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# "The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing."

US Code, Title 36, Chapter 10, § 176. (j)

#### Sec. 7 Position and manner of display

- a. The flag should not be displayed on a float in a parade except from a staff, or as provided in subsection (i) of this section.
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- m. The flag, when flown at halfstaff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. . . . The flag shall be flown at half-staff 30 days from the death of the President or a former President.

#### Sec. 8. — Respect for flag

- No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing.
- a. The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.
- b. The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.
- c. The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.
- d. The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. Bunting of blue, white, and red, always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of the platform, and for decoration in
- e. The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.
- f. The flag should never be used as a covering for a

- g. The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any
- h. The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.
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- j. No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen, and members of patriotic organizations. The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.
- k. The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning

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

-- Rot Path

#### **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 Nationa 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 Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association* (A.M.A.), Ron Roloff of the M.M.A. of California and Ed Armstrong of A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago presented the house 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,

Two hundred and twenty eight years ago, a new nation with a population equal to that of present day Oregon, declared its independence from the greatest military and maritime power on earth. For the first time in recorded history, a people demanded a thing called "liberty". That the 55 signers of the Declaration of Independence put it all on the line was made clear by the powerful and profound closing statement made that day: "And for the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

In this day and age when our freedoms are all too often taken for granted, or worse, in a post 9-11 America when our freedoms are simply nullified, both the desperation and determination of Patrick Henry's words call out to us to continue this fight begun so long ago: "An appeal to arms and the God of hosts is all that is left us. But we shall not fight our battle alone. There is a just God that presides over the destinies of nations. The battle, sir, is not to the strong alone. Is life so dear or peace to sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it Almighty God. I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death."

This 4th of July, remember the price paid for your liberty and show your community that bikers have not forgotten by parading leather and chrome. Remind them and yourselves 8

by Joe Laurance

that the sound of freedom might just be rumbling bike engines. Our numbers may be few, as were those first freedom fighters, but our cause is just and right, as was theirs. And maybe, just maybe, people watching may decide to make your commitment, as *A.B.A. T.E.* members, to preserving liberty their own.

Take pride in A.B.A. T.E. and its accomplishments. Put aside petty squabbles and remember that our strength is a result of our unity. Make your commitment to liberty personal by committing more of your time and energy. Invite others to join you in this fight and then show them how A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action

May God preserve and bless this nation,

Joseph Laurance

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# **Central Oregon Chapter**



Later,

John

P.S. Our meeting place is in Bend, not Redmond.

Greetings from sunny Central Oregon!

Last month was kind of a quiet month on the east side of the hill. We did have an information booth at the *Madras Motorcycle Drags* weekend, and our chapter was a sponsor for this event. It was a little on the slow side but we did pass out some information on Saturday. Thanks to Marie, Richard, and Bob for manning the booth and braving the wild weather.

We have taken down our motorcycle awareness banner that we had hung on the school fence where drivers coming through Sisters could see it. The banner is yellow and looks like the yellow bumper sticker the state puts out. This is the third year we have hung this banner at that location for the month of May because it is *Motorcycle Awareness Month*.

If anybody has an idea for a high profile spot in central Oregon to hang our banner this summer please contact me. Thanks to Jackie, Richard, and James for getting the banner hung in Sisters.

With the start of another great riding season I would urge everyone to make sure your riding skills are up to snuff and please ride within your limits and not impaired. We want everyone to have a safe year enjoying all those great and fun events that happen this summer.

There have already been three crashes in central Oregon involving riders this year and a couple of the riders were pretty lucky.

In one of the crashes the rider was not so fortunate.

This was Gary McGriff he is the guy who rode with a parrot on his shoulder. He wrecked his 2004 Road King out by Prineville reservoir and was in critical care for a while. He also had to have major face reconstructive surgery. Gary can now have visitors and is in St. Charles Hospital. If anyone can stop by and say hi, please do. We need to support a brother in a time of need.

Please have a *safe* and enjoyable riding season.

By the time this newsmagazine comes out, our *Rocks, Bridges, Lakes Run* supporting the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* will be history! We will let you know how it turned out next month if you were unable to attend.

Just a reminder our meetings are the second Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. at the *Blackhorse Saloon* in Bend. Hope to see you there.

Remember "United we stand..." and you all know the rest of that sentence!

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm) *Black Horse Saloon* Bend, Oregon

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We had a relatively small meeting in June.

Notably missing was our state board representative, Duane Calkins. Fortunately, Larry Brown was present and delivered a report about what happened at the board meeting. There was some discussion about the hiring of a full time lobbyist including the expense and whether it was lawful. We decided that we needed more information and will have Duane bring us back more details. Duane's absence also highlighted the need to have a back-up state board representative. Any volunteers?

We welcomed back a chapter member, Elvis, who had been severely injured in a motorcycle accident some time ago. Elvis has almost completely recovered and will be soon riding again.

We also had some new members joined and for the next newsletter I will get all of their names and some background information about them so that I can report it to the chapter membership.

Some time was spent at the meeting confirming the details of *Angie's Run* on June 19th. I will report the details of the run next month. The weather is supposed to be great this weekend.

Related to that run, it was suggested that the chapter get some photographs of Angie Jensen and keep it in the chapter historian file. Janet said that she would locate those photographs. It was also

suggested that the photographs of other deceased members be kept in that file, members like John Hancock who died this spring. It is good to keep our departed friends in our memories.

Matt Hobbs visited the meeting and reported on a very successful poker run to benefit *Dornbeckers' Childrens' Hospital* that was put on by a number of local unions. He noted that there was minimal support from *A.B.A. T.E.* members and we discussed how, when that hospital was approached about the toy run twenty-five years ago, they turned us down because they did not want to be associated with bikers.

Of course, times have changed and now motorcycle riders are trendy. Matt made a good point that we need to seek out and use opportunities like these poker runs to educate non-members about *A.B.A. T.E.* and to persuade them to join us.

Larry and Jimbo mentioned a Labor Day weekend run at Detroit Lake- the *Lazy Lizard Run*. They visited with the organizers of the run and were favorably impressed with the setup and the event.

I want to thank Duane for his hard work in organizing and heading up operations at the *Fossil Campout*. I also want to thank Larry who was in charge of security at *Fossil*. Both of them did great jobs. I am not sure who else from our chapter was there and who helped out.

Janet and I arrived Friday afternoon and did the 8 to midnight shift at the gate and had a lot of fun over the weekend. A high school buddy of mine from Olympia, Oyster Bill, joined us and also helped out at the gate during our shift. Bill and I also pulled a security shift.

We camped next to a guy named Cliff who had a sweet *Indian* and got to know him. That's one of the great things about these runs, meeting new friends.

I won the membership drawing.

Spike

#### COLUMBIA RIVER MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm) *Jubitz Truck Stop* 10310 N. Vancouver Avenue --Portland Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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# **Douglas County Chapter**



Greetings once again from *Douglas* County,

May and June have been busy for all of us in *A.B.A.T.E*.

Fossil was great in that we had some new members who attended and were impressed with the organization and quality of the event. (Maybe not the weather, but then that's Fossil – right?) Our thanks to all the state and chapter officers and others who worked so hard to make Fossil a success. Duane did a great job and we appreciate the townsfolk as well. See you there next year!

Douglas County put on a poker run right after Fossil for those who had a little energy left.

We have so many wonderful places to ride here in the south. Douglas County has the benefit of the mountains all the way to Diamond Lake to a great highway 38 that goes to the beach.

Never a dull ride.

Plans continue for another great, I mean *great*, *S.O.S. Run*. This year, if you haven't made it to *S.O.S.* give it a try. There will be games, a poker run,

music, vendors, and it's in a dynamite location.

Just about the time this comes out, we will be celebrating another Independence Day. As we do, it's a time to honor our military both past and present, to remember our heritage and the great privilege we have in being Americans. For many of us, "the Fourth" is another day off, a chance for some recreation, partying, and the family.

I would ask that this year each of us take at least a few moments to think of those who are far from home on our behalf. Think of the fathers, grandfathers, brothers and sisters who are now gone from us. And, to remember that every privilege we enjoy was purchased by the blood, the sacrifice, and the resolve of our military.

Abraham Lincoln probably said it best: "...that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation under God, shall have a new birth of

freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth." [Gettysburg Address]

Becky Garino secretary, Douglas County Chapter

## DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-ING TIME and PLACE

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

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# **Hub City Chapter**





Duane Caulkins has made his first move at making *Fossil* the true flagship run of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Curtis Selgado sure can blow that harp! Great music certainly helps draw the crowds we need to keep *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* strong and well publicized.

I'm proud our chapter, *Hub City*, was able to help. We stepped up to run the bike games, bike show, and the kiddie games. *Douglas County* will run things in 2005 so another chapter needs to be ready to apprentice under them for 2006.

Thanks to everyone who attended the *Hub City Poker Run* on June 5th. It started off as a wet and windy day, but once the hardy souls got to Albany the rain let up and only lightly sprinkled the participants.

I'd like to thank the many A.B.A.T.E.r's who came from all over the state to support our little group. Even though we are only a few years old, people have taken notice of the group from Linn and Benton counties. It means a lot to us to see our brothers and sisters stand up and help us as we grow to be a power in the state organization.

I urge all *A.B.A. T.E.* members to return the favor and get out to other group's rides. It's a great way to meet people and strengthen ties with other freedom fighters in our state. In supporting each other we not only get to meet more members, we get to see other parts of our great state of Oregon! Isn't freedom and riding what *A.B.A. T.E.* is all about?

The first *Hub City* overnighter, dubbed the *One Night Stand*, will be held on September 11, 2004. Please join us in remembering our fallen by celebrating the freedom America has spilled a lot of blood to keep.

This event will be a one night party. Gates will open early on Saturday and we will have bike games, people games, vendors, and entertainment well into the night. See our flyer in the newsmagazine or contact our run coordinator, Shawn Harwood (541)-451-3940 or Al Sims (541)-926-2161.

I was absent from the May meeting due to a family emergency, but I knew Steve Sorensen, *Hub City* vice coordinator, would handle things well in my absence. One of the things that *Hub City* enjoys is having a bevy of very capable people. I'd like to thank Steve for stepping up!

Treasurer Cliff McCalley let it be known that *Hub City* will be handing out certificates of appreciation to members who are going above and beyond the call of duty in our fledgling group. The first recipients were Mary Burnett, Shawn Harwood, and Kathy Gerke. It takes people like these to nurture a startup like ours into something that will be proactive, rewarding, and long-lasting.

Jerry Conant, run coordinator-2, won the 50/50 of \$80.50 and donated back to our small treasury. Sounds like he's buckin' for one of those certificates! (He deserves it anyway.)

Carolyn Freeman won the door prize of a new Laughlin t-shirt. Dawn Tucker took home the \$25 membership reward for being there when her number was drawn. Congratulations to all!

Hub City meets on the third Thursday of every month at Ciddici's Pizza, 133 5th Street in downtown Albany. Our meeting starts at 7 pm. Please stop by and join in. We welcome anyone who is interested in freedom.

Remember *freedom*? I hope we never have to face our grandkids when they ask "Grandpa, what was freedom like?"

Al Sims *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* coordinator
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# HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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# **Josephine County Chapter**





Here's another report from our growing chapter!

First off I'd like to welcome seven new members to our chapter! (There were people absent due to graduations of family members.)

We had a good meeting at our new meeting place. We now meet at *Abby's Pizza*. It's the best meeting place we've had yet.

During the meeting we voted on changing the meeting time from 6:30 pm to 7 pm. That way members have more time to get there after their jobs.

Joker from the *Marines MC* was at the meeting and took names for security for the moving Viet Nam wall that will be here from June 24 until June 27, 2004. Twelve people volunteered.

We also talked about chapter ride to Brookings and Crater Lake in the near future.

Also we asked for people to sign up for a run committee. So far we have six people. Anybody wanting to be part of the committee let me know.

I'd like to see more members at our meetings so we can get a better group picture for our growing chapter. We're in the area of around 180 members or more now. Not bad for nine months, huh!!

So remember our new meeting place: *Abbys Pizza* by *Fred Meye*r first Thursday, 7 pm.

Everybody's welcomed!

Spanky

# JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 1800 (6 pm) *Abby's Pizza* 205 Beacon Drive Grants Pass

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# **Lincoln County Chapter**

Hi from Lincoln County,

What a blast we had at Fossil.

The ride in on Thursday was a bit hairy at times but we all made it safe and sound and had a great time.

There is one thing that I would like to address:

*Hub City* did a terrific job on the games and the bike show and I am sure that *Douglas County* will follow in their 11,637 treads and do the same.

I personally would like to thank *Lincoln County* for their dedication to the games for 20+ years and it would have been nice to have been recognized for that. All of the years of trophy building and figuring out the games schedule, etc. Thanks *Lincoln County* and I am proud to be part of the group.

We signed up a couple new members at *Fossil. Not* sure if it was the food that attracted them or the new friends that they met in our camp. Welcome guys and hope to see you at some of the meetings and work parties that will be 11,756 be happening soon.

Sheri and Joe you did a great job on the pork loin, enchiladas, barbeque ribs and everything thing else. Welcome to *Lincoln County* and looking forward to more campiest with you guys. It was great coming home through the gorge and having you gals follow us coasts. You just knew when to pull over and block the traffic for the bikes to get into the other lane. You can follow us anytime. It was really great having you with us.

Be safe and we are getting ready for *Beaver Creek*.

Until next month - ride safe,

Wanda

## LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-ING TIMES and PLACE

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30 pm) *American Legion* Hall Post 116 424 W. Olive Street

Newport

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# **North Coast Chapter**



Greetings from the North Coast Chapter,

I won't attempt to predict the future, considering our 9th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run is just around the corner at the time of this writing. But I sure hope that everyone who made the run had a great time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We always look forward to making new friends and enjoying the company of old friends on all our runs and events, so I'm quite sure we all had a damn good time this year as always. Many thanks to all those who attended and to all of the many supporters and chapter members who put helped make this a great run. Until next year, folks.

A few of us (*North Coast*ers) traveled down to Albany early last month to participate in *Hub City's Annual Poker Run*. While the weather wasn't too favorable on the trip to Albany, the weather did break and provided most cloudy skies with a few sun breaks during the run.

I must say this was the first non-

pack run I've been on, which proved to be interesting. While the detailed directions provided at each stop and the many, many pink arrows that *Hub City* placed along the route helped to get us to each stop, it was an interesting challenger to us "out of towners" to find our way.

Don't get me wrong, we had a great time enjoying the beautiful country as we wandered the back roads in this area. Hats off to the *Hub City* members who developed the super scenic route and staffed all the stops. Lots of hard work indeed.

Thanks for the great run and the memories. Keep up the great work.

What's coming up in the future?

Well, once again this year we'll have a Fourth of July barbecue get together at Jeff and Christina's house in Warrenton. As we've done over the last few years we'll ride as a group in Warrenton's Fourth of July parade and enjoy some good food, good times, and good friends after the parade.

Come join the fun.

Our run committee has been working on the details of our new run

this year called the *Fruit Loop Run* in mid-August.

Additionally, a campout in the Mt. St Helens area is schedule to happen in the upcoming future. For more information on these events give Sue Mills (503)-325-2823 or Amelia Williams (503)-325-6686 a call.

If you happen to be on the north coast enjoying a weekend get away from the city, give a thought to joining us for our third Sunday runs each month. These runs start and finish at

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# NORTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

4 th Thusday at 1900 (7 pm)

Moose Lodge
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Children are welcome

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# **Northeast Portland Chapter**



Summer Run planning is finishing up.

We are having at the same place as last year.

Sure is pretty up there. You can see for 50 miles in all directions. All the way from Mt Hood to Mt St Helens. We can make all the noise we want and no one but us will hear it.

Kat's signed up lots of food vendors. The *Yakisoba Noodles* people are returning as is the bar-b-que people. We found a couple of new vendors at *Fossil* who are really interesting.

Anyone wanting to participate in the planning can come the planning meetings after *Columbia River's* chapter meetings at *Jubitz Truck Stop* near Martin Luther King Boulevard and Marine Drive on the second Sunday of the month.

The Northeast Portland Safety First Poker Run is on schedule for August 7. We are going east this year instead of west like last time. Looks like the starting point will be the American Legion again for one of their killer breakfasts. And we will end up at Roc's on 82nd across from Madison High School playing field. All the proceeds go to help our chapter to fund our reimbursement of motorcycle safety courses.

Lots of great runs coming up. Run 21 is on for July 23-25. Summer Run is coming August 20-22.

I know I'll be there. Hope you are

We meet every first and third Wednesday of the month at Roundtable Pizza, between Sandy Boulevard and I-84, on 122nd in Portland. 7:30 is the kick off time. Meetings usually run around an hour and a half. Soft drinks are provided by Roundtable and you can buy beer, the salad bar or (duh!) pizza. Motorcycle-friendly places are getting hard to find. Roundtable rolls out the red carpet for us. So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

So ride if you can and drive if you can't. Anyone who rides gets a free door prize ticket. Bring three pictures of *Northeast Portland* members doing biker stuff and you will get another ticket. All that without spending a dime.

Catch ya down the road.

Crow

# N.E. PORTLAND MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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#### May 18, 2004

Lee was here tonight and says his bike will be ready this weekend. 'Bout time!!

We made preparations for *Fossil*, set a time to finish our cleanup at M.C.C.F.C., began a new raffle of an *Orange County Choppers* throw, and had a good time doing all of it.

We received a complimentary letter from the hospital about our run.

Jeffrey Goad would have won the membership drawing if his dad would only bring him to the meetings. It goes up to \$70 at the next meeting.

Ron won the 50/50 at \$8 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Ron.

-- Brian

#### Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:03 pm. 13 people present, one arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Rick because they were present in e-mail and written form.

Correspondence: *B.O.A.* statement, *M.R.F. Reports, Willamette Valley Chapter* newsletter, and a letter from Celeste at M.C.M.C. thanking us for our run.

Treasury report is \$1395.35

Membership report: 71 members.

Board report: Brian reported a very poorly attended May state board of directors meeting.

Legislative report: Brian gave an update on the *M.S.F.* issue.

Ways and means report: Good meeting with Celeste about run. Debra's new raffle is an *Orange County Choppers* throw. \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5

Historian report: Book is here.

Old Business

Group riding protocols: Several good local rides and a ride to the coast.

Planned rides: Fossil (plans made); Hollister; Sturgis; finish M.C.C.F.C.

# **River City Chapter**

cleanup this Saturday, 9:00 am.

Discussion topic: Paper handed out and discussion will be next meeting.

Adopt-A-Highway: We need to do a cleanup. Del will contact. Del not at meeting.

#### New Business

Membership Drawing would have been won by Jeffrey Goad if he had been present. It will be \$70 next meeting.

Adjourned 8:10 pm

# June 1, 2004

Good turnout for out meeting at 25% of the membership. We discussed our *Adopt-A-Highway* project, *Fossil*, the *Klickitat County Poker Run*, several upcoming rides and more. We even discussed Lee's bike.

Schon Hybertson would have won the big membership prize if he had been at the meeting. It will be \$75 next meeting.

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

I just got off the phone with Larry, our vice coordinator-north, and he says there are unknown riders in Hood River wanting to be a chapter. We would welcome any and all members from Hood River. We already have about a dozen from there.

Also, we invite them or Larry or anyone else to come on out and join us for some of our Sunday rides here in sunny Eastern Oregon. We meet at *Dee and Debbie's Bar and Grill* Sunday mornings at 10:30 am.

-- Brian

#### Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm. 16 people present, two arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance: Led by Lee

Guests: Spencer.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Del because they were present in e-mail and written form.

Treasury report is \$1408.35

Bills submitted: Teresa \$15 for gas for *Fossil*. Moved by French, passed.

Membership report: 71 members.

Legislative report: BikePAC poll.

Ways and means report: \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5. Sold tickets at *Fossil*.

Public relations report: Passed out cards at *Fossil*.

#### Old Business

Planned rides: Hollister; Sturgis; Fran's 18 July; *Summit to Surf* 31 July.

Discussion topic paper: Questions were answered.

Adopt-A-Highway: We need to do a cleanup. We will get a new venue on highway 30.

Fossil library: (503)-773-4440 Marilyn Garcia

#### New Business

Motorsports Alliance idea.

Sponsorship toward *Klickitat County Poker Run*: Motion by French to donate two t-shirts. Passed

Membership Drawing would have been won by Schon Hybertson if he had been present. It will be \$75 next meeting.

50/50 was won by Brian at \$8, which he donated back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

Adjourned 8:04 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)

#### POINT of CONTACT

Lee Eikanas (509)-773-5076 Brian Stovall (541)-298-1317

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# **Salem Chapter**



We started the meeting on time and ended early.

We decided to continue the phone tree. If anyone didn't get called it might be because you have moved or changed your phone number. If that's the case contact Shreryl Forrest so she can update the membership list .

We have 119 *Salem Chapter* members, two of them being Jerry and Linda who also went to *Fossil* for the first time.

The *May Awareness Rally* was a huge success with 400 bikes in attendance.

Loren went on the *Blue Knight Run*. (Someone ran over his foot).

Bill and Mona went on the *Rhody Run*. They had a great time.

Pan Head Rick went on the *Joker Run*. He said about 75 people showed up and the food and music was great.

Don't forget the road pick up Sunday, June 6, 2004. Contact Michelle.

Also *Oregon Public Broadcasting* is Sunday, June 13, 2004. Contact Michelle.

Free Souls of Salem are having a run Saturday, July 10, 2004.

Look for the *Lime Ride* flier. This run went great last year so let's make *Salem Chapter Lime Ride* better then ever.

Okay, now Fossil.

It was the best time ever. (A little bit of rain never hurt anyone.)

The people of Fossil are the best host. I want to thank them for opening up their town to us.

We partied, drank, ate good food, and the music was better than ever.

Big Daddy did a good job of putting *Fossil* together. (You know this was his first time.) Let's give him a big hand. I myself had a blast.

Ride safe, peace out,

Dustyshovelhead

# SALEM MEETING TIME and PLACE

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1900 (7pm) Chalet Restaurant Market Street, Salem

#### **POINT of CONTACT**

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# **South Coast Chapter**



Hi all,

Weather here as of late has been pretty soggy, not conducive at all to motorcycle riding. However, members of our chapter still managed to attend and participate in the *Rhody Festival*, the annual Memorial Day parade, and the *Gay 90s* parade.

We are trying something new in response to our questionnaire. We decided to try having our meeting at 1:00 pm instead of 11:00 am. This allows our members who want to attend church or who live out of town to attend. This appears to be a much better time as we had 34 members attend our last meeting. If increased attendance continues we will make the 1:00 pm meeting time permanent.

Our focus at this time is the *Spook Flanagan Coos River Run*. We are hoping that a lot of chapters will be represented at the run. The attendance has grown every year and it takes a lot of time and effort to make the run a success.

We extend an invitation to all chapters and motorcyclists (even if your not an *A.B.A.T.E.* member, we can fix that) to come and spend the week-end camping and having fun. Hope to see you there.

Our membership drive has been very successful. We went from 106

members at the end of April to 122 members at the end of May. The membership drive runs through June with the winner receiving two tickets to *S.O.S.* 

Speaking of S.O.S. plans are going ahead for that run. South Coast coordinator, Charlie Hill, Mike Taylor, Mary Ann Goll, Hal Fletcher (Willamette Valley Chapter), and Abe and Cindy Zaffarano (Douglas County) had meetings with the local people and the new owners of the store at Wolf Creek. These meetings were to inform the public and firm up the plans for the run.

We hope you have marked your calendar for *S.O.S.* as well as the *Coos River Run*.

Kris

# SOUTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 1100 (11am) *Gino's Pizza* 1324 Virginia Street -- North Bend

#### POINT of CONTACT

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# **Southeast Portland Chapter**



Hey there to all you good folks,

I would like to take a moment of your time here to call your attention to our chapter's report in the last newsmagazine. Not just the report but the author Nicolscious (a.k.a. Nicole Battista, a.k.a. Lee's daughter-in-law/ mother of Elizabeth!) Nicole gets a great big pat on the back from me. Nicole is the product of our chapter's officer mentoring program. Nicole did a great job with last month's report and minutes in my absence. As I am sure a lot of you know, a young person who is committed to "the cause" and civil liberties in general are a hard to find and valued part of the A.B.A.T.E. family. I hope she finds a comfortable place with us and continues with her support of the A.B.A. T.E. agenda.

You may have taken note from Nicole's report last month that our chapter dedicated its *Poker Run* to James Bryant this year. James was a big part in keeping the poker run going in the past years and recently passed on to riding in warmer winds and open roads.

The run this year had a count of 40 bikes. Except for the "Oregon sunshine" everything was great. The chapter made a decent amount for its

seed money fund.

The donation jar set out in James memory netted \$127.40 at the run and was passed it around again at the chapter meeting the next day for an additional donation of \$67.70.

Your support is greatly appreciated by James family.

The establishments that were visited on the run this year were: the *Gateway Pub* in Sandy (chapter member), *Tippy Canoe* in Troutdale (chapter member), *Salmon Roe Pub*, and our good friends at the *M&M Lounge* in Gresham.

Door prize donations were received from: Captain Jack's Tattoo and Body Piercing, Lunatic Fringe, Brown's Bar and Grill, Back Yard Bar-B-Que, Stewart's Leathers, Gresham Honda, Gateway Pub, Salmon Roe Pub, M&M Lounge, Tippy Canoe, Team Latus Motors, FedEx Ground, and North Ridge Custom Bikes.

Run 21 plans are going great.

We can still use volunteers for the gate, security, info/product booth, first aide, and the clean up crew. Remember that if you commit you self to a job prior to the run, you can work off the price of your gate fee. Four hours will get you half off and eight will get you the paid in full status. This is a refund offer!

You do need to show up for your assigned shift, be sober, and are required to enjoy yourself and not forget who and what you are representing. We are accepting information from those interested until the first meeting in July. Advanced tickets are also available from chapter members until then and on line until later in the month. Check out www.run21.info for more

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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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# **Southern Oregon Chapter**

Howdy from Southern Oregon.

At the last chapter meeting AB suggested that we hold a family picnic in July. It will give us a chance to get better acquainted, have fun and talk about future events.

If you are interested, please reply to this e-mail with a suggested date, place and let me know how many of you are attending by the chapter meeting in July.

The scavenger hunt ride scheduled for this month has been delayed and possibly canceled this year. Hopefully it will be in September and if not we plan to get back on the schedule for 2005.

Our next chapter riding event will be in August. We'll let you know the details in the August issue.

Several chapter members participated in the 1st Annual *Firehouse Run* sponsored primarily by the local *H.O.G.* chapter. It was a great event with approximately 350 bikes from Oregon and California. The Jackson County and municipal fire departments were friendly hosts at the fire station stops. The county headquarters station in White City had a great show of specialized vehicles, equipment and a 9/11memorial display that many riders posed next to for photos.

At the June meetings, it was decided to cancel the June scavenger hunt ride. A July family picnic was suggested instead. If any members haven't been contacted by the time you read this newsletter, contact Robert Mumby to R.S.V.P. at (541)-535-2934 or rdmumby@charter.net.

Yours truly, will coordinate the Hot

Run in August. It will take us up into the Cascades and by mountain lakes to avoid the August heat. Details will be provided later.

Motor, our *Kawasaki* speed king treasurer, reported that our bank changed the chapter account and billed us for its use. We assume this was a mistake because we should have a nonprofit type of account. If it is not resolved, we will change banks.

Have you taken a ride to Weaverville via Highway 3? It is a beautiful trip through mountain curves, forests and farmlands. Going south on I-5 into California, cut off onto highway 3 at the Klamath River rest area and continue through Yreka. There is an interesting little museum in Ft. Jones. While the highway bypasses Etna, you may want to visit the town and look for the Etna Brewery where you can get sandwiches and some outstanding porter. If your gas tank in low, fill if up before you leave town. Next stop is Callahan, nearly a ghost town and then it's a long twisting ride to Weaverville. On the way you'll see Trinity Lake and many huge piles of cobblestones left by the gold miners. Weaverville has good food, iron spiral staircases and a Chinese temple. If the weather is not too hot, take 299 to Redding and return via I-5, otherwise retrace your route. Figure at least eight hours for this ride (from Medford); more if you want to tarry along the way.

Ride safe,

Robert Mumby
Southern Oregon chapter secretary

# SOUTHERN OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 1900 (7 pm) *Abby's Legendary Pizza* 2550 Crater Lake Highway Medford, Oregon

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# **Washington County Chapter**

I hope everyone had a good time at *Fossil*.

Jim and I were reading the June newsletter and chuckling about Duane's write up the event. It is difficult to stay timely on events when you have to turn in your submission a month in advance. We understand the weather was nicer in Fossil than it was in the valley, so for that you should be happy. I heard there were two *WaCo* sites set up: *WaCo East* and *WaCo West* because the hill was pretty snotty when people started arriving. Either way, I hope everyone had an enjoyable time and made it home safely.

We are gearing up for our *RoIl-n-Ride* at the end of June. By now it may have already happened (by the time you read this). I can only hope for good weather and a good band. I know there will be plenty of food and lots of friends to see that day.

On July 31 we will have our *Poker Run/Pig Roast* This flyer has missed the 1ast couple of newsmagazines and Rot has offered to highlight it for us.

It will begin at *Destination Harley-Davidson* in Beaverton. Go for a nice ride through the countryside and end at Paul's house in Cornelius with lunch. Cost of a poker hand includes one lunch ticket. Lots of people did this ride last year and enjoyed the pig and corn. We have ordered a larger pig this year.

A special thank you to Rich Virchow, run coordinator II, for laying out the routes this year, an especially difficult task because he and Margo Carnevale are still planning their wedding. Here in early June they seem to have everything under control.

Margo has been working equally as hard at all the events this year while trying to coordinate all the details of their special event. We can hardly wait for July 10, the big day, to wish them well as they continue their lives together.

I know it is getting crowded at the *Prime Time* and it is hard to find a seat. We have been talking about changing the seating arrangements, but are hesitant to do so because a lot of members enjoy the good food wile attending the meetings.

It does pay to attend, however. Our membership drawing is creeping back up, though.

I spoke with Geoff White about the pot of money he missed out on at the May 11 meeting.

Ken White was off to Idaho to pick up a new scooter, so he missed out on May 25. The pot is heading over \$250.

Jordan Kelly and Gunny both won the 50/50 drawings in May, although Gunny could not find his ticket and we almost drew another.

Ride safe and we'll see you on the road.

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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Well, since we failed to get a report submitted for the June newsletter, I'll try to take up some space by talking about May as well.

Everyone has said it: May 1st at the capitol was a huge success. Over 400 motorcycles and 500 bikers attended. This was my second year at the capitol. It is very encouraging to see the presence of so many bikers from so many organizations, all together for the same cause. If I'm right, Willamette Valley had approx. 45 bikes and their riders who showed up at and left from the Pioneer Truck Stop. I enjoy riding with a large pack.

Michael Schneider made a good point to stay in the left lane when riding on the freeway, especially in a large group to avoid weaving in and out of traffic. Weaving causes distress and confusion to the cars who don't know who is going where or when. (It's not safe.) By staying in the left lane, the group rides as one and vehicles can pass in the right lane. It makes a lot of sense.

We're getting the hang of it and by next year we'll have it down pat. Another suggestion Mr. Schneider made is to take both lanes when traveling in town to keep more of the group together when hitting or making traffic lights. Another great piece of advise from a man with experience and many miles behind him.

At our May chapter meeting several of us had the opportunity to receive awareness instructor certification from Geoff White. Geoff's presentation was awesome and I will look forward to participating in training new drivers to be aware of motorcycles and all vehicles they share the road with. I realize the importance of this especially since my oldest daughter just got her license. She'll be my guinea pig student.

Despite the rain on Saturday, *Rhody Run* was quite a success. I was surprised to see as many bikes as I did, given the weather. Our salmon hut of a booth was just right for us. Many thanks to the owners for allowing us to use it. Hats off to Ruth Johnson for organizing this run!

High poker hand went to Michael Schneider and low hand went to Lonnie Cokeley. Congratulations guys! (I think Michael Schneider also won the 50/50?) Lots of fun was had by all!

While attending the booth Saturday afternoon, it was brought to my attention by a fellow Willamette Valley member that his motorcycle was stolen about three weeks prior to Rhody. Keep your eye out folks. It's a 1976 stretched and raked Sportster. It has chameleon paint. The tank has flush mounted caps and says "Outlaws" on the center of the tank. Tail dragger rear fender, gunfighter seat with flames, forward controls, Kuryakan grips. If you see this bike, please contact "JW" - Jim Williams at (541)-543-5592. Jim is offering a \$1,000 reward for the return or information leading to the return of his

Be sure to spread the word of our upcoming events: *Fourth of July Social* and *S.O.S.* 

Here's your plug Bob. Bob Lowell has a motorcycle camper/trailer for sale. It's called a *Quikcamp* and it is loaded! \$2,100. Call Bob at (541)-747-0498. [crusty ol' editor's note: Or Bob could use the member classified ads.]

I've been a member of *A.B.A.T.E.* for almost four years now. When I first joined it was more about hanging with a bunch of other people that shared my same love (not my wife) of the road. It didn't take long to realize the true dedication that these groups of individuals have to motorcycle safety and motorcyclists' rights. Though my personal contributions are few, I'm glad to be a part this organization and what it stands for.

There are lots of runs this summer, more than most can attend. Please ride safe and defensively, and show respect to the other vehicles on the roads as they show you respect in return. Donate to *Down Riders* (may there be few) funds so they can get back on two wheels.

Darin "Hollywood" Hauer

# WILAMETTE VALLEY MEETING TIME and PLACE

2<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7pm) *Veteran's Memorial Building* 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene

#### **POINTS of CONTACT**

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## **Southeast Portland Chapter**

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run news.

Vicki, Michelle, and I would like to thank Melinda McCrossen, and Kathy Whitney of *Northeast Chapter* for joining the *All Portland Chapter Picnic* committee. If any of you other Portland chapters would like to join in the planning of this open family event contact the committee through the chapter numbers below.

Ride to work day this year is July 21<sup>st</sup>. Ride your scoot on in that day. If your co-workers ask why you did, don't just say, "because I could" (that's a given). Tell them how much fuel you used compared to the cage they showed up in. About the emissions your ride produced less of than theirs. The space you saved for four wheels to park in. Most of all that you really wanted them to be aware of all motorcyclists that ride every day.

Southeast Chapter would like to say welcome to A.B.A. T.E. to a few new members who have recently attended a meeting. Welcome to Debbie Aman, Tony Griss, Josh Saderly, and Don Webb. We would also like to remind them and all the other chapter members that if you are present at a meeting when you name is drawn for the membership drawing you could win the pot. Our last members names drawn were: Spencer Akeney for \$5 and Pam Reed for \$10. You have to be there to make a difference.

Southeast Chapter's fearless leader received a great fathers day gift this year — he lived to be 60!! Congratulations and happy birthday Lee.

Later people, Mammy Tami P.S. One more thing I would like to say. Good-bye "Uncle Ronnie". You did good for us. God bless you Nancy for your support of a great man.

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#### **Our Officers at Work**

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

12 June 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:10 with 12 of the 15 chapters represented. All present were eligible to vote. Chapters not in attendance were: *Columbia River*, *Salem*, and *Southern Oregon*.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the May 08, 2004. Motion made by Kurt Speas, seconded by Stephan Baton to adopt the minutes as published in the news magazine. Motion carried.

#### **Coordinators Comments**

Joe received an e-mail from Peter DeFazio which read:

"Thank you for your message and for stopping by my office recently to give me a plaque. It is always great to meet with members of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon. As you know, the Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (T.E.A.-L.U.) included the motorcycle safety initiatives A.B.A. T.E. requested. T.E.A.L. U. was recently passed by the house of representatives with a vote of 357 -65. Since the house and senate adopted different versions of the bill, a conference committee must be formed to reconcile the two bills before one bill can be enacted into law. I will do what I can to ensure the motorcycle safety provisions are included in the final legislation. Thanks again for your message and the nice plaque. Please keep in touch."

Joe also said he received an e-mail with a suggestion from Diesel Dave that in the state building where he works there are over 50 riders who are not members. This would be a prime location to recruit members.

Registrations for new motorcycles has gone up, accidents have gone down but fatalities have gone up. The reason for the fatalities are the S.U.V. and new truck registrations has gone up and these vehicles are solid. Be aware.

Fossil was a success. Thanks to Duane and Washington County.

This is a time for legislators coming home. If you see one of them in your town that has helped us, be sure to thank them.

#### **Guests and First Time Attendees**

Michael Boggs, Kat.

Correspondence

None noted.

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

Legislative director: Rick Maish reported that issues facing us are "black boxes" in vehicles that collect data on speed, seat belt use, braking, and other factors while you're driving and can even be used for accident investigation data gathering. N.H.T.S.A. has pulled back from making it mandatory in all vehicles because the automakers are sneaking them in on us on there own, according to the Associate Press. 65-90% of 2004 vehicles have these recorders in them. Under a proposal, N.H.T.S.A. wants recorders to collect a standard set of data to help crash investigators in their work. N.H.T.S.A. will accept comments on the proposal for 60 days then will make a final rule after that.



by Charlie Hill State Recording Secretary

Also looking at older drivers, eye tests, etcetera down the road may have an impact on several of us. "Older driver" is 69 by insurance standards.

A.M.A. article: A.M.A. is working to get \$3 million authorized for a new comprehensive study into the causes of motorcycle crashes.

Peter DeFazio is one of the members of the *Transportation Equity Act* committee along with 51 other house members and 21 senators.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Geoff White – Excused, at convention.

Michael Boggs read a proposal to the state board:

Proposal to A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon:

"As you probably know our lobbyist for the last three sessions has resigned. Lyle served the bikers of Oregon well, as did Iris, David, Michelle and others who volunteered. However, BikePAC is now in the position of needing to hire a lobbyist. Although this is a problem, it is also an opportunity. We have had several discussions at meetings as well as a long discussion at the planning summit about this eventuality. Consensus was pretty strong that we should take this opportunity to reevaluate how we perform our lobbing. After the last BikePAC meeting a vote was taken and this is our proposal:

There is an opportunity to hire a professional lobbyist who also happens to be a strong *BikePAC* member. He has many years in non-profit management and membership and has been in the insurance industry.

I am speaking of Wayne Schumacher. Wayne is someone that has helped us in the past in certain legislation. He has given advice and used connections for our bills in the past. Now *BikePAC* proposes that we look at hiring him for both the legislative session and the rest of the year as well.

Adding someone full time increases our effectiveness. While in the past we have done this with volunteers, out effectiveness has been spotty. Also in the past we have had someone on staff during the legislative session, but not had our lobbyist doing the fundraisers, gatherings and meetings that go on year round. Hiring Wayne gives us year round access and professional judgment from someone who is also a comrade in the motorcycle rights movement.

The big question is cost. What we have spent in the past is about \$12,000 a session or about \$6,000 a year. Almost all these funds are supplied by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

To do what we are suggesting would basically double this amount. The costs during the session wouldn't really increase much, if any. It is the inbetween times that the additional expense could come. As this is also where the increased effectiveness would come from, we feel it is an integral part of the total proposal. As A.B.A.T.E. continues to be the primary funding source for BikePAC, A.B.A.T.E. would have to decide that it would want to fund this new way of doing business.

Rather than offer arguments for or against, we suggest that this be discussed at the board and also at the chapter level. Some chapters historically have contributed at high

levels. We believe that if the additional expense results in added effectiveness then people will not mind the added burden. Additional fundraising might be done like what used to be done in the past. This would be something for *A.B.A. T.E.* to decide.

If A.B.A.T.E. does not wish to go this route we will do what we can with the current funding levels. However, *BikePAC* believes that this is the most effective way to go for the future.

A.B.A.T.E. has grown since 1989 when *BikePAC* was founded. What worked in the past may not continue to work now. We also owe it to our members to consider any alternatives that may increase our effectiveness. Mike Boggs can certainly give a synopsis of the discussions behind this proposal as he has been at all the meetings as well as the planning session."

This proposal is to be taken to the chapters and a decision will be made at the next state board meeting.

Confederation of Clubs representative: (Ed Vaughan) Next meeting July 17–18 in Grants Pass. They will be doing a pack ride leaving at 1 p.m. from the *Outsiders* house. If anyone is interested in going with them, e-mail Ed.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Michael Schneider went to Oklahoma City for the three day N.C.O.M. seminar. Michael said he has all the classes he went to on tape which were: A.I.M. attorney conference, opening ceremonies, seminar '- motorcycle safety awareness and your groups, special meetings, seminar III-The U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act and It's Effects on Your Civil Liberties, Confederation of Clubs general patch holders meeting, general

session with Doc Reichenbach, regional meetings, lobbyist, mock legislative session, and *Silver Spoke* awards banquet. Michael included information in the packets and if anyone would like a copy of the tape, please get in touch with him.

Education director: Geoff White – Excused.

Education director II: (Nora Rohde) (Nora showed up at the meeting later.)

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy – Excused. Ted read Jill's report: "Please excuse my absence today, but I'm watching the *Rose Festival Parade* with Wendy! *Fossi*l was *great*!!! I really loved Curtis Salgado. We sold lots of products. Hope you got your coffee mugs and shot glasses before we sold out! We also sold out of *Fossil* pins and year bars. If you weren't able to get yours, contact Michelle Hobbs and order your pin and year bar.

I would really like to thank those folks who helped staff the information booth at *Fossil*: Wendy Vaughn, Margo Carnevale, Melinda McCrossen, Katrina, Al, Janet Straw, Peewee Helzer, and Mary Rusk. Your assistance was greatly appreciated!

We picked up several new members also. Thanks to you who joined up at the run.

Membership continues to grow. We have reached (again) a new high-membership number of 2,497!! Hope to see you at some of the runs this summer. Jill."

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## State Board Minutes (continued)

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Newsmagazine editor: (Rot Path) Still looking for chapter reports from: Columbia River, Josephine County, Southern Oregon, and South Coast.

O.P.B. [pledge drive] is Sunday night at 7 p.m. They will feed you. Be sure to wear your *A.B.A. T.E.* shirts and they will interview you. Get directions from Rot Path if you're interested in going. 8:15 to 11:15. Peter from Peter, Paul, and Mary will be [theme].

Ad rate for non-A.B.A. T.E. \$30 for full page run flyers. Discussion regarding letters-to-the-editor. Those will be printed with a response at the bottom.

Products: Michelle Hobbs thanked the Wonder Women of Washington County for handling Fossil. She has products. Duane still has some of them that she will have to get from him.

**Public relations**: Melinda McCrossen – Excused.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Duane Calkins was excused for his absence.

Comments and suggestions were taken at this time about *Fossil*.

Duane took a tough job and gave it his best.

Washington County said this is a family event and they didn't appreciate the profanity coming from the bands.

Good job for first time.

Larry took control of security and did a fine job.

Equipment set up and tear down was great.

Medical was wonderful.

Security was fabulous.

Vendors were well set up. Cindy

Henderson did a great job.

Vulgarity was bad in front of kids. Wrong type of music for that type of crowd.

The last band should have been earlier as they were really good but [people] couldn't stay awake to hear them. Volume should have been lower in the later hours.

Church music was bad and volume should have been turned down. Otherwise there should be equal time for other religions.

Smaller number of bands with better quality music.

Memorial Day ceremony was done on Sunday and should have been on Monday.

For change in the events-join run committee.

Need sleep Sunday night. Band should have quit by 2 am so people could get some rest for the ride home the next day.

Need more kid games and activities. Kat would entertain the idea at taking care of this.

Need to address parents to watch their children.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton reported swap meets dates of October 24 and November 21. Flyers are done but hasn't got them yet. Will have them by next board meeting.

Need more help from southern Oregon chapters. Level of help in northern Oregon was good. Everybody needs to help. Will try to come to different meetings when the time comes. We will need to raise more money to help with legislative sessions.

**State run coordinator II**: Michelle FitzHenry – Excused

Treasurer: (Ted Tracy) Checking \$13,548.26; money market

\$27,568.40 for a total of \$41,116.66 before *Fossil* deposits. \$66,000 in the bank now.

Unreconciled amounts: preliminary *Fossil* report:

Member at gate 298 at \$24 = \$7,450

Member advance 202 at \$20 \$4,040

Non member at gate 334 at \$30 = \$10,020

Non member advance 48 at \$25 = \$1,200

Total gate = \$22,710

Product expenses = \$3,210

Product sales = \$4,700

Vendor sales = \$2,625.

Some expense reports have not be received, so unreconciled balance are gate receipts = \$22,710; products excess revenue = \$1,490; vendor spaces = \$2,2625 for a total of \$26.825.

State auditor: Nancy Curran reported everybody has been in touch. The virus that crashed her computer came from one of the chapters. Please use an anti-virus program and do backups on your computer. A couple of chapters computers are down. We need chapters to look at their ability to do the job (computers). Next month we start the clock on compliance requirements.

**Historian**: Iris Yeager is at the democratic committee meeting. Adult choice will be second or third on the platform.

Joe read Iris' report:

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do. Of course, nearly always choose the right-leaving the fun events out of our schedule. It is helpful that the people at the meetings are friends who are so good to see and hug.

Well, this means that I am not around to take pictures. Please send me a few pictures of your fun events so I can include them in our *A.B.A.T.E.* history books. Have a safe and fun summer. Keep on riding. Nothing is quite like a good ride on a good day with good friends.

Web page editor: Mad Dog was not present.

People who went to *Fossil* wanted to be at *Fossil*. Lots of admiration for those who worked. Duane had a hard job. We all went without sleep and eating. With participation we had an exceptional good time.

Vice coordinator-south: Tim Rohde – Not present.

Vice coordinator—east: Bob Hadley

– Not present.

**Sergeant-at-arms—north**: Larry Brown — No report.

Sergeant-at-arms-south: Doc Squires – Nothing to report.

**Sergeant-at-arms-east:** Keith Odoms – Not present.

Sanctioning officer: (Ron Vonsild) Everything is in line, scanner is working.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton reported he is working on the packing slip for the trailer.

#### **Committee Reports**

The run committee will meet the last Wednesday of this month regarding the swap meet.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Planning session will be covered next month.

#### New Business

Lincoln County invites the board

to hold August meeting in Newport.

Motion made by Tom Curran, seconded by Ron Vonsild to charge non-*A.B.A. T.E.* run flyers at \$30 for full page run flyer. 10 were in favor and 1 against. **Motion carried**.

Motion made by Ron VonSild, seconded by Kat that when a chapter campout coincides with state board meeting, we would temporarily relocate to the general proximity of the campout. This would promote more chapter participation. The chapter with the campout would be responsible for securing a suitable location. 4 were for and 8 against, this motion failed.

Motion made by Jordan Kelley, seconded by Kurt Speas that A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon send seven representatives to the Meeting of the Minds in St. Louis at a cost of \$3,500. Representatives to be decided by the executive board. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Announcements

Roll-N-Ride tomorrow.

Next Saturday is M.R.F. run.

Vietnam Wall: June 24-27 in

Grants Pass.

Rooster Crow event/poker run Josephine County.

June 19: *Hedges Run.*July 4 *Willamette Valley* social.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Minutes taken and submitted by Charlie Hill

state recording secretary

## Historian

by Iris Yeager



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## **Legislative Report**

# **Rick's Ramblings on stuff**

Now here's another couple "antifreedom" issue's jumping in on us.

Vehicle black box's that collect information on speed, seat belt use, braking and other factors while you're driving and can even be used for accident investigation data gathering. They've been installing these things in cars as we speak and for some time.

I wonder when motorcycles will be next? Maybe they're already doing it and we just don't know about it. Just think about all of the information that can be gathered through these little black boxes and what about On Star. etc. They will be able to tell where your at, where you go, maybe even how well you service and take care of your vehicle or how about tracking if you've been speeding with your vehicle.

But wait, N.H.T.S.A. has pulled back from making it mandatory in all vehicles under a federal proposal that they had drafted. Why? Because they don't need to. The automakers are sneaking them in on us on there own according to an article in the Associated Press. N.H.T.S.A. said automakers are adding black boxes at a fast enough pace on their own. Approximately 15 percent of vehicles now on the road have the data recorders, and N.H.T.S.A. says between 65 percent and 90 percent of 2004 vehicles have some sort of recording ability.

Under the proposal released Thursday, N.H.T.S.A. said it wants recorders to collect a standard set of data to help crash investigators in their work. By September 2008, the agency wants recorders to collect up to 42 specific data elements, including the time it takes for air bags to deploy.

manufacturers to include a statement in owners' manuals telling people the data recorders exist. Nearly two-thirds of people surveyed by an insurance industry group didn't know their vehicles had black boxes". Privacy advocates have urged N.H.T.S.A. to clarify who owns the data from recorders, since data has been used against drivers in some court cases. But N.H. T.S.A. sidestepped that issue.

"All that is for courts and legislation to decide," N.H.T.S.A. spokesman Tim Hurd said.

N.H.T.S.A. will accept comments on the proposal for 60 days and will issue a final rule after that.

For the complete story go to:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:

#### www.nhtsa.dot.gov

For the *Associated Press* article, go to this site: http://dailymail.com/news/ News/200406108/

## **States Find Challenge In Older Drivers**

More laws starting to target senior motorists.

Increasingly, though, states are taking a look at motorists that are getting old, concerned that vision, reaction time and other driving skills



have diminished. At least 22 states have laws singling out older drivers for special attention, and experts predict more as America grows grayer.

Between 1990 and 2000, the "The proposal also would require number of Americans over 65 jumped 12 percent to more than 35 million. According to the U.S. census, the older population grew in every state. California, Florida and New York have the highest number of older drivers. Florida, Pennsylvania and West Virginia have the largest percentage of people over 65 — 17.6 percent, 15.6 percent and 15.3 percent, respectively.

> "It's one of the emerging issues with the aging of America, keeping people both safe and mobile," says Bella Dinh-Zarr, national director of traffic safety policy for A.A.A. "But is legislation really the answer? No, because there's not enough information."

> "A driver license in our country is a ticket to freedom. People are eager to get it and are very reluctant to give it up," Jacobs says.

> By the Associated Press, but condensed

> For the complete article go to: http:/ /www.charleston.net/stories/ 061104/wor 11stern.shtml

## **New Motorcycle Crash Study Needed**

From the A.M.A.

New fatality figures released by a

federal traffic-safety agency underscore the need for a national study to determine the causes of motorcycle crashes, Ed Moreland, vice president for government relations of the *American Motorcyclist Association*, said.

Motorcycle-related deaths were up 11 percent for 2003 compared to the previous year, according to preliminary estimates released by the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)*. The preliminary report states that 3,592 motorcyclists were killed in 2003, up from 3,244 in 2002.

Meanwhile, the report also noted increases in S.U.V. and large truck fatalities, while passenger car fatalities were down slightly. Overall, 43,220 people were killed on the nation's highways in 2003, compared to 42,815 in 2002. These latest numbers from the *N.H.T.S.A.* add more urgency to the call for congress to fund updated research into the causes of motorcycle crashes, Moreland said.

The last comprehensive study on the subject was conducted more than 20 years ago. That study, commonly called the *Hurt Report* after lead researcher Harry Hurt, helped add momentum to the drive for motorcyclist-training programs that existed in few states in the 1970s and now are available from coast to coast.

Moreland noted that motorcycle safety experts still base a significant portion of their work on the *Hurt Report*, but that they are hampered because the information is almost thirty years old. He noted that the level of traffic, the mix of vehicles on the road, and the numbers of distractions faced by drivers have all changed dramatically since the *Hurt* 

Report was published.

Moreland and his staff in the A.M.A.'s Washington, D.C., office are working to get \$3 million authorized for a new comprehensive study into the causes of motorcycle crashes. The funding would be part of congressional reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, commonly called T.E.A.-21.

Many federal lawmakers are backing the proposal.

The *A.M.A.* urges motorcyclists to contact their members of congress and ask them to support funding for a comprehensive study of motorcycle crashes.

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# Motorcyclist Delegates to Democratic Party of Oregon Platform Convention View Results Differently

Three Views of What Happened

The fundamental principle for freedom of speech is that unpopular speech must be defended with equal vigor as popular speech. The concept of a free press is to present all views of an issue in order that thinking people can consider a matter fully before excersing their political rights.

To that end, three views of motorcycist's involvement with the Democratic Party of Oregon's platform convention are presented here.

## **Frank Saxton**

Why has Oregon had a helmet law for 17 years with no hope of repeal?

At the *Democrat Party of Oregon* (*D.P.O.*) state convention transportation committee meeting, motorcyclists had a 16-11 delegate majority. We probably could have gotten the *Honda 50* named as the state motorcycle, we had so much support there.

Late in the session, Diesel Dave Ganslein, chair of the *Oregon Democratic Motorcycle Caucus* made a motion to add the following item to the legislative agenda: "We support the repeal of the mandatory helmet law for adult motorcyclists".

There was some haggling about rules and several attempts to kill the motion by representative Mitch Greenlick. People who follow Oregon politics know him as the person who hurt us so badly in the house transportation committee last session.

Representative Greenlick had been extremely vocal about our other legislative issues throughout the evening and even threatened to petition the needed 50 delegates to

remove our freedom of clothing choice item from the agenda list. He was clearly worried that the helmet repeal item was going to make it on to the platform so he started encouraging all of his freedom hating buddies to sign up to be voting members of the committee. He also prevented several people who hate motorcyclists from leaving the room so that they could vote against our motion.

He didn't need to worry, as it turned out, because at least five A.B.A.T.E. members, including at least one A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon state officer, one BikePAC of Oregon officer and two M.R.F. officers voted to retain the existing mandatory helmet law!!!!!

I never thought I'd live to see the day when any biker, much less officers in motorcycle rights organizations would vote against repealing the mandatory helmet law. It's one of the most surreal events I have ever witnessed in my life. A.B.A. T.E. members voting to keep the helmet law. Amazing.

This is a very sad day for me and pretty much cancels the high I've been on for the past four years after we got helmet law repeal added to the D.P.O. legislative agenda in Eugene back in 2000.

There have only been a couple of times in my life that I've been embarrassed to be a biker. God bless the 11 *A.B.A.T.E.* members and *bikers* who stood firm to their beliefs and values while this outrage took place.

It's one thing to get killed by freedom hating safetycrats. We expect that and are used to it. It's a whole 'nuther thing to have the hard work of dedicated freedom fighters trashed by a handful of people who hold leadership positions in *A.B.A.T.E.*, *BikePAC* and the *M.R.F.* 

Disgraceful.

I think the dues paying members of these organizations need to know that there are officers in them who do not support freedom and the repeal of the mandatory helmet law.

## **Mel Yeager**

As the various issues were introduced, there was some discussion concerning the intent of the language. Representative Mitch Greenlick was there to oppose us all the way.

A motion was made to introduce a new agenda item, which asked only for the repeal of the helmet law. Drawing on past experience in previous conventions, most of the motorcyclists present felt that introducing the measure would detract from the old measure that deals with a whole wide range of protective apparel worn by motorcyclists. After much discussion, the measure was removed, which apparently caused some animosity among the motorcycling delegates.

Each item on the agenda was then discussed and either accepted, modified and accepted, or deleted as appropriate.

At the conclusion of the consideration of all issues, each voting delegate was given five votes to be placed, in amounts of up to five, on any of the issues. After some of the delegates had cast their decisions, representative Greenlick threatened to kill the measure dealing with protective apparel *if* it got the most votes of all of the items being considered.

Dave Ganslein then discussed with representative Greenlick the possibility of him removing his threat as long as some other items got more votes. He agreed to remove his blackmail threat. Many delegates then changed their vote to reflect favorably on other issues dealing with biker issues.

Good job, Dave.

The protective apparel issue was then ranked to fourth position in priority.

All in all, a *slam dunk success* for the motorcyclists of Oregon.

## **Diesel Dave Ganslein**

Well kids,

After some screamin' and shoutin' we remain on the *D.P.O.*'s legislative agenda. Meaning the party still supports freedom of choice of safety apparel for adults use regarding transportation and the party opposes discrimination in accommodation based on mode of transportation or related apparel.

Representative Mitch Greenlick came to the transportation sub-committee loaded for bear intending to delete our agenda item. But after a little friendly persuasion representative Greenlick decided this matter wasn't so important after all and we all parted friends.

The idea of organizing union members as motorcyclists rights activists was well received by motorcyclists, union members, and party loyalists as well.

Congratulations and a job well done to Teresa Hepker as a member of the convention directors board and Christine Chinn-Ryan as a subcommittee chair. Good goin' ladies, this shows the dems we aren't just a bunch of sexist thugs and illiterate cretins

So, the bottom line is [that] 18 motorcyclists rights activists influenced a whole political party in an area not necessarily friendly to motorcyclists.

Thanks to all for a job well done,

# School Zones To Become Year-'Round Money Makers For Cash-Strapped Cities

Senate Bill 179, passed during 2003 budget crisses, adds confusion instead of clarity to driving experience

Regulations enacted by government bodies should be justifiable by improving people's lives, not needlessly confusing them in return for dubious gains as folks go about their daily activities.

On 01 July 2004, a revision to the Oregon traffic code goes into effect that requires that drivers observe the 20 mile per hour school zone speed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year *except* as otherwise noted.

Read on . . .

-- Rot Path

#### Chapter 397– An Act Senate Bill 179

Relating to school zones, creating new provisions, and amending ORS 811.105, 811.106, 811.123, 811.124 and 811.235. Be it enacted by the people of the state of Oregon

Section I Section 2 of this 2003 act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 801.

**Section 2**, (1) "School zone" means both of the following:

- (a) A specific segment of highway that is adjacent to school ground, and that is marked by signs described in subsection (2) of this section,
- (b) A crosswalk that is not adjacent to school ground, and that is marked by signs described in subsection (2) of this section, (2) Sign, marking a school zone may include any word, symbol, or combination of word, and symbol, that gives notice of the presence of the school zone.

**Section 3**. Section 4 of this 2003 act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 811.

**Section 4.** (1) A person commits the offense of violating the speed limit in a school zone if the person drives a motor vehicle in a school zone at a speed greater than 20 miles per hour,

(a) At any time, if the school zone is a



segment of highway described in section 2 (1)(a) of this 2003 act that is contiguous to a segment of highway on which:

- (A) There is a posted speed of 30 miles per hour or less
- (B) There is a speed limit of 30 miles per hour or less or
- (C) A speed of 30 miles per hour or less is *prima facie* evidence of violation of the basic speed rule under ORS 811.105.
- (b) At any time that a flashing light described in ORS 811.106 is operating or at any time posted on signs in the school zone, if the school zone is a segment of highway described in section 2 (1)(a) of this 2003 act that is contiguous to a segment of highway on which,
- (A) There is a posted speed greater than 30 miles per hour;
- (B) There is a speed limit greater than 30 mile, per hour; or
- (C) A speed greater than 30 miles per hour is*prima facie* evidence of violation of the basic speed rule under ORS 811.105.
- (c) At any time that a flashing light described in ORS 811.106 is operating, at any time posted on signs in the school zone or at any time that children are present, if the school zone is a crosswalk described in section 2 (1)(b) of this 2003 act.
- (2) The offense described in this section, violating the speed limit in a school zone, is

punishable as provided in ORS 811.109.

Section 5. ORS 811.124 is amended to read:

811.124. For purposes of [provisions of ORS 811.105 and 811.123 dealing with permissible speeds when passing school grounds or a school crosswalk] section 4 of this 2003 act, children are present at any time and on any day when, [children are in a place where they are or can reasonably be expected to be visible to a person operating a motor vehicle this passing a school ground or a school crosswalk.]

- (1) Children are,
- (a) Occupying or walking within a crosswalk described in section 2 (1)(b) of this 2003 act; or
- (b) Waiting on the curb or shoulder of the highway at a crosswalk described in section 2 (1)(b) of this 2003 act; or
- (2) A traffic patrol member provided under ORS 339.650 to 339.665 is present to assist children at a crosswalk described in section 2 (1)(b) of this 2003 act.

**Section 6.** ORS 811.105 is amended to read:

- 811.105. Any speed in excess of any of the following designated speeds is *prima facie* evidence of violation of the basic speed rule under ORS 811.100;
- (1) Any speed posted by authority granted under ORS 810.180.

- (2) If no speed is posted, any speed in excess of one of the following designated speeds is *prima facie* evidence of violation of the basic speed rule:
- (a) Fifteen miles per hour when driving on an alley.
- (b) Twenty miles per hour in a business district.
- [(c) Twenty miles per hour when passing school grounds or a school crosswalk if notice of the grounds or crosswalk is indicated plainly by traffic control devices conforming to the requirements established under ORS 810.200 and posted under authority granted by ORS 810.210 and;]
- [(A) Children are present, as described in ORS 811.124; or]
- [(B)) A flashing light used as a traffic control device and operated under ORS 811.106 indicates that children may be arriving at or leaving school.]
- [(d)] (c) Twenty-five miles per hour in any public park.
- [(e)] (d) Twenty-five miles per hour on a highway in a residence district if:
- (A) The residence district is not located within a city or within an urban growth boundary that is in a county with a population greater than 100,000; and
- (B) The highway is neither an arterial nor a collector highway.
- [(f)] (e) Sixty-five miles per hour on any rural interstate highway.
- [(g)] (f) Fifty-five miles per hour in locations not otherwise described in this section.

Section 7. ORS 811.106 is amended to read:

811.106. A flashing light used as a traffic control device to indicate that children may be arriving at or leaving school that is operated to give notice under ORS [811.105. 811.123 or] 811.235 or section 4 of this 2003 act, [shall] may be operated only at times when children are scheduled to arrive at or leave the school.

Section 8. ORS 811.123 is amended to

811.123. (1) A person commits the offense of violating a maximum speed limit in an urban area if the person drives a vehicle upon a highway in any city or upon a highway within an urban growth boundary that is in a county with a population greater than 100,000 at a speed greater than any speed posted by authority granted under

- ORS 810.180 or, if no speed is posted, the following:
- (a) Fifteen miles per hour when driving on an alley.
- (b) Twenty miles per hour in a business district.
- [(c) Twenty miles per hour when passing school grounds or a school crosswalk if notice of the grounds or crosswalk is indicated plainly by traffic control devices conforming to the requirements established under ORS 810.200 and posted under authority granted by ORS 810.210 and:]
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- [(d)] (c) Twenty-five miles per hour in any public park.
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- [(f)] (e) Sixty-five miles per hour on any rural interstate highway.
- [(g)] (f) Fifty-five miles per hour in locations not otherwise described in this section.
- (2) This section does not authorize speeds higher than those required for compliance with the basic speed rule.
- (3) This section does not apply on a state highway.
- (4) The offense described in this section, violating a maximum speed limit in an urban area, is punishable as provided in ORS 811.109.

Section 9. ORS 811.235 is amended to read:

811.235. (1)(a) If signs authorized by ORS 810.245 are posted, the base fine amount for a person charged with an offense that is listed in subsection (2)(a) or (b) of this section and that is committed in a school zone shall be the amount established under ORS 153.125 to 153.145 based on the foundation amount calculated under ORS 153.131. The, minimum fine for a person convicted of an offense that is listed in subsection (2)(a) or (b) of this section and that is committed in a school zone is the base fine amount so calculated.

(b) If signs authorized by ORS 810.245 are posted, the minimum fine for a person convicted of a misdemeanor offense that is

- listed in subsection (2)(c) to (g) of this section and that is committed in a school zone is 20 percent of the maximum fine established for the offense.
- (c) If signs authorized by ORS 810.245 are posted, the minimum fine for a person convicted of a felony offense that is listed in subsection (2)(c) to (g) of this section and that is committed in a school zone is two percent of the maximum fine established for the offense.
- (2) This section applies to the following offenses if committed in a school zone:
  - (a) Class A or Class B traffic violations.
- (b) Class C or Class D traffic violations related to exceeding a legal speed.
- (c) Reckless driving, as defined in ORS 811.140.
- (d) Driving while under the influence of intoxicants, as defined in ORS 813.010.
- (e) Failure to perform the duties of a driver involved in an accident or collision. as described in ORS 811.700 or 811.705.
- (f) Criminal driving while suspended or revoked, as defined in ORS 811.182.
- (g) Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, as defined in ORS 811.540.
- (3) A court shall not waive. reduce or suspend the base fine amount or minimum fine required by this section.
- (4) For purposes of this section, a traffic offense occurs in a school zone if the offense occurs while the motor vehicle is [passing school grounds or a school crosswalk] in a school zone, notice of the [grounds or crosswalk] school zone is indicated plainly by traffic control devices conforming to the requirements established under ORS 810.200 and posted under authority granted by ORS 810.210 and,
- (a) Children are [in a place where they are or should be visible to a person operating a motor vehicle that is passing school grounds or a school crosswalk] present as described in ORS 811.124; or
- (b) A flashing light used as a traffic control device and operated under ORS 811.106 indicates that children may be arriving at or leaving school..

Approved by the governor June 17, 2003 Filed in the office of secretary of state June 18, 2003.

Effective date January 1, 2004.\*

\*[ crusty ol' editor's note: Implementation of this motorist mind twister was delayed until 01 July 2004. ]



# James Bryant

James Bryant was a quiet kind of guy.

He always had a smile on his face and a smirky little twinkle in his eye. If you knew him, you knew that smirk meant that he was happy.

His love for riding was second to his love for his wife. And how he loved them both.

When he got that beautiful black *Road King* from *All American Cycle*, he and his wife were so proud. He was like a kid with a new toy. And she was happy that he was happy. Simple as that.

James gave me the honor of riding to *D.M.V.* with him to get his endorsement. I left while he took his riding test and when I came back, there was that smirk.

#### He passed.

Of course I had no doubt and I don't think he really did either.

We introduced James to the *Southeast Portland Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E.* about five years ago and it did not take long for him to feel like he had extended his family even further.

He couldn't wait for the toy run motorcycle tickets to be printed each year. He had a little contest going with himself to see if he could outsell his previous year's sales. He usually did. He knew it all went to a good cause.

Because of his quietness, many people did not know that James worked very hard on the

Southeast Portland A.B.A. T.E Poker Run for four years. James, with the support of other chapter members, faithfully ran the route over and over until they got it just right. (Of course they had to keep stopping at all the "refreshment establishments" just to make sure the beverages were satisfactory for our members too.)

They got the routes in writing and then they rechecked the routes again to be sure it was safe for those who were going to attend. James truly loved doing this for the chapter.

Now we have lost James.

But in body only, as he will live forever in many of our hearts.

Southeast Portland Chapter of A.B.A. T.E. proved that [in June] by naming this year's poker run in memory of James Bryant. Thank you Southeast Portland Chapter of A.B.A. T.E. for your support of James' memory, the generous donations to help his wonderful wife, and for having such a big heart in remembering a brother now gone.

This is truly a brotherhood and sisterhood I am proud to have belonged to for so many years.



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American Motorcyclist Association

# A.M.A. Applauds Massachusetts' *Nelly's Law*, Praises M.M.A.

The American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.) is applauding a new Massachusetts law that will introduce a motorcycle-safety-and-awareness module into the state's driver-training curriculum. The goal of the law, which was introduced and backed by the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.), is to help reduce crashes by increasing other motorists' awareness of motorcyclists.

Although officially designated as chapter 124 of the acts of 2004, motorcyclists have come to know the legislation as *Nelly's Bill*, in memory of Nelson Selig, a Massachusetts rider who was killed when another motorist crossed into his path.

Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney signed the bill into law on June 10, 200. The law will take effect 90 days thereafter. The bill's main sponsors were state senator Bruce Tarr and representative. Brad Hill, with numerous other legislators lending support.

"At the state level, motorcyclists in the commonwealth of Massachusetts are better off today, thanks to *Nelly's Law* and the hard work of *M.M.A.* and its supporters," said Sean Maher, *A.M.A.* director of state affairs. "And nationwide, motorcyclists will look to Massachusetts as a model of how dedicated motorcyclists can work together to protect our right to ride."

"We appreciate the A.M.A.'s invaluable help in making Nelly's Law a reality," said Paul W. Cote, M.M.A.'s legislative director. "M.M.A. is proud to support A.M.A. programs like Justice for All and Motorcyclists Matter, and we're gratified that Massachusetts is among the first states to support the goals of those programs with this new law."

The goal of the A.M.A.'s Justice for All campaign is to focus the public's attention on inadequate sentencing of drivers who seriously injure or kill motorcyclists, and to push for laws with tougher penalties when motorists' traffic offenses or criminal actions result in death or serious injury.

Motorcyclists Matter, originally launched to battle other motorists violating motorcyclists' right-of-way, has been expanded to include tougher penalties for motor vehicle-related felonies resulting in injury or death, and incorporation of motorcycle-awareness training in state drivereducation curriculums.

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

## **Motorcycle Riders Foundation**

# M.R.F. Releases E.P.A. for the Layman



On December 23, 2003 the revision of some parts of the rules. Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) announced that the Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) issued its final rule for street bike emissions.

After months of review of the 49page rule and in-depth discussions with small business owners, manufacturers, riders and emissions experts, the M.R.F. is pleased to release the educational document E.P.A. for the Layman.

You can view, download and print the M.R.F.'s E.P.A. for the Layman document by visiting the M.R.F. web site at www.mrf.org/pp-epa-for-thelayman.php.

E.P.A. for the Layman is a nuts and bolts document that navigates the complex final rule and answers questions asked by many concerned motorcyclists. It explains in detail what the E.P.A. rule means and how it affects you, the street bike rider.

Thanks in large part to the efforts over a three-year period of the M.R.F., motorcyclists' rights state organizations (S.M.R.O.s), and concerned motorcyclists nationwide, there is some good news in the E.P.A.'s final rule. While this new rule dramatically reduces tail pipe emissions, there are some important exemptions written into it for kit bikes, custom motorcycles, and small volume makers.

However, the M.R.F. does not believe that the exemptions are broad enough or that the rule, as written, fulfills the needs of highway motorcyclists, the small volume makers, and the aftermarket. We fully intend to continue to work for

The *M.R.F.* would like to thank all of the S.M.R.O.s and individual motorcyclists who have vigilantly worked by our side to affect the E.P.A.'s rule making process. In particular, we want to thank A.B.A. T.E. of Illinois and the American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.) for their assistance in setting up meetings with E.P.A. officials to discuss the impact of this final rule. We would also like to thank the many aftermarket parts and small volume manufacturers who have assisted the M.R.F. with the analysis of the new E.P.A. emissions standards for street bikes.

Based on the valuable information we have gathered, the M.R.F. is preparing some very specific questions to present to the E.P.A. in the near future regarding the impact of this rule on street motorcyclists. We will continue to solicit input as we develop our strategy to revise the rule when it is reopened for comment in 2006.

## M.R.F. Learns That T.E.A. **Conference Committee Is Being Formed**

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has learned that late Wednesday night [19 May 2004] on the senate floor, leaders came to an agreement to proceed "in good faith" to go to conference on the reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act (T.E.A.), a six-year surface transportation bill.

Although both the house and senate

have already begun choosing members to serve on the T.E.A. conference committee, the conferencing process will more than likely take a long time, possibly even beyond this November's election. It took almost three months to complete the conference process the last time T.E.A. was reauthorized almost seven years ago. That bill was set to expire on October 1, 2003, but the house and senate have voted several times to extend it, primarily due to their continued their debate over funding.

With a presidential election less than six months away, it is difficult to predict what will actually happen with the bill at this point. Naming conferees is a big step, but as the M.R.F. has previously reported a huge hurdle still remains. The white house has made it very clear that the president will veto any bill with a price tag of over \$265 billion. The house and senate versions are \$284 and \$318 billion, respectively.

There is also a general agreement among house and senate leadership that the conference committee will more than likely move the final number closer to the senate's than the house's. Both the house and senate have the votes to overturn a veto.

When the conferees are named, . . . the *M.R.F.* will provide a complete list of both house and senate members serving on the T.E.A. conference committee. At that time, we will ask you to contact the congressmen that are serving on the committee. Until then, the M.R.F. urges you to continue to schedule meetings with your U.S.

senators and representatives when they are back home in their districts, . . . and encourage *all* of them to support the *M.R.F.*'s motorcycle safety initiatives that were included in section 2009 of the house bill.

You can find contact information for your U.S. representative and your two U.S. senators by visiting the following web sites:

Representative information at http://www.house.gov/writerep/

Senate information at <a href="http://www.senate.gov">http://www.senate.gov</a>

"While this is a big step in the right direction, we still have a long way to go before this bill is finalized," said Jeff Hennie, M.R.F. vice president of government relations. "We must remain vigilant in our efforts to ensure that the final conference version of the reauthorization of T.E.A. contains the motorcycle safety initiatives that the M.R.F., state motorcyclists' rights organizations, and motorcyclists nationwide have been pushing for over two years."

#### 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 bimonthly newsletter, THE MRF REPORTS.

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

# U.S. Motorcycle Sales Rev Up For 11th Straight Year

Sales of new motorcycles increased 6.4 percent in 2003, while combined sales of motorcycles and A.T.V.s reached an all-time high. Motorcycle sales have now been on the rise for more than a decade, according to the latest Motorcycle Industry Council (M.I.C.) estimates for all brands, marking the 11th consecutive year that new unit sales of two-wheelers increased compared to the previous year. Approximately 996,000 new motorcycles were purchased in 2003, up from 936,000 in 2002.

All terrain vehicle sales climbed to an estimated 886,000 in 2003 and increased by 3.8 percent over the previous year, posting their 12th straight year of growth. Estimated combined motorcycle and A.T.V. sales for 2003 reached 1,882,000, which is an all-time record and up 5.2 percent over the previous year.

## Virginia Governor Vetoes Safety Bill

Despite passing unanimously through the house and senate, governor Mark R. Warner has vetoed HB 408, a bill that would have required the marking of steel plates on Virginia roadways to make them more visible to drivers and riders.

140 legislators saw the value and benefit of this key piece of safety legislation, yet governor Warner rejected a bill that is designed to insure motorcyclists, and the general public, steel plates installed on roadways be clearly marked, reports Jim Cannon of the Virginia Coalition of Motorcyclists (V.C.O.M.)

## U.S. Attorney's Office **Appeals Ban On Biker Attire In Court**

The U.S. attorney's office has appealed a judge's ruling that bars biker attire in a Salt Lake City courtroom. In May, a magistrate judge ordered that motorcycle gear especially that worn by the members of Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.) - not be worn in court proceedings for a child sex abuse case currently in federal court.

Members of B.A. C.A. often show up in courtrooms when child abuse suspects are on trial to show support for the victims, and U.S. attorney Paul Warner says the order barring the motorcycle gear limits the first amendment rights of law-abiding citizens. Warner's office is hoping that the order will be reviewed, and overruled.

Last year, a judge in Provo barred B.A. C.A. clothing during a sex abuse case involving a child, saying the clothing and logos could influence the jury.





## **West Coast Choppers Gear Banned From California Schools**

The iron cross, a recognizable are safer on the roads by requiring that symbol of Nazi Germany, has become a popular design with skateboard companies such as No Fear and biker clothing manufacturers like Jesse James' West Coast Choppers. But school officials in southern California have banned the symbol and recently mailed over 13,000 letters to parents of children in the Simi Valley Unified School District to inform them of their decision to bar clothing and jewelry depicting the symbol they say is being used by believers of "white power" movements to identify themselves.

School officials said that the step was recommended by the police department, which considers the iron cross a gang symbol, and was taken due to rumors of rising tensions on campus which they fear could lead to violence.

## **Study Shows That Helmets Slow Reactions**

Cricket helmets may slow the brain, according to a new study from the U.K. Keeping a cool head may have real advantages for batsmen at the crease, according to new research among cricketers that found a measurable improvement in reaction times and vigilance when players did not wear protective helmets. Researchers believe that the difference in performance may be linked to an overheating of the brain in players batting in helmets - possibly similar to the effects on people over-using

mobile phones.

Dr. Nick Neave, of the human cognitive neuroscience unit at Northumbria University, Newcastle upon Tyne, said his study showed that "in young adults, in a mild climate, some aspects of cognition are affected by wearing a non-vented protective helmet following exercise."

Dr. Neave told the annual conference of the *British Psychological Society* in London that his team tested 16 cricketers, aged 13 to 17, who were members of *Durham County Cricket Club*. The boys – half wearing standard helmets – batted in the nets with a bowling machine and underwent a computer test for mental abilities, including vigilance, reaction times and attentiveness.

The study showed that getting hot alone had no effect on the physical abilities of the young cricketers or on their mental abilities to perform very simple mental tasks.

But when they were asked to perform more complex tasks, involving making choices, their reaction times fell. One measurement showed a 16 millisecond deficit in helmet-wearing boys.

Dr. Neave and his colleagues now want to test their results with adult cricketers to see if experience overrides the slight detrimental effect of wearing a helmet.

## Not Your Typical Reality Show

Bravo has announced that actors and friends Ewan McGregor and Charley Boorman will star in and co-produce Long Way Round, a new reality series chronicling the duo's four-month long transcontinental motorcycling

journey.

The two left from London in late April after taking survival training, first aid, nutrition, bike maintenance and linguistics classes, and plan to arrive at their final destination of New York City by the end of July. Their trip takes them over 20,000 miles, circumnavigating the longest continuous landmass on earth, through the Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, China, Siberia, Alaska and Canada before arriving in the United States. They will live off the land and out of a tent, encountering hardships along the way, including cultural and language barriers.

"We live in such a comfortable and easy time that it doesn't do yourself any harm to go and test yourselves and survive with just the bare essentials," said McGregor, who is best known for his movie roles in *Moulin Rouge*, *Trainspotting*, the *Star Wars* trilogy and more recently starred in the *Golden Globe* nominated film *Big Fish*.

Boorman, the son of famed Hollywood director John Boorman (*Hope and Glory*, *Deliverance*), is also a movie veteran with a multitude of supporting screen credits including

Deliverance, Excalibur, The Serpent's Kiss, The Emerald Forrest and many more.

In fact, the two adventurers first met eight years ago on the set of *The Serpent's Kiss*, where they discovered their mutual passion for motorcycling.

The six-episode series will air later this year.

# Weird News: Near-Death Experiences

A Romanian man says he's "had enough" after being run over for the seventh time since 1987; four times by a car, once by a motorcycle, once

by a bus and once by a train. Nicolae Tabacu, 44, from Valea Mare, Arges county, Australia, has now broken every limb except for his right hand.

He was run over by a police car in his most recent accident, which put him in the hospital with a broken leg. "I was only 10 meters from my house when I had this last accident."

# Free Motorcycles On The Web

Yamaha Motorcycles is invoking the ancient art of origami, Japanese paperfolding, to lure bored bikers to their website, www.yamaha-motor.com, to download directions for numerous paper models of their most popular bikes. Click on the global links page that has a category for entertainment, then go to the papercrafts links.

## **Quotable Quote**

"Politics is supposed to be the second-oldest profession. I have come to realize that it bears a very close resemblance to the first."

Ronald Reagan (1911-2004)

40th president of the UnitedStates

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#### From The . . .

# **GUNNY'S SACK**

I've returned again from one of the most informative biker conferences, ever. These things just get better each year. This was the 19th Annual Convention of N.C.O.M. (National Coalition Of Motorcyclists) and of A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists). It was in Oklahoma City. Next year, near Cincinnati, by the way.

I have to tell you brothers and sisters, helmet laws are the least of our worries. Besides, *N.H.T.S.A.* (that's the federal agency, the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*) will do what they want, anyway. They are still bypassing laws that prohibit them from lobbying in the states to put lids on our heads! Point is, these days there are far more serious enemies out there today that many of us discount out of hand.

At this year's N.C.O.M., there was a great deal of conversation again - and seminars, too - about the U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act.

As invasive of civil rights as this act is, some of our elected people think it isn't strong enough, so they propose to strengthen it with another act, to prosecute what they define as "street gangs."

This law, as I read it, can make virtually any citizen a potential criminal. It's all in the interpretation. The bill, S. 2358, is sponsored by senators Durbin (the author), Leahy, Feingold, and Kennedy.

Please, if you value your freedom to assemble with friends, read up on this, and get in touch with your senators and congressmen people. Plead with them to vote *no* on this latest attempt to destroy our way of life and our constitution. This law in theory, is about street gangs, but with just three or more people "involved" in some prohibited activity, the powers granted to the state are far beyond what we would normally tolerate as law, even to safeguard this nation.

Motorcyclists have already been arrested under the existing anti-terror laws. Don't think this new one won't do the same. Motorcycle clubs in particular, could be targets.

As I said, lid laws are the least of our worries.

The current "anti-terror" laws allow the police to "sneak and peek" into our homes, without your knowledge, and often, without warrants. That *might* be okay, if it were used *just* against terrorists, but it isn't.

When government can literally walk into our homes without a warrant and no more than a suspicion that you might be a gang member, something is terribly wrong. This is how the anti-terror laws can work.

One more example: if the government suspects you have associated with a group of three or more people, and *one* of them had committed a crime at some time, this can invoke provisions of the law. Sort of like the R.I.C.O. laws, but even worse.

Our constitution is being unraveled like a roll of toilet paper. This country is being duped by unscrupulous people who are bent on demolishing the freedoms guaranteed to every soul in this country. Am I scared? You bet I am. I don't want to leave this earth knowing my offspring will live in a slave society.

To do list: In a strategy session back in Oklahoma City, at the *N.C.O.M.* conference, we discussed ways of influencing our elected officials, who have been misled over the years by both the people pushing these anti-freedom laws, and by anti-biker safetycrats: We should make friends with as many lawmakers as possible, get them useful info, and never lie to them.

The one thing we can't do is lose whatever regard they may still have for us. If we don't know the answer to their question, tell the truth, and if you have



to research an answer, when you have something to say, get back to them. Follow-up makes tons of points. There were at least two or three sessions at *N.C.O.M.* that were on legislative issues affecting bikers. There was also another "Mock Legislative Session," to help train more bikers to learn how to *change law!* 

*Oregon* – On to our spring opener of the riding season, the *Fossil Run*. Held in eastern Oregon, this is the first run of the season, and the premier run of *A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon*.

This year, we had weather surprises, as usual, and it affected attendance and made the run smaller than usual. It rained like I've never seen there. Saw hail as big as pencil erasers on Friday. Saturday and Sunday were sunny, although it was chilly enough for me to burn up a five gallon tank of propane to be comfortable in the evenings and early mornings.

We saw more food vendors and a lot of our old favorites too. Like *Lefty's*. Always good chow there. *Backyard Barbecue* was there again as was the *Elephant Ear*. (Love those things.) *Cascade Traders* had blankets and wool ponchos that sold like hotcakes, as well as knives and jewelry. Lots of leather vendors with really good stuff at reasonable prices and all kinds of other stuff to spend your money on. Always a great run and a good start of the riding season in Oregon.

#### **News Bits-N-Pieces**

Florida – When the lid law was relaxed here, guess what? The economy jumped! In the two years following the law change there was an upswing in motorcycle sales that topped 100,000. This resulted in a billion dollars in revenue, understanding that the estimate is based on the average value of a new bike of \$10,000. The sales tax alone raised in excess of \$60,000,000.

Registration fees brought another \$3,610,000 to the state treasury. Change of title costs brought another \$2,975,000 into the treasury. Tell me bikers don't spend money.

These figures were compiled by "Doc" Reichenbach, who is both the *Florida A.B.A.T.E.* chair, and the chairman of *N.C.O.M.* as well. The figures come from Florida's *Licensing Bureau* and the *Department of Highway Safety*. Ridership has increased by 50%!

I don't know about you folks, but I'm tellin' ya, we have to get after our states to do something about the revenues they have to work with. I'm thinkin' if we could raise just half that money here in Oregon and earmark a portion of those funds to our schools we would soon be back on track.

If any of you can use the information about Florida's revenue from the motorcycle world get in touch with Florida's *A.B.A.T.E.* on line at: abatefl@worldnet.att.net .They will be happy to help you anyway they can.

*Denver, Colorado* – Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell is under investigation for allegedly lobbying to try to win a \$1 million no-bid contract for a software company with ties to his longtime supporters. This, reported by the *Denver Post*.

Campbell, citing an ongoing U.S. justice department investigation of his office, wouldn't comment on why he intervened on behalf of Oregon-based *Thinkstream*.

His office said the probe centers on whether his former chief of staff Ginnie Kontnik improperly tried to help the company win the contract, and whether she inflated another staffer's salary in exchange for a \$2,000 payment. Kontnik resigned in February and has denied wrongdoing.

Seems funny to me that he would be attacked just on the eve of his departure from congress for retirement. So who's chasing him?

Washington, D.C. – Members of the Rolling Thunder motorcycling group rolled on up the white house driveway recently. President Bush took 10 bikers in jeans and leathers for an oval office tour. The group honors our vets and supports the M.I.A./P.O.W. issues.

Kansas – From the Wichita Eagle comes a story how Kansans are looking at motorcycles and buses to beat the gas crunch. We've long know that the motorcycle is the best alterative to the gas guzzling S.U.V.'s and cars in general. With gas prices soaring well over the \$2 mark, small bikes are selling like crazy in Kansas.

Dearborn, Michigan – Triple-A is on the helmet bandwagon again. The A.A.A. says repeal of helmet laws will cause more rider deaths and injuries. As if helmets themselves don't cause rider injuries and deaths. What A.A.A. doesn't know is that these increases are proportionate to the increase in ridership, which also increases further, by the way, when there's suddenly no lid law! So who are they trying to kid?

Richard J. Miller is a safety manager fairly high up in *A.A.A.*. He said that "it is well established that motorcycle helmets decrease the severity of injury, the likelihood of death and the overall cost of medical care."

I'll tell you where they get this stuff: It's more bad stats and disinformation from *N.H.T.S.A..*, the people who are always marching to the same tune: If you don't wear a helmet yur gonna die or be seriously injured and someone else is gonna pay the bill. I'm gittin' real sick of hearing that hogwash.

#### **Gunny Again**

Well, I've mouthed off enough for this month. So I'll close with the reminder that the motorcycle world is served and protected by our lawyers who ride, from *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*, or *A.I.M.*, through Richard M. Lester, who in turn is the founder of *N.C.O.M.*.

Those A.I.M. attorneys recycle some

of those attorney fees from bike accidents and are the sole support of *N.C.O.M.*, to the tune of several hundred thousand dollars a year.

If you should be unlucky enough to have an accident, call 1-800-ON-A-BIKE, or go to

www.AIMNCOM.com, and get in touch with an *A.I.M.* attorney. They will always give ya' at least a free consultation.

Our Oregon *A.I.M.* lawyer, Sam Hochberg, is always telling folks that if you go down, whatever you do, *don't talk* to the other guy's insurance people. No statements, no nothing at all, no matter how much "in the right" you are, until you've had at least a consultation with a personal injury lawyer.

I tell ya, if you don't listen to *that* advice, you're liable to get hit *twice*: Once in the wreck, and again by those insurance dudes. Just say *no*.

Questions? In Oregon, call Sam at (503)-224-1106

or if you're a computeroid, e-mail the man at:

SamBikeLaw@aol.com .

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny Chief of Staff Oregon A.I.M.

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Oregon A.B.A.T.E.

Does O.P.B.

On 13 June 2004, far-ranging members from A.B.A. T.E. of Oregon once again descended on the Oregon Public Broadcasting studios in Portland to continue breaking down Hollywood biker stereotypes by participating in a pledge drive.

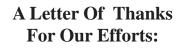
Peter Yarrow of *Peter, Paul, and Mary* fame joined the studio volunteers in fund-raising for *O.P.B.* Working tirelessly, Peter spoke to dozens of fans who phoned in to pledge support.

A.B.A.T.E. members who made the trek were: Michelle Fitzhenry, Morris Lipchitz, Marty Soehrman, Dan Aldridge (who drove in from and back to Newport), and Rot Path.



Thank you, everyone, for casting *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* in such a statewide favorable light.

(And remember not to let anyone else know about this so there'll be even more smoked salmon for us next time.)



Thank you for volunteering with Oregon Public Broadcasting during our June TV drive. Your outstanding efforts contributed to the success of this drive and you are truly appreciated!

Holly and Carolyn O.P.B. volunteer resources (503)-293-1907 volunteer@opb.org



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#### Of Freedom And Speech

And Liberty and Survival c.o.e. -- 30



Rot Path (c.o.e.)

For principles of individual liberty to work effectively in a population, ideas must be free to flow between its members.

The concept for free speech is that unpopular views deserve as much public expression as popular ones. Freedom of dissent is an aspect of freedom of speech. Without this basic liberty, our voices would not be heard at the state capitol concerning motorcycling issues.

There are large heavily financed groups who are diametrically opposed to some of our views. If not for the constitutional provisions of free speech, our voices would be silenced because more powerful groups disagree with us.

By being aware of all views on any given subject voters and legislators can make informed decisions about candidates and issues, and fair-minded public officials can act in the best interest of all concerned parties. Compromise doesn't have to mean giving up desires but rather reexamining what is needed.

Being a member of any kind of democratic organization doesn't have to mean always getting your own way. Majority rule tends to leave out dissenting minorities. Fairness for all often means looking beyond what the majority *wants* in order to ensure that minorities receive what they *need*.

Government for and by a people should be inclusive of all, not exclusive of minority views.

And motorcyclists continue to be a minority.

Our success in dealing with people outside our group is directly proportional to how well we deal with each other within the group.

Genuine respect within and without our group will have more long-term success than helmet burning on the capitol steps.

Our culture has moved to a different form of basic survival, unlike the hunting/gathering group practices of our origins.

Human physical survival requires breathable air, warmth, shelter, water, and food. Remove any one of these items and humans will eventually die.

Tribal humans learn to be totally self-sufficient for individual survival when away from their communities, living within the world community of life

In the most pervasive human culture on the earth today, human survival depends not on individual's interaction with the world but on government and private business:

- Government attempts to regulate pollution so that air is breathable.
- Electric and natural gas companies or public utilities provide warmth in return for which individuals spend time away from their families and friends to earn bits of coloured paper to pay for comfort.
- Developers construct "cookie cutter" apartments and houses that they wouldn't live in so that others can

toil even more in order to have shelter.

- Processed municipal water treated with traces of industrial poison is required for all domiciles within towns ands cities.
- Food of dubious nutritional value and increasing genetic modification is mostly purchased at grocery stores, fast food franchises, or restaurants.

People of the present dominant world culture are often totally dependent on institutions for their individual survival. Which makes them vulnerable to corporate greed and terrorist disruptions.

Even our supposedly "free" motorcycling lifestyle is totally dependent on smooth roads or offroad areas, availability of fossil-based fuels and lubricants, and access to replacement parts. Remove any one of these items and we no longer have our "freedom".

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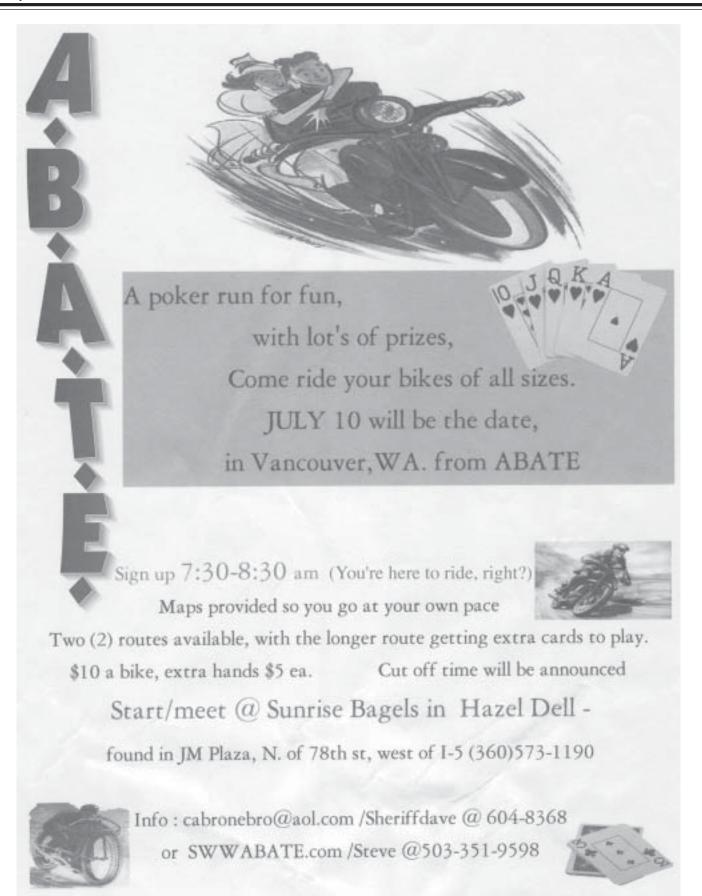


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## July 2004

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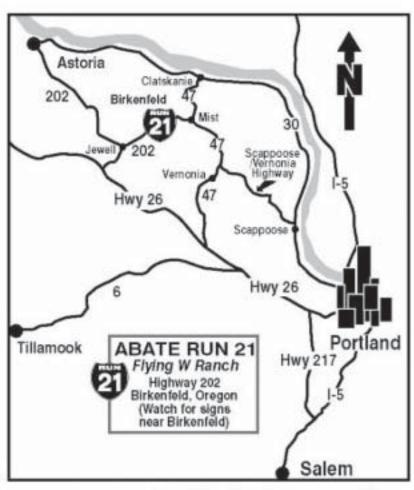
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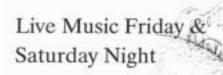


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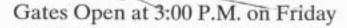
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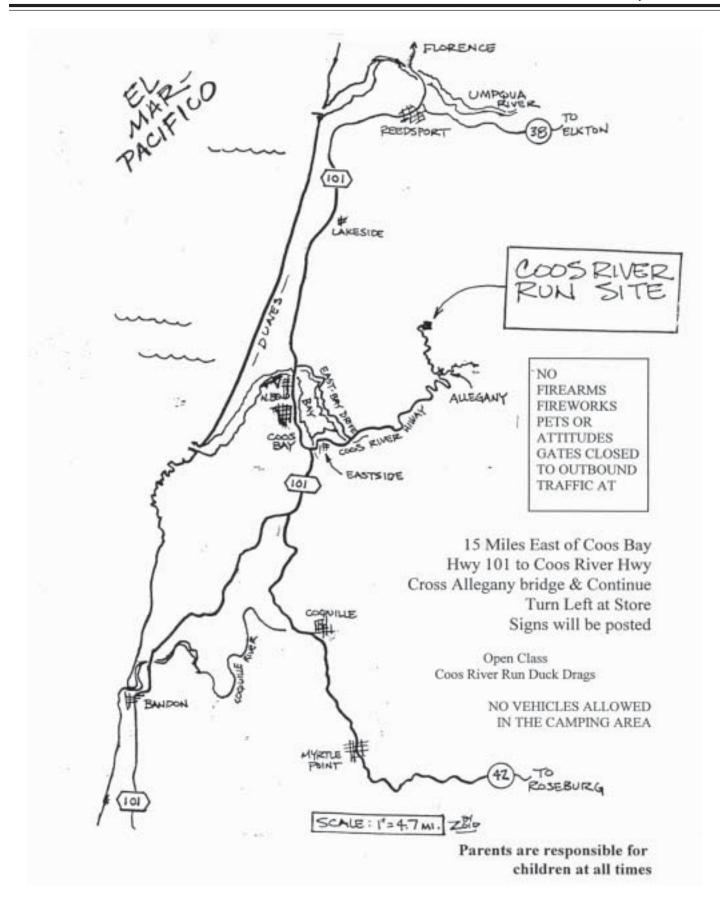
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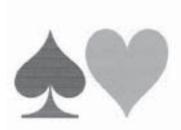
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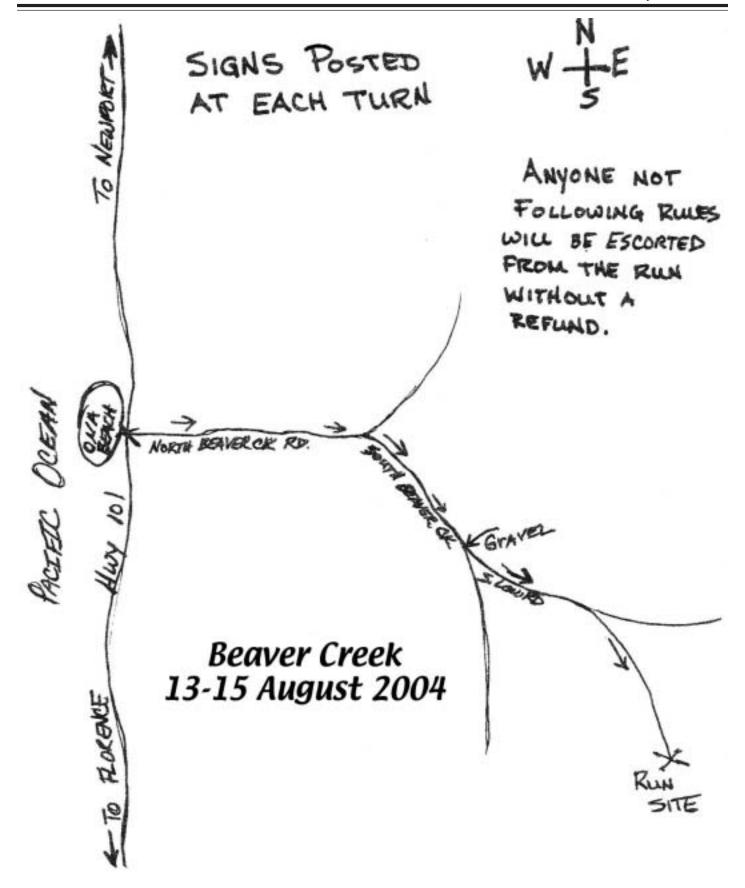
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Door Prizes 50/50 Drawing Food & Drink Specials

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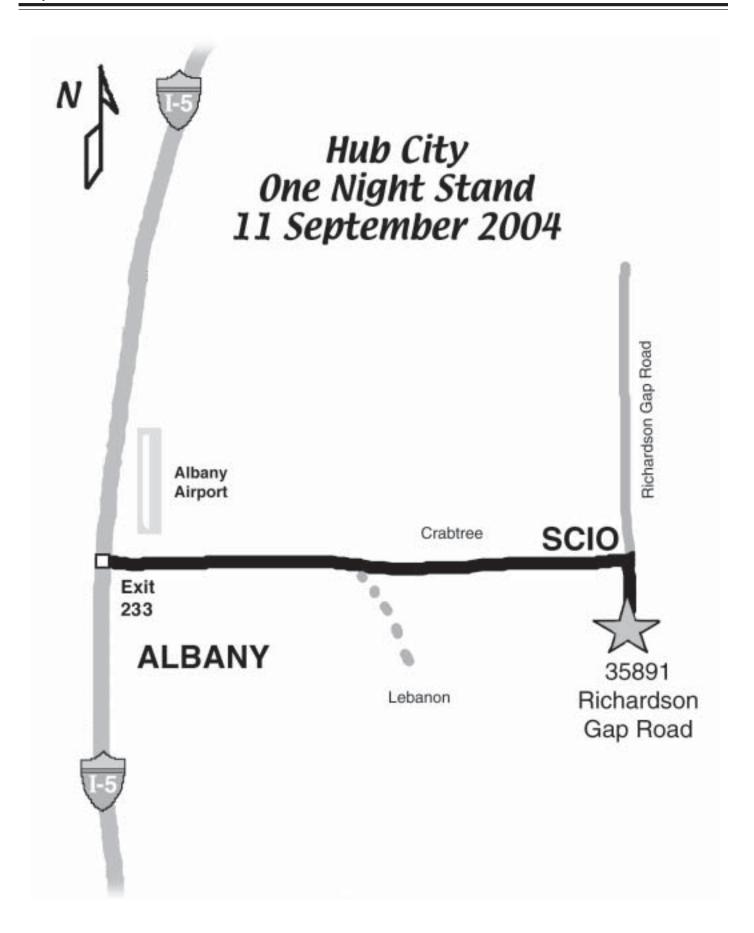
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#### Millenium Ride

"Don't shoot until you see the whites of their eyes," was the warning to 100 British soldiers desperately fighting off an attack by 4,000 Zulu warriors. Fresh from a massive victory against British forces a few miles away they came. The young warriors, eager to wash their spears in blood to win the right to marry, deflected bullets by tilting their hardened cow skin shields. The British heard the Zulu war chant behind an adjacent hill. The Zulu prince appeared on the skyline and he cried out. The hill turned black with bodies and so started the twelve hour marathon of bravery on both sides.

It was 22 January 1879 at Rorkes Drift in present day South Africa. The small force was guarding a massive supply depot and a hospital. It was the first day of fighting after King Cetshwayo ignored the British ultimatum to disband his expanding Zulu army.

The hospital falls to the attackers. Smashing through internal mud walls patients and soldiers beat a fighting retreat through the building. A daredevil rescue through dead man's land of spears and bullets brings them to the makeshift fortress of corn meal sacks and biscuit boxes. It is hell. Black bodies pile up four deep. The Martini Henry rifles in nonstop use burn hands. The Zulu retreat left the British with just 600 rounds of ammunition from an initial 20,000. Eleven Victoria Cross medals were awarded by Britain, the most for any one battle. The same if not more would have been won by the Zulus.

A group of fifteen tourists were sat

listening to the battle being recounted by David Rattray in the shade of the church built on the site of the former store house. David, internationally known for his battlefield tours and winner of the Royal Geographical Society Ness Award in 1999, invited me to join the tour.

I spend a few nights at his palacial disgracefully". (www.fugitives-drift**lodge.com**) and experience the battles through David's life breathing enactments. It was my great great uncle who served with the Ninth Lancers and died at Rorkes Drift, according to family history, which brought me to this place. The IXL ranch in Wyoming, U.S.A. was named after him.

David consulted his library and told me that there was no Milward at Rorkes Drift and the Ninth Lancers were never here! Sorry Milwards.

I left Argentina with a farewell to the many friends I had made, in particular Jeremias Cifarelli who had me as a house guest a lot longer than he bargained for! I will wait for you in Europe, Jeremias. US\$900 all in got me to Capetown with Malaysia *Airlines*, at about half price, and South Africa customs waived all import charges.

South Africa has eleven official languages, one of which is English, another Afrikaans and the rest are indigenous languages. For the next few months at least I shall be in countries where English is well understood.

I spend a week in Capetown, at a for backpacker's in Long Street then with immunization and by police and the



Simon Milward

*Ulysses Motorcycle Club*. They are over 40 year old riders "growing old

We organize a hasty presentation for the group at a motorcycle clubhouse, they take me for a ride round the cape and help with a few bike preparations. Someone told me my bike is looking tired, but not as much as me after my walk down Table Mountain! I think my bike will make it home, after all there is only the length of Africa to

I don't know about my teeth though. I plugged a gap left by a filling which fell out with epoxy glue, feeling unable to face a dentist at this moment.

I ride up the beautiful Garden Route on the Indian Ocean coast and stop in East London to meet the Ulysses chapter where I stay with Rodney Hiles. He cracked a shoulder bone by falling off at a race day, where I rode a lap of the Grand Prix circuit. It was a good test for new shock absorbers and cush drive plate, sorted out by the Terrence and his workshop at *Ranger*.

The Ranger

#### (www.rangerlifecycle.com)

is a motorcycle and sidecar outfit available in several forms. It can be used by development workers as an ambulance, a media and education unit, for a range of agricultural jobs, medical outreach Greg Perkins and family who runs the fire service. Local government has just ordered a batch of twenty units.

Further inland I visit the small country of Losotho, the Kingdom in the Sky. The Basothos are much more confident than the blacks in South Africa, probably because they never lived under the apartheid system. Thaba Bosiu (Mountain of the Night), is where Chief Moshoeshoe fended off attacks by Zulus and whites from 1824. There are substantial remains of the King's dwellings and the royal cemetery of Lesotho. The views from here extend far and wide and I chat with a two visiting bishops.

Later I ride past the *Highlands Water Project* which supplies much of South Africa and Lesotho with water and cross the middle of the country, the mountain passes reminding me of remote Peru. I ride down Sani Pass back to South Africa just before the border is closed.

I have to ride up and down again, and up and down once more. Not just for fun, but to retrieve my gel seat cover, which has been very dear to me since the U.S.A.

I fall off to avoid a collision with a slow moving minibus full of buddhist monks. With passport already stamped I manage to get through the two locked gates and accept a night of hospitality from the posh from *Sani Pass Hotel*.

Democracy is only ten years old following the demise of apartheid, under which racist beliefs were enshrined in law for 50 years.

I feel the buzz.

There is a newness and expectancy among the blacks. The people, both blacks and whites, have great respect for Nelson Mandela. I stood in his cell on Robben Island, a few kilometers offshore at Capetown, where he was incarcerated for 18 years.

Many whites say they wish the change had come 20 years earlier. Few have expressed open racism.

Whites are now unemployable in the traditional sense and have become self employed.

Thousands upon thousands of blacks still live in shanty towns and although government is building economic housing, the housing situation still appears very severe.

I wrote to Mandela's foundation but he was too busy to meet me!

Crime is the number one complaint of South Africans.

Of course it comes from poverty. Poverty also breeds H.I.V./A.I.D.S., with women turning to commercial sex after husbands die of the disease.

Swaziland, where I am e-mailing from, is now the world leader in A.I.D.S. cases.

Swaziland, the smallest country in the southern hemisphere, is proud of maintaining their ancient customs and culture. It managed to win back full independence after fending off Zulu attacks, shrewdly siding with the British and not the Boers, the white South Africans, nor the Portuguese in nearby Mozambique.

Africa is animals.

I've seen hippos, giraffes, and zebras. One night at a campsite near the beach the ground was moving with mini crabs or some other creepy crawly.

Flip flops are not the thing for Africa, obviously.

I have had biting snakes in my arms and a cobra with head turned up ready to spit venom stopped our little convoy at Rorkes Drift. African music is very rhythmic with a beautiful soft beat.

We all came from Africans originally, and I feel mother Africa is opening up her arms to welcome me on my final continent.

Morocco, here we come.

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#### Future Bike (chap

(chapter 1) by R. O'Toole

"What was it like being just a woman, knuck?" asks shel, all tactless innocence as usual.

Yellow sparks flash up from old memories. If I had a body, my back would be shivering now.

"Would you clarify the phrase 'just a woman'?"

Shel tries to consider the question from a different angle, not easy for people who aren't encouraged to think for themselves. I regard it as one of my tasks to help shel break out of that mindset.

Swiveling an external optic sensor up to study shel's face I notice that the usually smooth forehead actually has a small frown line between where eyebrows would be. The delicate mouth under the thin moustache opens.

"I'm trying to understand what it must be like to be an exclusive gender."

"Ahh..."

The yellow sparks fade back into gently undulating blue patterns.

"Aren't you content being a natural hermaphrodite, shel?"

Blinking, shel stops hand-polishing my fairings and looking me right in the optic states "I'm quite happy with the way i am."

Pushing up from a squatting position with a deep contented sigh, shel closes her eyes and begins a relaxing body stretch, arms extending upward

I go to wide angle and zoom to take in shel's taunt rainbow form, noting once again how the cleverly-designed body tattoo winds around her masculine legs and thighs to incorporate the shared male and female genitalia into its pattern, continuing up across the flat belly to the chest with its small breasts covered in downy red-orange hair. The colourful pattern snakes around shel's well-muscled arms to his skillful hands. Those powerful arms and legs are somewhat of a contrast to the slender feminine torso.

I suppose people of early times would have been repulsed by the sharing of gender characteristics in a single body. Probably anyone prior to 100 space era.

Shel begins relaxing from her stretch, loosely flopping himself forward across my seat, wild redorange hair falling forward as her body forms an inverted U over me.

"I'm the me i'm supposed to be," he sighs onto my unused exhaust pipes. Shel is envoking a sense of dark blue calmness in me, sliding toward purple.

I can't tolerate this peacefulness.

Sticking a soft pleasure probe up from my seat, I tickle her tummy."Hey!"

I feel orange delight in surprising shel.

Shel can move quickly when the demand is there.

I'm quicker when I want to be.

Shel has the probe held softly but firmly before I completely retract it. Of course I could easily pull it away if I wanted to. Instead I activate its sensory inputs. I'm shading from orange to salmon. Shel swings his leg over my seat to straddle me, still maintaining her grip. Shel's fingers, while short, are slender and sensual. I expect he will begin playing with my probe as a soft pinkness begins to envelop me.

"Were you ever a man, knuck?"

What is shel talking about? Why is shel talking about anything? My soothing pink breaks up into disjointed random colours.

"No, I never had a male body. Why do you ask?"

"Well, why do you have this then?" shel asks, fingering my probe.

I am slightly confused. I should be feeling pleasure from shel's actions, yet his questions seem contrary to her actions. The trouble with teaching people to think for themselves is that they often do.

"The probe, like the other fixtures in that area of my seat, are to provide myself and whoever rides me with additional pleasure. *You* are well aware of that, shel."

"Yes i am," she admits. I sense him wavering, considering how intense our fun together has been.

"But i really want to know what you used to feel when you were a woman only." Shel's hereditary green and white eyes stare into my optic device. This new-found resolve in shel can be disconcerting — and dangerous.

"Let me think about this," I mumble through the audio projection unit, trying to access disjointed memories long disused.

"You can't remember?" asks shel, incredulous that anyone older than her can't recall events instantly. "You've forgotten what it was like to be a woman?"

I feel myself moving from calm colours to shades tinged with red.

"Shel, I was born several of your generations ago." (Has it been that long?) "I haven't had a body in almost 150 years." (This melding of organic and metal doesn't count.) "My mind is. It doesn't have gender."

It's true. I can no longer think of myself in terms of female or male. They now seem so totally irrelevant to my life. I am pure intellect. I exist without gender assignment.

"But do you remember?" prods shel gently.

I shield my optic sensor, removing external distractions.

Yes, I remember. I feel my uniform, tight across my chest, belt heavy on my hips, when it was honorable to be a police person.

I remember myself out of uniform, being me, being voluntarily nude on California beaches, how wonderful it was. I think of the public now, *forced* to be naked for the safety of society.

Put that thought aside. That's not what I'm supposed to be thinking about.

What was it like when I was a woman, when I had a female body of my own?

Colours are confused in my mind. I try to bridge old synapse patterns. So many connections were scrambled when scientists tried a crude mind wipe in order to use my brain for an organic computer memory unit.

Here is an area with a program written to it. Just beyond it is something else, a thread of old memory. I access it. It leads me to another grouping of old memories. I relate them to others I've found deep within my brain.

The patterns at last jump into clarity for me.

Ups and downs.

I remember that.

My menstrual cycle too. That never-ending monthly swinging of mind and body between extremes. And men who had no idea what it was like. They just liked it when I wasn't messy or moody.

Yellow arrows and circles!

Now I remember so much.

I snap my optic sensor open. There is a red wash over everything I look at.

Zooming in on shel's pelvic region, I see "it". Too short to be a penis, too big to be a clitoris.

I can't be mad at shel for being born the way she was. He had no choice in the matter. The first century of space era was barely half over before the prebirth transition to males was becoming incomplete.

My reds move toward pastels.

"Knuck? Are you alright?"

Knuck?

Red colours resurge.

What kind of name is that for a person?

They refer to me by how the engine is set up on the bike I'm trapped in.

I'm a person.

I had a real name.

It was capitalized.

What was it?

My colours are again confused.

"What's wrong?" shel implores me.

She always seems to sense my distress, my every mood, just as I've begun to sense his. I don't want to vocalize just now but I must. I have to reassure her.

"I'm remembering what I was — I can't remember *who* I was."

Shel releases my probe. She's leaning forward to sprawl over my tank, his arms enveloping my front wheel while those muscular legs wrap around my rear wheel.

I feel encompassed.

My colours begin cooling.

"I wish I could ride you to the run," shel whispers into my instrument cluster.

I wish she could too.

It's enough that shel's number came up in the rider's lottery. He'll be able to wear body armor when she rides me on the last preserved blacktop in the Santa Cruz Mountains. It's not often that any member of the public gets to wear a garment now days.

Yellow flicks across my being.

I'm apprehensive of this chance to ride unfettered on pavement. Poor shel doesn't realize that I'm a renegade.

I've guided three generations of her family members through the decline of American civilization. WorldCorp and the Protectors want nothing more than to find me and flashburn my organic brain. I'm beginning to remember too much they want forgotten.

It was only a matter of statistics that eventually shel would get picked by the lottery. There aren't *that* many classic motorcycles left in this world.

What am I going to do?

Orange and greens confuse themselves in my mind.

Fake a malfunction?

Shel would be so sad to miss the run tomorrow. And if the Protectors think my fusion generator is faulty I'll be sent to a WorldCorp maintenance facility where I'll be discovered.

Should I try to make a run for the North American central desert?

I can easily disable the tracers implanted in my fairings.

That wouldn't work.

A riderless bike would draw too much attention, even if I were to stay under 300 kph.

Besides, how can I get out of the rider's compound?

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#### Future Bike

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I'm trapped. All for the sake of new tires.

Shel is sitting up now.

"Knuck, I don't know why you're being so quiet. Are you trying to remember again?"

"No, shel, I have remembered. Now I'm thinking."

"Well, i know your nutrition and filter unit means you never have to sleep but i do. Good night, knuck."

Shel kisses one of my optic sensors. Now he's beginning to get off me. I'm all orange and yellow confusion. This may be my last night of awareness, my last chance to be with anyone.

"Shel wait. Please sit back down."

She is hesitating. I sense he wants to rest before the run.

"Shel, we don't know what will happen tomorrow."

I'm such a liar. I'm pretty sure what will occur.

"What could happen, knuck? The safety force fields will be in place all along the road. Your levitators will keep your old tires just off the pavement. Why are you so worried?"

"Just a feeling."

"Well, maybe you should slow your filter down so you can rest. I'm off."

"Shel? Please be with me now, for just a little while."

I extend my probe suggestively while opening my receptor enough to accommodate him.

Her face is reflecting a minor inner conflict as she studies what I'm offering. She begins to move.

"Decrease the illumination, will you knuck?"

She is lowering herself to me. I comply with her request. I'm trying to force the swirling colours in my mind toward warmer pastel shades.

As shel envelopes me, I'm activating my sensor's for touch, smell, and taste to maximum.

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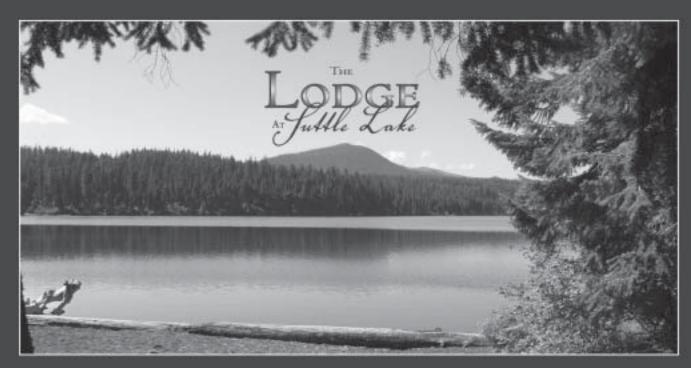
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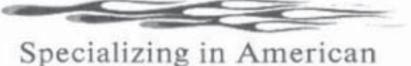
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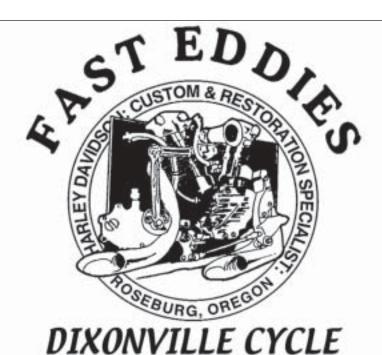
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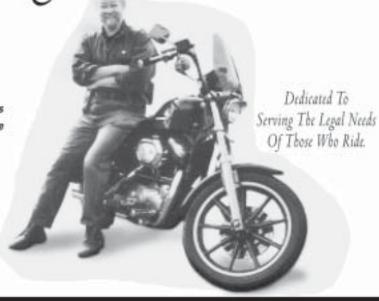
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#### A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST

	PART				
TY.	NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL	
	AYP2	Year Pin - 2 yr. member - blue	3.00		
	AYP3	Year Pin - 3 yr. member - white			
	AYP4	Year Pin - 4 yr. member - red/black			- The same of the
	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		4500
	AYP8	Year Pin - 8 yr. member - dark blue	3.00		GRATE
	AYP9	Year Pin - 9 yr. member - yellow	3.00		
	AYP10	Year Pin - 10 yr. member - red/white/blu	ıe 3.00		
	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black	3.00		YEAR PIN
	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red			
	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black			
	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red			
	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black			ABATE
	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black			The state of the s
	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black			
	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/go			585
	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold .			New!
	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blu			Long-sleeved black shirt with A.B.A.T.E. logo \$4
	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold	5.00		
	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver	5.00		refe
	AEPIS	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver	5.00		THE PARTY OF THE P
	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold	5.00		S. William
	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver	5.00		
	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold			ABATE PINS
		ABATE Supporter Pin			ABATE
		ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color			
		ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold			
		ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color			THE RESERVE TO THE PERSON OF T
	AFP	Fossil Pin			
	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white			
	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats			
	CW	Screw The Helmet pin			MISCELLANEOUS
	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts	15.00		
	7411110	Long sleeve T-shirts			
Sm <sub>.</sub>	Med	Lg X-Lg 2X	= 0.00		ABATE T-SHIRTS
	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts	25.00		Chapter Logo setup fee with each order = \$15.00
Sm_	Med_	Lg X-Lg 2X			(One time charge)
		Polo shirts			
		Ladies V-neck shirts			
		Ladies crew neck shirts	20.00		

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.

	PART					
QTY.	NO.	DESCRIPTION		PRICE	TOTAL	
	AWS-L	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/	red (left side)	3.00		
	AWS-R	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/				Dr. a State
	AFRS	ABATE Freedom Of The Roa	ad Sticker - large, insid	le, 5 color 5.00		DECIDE
	AMS	ABATE #1 Membership Stick	ker - large, 5 color	3.00		
	HLS	HELMET LAWS SUCK Stick	er - small	1.00		<b>STICKERS</b>
	LTWRD	LET THOSE WHO RIDE DE	CIDE Sticker - small	1.00		
	ACWS	Warning Sticker: "This Bike I				
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	HLSB	HELMET LAWS SUCK Bum	per Stickers	3.00		PIPES III
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	AEP-L	Straight Wing Eagle pin				
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	FAB	Free America Pin				The second second
	EAP	Eagle Pin				
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	-	Vice-Coordinator				P.R. OFFICER
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	=	Treasurer				
	•					<b>OFFICER</b>
		Historian				ROCKERS
		Legislator				
		Educational Director				( special
	-	Ways & Means Director				order
	Chapter	Sergeant-At-Arms		5.00		items )
	Chapter	Public Relations Director		5.00		PRODUCTS DIRECTOR
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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: \_\_\_\_ STATE: MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? (YES) (NO) WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED? DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm LOCATION: ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY\_\_\_\_ OFFICER NAME: PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) CITATION? (YES) (NO) IF SO FOR: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_ am/pm CITE # 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)** 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 quilty, what was the sentence? FINE:\$ 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 \_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_ When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES Label permanently fastened inside? (YES) (NO) Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe:

#### **Member's Classified Advertisements**

#### For Sale

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1979 *YamahaSpecial 650*. **\$1,495** or best offer. **(503)-667-3312** Jimmy Bear (July 2004)

Two14"studded snow tires mounted on Ford five-hole wheels. Great on snow and ice. Like new condition, slightly used, really nice, lots of rubber and lots of studs. \$60 or best offer. (503)-257-7390 (June 2004)

1971 *XLCH Sportster*. Custom paint. Fully restored, ready to ride. **\$3,300** (**541**)-**836-7064 or** (**541**)-**914-9973** (July 2004)

1972 Harley-Davidson XLCH Sportster 1000 basket, extra parts, extra front end, kick-start with starter kit. Comes with service manual and parts catalog.. \$2,500 1978 Gold Wing (Basket) 750 4-cyclinder running engine. Complete bike minus gas tank and rear wheel. With title. \$400.

(**541**)-**680-1047** after 5 pm <sub>(Aug 2004)</sub>

1963 *Chevy impalla SS*. Baby blue, excellent condition. \$12,000 or best offer, consider partial trade for Harley.

Cricket (503)-547-8565 (July 2004)

1980 Susuki GS850L. **\$1,000** or consider trade.

Berry (503)-997-3558 (June 2004)

1975 Harley XLCH 1,000cc, kick-start only, original paint, stock bike, runs good. \$3,800

David (503)-876-3880 (Aug 2004)

1980 *XLCH 1,000*, dead battery, used to run, new 6" over tubes, new bottom sliders, new *S/S* carb, new generator. Needs some love and a little paint. As is **\$2,000**. Due to medical problems, I can no longer ride, so the bike has to go.

Carl Clauder (503)-618-6958 or nogoslim@yahoo.com

Cell phone (503)-349-9540 (Sept2004)

1993 883 Sportster, 8,700 miles, good condition.

\$5,000

(503)-285-4329 (Sept2004)

1975 Harley XLCH 1,000cc Kick start only, original paint, stock bike, runs good.

\$3,800

David (503)-876-3880 (Sept2004)

1965 Chevy pickup, short wide box, no motor or transmission. **\$800** or best offer.

(503)-285-4329 (Sept2004)

1979 *Corvette* 350 with T-top. White with red interior in good shape. New rebuild on engine. Electrical checked. New carpet and steering wheel.

Call Ron at (541)-924-3969 (Sept2004)

Various rock saws and tumblers, grinder and polisher, 14" saw. Call Ron for more information. (541)-924-3969 (Sept2004)

1983 class "A" motor home. Southwind by Fleetwood. 27 foot, 454 engine, automatic. Fully self-contained: 4000 Onan generator, roof air, dash air, microwave, propane and electric fridge. Sleeps six, pull-down bunk above driver, rear double bed. All new upholstry, awning, tow package, electric brake unit, all new tires, chrome wheel covers. Runs and drives great. \$9,750 or best offer. Frank harms

(541)-926-0333 (Sept2004)

Answer to May CRYPTOGRAM

Shared pain is lessened, Shared joy is increased.

— Spider Robinson

#### July Cryptogram

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- ENBZE GMWNII

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HOW CRYPTOGRAMS WORK: The idea here is that each letter in the cryptogram represents a letter of the alphabet. (
"Y" might equal "L" 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 skulldrudgery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

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Individual membership

Couple membership

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(Return address on reverse side)

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NEW ADDRESS:

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: ZIP CODE: STATE:

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SIGNATURE:

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

Total number of members: \_

Date paid:

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

	Membership Application
Name:	
Adress:	_
City: State:	Zip:
Phone: () E-mail: _	
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Annual Rates:	

\$20

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

Please send completed application to:

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

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PRESORTED STANDARD U.S. POSTAGE

#### **PAID**

PORTLAND, OREGON **PERMIT No. 638** 

### TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED DATED MATERIAL

There is nothing quite as patriotic,
As cheap imported flags made of plastic,
So be of misplaced cheer,
And have another beer,
Drunken flag wavers define "pathetic".

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#### **NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:**

Saturday, 10 July 2004 at Noon 7th and Kalmia Junction City, Oregon Don't forget . . .

The August state board meeting will be in Newport, Oregon at the hospital.

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> )	Black Horse Saloon; Bend
Columbia River	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	1230(12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Jubitz Truck Stop; 10310 N. Vancouver Ave.;
Portland			
Douglas County	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> ))	Round Table Pizza; Roseburg
Hub City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 Fifth Street; Albany
Josephine County	1st Thursday	$1800 (6^{pm})$	Abby's Pizza; 205 Beacon Drive; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7:00 <sup>pm</sup> )	American Legion Hall, 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4th Thusday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed	1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Round Table Pizza; 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> ; Portland
River City	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Lone Pine Restaurant;335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles
			( I-84 & US-197 )
Salem	4th Tuesday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Chalet Restaurant, Market Street, Salem
South Coast	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	$1100 (11^{am})$	Gino's Pizza; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	1200 (noon)	M/M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Abby's Pizza; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford
Washington County	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	Prime Time Sports Bar; 4202 Pacific Ave;
			Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	2 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Veteran's Memorial Building
			1626 Willamette Street; Eugene