make us lots of money!

Dean Oades would have won the \$5 membership drawing if he had been here tonight. It will be \$10 next meeting. Norm won the 50/50 at \$8/\$8 and gave \$5 back to the chapter and left the rest for the waitress, Tanna.

We went on a fine ride to *Kab-Ne-Tab* last Sunday. We put in about 200 miles.

Regular Meeting

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

Pledge of allegiance: Led by Lynne.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Steve because they were presented in written form.

Correspondence: A thank you from *Mid-Columbia Medical Center* for the bears.

Treasury Report: \$670.42.

Membership Report: 88

Legislative Report: All of our bills in Oregon are done with. None passed. Washington bill has been signed.

Ways and Means Report: Brian moved to approve Debra as the new Ways and Means officer ( with the help of Matt). Passed.

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols: We rode to *Kab-Ne-Tab* on Sunday

Planned Rides: Nothing to report. Hollister, July 3-6-13

Fulton Canyon cleanup: Tabled until September

New Business

New committee idea to make contacts to build membership was presented by Ellon. Ellon will chair. Del, Tim, Brian, Pat volunteered for the committee.

Lee is now at Good Sam rehab getting ready to come home.

*Fossil* issues were discussed and list of questions and concerns for Brian to take to the upcoming B.O.D. meeting was generated.

Coordinator's Comments: Be kind to the waitress, she has always been kind to us..

Announcements: Wiebalk barbecue and slumber party August 16. Bring a side dish. Norm is having a 50th birthday party this Friday, June 6 at 1115 E 9th from noon until we drop.

Adjourned 7:41 pm

Upcoming meetings

July 1, 2003 -- 7:00 PM

**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-197 )

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

**Salem Chapter**

Another fun, efficient meeting by co-ordinator, Loran Halvorson!

Several folks reported on events at *Fossil*. A few members were still there performing clean-up duties and could not make it to our meeting. Many thanks to them and we look forward to seeing them next month. I am sure they will be recruiting for more help next year!

Since that crew included our self-acclaimed (and no doubt deserving) Chapter Goddess, Tylor gave Michelle's report from the state board meeting. The Sanction Guy (Ron) has a new e-mail address. And, oh yeh, keep an eye on Salem while the state legislature is in session! It ain't over 'til it's over, and maybe not even then! Protect your freedoms!

Meanwhile, good advice from our Co-ordinator: If we expect other clubs and Chapters to attend our events, we need to support their events! Watch that calendar, and ride when you can!

Best Laid Plans... Our *Lime Ride* is *moving* to September 27th, not the 13th as previously reported. Seems there was a conflict and we wanted to accommodate all parties. Hope you can take part in *both* events! Keep reading.

The other event is a *Ride for American Pride*, with riders from east and west meeting in Detroit at the *Korner Post* restaurant. Owner Rick Ladbury reported on plans for the day, and even donated some really great door prizes for our *Lime Ride* since we so graciously moved our date to help his event. Good fellowship! Thanks, Rick!

Gayle invited us to join *O.V.M.A.* on May

31st for Memorial ceremonies at the *Evergreen Air Museum* in McMinnville and on the tribal grounds in Grand Ronde. Good ride; great cause!

Rich proposed a sentimental journey and one great ride for those wanting to tag along. You can join him in Aurora at the beginning or anywhere along the 175-mile trip. Date is July 19th. For details, call (503)-678-1759 or e-mail him at:

[r\\_holloway2000@yahoo.com](mailto:r_holloway2000@yahoo.com).

Because of competition from the (noisy) games, *Salem Chapter* will be meeting at *J.C.'s Pizzeria* in Keizer in July. Hosts claim an improved setting - and still good eats! Meeting at 7:00 pm, no-host food/dinner before. *Salem Chapter* gave a Certificate of Appreciation to *Pietro's* for allowing us to meet there over the past years. A change in the gaming policy is the only reason we are seeking a new "home."

Reminders:

- Food drive at Roth's in west Salem on July 5-6, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm. Help staff the table and bring food donations! Date for delivering the goodies will be announced, same as last year.

- *Pony Express Rally* at the state capitol, 2:00 pm on Friday, July 25th - come greet the riders and hear some great speakers. Any donations will benefit breast cancer research.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheryl Forrest,  
substitute Chapter Goddess

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Greetings,

Yes, *Fossil* was a grand event for all. A big

thanks to Tylor of the *Salem Chapter* for reading my state report at the chapter meeting last night. Your help was greatly appreciated.

No, I didn't have a hangover, Marlene.

If you would like to know what a lime ride is, please call Marlene at (503)-873-2492.

During fall the next *O.P.B.* fundraiser will be gearing up so keep this in mind as something to do for a fun evening.

In closing I want to thank all the members of *A.B.A.T.E.* who worked so hard at *Fossil* wether it was picking up garbage, working the info booth or personing the gate. There are a myriad of jobs to do at this annual run and one of them may be right for you, the person who hasn't been able to go to the *Fossil Campout* yet.

Thanks for your time.

Kindest regards,  
Michelle

*Salem Chapter Goddess*

**SALEM MEETING TIME**  
**and PLACE**

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
J.C.'s Pizza  
4200 River Road N., Keizer

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

We didn't have a meeting in May due to a regularly-scheduled schedule conflict with the *Rhody Festival*. The May events have all gone very well anyhow, despite our lack of a meeting.

All the May events are over now, and the Gay 90,s in Coquille. The Summer events that we're still looking forward to are: Christmas in June, a non-ABATE event being held June 13, 14, and 15; Coos River Run on August 1, 2, and 3; and S.O.S., on August 23, 24,, and 25. The Freedom Rally planned by Milo for July 4 has been cancelled. For more information on these and other events please visit our website at:

<http://www.southcoastabate.org/Events.html>

Janet Jinkner

*South Coast A.B.A.T.E.* secretary

Greetings,

Yes, *Fossil* was a grand event for all. A big thanks to Tylor of the *Salem Chapter* for reading my state report at the chapter meeting last night. Your help was greatly appreciated.

No, I didn't have a hangover, Marlene.

I want to let those who don't know yet that the *Salem Chapter's Lime Ride* is on September 27, 2003 not the 13th as previously reported. Come on over and try a different type of ride. If you would like to check to see if the start time or location has changed or if you want to know what a lime ride is,

The *Many Faces Of Motorcycling* show at *Pony Village Mall* went very well. We have a few comments and thank-yous from our coordinator:

The *Many Faces of Motorcycling* show was a huge success. The winners of the Merchants Choice Award were:

1st Place went to Wayne Slape

2nd Place went to *Coos Cycle Supply*

3rd Place went to Roger and Cindy Freeman

We had several excellent exhibits including a display from *Team Oregon* that Dorie shipped to me which included key fobs, buttons and a VHS tape that we played throughout the event and the *Free Souls* sold some of their products. We didn't have as many dealer displays this year as many of them were short-handed or had prior commitments.

I would like to thank Brian, Bill, Judy, Mike, John, Sue, John, Janet, Carole, Bob, and everyone else who helped set up, work the event and/or had an exhibit in the show. Also thank you to Bud who stayed at the mall and did security. Without these people, our event wouldn't have been so successful.

Mike Friend and Mike Richards helped us get the *Shriners* bike to the event where we sold 100 tickets for it. The employees of the mall were very pleased with our organization which is also good public relations.

We will now spend a little more time preparing for *Coos River Run* and *S.O.S.*, both of which are coming along quite well.

Ride safe,  
Charlie



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**SOUTH COAST MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**  
3rd Sunday at 1100 ( 11am )  
Gino's Pizza  
1324 Virginia Street -- North Bend

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

Southeast Portland Chapter

Hey good people,

First off I need to make an apology to Columbia River Chapter. In my last submission I mentioned Portland chapters Summer Run. I listed the chapter's as Northeast, Southeast and Washington County (WaCo). WaCo is not a part of Summer Run. I guess I had another project that we were working on in mind and just messed it up. Again, Columbia River I apologize!!

Well Run 21 is going great. Just a few things to finalize. Our last Run 21 meeting will be at 11:00 am at the M&M on July 6th. Hope you all got or will get you advanced tickets. Hope to see you all there.

www.run21.info

Run 21 is going good. Pin and Shirt designs should be available soon.

The Southeast and Northeast Family Picnic is going to be held at Viking Park at Hagar's this year. It's a nice site with several different routes there so you can choose your way. Look for flyers to come.

Run season is here. Hope you all have your memberships up. It's also your responsibility to renew not just Jill's or your chapter membership secretary to remind you. Get your card out and check the date!!

Later,

Mammy Tami

P.S. Southeast Portland chapter member's bike stolen: 1992 FXSTC, turquoise and cream, from the parking lot at The Longhorn Saloon at approximately 10:30 pm, June 3rd.

Contact; Steve Elam at (503)-775-8381




**Who:** Hosted by ABATE SE Portland Chapter  
**When:** July 25, 26 & 27  
**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)  
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**For more info contact:** Todd Whittiger at 503-766-7960  
 Fax: 503-766-4629  
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**S.E. Portland MEETING**  
**TIMES and PLACE**  
 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)  
 M/M Restaurant & Lounge  
 137 N. Main -- Gresham

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

**Southern Oregon Chapter**

Greeting all,

Our chapter had a pretty fair amount of riders show up at "Fossil" (more than we get at most meetings).

The weather wasn't that bad except for one day, Sunday. The shower on Saturday just settled the dust and Sunday seemed like it would not clear up. Monday was good for coming back, a bit cool in the morning and nicer the further south I rode.

I sure was glad to get over the hill and back into the Rogue Valley and feel the warmth.

Joe Garfas had a bit of a spill on the way back: a bit of gravel where a side road came in to the main road, just before a curve and he was out in the pasture. The riders with him helped him get back on the road and they road on home.

Also, Mack who was with them, had a bit of trouble on the way to Fossil: a remodeler or scraper, hauling old boards with nails lost his load on 97 south of Chiquin and Mack ran over one and lost air in his rear tire. Mack said eight to ten cars also lost air in both tires on one side of their vehicles. Mack made it on to Bend stopping at each air hose along the way. Mack couldn't find a new tire there, but a friend of his family hooked him up in Bend with a used one.

Seems as though a bunch of our members missed the first Sunday in June meeting. I've had calls asking what was going to be happening at the June meeting after the meeting happened.

What's up?

Nobody have a calendar?

I get more calls from non-members asking questions about A.B.A.T.E. than I have members calling about what's going on or not going on. That number in the box in the bottom corner is my cell phone. I answer it when it rings or will call you back if you leave your number.

I can't hear it when I am riding. Loud

pipes might save lives but won't help you hear your phone. You'll need to leave you number. And if you have e-mail, I will answer your e-mail if you put "A.B.A.T.E." in the subject line.

Jamie and Jack Baker have come up with a place to have a barbeque picnic, so a poker run and barbeque are in the planning for September or October. More likely in September a couple of weeks after the S.O.S. run at Wolf Creek Park. We need a few more members to participate to make this a success.

Our run coordinator took a new job long haul trucking and just doesn't have the time to put too much together, being out of state so much. So if you think you would like to give a whirl come on in and grab the bull by the horns and see what you can do to get some events going on here in southern Oregon.

We still need someone who can handle the historian position. (Like take pictures of our ugly mugs and put them in a photo album.)

There is more to fighting for your rights than just paying your dues, so please come to the meetings and participate.

As with any organization it is a few that do it for the many. But it isn't that hard to be an active member if you care about the cause, if you really care. I would rather, if you wish not to be an active member in the Southern Oregon Chapter that you change your membership to Indian Creek than to have members call you and call you and have you not be a participant in the chapter. I would rather the chapter be a group of participants than just newsletter receivers. This isn't just my thoughts on the subject, it is what I hear from those who show up at all the events and meetings month in month out.

My motto is: "If it is to be, it is up to me."

I feel that if you care about the mission of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, you also should

adopt my motto as yours. So get off your laurels and get involved and if you don't like me or the way I run the meetings, come on out meet the active members and become an active member/voice in the chapter, and maybe take it over.

By the way I don't run the chapter — you and your brother and sisters do. So what you see is what you have done. Fact is, you might like the new style of meetings. It isn't the same old spit.

HS

*Southern Oregon Chapter coordinator*



**SOUTHERN OREGON**  
**MEETING TIME and PLACE**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 1100 ( 11 am )  
 Big Daddy's Pizza  
 (formely Oregono's) -- Gold Hill

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

**Washington County Chapter**

May was a busy month for the chapter.

We held our annual poker run on the 17th. There were about thirty riders who braved the intermittent weather and took a scenic ride through the countryside. We ended up at the *Copperstone* in Hillsboro where there was good food and prizes. Becky Ramirez won the low hand and Ed "It's-good-to-be-king" Vaughn won the high hand. Len Punzel won \$42 in the 50/50 drawing. Many thanks to *Destination Harley-Davidson* for allowing us to start at their shop, *Copperstone* for allowing us to take over their restaurant, and *C.M.A.* for their support.

And then there was *Fossil*.

Now this is the first time I have attended this event and I had a great time, even though I left on Sunday. I especially enjoyed *Too Slim and the Taildraggers* on Saturday night. Everyone was great and the *Washington County* camp was a whole lot of fun. Saturday afternoon's thunderstorms were impressive, but not as impressive as the way everyone pitched in to help where needed. Thanks to all the chapters for their hard work, and especially to Rotten Roger and Joe Laurence for their tireless efforts. Joe came up and spent some time at the *WaCo* camp and seemed to enjoy himself.

The reason for returning to the city early was to take part in a Memorial Day ride that included dedication of engraved bricks at the memorial park at Hall and Watson in Beaverton, then off to the Beaverton *Elks Lodge* where members of *Sunset H.O.G.* and *WaCo* *A.B.A.T.E.* along with members of the

*lodge* retired donated flags. It was a special day to honor our nation's veterans and pay homage to the sacrifices that have been made to protect and preserve our freedoms.

Our June *First Sunday Ride* was led by Marty who took us over hill and dale. The ride was an all-day affair that was just over 200 miles. Trace Ceccacci took his new bike on its maiden voyage and learned that a full gas tank is a good thing. Good samaritans are everywhere and Marty's friends with the gas can saved the day. Random acts of kindness need to be passed on to others. Trace brought them lunch for their kindness. There were twelve riders in the group and it was a good size group to ride with. The weather was wonderful and the company was great. Marty set a good pace and everyone seemed to have a good time.

Sunday, June 8th brought a welcomed drop in temperatures and the opportunity for about sixty bikes to gather at *D&S Cycles* in Aloha for the *Ninth Annual Roll-n-Ride and Family Picnic*. The course was laid out through scenic mountain roads that made the cooler temperatures so much more enjoyable. After the recent 90's and 100's, the morning's cloud cover held the promise of better riding weather. The sun came out as the checkpoint people were making their way to their stops and stayed out for the rest of the day. The ride was about 100 miles and ended at the Stocker compound in Hillsboro with a picnic lunch, the band *Anything Goes*, and friends. Margo Carnnivele won the 50/50, Troy Davis won high hand, and Jerry Cruz won low hand.

While the legislature and the school

kids may have taken the summer off, we need to continue to get our message out to the public. Whenever possible, talk to people you meet about what *A.B.A.T.E.* means to you and what you are doing to help spread the awareness that motorcycles are everywhere. We all need to be aware at all times that we are vulnerable as riders and to watch out for the actions of others that will affect us. Young people are especially impressionable as they have not yet learned to fear motorcycling or motorcyclists. And by the way, congratulations to the group of *WaCo* members who took the *Team Oregon* Beginner Rider Course and *passed!!* For those of us experienced riders, our work has just begun to get these people out, on bikes, and continue to teach them the joy of riding.

Until I see you on the road, 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 )  
 Prime Time Sports Bar  
 4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

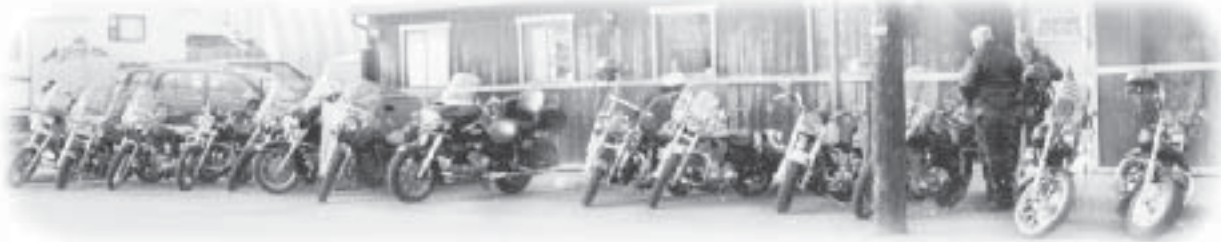
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

## Willamette Valley Chapter



It's official – between the bike blessing and the *Rhody Festival* – the riding season has kicked into full speed. The bike blessing was more a baptism, but was well attended, none-the-less. Riders and their machines were readied for the season.

The *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* was next, May 3rd, 2003 in Salem. Although the chapter showing was less than desired, we were represented. *A.B.A.T.E.* was in full force as discussions were had and names were dropped. The cause is continued, with over 336 bikers in attendance.

The *Willamette Valley Chapter* has begun a new fund for “Downed Riders.” It is our intention to collect for this fund at all *Willamette Valley* gatherings. This fund will help the chapter help those in need. We currently have a couple members who are in desperate financial need. Although we can't do it all, every little bit helps and earmarking this fund allows the chapter to lend a hand, so look for those donation canisters at all our events.

Our first big weekend – the *Rhody Festival* kicked off early Saturday morning, May 17, 2003 as *Willamette Valley* hosted a poker run with five stops culminating at the *Beachcomber* in Florence, Oregon. This year for the first time, our chapter had a booth where we displayed and sold *A.B.A.T.E.* merchandise, sold raffle

tickets and 50/50 drawing tickets. It gave the group a location to congregate for all the events and helped to put *A.B.A.T.E.* out front of the viewing public. A chapter member, Mike Johnston, also had on display one of the raffle prizes and other pieces of his artwork.

Even though the weather huffed and puffed, the group help strong, literally, and it was an effective addition to our event.

Special thanks to Ruth Johnston, activities coordinator, for all her work in putting the event together and making it such a success. It turned into one of our biggest fund-raisers ever!

At the May meeting, the chapter found itself at a temporary location. Our new meeting location is yet to be determined, however the *Foxfire* is done. We are using our phone tree system to keep everyone informed. Chapter membership is right at the 200 mark with two new members in attendance. We selected our chapter run – *Coos River Run*.

The usual discussion took place will all our chapter business including the *S.O.S. Run* in August. *Fossil Campout* [was] this weekend, with several members heading that way. A review of all the upcoming events was held. Looks like a busy and fun summer coming up.

Peggy Schneider  
chapter membership secretary  
**Willamette Valley A.B.A.T.E.**  
phone (541)-349-9864



WILAMETTE VALLEY  
MEETING TIME and PLACE  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1900 ( 7pm )  
(New location being arranged.)

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## Our Officers at Work

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

14 June 2003



by Charlie Hill  
State Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:19 with 11 of the 14 chapters represented, all present were eligible to vote with the exception of *Columbia River* and *South Coast*.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the May 10, 2003. Motion made by Mel Yeager, seconded by Randy Phipps to adopt the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

## Coordinators Comments

Thanks for coming. Biggest event of the year just happened, *Fossil*. Thanks for those who came and those who helped. Money was about the same as last year. In regards to the *NW Biker* proposal made last month, Rot and Joe have been talking about increasing the attractiveness of our newsletter, so the thought is, our money would be better spent upgrading our newsletter. Maybe adding some color to it. Officers meeting/retreat at Joe's next month after the state board meeting. Also grateful for participation and coming to the meetings during the summer, as it's quite a sacrifice you make. Reminder that as runs are happening, make sure you have guidelines set.

Guests: Steve Sorenson of *Hub City*; Justin, foster child living with Joe and Rikki.

Correspondence: None noted

\*\*\* Officers Reports \*\*\*

Legislative Director: Rick Maish — In the packets is an outcome note from Ken Ray. Washington state passed their helmet law. Randy noted he has e-mail posted on the wall of five

different items that others, including other countries are dealing with. You may want to look at the bill regarding GI and disability. This is so they don't try to deduct one from the other. There is also a bill to increase bike tags by 300% and car tags 117%.

*A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC* representative: Brian Stovall had nothing to add other than see he or Mel for *BikePAC* memberships.

*Confederation of Clubs* representative: Ed Vaughn is excused.

*Confederation of Clubs* representative II: Bob Earl is excused from being here.

Education Director: Geoff White reported getting into some summer school classes, smaller classes. Remember when you go to runs, education begins there. Mel and Iris have just taught a class too.

Education Director II: Nora Rohde reported due to medical problems she is about to encounter, that she must relinquish her position as state education director II. Geoff told her that the position would be open to her as soon as she is able.

Membership Secretary: Jill Tracy could not make it but sent her report stating she will be gone for two weeks. Please be patient with new memberships and renewals as she is sure these will be back logged when she returns. We have 2,097 members, picked up 38 new at *Fossil*.

Newsletter Editor: Rot Path thanked all for getting reports in. All chapters got their stuff in timely, without him having to contact any of them. Apology to *Washington County* and

*Central Oregon* for missing their fliers in the last newsletter. Need some information from *WaCo* on *End of Summer Run*. *Angie's Run* is 21st, not 28th of June. Some chapters have changed meeting times and/or places. There is a list on the wall, please note changes if necessary so this information can be updated in the newsletter. Michael Wigs' *Freedom Run* has been cancelled. July 11, 12 and 13 is battle of the bands at Rockaway Beach.

Products: Michelle Hobbs was excused.

Public Relations: Melinda McCrossen reported

*Swap Meet* flyer going in to be printed. *Fossil* was great.

State Run Coordinator: Rotten Roger was excused.

State Run Coordinator II: Michelle Lipchitz reported that Roger is on the road relaxing. Some comments about *Fossil* that she received was to have trash cans in front of the vendor booths. She also wanted to thank all those who posted fliers. She also noted that chapters with large memberships should bring people who have never been to *Fossil*. Brain said his chapter was upset as they had signed up in advance for duties, then had to do it again once they got there. Also upset about the gate and lack of communication.

Treasurer: Wendy Vaughn was excused from being here.

State Auditor: Nancy Curran was excused.

Historian: Iris Yeager reminds everyone that she wants pictures this

year. Be sure to note on the back of each one a description of the event and date.

Mad Dog was not present.

Matt was excused.

Vice Coordinator South: Tim Rohde regretted not being here last month and not making it to

*Fossil* as he wanted to take Nora who had never been. He did make it to the *Swap Meet*. Tim thanked *Douglas County* for donating bike parts for Nora's bike. Brian and Mel were addressed why bike insurance is still being classed as an alternate form of transportation and that is for pleasure. Brian asked if the people who were asking were members and Tim said "no." Brian responded "that is why."

Vice Coordinator East: Bob Hadley was excused.

Sergeant at Arms North: Matt Hobbs excused.

Sergeant at Arms South: Cole Hembree reported that he was not attacking anyone, just passing an opinion that he sees burn out, need new ideas, need to change the way were doing things. *Fossil* people talk about the run as a money maker, need to get the word out by spending that money to reach the people that don't know us. Everyone knows the *Hells Angles*, but not us. Need newspaper ads, etc. If people know who we are, we're not talking to the right people. We need to reach the ones who don't know us.

Sergeant at Arms East: Keith Odoms excused.

Sanctioning Officer: Ron Bloker was excused.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton said the stage awning had some minor problems but all worked out well. The state and equipment is available to all chapters at no cost. You will need to

come pick it up and have a good truck to pick it up with. Melinda noted how much time Roger puts into the upkeep of the equipment. Steve said we have 14 chapters and at least two people from each one should come: one come early to help set up and one to stay late for tear down and cleanup. Need location to store equipment, possibly in Salem area with a covered area the size of a pole barn to help protect the equipment. Also need a box truck five ton to purchase to haul the equipment. A box truck or semi truck and trailer as we could paint it with our logo for advertising, put racks in it for storage and have a class act going down the road. Also need a lift and trailer hitch on it. Maybe a '85-'95 diesel truck class 8 big rig. Insurance for multiple drivers with a C.D.L. would run around \$3,500 a year. Take information back to chapters to see if anyone knows where we could purchase a rig like one of these and how much. Contact Steve.

#### Committee Reports

1. Run Committee. Nothing more to report. *Willamette Valley* are next in line to mentor with *Hub City* to run the *Fossil* games.

#### Unfinished Business

*Fossil*: Tom, president of the *Gypsie Jokers* noted low attendance due to the price of the ticket. Price is driving people away. Bring the price down to 15 or 20 bucks. He said *Gypsie Jokers* paid \$975 for attendance this year. They did not blow through the gate as rumor had it. He noted it's better to make money off several people than a lot off a few people.

Other things suggested during this discussion were: Group rates, media plan, people who work the whole run shouldn't have to pay. One suggestion was, you pay to get in. Then if you

work the entire shift you get a ticket for next year. This seems to have worked well for *Cowlitz*.

2. *N.C.O.M.* Tom said law enforcement personnel entered a van in the parking lot in suits and emerged in leathers to better mingle with the crowd The P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act is not an issue with terrorism but with organized groups such as motorcycle groups. They also held a mock legislation which showed how a bill becomes a law.

3. Planning Session - This was postponed as Nancy nor Wendy were here and many of these items were money related.

#### New Business

Motion made by Rex Jamision, seconded by Steve Baton that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* provide funding for legal review of *A.B.A.T.E.*'s financial policies and procedures but not to spend more than \$1,500 and with assurance from the attorney that what he informs us of, he will back it up and that Jim Niece and Theresa Hepker should be involved. Motion carried 4 to 3.

Randy mentioned that the next public input on T.S.A.P. for their 5-10 year plan is June 17 in Klamath Falls. (There are other areas scheduled too at later dates. For that information, please contact Randy Phipps.)

Randy also informed us that the *O.D.O.T.* safety conference will cost \$95 in Eugene October 15-17. Rooms \$62-77 lodging, four people conference fee \$380 so 154 x two = \$308 for lodging for a total of \$688 plus taxes

#### Announcements

1. *Run 21* next month. Steve has run tickets available today as he is going to turn them in.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.



Geoff

# Education Directors

by Geoff White



Nora

Greetings from Nora Rohde and Geoff White,

We're smack dab in the middle of a great riding summer by now. I know that this is what we've been looking forward to for a whole winter.

Get out there and celebrate on two wheels!

There are a lot of events that *A.B.A.T.E.* has planned to help keep you busy in a good way. It's a perfect opportunity to have some fun spreading our motorcycle awareness message.

Summer school classes are beginning, and the driver's education teachers might wish to have our motorcycle awareness presentations in their classes. It is a very good opportunity to reach out to a rather large number of new drivers. Many of these classes are larger than the winter school year classes, so we have the chance to catch a big group of students all at once.

We are still being told that our presentation is very important to the curriculum in many of the driver's education classes. We can definitely help to keep our fellow riders safer by providing these new young drivers with an understanding of motorcyclists and motorcycling.

I've had a chance to get involved in coordinating classes with the *Team Oregon* motorcycle riding training program. I really believe that it is a terrific approach to the motorcycle operator's world. These classes offer the new or experienced rider an excellent learning environment for introduction or fine tuning their riding skills.

I wish that I'd known of the *Team Oregon* programs when I was learning to operate a motorcycle back in my younger days.

I feel that a person never really knows everything they need to know about operating a motorcycle. It is a constant learning process, and bad habits can be minimized by reviewing and evaluating our riding practices. I'd been a licensed motorcycle operator for many years, but I still felt that the classes brought my focus and practice back for better, more effective bike handling. I recommend the classes for anyone who wishes to be a better rider.

The four classes offered are Basic Rider Course, Experienced Rider Course, Intermediate Rider Course, and Advanced Rider Training. For information on these classes, pick up a brochure at your nearest *Department of Motor Vehicles*. *Team Oregon* can also be reached at 1-(800)-545-9944, or visit their web page at <http://teamoregon.orst.edu>.

Check out these classes. You'll really agree that "the more you know, the better it gets."

Our legislative year was a bit of a disappointment.

The issues that we brought before the state were not passed.

The state legislature seemed to be overburdened with issues in many categories, and our items and topics were the victims of a group of lawmakers not being able to address everything adequately.

I feel that this is very unfortunate, because some of our issues were definitely worthy of their attention and action. This legislative work is a part of motorcycle awareness, and many people put a great deal of effort into making the world of

motorcycling better.

When I hear of issues that were dropped merely because there wasn't enough time to deal with them, I become concerned. We'll be back in the next session striving to bring our agendas to the foreground. You can always be a part of this process, and your support is definitely essential.

Now it's time to have a great summer. See where the road less traveled leads to. Visit with your friends from *A.B.A.T.E.* while you're taking those roads. Don't forget to keep a sharp eye on the condition of your machinery.

Ride free and "Spread the awareness, ya'll".

Take care,

Geoff White  
Nora Rohde



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# Historian

by Iris Yeager



The Yeager family had many unexpected schedule changes again this year. We did manage to participate in the *Hub City Poker Run* on the 7th of this month. What a treat. Beautiful weather and a beautiful view of the lovely central Willamette Valley.

Had a great ride with about 300 bikes participating. Many of them had two riders. A real treat indeed. May we all have wonderful rides this summer.

Please remember to send a few photos of the events and places you ride to this year for the *A.B.A.T.E.* history books. The photos can be brought to the state board meetings by your representatives.

Iris Yeager  
Historian

# News From The Iraqi Front

by Greg Lewis



How are you all? I'm doing well.

Right now I'm living in downtown Baghdad under the walkway that's by the saber arch reviewing stand you've probably seen it on TV.

The temperature here is about 110 during the day and at night when it cools off we get swarmed by mosquitoes.

Other than that, things are going good. We do patrols during the day and go out and visit churches and schools, check out the blocking positions and the security of key buildings.

I still don't know when I'll be home.

We got a follow-on mission today and the unit might be heading out to take out some Fedayeen forces within the next few days.

I should be home sometime before September but not anytime soon, so if you want to send some stuff that's fine. (No big boxes I don't have space).

Thanks for all your support I hope all is going well for everyone.

Greg

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# BikePAC Report

by Ken Ray

After exhausting every avenue and twisting every arm we could, our legislative session is over. This is the final *BikePAC of Oregon* report on the 2003 legislative session. This won't be the last word; we will discuss and analyze our performance in the future. But with the disbanding of most committees over the past couple of weeks, bills still those committees have died.

This is the disappointing part: For the first time since 1993, we did not get a bill passed into law. We asked to have five bills introduced and for a while things looked pretty good. Without trying to make excuses or analyze things too early, I would say this was a rough session for a lot of advocacy groups. The economy, taxes, budget and P.E.R.S. dominated the legislature and it did not appear that there was much time for anything else. Still, every session has its own challenges and we will get together in the future and try to learn and grow from everything.

Good things happened as well. Our lobbying team continues to be more and more sophisticated and respected in the state legislature. This year we added Michelle Fitzhenry-Lipchitz to our already powerful team of Iris Yeager and Lyle Irons. It has been a goal of mine for some time to train more and more people in the day-to-day of lobbying so that we have backup for Lyle and for the *BikePAC* officers who have lobbying experience. I never want to start a legislative session in the future with someone who has absolutely no experience and

who needs a month just to get up to speed.

A bill by bill breakdown of what happened this year:

HB 2419 Headlights optional. This one got bogged down in Transportation and mixed up with a bill proposed by a citizen to allow multiple front light sources on bikes. That bill, HB 2398, did eventually pass and was signed into law.

HB 2579 allows lane splitting. This one was amended and could have passed if amended again which would have added a sunset clause. Time just ran out.

HB 2640 prevent health insurance from denying benefits under health insurance. This one looked pretty good until the lobbyist for *Blue Cross* jumped in and muddied the water. It was naïve of us to think that they wouldn't speak up, but their lobbyist testimony was completely untrue about H.I.P.A.A. We had the votes in the committee but could not get the chair to bring it back up to vote.

HB 3221 added to motorcycles to the protections from vehicular assault. This one went to Judiciary. Judiciary had about 300 bills assigned to it and this one didn't have enough urgency to the committee members. We were lost in the crowd.

HB 2432 adult helmet use optional. This one passed the house, although by a razor thin margin. Jeff Kropf did an excellent job of carrying the bill for us. Unfortunately the Senate this year was evenly split 15-15 between Democrats and Republicans. This meant that every

committee was also evenly split. Transportation only had one friend to *BikePAC* in it. We thought for a while we had the deal made to get the bill out on the floor, but Senator Nelson backed out and the bill never got a vote.

*BikePAC* is required to have an annual meeting in July according to our bylaws. We are not having a planning session this year; we will do that next year. But we will have an annual meeting and social and it will be July 5th, the first Saturday. *BikePAC* meetings are usually the first Saturday of the month. Since this is also the Independence Day weekend, I know that many people have plans for that weekend, but if you can come we would like to have you. It will be a meeting, social and picnic at my house in Clackamas. Please don't feel obligated to attend, especially if you have to travel very far. We aren't going to be doing any huge agenda items. I will be mailing out letters and flyer-invitations to all *BikePAC* members soon. If you want to attend and haven't received a letter by June 16, let me know and I will e mail it to you. If you are coming I need to know by June 30th so we can buy the stuff. Smoked beef ribs and barbecued chicken are likely to be on the menu. We will ask for a \$6.00 donation to cover food and some beverages. If you have specific beverage desires, feel free to B.Y.O.B., but pop and some beer will be on hand. We will start the meeting at noon, food and fun later.

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# Hub City Poker Run

photos by Tempest



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From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK



Time off

First off I want to apologize to those of you who missed the last issue of the *Gunny's Sack*. The truth is the *Sack* didn't get out because Gunny was on a 21 state, 7,000 mile motorcycle ride with his wife.

Left Redmond, Oregon at 12:30 PM on the first of May and got back home the evening of the twenty-seventh. We went to Milwaukee, Wisconsin for the *National Coalition Of Motorcyclists* conference that took place the 8th to 11th of May.

We stopped in Chicago and took delivery of our new "Aspen Classic" camp trailer for the bike. The thing has a *king* sized bed in it when erected. All that and 25 cubes of cargo space too. Ahh, luxury for the old man.

To get to Milwaukee we crossed Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Nebraska, Wyoming, Iowa, Illinois, and into Wisconsin.

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N.C.O.M.

This 18th Annual conference was one of the best I've ever attended and some of the information passed along to us was positively frightening. Namely, the P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act and the possibility of the passage of P.A.T.R.I.O.T. II. If you attach any value to the freedom you have left in this country, you will write your congressmen and senators *now* and voice your opposition to the stealing of your liberty by elected officials.

More on that later.

We left Wisconsin and continued to West "By God" Virginia via Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and down into West Virginia to visit my

daughter and that bunch. I was blessed with seeing my grandson who just graduated from the Naval Academy and is now a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. Some kinda proud of him I am.

We left from there continuing to Bakersfield, California crossing West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and into California. Spent a few days at my brother's place and enjoyed the wedding of my granddaughter there. From there home to Oregon, winding up a fantastic month.

We hit some of the worst storms I've ever experienced. The first was the back end of the storm that did so much tornado damage all through the Nebraska, Kansas, and Alabama. We got past that and coming out of West Virginia we were rained on for four days all the way to Oklahoma. One day we had to stop after only forty miles because it was raining so hard I couldn't see the road. Shawnee, Oklahoma was the last of the rain and then it got *hot*. Poor Sue doesn't do heat well so she paid the fiddler for the next three days getting to Bakersfield. It was 108 in Needles, California when we got there. Bakersfield was just as hot, so she spent a lot of time indoors and I spend some time soaking up a lot of my brother's beer at his hangar home there on the Bakersfield Airpark. Brothers and sisters, I'd load up tomorrow morning and do it again if I had the bucks to do it. Sue says the same thing.

We no more than got home and had to rush to Forest Grove, Oregon to

attend our daughter-in-law who was pregnant with her first child, and Sue's first natural grandbaby. Angie was in trouble with the pregnancy and wound up with a beautiful 29 week baby girl weighing just one pound eleven ounces. Mom and child doing very well. Mom's home and visiting the infant twice a day for feedings and whatever else it is that mom's do with little guys. Pop is working his way though the whole thing kind of bewildered but okay. Granddad will live but not sure about grammaw. She's a mess.

The upshot of the whole thing was we decided a move back to the Forest Grove area was indeed necessary. So away we went and in just a few days I find myself moved back to the Willamette Valley. Thank God for the Washington County ABATE of Oregon members who helped us unload at the new house. All this in the Gunny's life in less than 40 days. Anyone want to follow me around for the next few months to see what else can happen when you're not lookin'?

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Newsbit-n-Pieces

*Repeal the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act*  
— All over the country early in July there will be public hearings concerning the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act. You all need to be aware of the dangerous precedent this madness represents.

On October 26, 2001, our congress passed the most far-reaching snatch of liberty from the American people ever



passed. Never in the history of this nation has a law been passed so quickly. It took only 11 days for this to take place. That is record time for our congress to act on anything. The events on 9/11 took the good sense out of our leaders and we need to bring it to a screeching halt before our country winds up like Europe did in the days of Hitler's rise to power.

These are just part of what this thing does to every citizen of this country, not just bikers. You can bet, however, we are the most immediate targets available.

1) *Eliminates freedom of association:* Government may monitor religious, labor, and political institutions without having to suspect criminal activity, if it is to assist "terror" investigation.

2) *Freedom of information:* Government has closed once-public immigration hearings, has secretly detained hundreds of people without charges, and has encouraged bureaucrats to resist public records requests.

3) *Freedom of speech:* Government may prosecute librarians or keepers of any other records if they tell anyone that the government subpoenaed information related to a terror investigation.

4) *Right to legal representation:* Government may monitor federal prison jailhouse conversations between attorneys and clients, and deny lawyers to American citizens accused of crimes.

5) *Freedom from unreasonable searches:* Government may search and seize Americans' personal records, business documents and telephone/internet activity records *without probable cause*, to assist alleged terror investigations.

6) *right to a speedy and public trial:* Government may jail Americans indefinitely without a trial.

7) *Right to liberty:* Americans may be jailed without being charged or being able to confront the witnesses against them.

What you have just read is just a sample of what your government has up it's sleeve besides the arm. If you aren't shaken by these words I don't know what to tell you except bend over and kiss your sweet patootie goodbye.

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*Boise, Idaho* — Recently here a motorcycle officer jumped aboard a runaway locomotive and was instrumental in stopping the thing. Can you imagine the adrenalin rush this guy had going? Wow! No one was hurt but it could have been disastrous. Kudos to the Cop

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania* — The city is tired of kids without licences driving motorized scooters on sidewalks and streets without regard to pedestrian traffic. They passed a resolution with teeth that can result in the confiscations of the scoot being illegally ridden by non-licenced drivers. Not too sure I blame them on this one. Some kid on a motorized scooter runs into me on the sidewalk and I just might have a word or two with him, if ya know what I mean.

*San Jose, California* — A biker here was apparently the victim of a road rage incident that left him paralyzed from the neck down when a man rammed him from the rear. The guy that caused the wreck is being sought by police and will be charged with attempted homicide and assault with a deadly weapon. Hope they catch this

guy and lock his butt up for a long, long time. There is no place for road rage in this country. There was a witness to the incident so they should get this clown soon. Our best to the injured biker.

**Gunny Again**

Glad to be back and remember the *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorneys are the ones who take care of us so call your's if you find yourself with any legal problem. They will help you. Call 1-(800)-534-2424 and get hooked up, or look on the web at [www.aimncom.com](http://www.aimncom.com) , or [www.on-a-bike.com](http://www.on-a-bike.com) .

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny,  
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# American Motorcyclist Association

## NEWS and NOTES



Montana HB127 (*The Lemon Law Bill*), adding motorcycles to the consumer protection statute, has been signed into law due largely to the advocacy of *A.M.A.* Board of Directors Vice-president Dal Smilie. In addition, Smilie and other activists prevented proposed seatbelt requirements on A.T.V.s.

New York Assembly Bill 8095, introduced by Assemblymember Ron Canestrari (D-Albany), and Senate Bill 2178, introduced by Senator Joseph E. Robach (R-Monroe), propose increased penalties for right-of-way violations.

Based on the *A.M.A. Motorcyclists Matter* campaign model legislation, the added fines and driver license/privilege suspension provided for in these bills would be in addition to any other penalties imposed by the courts.

Letters in support of A-8095 should be sent to The Honorable David F. Gantt, Chairperson, Assembly Transportation Committee, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248 while letters in support of S-2178 should be sent to The Honorable John R. Kuhl, Jr., Chairperson, Senate Transportation Committee, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12247.

Michigan Senate Bill 462, sponsored by Senator Valde Garcia (R-Howell) and co-sponsored by eleven other senators, proposes to move the Michigan Motorcycle Safety Education Program from the Department of Education to the Secretary of State. SB-462 was introduced on May 7, 2003 and referred to the Senate Transportation Committee.

The survival of the Michigan Motorcycle Safety Education Program was threatened in the fiscal year 2004 Department of Education budget proposal of Governor Granholm, in which she recommended the termination

of this and the Off-Road Vehicle Safety Education Program. Senator Garcia's bill would save the Motorcycle Safety Education program by moving it to the Secretary of State's office and keep the current funding structure in place.

Your letter of support should be sent to The Honorable Jud Gilbert, Michigan Senate Transportation Committee, State Capitol, PO Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909-7536. Additional letters of support should be sent to your state senator at The Michigan Senate, State Capitol, PO Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909-7536 and your state representative at The Michigan House of Representatives, State Capitol, PO Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909-7514.

A *N.A.S.A.* developed infrared, heat-seeking camera (originally designed to help satellites detect incoming missiles) is now being tested as an aid in preventing wildlife-vehicle collisions.

Parks Canada conducted a pilot test last year by mounting the camera on a highway outside Kootenay National Park in British Columbia. The strip of road is known for its extremely high rate of motor vehicle accidents involving deer, moose, wolves, bears and elk. The camera, which scanned for heat patterns three-quarters of a mile down highway and about 80 feet on either side, was linked to software that interprets heat patterns.

When an animal was detected near the road, the computer sent a signal to roadside signs, setting off flashing lights and warning motorists to slow down and watch for wildlife. By this summer the company,

InTransTech ([www.intranstech.com](http://www.intranstech.com)), plans to market the system to transportation agencies worldwide.

Massachusetts motorcyclists, through their grassroots action, have convinced

the house of representatives to restore line-item funding for the Massachusetts Motorcycle Safety Program. Visits, letters, e-mails, faxes and phone calls to legislators convinced House members to approve a version of the budget that included \$185,691 of funding for the program.

The joint effort to get activists to contact their legislators was largely an endeavor of the *Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.)* and the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*.

Motorcyclists since have used the same technique focusing their attention on the senate ways and means committee, which submit their own budget recommendation, to save the fund in the senate as well.

Washington legislators are meeting in Olympia for a special overtime session to arrive at a budget solution that could affect O.H.V. enthusiasts. The legislature is trying to use O.H.V. gas tax funds to cover the funds normally given to the *Department of Natural Resources (D.N.R.)* out of the states General Fund.

The Senate's proposal is to transfer \$450,000 from the *N.O.V.A.* (O.H.V.) grant program to D.N.R. while the House version includes taking all of the O.H.V. money, giving \$3 million to State Parks on top of the \$450,000 to the *D.N.R.*

The Washington state constitution states that gas tax money can only be used for motorized purposes. This proposal has prompted the *Northwest Motorcyclist Association* (<http://www.nmaoffroad.org>) to file a lawsuit to stop the theft of the funds.

Maryland House Bill 923, the parking bill to prohibit local governments from restricting the number of motorcycles that can legally be parked in a metered parking space, was signed into law by governor Robert L. Ehlich, Jr. on May 13, 2003.

## American Motorcyclist Association



HB-923, sponsored by delegate George W. Owings III (D-Owings), passed the house of delegates on March 19 by a vote of 132-2 and passed the senate on April 3 by a vote of 47-0. The new law goes into effect October 1, 2003.

Motorcyclists are encouraged to thank delegate Owings for his sponsorship of HB-923 by contacting his office at 410-841-3231, by U.S. mail to The Honorable George W. Owings III, Maryland House of Delegates, 430 Lowe House Office Building, Six Governor Bladen Blvd., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991, or by e-mail to:

[george\\_owings@house.state.md.us](mailto:george_owings@house.state.md.us)

President George W. Bush has chosen A.M.A. member/motorcyclist Josh Bolten as Director of the Office of Management and Budget (O.M.B.). Bolten, whose nomination requires Senate confirmation, will take over for Mitch Daniels, who is resigning.

O.M.B.'s chief role is to assist the president in overseeing the preparation of the federal budget and to supervise its administration in executive branch agencies. In addition, O.M.B. oversees and coordinates the administration's procurement, financial management, information, and regulatory policies.

U.S. senator Susan Collins (R-ME) introduced S. 423, *The Health Care Parity for Legal Transportation and Recreational Activities Act*. U.S. representative Scott McInnis (R-CO-3) introduced the house companion bill, H.R. 1749. Senator Collins was joined by senator Feingold (D-WI) in introducing the senate legislation. Representative McInnis was joined by representative Ted Strickland (D-OH-6) in addition to 49 original co-sponsors to the House bill.

The legislation aims at promoting health care parity for individuals participating in legal transportation and

recreational activities—activities like motorcycling, snowmobiling, horseback riding, running or walking. This legislation addresses a loophole caused by a *Department of Health and Human Services'* rule making it possible for health care coverage to be denied to those who are injured while participating in these activities.

As background, self-insured employers and unions have been known to deny health benefits to their motorcyclist employees and union members. These unfair measures had been adopted on the questionable advice of third party administrators in an effort to keep the cost of insurance premiums low.

On August 21, 1996 an important opportunity arose when president Clinton signed the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (H.I.P.A.A.)*, prohibiting employers from denying health care coverage based on a worker's pre-existing medical conditions or participation in legal activities.

In 2001, the *Health Care Finance Administration* released the final rules that would govern the law. The rules recognize that employers cannot refuse health care coverage to an employee on the basis of their participation in a recognized recreational activity. However, the benefits can be denied for injuries sustained in connection with those recreational activities. Essentially, the regulation grants protective status to motorcyclists without any substantive benefits.

The A.M.A. is urging all motorcyclists—and those involved in any other type of recreational activity—to notify their Members of Congress and tell them to support S.423 and H.R. 1749, *The Health Care Parity for Legal Transportation and Recreational Activities Act*.

Lake County, Illinois unanimously approved an anti-noise law that regulates everything from all-terrain vehicles to lawn mowers after several homeowners sought noise limits, saying neighbors were holding A.T.V. races and disturbing the peace.

The measure doesn't address boat noise, but it includes loud motorcycles, snowmobiles, live bands, stereo amplification systems and power tools. The ordinance, which applies only to unincorporated areas of the county, is modeled after a Kane County anti-noise law.

It outlaws any noise coming from private property that can be heard 100 feet away and limits the use of buzz saws, hammers and other construction tools to between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

Violations of the ordinance, which will be primarily enforced by the county's Planning, Building and Development Department, will be punishable by fines ranging from \$25 to \$500, depending on how many violations occur.

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

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

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

[www.AMADirectlink.com](http://www.AMADirectlink.com)

## Motorcycle Riders Foundation

# Prospecting For Motorcycle Safety



*M.R.F.* board members Carol Simpson and Lynn Oldenburg attended the 2003 spring meeting of *A.A.S.H.T.O.* (the *American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials*). Among the attendees and presenters were Michael Jackson, deputy secretary of the *U.S. Department of Transportation*; Dr. Jeffrey Runge, administrator of the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*; and Mary Peters, the administrator of the *Federal Highway Administration* and, as a motorcyclist and good friend of "Priest" of *M.M.A. of Arizona*, a kindred spirit.

Lynn and Carol had individual, positive conversations with these individuals and many more. The consensus of the conversations was that we are going to move from talking about each other to talking to each other. In addition to listening, Lynn and Carol did a lot of talking - for motorcycle safety - chiefly Initiatives Two and Three of our joint S.M.R.O.-*M.R.F.* agenda for the reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act* for the 21st Century. We expect a lot of good results from this coalition building.

Yours for the right to ride, and your friend,

Tom

## N.H.T.S.A. Proposes Study of Characteristics of Motorcycle Operators

The tragic and steady increase in motorcyclist fatalities over the past few years is on every rider's mind. It has added urgency to the long-standing call from the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* and State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (S.M.R.O.s) for better funding of state rider education and motorist awareness. It has prompted a call by the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)* for a new crash causation study. It has also prompted the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* to consider a new research project that focuses on talking directly to 4,000 riders of *N.H.T.S.A.*'s choosing.

Is it time for more *talk*? Or is it time for *action*!!!

The *M.R.F.* wants to know what you think about *N.H.T.S.A.*'s latest research proposal. We encourage you to contact Tom Wyld at [wyld@mrf.org](mailto:wyld@mrf.org) to give him your input so that he can incorporate the thoughts and opinions of S.M.R.O.s and motorcyclists nationwide into the *M.R.F.*'s public comments to *N.H.T.S.A.*. In addition, the *M.R.F.* urges SMROs and individuals nationwide to submit their own public comments to *N.H.T.S.A.* regarding its proposal prior to the June 30, 2003

deadline. You can find *N.H.T.S.A.*'s research proposal and the guidelines for submitting public comments on the *M.R.F.* website at <http://www.mrf.org/TEA-03.php>.

In its proposal, *N.H.T.S.A.* states that it hopes to interview 4,000 riders in California, Maryland, Michigan, New York, Texas, Virginia and Florida to learn about rider "characteristics, attitudes and behaviors...[and compare] the training, experience, attitudes and behaviors of those operators who have been involved in crashes versus those who have not." The winning research firm will conduct "face-to-face interviews...at sponsored events, races, and... motorcycle club meetings and popular riding locations."

Instead of *talk*, the *M.R.F.* is calling for *action*!!! Bolstering motorcycle safety funds with modest federal dollars to be used for the advancement of rider education and motorist awareness of motorcycles is the leading initiative of the joint S.M.R.O.-*M.R.F.* agenda for *TEA-03* (the reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act* for the 21st Century). For details on the *M.R.F.*'s *TEA-03* initiatives, visit the *M.R.F.* website at <http://www.mrf.org/TEA-03.php>. The *M.R.F.*'s agenda calls for a modest

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\$5 million annually for the life of the five-year *TEA-03* plan for states that maintain or increase their rider training budgets.

Contrast the *M.R.F.*'s requested \$5 million with *N.H.T.S.A.*'s request for \$56 million in research and analysis funds for FY 2003 alone, the funding source for this interview initiative (source: Dr. Jeffrey W. Runge, M.D., testimony before the House Highways and Transit Subcommittee, March 4, 2003). Contrast the *M.R.F.*'s \$5 million request with the massive *N.H.T.S.A.* Highway Safety Behavioral Research request for *TEA-03*: \$88,452,000 over five years.

Will *N.H.T.S.A.* simply fund more *talk* over the next five years? Or will *N.H.T.S.A.* finally fund *action!!!* The *M.R.F.* encourages you to become part of the decision-making process by submitting your public comments to *N.H.T.S.A.* regarding its latest research proposal.

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

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

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

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# Motorcyclists Flex Lobbying Muscle

Michael Kerr's reflection in the chrome-plated rearview mirror of his *Harley-Davidson Electra Glide* reveals a modern-day *Easy Rider*. Bearded and long-haired, the 52-year-old Chicagoan favors jeans or black leather when he straddles his hog, but he's just as comfortable slipping into a suit and tie to press the flesh with politicians.

"I would debate the president of the United States on motorcycle rights," Kerr recently told Rex W. Huppke, a staff reporter for the *Chicago Tribune*. Kerr has ridden motorcycles for 35 years and is head of an Illinois motorcycle group's political action committee. "We've become far more politically astute. People understand that if we don't stay aware, we could lose our rights."

"Some scowl at motorcyclists, calling them reckless, risky and noisy," states Huppke in his May 27 article, "But as summer days beckon bikers to city streets and country roads, riders like Kerr ignore the criticism, ease out the clutch and roll off smiling, knowing their numbers are growing right along with their political muscle." He goes on to write, in part?

A full-throttle charge by motorcycle activists has weakened helmet laws in 30 states, five since 1997. That's good news for riders who believe mandatory helmet use violates their personal liberty, but it's a disturbing trend for safety experts who point to a soaring increase in motorcycle fatalities.

Quick to say they don't oppose helmets, just helmet laws, activists have seen their clout with lawmakers grow steadily in recent years. Along with tackling the helmet issue, groups in Illinois and across the country have proved skilled at beating other legislation — from emissions standards to rules on handlebar heights — that motorcyclists believe impedes their right to "ride free."

Based on their success with lawmakers, it's clear bikers are quick learners.

In the mid-1970s, all but three states— Illinois, California and Utah—required every motorcyclist to wear a helmet. But thanks to groups like *A.B.A.T.E.*, 27 states have amended their helmet laws so that only

young people — normally 21 or younger — are required to wear them. Another 20 states and the District of Columbia still have laws covering all riders, and three states — Illinois, Colorado and Iowa — have no helmet law at all.

Kerr says lawmakers in California, Pennsylvania and Michigan are edging closer to weakening their rules on helmet laws, and other states are also on the bubble.

That's in large part because advocates such as Kerr — bikers like to call them "legislative warriors" — are busy on the front lines.

While Kerr monitors political movements across the country and occasionally travels to Washington to lobby politicians, other *A.B.A.T.E.* members operate phone banks and put up election signs during campaigns, supporting politicians who agree to work with motorcyclists.

James "Doc" Reichenbach is a motorcycle activist who in 2000, with the help of 400,000 registered bikers, got Florida's law changed so that only riders 21 and younger have to don helmets. There is a reason the pendulum has swung in favor of bikers rights, he said.

"We have seminars. We exchange ideas. We work with legislatures," he said recently at a national motorcyclists' convention in Milwaukee that drew more than 1,000 bikers. "Politics is really just a game. Well, we learned the game, and now we make the rules."

Reichenbach is the President of *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida, Inc.*, and serves as chairman of the board for the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*. *N.C.O.M.* held its 18th annual Convention, May 8-10, at the *Four Points Sheraton* in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

So why do so many motorcyclists prefer not to wear "brain buckets," while straddling 150-horsepower bikes that can go from zero to 60 m.p.h. in a matter of seconds?

"Individual liberty is the No. 1 issue here," said H.W. "Sputnik" Strain, 63, a fiery, mohawked activist from Texas who is considered by many to be the Patrick Henry of bikers. "When the legislature tells you to wear a helmet, then they're telling you that

you don't have the ability to think and reason."

Strain, who lobbied relentlessly and beat Texas' helmet law into submission, has never worn a helmet, not even in states that require them. He said he has received plenty of tickets, refuses to pay them and has warrants out for his arrest.

That might sound hard-boiled, but the hundreds of leather-clad, bearded, tattooed, coarse-talking bikers who gathered in Milwaukee — many of them lawyers and university professors — agreed with Strain, who is a respected member of their *N.C.O.M.* legislative task force.

As far as the risk, Jill McDugald of Charleston, South Carolina, said there are risks in everything. A classically trained pianist, she said she developed carpal tunnel syndrome from countless hours of playing.

"It was my choice to play the piano," she said, "and it's my choice to ride a motorcycle."

Gene Shafer, a biker and emergency-room doctor from Girard, Ill., shares McDugald's feelings. He says it's worth any risk to ride without a helmet. "Do I not put an IV into the arm of a person who's H.I.V.-positive, just because I'm afraid I might get H.I.V.?" he said. "No. That's my job, it's my duty. There are risks in all aspects of life." Shafer is also a member of *N.C.O.M.*'s legislative task force, which boasts numerous legislators as members, including U.S. senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado, Wisconsin state senator Dave Zien, and South Dakota state senator Jim "Putt" Putnam.

Kerr, who is a maintenance mechanic for *Snap-On Tools* in Crystal Lake, Illinois, is happy to admit it's a good time to be a biker. But he's familiar enough with the changing winds of politics to know a motorcyclist can't just sit back and enjoy the ride.

"It brings a smile to my face to know that we have the attention and respect of some very important people in the country," Kerr said. "But while we're doing great, I know there's a downside to the curve. And there's just no way we can rest on our laurels."

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

## N.A.A.C.P. Files Discrimination Lawsuit Over Black Bike Week

On May 20th, the N.A.A.C.P. and a group of 25 black motorcycle riders have filed suit against the city of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, various businesses and law enforcement, accusing them of discrimination during *Black Bike Week*, the biggest African-American biker rally in the country.

Plaintiffs say the event, held in South Carolina each Memorial Day weekend, has been marred by excessive police force, intrusive traffic laws and a hostility that flows from the shell-encrusted fringes of the Atlantic Ocean to the doors of the local *Denny's*.

"I've seen it myself," said Craig Williams, a Baltimore police detective who is a rider. "When the white bikers come to Myrtle Beach, the town rolls out the red carpet. When the black riders come, they roll it right up."

Each spring, Myrtle Beach plays host to two huge biker rallies, back to back; the predominantly white bike week, which has been going on for 63 years, is called *Harley-Davidson Week*, while the mostly black event is called the *Atlantic Beach Bike Fest*, or *Black Bike Week*, which began 20 years ago.

The gist of the legal action, filed in federal court in South Carolina, is that Myrtle Beach treats the two events differently.

The city's response: they are different. "*Black Bike Week* is rowdier, younger and much more crowded," said Myrtle Beach mayor Mark McBride, who has been an outspoken critic, frequently advocating the elimination of the event, but openly supporting "*Harley Week*."

City officials say *Black Bike Week* is nearly twice the size of *Harley Week* (375,000 people compared with 200,000 last year). That is why, they say, they change the streets to a one-way system and employ 550 police officers, compared with 300 for *Harley Week*.

Dennis Hayes, N.A.A.C.P. general counsel, said: "The conduct of these public and private institutions that close down or implement one-time restrictive and oppressive rules simply because most of the visitors in Myrtle Beach over the Memorial Day Weekend are

black cannot be tolerated. It is tragic and disheartening to see this type of blatant discrimination in the year 2003, nearly fifty years after the supreme court outlawed segregation in *Brown vs. Board of Education* and nearly forty years after congress outlawed race discrimination in places of public accommodations."

## Bikers Boycott Laughlin Run

Members of the Arizona *Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs*, irked at security precautions such as checkpoints and a ban on wearing colors, boycotted the *Laughlin River Run* and held a *Screw Laughlin Run* in Phoenix instead.

A year after a deadly brawl, Laughlin, Nevada, law enforcement agencies adopted extra precautions for this year's event including increased patrols, checkpoints and a ban on colors. But many Arizona motorcyclists boycotted the *River Run* to protest what they view as civil rights infringements, reported *The Arizona Republic* newspaper.

Pat "Pooh Bear" Conley, national president of *Sober Riders* and chairman of the confederation, said the boycott was organized so riders wouldn't be "subjected to the civil rights issues" in Laughlin.

Robert "Speedy" Lance, vice president of the *Glendale Limey Riders* club, said bikers from Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Texas and California attended the *Screw Laughlin* ride, sponsored by *Limey Riders*, *Sober Brothers*, *Sober Riders*, *Rough Riders* and *Desert Thunder* motorcycle clubs, and the *Modified Motorcycle Association of Arizona*.

## Swiss Bikers Protest Speed Limits

Thousands of bikers converged on the Swiss capital, Bern, to protest plans to limit bike speeds to 80kmh on the motorways. The country's biggest motorcyclist association, *Pro Moto*, organized the mass demonstration outside the government building.

Although the demonstration took place without bikes, the procession of bikers, making their way into Bern - at 80kmh [50 mph] - brought traffic around the city to a standstill. It was reported that over 35,000



motorcyclists came from all over the country to protest proposals from the *Swiss Council for Accident Prevention (B.F.U.)* to reduce the number of deaths on the country's roads.

But the bikers argue that the plan would introduce technical alterations making it impossible to go any faster than 80kmh, would be discriminatory and make them the laughing stock abroad. They say they are not against moves to reduce the number of deaths on the road, which number 600 a year, 100 of which are motorcyclists, but *Pro Moto* says the country's 500,000 bikers just want to be granted the same treatment as other road users.

## Weird News Of The Month

A naked motorcyclist wearing just a scarf, sunglasses and a pair of sandals crashed his bike after he was stung on the inner thigh by a bee. The 36-year-old, who had been driving to the swimming area at a German nudist colony, lost control of the bike as he swatted the insect away.

He fell on to the road, but escaped with just a shoulder injury and minor cuts and bruises. Police said they are considering pressing charges after the incident — as the man was not wearing a crash helmet.

## Quotable Quotes

"The more corrupt the State the more numerous the laws."

— Cornelius Tacitus  
Roman historian and politician  
(55 AD - 117 AD)

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## Millenium Ride

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Medellin, Colombia

Simon Milward e-mails from Medellin, the industrial heart of Colombia, as he commences the South American leg of his motorcycle ride around the world. He recounts his journey across the Carribean Sea on a pirate ship from Panama, his initial impressions of the genuine and friendly Colombian people and motorcycling. These are the subjects occupying his mind and time along with the stunning beauty of the Colombian women and how to introduce health by motorcycle in Mexico. On the latter he invites a \$200 donation from 100 current *Millennium Ride* supporters, please see the last section of this update.

Total costs from entering the port in Colon Panama to becoming legal in Colombia was US\$280 for me and the bike. Not too bad by most standards but I still think I was overcharged. I've been here now for two weeks, arriving on the 30meter *Flor Islena* on Isla Fuerte just off Colombia's Carribean coast. The crossing, at 7mph with two break downs, took three days and four nights. My bike was buried beneath the contraband consisting of truck tyres, textiles, electric ceiling fans and videos. There were cabin beds only for a few, most of the five passengers and crew had to sleep under the scorching sun and lashing rain. My sleeping bag and mat have little grip together, a discovery made half asleep at 4am when a large wave rocked the boat. I was sliding towards the edge but was

saved by a sleeping crew member.

Our route followed Panama's coast and I could see the Darien jungle to starboard. We stopped at various San Blas islands daily at 5pm for rest and sleep before continuing at 3am. Panama's indigenous San Blas indians govern themselves and are such a gentle and peaceful people with their straw huts, colourful clothing and motorised but patched dugout canoes used for fishing.

I saw dolphins, a wonderfully gracious sight, in groups of two and three they swam, making a bit of a display for us. The shoal of flying fish (flying) were even more amazing. About sardine size with rapidly flapping silver wings or the mini symbols of a tamborine in butterfly mode.

The Colombian welcome on Isla Fuerte, home to a number of contrabandistas, presumably whose ships are in too bad condition to license or who simply prefer to avoid taxes, was an all night beach bar and music and dancing. My bike was loaded into a launch to reach the mainland.

Well, if I am to be illegal in any country on my trip, it has might as well be Colombia right? I had no passport stamp and no bike documents. Officials at the three police and army checkpoints on the road to Cartagena regarded my illegal status as quite normal. They even stepped aside for an interruption by pretty 17 year old Sorneyda on her bicycle "I want to come with you, pick me up on your way south." Well, by that time she had changed her mind. But, generally speaking, Colombian



Simon Milward

women are stunningly beautiful, outside and inside too.

The lovely colonial Carribean port of Cartagena is a fortress built around natural bays to keep out British and French pirates. It was a staging post for 40 million African slaves arriving for their Spanish masters.

The process of becoming legal here took about three hours and after a few days I headed south here to Medellin. Soon I was riding through the mountains, and how glorious they are. I needed several odd things along the way and people are very surprised to see me, helping me in all sorts of ways. I was told that the roadside mango trees were planted by the government so that travellers can eat.

I am enjoying Medellin, elevation 1,500m and about 1,500 km north of the equator. The red brick buildings are superbly set off against the green mountainsides surrounding the city, often bathed in an evocative mist. It rained so hard two days ago the lower floor of *El Colombiano* newspaper flooded out. I was amazed at how laid back everybody was about moving the equipment and newspapers out of the water bubbling up through the floor. Perhaps because, in Colombia, people put things in perspective. In countries where there are political problems all kinds of bullshit seems to be cut out of daily life. This region of Antiochia is the richest of Colombia, and one of the popular pastimes of the



poorer Medellinenses is to sit at the end of the airport runway to watch planes taking off and landing. The airport is in the middle of the valley, in the middle of Medellin.

By far the most tourists here are young British and Israelis, attracted by the women and the reputation for drugs. The latter is not at all evident as you might expect. In fact Colombians don't do drugs much. I have not found anyone munching on coca leaves either. There are a lot of other reasons why Colombia is one of my favorite countries.

### Motorcycling

The bikers, particularly Hector and Carlos at Moto Angel, are helping a great deal. The local favorite drink is *Agua Diente*, a powerful spirit that turns you crazy and gives big hangovers. I made my presentation for the bikers last week. Unfortunately one rear shock absorber has broken, a second hand item picked up in Costa Rica. *Progressive Suspension's* items were simply not suitable for the type of use they got and I thank them greatly. The issue is my geometry. Along with my new mirrors, Colombian parts will hopefully include new shocks. Come on *Suzuki*, please.

Motorbikes of 100-250c are used as daily transport here, but there is a community of big bike riders.

Bike theft is a big problem. Owners have the registration plate number engraved on all parts. By law the plate numbers have to be on the clothing and helmets. This is supposed to fight activities of the mafia and robbers, so they are identifiable. It is of course pathetic. A bank robber isn't going to

advertise who he is. Buying the compulsory insurance is often very hard only for bikers, who have to pay a bribe on top of the fee unless they wait weeks. There are night bans in some places like Bogota. In Cali, south halfway to equador where I'm going later, bikers cannot buy fuel after 7pm. Some of these rules may be justified, others are pure prejudice. Some riders justify inactivity on their part because of the political situation. Maybe that is a cop out.

There is a fear of riding too far in Colombia because of the guerrillas. The richer end of society is particularly at risk of kidnapping. The political situation is very complicated and it is hard to build a picture. The people are generally pleased with the current president (Uribe) because at least he is providing some leadership. The safety instructions copied to you last time have obviously sunken into my subconscious because I am waking at 6am each day.

### Health by motorbike in Mexico

I'm not sure about Colombia yet but I've been thinking about the situation in Mexico. All countries in Central America that have a need, use motorcycles for regular health visits to rural villages. The only exception are the Mexican states of Oaxaca and Chiapas. Why? No one thought of it. But the medical team in an experimental area wrote a project proposal, the government health worker concerned are willing to pay half the bike cost, and being a first in Mexico is highly innovative.

For \$40,000 we can train the people and buy and run a zero breakdown fleet of ten bikes for five years. I would

hope that we could get half of this money from Latin American development funds and save some through the manufacturers. So if 100 of you 1,800 current *Millennium Ride* adventurers match my personal donation of \$200, we can get things moving.

This is a great investment. It's a small fleet but from small seeds ... you know how it goes and in total they need 400-500 bikes. Travelling is normally a full time job in itself, but if 100 of you are motivated to go for it we will do it.

But I'm not sure. I don't ask questions of you often. What do you think? Would you (or your organization) support it with \$200 or more?

Cheerio,

Simon

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12 June 2003  
Tulcan, Ecuador

Dear everyone,

Just a quick note to say "Hi" to you all from Tulcán in Ecuador before I head south to find somewhere nice to camp on the way to Quito. For the last two days I have been riding through what are regarded as the most dangerous areas of Colombia (south from Cali) due to guerrilla activity. I didn't see any F.A.R.C. or other guerrillas, but I was keeping my eye out for army trousers not tucked in boots, beards and general lack of order. This is how you recognize guerrillas from the genuine army. I should think you could make out these features from 20 metres but I had no plans to stop should they appear. I armor plated my bike yesterday in Popoyan, using my bash plate (metal plate to protect the engine's

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## Millenium Ride

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underside in rocky pistes) to cover the rear tyre. I figured that guerrillas wouldn't shoot to kill since then I'd be worthless. Because I had no intention of stopping for them, the rear tyre was vulnerable. Odd bits of metal and wood covered the rear of my bag and hence back, which departed after about 50km. My arrow helmet has been through a lot. I'm sure it would have dealt with a few bullets. People had been asking if I had fear, and a good friend in Cali said I should be showing myself. So I gave in and spent yesterday doing that. Ha ha. The scenery this morning was breathtaking, a Switzerland on the Equator.

Colombia has been truly amazing I shall remember it with affection always. There are so many people who helped in various ways and a contingent of the *Medellin Bikers* rode halfway to Cali with me. It was an escort, but they will do anything to get out and ride together in a group (singly is considered a bit too dangerous), and they sure can ride too, on those twisty mountain roads. Many thanks to Miguel at *Miguel Motos*, a *B.M.W.* aficionado, who put me up for a week at a moment's notice, and who let me ride his 1955 twin on last Sunday's ride to Lake Calima.

My bike was not up to that ride because my shock absorber broke, the left side. The *Millennium Ride* suspension question is becoming a bit of a joke. Anyway, now with my seventh pair, one handmade in Medellin (thanks *Servi Amortiguadores Palace*), the other handmade in Cali (thanks *Panamericana Amortiguadores*).

The *Harley-Davidson* culture in Colombia deserves a mention. Harlistas are not liked by other riders because most of them work for the drug cartels. Seven years ago, when the country was safer and the drugs business was run by one or two big groups, the plaything of the drug

barons were race horses. Since those groups were smashed, the drug business passed to smaller groups, and their mode of expression is to ride *Harleys*. It is just how it is.

On one ride out to the mountains I was with a couple of colourful characters (not to mention international bank robbers or anything of course). We sat not 100 yards from a point where nearly 20 ricos, were attacked and kidnapped or killed, on the road to Buenaventura on the coast. Many riders won't go up the mountains anymore. I had the feeling that Cali was more dangerous than Medellin.

Colombia's sole corporate sponsor is *Auto Andromeda S.A.*, the *Hyundai* dealer. Colombia goes on the Hall of Fame with pride.

### *Riders for Health*

I think it is time to clarify who *Riders for Health* ([www.riders.org](http://www.riders.org)) are, since it appears that I did not tell you how important they were for the *Flores Project (Health for All)*. *Riders for Health* pioneered the concept of zero breakdown for fleets of vehicles, often motorcycles, used by health ministries in poor countries to reach out to rural areas. They have been working in Africa for many years, have won many awards, and are very much the leaders in this field. Back in 2001 they trained Wili Bala, who is the director of our *Flores Project*, for free, at their *Academy of Transport Management* in Zimbabwe. This training, along with the expertise of Wili, is the key to our success in Indonesia.

I have no intention of encouraging new projects outside Africa without the proper training, which presently is only available in Africa. I cannot wish new projects into being, and I do not support projects which are unsustainable. If I created the impression that we could start a project in Mexico just like that it is untrue. It takes commitment and money. That is why we need \$40,000.

Notwithstanding, I don't see why we cannot bring the *Riders for Health* idea to other needy parts of the world. Indeed, let's get our hands on some of those wasted *billions of dollars* that is part of the *international development aid racket* and use them to change the lives of millions with motorcycles. Are you with us or what?

I have to go the light is going. For the last month at this time of day I have been safe and snug in a city. No danger here, freedom to camp wherever I want. I'm only 10km into Ecuador, but it is visibly poorer than Colombia.

Oh yes, in Colombia they don't generally appear to have a problem with rural health deliveries because most of the people live in the valleys where roads are good. However in Cali the health department may go back to motorcycles in the future because they are cheaper to run. But on the Pacific coast there is an urgent need for boats. I don't see why we can't launch some boats in the future.

Lastly, I have to say that Colombia made me feel really great. I don't know exactly why. But I have been feeling really free lately.

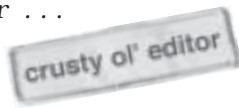
Bye for now,

Simon Milward

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# The Newsletter That Almost Wasn't

c.o.e. -- 18



by  
Rot Path  
(c.o.e.)

Celebrate the Fourth y'all,

The Sunday morning before the newsletter was due to go to Oregon Litho Print, yer crusty ol' editor was at his weekly breakfast and happened to make the remark to Dave and Vickie, "Hard drives *always* fail." (Which *is* true, by the way. It's just a question of "when?")

Late that afternoon, *Steppenwolf* was singing about "a monster on the loose" as c.o.e. was switching between various computer programs, laboring over the July issue of this-here newsletter.

Suddenly the music stops.

So does the mouse cursor.

The computer has locked up. Ah well, sometimes that happens when yer switching between several programs. (Sure do miss my true multitasking Amiga.)

Press the restart button.

Couple of grey screens, then a little Mac SE icon.

That's it.

Hmmm . . .

Restart again.

And again.

Same thing.

It's beginning to look like the operating system hard drive has packed up. (Methinks the drive motor siezed up.)

The same thing happened at work on two new computers.

That's a 60% failure rate. (Whose bright idea was it to put IBM Desk

Star hard drives in Mac G4s, anyway?)

The good news is that yer crusty ol' editor had installed an extra hard drive in the computer to hold data and all the newsletter files were on that drive, so nothing was lost other than the newsletter music iTunes list.

*Having a hard drive crash is kinda like having yer house burn down or yer scoot get run over by a Bolo.*

A new hard drive was installed and the operating system and applications software was reinstalled. Back up and running by Tuesday evening.

Having a hard drive crash is kinda like having yer house burn down or yer scoot get run over by a Bolo. Sure, insurance can physically replace the latter two, but they never quite feel the same as the originals that had the mark of your personality and butt print.

So let this be a lesson to all you computer-using bikers out there: "Hard drives *always* fail." Be prepared for the eventuality and back up your data and any other files you can't stand loosing on different hard drives, CD's, ZIP disks or yer media of choice. And it doesn't hurt to keep copies of that precious data at different locations just in case some space debris falls on yer 'puter.

## Oops!

Apologies go out to *Central Oregon* and *Washington County* chapters for misplacing their run fliers in last month's issue.

"If enough people don't pay attention to the erosion of freedoms, they will go away." -- Andrew Clark

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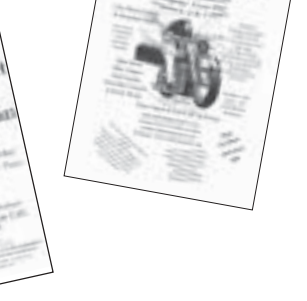
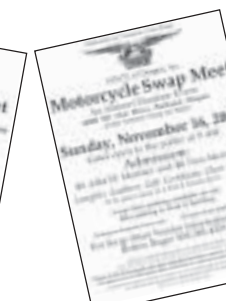
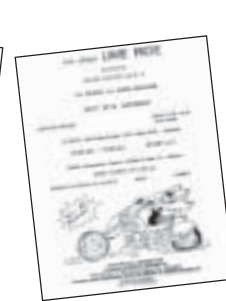
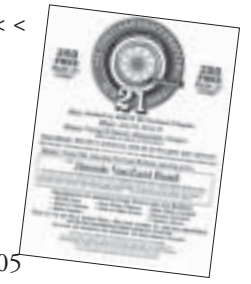
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# 2003 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event:	Location:	Contact number:
04 July	<b>Independence Day Social--Willamette Valley</b>	Fern Ridge	(541)-935-6261
04 July	<i>Western Days Parade</i>	Monmouth --> Independence	(503)-838-689
04 July	<b>Motorcycle Run</b>	Roseburg	>>> CANX <<<
05-06 July	Food drive	West Salem Roth's	(503)-371-7550
11-13 July	<i>Sunset Run &amp; Rodeo</i>	Rockaway Beach, Oregon	(503)-812-0538
12 July	<i>Bittersweet Run</i>		
13 July	Salem H.O.G. Poker Run	Salem	(503)-390-1589
18-20 July	<i>Cow Chip Boogie</i>	Castle Rock, Washington	1-(360)-577-7905
19-20 July	O.V.M.A. P.O.W.*M.I.A. Memorial ride		(503)-662-3811
25 July	<i>Pony Express Ride-- 2:00 pm</i>	Salem, at capitol	(541)-327-2192
25-27 July	<b>Run 21 Southeast Portland chapter</b>	Birkenfeld	(503)-760-9015
26 July	<b>Rocks, Bridges, and Lakes Run</b>	Central Oregon	(541)-382-6146
01-03 August	<b>Coos River Run</b>	Coos Bay	(541)-759-2388
08-10 August	<b>Beaver Creek-Lincoln County</b>	Newport	(541)-265-6850
15-17 August	Christian Motorcycle Association Run	Jefferson County	
15-17 August	<b>Summer Run-Portland chapters</b>	Estacada	(210)-240-0069
22-24 August	<b>S.O.S. Run-southern Oregon chapters</b>	Wolf Creek	(541)-759-2388
22-24 August	2nd annual <i>Desert Dash Rally</i>	Burns	(541)-573-1139
22-24 August	O.V.M.A./ <i>Run for the Wind IV</i>	Lincoln City	(541)-302-2690
24 August	Rose City H.O.G. Poker Run	Portland	(503)-345-0050
30 August	<b>Northeast Portland Poker Run</b>	Portland	(503)-285-5132
31 August	Sunset H.O.G. Poker Run	Beaverton	(503)-654-4036
19-21 September	<b>End of Summer Run</b>	Birkenfeld	(503)-648-1877
	Washington County and North Coast		
20 September	<b>Baker's Memorial Food Drive</b>	South Coast	(541)-269-2934
21 September	Horny Wolf Off Road Run		(503)-656-5801
27 September	<b>All A.B.A.T.E. Portland chapters' Picnic</b>	Estacada	(503)-760-9015
27 September	<b>Lime Ride</b>	Salem	(503)-873-2492



A..B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

# July 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>2</b> Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Independence Day  <b>Social</b> Willamette Valley	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Douglas County 1230 (12:30 pm) ----- Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- Southern Oregon 1100 (11:00 am)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>STATE BOARD MEETING</b> Junction City 1200 (12:00 pm)
<b>13</b> Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>16</b> Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>17</b> Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- South Coast 1100 (11:00 am)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Salem 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  <b>Run 21</b> Southeast Portland	<b>26</b>  <b>Run 21</b> Southeast Portland  North Coast 1000 (10:00 am)
<b>27</b>  <b>Run 21</b> Southeast Portland	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

# WILLAMETTE VALLEY A.B.A.T.E.



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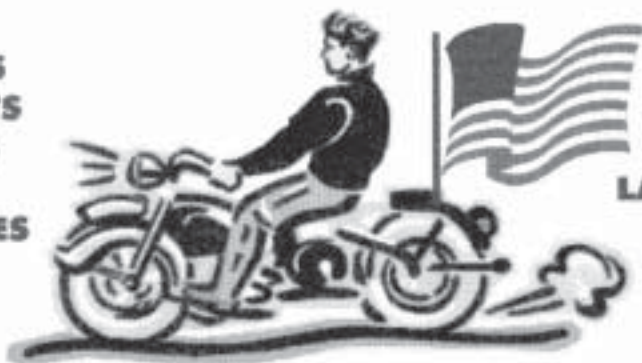
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## **Rockaway Beach, Oregon**

### **July 11th, 12th, & 13th 2003**

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Street Dance

SATURDAY 12-5 poker Run  
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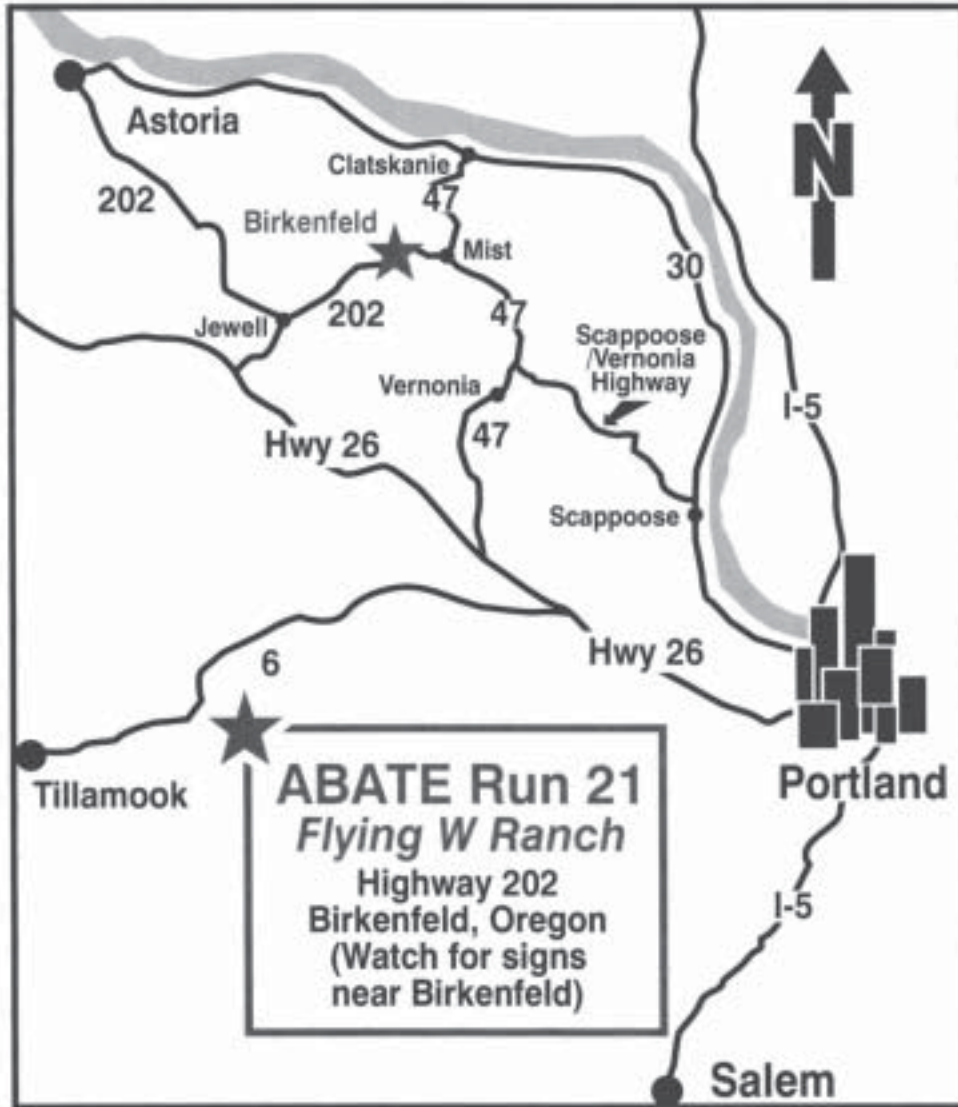
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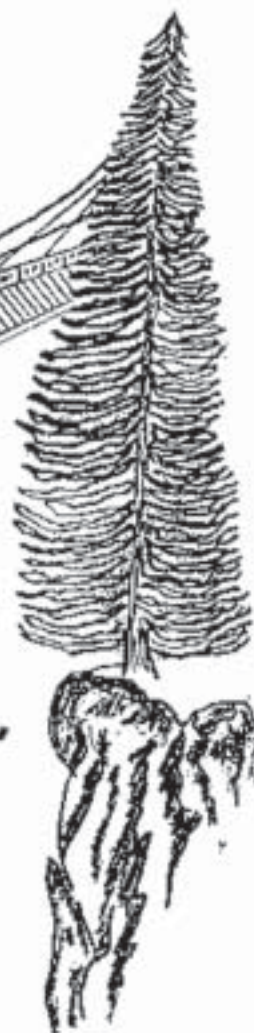
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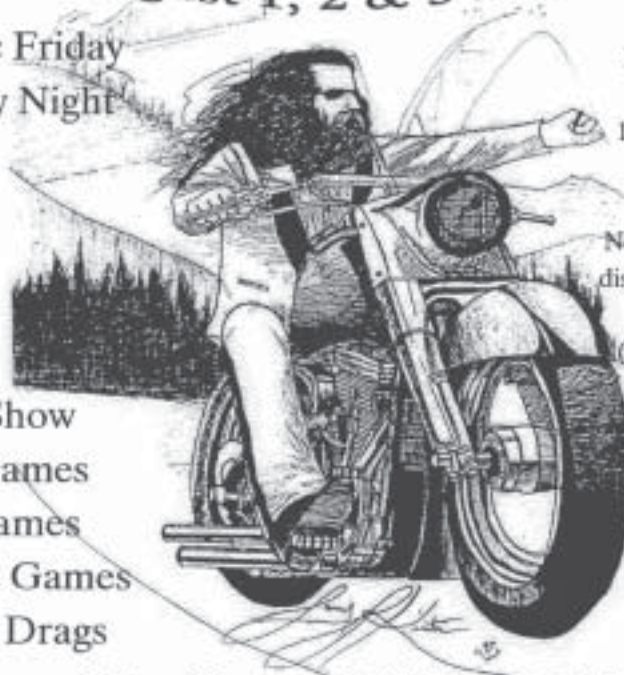
# Coos River Run

West Fork Millicoma  
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August 1, 2 & 3 2003

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Door Prizes  
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Bike Games  
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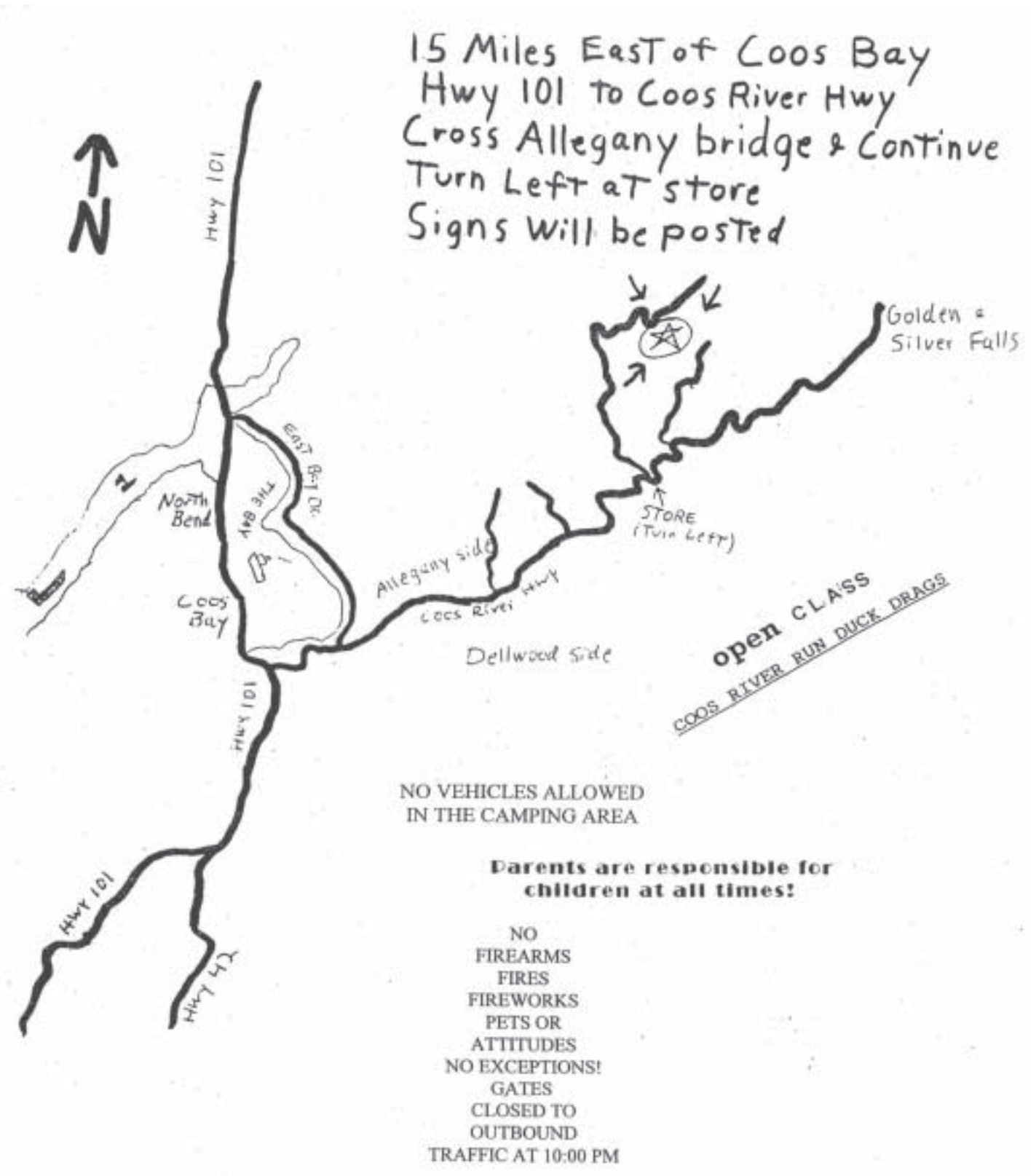
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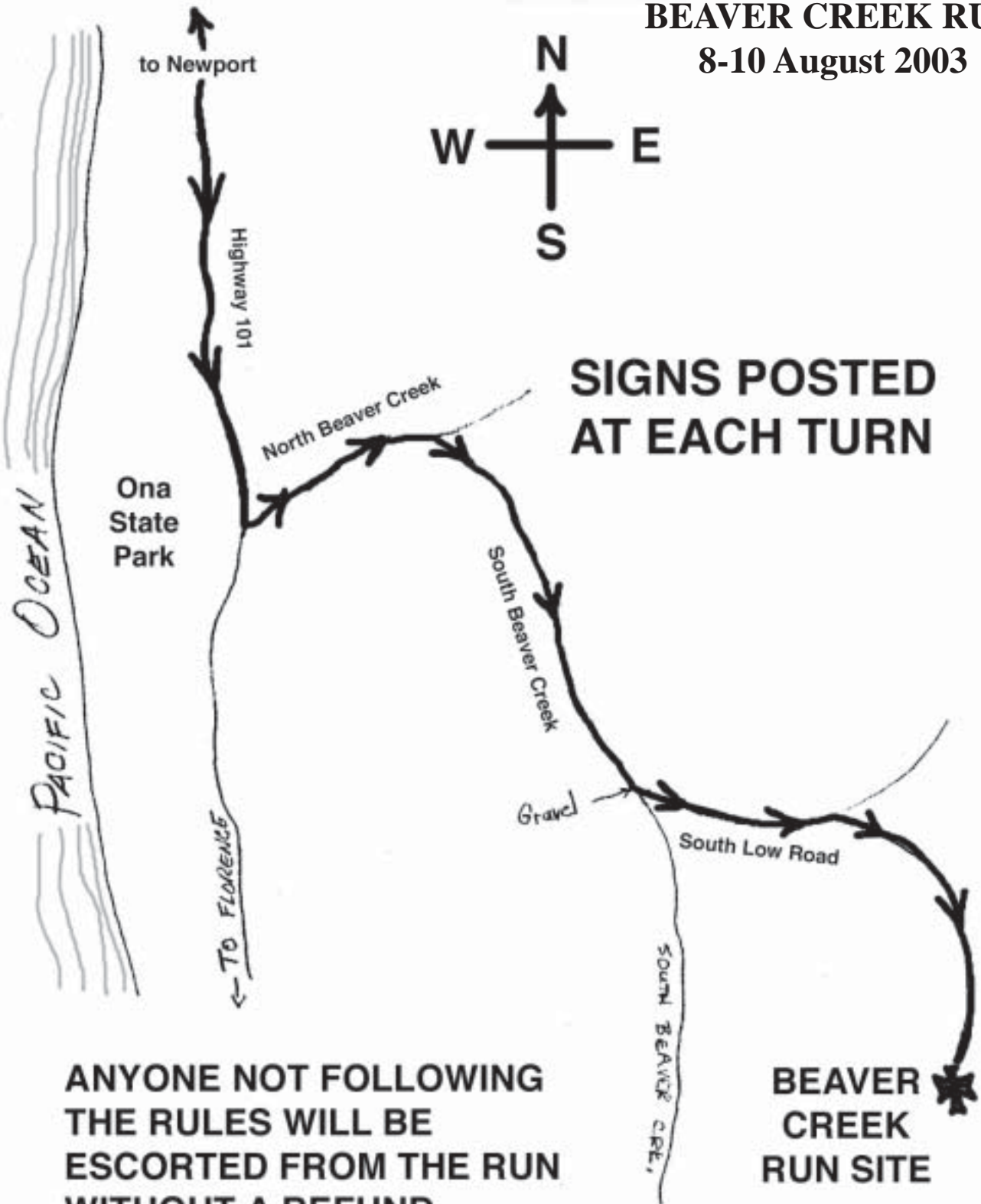
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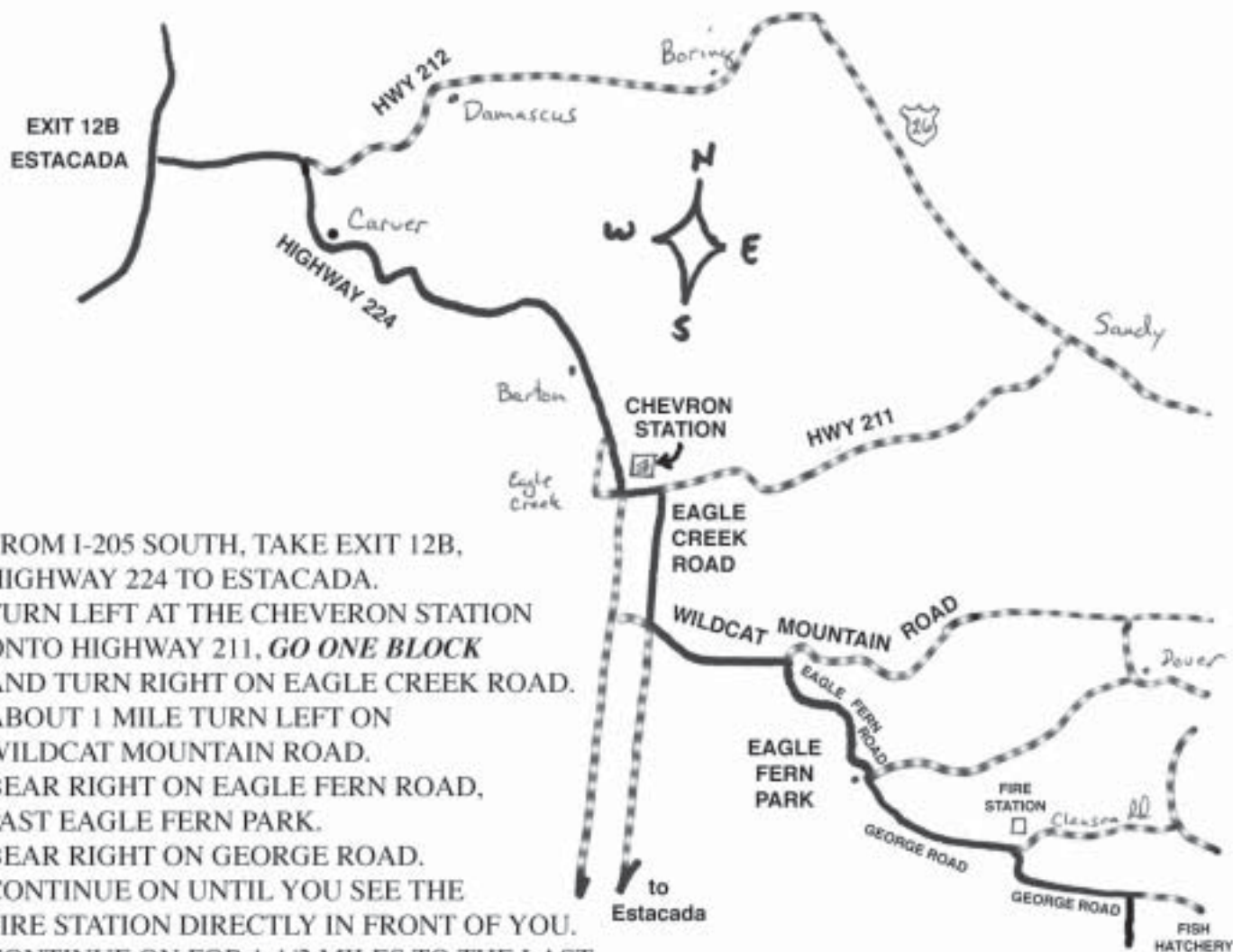
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# SUMMER RUN

## 15-17 August 2003



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BEAR RIGHT ON EAGLE FERN ROAD,  
PAST EAGLE FERN PARK.  
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CONTINUE ON UNTIL YOU SEE THE  
FIRE STATION DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF YOU.  
CONTINUE ON FOR 1-1/2 MILES TO THE LAST  
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WATCH FOR **A.B.A.T.E.** SIGNS.  
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**SUMMER  
RUN**

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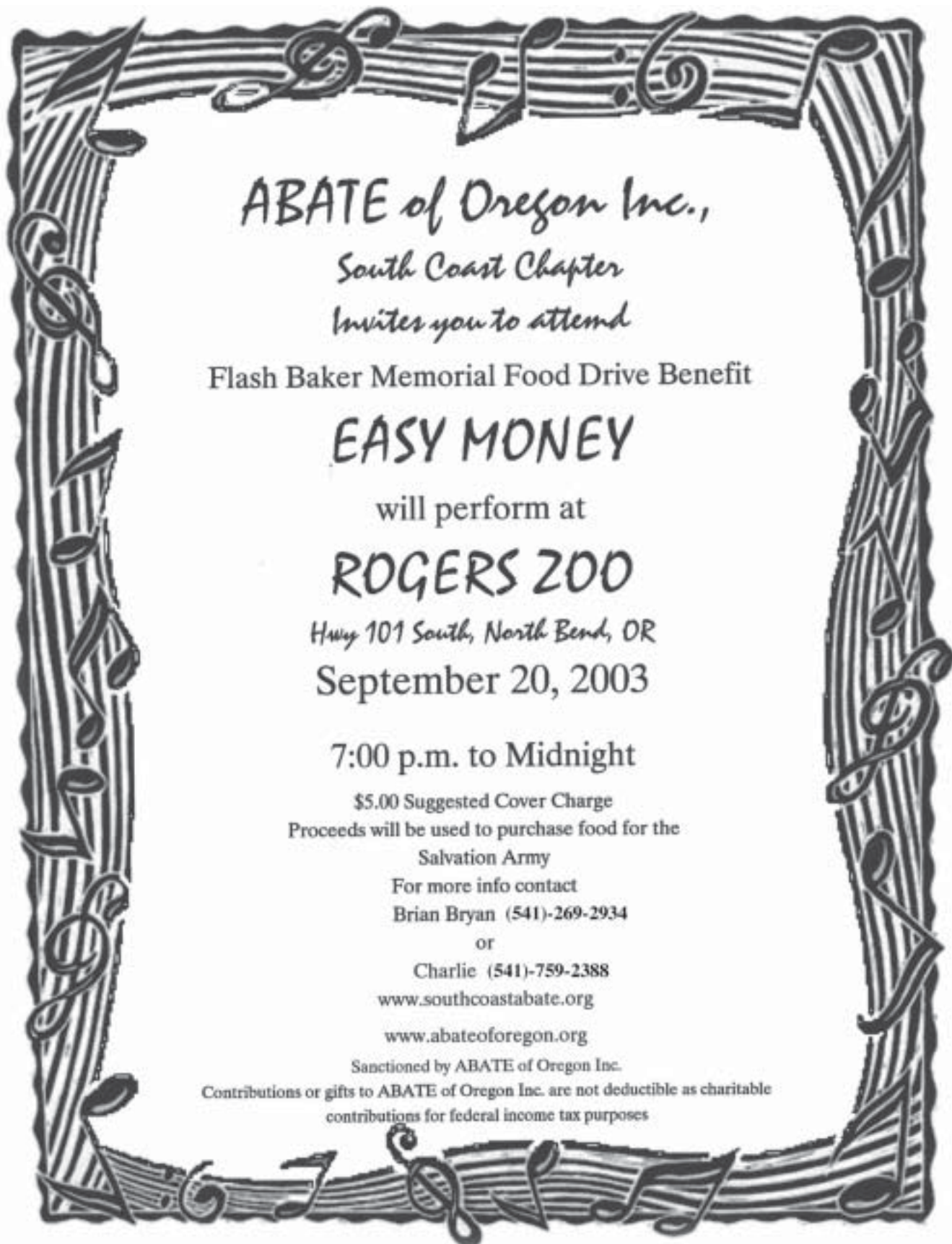
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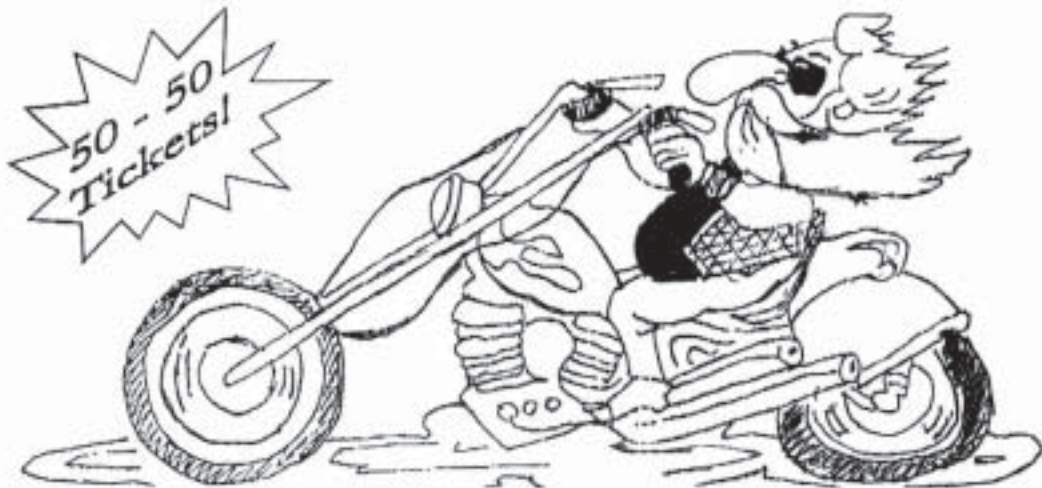
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An Indoor/Outdoor Event

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If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available.  
 This is a wonderful service provided by folks who care about motorcyclists, so please don't abuse their kindness. (Yeah, that means you, telemarketers.)  
 If you would like to participate, phone (503)-838-6893, e-mail to [rotnews@open.org](mailto:rotnews@open.org), or send your information to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.



# A Letter From Tina, E.M.T. Goddess

Dear brothers and sisters,

Here we are, another *Fossil* come and gone. I had a great time, hope you all did too.

I am writing this letter to say "thank you" to three people who, with their help, made my job much easier.

As some of you may know, I was your Sgt-at-Arms, South from 1998 to 2000. After a terrible accident that injured my (now) husband and sadly took the life of a dear friend (and with the nearest emergency help two hours away), I decided that my new role would be to volunteer my time, not only to my community, but to my brothers and sisters of *A.B.A.T.E.* I became an E.M.T. (Emergency Medical Technician) in 2001 and love the feeling of satisfaction knowing I am there in somebody's time of need.

So the next time you see Richard Androes, a First responder from *Hub City Chapter*, Paul Sackenger, an E.M.T./paramedic from *Douglas County*, and Kelly Maggi, a registered nurse with the *Chinchillas*, make sure you give them a big hug and "thank you" for volunteering their time at

*Fossil '03* to be there for your needs. Without people like these giving *time and love* from their hearts to protect and serve us all, where would we be?

And please remember a great time with your family and friends would not be possible without the *volunteer* time given by all those involved to make our *brotherhood* a success.

Again, I personally want to thank Richard, Paul, and Kelly for taking the time from your *Fossil* weekend to help

me with the hours of time it takes to make our event a success. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Hugs and kisses always,

Tina Charon

P.S. Thank you again to the brother with the broken drive belt on the *Sportster* for the trade we made for the spark plug.

Advertising Rates				
	Business card	1/4 page	1/2 page	Full page
3 months	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$175
6 months	\$75	\$125	\$175	\$300
12 months	\$100	\$175	\$300	\$500

Call **(503)-838-6893** for advertising information.  
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 P.O. box 4504  
 Portland, Oregon 97208  
 ( Deadline is the 10th of each month. )

## Oregon Road Maintenance Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways

Oregon Department of Transportation (O.D.O.T.)

Region 1 (Portland and metro area)	(503)-731-8200
Region 2 (Salem and northwest Oregon)	(503)-986-2600
Region 3 (Roseburg and southwest Oregon)	(541)-957-3500
Region 4 (Bend and central Oregon)	(541)-388-6180
Region 5 (LaGrande and eastern Oregon)	(541)-963-3177
(Clackamas County)	(503)-655-8521
(Multnomah County)	(503)-248-5050
(Washington County)	(503)-629-0111
(Clark County, Washington)	(360)-699-2446

Road and weather information:

1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

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

Revised: May 2002

**A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST**

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
_____	AYP2	Year Pin - 2 yr. member - blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP3	Year Pin - 3 yr. member - white .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP4	Year Pin - 4 yr. member - red/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP5	Year Pin - 5 yr. member - white/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP6	Year Pin - 6 yr. member - black/orange .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP7	Year Pin - 7 yr. member - black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP8	Year Pin - 8 yr. member - dark blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP9	Year Pin - 9 yr. member - yellow .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP10	Year Pin - 10 yr. member - red/white/blue ....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/gold ....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blue ....	4.00	_____
_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIS	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color .....	3.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white .....	5.00	_____
_____	ATM	Thermal mug hot/cold .....	7.00	_____
_____	A#1ER	Earrings (post or hoops) .....	6.00	_____
_____		Bandanas .....	6.00	_____



**YEAR PIN**



**New!**  
Long-sleeved black shirt with A.B.A.T.E. logo -- \$40



**ABATE PINS**



**MISCELLANEOUS**

_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats .....		_____
_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin .....	3.00	_____
_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts .....	15.00	_____
	Sm	_____	Med	_____
	Lg	_____	X-Lg	_____
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts .....	22.50	_____
	Sm	_____	Med	_____
	Lg	_____	X-Lg	_____

**ABATE T-SHIRTS**




Chapter Logo setup fee with each order = \$15.00 (One time charge)



NOTE: Assorted Colors.

(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)

**NOTE: A.B.A.T.E. Chapter orders -- Please contact Products Director before placing order.**

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL	
_____	AWS-L	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (left side) .....	3.00	_____	 <b>STICKERS</b>
_____	AWS-R	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (right side) .....	3.00	_____	
_____	AFRS	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Sticker - large, inside, 5 color .....	5.00	_____	
_____	AMS	ABATE #1 Membership Sticker - large, 5 color .....	3.00	_____	
_____	HLS	HELMET LAWS SUCK Sticker - small .....	1.00	_____	
_____	LTWRD	LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Sticker - small .....	1.00	_____	
_____	ACWS	Warning Sticker: "This Bike Belongs To A Member of ABATE, ..... Don't Mess With It"	2.50	_____	
_____	HLSB	HELMET LAWS SUCK Bumper Stickers .....	3.00	_____	
_____	LTWRB	LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Bumper Stickers .....	3.00	_____	
_____	MIM	UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL Patch .....	5.00	_____	
_____	ANG	Year Bars (indicate year _____ - 1982 thru 1993 available .....	1.25	_____	 <b>SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS</b>
_____	CHPT	Chapter Rockers (indicate Chapter _____) ....	5.00	_____	
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Small _____ 1984-1993 avail. ..	2.00	_____	
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Large _____ 1984-1992 avail. ..	2.00	_____	
_____	Courtesy Cards .....			_____	
_____	License Plate Frames — Cars with .....			7.00	
_____	"Let Those Who Ride Decide			_____	
_____	License Plate Frames — Motorcycles with .....			7.00	
_____	"Let Those Who Ride Decide"			_____	
_____	LPSL	Loud Pipes Saves Lives .....	3.00	_____	
_____	AEP-L	Straight Wing Eagle pin .....	5.00	_____	
_____	FAP	Free America Patch .....	5.00	_____	
_____	FAB	Free America Pin .....	5.00	_____	
_____	EAP	Eagle Pin .....	5.00	_____	
_____	Chapter Coordinator .....			5.00	 <b>OFFICER ROCKERS (special order items)</b>
_____	Chapter Vice-Coordinator .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Secretary .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Membership Secretary .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Treasurer .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Historian .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Legislator .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Educational Director .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Ways & Means Director .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Sergeant-At-Arms .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Public Relations Director .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter State Representative .....			5.00	
_____	Chapter Rockers- (Need to be ordered by Chapter Ways & Means Director)			_____	



**Sub Total** \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping & Handling Charges .....

Under \$25.00 = **\$5.00**  
 \$25.01-\$100.00 = **\$7.00**

T-shirts (over 1 Doz.) shipping .....

mail order to: **A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS** **TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

**\$8.00**

**Thank you for your order ;-)**

**att. Products Director** PHONE: **(503)-666-8806**

**P.O. Box 4504** E-MAIL: **mhobbs256@yahoo.com** Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Portland, Oregon 97208**

Prepaid \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) - \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (for UPS shipping) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_

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# HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

PLEASE SEND TO:

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm  
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm  
COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_  
ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**  
If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)**  
If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH  
If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

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

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

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

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

### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

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

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

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

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

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

## Member's Classified Advertisements

### For Sale

1985 *Harley FL*, custom tank.  
**\$8,000** Barry or Running Dear  
 (503)-829-6001 (July 2003)

1984 *FX STC Softail EVO* Recent top end, new tires, progressive suspension S&S carb, misc. spare parts and accessories. Hhave all paper work. Well maintained bike. **\$11,500** cash talks (541)-342-3303 Skidly (July 2003)

Panhead outside oiler heads. (Running on my bike now.) **\$500** Call Rex for details. (541)-849-3355 (July 2003)

Woman's *Langlite* jacket. Good condition. Size: small. **\$350.** (503)-493-1352 (Aug 2003)

*Yamaha Virago 1100.* Asking **\$3,800.** Call Ken Johnson (503)-397-7959 (July 2003)

Motorcycle clothing:  
*Joe Rocket Revolution*, 3/4 length, 100% waterproof jacket, large, red and black, excellent condition. Retail new for \$299. Used price is **\$150.**

*Joe Rocket* 100% waterproof pants. good condition, black, large, sells new for \$199. Used price is **\$100.**

*Joe Rocket* leather jacket, *Powerglide* model. Large, black, brand new, beautiful jacket. Sells new for \$499. Discounted price **\$300.**

Mike before 9pm (503)-773-3422 or MKMCLENDON@gorge.net

(Aug 2003)

1936 *Knucklehead*. Custom tank, lots of extras. **\$8,000.** Animal (503)-645-1251.

(Sept 2003)

### For Sale

1951 *Chevy* 2-1/2 ton truck. New motor, new brakes. **\$2,500** or some trade.

1965 *Chevy* 2-1/2 ton truck, 16' dump bed, mechanically sound. **\$3,250.**

Portable dishwasher **\$30.**

Phone (503)-285-4329

Rotten Roger

(Aug 2003)

1976 *Shovel, Harley-Davidson* 1200 softtail, classic red paint, stored inside, windshield, saddle bags. Mechanically sound. **\$10,000** or best offer. Reason for selling: getting a 100th anniversary bike.

Also a 1974 *Kawasaki* 900Z1. 34,000 miles, mechanically sound. **\$1,500** or best offer.

Contact Rich (503)-510-1800.

(Aug 2003)

1977 *Chevy* 4x4 (short/wide), 6" lift, awesome rims, 350, 2bbl, new top end. Needs to be buttoned up (hoses, lines, wires). Clean title. **\$1,200** firm.

Contact Wayno or Mammy Tami(503)-408-9039

WAYNEPIT@msn.com

(Aug 2003)

1964 15 ft *Dorsett*, 35 hp *Evinrude* electric start motor, runs good. *With fishing gear and extras.* Needs new seats, shine job and new home. Tilt trailer with new tires, new lights, and two spares. **\$650** or best offer. (503)-287-6727 Ask for Oopy or leave message

(Aug 2003)

### For Sale

1982 *VW Westfalia* camper.

- 3,500 miles on rebuilt engine
- New rear tires
- 20mpg highway, 17 mpg city
- Full camper pop-top, sleeps up to four people
- \* 360 degree privacy curtains
- \* Propane fridge & stove, built-in tank
- Sink with 15 gallon storage.
- Lots of cabinets & storage space
- Runs great, clean. **\$3,500** or best offer. Please call (503)-357-7529.

(Sept 2003)

### For Sale

#### WIN A BRAND NEW SPRINGER!!

For a measly **\$10** you can help the children of the Shriners Hospital and win a Harley-Davidson 100th anniversary *FLSTS/Heritage Springer*. Call:(503)-255-5415 Ask for Mike.

or e-mail:

**mailmikefriend@aol.com**

for tickets.

The drawing for the bike will be December 2003.

### Wanted

Looking for rear cyclinder for a 1974 Sporty 1000. Also front disk brake.(503)-665-5063 or (503)-997-3558 Barry

Chev 235, 6-cylinder engine that runs good, 1955-1963 Phone Rotten Roger at (503)-285-4329 (Aug 2003)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS CRYPTOGRAM -- June --  
 Still nodding night -- mad naked summer night.

-- Walt Whitman

### July Cryptogram

A F C G S P F C P C O C B U

D O J S E S O J S O H S . . . M S D S K S J

A C M S A F S G S H U S A C Z

F R E E D O M G G R O J H C B U R Y S

A C M S A F S G S H U S A C Z V D M S U A I .

— V C B D G J . M U R O J S D G

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

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

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

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to Oregon A.B.A.T.E. members. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Business and services will need to place *paid* advertisements.

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## STATE OFFICERS FOR CALANDAR YEAR 2003

<b>Position/Name:</b>	<b>Phone #:</b>	<b>E-mail:</b>	<b>FAX #:</b>
COORDINATOR		1-(800)-779-3830	
Joe Laurance	(541) 679-3775	josephlaurance@aol.com	
VICE-COORDINATOR NORTH			
Matt Hobbs	(503) 666-8806	mhobbs@acbc.com	
VICE-COORDINATOR SOUTH	(541)-218-4228 (cell)		
Tim Rohde	(541) 479-4451(h)		
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST			
Bob Hadley	(541)-447-8650	easternorvc@aol.com	
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY	(503)-615-3101 (Portland area)		
Jill Tracy	1-(877)-552-2283	tntfam@europa.com	(503)-615-0550
SECRETARY			
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	abateoforegonsecretary@yahoo.com	
TREASURER			
Wendy Vaughn	(503)-646-2060	abatetreasurer@earthlink.net	(503)-469-0574
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LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR			
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SGT-AT-ARMS NORTH			
Matt Hobbs	(503)-666-8806	mhobbs257@earthlink.net	
SGT-AT-ARMS SOUTH			
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SGT-AT-ARMS EAST			
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PRODUCTS DIRECTOR			
Michelle Hobbs	(503)-666-8806	mhobbs@acbc.com	
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Geoffrey White	(503)-774-7558	gwhite5528@worldnet.att.net	
EDUCATION DIRECTOR-2			
Nora Rohde	(541)-479-4451 (h)		
PUBLIC RELATIONS			
Melinda McCrossen	(503)-231-2701	melindam@ipns.com	
RUN COORDINATOR-1			
Roger Hendricks	(503)-285-4329		(503)-286-5830
RUN COORDINATOR-2			
Michelle Lipchitz	(503) 371-7550	abateinfo@earthlink.net	
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Iris Yeager	(541)-967-1286	mrsyeag@AOL.com	
RUN SANCTIONING			
Ron Bloker	(503)-690-7274	ronb@jewell.k12.or.us	(503)-690-6515
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Maddog	(503)-252-4842	mack9@cascadeaccess.com	(503)-637-5159
QUARTERMASTER			
Stephan Baton	(503) 761-3362		
BIKEPAC REPRESENTATIVE			
Brian Stovall	(541)-298-1317	ilmostro@gorge.net	
CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP #1			
Ed Vaughn	(503) 646-2060	vaughned@earthlink.net	
Confederation of Clubs Rep #2			
Bob Earl	(503) 283-1383	tazhd69@aol.com	(503)-283-1383

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

(Return address on reverse side)

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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

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

**Additional Members in Same Household:**

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

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

**Annual Rates:**

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

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

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

Please send completed application to:

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

97208

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Portland, ORegon 97208

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

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

PORTLAND, OREGON  
PERMIT No. 638

**TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED  
DATED MATERIAL**

[ ADDRESS LABEL HERE ]

Skooch kept a firm hand on the throttle,  
Wouldn't ride if he'd had the bottle,  
He drank before he retired,  
Woke up without the desire,  
Now his new freedom makes him chortle.

©2003--Rot Path

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**NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:**

Saturday, 12 July 2003 at Noon  
7th and Kalmia  
Junction City, Oregon

**CHAPTER MEETINGS**

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

Chapter:	Date/Time::	Location:
Central Oregon	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 1400 (2:00 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Old Redmond Hotel</i> ; Redmond
Columbia River	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 1230(12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>U&amp;I Tavern</i> ; 6910 N. Interstate Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 1230 (12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Los Dos Amigos</i> ;1402 Pacific Blvd.; Albany
Lincoln County	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1900 (7:00 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 <sup>th</sup> Thusday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> ; Portland
River City	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Lone Pine Restaurant</i> ;335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles ( I-84 & US-197 )
Salem	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>J.C.'s Pizza</i> -- 4200 River Road N., Keizer
South Coast	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 1100 (11 <sup>am</sup> )	<i>Gino's Pizza</i> ; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M/M Restaurant &amp; Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 1100 (11 <sup>am</sup> )	<i>Big Daddy's Pizza</i> ; Gold Hill
Washington County	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	[ New location to be arranged ]