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

What We're About

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

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

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

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to A.B.A.T.E. Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

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

-- Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

by Bill Bish

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

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State Coordinator's Comments



by Ed Vaughn

By now we are approaching the middle of May, the May awareness rally is past, and *Fossil* is coming up fast.

With a little luck the weather is cooperating and we are moving in to what should be a great riding season. So if you haven't done it yet, check your oil, brakes, air pressure, and tire wear, then hit the open road with enthusiasm and intent.

When you go to *Fossil*, spend an hour or two volunteering for security, the information booth, or the gate. It won't have much effect on your overall party time and with enough help the people who seem to always end up doing all of the work will get a couple of minutes to catch their breath.

The run season is upon us and with good weather, long rides, parties, and summer vacations coming at us every weekend it's easy to lose sight of it being a legislative year.

We are going to be needed at the capitol all year long, either in person or by e-mail, so save some energy and thought process to stay in touch with your particular legislator and be available to help the cause when *BikePAC* directs your chapter legislative director to direct you as to how you can be the most effective help possible. The folks in *BikePAC* are working hard and doing everything possible to keep our bills moving, and we need to be ready to jump in when our time and efforts are needed.

For those of you who are a little shy or nervous about meeting with your state representative or senator (like me), I've found that a good way to

get this process started is by attending one or two of the town halls our local legislators like to hold. Town halls give you a good opportunity to see what your elected officials actually look like, what they are interested in, and what their pet projects are. You can sit in the back without being noticed or you can ask them questions about where they stand on any given issue.

Simply by stepping up and saying thanks for your time at the end of the meeting can give you a chance to discuss our bills for five minutes face to face and get your face recognized the next time you have the opportunity to meet.

Town halls give you an opportunity to meet the legislative aides and to get your name on their mailing and e-mail lists. My own representative holds small, informal meetings in local coffee shops which in a very relaxed atmosphere put us on a first-name basis simply by my attending the meeting and drinking a cup. (I also found out her aide's father just picked up a new *Buell*.)

These meetings and town halls happen in our own backyards and take less than two hours. Check your local papers for time and place or talk to the PCPs in your chapter to find out when and where the next one in your district is and get out there and start building that relationship with your elected representatives and senators that we need to succeed.

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

At the April meeting the Proffitt's brought in this year's rocking bike that Richard's dad built and donated to the chapter. It is a handmade wooden rocking chopper and is beautiful. We are going to sell tickets for it just like last year. The drawing will be held at the *Teddy Bear Run* in September. Tickets will go on sale at the *Rocks, Bridges, Lakes Run* in June.

Francis has offered to teach another first aid and C.P.R. class if she can get enough interested members. For more info contact her at (541)-389-6504.

Our roadside cleanup and BBQ will be on Saturday May 12. The May meeting will be held at the BBQ that day also.

We meet at the Cloverdale fire station located on the highway just a few miles out of Sisters on the way to Redmond. We will meet at the fire station at 9:30 a.m.

Last year we had over thirty people show up and cleaned our section of highway in a hour.

All a person needs to bring are a pair of gloves.

The BBQ and monthly meeting will be at Creekside Park in Sisters afterwards. Even if you can not make the clean up, come on out for a burger and the meeting. This is also

a good way to bring or invite someone to see what we are all about and maybe sign up a new member.

The *Rocks, Bridges, and Lakes Run* will be on Saturday, June 16.

It will start at *City Slickers Saloon* in Redmond, follow the same route as last year, and finish at *Coyote Creek Restaurant* in Sisters.

City Slickers will open at 8:30 a.m. that morning.

First riders out at 9:30 a.m. with the last riders out at 11 a.m.

The band *Triple Shot* will be playing at *Coyote Creek* that afternoon for our enjoyment.

The call for high hand and 50/50 will be around 3 p.m. that afternoon.

Remember all proceeds from this run are split 50/50 between *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and *M.R.F.*

Kevin

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)
Black Horse Saloon
Bend, Oregon

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

Columbia River

Hello brothers and sisters,

We really didn't have a meeting, but started at 12:40 p.m. We waived the minutes, treasurer and membership reports.

The toy run committee sold a large number of Shriner bike tickets at the *Easyrider Bike Show*. We also had tickets to check out.

Lee was telling us about SB-52 and that we need to contact our senators. We also need to contact them about them raising the cigarette tax again.

Next meeting we are going to have a chapter picture taken, so get off your duffs and come to the meeting in May.

State board meeting is coming up and several of us are going to show that we are upset with sanctioning guidelines that are trying to get pass through the board.

The *Summer Run* fundraiser is going to be at the *M&M* on June 30. We need people to come out and support us or we are not going to have this run next year.

Summer Run committee was at 9 a.m. after *North Portland Chapter* meeting at the *Spare Room* on the 28th of April.

Angie's Run is the third Saturday in June. It starts at 10 a.m. at the *Kenton Club*.

We have a new membership secretary. Linda Weeks has agreed to take the position.

We stopped the meeting at 1:40 p.m. so that we can go spend the rest of the holiday with our families.



Ride free,

Linda Weeks
Columbia River Chapter
membership secretary,
toy run committee member

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Coordinator Comments

Hi all,

My name is James.

I'm the new coordinator for *Columbia River Chapter*.

I would like to start by saying it is nice to be a part of *A.B.A.T.E., A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*.

I joined for the brotherhood and for the freedom we all fight for, but I need help. Help from all chapters in the state.

Let's start.

I go to almost every run in the summer. Other brothers go as well.

This year might be a sad year for us because if we don't get help from all of you, this is going to be the last *Summer Run*. The *Summer Run* is, I think, the last family run in the north Oregon. It was my kids' first run and now my grand kids', so please come this year. This is one thing that I do

every year with them and I'm not alone.

We have very good bands this year.

Washington County Chapter is famous for their bike games. Wheeeeeee! This is true.

We always have been famous for our kid's games and bike games.

It's just plan family fun.

If you have kids, please come.

If you don't, then just come and laugh and party with your brothers.

Help us save this run.

Thanks,

James Rhoden
Columbia River Chapter coordinator

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

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)
The Spare Room
4830 N.E. 42nd -- Portland

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

Greetings from Douglas County,

Things here have been a little trying lately.

Annette Murray, one of our family was in a motorcycle crash a few weeks ago. Her leg was badly broken and she spent a week in the hospital with surgery and all. She is on the mend and hopes to be back on her *Sporty* soon.

Rocky Orth, known to most of us as "Rockon" has been very ill and Saturday the 7th of April a group met to do a ride by for Rocky. There was a collection taken for Rocky and Diane, his wife, and a video of greetings and well wishes. Rocky isn't able to have visitors since his immunity is low.

One of our local motorcycle groups, *Sons of Freedom*, lost one of their brothers to a crash on the 8th of April as well.

It's been quite hard to deal with all these issues, but once again the motorcycling community has demonstrated just why we are referred to as a "brotherhood." One big family taking care of each other through the good times and the challenging ones too!

Since I went so long last time I'll make it short and sweet.

Remember why we are here, why we ride and how we care for one another.

Keep the rubber side down,

Becky Garino
Douglas County Chapter

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7:00pm)
Round Table Pizza

Roseburg

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

Hub City



FOSSIL!

That should be the thought on everyone's mind, as A.B.A.T.E.'s signature campout is here again. Memorial Day always brings the first big campout of the year, and it's in Fossil, Oregon, county seat of Wheeler county.

Ted Tracy and his crew have put a lot of work into making this event better every year, and so far they're showing quite a bit of class and style. Let's continue to support them and see what they do for *Fossil Run's* 30th anniversary.

Even when the weather reminds us it's spring in Oregon, we manage to have a good time. In fact, it seems the stories from those "less than perfect" trips are the ones we repeat with the most vigor. What's up with that? Biker dementia, I suppose.

Don't forget when you're planning your event calendar for the year, that when you go to an A.B.A.T.E. event, your money goes to fund the things we finance to give our political agenda a chance. Other runs, while also fun, are not putting money into taking care of your rights. Please think about spending your hard earned money where it will come full circle to support the things you stand for.

Fossil and two swap meets fund the state A.B.A.T.E. agenda, so that's the places to pony up if you want to see continued gains in the arena of our mission statement.

On to more fun!

Hub City Poker Run is coming up on Saturday, June 2. Put it on your calendar as it has proven to be a "can't



miss" event. *Hub City's* run coordinator, Don Mason, has pulled together a crew and put together a first class route.

The run will start at *Humpy's Dump Tavern*, 916 Old Salem road, Albany. Last bike out at 11 a.m.

Good stops, hot prizes, incredible staff. Oh, did I mention cheap entry? 6/02/2007!

In August, (the 4th to be exact) *Hub City* will be holding their annual *One Night Stand*. Once again it will be on Richardson Gap road at the Tucker place. Stay tuned, more info to follow.

At our last meeting, vice-coordinator Fred had to step in when the bug hit our coordinator, Garry. Things went fine (once we took Fred's gavel) and all business was quickly dispensed with. But seriously,

Hub City is a very good group in getting to the point and making decisions. It feels good to be moving forward and putting a plan to work. I think it's what keeps people coming back. 70+ attendance.

Hub City membership decided to review the new sanctioning guidelines by getting them posted on our web

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 Fifth Street
Albany

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

Josephine County

We begin this issue by remembering a friend and fallen biker, Ken Feriante, Jr. Ken went down in a crash in February and died on March 22, 2007. He was 44 years old. He was the type of man who loved his family and motorcycles with a passion. He was an A.B.A.T.E. member, Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association member and a prospect with the Sons of God Motorcycle Club. The memorial service for Ken was held in Grants Pass, Oregon with bikers coming from as far away as Redmond, Oregon to attend the service of this special person. In fact, there were 13 motorcycle clubs or associations represented at his service. After the service, an entourage of approximately 100 motorcycles, led by local law enforcement, made their way through the main streets of Grants Pass. He will be missed by many, but never forgotten. Our prayers to his family.

R.I.P., Ken.

A reminder that May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month*. On Saturday, May 5th, *BikePAC of Oregon* invites all riders

to attend the ride to the capitol front steps in Salem. The event will start at noon and will end around 2:00 p.m. Several guests will speak on legislative and motorcycle safety issues.

Scheduled that same weekend, May 5th and 6th is the *8th Annual Motorcycle Swap Meet and Expo* at *Touvelle Lodge* in Central Point, Oregon. *Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.* will have a booth at the meet. If you have spare bike parts, equipment, or anything related to motorcycles you would like to donate for sale at the booth, all proceeds will go to our chapter. For more information, call Spanky at (541)-659-8715.

May 19th is the 5th annual blessing of the bikes at 11 a.m. at Faith Alive Fellowship & Ministries, 817 Central Ave, Medford, Oregon. They will have free hotdogs and sodas and live music by Judah.

I know I mentioned this in the last issue, but this very important event requires another reminder. May 27th is the our *Chapter Poker Run* to benefit *BikePac of Oregon*. 50% of the proceeds will go to this worthwhile organization.

BikePac is the non-profit political action committee that also promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy. They are a strong ally in the motorcycle world. (A political action committee is a committee that is formed by businesses or other special-interest groups to raise money and make contributions to the campaigns of political candidates whom they support.) They have achieved many accomplishments for the motorcyclists of Oregon and they are also working on

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JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1900 (7 pm)

Fruitdale Grange

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Grants Pass

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

Lincoln County

Well, we thought spring had arrived until it started getting frosty at night again.

I love living in Oregon.

If you don't like the weather just wait a few minutes and it will change.

Today is blue skies, breezy, and sunny and yet, only 52 degrees.

Lincoln County Chapter is now officially 25 years old. We had a great time celebrating and getting acquainted with members' spouses we had not yet met. It was a pleasure to do so and hope to see them again.

It is now time to get serious about getting road clean up done and get started preparing for the *Beaver Creek Run*. We also have some hearty members who are going out riding on occasion. They seem to have a good time. I may get to go someday when my trike is finished.

Our sign for the *Fossil Run* turned out quite well. The membership approved it, so that makes it a go. We just need to get it to *Fossil* now.

Our members were saddened to learn that *South Coast* is no longer a chapter. We do hope that former *South Coast* members will still come and join us for festivities and campouts. It is hard to hear of such a loss. Only the chapter is lost for now, but the many friendships will go on.

Any trike riders who have an idea for a game at *Beaver Creek* for just trikes, please contact our chapter at *Lincoln County Chapter*

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

P.O. Box 372,

South Beach OR 97366.

We understand that the run was enjoyed last year and we'd like to keep



everyone involved during the weekend.

It sure seems like this year is speeding by. Not sure if it is because we are anxious for warm sunny weather or I'm getting older.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the state capitol in May. I'm hoping for sunny weather that day.

It is time to get a few things done. Hope to see you on the road.

Ride safe and keep the rubber side down,

Millie

LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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

As of this writing, (Easter Day) *May Awareness Day* has not yet happened, but I would hope that our chapter represented itself well at the gathering. If you go to no other *A.B.A.T.E. Oregon, Inc.* sanctioned event in 2007 you should have gone to this one. Our presence *en masse* at this event is meant to send one message only to our legislators and that message is that we are a voting block to be reckoned with. Our rights and freedoms are hanging in the balance. They hinge on how well we make our opinions known to those who cast their votes in our name.

Chapter news: Our coordinator, Paul has once again asked for folks to step up and assist the run committee with details leading up to and including the day of our *Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run*.

Oh, I would like to make a correction.

In last month's newsmagazine I reported that the cost per hand was \$10.

That was incorrect.

This year it will be \$15 for the first hand and \$5 for any extra hands. This fee includes a really great meal at the end of the run.

We are going to be selling *A.S.M. (Around Saddle Mountain)* run pins this year instead of patches or T-shirts. *A.S.M.* is well known as a great pack run, but it also has one the best raffle giveaways in the state. We work really hard to set this event up so everyone has a great time and hopefully rides away with at least one raffle prize in their saddlebags. The proceeds of *A.S.M.* help our chapter to gear up for the *Spaghetti Dinner and Auction* and our toy run. We love working with our community to provide children from hard-pressed families a Christmas to remember.

We are still seeking a chapter member who will volunteer to be our vice-coordinator.

Our chapter is working on setting up a *Team Oregon R.S.P.* (rider practice skills) workshop. This is an intermediate or experienced rider class, not a beginning safety course. We need 12 interested people at \$75 apiece to obtain the instructor and put on the four hour workshop.

I don't know anyone who could not use a refresher course once in a while to keep their riding skills honed sharp.

Combat riding isn't a natural instinct, it is learned. Let's face it folks

riding out there on the open highway *is* combat riding.

This course will give you the information to make the right decisions when the unexpected happens.

If you are interested in this course (and why wouldn't you be?) or in helping out with our upcoming runs, please contact Howie at (503-325-4376) or e-mail him at hll@pacifier.com or you can contact Paul at (503)-440-0820 or e-mail him at pebelmesser@charter.net

Chris, our membership secretary reported that our membership stands at 87. We need to get that number

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NORTH COAST MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

1st Thursday 1900 (7 pm)

Dundee's - Seaside

4th Sunday at 1000 (10 am)

Moose Lodge

420 17th Street

Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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

Northeast Portland



By the time that most of you read this, the *All Motorcycle Spring Swap Meet* on Sunday, April 29 at the armory in Portland will be history. We will have a full report, but in the mean time we thank all who ran it (Willie along with Rotten Roger and the their sidekicks) and all who showed up and spent some money, supporting *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and it's mission.

We're already on the verge of summer and it's time for the annual *Fossil Campout* held May 25 through 28 in Fossil, Oregon. I'm still sure it will be dry this year and greater than ever. Check the web site, <http://www.fossilcampout.com> for the latest information.

Lee Austin continues to work hard to pull together the *Summer Run*, always a challenge. The *Summer Run* will be August 17-19. Make sure that Lee knows that his effort is not going unnoticed. We think we have the site, but that is not yet cast in stone. Stay tuned.

Also, mark on your calendar the *Northeast Portland Chapter Poker Run*, scheduled for August 4. It's always a fun thing to do, even in a busy summer.

The Portland *Shriner's Children's*

Hospital Toy Run 2007 is coming together. A \$10 raffle ticket will give you a chance to win a 2007 *Harley-Davidson Road King Classic* or a 2007 *Schwinn Collegiate* scooter donated by *Action Motor Sports*. See the *Road King Classic* at the *May Awareness Rally* on May 5.

The toy run web site is: <http://www.toyrun2007.com>

The toy run itself is on December 1 when the winners will be drawn.

We have a big debt to the supporters of our January *Cabin Fever Party*. We have delayed too long in giving credit to donors who contributed door prizes and other things. Some of those donors include:

Parkrose Hardware, Langlitz Leather, Western Cycle Salvage, Taco House, Wingman Enterprises, Renegade Classics, Oak Grove Choppers, Latus Motor Salvage shop, and East Side Motorcycle.

These organizations support *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and motorcycle riders everywhere. You should know about them.

That's about it for now.

Read our newsmagazine, check in at the web sites such as <http://www.abateoforegon.net> and <http://www.abateoforegon-ne.com>

Come to the meetings. Tell us what

A.B.A.T.E. can do for you and what you can do for your brothers and sisters of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.

Marty Soehrman
public relations officer
Northeast Portland Chapter
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

N.E. PORTLAND MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1900
(7:00pm)
Round Table Pizza
4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

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

March 20, 2007

Long meeting with lots to talk about. We had a run committee meeting first and worked out lots of details. Rick gave a good detailed report of the state board of directors meeting and the discussions there. Brian explained our legislative status.

We held no drawings tonight.

Six people guessed the bike on the agenda correctly. I guess I'll have to try harder! It was a 1915 *Iver Johnson*.

Our weather is getting much better, so there is lots of riding to do. See you out there.

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Rick at 7:05 p.m. 14 people present.

Pledge of allegiance was led by Rick. Rick read the mission statement

Guests and new members: Naland Wilkins, Icey Sheeran, and Rod Runyon

Minutes: Waived on a motion by Bob because they were presented in written form

Correspondence: Bank statement, *M.R.F. Reports*, *WaCo* birthday announcement, *M.R.F.* bike brochures, Steve has an audio catalogue.

Treasury report: \$235.68 in checking and \$1,496.85 savings.

Bills submitted: Rick for gas to state board of director's meeting.

Membership report: 65 members.

State board report: Rick reported on the meeting. Good discussions of *M.S.F.* lawsuit. Mel did legislative report. Talked about insurance bill. Randy is looking for chapter sgt-at-arms to help at *Fossil*. Report on *Team Oregon*.

Run reports: Sanctioning insurance problems. Budget discussions. *Fossil* art chosen.

Legislative report: Brian reported on our bill status.

Ways and means report: Raffle tickets available. Run committee met before the meeting. We need some checkpoint people. Next run committee meeting will be 17 April at 6:30 p.m.

Public relations report: None.

Historian report: None.

Old Business

Group riding protocols: Various local rides.

New Business

No membership drawing tonight.
Meeting adjourned 8:20 p.m.

April 3, 2007

We had a small, quick meeting tonight. Most of us were there early and got some stuff done before the meeting time. We had some general discussion of legislation, talked about our upcoming run and highway cleanup.

Teresa won the membership drawing for \$15 and Brian won the 50/50 at \$7/\$6 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

Rick was absent, so a big thanks to Larry for running the meeting very well.

— Brian

Upcoming meetings

May 01, 2007

May 15, 2007

RIVER CITY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7pm)
Roadstop Restaurant
2nd Street -- The Dalles

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

Salem



March 27, 2007

Greetings,

And a great big welcome to May. So many things going on this month.

May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month* and is kicked off with the gathering of lots and lots of motorcyclists at the state capitol in Salem, Oregon, Saturday, **May 5th, 2007**.

10 a.m. = Ride-in bike show.

Noon begins an update on what is happening with motorcycling, motorcycle training and motorcyclists rights in Oregon.

All are welcome!

For more information please call either Mel Yeager at

(541)-967-1286 or Ken Ray at (503)-351-8193.

May 12th, 2007, Saturday, 10 a.m. to dusk. (Or so.)

Lil' Biker Day at Rodgers' Wayside Park, Silverton, Oregon. (South of the *Oregon Gardens*, by the county shops.) *Salem Chapter's*, annual picnic will provide games for the children (big kids are welcome to play too) with trophies to be given out along with drawings for door prizes and a 50/50. With great food from the BBQ and potluck brought by all, it promises to be lots of fun. (If not

only to watch the games.) For more information, please call Quiet Mike at (503)-678-6302.

May 19, 2007, Saturday. Take off for the *Rhody Festival Poker Run* on the way to the Florence *Rhododendron Festival 100 Year Anniversary*. The poker run is hosted by the *Willamette Valley Chapter of Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* For more information, please call either Anne at (541)-461-2038 or Ruth at (541)-935-6261.

May 22, 2007 is *Salem Chapter's* monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at *J.C.'s Pizzeria*, 4200 River Road N., Keizer, Oregon. (Cross street is Manbrin.) Final planning for the travel to *Fossil* will be made with special attention to the "Show and Shine", bike games, and getting there all safe and sound. *Salem Chapter* is excited to do the games and bike show.

May 25, 2007 begins the *30th Annual Fossil Campout*. This well-run motorcycle destination event goes through to the 28th and offers a 100% payout poker run, absolutely fantastic music with tons of activities so numerous I am unable to list them all here. For more information, please call Ted Tracy at (503)-628-5445.

Salem Chapter now has 163 members with 27 showing at the meeting in March.

Life goes on with fun, love, and brotherhood/sisterhood.

Get out there meet your legislators and senators let them know who you are.

Have a safe and sane May so that summer will follow along just as nice.

Kindest regards,

Michelle J. FitzHenry
(a.k.a. "Chapter Goddess")
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SALEM MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
J.C.'s Pizzeria
4200 River Road north, Keizer

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

Nary a report was received,
 Despite many e-mails and pleas,
 So this page remains largely blank,
 While the chapter looks for a plank.

S.E. Portland MEETINGTIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200
 (noon)

M/M Restaurant & Lounge

137 N. Main -- Gresham

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A Passing

Sons of Liberty Riders passed away March 31 2007 at 11:59 p.m. EST.

SoLR lived a good and healthy life, prospering greatly in infancy. As a youth *SoLR* thrived using the power of the internet, which was also in its infancy.

For more than a few years *SoLR* was the premiere clearinghouse of information in motorcycle rights, a dream of Animal and myself to see information shared freely and openly between motorcyclists.

As with anything aging, changes came about naturally and *SoLR* was no different. In its latter years, like most groups, complacency, selfish agenda's, and ego set in and were the cause of death.

The time has more than passed to let go of our offspring and bury it. *SoLR* led a great, healthy and beautiful life!

To anyone who has been on one of our lists, supported us in any way, or been to a *T.E.A. Party*, we thank you! You were the reason we started this and stuck with it so long, even after things went wrong.

You were also what perpetuated an idea that a few bikers brainstormed so long ago.

For all of the good days we shared together we truly are grateful.

Thanks for the ride,

Hawk and Animal

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

Washington County



The issue of where *Washington County Chapter* will continue to meet has been resolved. We will remain at the *Prime Time Restaurant* on the second and forth Mondays of the month. The meeting room will accommodate about 50 people and those who attend like the service. If the meetings become larger than 50 people on a regular basis, we will need to eliminate tables and add chairs. We were unable to find another location that met the criteria for this chapter. Input from members was considered and the chapter elected to remain at *Prime Time*.

Please attend a meeting if you can. Come regularly if you are able.

The chapter held its birthday party in early April, with over 100 people attending. Between the silent and live auctions, over \$2,500 was netted after expenses. Thank you to everyone who attended, those who helped, and those who donated baskets and supplies. *Sinner's Club* played well into the evening and everyone said they had a good time.

(Those who could remember.)

By the time this hits the streets, the *Spring Swap Meet* will be history and everyone will be gearing up for *Fossil*. *Washington County Chapter* will also have their *Roll-n-Ride* in early June, along with our ways and means officer's high school graduation party. It looks like it will be a busy summer.

Now that Jim and I are nearing the end of the moving adventure, it may be time to get the bikes out of the garage, get them cleaned up, tuned up and out on the road.

Come on – there are bugs out there to be obliterated!! Let the sun shine through the rains, it will help soften the bug guts on my windscreen!!!

See you on the road and watch out for the other guy, because he won't be watching for you.

Linda Henderson
WaCo secretary

WASHINGTON COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930
(7:30pm)
Prime Time Restaurant
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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

Our March 15th meeting was held at *Roaring Rapids Pizza* and overall 20 members and four quests were in attendance.

Welcome to Sandy, Ruth, Patty, and Jo Ella.

Guests are always welcome to come see what *A.B.A.T.E.* is all about and get in on the goings on.

After the pledge of allegiance and mission statement coordinator Jeff asked all to work towards keeping the meetings shorter so we can get business done while keeping people interested in coming to socialize.

Jeff then discussed us choosing *Summer Eruptions* as a chapter run and looked into getting that going.

We also discussed our *Spring Casino Night*.

State board representative Rod reported that the motion to show public support of *Team Oregon* was put on hold until the next state board meeting and that Rod needs to bring the written support suggested so it can be reviewed.

The state is also currently having to get insurance on each event separately and is looking for a carrier who can supply an annual premium for all events.

Finally Rod reported that Mary Burnett of the *Hub City Chapter* has stepped up as state historian.

Bill Foster has also stepped up to be *sergeant of arms-south*.

Anne reported that we currently have \$1565.29 in checking and \$753.02 in savings, of which \$717.00 is our *Downed Rider Fund*.

Lonnie stated that current membership is at 133 members. Since this number is going down we really need to look into what kind of

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public relations we could do to get people involved.

Hal brought plenty of newsletters and asked all to make sure they get out to sponsors. Rod pointed out that we now have a free member's notices/ads page on the web site and told everyone it was ready to have ads submitted.

Well, all went as planned and we got a lot done in a short period. Even with a good break we ended the meeting by 8:30 p.m.

Ted Hudging was drawn for the membership drawing of \$30 but wasn't present.

Pam Coleman won the 50/50 drawing of \$35.

Come and join in next month as we talk about *Rhody Festival* and *Fossil* and see if you can win a drawing.

See ya on the road!

Keep it in the sun!

Rod Hatter
Willamette Valley Chapter
 web site editor
<http://www.wvabateoforegon.org>

WILAMETTE VALLEY

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)

Roaring Rapids Pizza

4006 Franklin Blvd; Eugene

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Our Officers at Work

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

14 April 2007 – Pizza Hut – Albany, Oregon

Meeting was called to order by Ed Vaughn, coordinator, at 12:13 p.m. with 11 of 13 chapters represented, all eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance.

Guests and first time attendees:

Bill Cameron, Larry Brown, Greg Blair, Matt Hobbs, Michelle Hobbs, Linda Weeks, “Cherokee”, “Straight Arrow”, Steve Fox, Pat Bird, Jeff Shower.

Motion made by Randy and seconded by Geoff to adopt minutes from previous meeting as printed in the state newsmagazine. Passed unanimously.

Coordinator’s comments: (Ed Vaughn) Reminder to all that the main objective for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* is legislative and not partying. We all need to work together to achieve the goals of the organization.

Correspondence: Have many newsletters from other states if anyone wants to read them. Available to all.

Vice-coordinator–north: (Richard Colwell) Stated that he concurred with Ed.

Also, there are a lot of fundraisers going on, especially during the upcoming months. Money needs to come to the state. The state’s coffers are coming up short.

Spoke on totalitarianism and age problems at adult events during runs. Stated that children really have no place at functions of an adult nature. Personal opinion.

Vice-coordinator–south: (Jim Jones) Absent.

Vice-coordinator–east: (Vacant)

Membership secretary: (Linda Henderson) Absent, excused.

Treasurer: (Sue Mills) Coffers are down and money is still going out much faster than it is coming in.

Changing banks due to availability issues. So we currently have two accounts of each item.

Checking \$1,706.16, \$768.71.

Savings \$2,138.17, \$3,000.41.

Total \$7,667.45.

This does not include \$1,000 insurance deductible due to a past incident that is coming out of the account. Stated that, other than normal operating expenses, all payouts need to be pre-approved to insure funds are not being flagrantly spent.

State auditor: (Deb Ross) Report is as up to date as possible.

Still having problems with internet service provider (I.S.P.) and should be rectified soon.

Need information from chapters.

All reporting done for next month report and all chapters are cooperating well at this time.

Newsmagazine editor: (Rot Path) Absent, excused.

Report given by Ed Vaughn.

Postal rates are going up in May so costs will be going up.

Rot Path wants feedback on the 1/2 page [run fliers] and the number of ads. Send him an e-mail and tell him what you think.

Legislative director: (Mel Yeager) Stated that report has already been submitted to the newsmagazine.

Gave a brief overview.

HB–2399 is stalled in committee



Nic Oliver
state recording secretary

and *BikePAC* is trying to get the bill heard. *BikePAC* is currently working on representative Gilman to get the bill to the floor.

Spoke briefly on SB–356, insurance bill, and how it works to get the insurance companies to pay benefits to motorcyclists for injuries.

Spoke on the *BikePAC* meeting held on April 7, 2007.

Spoke on SB–852, vulnerable user bill. Stated that this primarily relates to bicyclists but may have some effect on motorcyclists.

Spoke on SB–574, mandated motorcycle training. How this will add costs to licensing (\$5 per cycle of four years, \$10 to renewal) and could add 5,000 new trainees per year, which could overtax *Team Oregon* if no provisions are made. This could also raise the cost of the beginners course to around \$200. Because so many issues were not addressed, *BikePAC* does not support this issue at this time.

Ken Ray is retiring and will not accept another term so anyone interested in the executive director position should contact Ken Ray.

Jay Handly has resigned as web master and *BikePAC* needs a replacement. Anyone interested should contact Ken Ray.

May Awareness Rally is on track for 05 May 2007 and registration is from 9-11 a.m. There is a \$2 entry fee for entering the bike show. Categories

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will be announced later. (Surprises await.) Speakers for the rally are being arranged and include Ken Ray inviting the politicians and Mel inviting the heads of all the other Oregon motorcycle organizations.

Sergeant-at-arms#north: (Randy Phipps) The swap meet on 29 April needs people to work security. Sign up at the information booth at 8 a.m. to get ready to work for about four hours per shift.

Will be pushing for volunteers for *Fossil* security next month.

The swap meet and *Fossil* flyers need to get out! More places means more people know about the events and more people attend.

Sergeant-at-arms#south: (Bill Foster) Excused. Has a broken leg and fractured ankle.

Sergeant-at-arms#east: (Vacant.)

Products director: (Dave Meeker) Reported that the main cost of the t-shirts is the design. *Fossil* art is in packet. Will be submitting motion to change the design for *Fossil* t-shirts to a more cost-effective two-color design.

Education director I: (Patricia Carner) Absent.

Education director II: (Geoff White) May is *Motorcycle Awareness Month* so everyone show up for the rally. This is an opportunity for outreach and getting people involved in more than partying.

Stated that he has heard *A.B.A.T.E.* called "those party guys" and "those helmet guys". We need to reach out to riders and others if we want to correct this misconception.

Now is the time for getting into more drivers education classes.

Check on your certification or get certified and help out.

Public relations director: (Joan McCarty) Absent, excused.

State run coordinator (*Fossil*): (Ted Tracy) Absent, excused. (Working.)

State swap meet coordinator: (William Sanders) Absent, excused. Roger gave the report. The swap meet needs volunteers to help out. The flyers need to get out! More flyers mean more people!

State run coordinator II: (Howie Long) Gene has been a great help. He found a generator that was bigger than needed for free. When you see him, tell him "thanks".

Keeping expenses down for *Fossil*. No van needed this year, have a volunteer.

Vendors are not going well. Have only two so far.

The May 1 deadline is approaching and other vendors may be waiting for their insurance information as they need to send in the \$100 fee, \$100 deposit and a copy of their insurance rider.

There will be no beer vendor at *Fossil*. It will be strictly B.Y.O.B.

Historian: (Mary Burnett) Absent, excused. No report.

Sanctioning officer: (Lee Austin) Forgot report on sanctioned runs and couldn't remember all of them. Did state that *Josephine County* poker run is approved and *Washington County Midsummer Run* is approved.

Insurance carrier, Stewart Tinino, will not renew our insurance. Has found another vendor (will be keeping is secret for now) for \$1,200. This is much cheaper than before. There is also better coverage. The fees

will stay the same.

Beaver Creek is on hold right now.

Web page editor: (Marty Soehrman) Reported that he is still running 2006 *Fossil* information because no one has sent him anything else. Need information if we expect him to get it into the site. Can't put anything there is nothing is given to him.

Spoke on the problems in using *Microsoft Word* over *Acrobat*. (Example: 333kb versus 50kb.)

Did not know about training at S.T.E.A.M. but it was suggested to him that he hold a training course, with the appropriate software, to help people get up-to-date.

Word is not designed for machine-to-machine work but only for word processing. (Computer-to-printer.)

Acrobat Reader is a free program and much better suited to our needs.

A.O.L. [*America On-Line*] is still rejecting *A.B.A.T.E.* stuff as spam. Everyone on *A.O.L.* should complain and, if need be, drop/fire *A.O.L.* (Just a personal opinion on *A.O.L.*)

Quartermaster: (Robert Hale) Absent, excused. At Clark County swap meet.

***A.B.A.T.E.*'s BikePAC Representative:** (Randy Phipps) Stated that Mel has already covered his report.

***Confederation of Clubs* representative I:** (Pat Williams) As of March 11, has raised \$3,079.

They are looking for people who have been kicked out of or refused rooms at motels/hotels. Get this information to Sam Hochberg.

Spoke on many club issues and the upcoming meetings. More information and meeting schedules

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are available, just see Pat or e-mail her.

The *Gypsy Jokers* are having a party after the *May Awareness Rally* at their Salem clubhouse.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: (Bobby Schneider) Absent, excused. (Medical.)

Planning Session

- Newsmagazine advertising billing questions are being addressed. Going slowly but updates are coming. Work is still in process.

- Sanctioning guidelines vote to ratify was postponed. See motion 6 in logbook. Sent back to committee for more clarity in wording. Need more people on the committee. Ted Tracy is the head of the committee, so contact him about being part of the solution. Lee Austin is [also] part of the committee.

Motions

Motion 1: Made by Pat Williams and seconded by Geoff White to reimburse Pat Williams for expenses to attend the *N.C.O.M.* conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. Total cost will be \$619. Passed unanimously

Motion 2: Made by Richard Colwell and seconded by Crazy Larry Brown. To require all chapters to kick back 10% of all fund raising events to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* This 10% should be the amount after expenses. Motion tabled. Take back to chapters. [Motion to] table motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3: Made by Geoffrey White and seconded by Jordan Kelly. To change the *Fossil Run* t-shirt design to the new (offered) version (

example provided). Motion passed 6-5.

Motion 4: Made by Rod Hatter and seconded by Jordan Kelly. To run public support notice of *Team Oregon* on the state web site and in the state newsmagazine. Amended to include, "as long as *Team Oregon* approves of the letter prior to publishing". Written statement proposal is on the back of the motion form. Motion passed with the amendment, 10-0. (Replaces 10 March 2007 tabled motion.)

Motion 5: Made by *Lincoln County Chapter* and seconded by Matt Hobbs. That the *Musicians Toy Run* flyer be added to the state newsmagazine until the run event. Not to exceed _ page. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 6: Made by Jordan Kelley and seconded by Nic Oliver. That the sanctioning guidelines amendments discussed as the planning session be returned to committee for further work and broader input. (Comments on motion form: We need more than two people on the committee and more people from around the state.) Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- Steve Fox asked for support in regards to an 20 August 2006 incident where he was run into the guardrail by an angry truck driver while riding his motorcycle. A warrant was issued and will be served. The trial will be in Oregon City and he will keep us posted as to the date. Would like to have a large turnout for the trial of concerned motorcyclists.

- Matt Hobbs (*Southeast Portland Chapter*) showed t-shirts that his chapter has available for \$15 in which it shows an American flag and says (not exact – sorry) "Proud to be American, Ashamed of my government." Contact him or *Southeast Portland Chapter* for more information.

Announcements

- Next state board meeting will be May 12, 2007, at the Albany *Eagles Lodge* on Broadalbin at noon. (Back to the usual place.)

- Howie Long has tickets for *Fossil* for sale. All outstanding/unsold tickets must be turned in at the May state board meeting. All tickets must be accounted for.

- *Southeast Portland Chapter's Run 21* is on! Flyers will be mailed to each chapter and will be in the June newsletter.

- *Central Oregon Chapter* is having a benefit for an injured worker. Contact *Central Oregon Chapter* for more information.

- Jordan thanked everyone [who] attended *Washington County Chapter's* birthday party. Congratulated Randy for being the newest life member.

- *Salem Chapter* is having *Lil' Biker Days* in Silverton on May 12.

- *BikePAC* raffle 50/50 was won by Randy Phipps. He won \$27 and a t-shirt. Donated the money to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.



The *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)* announced that bipartisan bills have been introduced in both the U.S. house of representatives and U.S. senate that would end health-care discrimination against motorcyclists, A.T.V. enthusiasts, and participants in other legal recreational activities.

U.S. representatives Michael C. Burgess (R-Texas) and Bart Stupak (D-Michigan) introduced HR-1076, the *H.I.P.A.A. Recreational Injury Technical Correction Act*. On the same day, senators Susan Collins (R-Maine) and Russ Feingold (D-Wisconsin) introduced identical companion legislation, S-616.

The bills seek to bar employers from discriminating against those who take part in activities such as motorcycling, A.T.V. riding, skiing, snowmobiling or horseback riding in the health-insurance programs they offer their workers.

H.I.P.A.A. originally prohibited employers from denying health-care coverage based on a worker's pre-existing medical conditions or participation in legal activities, such as motorcycling. But later federal bureaucrats reversed the law, writing rules to allow health-insurance discrimination against motorcyclists and others who engage in legal activities like A.T.V. riding, or horseback riding. Employees were guaranteed the right to health-care coverage, but not guaranteed any benefits under those plans.

Motorcyclists were outraged when federal bureaucrats went against the

will of congress, and the *A.M.A.* immediately lobbied legislators to right this wrong. Others involved in the effort include the *All-Terrain Vehicle Association*, the *American Council of Snowmobile Associations*, the *American Horse Council*, the *BlueRibbon Coalition*, the *Motorcycle Industry Council*, *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*, and the *National Ski Areas Association*.

Enthusiasts can send letters of support to members of Congress through the *A.M.A.* rapid response center at:

<http://www.AMADirectlink.com>

The Missouri senate transportation committee endorsed a bill to repeal the requirement for anyone 21 or older to wear a helmet. Younger riders still would need helmets. The measure cleared the house a couple of weeks ago. But it traditionally faces greater hurdles in the full senate, where one or two opponents can stall a vote. Still, the bill is further along in the legislative process by early April than it has gotten in the past few years.

Supporters of the repeal, including *Freedom Of Road Riders*, *A.B.A.T.E. for Missouri*, and the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, say it's an issue of personal freedom. The measure cleared the committee on an 8-2 vote, with some democrats joining all republicans in support. Now these groups are encouraging riders to contact members of the Missouri senate and ask them to not allow a threatened

filibuster.

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania's 30th *Motorcyclist Rights Rally* departs Shellsville *V.F.W.* picnic grounds May 21, 2007 at 11 a.m. The rally takes place at noon in the state capitol building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. A commemorative rally patch will be given to the first 1,000 riders. Weekend camping is available. Contact the *A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania* state office at (717)-731-8955 or visit <http://www.abatepa.org/> for more information

The *European Commission (E.C.)* eventually managed to obtain a moratorium on daytime running lights (D.R.L.s) to be voted at the *World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicles (WP-29)*. Unfortunately, the position and interests defended by *E.C.* representatives radically defer from what was initially announced to the *Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations. (F.E.M.A.)*

Following the *E.C.'s* consultation on D.R.L.s and *F.E.M.A.* interventions motorcyclists' concerns regarding the intention to introduce compulsory D.R.L. for all vehicles throughout Europe seemed to have eventually found solid footing at the *E.C.* Dr Stefan Tostmann, head of the *European Commission's* road safety unit, announced that the commission would call for a six month moratorium in the *United Nations* vehicle regulations harmonizing process.



American Motorcyclist Association

A wide ranging group of European organizations from all walks of life have come together in a coalition to lobby against a parliamentary private members bill which seeks to force all off road motorcycles and A.T.V.s to be registered and carry number plates.

The coalition strongly shares public concerns about illegal motorcycling but is arguing that new laws are not needed when riding a motorcycle illegally, particularly an unregistered one, in a public place can break in excess of a dozen existing regulations. Instead, the array of existing regulations needs to be enforced far more effectively than they are at present.

The U.S. secretary of agriculture is renewing the charter of the *Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee*. The purpose of the committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the secretary on management and conservation of roadless areas. They will review submitted petitions and provide advice and recommendations to the secretary. The committee will also provide advice and recommendations to the secretary on any subsequent state-specific rule makings. This advisory committee will consist of up to 15 members appointed by the secretary of agriculture.

For further information contact Bill Supulski, national roadless coordinator, at bsupulski@fs.fed.us or (202)-205-0948, U.S.D.A. Forest Service, 1400 Independence Avenue,

SW., Mailstop 1104, Washington, DC 20250.

The Ohio general assembly senate bill 158 and house bill 388 proposed additional penalties for those vehicle operators convicted of, or pleading guilty to, right-of-way, marked lane, or failure to maintain assured clear distance ahead violations that resulted in serious harm or death to another person.

The *Ohio Right-of-Way Working Group*, a coalition of motorcycling and bicycling groups, is seeking new legislation during the 127th general assembly. (2007-2008) Senator Joy Padgett (R-Coshocton) and representative Jon Peterson (R-Delaware) introduce new legislation in the senate and house, respectively.

The legislation proposes the following changes to the Ohio revised code covering right-of-way, marked lanes, and assured clear distance ahead violations: establishes a highway safety education fund, to be used *only* for educational activities related to highway safety. A portion of any additional fines collected would be placed in this new fund; allows the courts, in addition to any other penalties already in place, to assess the following for violations that result in serious harm or death to another person; additional fine: up to \$500 for serious harm; up to \$1,000 for death; license suspension: up to six months for serious harm; up to one year for death; points on license: at least two, but no more than four, for serious harm; at least two,

but no more than six, for death; and makes a citation for a covered traffic offense involving serious harm or death non-waiverable, i.e., requires a court appearance by the person receiving the citation.

We need your help today. The bills need co-sponsors. Call or e-mail your state senator and state representative to politely request they become a co-sponsor. Visit the Ohio statewatch area of the *A.M.A.* rapid response center or the Ohio general assembly web site to learn who your elected officials are. Use your own personal experiences and the talking points provided on the web site to make your case why this legislation is necessary.



Motorcycle Riders Foundation

Federal Legislation to End Discrimination of Bikers

Washington D.C. – The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* reports that legislation to close the loophole that currently exists in our nation's health insurance industry has been introduced in the U.S. senate (S 616) and house. (HR–1076)

Under current regulations, group market insurance customers (that's everyone who has insurance from a job in the private sector, military, or government) can be denied benefits for a particular injury just because it came from a motorcycle crash.

Congress passed the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (H.I.P.A.A.)* in 1996 to ensure proper access to health insurance for all American workers. Once the bureaucrats at the U.S. *Department of Health and Human Services* issued their final ruling on the law they managed to allow a loophole that can be used to discriminate against motorcyclists when they need health insurance the most, after a crash.

The loophole also is used by insurance companies to deny benefits for any injuries that stem from horseback riding, snowmobiling, and snow skiing, just to name a few.

"This legislation will right an injustice done to America's motorcycling community," said Jeff Hennie, vice president of government relations for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. "We are asking the congress to tell the insurance industry that they can no longer get away with refusing benefits

that have been bought and paid for by motorcyclists."

The house legislation has been referred to the committee on energy and commerce, while the senate bill is sitting before the health, education, labor and pensions committee.

In order to pass this legislation, the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* needs your help. Please join your fellow freedom fighters and ask your members of congress and senators to co-sponsor this important legislation.

The legislation to close this loophole has been around for the last few sessions of congress, but the bills introduced in this 110th congress have a few new twists.

First, the house democrat lead is new.

Welcome Bart Stupak to the picture. He is a eighth-term democrat from upper peninsula Michigan and the top third of the mitten state. Mr. Stupak's district has tens of thousands of miles of snowmobiling trails and most of his constituents use the snow machine to commute, run errands, and socialize, making the snowmobile an integral part of everyday life. Mr. Stupak is also close friends with the chairman of the house committee that has jurisdiction over the measure and is a subcommittee chairman on the same full committee.

The house republican lead is the same, Michael Burgess. Burgess is medical doctor from Flower Mound, Texas. Burgess was an OB-GYN, delivering 3,000 babies before



running for congress in 2003.

The senate sponsors are the same returning senators as previous sessions of congress, Russ Feingold (D-WI) and Susan Collins (R-ME).

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* thanks all of the champions of this legislation.

Another new development is that the house has adopted the senate language, making passage into law slightly simpler by eliminating the need for both bodies of congress to form a conference committee to iron out the legislative differences. Previously the house and senate had slightly different solutions to closing the loophole.

Last congress saw no major movement on the legislation. With your help, we can close the loophole that allows our health insurance providers to deny benefits for an injury simply because it involved a motorcycle.

Ask your federal representative to support HR–1076 and your two U.S. senators to support S–616.

Should you receive any commitments or denials to support the legislation, or if you have any other legislative question or concerns, please contact the *M.R.F.*

Is Detroit Back In Business?

The new chairman of the house energy and commerce committee is going to do everything he can to bring back the glory days of the *Motor City*. Detroit is far from the

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Motorcycle Fatality Surge Renews National Helmet Debate

The debate over whether the nation's nearly six million motorcycle riders should by regulation be required to wear helmets is nothing new, but a decade long rise in both registrations and fatalities has rekindled interest in helmet regulations, according to recent reports by two major news outlets: *A.B.C. News* and *U.S.A. Today*.

In 1995, congress repealed a second attempt at a national helmet regulation, and in the ensuing decade motorcycle fatalities more than doubled, from 2,227 in 1995 to 4,553 in 2005. And while it's true there are significantly more bikes on the road, also nearly doubling from 3,727,738 in 1995 to 6,183,596 in 2005, according to the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* the fatality rate has also increased by nearly 13 percent.

The problem, according to advocates of helmet regulations, is that one-sided, well-organized lobbying at the state level, where for now this issue is primarily legislated, have largely hampered the creation of new helmet regulations or the strengthening of existing ones. Of the 50 states, only 20 maintain helmet regulations for all riders, while 27 require helmets for select rider groups — typically those under 18 years old. Colorado, Illinois and Iowa currently have no helmet regulations.

"It's pretty much a single-issue lobby," Barbara Harsha, executive

director of the governors *Highway Safety Association*, told *A.B.C. News*. "They're very well-organized and they've become very adept at working state legislatures."

In many ways, the helmet debate has been taken off the table at the federal level, Harsha said, describing \$25 million distributed by congress to states in 2005 for motorcycle training and education that cannot be spent on promoting helmet use.

And to groups that advocate against mandatory helmet regulations, such as state *A.B.A.T.E.* organizations, that's exactly the way it should be: the government should stay out of a motorcycle rider's personal decision-making.

But sparked by rising fatality statistics and last year's crash of *N.F.L.* star Ben Roethlisberger, legislators in eight states are pushing for new motorcycle helmet regulations and helmet-regulation proponents told *U.S.A. Today* that it's been a tough fight. Bills have already been defeated in six of those states: Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, and Oklahoma. After he introduced Delaware's first mandatory-helmet bill in more than 20 years on March 14, state representative Gary Simpson got e-mails from people vowing to campaign against his re-election. "It's a very strong lobby," Simpson said.

In Oklahoma, according to Tiger Mike Revere, state coordinator for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* and member

of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* (N.C.O.M.) board of directors, the helmet regulation was not only defeated, but the bill's author, representative Skye McNeil, attended the *Confederation of Clubs* meeting and apologized for submitting such a bill, affirming that she will never again propose a helmet regulation and pledged to work together with the riding community on issues to improve motorcycling.

Meanwhile, some bikers' rights advocates are working on legislation to repeal or modify their state's helmet regulations. SB-1511 has passed the Tennessee senate and would roll back the mandatory motorcycle helmet regulation for adults 21 and older. Likewise, SB-255 in Missouri would allow freedom of choice for riders 21 and older, citing the fact that six of the eight states surrounding Missouri do not require adult helmet usage.

Road Pricing Heats Up In England

Opposition to the government road charging plans is growing throughout England, with an on-line petition against the pricing scheme has made national news after collecting over a half million signatures.

Road pricing would involve a huge infrastructure of a combination of beacons and gantries, or satellites, possibly even all three, to monitor where your vehicle travels and charge you accordingly. The current fear is that road users will have to pay to

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have on-board "black box" sensors installed that are necessary for vehicles to be recognized and their owners charged.

Motorcycle Action Group (M.A.G.) of the United Kingdom is totally opposed to the level of surveillance and control which the road charging plans represent, and questions the motives of the government in proposing it.

M.A.G.-U.K. points out that it may be no coincidence that the technology necessary to achieve the level of surveillance necessary to implement road charging, could also be used to achieve vehicle speed control to automate the enforcement of speed limits with a zero tolerance policy.

Weird News

"Dead" Biker Returns Home After Two Years

An Australian man mistakenly certified as dead following a horrific motorcycle accident two years ago was reunited with his family last week after a social worker helped to identify him.

Samy Pillai, 50, was believed to have been killed in a hit-and-run accident in June 2005, after his wrecked motorcycle was found along the same stretch of road as a body mangled beyond recognition, the *Star* newspaper says.

But he was found to be alive, although speechless and partially paralyzed by the accident, after a social worker encountered him hobbling around on crutches almost 200 miles from his home and took him to authorities, who identified

him from his thumbprints. Mr Pillai's wife confirmed the man was her husband, but how he spent his years away from home remains a mystery. The couple have nine children, the newspaper reported.

"I am glad Samy Pillai has been reunited with his family who had all this while thought the unidentified body had been his," the newspaper quoted Andrew Raju, the social worker, as saying.

N.C.O.M. Honors Fallen Riders, Invites

Names To Be Submitted

With the *N.C.O.M.* convention just weeks away, the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* is requesting that M.R.O.'s, motorcycle clubs, and riding associations submit the names of those members and supporters who have died since May 2006, so that we may honor their memories during the traditional "ringing of the bell" tribute to fallen riders during the opening ceremonies. Dedications can be e-mailed to NCOMBish@aol.com

Attendees are also encouraged to bring an item for the freedom fund auction, with proceeds benefiting the motorcyclists rights movement nationwide through getting our people elected donations, speaker program, lobbying activities and other projects as determined by the *N.C.O.M.* board of directors.

The 22nd annual *N.C.O.M.* convention will be held Mother's Day weekend, May 10-13, 2007, at the *Hilton Charlotte University Place*, located at 8629 JM Keynes Drive in Charlotte, North Carolina. Reserve

your room now for the special *N.C.O.M.* rate by calling (704)-547-7444 or 1-(800)-HILTONS.

Hosted by *A.B.A.T.E./Concerned Bikers Association of North Carolina* and the *Confederation of Clubs North Carolina*, this annual gathering draws over a thousand motorcyclists rights leaders from across the country to discuss topics of concern to all riders. Meetings, seminars and group discussions focus on safety issues, legal rights, legislative efforts and litigation techniques to benefit our right to ride.

Registration fees for the convention are \$75 including the *Silver Spoke Awards* banquet on Saturday night, or \$40 for the convention only. All motorcyclists welcome. To pre-register, call the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* at (800)-525-5355 or visit <http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com>

Quotable Quote

"The United States is a nation of regulations, badly written and randomly enforced."

Frank Zappa
American musician
and songwriter
(1940-1993)

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From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

Well folks, the weather is turning all over the country and we're all beginning to itch to ride. (If we don't ride all year already.)

Just do yourselves a favor and go over the ride and check things out. Change that oil and test the tension on the belts and drive chains. Make sure you have fresh fluids in the systems that use them.

Take a penny and check the depth of tread on your tires. If you can see the top of Lincoln's head on the upside-down penny in the tread, then that tire needs to be replaced. Tires oughta shine on the sidewalls, not on the tread.

Talk Isn't Cheap, It's Free

My boss Sam Hochberg and I fired up our own season of giving talks to biker groups in April. He's our Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney, of course, and we got a real warm welcome at the *Southeast Portland Chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Sam's a life member and belongs to the chapter. We give talks on the law and motorcycles and the *A.I.M.* (*Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) program.

How's that for starting out right?

See Gunny At N.C.O.M.

By the time most of you read these pearls, the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* convention will just about be in swing and I'll be seeing a lot of you there in Charlotte, North Carolina. Looking forward to those festivities for sure. That's when I get all fired up for the rest of the year, not to mention all the news I bring back here for the folks I serve.

It's been well known for years that the insurance community would like nothing better than not to have to deal with motorcycles or the people who ride them. The problem is we aren't going away so they make it tougher each year for us to get coverage for the unforeseen happenings at our events.

Maybe I'll bring that up at the *N.C.O.M.* convention. There must be some way to take care of insurance without having to pay ransom to have some fun together.

Words To The Wise

From working for Sam and—*A.I.M.* all these years, I carry a personal umbrella policy, which by the way isn't that expensive. Make sure you have plenty of liability and uninsured/underinsured (U.M./U.I.M.) coverage on your rides too, and *not* just your mandatory state minimum. You'd hate to hurt someone and lose everything you have because they sued you and won. And likewise with the U.M./U.I.M., since it protects you if the guy that hits you doesn't have enough insurance to take care of your battered bones.

Like Sam says, your *own* company then becomes your enemy, and you need a lawyer to wring the money out of 'em. But at least you're not high and dry with a deadbeat with nothing but a minimum policy. Talk to your agent about it.

And, if you have a crash, get in touch with your local *A.I.M.* attorney *fast*. *Do not talk to the opposing adjuster*. Tell them you are talking to



Gunny
chief of staff
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an attorney.

At least talk to a personal injury lawyer and get free advice.

Don't go it alone.

Insurance companies are in business to make money, not spend it.

Can't say that enough.

It's scary for me to see anyone go up against experts without sound advice from someone who can and will help you. Get the correct attorney.

Ya don't go to a gynecologist with a broken arm.

Remember what we tell you when you sign up for your new *A.I.M.* cards. *A.I.M.* attorneys are there to help you.

Get more from *A.I.M.* at 1-(800)-531-2424.

Sam Hochberg, Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney, is at

1-(800)-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 here in Portland.

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Ya get the Gunny at **A.I.M.GUNNY@AOL.COM**

Newsbits—N—Pieces

Trapped In Oregon — This is a perfect example of the good reasons to take a rider course. A young man from Forest Grove, Oregon went out and bought himself a rip-roaring scooter (happened to be a *Honda CBR-600*) and promptly dumped it going too fast on a curve. The thing

trapped him, but fortunately he was able to get to his cell phone. According to an article in the *Forest Grove News-Times*, he mistakenly gave his home address when asked where he was. Maybe a little stressed? He was located when he told the 911 dispatcher he could hear the sirens. They finally found him by driving around and him telling the dispatcher whether they were closer or not. He was *Life-Flighted* to a trauma center with life threatening injuries. Wow! What a mess. The sad part is, if he had taken a basic rider course, he just might have avoided the whole tragic mess. The bike only had 9.7 miles on it. He could have died out there. Scary. Take a class, especially if you're a new rider.

Oregon Again – This time, good news. A motorcyclist was given their civilian heroism award by the *Portland Police Bureau* for heroism in helping them apprehend a guy who was armed, fleeing, and firing shots at his pursuers. Mr. Greg Geist was riding by when this went down. He followed the suspect to an apartment and told police where to locate him.

Good on ya, Greg! Makes me feel good when bikers are recognized as contributing citizens.

California – Other than a raid by police that resulted in confiscation of fireworks, the *Hells Angels* 50th anniversary party went without incident. I'm told fireworks are illegal in California. Oh well! The city of Oakland now has their Fourth of July supplies. Hopefully, they will compensate the *Angels* for their generosity. Aside from that, it's too bad people can't have a party without big brother sticking his nose in. Happy birthday, *Hells Angels Motorcycle Club*.

Australia – This is one of the worst government scenarios I can think of and it shows inexcusable bias by public servants.

The Queensland police minister, Judy Spence, has accused hospitals and charities of giving "bikie gangs" a "veneer of respectability" by accepting their donations from charity runs. She brands all motorcycle clubs as outlaw groups. I wonder when folks are going to start to live in the present instead of the 1950's. The *Australian Motorcycle Rider Association* made the comment that all club riders were *not* in criminal gangs and should not be painted with that brush. Any way ya look at it, it's ugly stuff down under.

Nevada – *A.B.A.T.E. of Nevada* supports the helmet modification bill, SB-49, that would allow freedom of choice to riders 18 and older.

Hope it passes.

It's time the public understood we're not against wearing any helmet. We just want freedom of choice.

Des Moines, Iowa – Who say's grass roots lobbying in legislatures doesn't work? *A.B.A.T.E.* members killed two helmet bills this year by getting their butts to the capitol and talking to their legislators. They went there in black leather, beards, tattoos and all, and on their bikes.

The key is to be respectful of the surroundings and the people you talk with.

In my mind, if every motorcycle group in the country would work like that, we could run this country. Paying attention, putting out signs, helping our candidates win elections, and manning phone lines all help.

Sure, donations work too, but labor is what shows.

We simply have to get out and do the work and succeed or continue in our present path and keep on failing to get things done.

Iowa is one of only four states in this country that has no helmet regulation whatsoever. One legislator who kept trying to get a helmet law passed in Iowa did not get reelected. Think about that for awhile.

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny
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site. (<http://hubcityabate.com>) We'll vote on them next meeting.

Rich Balleaux, *Hub City* shipping liaison, gave a good report on the efforts to provide boxes of personal care items to a group of G.I.s in Iraq. Several *Hub City* members are *Desert Storm* veterans who gave us first hand advice on the things a soldier considers precious while over there.

We've taken it on ourselves to try to provide some small comforts to the Oregon troops who are overseas doing their duty. Seems like the least we can do. Call our coordinator at (541)-967-7802 if you want to get in on a package for our soldiers.

On a sad note, I have to mark the passing of a friend and *Hub City* member.

Tom Thompson left behind a wife and son. At 44, Tom took a nap and didn't wake up.

How often do I need to say, "Enjoy today!"?

I know there are many other friends who rode with Tom who'll miss his big grin. I look forward to the day when I will ride with him again.

Ride free, friend.

Paint up, rubber down,

Simba



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Josephine County

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the helmet law amendment. Come on out and help us support them.

June 2nd is the annual poker ride for the *American Cancer Society Relay for Life*. The ride will begin at *Albertson's* in the *Allen Creek Center* on Redwood highway. Sign-in at 3:30 p.m. and first bike out at 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 and the ride wanders through our beautiful countryside and ends at Grants Pass high school with an optional lap around the track. For more information, contact Karen Pacheco at (541)-660-8730. Help the *American Cancer Society* find a cure!

June 22nd through the 24th will find many of us at the 5th *Annual Iron Horse Bike Rally* at Lake Selmac. Camping, R.V.s, bike games, vendor row, great bands, fire dancers, calendar girl bike washes, the *Seattle Cossacks*, a weenie bite and tattoo contest will round out the agenda. Friday night's band will be *Fourplay* and Saturday night will find the top booked band in southern Oregon, *Leadfoot*, center stage in the spotlight. For more information, check out the web site at:

<http://www.ironhorsebikerally.com/>

The following weekend, June 30th, you can visit the *Grants Pass Motorcycle Show* being held at Riverside Park in Grants Pass from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. As usual there will be a great motorcycle show with lots of trophies, a poker run, great food, and two bands.

I've already seen two of the new bike designs that will be in this show and you're really in for a treat. The proceeds will benefit local *Boy Scout* troops and *St. Jude Children's Research Hospital*.

This year they will also be raffling a *Suzuki GS500* sport cruiser donated by *Grants Pass Suzuki* and *Grants Pass Merchant's Association*.

The band *Leadfoot* will be playing this venue. Not only are they good, two of the musicians are members of our

Josephine County Chapter A.B.A.T.E. They will rock your socks off.

More on the rest of summer's bike events in the next issue.

As a final note, if you're traveling this summer, remember there has been an increase of bike thefts nationwide due to the increased number of bikes on the roads. Here's a few tips from law enforcement on keeping your bike safe while traveling.

1. Lock your ignition and remove the key. Most bike thefts occur when the ignition is shut off, but not locked.

2. Lock forks or disc brakes with locks with large, bright tags.

3. If traveling with others, lock motorcycles together.

4. If riding alone, lock your bike to a secure, stationary object.

5. Install a motorcycle alarm and tracking device.

6. When spending the night at a hotel, park the bike near a security camera or your room.

7. If parking in a garage, block the bike with automobiles and lock the garage door.

8. Leave the title at home, not in a compartment or saddle bag. Keep the registration and insurance on you.

9. Uniquely mark the bike and carry a photo of the mark to show police in the event of theft.

There's a lot of great rides and events scheduled every month this summer. Please remember to be safe and watch out for each other out there.

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May 2007



Mel Yeager
state legislative director
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

In a couple of days *BikePAC* will have had its April meeting. There will be much discussion about the two issues pending action in the legislature. In the meantime *BikePAC* has issued three action alerts with great response from motorcyclists all over the state. Brian Stovall and Wayne Schumacher have met with some of the key representatives to get our bills moving. *A.B.A.T.E.* membership is helping with the presence of motorcyclists at the capitol when called upon.

Although there has been a whole lot of work put in towards our efforts in the capitol, there has been very little movement by the committees to which our bills have been assigned.

As I keep track of legislative matters happening in other states, Oregon is right on track with the lack of action from its legislators. I also noted that the federal Government is bringing up the insurance issue about denying benefits to injured motorcyclists. It is intended to close the loophole that insurance companies were using to deny people injured in motorcycle wrecks their fair share of medical benefits. This is what we are trying to accomplish in Oregon.

Update

(Following the *BikePAC* meeting of April 7th, 2007.)

Hard work is still being done in the state capitol to get our legislators to vote for our issues. A couple of other issues of interest that would affect motorcyclists are S-852 (the vulnerable user bill) which is aimed primarily at bicyclists, and S-574 which would mandate safety training for inexperienced motorcyclists. It includes a \$5 yearly fee in addition to the present endorsement cost. This bill would throw upwards of 5,000 additional students into the rider training program per year. The proposal would also increase the student fees to take the course. *BikePAC* voted to *not support* this issue until several important questions are answered.

BikePAC must elect a new executive director this July. Ken Ray will not run for the job again. Anyone who is interested in running for the job please e-mail Ken at :

ken@consultken.com

Our web master, Jay Hadley, is quitting for personal reasons and will no longer operate our web site. We are currently looking for someone to do that job for us. Please contact Ken to apply for the job.

May Awareness Rally is on track and I have arranged for good weather, as usual, for our event. Let's talk this event up with our friends and fellow members.

May 5th, gather and register from 9:00 until 11:30 a.m.

The two dollar bike show will be held on the raised sidewalk area in front of the state capitol building. It starts when someone pays their two bucks and parks their bike. Nobody knows what the categories are until it is time to vote. (Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer chances.) A prize will be awarded for each of the four categories. Ballots will be handed out at 11 a.m. and the winners will be announced at noon.



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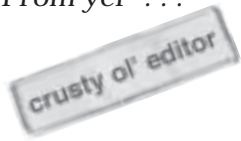
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It's been six months.

And still the realization often startles my spirit.

This will be the first mother's day that we cannot directly thank our mother and express gratitude for all she has done for our family.

Yet that does not stop me from remembering all those little things that both she and our father did to give us happiness and mold us into the people we are. Every day I mentally thank our parents for all they've done or chuckle at some enjoyable childhood memory.

Together mother's and father's day give us pause to think about people who have shaped our lives, whether biological, adapted, or figures. Appreciation of their efforts often increases when we become responsible for guiding others, especially youth.

I'm grateful that we have days set aside that may cause us to think about other people and how they've affected our lives in positive ways. It's a healthy mental activity that takes us outside ourselves and allows us to appreciate those around us.

Don't wait for obituaries or memorial services to appreciate people – do it now while your gift can still be received directly.

We have incredible people in *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* – both members and officers. We're unpaid volunteers who pay each other in the coin of our realm – gratitude, appreciation, and thankfulness.

We are rich.

These organizations give us something we don't get from the rest of our society or we wouldn't remain involved.

Of course we squabble or have our feelings hurt or make mistakes in judgment or action. We're not perfect and will never claim to be.

But at the end of the day when our sidestands snap down, we know deep within our beings that we have a common spiritual bond.

We work together, we ride together, we mourn together, we celebrate together.

We are a family of spirit.

*This month is special.
Full moons greet its
beginning and ending.
This rare event gave rise
to the expression,
"Once in a blue moon."*

Two major biker events happen at the opposite ends of every Oregon May: the *BikePAC* rally in front of the state capitol and the *A.B.A.T.E. Fossil* run in the eastern part of the state.

Both demonstrate or generate support for our activities by capturing people's attention.

Joining hundreds of other motorcyclists on our capitol's steps is an incredibly empowering

experience. You realize that you are not alone. And that together we have power that cannot be ignored.

But sometimes bikers just gotta have fun. And that's largely what

Fossil is all about. It doesn't hurt that the run also helps fund our legislative, education, and community efforts. Having four days together with other like-minded folk to laugh or talk definitely tunes yer motor and energizes yer spark.

And it's all happening in a blue moon month.

Thank you, mother.

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

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12 May	Rose City 500	Portland	
13 May	Lil' Biker Day--Salem Chapter	Salem	(503)-390-4292
18-20 May	Rhody Fest--Willamette Valley	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
25-28 May	ABATE of Oregon FOSSIL Campout (Eastern Oregon)	Fossil	(503)-628-5445
27 May	50/50 Run--Josephine County	Grants Pass	(541)-471-6049
02 June	Poker Run--Hub City	Albany	(541)-967-7802
08-10 June	Redwood Run	California	
10 June	Roll-N-Ride--Washington County	Hillsboro	(503)-628-5445
15-17 June	Spring Opener	Washington	
16 June	Rocks, Lakes, Bridges Run--Central Oregon	(541)-389-2167	
June	Angie's Run--Columbia River	Portland area	(503)-282-4604
22-24 June	Best Of The West--MRF		
23 June	Poker run--Southeast Portland	Gresham	(503)-853-4595
24 June	Around Saddle Mountain--North Coast		(503)-325-4376
08 July	Poker run--Salem HOG	Salem	(503)-390-4292
20-22 July	Cow Chip Boogie	Cowlitz County, Washington	
27-29 July	Run 21 SE Portland Chapter	Birkenfeld	(503)-853-4595
28 July	Mid-Summer Run--WaCo		(503)-628-5445
29 July	Latus Motors		
04 August	One Night Stand--Hub City	Albany	(541)-967-7802
04-05 August	Coast Run--Josephine Co		(541)-471-6049
10-12 August	Beaver Creek--Lincoln County	Newport	(541)-265-6850
17-19 August	Summer Run--CR, NE, SE Portland	Estacada	(503)-760-9015
17 August	Hog Run-CMA		
23-26 August	Harley Drags--AHDRA	Woodburn	
25 August	Freedom Run	Washington	
08 September	Dancing Bikers--Salem Chapter		(503)-390-4292
09 September	Swap Meet--Monroe, Washington		
09 September	Sunset Poker Run		
September	Last Chance Run--JoCo		(541)-471-6049
14-16 September	End of Summer Run--WaCo		(503)-628-5445
15 September	Swashbuckling Bar--Willamette		(541)-471-6049
20-23 Sept	Meeting of the Minds--MRF	Iowa	
22 Sept	Chapters Picnic--NE, SE		(503)-777-5121
29 Sept	Teddy Bear Run--CentOr		(541)-389-2167
30 Sept	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet		(503)-249-8791
06 Oct	Biker Night--Salem Chapter		(503)-390-4292
07 Oct	Toy Run-- JoCo		(541)-471-6049
13 Oct	Casino Night--Willamette Valley Chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
27-28 Oct	Mall Show--Hub City	Albany	(541)-
TBA Oct	ABATE of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-








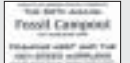




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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

May 2007

beltane

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> River City 1900 (7 pm) beltane May Day	2  full moon (flower moon) Northeast Portland 1900 (7 pm)	3 North Coast 1900 (7 pm)	4	5  BikePAC May Awareness Rally capitol-Salem Cinco de Mayo
6 Southeast Portland 1200 (12 pm)	7	8	9	10  4th quarter moon	11	12 STATE BOARD MEETING Albany Eagles 1200 (12 p.m.) Run Committee 1100 (11 a.m.)
13 Mother's Day Salem Chapter Lil' Biker Day Siverton Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm) <hr/> Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm) hawthorn tree of the month begins	14 Washington Co. 1900 (7 pm)	15 Douglas County 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> River City 1900 (7 pm)	16  new moon Josephine County 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Northeast Portland 1900 (7:00 pm)	17 Hub City 1900 (7 pm) <hr/> Willamette Valley 1900 (7 pm)	18 Willamette Valley Rhody Festival Eugene	19 Willamette Valley Rhody Festival Eugene
20 Willamette Valley Rhody Festival Eugene Southeast Portland noon	21	22 Salem 1900 (7 pm)	23  2nd quarter moon shavuot	24	25 Oregon ABATE Fossil Run 	26 Oregon ABATE Fossil Run 
27 North Coast 1000 (10 am) Oregon ABATE Fossil Run <hr/> Josephine Co. 50/50 Run Grants Pass 	28 WaCo 1900 (7 pm) Oregon ABATE Fossil Run  Memorial Day	29	30	31  full moon		

JUNK-AUCTION

SAT. MAY 12

DONATE ITEMS TO BENEFIT:
BUY BEFORE MOTHERS DAY. DON'T FORGET THAT DAY EITHER!

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

U.C.A.N.

ROSEBURG RESCUE MISSION

SALVATION ARMY

"SPRING CLEAN" DONATE YOUR UNWANTED ITEMS FOR THE AUCTION!
"CLEAN YOUR CLIPBOARDS" DONATE NON-PERISHABLE FOODS TO U.C.A.N.
"CLEAN YOUR CLOSETS" DONATE CLOTHES TO ROSEBURG RESCUE MISSION.
LEFT OVER AUCTION ITEMS DONATED TO SALVATION ARMY.
AUCTION AND ENTRY FUNDS GO TO STATE A.B.A.T.E. of OREGON, Inc.

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AWARENESS, EDUCATION, SAFETY AND LIBERTY
THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
AND LEGISLATIVE ACTION.

\$ 3 ENTRY FEE.

INDIAN CREEK FREE ENTRY \$899+ CASH

FREE ENTRY WITH JOIN A.B.A.T.E. ANY CHAPTER \$ 20.

WHERE:

B.L.M. LAND ABOVE BRIT NICHOLS PARK ON TOP OF THE CALLAHANS
(UP DORNER ROAD PAST MELROSE WEST OF ROSEBURG)

WHEN:

DONATE AND VIEW ITEMS FROM 10 AM TILL NOON(SHOW EARLY AND HELP)
BID ON ITEMS FROM NOON TILL 2 PM.

ORGANIZE DONATIONS FOR DELIVERY AND CLEAN SITE FROM 2 TO 3 PM.

LEAVE SITE TO DELIVER DONATIONS AT 3 PM.

BRING YOUR FOOD AND WATER. PORTA POTTY RESERVED FOR SITE.

PAVED STEEP GRADE WITH SWITCHBACKS! USE LOW GEAR GOING BACK DOWN.

CONTACT PHONE: (541) 673-0686 INDIAN CREEK MEMBER.

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May is Motorcycle Awareness Month
And time for the 17th annual

Motorcycle Awareness & You

Saturday May 5th 2007

Front Steps Oregon Capitol in Salem

Sponsored by BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

10:00 Ride-in Bike Show

Noon An update on what is happening with motorcycling, motorcycle training and Motorcyclist Rights in Oregon. Leaders of ABATE, BikePAC, clubs and groups all around the state will speak. All are welcome!! State Legislators will be invited there to meet with you.

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BikePAC of Oregon, PO Box 5612, Salem, Or. 97304



rights riding racing
SANCTIONED

2007 RHODY POKER RUN

ALL BIKES & ALL
RIDERS WELCOME

Saturday, May 19

Yuleon Jacks

Noti Pub

9:00am to 11:00am
10:00 am to 12:00 pm
4th & Broadway, Veneta Hwy 126, Noti

Greg Coen Motor Co.
8:00 am to 10:00 am
151 Main St., Springfield

Frank's Place
11:00 am to 1:00 pm
10788 Hwy 126, Mapleton

Beachcomber
12 Noon to 2 pm
1355 Bay Street, Florence



Start At Any Point
In The Ride

NUMBER OF BANDS
PLAYED ARE UNLIMITED

\$5 FOR EACH HAND

PAYING HIGH & LOW
\$0/50 & RAFFLE PRIZES

\$1/TICKET OR

6 TICKETS FOR \$5

Awards & Drawings

A.B.A.T.E., Booth

BJ's Ice Cream Parlor

1441 Bay Street

Florence, OR

3:30 pm

For More Information Contact:

Anne: 541-461-2038

Ruth: 541-935-6261

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Wikipedia: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abate>

www.abateoforegon.net
home.earthlink.net/~abateinfo



Memo
May 12, 2007
Saturday - 10:00 am/Dusk
Come one, Come all

To

LIL' BIKER DAY

Rodger's Wayside Park

(South of Oregon Gardens)

Call Ric Ault at 503-391-0739 Road Captain

For directions or to arrange to ride out with the group

Annual Picnic begins at 10:00 a.m.
Door Prizes, Great Food, 50/50, More
Prizes and Games for the Kid in all of us

CONTACT: QUIET MIKE 503-678-6302

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MAY 25, 26, 27, 28, 2007

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WITH GUEST ARTISTS FROM SAN FRANCISCO: FAMED GUITARIST, DAVE WORKMAN AND THE QUEEN OF BOOGIE-WOOGIE, WENDY DEWITT! AND FEATURING BRADLEY JURICH ON THE SAXOPHONE!
 FRIDAY NIGHT ROCK 'N ROLL EXTRAVAGANZA WITH TWISTED CACTUS (FORMERLY THE VAGABONDS)

tons of activities including Vendors, Bike Rodeo, Bike Show,

Tattoo Contest, Beer belly Contest, Strongman Contest

Door prizes, Adult entertainment, kid's games and everyone's favorite:

a 100% payout poker run!

Advance Tickets: members \$25, Non-members \$30

At the gate: Members \$30, non-members \$35

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT TED TRACY (503) 628-5WS
 FOR VENDOR INFORMATION CONTACT SUE MILLS (503) 791-0681

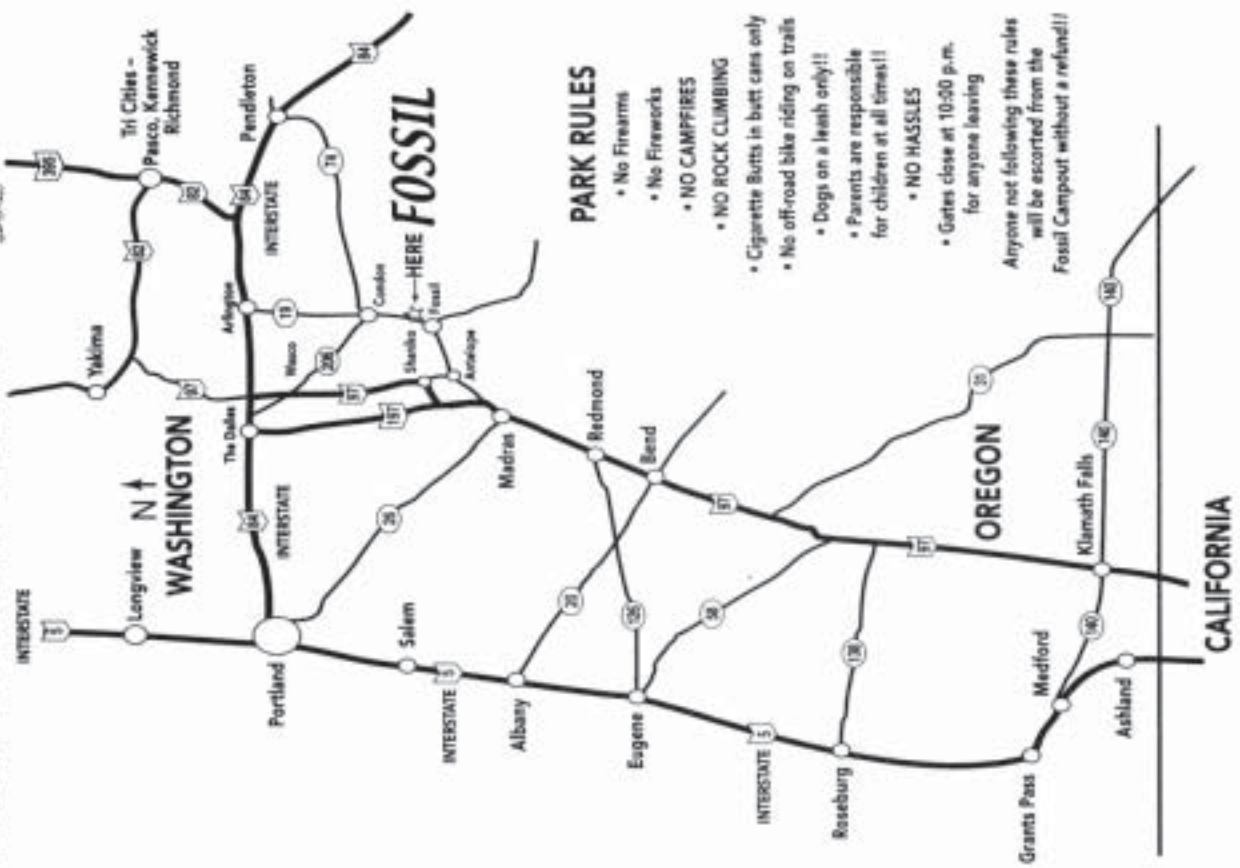
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www.abateoforegon.net, www.fossilcampout.com

Fossil Campout 25-28 May 2007

HOW TO GET THERE



PARK RULES

- No Firearms
- No Fireworks
- NO CAMPFIRES
- NO ROCK CLIMBING
- Cigarette Butts in butt cans only
- No off-road bike riding on trails
- Dogs on a leash only!!
- Parents are responsible for children at all times!!
- NO HASSLES

Gates close at 10:00 p.m. for anyone leaving
 Anyone not following these rules will be escorted from the Fossil Campout without a refund!!

Memorial Day Poker Run



May 27, 2007

Sign in Starts at 9:00AM
Last Rider Out by 10:30 AM
Last Hand In By 1:00 PM
Run Start: Full Throttle Custom Cycle,
849 Rogue River Hwy, Grants Pass, OR

Entry Fee:
\$10. First Hand
\$5. Additional Hands

50% of the Proceeds Go To
BIKEPAC of Oregon
in Support of
Motorcycle Rights

Prizes:
High Hand \$100,
Low Hand \$ 50.
50/50 Drawing End of Run
Must Be Present To Win

All Riders/All Bikes
Welcome

PROTECTING
State
FIGHTING
FOR YOUR
FREEDOM

Contact: Pat Allen (541) 659-8715

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The Home of the

MUSICIANS TOY RUN BENEFIT



Announcing

Biker Band Jam Nite

Every Wednesday @ 7:30 PM

Hosted by



FRANCIANE WEST
AND THE HIGH SPEED MOBILERS

1320 Main St. Oregon City OR

Roll-N-Ride

PRESENTED BY ABATE OF OREGON
WASHINGTON COUNTY

CHAPTER
JUNE 10TH, 2007



ONE HAND \$10

TWO HANDS \$15

Sign in: 10am

Depart: 11am

CASH FOR HIGH & LOW ROLLER

Good Food, Beaverton Honda-Yamaha FUN FOR ALL

10380 SW Cascade Blvd Tigard Ore

DOOR PRIZES

CASH PRIZES

50/50 DRAWING



FREE FAMILY PICNIC TO FOLLOW
3377 SW WEST SHORE DR
GASTON ORE

NEAR HAGG LAKE IN SCOGGINS VALLEY

Look for ABATE sign

Need more info?

www.wacoabate.info

Call Ted Tracy (503) 628-5445



Being too cars or food to benefit "Motorcycle Month" program's activities and get a discount (2007)
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6th Annual Poker Run

Saturday June 2nd

Meet at 10:00am Last Bike Out at 11:00am
Humpty's Dump Bar & Grill
916 NE Old Salem Road - Albany

Great Door Prizes

50/50 Drawing

All Riders
Welcome

All Bikes
Welcome

Don Mason (541) 791-1919
Garry Hastie (541) 967-7802

\$5 Per Hand
\$100 High Poker Hand
\$50 Low Poker Hand

Visit Us Online at www.hubcityabate.com

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All Stops Are At Bars or Taverns

Follow signs for Coye Palisade's State Park - keep going BACK SIDE OF HAYSTACK

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LAKE Chinook Village

LAKE

SMITH ROCK STATE PARK

1 City Slickers Saloon & Eatery
329 SW 6th, Redmond, P-541-548-3731

2

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4

5 Coyote Creek Restaurant
Sponsored by 3:00 p.m. call for 50/50 and High Dice Roll Coyote Creek, Sisters

Route of the Hands

MRF SUPPORT RUN

DESTINATION	DICE	WITNESS	ROLL	TOTAL
Start: Redmond - City Slickers Saloon & Eatery			+	
Smith Rock State Park			+	
Haystack Reservoir			+	
Lake Chinook Village - backside Lake Billy Chinook			+	
Coyote Creek Restaurant Go through Sisters on Cascade Ave/Highway 28, turn Rt at Roy's Shopping Center. Entrance onto McKinstry Hwy, 428 has changed so please be AWARE!			+	

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Dedicated to Let Those Who Ride Decide!
Federation of the Rides! Ride Decide!

LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE

Central Oregon Chapter

5th Annual "Rocks, Bridges & Lakes Run"

Sat. June 16, 2007

Profits will be split between ABATE of Oregon and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation, Working for your motorcycle rights

50/50 Raffle • \$10.00 Dice Rolls Available
High Dice Roll \$100.00 winner.
Donations are encouraged.

Meet at City Slickers Saloon & Eatery, 329 SW 6th, Redmond.
Will open 8:30 a.m. for breakfast, first rider out at 9:30 a.m., last rider out 11:00 a.m.

Triple Shot Band beginning at 1:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. call for 50/50 and High Dice Roll Coyote Creek, Sisters
For information contact John, 541-382-6146,
Kevin 541-389-2167, or Ed 541-923-5503.

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!! ALL RIDERS & MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOME!!

North Coast Chapter ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

12th Annual

Around Saddle Mountain Poker Run

Saturday, June 23, 2007



1st Poker Hand \$15.00 includes meal

Each extra hand \$5.00

Registration begins at 9:00am at the Relief Pitcher in Seaside

Run Departs at 10:00am

All Bikes & Start at Any Point on the Run 50-50

Riders Welcome Prizes - Raffle

- First Card Draw Worker's Tavern, 281 W. Marine Dr., Astoria
- Second Card Draw Cobbin's Pub & Grill, 135 Nehalem, Clatskanie
- Third Card Draw Lion's Den, Bridge St., Vernonia
- Fourth Card Draw Okey's Restaurant & Bar, Hwy 26, Elsie
- Fifth Card & Party Time Relief Pitcher, Hwy 101, Seaside

Many Thanks to our Supporters!

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For more information including lodging or camping - Contact Howie @ 503-325-4376 or Chris @ 503-325-3448

Help Save Summer Run It's a family affair!

Come one, come ALL!

The Portland Chapters of ABATE need your help to save our only FAMILY camping event.

Date: June 30th, 2007

Location: M & M Restaurant and Lounge
137 N Main St Gresham Oregon

Cost: \$6.00 per person or \$10 per couple
At the door

music by - Flashpoint

Raffle prizes & 50/50

Doors open at 7:00 PM with music starting
at 8:30 PM

Contact: Matt Hobbs (503) 928-1486

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Run 21 Advance Ticket Request Form

Name: _____
 Mailing Address: _____
 Phone #: Day _____ Eve. _____

Run 21 Advance Tickets	Number of tickets	
July 27, 28 & 29, 2007		@ \$30.00 per person
No Refunds		
Total Due		

Please fill this form out completely (Type or Print) and return it with your payment (Payable to: ABATE / SE PORTLAND CHAPTER) to this address by the July 10, 2007 deadline

SE Portland Chapter
 P.O. Box 90233
 Portland, Or. 97290

**If you'd like to be a vendor at the Run
 Call Stephan at (503) 761-3362**

STILLPOW! RUN 21 STILLPOW!

JULY 27-28-29 2007 at BIRKENFELD OR

-  **EL LOCO**
 - ZI TOP TRIBUTE**
 - ALL THE COOL STUFF
 - RUN 21 GIRLS
 - ADULT GAMES
 - BIKE GAMES
 - BURN OUT PIT
 - BIKE SHOW
 - FASHION SHOW
 - RIVER ACCESS
 - GREAT FOOD
 - TATTOO GUYS
 - LEATHER GOODS
 - BIKE STUFF
 - THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME**
 - UGLY NAKED GUY
 - GUNS
 - FIREWORKS
 - ATTITUDES
 - YOUR PETS
 - NO CAMP FIRES
 - YOUR ANGRY EX'S
-  **RANDY HANSEN**
 - JIMI HENDRIX**
 - TRIBUTE WITH
 - NORTHWEST SPECIAL GUEST
 - DROP DEAD LEGS A TRIBUTE TO VAN HALEN
 - AND WELCOMING BACK
 - JR SIMS AND THE TEXAS SPECIAL
 - THE REDEEMED WITH STEVE LOCKWOOD
 - AND OPENING FRIDAY NIGHT FLASHPOINT.
-  **FACEFROG**
 - TRIBUTE TO THE DOORS

TICKETS.....\$30.00 ADVANCE \$40.00 AT THE GATE
 See back of this flyer or go to www.abateoforegon-se.org

Must have valid ID to enter MUST BE 21 NO EXCEPTIONS

RUN INTO.....RICH C @ 503-519-9727
MATT J @ 503-428-1486

YES! PLEASE CONTACT STEPHAN @ 503-761-3362



Run 21 is sponsored by ABATE of Oregon Inc. Contributions to ABATE of Oregon Inc are deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. All proceeds from this event go to SE Chapter of ABATE of Oregon Inc to promote motorcycle maintenance and education safety and theory. And to provide your freedom of choice through legislative action.

Grants Pass Suzuki
& The Grants Pass Merchants Association
Presents

June 30th at Riverside Park
9:00 am to 9:30 pm

Motorcycle Show, Poker Run, Vendors

“Saturday Concerts in Riverside Park”

Benefiting Local Boy Scout Troops and
St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

Come join us for a full day of Food, Fun and Music
All makes and models welcome

For information, call
(541) 471-7849
<http://www.grantspassmotorcycleshow.org>

Sponsored by: GRANTS PASS SUZUKI,
TICOR TITLE Show and Shine and
102.7 THE DRIVE Poker Run

Don't Forget The Big Events At Both Ends Of This Month

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lots of activities including Vendors, Bike Nodds, Bike Shows, Tattoo Contest, Beer Belly Contest, Strongman Contest, Deer prizes, Adult entertainment, kids games and everyone's favorite: **a 2005 percent poker run!**

Advance tickets: members \$25, Non-members \$50
At the gate: Members \$30, non-members \$55

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT TED TEADY (503) 688-8997
FIND VENDORS INFORMATION CONTACT BOB PULLS (503) 748-0088

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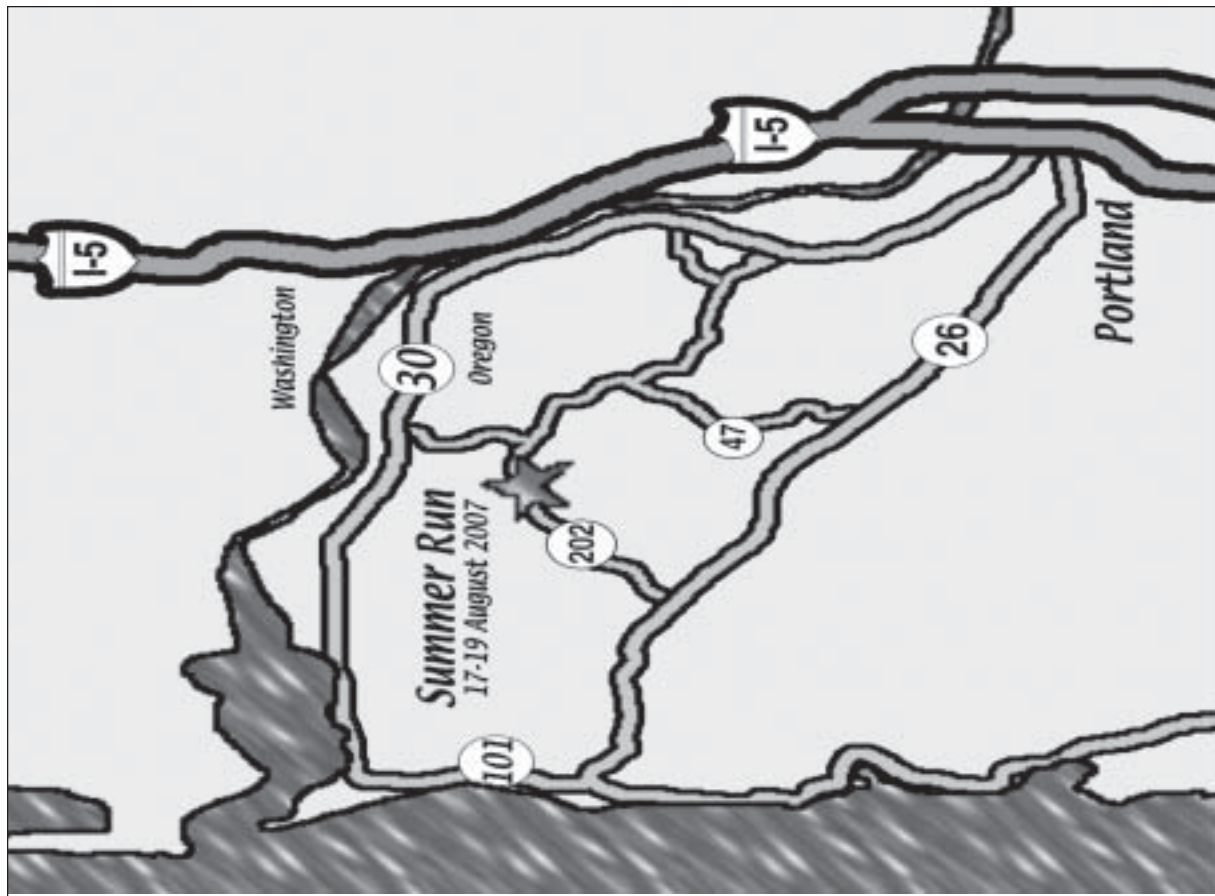
HOW TO GET THERE



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- No Weapons
- NO CAMPFIRE
- NO 500C CAMPERS
- Openness Policy in full view only
- No off-road bike riding on trails
- Designated vehicle only!
- Parents are responsible for children at all times!
- NO ALCOHOL
- Water show at 10:00 pm for anyone leaving

Anyone not following these rules will be removed from the Fossil Campout without a refund!



IF YOU ATTENDED THE SUMMER RUN LAST YEAR THEN YOU KNOW OF THE BIG CHANGES, AND THIS YEAR WE SHOULD BE BIGGER THEN EVER SO PLEASE COME AND HAVE A REAL FUN TIME

AT BIRKENFELD FOLLOW THE SIGNS SUMMER RUN 2007 SAVE THE SUMMER RUN

August 17, 18, 19



- REAL GOOD LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
- HOLIDAY HILL
- THE BAND-ITS RYTHM AND BLUES
- THE YANKEES GOOD ROCK-MAROIL
- SAT_MITE
- JR SEMS SOUTHERN ROCK
- FLASHPOINT CLASSIC ROCK-N-ROLL

THE SUMMER RUN IS BEGINNING TO BE THE RUN TO GO TO FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

WHAT'S HAPPENING

- BIKE GAMES
- TUG-O-WAR
- VENDORS
- KID GAMES
- LIVE MUSIC
- RIVER ACCESS
- FASHION SHOW
- AUCTION
- BIKE SHOW
- GREAT FOOD

THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME

- NO PETS
- NO FIRE ARMS
- NO BILLS
- NO ATTITUDES
- GATE \$20.00 NON MEM. \$15.00
- GATE CLOSIS AT 10:00 PM TO OHT BOUND
- CONTACT LEE AUSTIN-504-768-9015

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INK & METAL

Motorcycle

TATTOO SHOW

June 9

Bike Categories

Paint, Stock

Best in Show

Tattoo Categories

Color, Tribal

Best in Show

Black Horse Saloon

www.blackhorsesaloon.com

20565 Brinson Blvd

Bend, Oregon

(541) 382-4270





Oregon BikePAC

report



Mel Yeager
treasurer
BikePAC of Oregon

April 7th 2007

The meeting opened at 12:20 p.m. chaired by executive director, Ken Ray. He passed around a copy of April 4, 2007 edition of *USA Today* that told of motorcycle issue efforts being proposed in federal legislature.

Since the minutes of the previous meeting were available in printed form, the minutes were approved as presented.

Mel Yeager submitted copies of the treasurer's report and after noting a correction, the report was approved.

Legislative report was then given by legislative director, Brian Stovall and lobbyist, Wayne Schumacher.

S-356 (our insurance bill) may get another hearing, but is not looking good at this time.

HB-2399 (our right-to-choose bill) is stalled in committee. We have enough votes on the floor but not in the committee. Two committee members are key to passing this bill out of committee. Either one of them would swing the vote if we can get one of them to change their mind.

S-853 (vulnerable user bill) primarily for bicyclists, but may affect motorcyclists too. This is not one of our bills but we are watching it.

May Awareness Rally is set to go. There will be a bike show as usual. Pass the word to your friends and fellow members. The event is also posted in *Thunder Press*. Ken Ray is inviting several politicians to speak at the event and I am inviting the C.E.O.s of all of the motorcycle

organizations to be there and to say a few words as well.

Nic Oliver reported that he has been contacting businesses and nobody knows about us.

Old Business

Wayne discussed our strategy for future action on our two bills. He has been working on the committee members who have been assigned our two bills. He made some suggestions for discussion by the *BikePAC* committee. After much discussion, the executive board voted on what specific action to be taken.

Wayne told of S-574, a bill by senator Vicki Walker which would require mandatory training or one year experience before obtaining a motorcycle endorsement. This bill would raise the cost of the endorsement to \$5 per year. It does not address how to pay for the expected increase of up to 5,000 new students per year in the training program. Nor does it address what training program would be acceptable.

The estimated tuition cost for the student could increase to nearly \$200 to take the course.

Since these issues are unclear, the *BikePAC* executive board voted to not support. Ken Ray and Mel may provide testimony at a hearing, if necessary.

New Business

Web master Jay Hadley is resigning. *BikePAC* is looking for a volunteer to take over the web site and to maintain it for us.

Ken Ray will not run for the position of executive director again. *BikePAC* is looking for a replacement.

Our next meeting will be an *ad-hoc* meeting following the *May Awareness Rally*, if necessary.

The next scheduled meeting will be July 7th. It will be the annual meeting, and election of the executive director will take place then, along with any other business to be conducted. The July meeting place is being determined, but Mel is checking with the *Eagles Club* in Albany. This will be confirmed in later announcements.

Meeting adjourned 14:37 p.m.

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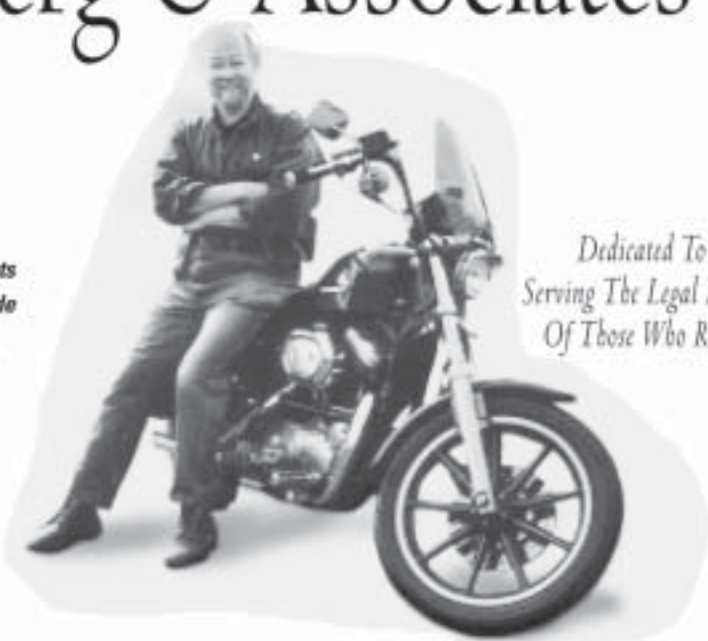
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_____	(out of stock) ABATE Logo Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Logo Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold	5.00	_____
_____	(out of stock) ABATE Wing Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	(out of stock) ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Supporter Pin	5.00	_____
_____	(out of stock) ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color	3.00	_____
_____	Fossil Pin	5.00	_____
_____	(out of stock) ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white	5.00	_____
_____	ABATE Logo Hats	15.00	_____
_____	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	_____
_____	ABATE T-Shirts	15.00	_____
_____	Long sleeve T-shirts	20.00	_____
_____	Sm____ Med____ Lg____ X-Lg____ 2X____		_____
_____	ABATE Sweatshirts	25.00	_____
_____	Sm____ Med____ Lg____ X-Lg____ 2X____		_____
_____	Polo shirts	20.00	_____
_____	Ladies V-neck shirts	20.00	_____
_____	Ladies crew neck shirts	20.00	_____



YEAR PIN



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

ABATE PINS



MISCELLANEOUS





ABATE T-SHIRTS

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



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

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

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL		
		ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (left side)	3.00			
		ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (right side)	3.00			
	(out of stock)	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Sticker - large, inside, 5 color	5.00			
		ABATE #1 Membership Sticker - large, 5 color	3.00		STICKERS 	
		HELMET LAWS SUCK Sticker - small	1.00			
		LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Sticker - small	1.00			
		Warning Sticker: "This Bike Belongs To A Member of ABATE, Don't Mess With It"	2.50			
		"Kill A Biker, Go To Jail" sticker	3.00			
		HELMET LAWS SUCK Bumper Stickers	free			
		LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Bumper Stickers	free			
		UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL Patch	5.00			
		Loud Pipes Saves Lives	3.00			SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS
		Straight Wing Eagle pin	5.00			
		Straight Wing Eagle pin	5.00			
		Eagle Pin	5.00			
		Chapter Coordinator	5.00		OFFICER ROCKERS (special order items)  	
		Chapter Vice-Coordinator	5.00			
		Chapter Secretary	5.00			
		Chapter Membership Secretary	5.00			
		Chapter Treasurer	5.00			
		Chapter Historian	5.00			
		Chapter Legislator	5.00			
		Chapter Educational Director	5.00			
		Chapter Ways & Means Director	5.00			
		Chapter Sergeant-At-Arms	5.00			
		Chapter Public Relations Director	5.00			
		Chapter State Representative	5.00			
		Chapter Rockers- (Need to be ordered by Chapter Ways & Means Director)				
			Sub Total			
Shipping & Handling Charges					Thank you for your order ;:-) 	
			Under \$25.00 = \$6.50			
			\$25.01-\$100.00 = \$8.50			
T-shirts (over 1 Doz.) shipping				\$8.00		
			TOTAL			

mail order to: **A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS**
att. Products Director
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, ORegon 97208

PHONE: (503)-985-0233
 E-MAIL:

Date _____
 Prepaid _____
 Name _____ Phone Number (_____) - _____
 Street Address (for UPS shipping) _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____

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Chapter orders require chapter check or state representative purchase at state board meeting.

HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

PLEASE SEND TO:

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

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

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

CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: _____

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN VERBAL BOTH

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

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

If modified describe: _____

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

For Sale

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Wanted

New motorcycle. 2005 custom built softail, flat black paint with special graphics and pin-stripe, fat bob style gas tanks, blackened out spoked 21 inch front wheel with bright red ring on outer edge. Custom 18 inch stainless steel rear wheel with stainless steel diamond style spokes with 170 series Avon tire. All powdercoating done by *Brooker Enterprises*, very professional. Powdercoated custom *Kraftech* frame with 34" rake and 2-inch stretch. Many other parts powdercoated. 80 inch black and chrome *Evo*-style motor with updates to carburetor, powdercoated heat resistant black modified *Screaming Eagle* dual exhaust. Black and chrome *Harley* 5-speed transmission. Powdercoated flat track style handlebars with powdercoated wide glide front end. Custom built fenders. A real sweet bike to ride. Just barely broke in. A lot of fun. All new just for you. **\$15,000** or best offer. Must see to believe. Call **(503)-257-7390**

(May 2007)

S&S carb Ten hours of running time. Carb, manifold, and heat spacer for Shovelhead engine. **\$200** Call **(541)-472-0924** (southern Oregon)

(May 2007)

Front end, spring inside lower tube. Comes with true five-spoke rim. No brakes or gear on bars. *Yamaha* 650 Special. Needs battery and clutch cable. **\$500** firm. *Yamaha* XJ-550. Needs work. **\$350**. Needs tank, fenders, and battery.

Rick **(541)-673-0686**

(July 2007)

Extra-wide 7/8" offset dual flange rear hub. Pulley (sprocket) side offset 0.875 further than standard 73-85 style hubs. Eliminates need for pulley spacers with 180mm or 200mm tire. Bearings further apart provide greater stability and help avoid bent axles on wide tire applications. 3/4" axle. New, never used with all internals. 2006 custom chrome part# 19543, cost \$222.77!!! **\$120** Best offer or trade for 180/55-17 tire.

Big Rich **(503)-309-1032**

(July 2007)

Wanted – Early *Honda* pushrod motorcycles. Basket cases or complete, with title if possible. Also want 1980's 70cc *Passport* with title.

Rotten Roger **(503)-285-4329**

(May 2007)

Seeking Parts? Or That Special Bike?

Reach over 2,000 folks with their own little personal treasure troves who may be willing to part with them if you cross their palms with silver. (Or paper or plastic.) Wanted ads are another one of your perks as a member of Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Aren't you glad you joined us?

(No business ads, please. This is personal.)

Answer to Lirpa CRYPTOGRAM

Nothing can prevail against the power of negation, scorn, and virgin energy of pride that arise in the heart of an ambitious young man who has not yet done anything.

— Paul Valery

May Cryptogram

IRH'Y FSOA MY BRZT PRSE

YR KRHYRTE ADDAKYX,

FSOA MY BRZT PRSE

YR KRHYTRE KSZXAX.

— ISMAE LZMHH (XYRTB RD U)

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

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

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

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

These advertisements are for personal items only and are free to Oregon A.B.A.T.E. members. Each ad will run for three months. (Date in parenthesis is the last issue in which the ad will appear.) Please limit ad length to 50 words so everyone can play.

Business and services will need to place *paid* advertisements.

Note: A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. is not responsible for any items appearing in these advertisements.

Contact: **(503)-838-6893** (V/F)

or

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Portland, Oregon 97208

STATE OFFICERS FOR CALANDAR YEAR 2007

Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	FAX #:
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VICE-COORDINATOR NORTH			
Rich Colwell			
VICE-COORDINATOR SOUTH			
Jim Jones	(541)-680-5501		
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST			
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MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY			
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SECRETARY			
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	chippawop@netscate.com	
TREASURER			
Sue Mills	(503)-791-0681	treasurer@abateoforegon.net	
STATE AUDITOR			
Debbie Ross	(503)-855-3101	carverbiker1@comcast.net	(503)-855-3165
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Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	rotnews@open.org	(503)-838-6893
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Mel Yeager	(541)-967-1286	mel_yeager@hotmail.com	
SGT-AT-ARMS NORTH			
Randy Phipps	(503)-347-0524	neportabate@yahoo.com	
SGT-AT-ARMS SOUTH			
Bill Foster	(541)-359-9375 (c)		
SGT-AT-ARMS EAST			
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Ted Tracy	(503)-628-5445		
SWAP MEET COORDINATOR			
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BIKEPAC REPRESENTATIVE			
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CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP #1			
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CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP #2			
Bobby Schneidert			

(Return address on reverse side)

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

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAME: _____

NEW ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ (tape bottom edge)

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) - ____ - ____ E-mail: _____

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Congressional District: _____ Senator: _____ Representative: _____

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

Please send completed application to:

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

97208

Annual Rates:

___ Individual membership	\$20	Total number of members: _____
___ Couple membership	\$25	Amount enclosed: \$ _____
___ Family membership	\$30	Date paid: _____

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P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon 97208

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PORTLAND, OREGON
PERMIT No. 638

**TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL**

A rider named Bear had put on weight,
(Winters always made him hibernate,)
Now riding in the sun,
Is just so much more fun,
'Cause he's active and just joined A.B.A.T.E.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:
Saturday, 12 May 2007 at noon
Eagle's Lodge – Albany, Oregon
RUN COMMITTEE MEETING AT 1100

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CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday	1400 (2 ^{pm})	<i>Black Horse Saloon</i> ; Bend	(541)-389-2167
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday	1230 (12:30 ^{pm})	<i>The Spare Room</i> ; 4830 N. E. 42nd.; Portland	(503)-807-1606
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg	(541)-459-7652
Hub City	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-967-7802
Josephine County	3 rd Wednesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Fruitdale Grange</i> ; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-471-6049
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport	(541)-265-6850
North Coast	1 st Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Dundee's</i> ; Seaside	
	4 th Sunday	1000 (10 ^{am})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-4376
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland	(503)-777-5121
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roadstop Restaurant</i> ; 2nd Street, The Dalles	(541)-296-8083
Salem	4 th Tuesday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>C.C.'s Pizzeria</i> , 4200 River Road north, Keizer	(503)-390-4292
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun	1200 (noon)	<i>M&M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-666-8806
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Mon	1930 (7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Restaurant</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3040
Willamette Valley	3 rd Thursday	1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Roaring Rapids Pizza</i> 4006 Franklin Boulevard; Eugene	(541)-688-4268