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motorcycle issues*



Fossil Campout

I would like to invite you to the 2012, 35th Fossil Motorcycle Campout.

This being one of the oldest motorcycle campouts in the west, we must be doing something right.

It all starts with the volunteers. Without their help, we would be lost. This year is not different. If you plan on attending, sign up and help be a part of the party.

We are staying with what made the Fossil Campout what it is: tattoo contest, bike games, bike show, poker run, mud wrestling, and the ever fun "Hide-The-Salami."

This year we are working on adding the evening entertainment using technology. Andy has promised the sound and light will be better than ever. Between the acoustics of Bear Hallow and Andy's expertise (and a little alcohol) the bands sound better at Fossil.

This year's bands will keep the party hopping.

Friday night *Kenny Lee and the Sundowners* are returning after last year's positive reviews. Kenny let us know he added another guitar player to improve on Lynyrd Skynyrd and other music.

Saturday we start with a local band out of Mitchell, Oregon, *EverCanEver*, who mix a little country with rock. Then back from two years ago, *Livewire* will rock with AC-DC-style music.

Sunday we rev it up even more with *15 Mile Militia*, a young metal band with a big following from The Dalles.

This being my fifth year as Fossil coordinator, I'm stepping out of line and predicting a lot of beautiful riding weather.

With gas prices where they are, it should be a no-brainer to start your summer on your bike.

Gene has been working hard and the Bear Hollow campground is looking better than ever.

So get together with your friends and

plan your ride. You can't beat a ride through an early summer green eastern Oregon.

Howie Long
Fossil coordinator

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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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 HR-3869 to end the federal authority to withhold highway funds from states without helmet requirements.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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BikePAC of Oregon

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

BikePAC works within the political process.

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

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

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

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

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

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

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

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

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

officers at work

State Coordinator

Freedom.

Such a small word.

But what exactly does it mean?

My definition of freedom is being able to make judgment calls and decisions about what I do and when I do it as long as it doesn't infringe on others' rights to do the same.

Pretty simple, right? As members of A.B.A.T.E., we are sometimes referred to as freedom fighters. But are we really? Are we really doing all that we can to protect our rights and freedoms? How many of us know who our representatives are in Salem and Washington D.C.?

A.B.A.T.E. was started in the belief that all motorcyclists should be treated as equals to other citizens. That we, as riders, share the same respect and recognition as any other citizen in America. We have never wanted any special treatment or to be viewed as better than any other group.

Functioning as a team, A.B.A.T.E. was able to work with other groups to keep legislators in Salem from dictating what

we could and couldn't do.

We have fought hard and have won some very significant battles, but the tide is changing. We have become complacent and divided. It has become more important to concentrate on what is best for our chapters rather than what is best for the organization. We are losing focus and, just as important, we are losing members.

People, this is exactly what the politicians want to happen.

Our own representatives, the people you and I have put into office, don't like to make waves. They are no different than you or I and want to keep their jobs.

So when we go to Salem and ask for their support, most of them will smile and nod and get us out of there as quickly as possible, then vote against us every chance they get. Why? Because it is easier to go with the flow. There are no repercussions for making a few bikers mad. They know that we are so divided that we cannot even agree to show up in Salem for our own *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* in May!

We can sit in meetings and tell each other how important it is to us, but each of you knows as well as I do that action speaks louder than words. The politicians in Salem are no longer afraid of what we think because we refuse to take action as a united group.

I think it's time to change that.

I believe that the opportunity to make a difference is upon us again.

It's time to unite and remind those in office that they work for us as constituents who just happen to ride a motorcycle.

We need to put aside all of our differences and think as a unified organization who will not only work in our communities, but will do whatever it takes to get back the respect we deserve in Salem.

It is time to become freedom fighters again and start making a difference.

We have been passed the torch by those who have preceded us, so it is our job . . . no, it is our *duty* . . . to make sure that the torch is not dropped. That the light of freedom, the idea of motorcyclists rights, does not get put out by neglect.

It is time that we get back on board so that our representatives in Salem will feel that making "waves" will be better



Allan Nichols

state coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

than pissing off a few bikers.

Ride safe.
Ride free.
Ride with respect.

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

- state coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
- Oregon representative
Motorcycle Riders Foundation

"My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government."

-- Thomas Jefferson

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

Central Oregon

Hello from *Central Oregon*,

I would like to thank Mike Schoelz for stepping up to take over as treasurer and to thank Ellen Greene for her many years of hard work in this position.

I want to remind everyone that our May meeting will be at 9:30 a.m., May 12th at the Cloverdale fire department for our annual roadside cleanup of highway 20 just west of Sisters. We will not be meeting on the 13th in honor of Mother's day.

Our *Rocks, Lakes, And Bridges* poker run to benefit the M.R.F. is coming up June 16th. Come join us for a ride through the beautiful central Oregon countryside. I will try not to crash on this one.

Which brings up my next point.

The weather has gotten better and the bikes are coming out of the garages. It is critical to do a thorough safety inspection after the winter rest.

I went down last year and had

\$2,700 damage to my bike when my final drive belt broke and jammed my rear wheel.

So do a full check on your bike. Or if you do not know everything that needs to be checked, have a good shop do it for you.

Remember we motorcyclist need to stick together. We need to work with the other rider groups and organizations. We are all riders no matter what manufacturer or style of bike we ride. As has been said before "we must all hang together or surely we will hang separately". Any infighting among us only helps those who would oppose us or try to take away our rights.

The primary election is coming up. Remember those in office who have treated us well, and vote against those who have not. "Vote early, and vote often". Voting is not only a right, it is a responsibility.



We will be moving our meetings to a new location starting in July. I will post the location when we have found it. It will also be posted on our *Facebook* page.

Our new web site should be up and running soon and it will be posted there as well.

Until next month keep your eyes on the prize and the shiny side up,

Bob Terrill
coordinator – *Central Oregon Chapter*



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING
TIME and PLACE

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

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



BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- May 11
Ten Down
Located on Diamond Lake
Next Bike Night
June 8
Ranch Restaurant
located in Rice Hill

BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- June 8
Ranch Restaurant

BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- July 13
Narrows Tavern
21608 N Umpqua Hwy. in Clide

BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- August 10
Point 9
515 S MAIN ST. CANYONVILLE, OR

BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- September 14
La Pinata
237 W B AVE. - DRAIN, OR

BIKE NIGHT
A.B.A.T.E.
All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....
6:30 PM - Friday
- October 12
Oakland Tavern
104 LOCUST ST. - OAKLAND OR

**Douglas County
MEETING TIME and PLACE**
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
M's Restaurant
443 S.E. Jackson street
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**A.B.A.T.E. group report -- Indian Creek
(members at large)**



Anyone in Indian Creek is invited to write and send in reports.

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35th Annual Fossil Campout
Bear Hollow: May 25, 26, 27, & 28, 2012

Live Music Friday, Saturday & Sunday Night!
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Bike Rodeo & Bike Show! Tattoo Contest!
Scavenger Hunt! **Point 9!** **Vandalia!**
Advance Tickets: Members \$30, Non-Members \$35. At the Gate: Members \$35, Non-Members \$40
Day Passes Member \$15 Non-member \$20 at gate
Online ticket sales at www.fossilcampout.com
Gates open @ Noon on Friday
For more information Contact Howie Long (503) 791-2862
For vendor information Contact Rick (541) 980-4230
(Due to space limitations only groups of 15 or more (excluding vendors) will be allowed one support vehicle of no more than 20 feet in length
Limited RV Spaces. Contact Gene Mortimore (541) 993-3725

**Indian Creek
MEETING TIME and PLACE**
(when and where ever)
POINT of CONTACT
(state newspaper)
CHAPTER ADDRESS:
(anywhere in Oregon)

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

Wow! What about the spring weather we've had? Hopefully by the time you are reading this mother nature has brought some good riding weather.

It has been a very busy year so far for *Hub City Chapter*. There have been two biker nights which have contributed greatly to the posting of four billboard safety messages. In keeping with our mission statement, *Hub City* has again paid for billboards educating the public to be more aware of motorcyclists.

This being an election year, we are receiving a barrage of information about candidates. We have learned that it is very important to know what a candidate believes *before* casting your vote. Candidate evaluation isn't the easiest task to complete, but critical. Becoming a county commissioner candidate myself has brought the process into fine focus.

Looking eye-to-eye with a candidate is my preferred method. Rehearsed, canned formula candidates never really master the art of deception. Even if you're a novice poker player you can spot a fabrication from across the room. The average candidate has at least one topic that they don't want to talk about.

Seminars don't train candidates to handle questions from a biker, especially an *A.B.A.T.E.* member. After three different training seminars on the subtle points of candidacy, I'm certain the average candidate is completely unprepared for the straightforward cross examination delivered by a leather-clad voter.

It's not just our fashion statements that get a candidate off balance, it's direct eye contact and getting right to the point with questions that leave no room for squishy answers.

If a candidate needs to draw in a breath of hesitation before starting to answer, the answer is either a canned deflection or something short of what we expect. Trust your instincts.

By doing opposition research, I learned to look deep for the specifics in endorsements of an incumbent.

Endorsements are like diary products: there should be dates. Look for dates on endorsements. If it's not there, contact the campaign to ask for confirmation of the endorsement or go to the endorser directly. Sometimes the person listed as an endorser isn't aware their reputations are on loan. A candidate willing to mislead a voter to stay in office needs to be replaced immediately.

Another 'trick' unscrupulous candidates employ on their web sites is using multiple small graphics as buttons placed close to one logo or graphic to give the impression that there is an endorsement. For instance, one graphic says "See who has endorsed" and it is right next to the name of a well known talk show host on a local radio station. It's not an technically an endorsement, but the intent is to deceive the average web site viewer or voter. The problem with a half truth is that it is still half lie.

Any local candidate lucky enough to



have an *A.B.A.T.E.* member as part of their campaign organization or corps of volunteers will be a more effective candidate. Any candidate who intends to mislead the public by falsely claiming old endorsements or the support of a media figure should be held publicly accountable.

I'm looking forward to seeing more *A.B.A.T.E.* members going to candidate forums, meet and greet events, then helping others see the value of our approach.

- Christine Ruck
- *Hub City Chapter* member
- Linn county commissioner candidate (position 3)



Hub City
MEETING TIME and PLACE
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 SW Fifth Street — Albany

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<http://www.hubcityabate.com>

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

Howdy to everybody,

May is already here by the time we read this.

Easter snuck up on us fast this year, but it didn't catch the *FreeBirds Motorcycle Club* flat-footed. That group of loyal riders, with some help from their friends in the rider community, gave away some 600 (yup, six hundred) Easter baskets to deserving children for the fifth year in a row. As I understand it from Simple Man, 100 went to *Jackson County Foster Parents Association* and five hundred went to *Our Foster Kids, Inc.* in Josephine county. The *FreeBirds Motorcycle Club* had about one hundred bikes show up and they kicked out about 160 spaghetti dinners

Simple Man said watch the *U.B.S.O.* calendar for the *Burnout At The Bar* on August 25th, as that is their initial fundraiser for this great event.

We at the *Jackson County Chapter* salute these guys-n-gals who put this all together each year.

The *C.O.C.* will have had a protest rally at the Josephine county court house on April 14th, attempting to make a statement to the greater Josephine county area that it really isn't fair or square to pick on every little bike that thumps by your police cruiser. This is probably long overdue for that area, as there

is a bunch of segregation goin' on, especially for anyone with what looks like a patch on their back. Again, hope that opened some eyes and minds.

13th Annual Motorcycle Swap Meet, brought to you by *A.B.A.T.E.* of *Josephine* and *Jackson County Chapters* will have happened on May 4th to 6th.

Rumor has it that state (*A.B.A.T.E.*) may take those dates away from the rest of us in the entire state so we are "free to attend" the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* in Salem.

Really?

Spanky, our man-about-everywhere, has talked to *Josephine County, Jackson County, Douglas County, Bend,* and coast riding groups. Very few of us ever go to that rally. Four hundred mile round trip?

We have *all* decided to tell you totalitarian members at state that that will *not* work for us. You cancel our weekend, you may be seeking new members to the sound of crickets. We've already heard a rumor that somebody else may take that date for a swap meet.

Having started that swap meet with a friend and my teen-aged daughter thirteen years ago, I can tell you firsthand that Mother's Day weekend doesn't work nor the prior week.

We've always been the stepchildren down here anyway (except for Rot Path) and if



that's really an enactment-fact and not a rumor, we wish you well . . . kinda. Yup, gas is expensive and we will decide how to use it. You live up north? Cool, go to Salem.

So chrome up, rubber down, and be brutally aware of the totally unaware.
C ya out there,

Mikey and the *Jackson County Chapter*

[*c.o.e. note: Rule for successful organizations – Don't repeat rumors. Investigate them, get to the truth of the matter, then act on real information or print the results. Anything else just weakens your organization and may lead to its demise. Feeling sorry for one's self based on invented perceptions just leads to salty watered down beer.]*

13th annual
Southern Oregon
Motorcycle Swap & Bike Show
Josephine County and Jackson County Chapters
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

Touville Lodge
9367 Table Rock Rd. Central Point
May 4th, 5th, & 6th 2012 **FREE**

Jackson County
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3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 pm)
D & S Harley-Davidson
3846 S. Pacific highway
Medford
(541)–

POINT of CONTACT
Larry (541)-840-3145

CHAPTER ADDRESS:
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

Josephine County

Rain, rain go away.

There are a lot of bikers out there who want to do some serious riding. But I guess this is typical spring weather. Shouldn't complain too much.

Unfortunately there isn't much to report. There hasn't been very much happening around *Josephine County*, except for the fact that two of our members, Dan and Candace, got engaged. Candace was surprised by the proposal and a beautiful engagement ring. She said **yes!** The big event happened at *Taylor's* in Cave Junction. An August wedding is being planned.

At our last meeting we had our quarterly pot luck dinner. It was wonderful as usual. We also welcomed several new members that evening. Our chapter is growing nicely.

Now for the boring stuff . . . (Just kidding.)

Coming events are:

- May 5th and 6th – Swap meet sponsored by the *Josephine* and *Jackson County Chapters* at *Touville Lodge*, Central Point.
- August 4th – *Run To The Coast*.
- August 17th to 19th – *S.O.S. Campout at Wolf Creek* sponsored by the *Douglas* and *Josephine County Chapters*.
- October 6th – Grants Pass toy run.

Our monthly meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at the *Fruitdale*

Grange in Grants Pass. Visitors and potential members are welcome.

Can't think of anything else right now. Ride safe,
Karen Headley

secretary – *Josephine County Chapter*

P.S. As a result of voting that took place at today's state board meeting, I would like to add a quick note here.

I can't say that I am surprised at the vote today that bans the sanctioning of any event other than *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* on the first Saturday in May.

I am disappointed.

Josephine County Chapter acknowledges the importance of the rally in Salem and the significance it holds to *A.B.A.T.E.* and to all motorcyclists. However our backs were up against the wall when it came to choosing a date for the *Southern Oregon Swap Meet* this year and we didn't have much choice.

Several years ago *Josephine County Chapter* sponsored a rally on the footsteps of the courthouse in Grants Pass which turned out to be quite a success. In the last year we have been concentrating on adding members to our chapter and getting the support of other motorcycle groups and organizations so that we could once again hold such a rally in southern Oregon in order to raise awareness in our area.



Not everyone can make it up to Salem the first Saturday in May, due to weather or scheduling or for whatever reason. We have talked to both *Jackson County* and *Douglas County* chapters and had started making plans to hold a *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* next year on the same day as the one in Salem, but down here in southern Oregon in order to attract the attention of the politicians, citizens, and riders in our area.

But now we can't do that.

Now we cannot have any sanctioned event on the first Saturday in May.

I think that we just cut off our collective noses to spite our face.

I am very disappointed that a topic this important wasn't given more time to be discussed and evaluated. That's the reason we have a planning session in the fall.

Yes, it was put to a vote.

Yes, this is a democratic organization and I sound like sour grapes.

But last month the topic was brought up. Everyone went back to their chapters to discuss and vote. And unfortunately even with new information presented at

this meeting, chapter representatives were obligated to vote according to chapter wishes.

I'm not sure how it could have been done differently, but I am very disappointed in the results.

Karen Tolle

treasurer, sometimes chapter representative
Josephine County Chapter

Josephine County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 p.m.)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

Things have been fairly quiet down on the lower Columbia. But with the passing of March, I have been hearing the roar of motorcycling on highway 30. We have had some beautiful days lately and a lot of bikes touring our area.

We have been busy getting ready for our spring run. You never know this time of year how the weather is going to be, but we are hoping for the best.

You know what they say about spring: "In like a lion, out like a lamb."

I think we're going to be all right.

Rick and his crew have worked out a good run that will take us in a roundabout way to Seaside from Clatskanie covering about 140 miles on the way. We'll have some door prizes and a 50/50 pot as well. We look forward to seeing you there.

The proceeds of this event will support *LoCo's* swimming lessons

for kids program.

I hope this news report enters the paper as readable this time. My apologies for the last one.

Dave
LoCo

[**c.o.e. note:** *The strangeness of last month's LoCo column was more to do with how current word processors default to HTML or include unseen formatting when exporting text to e-mail. The fact that c.o.e. receives e-mail on a 2001 Mac couldn't possibly affect the situation, eh?*]



LoCo's Annual Spring Poker Run

Date: May 12, 2012 @ 10:00

Begins @ Colvin's Pub & Grill in Clatskanie
Ends @ Twisted Fish & Steak House in Seaside

Covering some of the best scenic area of Columbia and Clatsop counties



\$15.00 per hand, or 2 hands for \$25.00

50% to be paid out.
\$30.00 to worst hand, the remainder to the winning hand.

Door Prizes 50/50 pot as well.
Kick stands up @ 10:00 sharp.

Proceeds to benefit LoCo's swimming lessons for kids program

Sanctioned by ABATE of Oregon, Inc.
Proceeds go to Lower Columbia Chapter of ABATE.
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Lower Columbia MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Sundays at 1900 (7 pm)
Colvin's Pub & Grill
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon
(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

Lincoln county is dry on occasion now and bikes are starting to be seen out and about more often.

We, at the time of this article writing, are working on final preparations for our *30th Anniversary Party*. It doesn't seem possible we have been viable for this long, but we have. I'm sure each chapter looks back to their roots on occasion and as I think back it's that the complete run was done for many years in the area we hold the games and have the bonfire. Such wonderful memories from then. Today it is so different and yet with each run new friends and new memories emerge.

We are now looking at our *30th Beaver Creek Run*. At our meeting on April 17th we will start the laying out of what needs to be done. More on this later.

We have members who are planning for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*. I'll miss this as I have my next chemo treatment on the 2nd of May and will be gathering

my strength back to go forward. I hope that all of you who attend have a wonderful time.

It is important to remember why we started this organization. Our paths have changed directions somewhat but our hearts and minds remember well the beginnings. Luke had a dream but he has gone before us, so it's our turn to step up and help fulfill his dreams.

Guess it's my time to be nostalgic. Each time I do this article for the newspaper, my mind floods with memories of the fun things that have been done and then I realize there are a lot more fun times ahead.

I do hope you have all made your plans to attend *Fossil*. I'm not sure and won't be until the time is closer how I will feel. The people I talk with enjoy it and have a great time. Weather can be an issue but people still make time to do the trip and see friends and make new ones.

May your time on the road be blessed with blue skies and warm



sunshine.

Keep the rubber side down,
The chrome up,
And watch for bugs in the teeth,

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

Lincoln County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)
American Legion Hall, post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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

Greetings from the *North Coast*,

When you receive this fine newspaper, we will be only days away from the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* on the steps of the state capitol in Salem. Saturday, May 5th is the day! Make a point to attend this year. You owe to yourself in helping to protect our rights as motorcyclists. Don't miss it folks. The more the better. More strength in numbers, as the saying goes.

Our run committee is working on the final details for our *17th Annual Around Saddle Mountain Run* scheduled for Saturday, June 23rd. See the run flyer in this publication. For more information, contact Dan at (503)-440-1114.

Our good friends across the Columbia river, the *Pacific County Chapter* from *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* will host its *15th Annual 101 Run* on Saturday May 12th.

The run starts at the *Arctic Tavern*

in Cosmopolis, Washington.

Sign up between 9-10 a.m., with the run leaving at 10 a.m.

\$10 per person.

End of the run at the *Chinook Inn*.

For more information, contact Blake at 1-(360)-942-8565 or Lenny at: 1-(360)-484-7226.

Hope to see you there!

All the best from the *North Coast Chapter*.

Please be safe out there,

Al Jaques
chapter coordinator



NORTH COAST CHAPTER – ABATE OF OREGON

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SPRING FEVER RUN

SATURDAY APRIL 14TH 2012



SIGN-IN 9:00am AT 996 PACIFIC DRIVE

HAMMOND OREGON

515 SUGGESTED DONATION INCLUDES PRIZES AND GAMES

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For more information including lodging or camping Contact: Dan Peltier, 503 440 1114

A.B.A.T.E.

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North Coast

MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1730 (5:30 pm)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon
Children are welcome

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

March 20, 2012

Most of the meeting was about sanctioning and our poker run. The poker run is shaping up. We still need chapter members to help. Contact Teresa at: (541)-965-2701.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Larry and Sandy, who donated their share back to the chapter. Thanks, Larry and Sandy.

The membership drawing for \$65 would have been won by Mike Farmer, if he had been present. It will be \$70 next meeting.

The bike on the agenda was a 1917 *Indian*, which was identified correctly by three people.

03 April 2012

Wild and noisy meeting mostly, about our upcoming poker run. We got lots of details worked out and could use a few more volunteers. Call Teresa at: (541)-965-2701.

The 50/50 was won by John at \$9/\$9.

The membership drawing for \$70 would have been won by Wayne Callantine, if he had been present. It will be \$75 next meeting.

Reminder:

Chapter trailer work party, 08 April at noon at Stovall's. (Yes, we realize it is easter.)



Upcoming Meetings

01 May 2012

15 May 2012

River City

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Shiloh Inn
The Dalles

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



Hard to believe that May is upon us already. Makes me think of the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* on May 5th, 2012. Camping is available this year. We need everyone to attend to make this a successful event.

Don't forget about *Fossil* this year on May 25-28. A good time is always had at this state *A.B.A.T.E.* event.

Our chapter meetings are held the first and third Sunday of the Month at noon at the *M&M Restaurant and Lounge* in Gresham.

Please come and join us. Our association is only as good as our members, and can be many times stronger with active participation! There are many issues that you can be a part of , so please show your support and join us.

Not much else.

Ride safe,

Deb " Honey Buns" Ross

Southeast Portland

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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

-- Salem

Our report was victim of Oregon legislature budget cuts
 (You believe that, don't you?)



Salem
MEETING TIME and PLACE
 1st Tuesday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
 Almost Home Restaurant
 3310 Market Street, Salem

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

If you missed our *Biker Night At The Vine* on March 31st, you missed a great party.

Thanks to all the run committee people who worked hard to make this a fun event.

The band, *Return Flight*, provided great entertainment and rocked the house with a smokin' hot brass section.

Irene and the staff at *The Grape Vine Restaurant* did a great job of keeping the food and beverages flowing. Thanks for letting us take the place over!

Also, it would not have been a financial success without the many donations from local businesses and individuals that contributed auction items and balloon pop prizes. We were able to raise a good amount to help us promote "Motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty."

Speaking of motorcycle awareness, I hope to see you all at the *Motorcycle*

Awareness Rally at the capitol building in Salem on May 5th. That building belongs to all of us, as citizens of Oregon, and the people who represent us there are there because we elect them. (You are registered to vote, right?) This being an election year, we need to have a big turnout to let our representatives know there are a lot of citizens out here who give a rats rear end about motorcycle rights and safety. We may not have a perfect political system, but it seems to work a whole lot better when citizens take every opportunity to be involved.

Fossil Campout is coming up on Memorial Day weekend, May 25-28th. If you don't have your ticket yet, I still have some presale tickets available so that you can save five bucks off the gate price. Contact me at: coordinator@wacoabate.info and I'll hook you up.

Our next big chapter event is the



Roll and Ride on Sunday, June 10th, starting at 10 a.m. at *Iron Horse Garage*, 1525 Thatcher road, Forest Grove. Wild Bill from *Iron Horse Garage* will be serving pancakes from 9-10 a.m., so come early and join us for breakfast.

For more info about what's happening in the chapter, look us up on the web at:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

See ya ridin',

Roger Yarnell

Washington County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930
 (7:30 p.m.)
 Grape Vine Restaurant
 11525 SW Barnes – Portland

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 Cornelius, OR 97113

Our Officers at Work

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

14 April 2012

Ciddici's Pizza—Albany, Oregon



Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Allan Nichols, (state coordinator) at 12:03 p.m. with twelve of twelve chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

After the moment of silence, Allan recognized Mel Yeager for attending and today being his 73rd Birthday. Mel thanked everyone and said that he is just going to be doing things for himself for a while. He will still be around and helping out, just not as often. Mel received a standing ovation as he left the meeting.

Guests and first time attendees: Lonnie Bishop (*Salem Chapter*), Dave Ezell (*Hub City Chapter*), and Paula Leslie (*Hub City Chapter*). Nic also introduced Paula as *Oregon BikePAC's* new legislative director, in training.

Reading, approval of minutes: Motion made by Bob (*Douglas County Chapter*) to accept minutes as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by *Washington County Chapter*. Motion passed.

Coordinator's comments: Allan Nichols opened by telling us that the *Gold Wing Road Riders (G.W.R.R.)* have invited us to attend their regional conference in Pendleton during August and offered us a booth. This is a good way to get more interest from other groups. It was noted that the *G.W.R.R.* used to come to the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* in Salem.

Allan spoke on information provided by Quiet Mike (*G.J.M.C.*) on 2010 crash data which showed that 70% of motorcycle wrecks were single vehicle crashes. This means no other vehicle was involved. Matt stated that there is no uniform method of crash reporting and this is part of the problem. No information on the cause of the crash.

Allan also stated that back east, it is becoming a practice for events to provide van service/rides to help out

downed riders.

Secretary report and correspondence: Nic Oliver reported that we have some newspapers from other state M.R.O.s

Welcome back, Randy.

••• Officers' Reports •••

Vice-coordinator (north): Al Simms excused. He is down in Grants Pass showing support for the *Confederation of Clubs* and *Josephine County Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E.* in the protest against the growing harassment by the local sheriff's department.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen spoke on the rally at the Josephine county courthouse in response to the continued profiling by local enforcement and the harassment issues that are included in the profiling.

Josephine County Chapter now has about 300 members and Spanky is hoping for 400 by summer.

Vice-coordinator (east): Robert Terrill – No report at this time.

Treasurer: Kay Sipple reported that her printer would not cooperate with her and she does not have a printed report.

Our balances are:
checking - \$5,138.85
savings - \$20,012.50
PayPal - \$300.15.

Membership secretary: Linda Henderson reported that we currently have 1,792 members.

If anyone needs membership supplies, they need to call her first and she will bring them to the next meeting.

Linda stated that this is the last year she will be serving in this position. Someone should really step up as soon as possible because this job has a lot of work involved and it will take time to train a replacement. (This is a repeat of her last month's statement.)

[**c.o.e. note:** *Someone already volunteered at the April state board meeting to understudy Linda for the remainder of the year.*]

Sanctioning officer: Matt Price reported that everything is current except for September's state swap meet.

State auditor: Connie Ceccacci's report handed in.

Reported that all chapters are green except for two blues and those are being worked on. Everything is current.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path thanked everyone for attending.

Reports still needed from *Salem, Douglas County*, and *Indian Creek* chapters.

Mentioned that our May issue goes to the printer on Friday, so everyone needs their submissions in well before that.

Received pile of *Douglas County Chapter* biker night fliers covering until October.

Legislative director: Don Mason reported that we need to present a unified front at the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* on May 5th. Please make May 5th a priority.

Don emphasized that it is divided we fall and we must not be divided within our own organization.

He is currently working with the *Confederation of Clubs, Gold Wing Road Riders*, and others.

Also reported that the officer replacement problem within *BikePAC* has been resolved. Ruth Godinez has stepped up to fill the secretary/treasurer position and Paula Leslie has taken the legislative director position. Also, Nic has agreed to stay on as long as needed in the position of executive director.

May 15th is the primary elections here in Oregon. Some samples of what we are focused upon include house district 36 territory with the nearest chapter being *Washington County Chapter*.

Representative Nolan is not running again. She is a red. (Not favorable to our issues.) She is running for Portland city council, so her seat is open. There are three democrat candidates running in this primary and one of them is red also. (Barber.) We do not have information on the other two in terms of their positions on motorcyclist issues as yet.

In *Southeast Portland Chapter's* area, Smith (house district 47) is a red but he has decided to run for Portland's mayor position. This is very significant for *A.B.A.T.E.* because the current representative (Jefferson) is a transportation committee member who has not been favorable to our issues and that makes the seat now open for change.

One of the candidates, Jessica Peterson, is pro-helmet repeal and that is sticking her neck out this early in the election process. She will probably support other issues of ours.

Jackson County Chapter has Gerard as the incumbent and he is green. (Supporting our issues.)

Benton county house district 16 has as the incumbent (already seated) Sarah Gelser and she is a red. Her opponent is Andrew Decker and he is a green. Gelser will be hard to unseat though. She has been in office too long for this to be easy for Decker.

To steal a bit of Allan's thunder, Michigan is now freedom of choice. No



Nic Oliver

acting state recording secretary

mandatory helmet requirement.

Oregon is poised to be in the running for repeal.

The Michigan freedom-of-choice bill was passed with provisions made for age (over 21), insurance (minimum of \$20,000 in personal health), and training (a formal class or at least two years of riding experience).

Michigan A.B.A.T.E. was very instrumental in getting this done.

Another issue of ours that we are working on is some type of uniform reporting for enforcement agencies when it comes to crashes. Andy Olson is looking into different ways to handle this.

The *N.H.T.S.A.* report is out and it is a massive document.

Sergeant-at-arms (north): Randy Phipps said it has been a rough three months. But he is back now and ready to work.

Stated that he needs help with security at the state spring swap meet and at *Fossil*.

Sergeant-at-arms (south): Bob "One-Eyed" Nichols had no report at this time.

Sergeant-at-arms (east): < Vacant >

Products director: Dave Meeker reported that he is gearing up for the state spring swap meet and for *Fossil*. T-shirt designs are ready for voting on for *Fossil*. Will hold voting at the end of today's meeting.

Education director: Geoff White reported that the *Fossil* high school will be having the *Motorcycle Awareness Program* presented to them just before *Fossil*. Anyone interested should come a bit early for the *Fossil Run* and attend the class.

Public relations director: Bob "One-Eyed" Nichols reported that he is still learning his job and is unfamiliar with what is expected. Nic gave him his copy of the Operations Manual to look at. Now he knows what is expected of him.

Fossil coordinator: Howie Long stated things are going good. Have a lot of flyers, cards, posters, and hand-out cards available.

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting – 14 April 2012 (continued)

When putting out flyers, go back and check to see if more are needed.

There are lots of riders out there right now.

We are getting more involved in the community of Fossil. Gene is working on the stage and we will still use our canopy this year to cover the stage.

Gene has the raffle tickets for the E.M.T. leather jacket.

There are not a lot of pre-sales this year on Fossil, so PayPal is down. We will stop PayPal acceptance of Fossil tickets on May 14th.

Chapters, please bring unsold tickets back Howie at the next meeting. (May 12)

Still need door prizes. Lots of small things are good. More winners mean more happy campers

The bands are ready and so is the sound guy, Andy. Andy may be trying a new idea and that would be shadow dancing on the back of the stage.

The gate is ready but will need people to man the gate, information booth, and on security.

Gene reported that he has received no calls for the limited trailer spaces. Guess this means first-come is first-served.

Rotten Roger has suggested that we start getting our flyers out much earlier. If possible, six months early would be a good start.

Fall/spring swap meet coordinator: John "Wheels" Betts (Excused.)

Report sent by e-mail and read at the board of directors meeting:

Greetings brothers and sisters:

To begin, I regret that I am unable to be with you all at the April state board meeting. I would appreciate it if somebody (it does not matter whom) would read this report for me in my absence as it is in regards to the upcoming spring swap meet. (Exactly two weeks from tomorrow.)

I do still need help with the following areas as well Sunday.

Set up crew: Saturday, 28 April at 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. Vendors start showing up at 11 a.m.

Please be at Armory at 7 a.m. to help with set-up.

Main door: At least four people – ticket and entry fee handlers.

Security: (See Randy Phipps now that he is finally back home.) We need a minimum of sixteen people to cover all entry areas and gates.

Clean-up: Sunday, 29 April, about 4:15 p.m. I'd like to be completely out by 5 p.m.

I want to thank all of you who assisted at the April 29, 2012 spring swap meet.

Next, mark your calendars for Sunday, 23 September 2012 for the Fall Swap Meet



, at the same location: Portland Armory; 10000 NE 33rd drive; Portland, Oregon from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

I am starting to work on the flyer for the September swap meet and will have it ready for sanctioning and publication by the June publication deadline.

If anybody has any questions please contact via my contact information, which is published in the state newspaper. (state officers contact information list) and I will get in contact with you within 24-48 hours.

Thanks,

Wheels

*state swap meet coordinator
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.*

Historian: Jennifer Sterba is now a Sterba and a mommy.

Starting to go through the stuff in the conex. There is a file cabinet with stuff in it that doesn't look like historian stuff. Will look further to see who it belongs to.

Web page editor: Trace Ceccacci stated that there is no report.

Quartermaster: Dwayne Sterba reported the A.B.A.T.E. stuff has been moved. Cleaned up the old space. The local police are providing extra security for the conex at Dwayne's request.

BikePAC representative: Nic Oliver reported that the May Motorcycle Awareness Rally is ready to go. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Speakers are ready and thanks to Southeast Portland Chapter for the use of their public address system. Maybe we can be heard better this year.

Have available for those with upcoming events some of the Economic Impact Bucks for use. Instruction sheets are also available.

M.R.F. representative: Allan Nichols noted that Michigan has repealed their helmet requirement. This makes thirty-one states without a mandatory helmet requirement.

The new transportation bill #109 is on the floor for next year.

There are federal representatives holding town halls all around Oregon. Check your local area newspapers or the web sites of the Wyden, DeFazio, and Merkley for times and places. They are more approachable at these town halls

than normal.

Confederation of Clubs representative (north): David

Hickerson reported that bicycles get what they want and it is about time we did. Dave posed the question, "Why do the bicyclists get what they want?" Because they speak out and are loud and involved.

•• Unfinished Business ••

- Allan Nichols reported that the executive board has been working on changes to the operations manual regarding out-of-compliance chapters. There is a rough draft for every chapter representative to take back to their respective chapter for review, changes, and input. Bring back chapter input to the next meeting. (12 May 2012) This action is to give the rules some teeth, if needed.

- Sergeant-at-arms (east) position. No nominations.

- Motion made by Brian Stovall (*River City Chapter*), seconded by Nic Oliver, (*Hub City Chapter*):

"Deny Sanctioning for any other event at the same time as the May rally."

Vote: To table for chapter input.

Discussion at this month's meeting focused primarily around two topics that came back from the chapters:

- The need to emphasize BikePAC's request for as much a unified presence at the May Motorcycle Awareness Rally as possible, which was the motivation and original intent of the motion.

- How to still accommodate for state sanctioning requests for events that may take place outside of the normal defined sanctioning radius on this day.

The representatives of *Douglas County* and *Central Oregon* chapters presented their chapters' positions against the proposal as an example of two chapters who are geographically distant and therefore more affected in the event of loss of state sanctioning during this event.

Further discussion also occurred on the genesis of the original A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC May Rally by multiple chapter representatives.

Trace Ceccacci (A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC web master) submitted the

following statement in support of the proposal:

"This is a state event, not a chapter nor an area event. It is held where it is because that's where our common legislators are. This is not a fund raiser or a party. It is, in my opinion, the single most important event we promote each year. The one event that directly relates to our mission statement. It's our one chance to show our legislators that we are united in our common interest. If we don't all support this one day, we risk losing our common rights as motorcyclists for the entire state and fighting for our rights is our whole reason for being here."

Matt Price (state sanctioning officer) offered a different motion to replace this one wherein each chapter would enter into a gentlemen's agreement to keep this day open.

Nic Oliver (*BikePAC* executive director) countered that he has asked for this day to be kept open for years and yet there are still A.B.A.T.E. chapter events who potentially pull attendance from the once-per-year legislative rally.

Allan (state coordinator) asked Brian and Nic if they would withdraw their motion in place of this one and both declined.

Chapter representative voting resulted in six yeas and four nays.

Motion passed.

The alternative motion was withdrawn.

It was then briefly offered, in subsequent discussion, that a proposal for a more universally agreeable policy be considered during the next annual A.B.A.T.E. planning session.

••• New Business •••

- Motion submitted by Nic Oliver (*Hub City Chapter*), seconded by Bob Nichols (*Douglas County Chapter*):

"We send Confederation of Clubs representative. Dave Hickerson to N.C.O.M. in Indianapolis."

Amended to include money limit of \$550.

Discussion included that we already have two people going. It was pointed out that one of those to be sent is our representative but is going in support of her husband, Gene, who is receiving the *Silver Spoke Award* at the N.C.O.M. conference this year. This means we are only actually sending one representative.

Gene said that he needs the support as he has never flown before and he needs his wife to get him from plane to plane.

Voting took place and resulted in: Eight yeas, two nays.

Motion passed.

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From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

The easter bunny has been by and all the little guys have happily loaded up on sugar, driving mom and dad crazy. And dad was doing his best to get the candy without the critter finding out.

On the home biker front, I'm seeing our regional northwest groups worrying about helmet regulations, but there are other far more pressing things happening to us from the powers that be. We have folks who have been riding over twenty years with helmets on their heads and they just don't worry about it.

Gunny On Guns

There are those who claim we are also in danger of having our firearms removed from our possession, although there have been no overt moves in that direction lately. Nobody seems to remember what happened in Europe in the thirties when arms were taken from the populace and then they were either put in prison camps or killed because they could not defend themselves. Then again, even if armed they would have faced the very well-equipped German war machine.

The Japanese during the beginning of World War II didn't invade us because they believed we would defend our homes with guns.

Sweden issues their people rifles and teaches them how to use them. Very few people die from guns in Sweden. It's very rare, and the crime rates is low because crooks know they can be fired on in a home invasion.

News Bits–N–Pieces

Strip Poke-Us – But scarier still is our own supreme court. We're told there is a 5-4 conservative majority on the court, but what in hell are they conserving? They just voted, on the same 5-4 split as the *Citizen's United* case (don't ask), that any American can be strip-searched by police for any arrest and for any reason, even a misdemeanor! *

From Europe – Intelligent transport is invading Europe as well as in the U.S. of A. The *European Commission* is looking into technologies that will allow autos to go from place to place without the driver being active in the process.

This is a non-elected body, I would remind you, and directives they put in force affect all of Europe. Eventually these things may hit our shores and we will all be surprised that it happened to us. Whoops.

There are too many questions about this stuff. How do we know it's safe? What precautions are in place in the event things go wacky? Real-time traffic information, vehicle-to-vehicle communication, collaborative route planning, lane and distance keeping assistant . . .

Which of these technologies will start up in the coming years, and what impact will they have on our driving habits?

More to the point, where would our motorcycles fit in this picture?

I sure can't imagine a robot-operated motorcycle. (Or if there *is* one, I don't want to be riding on it.)

We do need to keep a close eye on these developments. Can't turn a blind eye to them and wind up forbidden from some highways because the hi-tech equipment hasn't been developed for scooters. And we still worry about helmets?

We are getting there already. You've probably seen the TV ads. You can go to many new car dealers and find cars that can parallel park themselves. Drove one myself, and I gotta say it's a hoot.

Oregon – Our Oregon governor will decide the fate of the *Oregon Concealed Handgun License Confidentiality Bill*. This bill simply stated says that the personal information about Oregon (C.H.L.) holders cannot be revealed, absent court order. It's a good bill and deserves to be statute of the land. We'll know soon enough.

N.H.T.S.A. Recalls – If ya own a 2009-2012 *Kawasaki* get it to yur dealer and have them check the electrical system for a possible failure. It's free.

Sheriff Auctions – Just came across an interesting auction on-line.

If yur lookin' for a new scoot check for sheriff's auctions in your state. Ya might just get a real good deal on a forfeited machine from folks who have run afoul of regulations. It's said you

can get a bike or a cage for as little as \$100. There is fee that makes you a member for life. I found it snooping around, asking for motorcycle news on-line.

E-Bay Fun – I know that here in Oregon (or anywhere for that matter) you can buy any vehicles they glom onto and want to sell, whether it's trucks, road equipment, or retiring police interceptor cars. The vehicles come from Oregon state or local governments, or seized items from arrests, sometimes including bikes. *O.D.O.T.* auctions all those off, and you can bid for them on *E-Bay* You can even inspect the vehicles that are up for auction, over at their warehouse in Salem. Just contact them.

Women And Bikes – It's true folks. More women are finding the freedom riding provides.

Women now account for a huge portion of motorcycle sales. And they're smart about it by taking rider education courses while they're at it. Means they are safer on the road than us macho males. They pay attention to where they are and what's around them, unlike us hairy legged boy people.

Gunny Again

Just a quick reminder that the *2012 National Coalition of Motorcyclists Convention* is taking place in Indianapolis, Indiana May 10 – 13th this year.

One of Oregon's hardworking motorcycle activists is to receive the *Silver Spoke Award* at the banquet. Gene Mortimer is being honored this year and it's well deserved. Congratulations again, my friend.

You can make a reservation for the Indianapolis *J.W. Marriot* at 10 south West street. Call 1-(800)-266-9432 and ask for the special *N.C.O.M.* rate of \$99. Come for the great workshops, and stay for the Saturday night awards banquet.

I'll see ya there.

Gunny Once More

Our *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorneys across this country are working hard for us in more ways than crashes. They spend untold hours of their time *free* to support the



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chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

various *Confederations of Clubs* as well as supporting the *M.R.O.s* around the country.

If you have a crash, get in touch with these guys and they will at least talk to you free of charge. If they take your case, there is usually no money up front and they don't get paid if they can't get you any money. If they get paid, they are no more expensive than many other legal eagles.

Ya can't do it by yourselves folks. It takes specialty folks who know how to squeeze that buck outta the insurance companies.

Sam Hochberg, Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney for damn near 25 years now, is at (503)-224-1106 in the Portland area.

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Comments for me go to: AIMGunny@aol.com

The national number for *A.I.M.* (available 24/7) to reach your *A.I.M.* attorney, is 1-(800)-531-2424 or 1-(800)-On-A-Bike.

Keep the round side on the bottom,

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* [**c.o.e. note:** Further research indicates that the U.S. supreme court, rather than ruling on a constitutional matter, deferred the decision to local correctional facilities for strip-searching arrested individuals, figuring that they would have a better feel for whether circumstances favored such a search. The ruling does not require strip-searches. Strip-search procedures may be forbidden by local statutes and are not allowed in at least ten states. The American Bar Association fought against the strip-search ruling passed by the supreme court.]



From yer ...



... still

Old Minds, New Minds

Speech versus print

c.o.e. – 124

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



Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

Can one size ever truly fit all?
Do general prohibitions ever accomplish what they set out to do?
Is there only a single solution to every problem?

Does asking a series of thought-provoking rhetorical questions ever cause people to ponder life, the universe, everything?

No.

No.

No.

Possibly, but doubtful.

It is precisely the concept that there is only one correct answer for every problem that we in *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* take exception to. Answers must be broken down, then tailored to specific situations.

We saw such a process at the April *A.B.A.T.E.* state board meeting.

Reacting to fear that sanctioning other *A.B.A.T.E.* events at the same time as the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* would decrease attendance at the rally, a motion was proposed to deny sanctioning to any other *A.B.A.T.E.* events taking place on the first Saturday of May.

The motion was sent chapters for discussion, then brought back for voting at the April state meeting. As related in the minutes of that meeting, board discussion of the issue was extensive and spirited. The motion failed to take into account remote chapter concerns

such as weather, geography, or distance. Although many chapter representatives personally disagreed with the voting instructions given them by their individual chapters, they were bound to vote as directed.

Yet even as the motion passed, an upwelling of inspiration realized that the basic premise of the motion was misguided and that more could be accomplished for local motorcycle awareness by holding state-wide rallies at courthouses and city halls on the same day as the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* in Salem.

Although the motion passed, it is unlikely to be put into effect because the issues it raised are going to be taken to the October planning session in Cottage Grove where the motion is likely to be struck down and a more workable solution be put into place.

Incidentally, the vision displayed after the motion's vote is the same sort of vision that drove the industrial revolution and that drives development of the internet today:

Take an idea, improve on it, put it back out there for someone else to improve on.

It was an inspiring moment at the April state board meeting to see us switch from an old mind set:

How do we keep bad things from happening?

to a new mind set:

How do we cause good things to happen?

It doesn't matter what age anyone may be, adapting a new mindset moves one forward.

Do spoken words touch people more profoundly than written words?

It's a question yer crusty ol' editor has been asking himself lately since discovering how few people at state board meetings seem to heed his wise words of printed prose inflicted on all three readers of his monthly editorials.

Views that he has been writing for several months were received as startling, thought-provoking revelations when voiced to a group during a break at a recent state board meeting.

Apparently c.o.e. has been deluding his fine self more than usual if he thought writing alone would move folks to action or at least get them to think about issues.

There is a lesson here for us all.

Written words are all very fine as a reference or for folks with short attention spans . . .

But to really connect with people at a fundamental level, nothing beats the spoken word exchanged face-to-face. Nothing engages a person's attention more than spoken

conversation. (Which is why cell phones are proving such a deterrent to good driving.)

This is why it is so important to speak directly to non-motorcyclists or elected officials at all levels about motorcycle issues. They pick up on the energy we bring to the conversation, the conviction of our beliefs. We can then leave them with printed material for them to consider at their leisure or as a reference. But it is that initial spoken conversation that will move them to read what we have given them.

Late last March yer crusty ol' editor had a chance to get together over pizza with shipmates from three different eras of his first Navy squadron, VP-4. It was fun to pull the P-2v7s, P-3A/Bs, and P-3C UIIs out of the hanger to refly our cold war adventures against Soviet boomers targeting U.S. cities.



Some may ask what any of this has to do with motorcycling.

Two of c.o.e.'s crewmates brought back orange *Kawasaki* 500s that they bought during our 1972 Cubi deployment.

Yeah, it's a flimsy connection, but it's motorcycling.

And yer c.o.e. now has a not-so-Skinny Dragon VP-4 hat.

M A Y Cryptogram

SRZK, QMFUAOMFY PRW, ASRA BMYA ZUYHZGO

PZGAS, RUB WMFAS, RUB JRGP BOYZGO!

ASFY JO YRKFAO ASOO JZAS MFG ORGKW YMUN,

RUB JOKEMPO ASOO, RUB JZYS ASOO KMUN.

- TMSU PZKAMU

(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 25)

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 skullduggery.

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**Josephine County and Jackson County Chapters
 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon**



Touville Lodge

9367 Table Rock Rd, Central Point

May 4th, 5th, & 6th 2012



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Sat: 9am- 7pm
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**LoCo's Annual
 Spring Poker Run**

Date: May 12, 2012 @ 10:00

Begins @ Colvin's Pub & Grill in Clatskanie
Ends @ Twisted Fish & Steak House in Seaside

Covering some of the best scenic area of Columbia and Clatsop counties



\$15.00 per hand, or 2 hands for \$25.00
 50% to be paid out.

\$30.00 to worst hand, the remainder to the winning hand.

Door Prizes **50/50 pot as well.**
Kick stands up @ 10:00 sharp.

Proceeds to benefit LoCo's swimming lessons for kids program

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Online ticket sales at www.fossilcampout.com

Gates open @ Noon on Friday

For more information Contact Howie Long (503) 791-2862
For vendor information Contact Rick (541) 980-4230

Due to space limitations only groups of TEN or more (excluding vendors) will be allowed one support vehicle of no more than 20 feet in length.
 Limited RV Spaces. Contact Gene Mortimore (541) 993-3725.

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**BikePAC and ABATE of Oregon
May Motorcycle Awareness Rally
Campout Information**

Place: Milkman Mike's property just outside of **Lebanon, Oregon.**
23948 Brewster Road

Look for *Affordable Septic* sign.

Friday, and Saturday evenings, **May 4th and 5th 2012.**

Cost is **\$5 per person/weekend** to help defray the cost of toilets,
Friday night food is available in Lebanon at several establishments.
Saturday morning; breakfast available at low cost at *Peacock Lounge*.
Local ride to awareness rally leaves *Peacock Lounge* at **10 a.m.**

Arrive in Salem at or before 11 a.m. at *K-Mart* parking lot.

Mass ride to the capitol building leaves *K-Mart* at **11 a.m.**

The **Motorcycle Awareness Rally** takes place from **12 p.m. until about 2 p.m.**

Road Brothers group is planning a BBQ following the end of the rally.
(Place to be determined – their clubhouse or the campground in Lebanon.)

Those wishing to return to the campsite may travel in groups or solo.

Sunday mornin: please clean up your area, then leave for home.

If you have questions about the campout, contact Milkman Mike at
commander@oregoncoir.com

Directions to the campout:

From **Interstate 5** go to **exit 228** (Lebanon-Corvallis highway).

Go **east to Lebanon** on highway 34.

In Lebanon, turn **south to Grant street.**

Turn **left** (east) and **cross the Santiam river.**

Turn **left** toward the north and go **¼ mile** to the campout site.

First come--first and best campsites

Note:

This information was accurate at the time of submission. (March 2012)
It is subject to change.

G. P. S.
44° 32' 26.24" N
122° 53' 09.30" W

BIKE NIGHT



A.B.A.T.E.

All are welcome! Come see what A.B.A.T.E.'s about....

**6:30 PM - Friday
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June 8
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- *No Firearms
- *No Fireworks

Campfires in **Designated Areas**

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11th ANNUAL POKER RUN



SATURDAY JUNE 2nd

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WELCOME**

**ALL BIKES
WELCOME**

MEET AT 10:00AM- HUMPTY'S DUMP BAR AND GRILL

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BREAKFAST AVAILABLE

LAST BIKE OUT AT 11:00

LAST STOP- PINEWAY PUBLIC RESTAURANT

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Jack McCann - 541-990-0994
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JUNE 10TH, 2012

One Hand: \$10 Two Hands: \$15

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Picnic Lunch (provided at ending location)
\$\$ - Donations appreciated - \$\$

Sign In: 10am Depart: 11am

Door Prizes Cash Prizes 50/50 Drawing

Need More Info?
Washington County Chapter - Run Coordinator
Ed Vaughn (503) 459-7912
www.WaCoABATE.info

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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc. 2012

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Hub City	3rd Thursday – 7 p.m.	Ciddici's Pizza	Albany
Jackson County	3rd Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.	D&S Harley	Medford
Josephine County	3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m.	Fruitdale grange	Grant's Pass
Lincoln County	1st and 3rd Tuesdays – 7 p.m.	American Legion	Newport
Lower Columbia	1st Sunday – 7 p.m.	Colvin's Pub & Grill	Clatskanie
North Coast	3rd Tuesday – 5:30 p.m.	Moose Lodge	Astoria
River City	1st and 3rd Tuesday – 7 p.m.	Shiloh Inn	The Dalles
Salem	1st Tuesday – 7 p.m.	Almost Home Restaurant	Salem
Southeast Portland	1st and 3rd Sunday – noon	M&M Restaurant	Gresham
Washington County	2nd and 4th Monday – 7:30 p.m.	Grape Vine	Portland



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To benefit the M.R.F

June 16, 2012

Meet at Northside Bar & Grill,
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CONTACT INFO:
Bob Terrill
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SATURDAY JUNE 23RD 2012

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For more information including lodging or camping- Contact-1 Dan Pedan 503 440 1114


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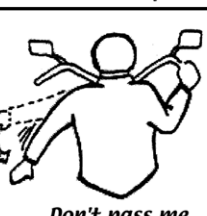
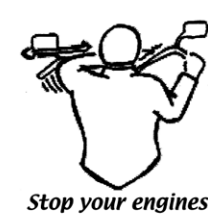


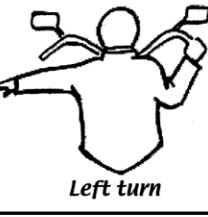





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Welcome A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

(June 2012)

Group Riding Hand Signals

 <i>Start your engines</i>	 <i>Stop</i>	 <i>Go ahead and pass me</i>
 <i>Bikers ready</i>	 <i>Hazards on the road</i>	 <i>Don't pass me</i>
 <i>Stop your engines</i>	 <i>Turn off your turn signals</i>	 <i>Single riding</i>
 <i>Left turn</i>	 <i>Slow down</i>	 <i>Staggered riding</i>
 <i>Right turn</i>	 <i>Speed up</i>	 <i>Time for a pit stop</i>

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Definition of Freedom

I was having a conversation with a good friend the other day who is widely loved and respected in our community. He is an old, wise man. I really can't stress the old part enough. I mean this dude is older than old, but wise. Well, sorta wise.

He asked me a question I have thought about almost daily since he asked me three months ago. "What is the definition of freedom?" he pontificated.

After thinking about it, I can say that I do not have an answer.

I think it's a lot of things to a lot of people.

I think it is relative to everyone and totally limitless. But it can also disappear completely in a second.

Freedom stands for something greater than just the right to act however I choose.

Certainly, freedom does mean the right to do as one pleases – to think, believe, speak, worship (or not worship), move about, gather, and generally act as you choose. But only until your choices start to infringe on another person's freedom.

Abuse of freedom leads to its demise.

Think about some yelling "fire" in a crowded theater.

Think about regulations that limit sound emissions for motorcycles.

Sometimes the sharpest interpretation of freedom is the absence of necessity, coercion, or constraint in choice or action. I guess I could go along with that.

For me, freedom is about living my life the way I want to, having a government that is not oppressive (or too oppressive anyway), the freedom to own firearms, and riding

a motorcycle without the possibility of mandatory roadside checkpoints.

Right now I don't have all of those freedoms.

So ask yourself, what is your definition of freedom and do you actually have it?

--Jeff Hennie

M.R.F. vice president of government relations and public affairs

4th Annual Bikers Inside the Beltway

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is pleased to report that the 4th Annual Bikers Inside the Beltway national lobby day will be held Thursday, May 17, 2012 in Washington, D.C. The M.R.F. will have secure, free parking for motorcycles just steps away from the U.S. capitol building.

At last year's event, the national lobby day brought motorcyclists from twenty states. We were able to meet with almost 250 members of congress

The M.R.F. encourages all this year's participants to begin scheduling appointments with your representatives and senators, since their calendars will fill up fast on this legislative day. Even if you cannot get a scheduled appointment, plan on dropping by as many offices from your state as possible.

Please contact jeff@mrf.org or call 1-(202)-546-0983 if you are planning on participating in this event.



A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting

14 April 2012 (continued)

••• Announcements •••

• Next state board of directors meeting: May 12, at Ciddici's Pizza – Albany, Oregon.

••• Upcoming Events •••

• 28 April 2012 – Adopt-A-Road clean-up. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 29 April 2012 – Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Spring Swap Meet. Portland Armory; 10000 NE 33rd drive; Portland.

• 04 – 06 May 2012 – Southern Oregon Motorcycle Swap and Bike Show. Central Point, Oregon. More information Spanky (541)-69-8715 or Kevin (541)-324-0866

• 05 May 2012 – May Motorcycle Awareness Rally, State capital steps in Salem, Oregon. More information: Nic Oliver (541)-223-3827 or:

<http://www.bikepac.com>

• 11-13 May 2012 – N.C.O.M. conference in Indianapolis

• 25-28 May 2012 – 35th Annual Fossil Run. For more information, call Howie at (503)-791-2862. Vendor information, contact Rick at (541)-980-4230.

• 10 June 2012 – Roll-N-Ride by Washington County Chapter. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 16 June 2012 – Rocks, Lakes, Bridges M.R.F. Benefit Run by Central Oregon Chapter. Reviving a scenic run in the area. Meet at the Northside Bar and Grill. For more information, call Bob at (503)-887-3032

• 15-17 June 2012 – Best of the West conference. Las Vegas, Nevada.

• 14-17 June 2012 – Party in the Woods by A.B.A.T.E. of Washington. General information at: lacoy@live.com

• 07 July 2012 – 8th Annual Fossil Cruz-In. Entries 9 to 11:30 a.m. More information, contact Howie or Gene.

• 21 July 2012 – Mid-Summer Run by Washington County Chapter. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 17-19 August 2012 – S.O.S. Run at Wolf Creek, Oregon. More information at:

Douglas County – Jim and Jamie (541)-733-4069 or (541)-637-5286

Josephine County – Spanky at (541)-471-6049

• 24-26 August 2012 – End of Summer Run by Washington County Chapter. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 15 September 2012 – Adopt-A-Road clean-up by Washington County Chapter. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 20-23 September 2012 – Meeting of the Minds conference. Durham, North Carolina. Reservations at (800)-325-3535

• 17 November 2012 – Toy run by Washington County Chapter. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

More States Banning Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints

While congress continues to consider passing a prohibition on motorcycle-only roadside “safety checkpoints” by halting federal funding, several states are moving forward with their own regulations to ban the practice.

New Hampshire and North Carolina have both passed such legislation, and Virginia has become the latest state to pass a bill to bar enforcement agencies from setting up safety checks that only stop motorcycles for inspection.

Following a motorcycle-only checkpoint set up during last year’s *Rolling Thunder POW/MIA Rally en route* to Washington, D.C. over *Memorial Day* weekend, delegate C. Todd Gilbert (R-Shenandoah) introduced HB-187, which passed and was signed into effect on February 28 by governor Bob McDonnell.

Most recently, New Jersey introduced companion bills in the senate (S-1685) and the assembly (A-508) to prohibit police from establishing checkpoints limited to certain types of vehicles. Any such program would require that all checkpoints include all types of vehicles.

Calling motorcycle-only checkpoints discriminatory and unconstitutional, *A.B.A.T.E. of California* is likewise pushing a bill (AB-1047) that would ban state and federal funding of biker barricades. According to *A.B.A.T.E.* lobbyist Jim Lombardo, “*We passed out of the assembly and are awaiting a hearing in the senate transportation committee, probably next month, and then on to governor Brown.*”

Meanwhile on the legal front, New York *A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists)* attorney Mitch Proner told the *Associated Press* that he is preparing to appeal a federal court decision upholding the constitutionality of motorcycle roadblocks in New York. The issue may eventually be heard before the U.S. supreme court.

Colorado Biker Anti-Discrimination Bill

Colorado legislation to ban discrimination against people wearing motorcyclist gear failed to pass its first committee hearing, but the bill’s sponsor told the *Associated Press* that he was glad he proposed the bill because it raised awareness. He said bikers are unfairly judged to be criminals.

State representative Joe Miklosi

(D-Denver) says he didn’t propose the measure to get attention but to help constituents who belong to motorcycle clubs and say they are being singled out unfairly. “*I’m motivated by doing the right thing,*” Miklosi said. “*They’re being discriminated against.*”

Bikers say they’re unfairly refused service at hotels, restaurants, and stores because of how they dress. Miklosi’s bill (HB-1128) would have banned businesses from discriminating against motorcyclists based on their style of dress.

But his bid to add “unconventional attire” to the state regulation that bars discrimination in public accommodations would have put biker attire alongside such protected classes as race, gender, and religious affiliation, but fell short in the G.O.P.-controlled house state, veterans, and military affairs committee which is known for rejecting democratic proposals.

Distracted Driving

Guidelines For Automakers

U.S. department of transportation chief Ray LaHood has announced a new set of proposed distracted driving guidelines for automakers that would limit the use of in-car tech solutions that are “*not directly relevant to safely operating the vehicle, or cause undue distraction by engaging the driver’s eyes or hands for more than a very limited duration while driving.*”

From cell phones to G.P.S. screens, distracted driving is an ever-present road hazard in today’s techno-centric world, especially for vulnerable travelers like motorcyclists. But soon video games and *Facebook* friends could be within arm’s reach as drivers hurtle down the highway in the next generation of cars from Detroit.

Coming dashboard devices would deliver a whole new level of eye candy and brain entrapment, as more than 90% of cars debuting in the next five years are expected to be equipped with internet-connected screens and other cutting-edge wonders. Automakers are responding to surveys that show 75% of young adults want touch-screen technology in their cars.

But, not if the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* can hit the “hold” button.

The agency’s proposed guidelines

(which do not carry the weight of law) call for automobile manufacturers to make some dashboard electronic devices automatically shut down once a car starts moving, unless they’re for passengers and cannot be seen by the driver.

The guidelines cite six activities that should not occur while driving: text messaging, internet browsing, using social media, entering addresses in navigation systems, dialing phones, and reading display screens with more than 30 characters of text.

Studies show that drivers double the risk of a crash if they take their eyes off the road for more than two seconds, yet 41 states still allow using a cellphone handset while driving and fifteen allow texting behind the wheel.

2012 N.C.O.M.

Indianapolis Convention

The *27th Annual N.C.O.M. Convention* will be held Mother’s Day weekend, May 10-13, 2012 at the *J.W. Marriot* located at 10 S. West street in Indianapolis, Indiana.

This annual gathering will draw bikers’ rights activists from across the country to discuss topics of concern to all riders, so reserve your room now for the special *N.C.O.M.* rate of \$99 by calling **1-(800)-266-9432** or (317)-860-5800.

Registration fees for the *N.C.O.M.* convention are \$80 including the *Silver Spoke Awards Banquet* on Saturday night, or \$45 for the convention only. All motorcyclists are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Meetings, seminars, and group discussions will focus on legislative efforts and litigation techniques to benefit our right to ride and freedom of the road.

To pre-register, call the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* at **1-(800)-525-5355** or visit **http://www.ON-A-BIKE.com**

The *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* is requesting that motorcycle rights organizations, motorcycle clubs, and riding associations submit the names of those members and supporters who have died since May 2011, 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**



Weird News

Feeling The Wind In Your Ear

Today’s phones can deliver the sound of a heartbeat, but soon you’ll actually feel the throbbing.

At the *International Consumer Electronics Show* in Las Vegas, *Artificial Muscle Inc.* demonstrated how it can make mobile devices shake and rattle with great realism, employing a technology that uses plastics that function like muscles, allowing you to feel the rumble of a *Harley* or the reverberation of a shotgun blast.

The company showed off an *iPhone* it had modified by placing one of its *Vivitouch* motors inside that shook a modified *Xbox* controller to allow the user to feel what it’s like to hold a beating heart. In another instance, it let the user experience the signature rumble of a *Harley-Davidson* motorcycle starting up.

Quotable Quote

“The ultimate result of shielding men from the effects of folly is to fill the world with fools.”

Herbert Spencer
English philosopher
(1820-1903)

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New Virginia Regulation Bars Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints

In a victory for motorcyclists, Virginia is the latest state to bar motorcycle-only checkpoints. On February 28, governor Bob McDonnell signed into effect HB-187, which was introduced by delegate C. Todd Gilbert (R-Shenandoah). The new regulation, which takes effect July 1, prohibits enforcement agencies from establishing checkpoints where the only vehicles subject to inspection are motorcycles.

Malcolm Smith, Mert Lawwill Honored

Off-road racing icon Malcolm Smith and famed national champion dirt-tracker Mert Lawwill will be honored as *Motorcycle Hall of Fame* legends at the annual *A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame* induction ceremony at the *Red Rock Casino, Resort, and Spa* in Las Vegas, Nevada on November 16-17.

Smith, who was inducted into the *Hall of Fame* in 1998, was a pioneer in off-road motorcycling. He's famous for his accomplishments in the *Baja 1000* and for his gold-medal winning rides in *International Six Day Enduro* competitions.

Lawwill, inducted into the *Hall of Fame* in 1998, was one of the top

Clip This Corner, Avoid A Helmet Ticket

IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED AND DECLARED that Oregon House Bill 3422 means that as long as a motorcycle rider is wearing a protective covering on his head that has a hard outer shell, padding adjacent to and inside the outer shell and a chin-strap retention system with a sticker indicating that the motorcycle helmet meets standards established by the United States Department of Transportation the rider is in compliance with state law with respect to his helmet and a police officer may not inquire further to determine if the helmet worn meets United States Department of Transportation testing standards.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1997

/s/ JOHN JELDERKS
John Jelderks
United States Magistrate Judge

Submitted by
Spencer M. Neal
of Attorneys for Plaintiff

professionals on the *A.M.A.* national circuit during the 1960s and 1970s. He was the 1969 *A.M.A.* grand national champion and *On Any Sunday* chronicled his bid to defend his title during the 1970 racing season. By the time Lawwill hung up his racing leathers in 1977, he had amassed an incredible 161 career *A.M.A.* grand national finishes during his 15-year racing career.

Hall of Fame legends are existing members of the *Motorcycle Hall of Fame* who are honored as part of each year's induction of new members. The *Hall of Fame* class of 2012 will be announced later this spring.

A.M.A. Board of Directors Bestows Six National Awards

The *A.M.A.* board of directors has announced the recipients of six national awards that recognize outstanding contributions to the world of motorcycling.

"The *A.M.A.* board of directors is pleased to honor these six men and women who have done so much for motorcycling," said *A.M.A.* board of directors chairman Stan Simpson. "The world of motorcycling is in better shape and more fun because of the efforts of these individuals. We all owe them a sincere thanks, and these awards are our way to show that appreciation on a national level, and commemorate their accomplishments for this and future generations," Simpson said.

Motorcyclist rights activist Jerry Abboud was selected to receive the prestigious *Dud Perkins Lifetime Achievement Award* for 2012.

Other 2012 award recipients include: retired U.S. representative Gabrielle Giffords (*Bessie Stringfield Award*), Bernie Bredbenner Jr. (*Hazel Kolb Brighter Image Award*), William Wollner (*Outstanding Road*

Rider Award), Jay Hall (*Outstanding Off-Road Rider Award*), and Robert Althoff (*Friend of the A.M.A. Award*).

U.S. Senate Preserves Recreational Trails Program

The U.S. senate has approved a bill that extends the embattled *Recreational Trails Program (R.T.P.)* that provides funding for trails and the federal motorcyclist safety grant program, for nearly two more years.

"Motorcyclists and all-terrain vehicle riders by the thousands spoke about the benefits of the *Recreational Trails Program* and the fact that it's funded by off-highway vehicle users, and federal lawmakers listened," said Wayne Allard, *A.M.A.* vice president for government relations.

Answers Sought On Derogatory Off-Highway Vehicle Trail Guide

A new *U.S. Forest Service (U.S.F.S.)* guide to help land managers maintain off-highway vehicle (O.H.V.) trails contains derogatory anti-O.H.V. language, and O.H.V. groups want to know why.

In a letter dated March 9, seven organizations are demanding answers from U.S. agriculture secretary Tom Vilsack, whose department oversees the *U.S.F.S.* The groups are the *A.M.A.*, *All-Terrain Vehicle Association*, *BlueRibbon Coalition*, *Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition*, *Colorado Snowmobile Association*, *Trails Preservation Alliance*, and *Utah Shared Access Alliance*.

2012 Women's Conference

A.M.A. members can book now and save big on attending the *A.M.A. International Women & Motorcycling Conference* in Carson City, Nevada on July 26-27.

After April 30, registration increased to \$175 for *A.M.A.* members and \$235 for non-*A.M.A.* members.

(Not an *A.M.A.* member? Join now.)

A.M.A. Celebrates April As A.M.A. Get Out and Ride Month

Now in its second year, *A.M.A. Get Out and Ride Month* encourages motorcyclists everywhere to enjoy the thrill of motorcycling in the dirt

and on the street.

"There's no better way to rekindle America's ongoing love affair with motorcycling than *A.M.A. Get Out and Ride Month*," said *A.M.A.* president and C.E.O. Rob Dingman. "While some motorcyclists enjoy riding in temperate weather year-round, many riders have to wait out the winter, and April is the perfect time to kick off another great riding season."

Each week during *A.M.A. Get Out and Ride Month*, the *A.M.A.* will focus on a special motorcycling theme.

A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days

Members of the *A.M.A.* can now take advantage of a special discount on tickets for *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days*, July 20-22 at the *Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course* in Lexington, Ohio.

A.M.A. members can purchase a weekend pass for \$35, a \$10 savings off the regular advance rate, and a one-day pass for \$20, a \$5 savings off the regular advance rate. The *A.M.A.* member discount is in addition to the regular \$10 savings on advance ticket purchases, and there is no service charge for *A.M.A.* members when purchasing through the *A.M.A.*

A.M.A. member pricing, available through May 28, is only available by calling the *A.M.A.* directly at 1-(800)-262-5646.

In addition to these ticket savings, kids under 12 will be admitted free with a paying, supervising adult.

Bay Area Riders Forum Is First A.M.A. On-line Motorcycle Community

The *Bay Area Riders Forum (B.A.R.F.)* is the first official *A.M.A. O.M.C. (On-line Motorcycle Community)*

The recognition comes on the occasion of the group's 10th anniversary as the San Francisco area's go-to internet gathering spot. *B.A.R.F.* members have established a contribution fund in the group's name at the *A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame*.

You can find *B.A.R.F.* on-line at: <http://bayarearidersforum.com/forums/>

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- Kinzua Reunion – Father's Day, June 17th
- River City Chapter Meeting – July 7th
- Half Marathon – May 26th
- Fossil Cruz-In Car Show – July 7th
- Bluegrass Fest – July 7th & 8th
- Wheeler Co. Fair & Rodeo – Aug 7th
- Betty's Quilt Show – Sept 22nd to Oct 13th
- Knight's Tip-Off Tournament – Dec 1st & 2nd

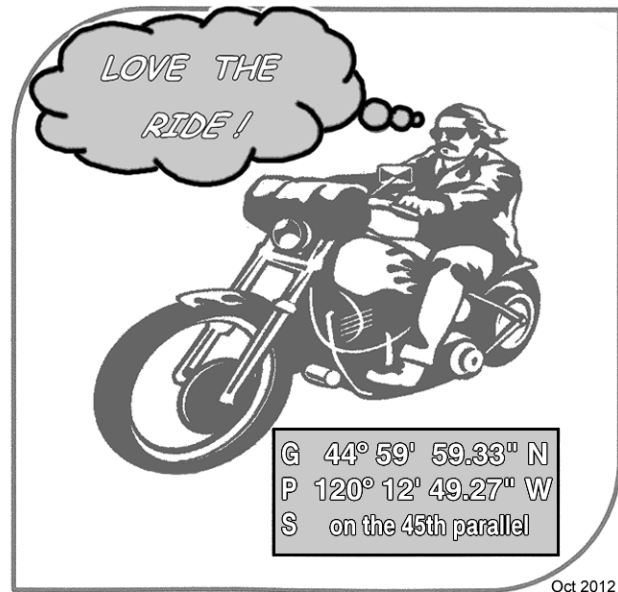
• Kinzua Golf Schedule •

- Fund Raiser 2011 June 9th
- Father's Day Scramble June 17th
- Ladies Tourney June 23rd & 24th
- Couples Tourney June 30th & July 1st
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May's Events & Activities

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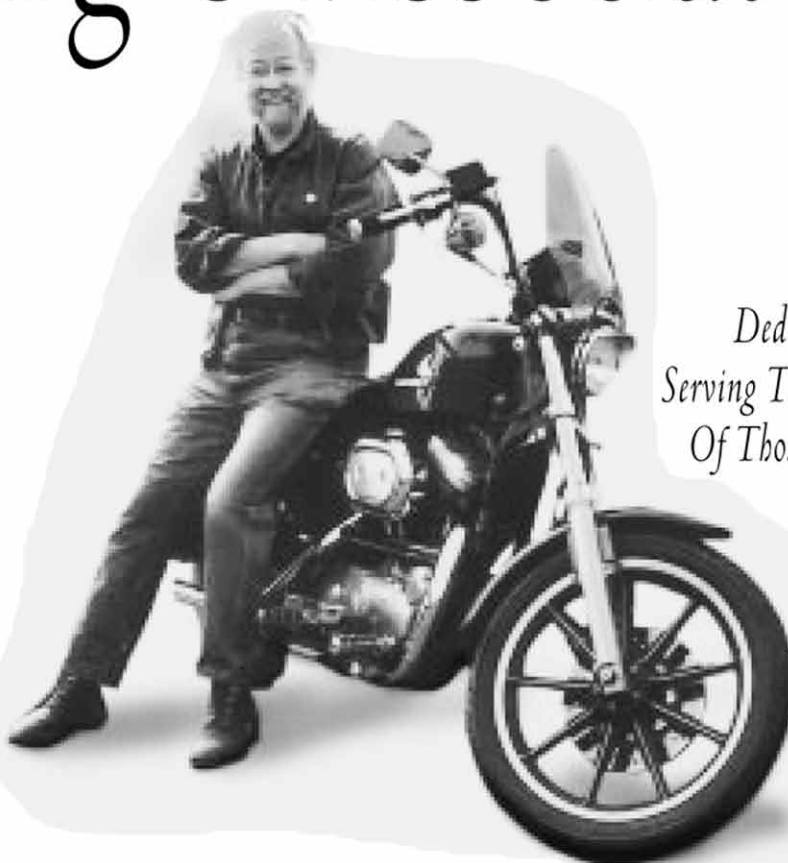
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Salem, OR 97304
www.bikepac.com

(please circle desired type of membership below)

Individual	Corporate	Group or Club
Associate \$15	Sponsor \$150	General \$75
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MAB* \$60+	MAB* \$1000	

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Email _____

I am in state senate district _____

I am in state representative district _____

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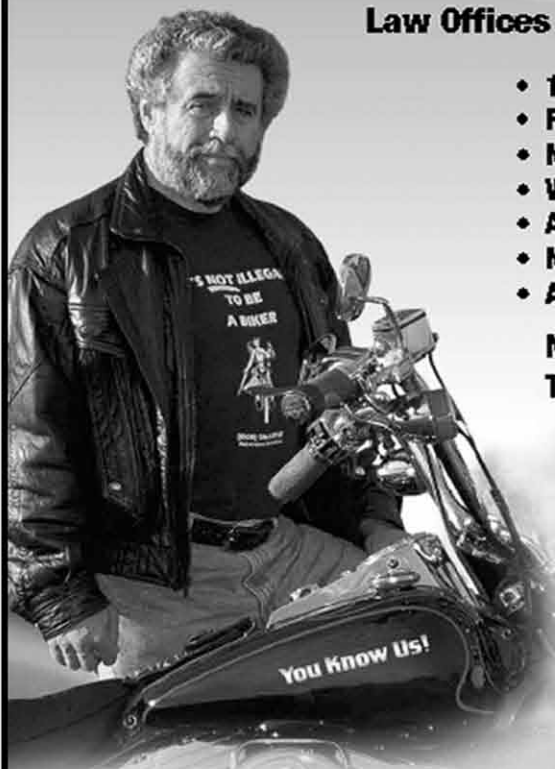
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**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon
Duffy's
Revived Road List**

name:	phone number:	location:	P	T	G	P	I	M	G	L
			I	O	A	H	N	E	A	O
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			P	E				N'		
North Coast area										
Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Central Coast area										
Rod Hatter	(541) 997-969	Florence	X			X	X		X	
Ralph, Wanda Janes	(541)-265-6850	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bob & Millie	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X						X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast		X		X	X	X	X	
South Coast area										
Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X			
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X			
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X		
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X		
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point						X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay						X		
Washington County area										
Trace Ceccacci	(971)-222-4127		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rich, Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Portland area										
Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X	X	X	
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X	
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland		X			X	X		

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Please ensure your area
listings are up-to-date

Is Your Road List Entry Correct?
Please call
(503)-838-6893
if your information changes.

name:	phone number:	location:	P	T	G	P	I	M	G	L
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			P	E				N'		
Salem area										
Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X	X						
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X					
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X		X	
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X					
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence				X	X			
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton							X	
Willamette Valley area										
Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X					X		X
Michael Boggs	(541)-367-9728		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X			X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X					
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X	
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X					X	X	
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X			X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X						X	
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X						X	X
Southern Oregon area										
Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X					X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Central Oregon area										
John Baunmann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X			X	X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X				X		
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X			
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X					
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X			X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X			X		
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X			X	X	
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X			X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X			X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X				
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X					X	X	
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
other areas										
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways

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(July 2012)

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(May 2012)

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(May 2012)

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(June 2012)

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Call to arrange viewing appointment.
(May 2012)

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| Hail, bounteous May, that dost inspire
| Mirth, and youth, and warm desire!
| Thus we salute thee with our early song,
| And welcome thee, and wish thee long."
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... myself in sunshine.

Found

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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

NAME: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

Were you given an explanation on legal or illegal helmets? **(YES) (NO)** If YES was the explanation? WRITTEN _____ VERBAL _____ BOTH _____

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

When you bought the helmet did it have a DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO Label permanently fastened inside? **(YES) (NO)**

Was helmet modified? **(YES) (NO)** If modified describe: _____

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. STATE OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2012

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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M.R.F. REPRESENTATIVE			
Allan Nichols	(503)-341-6157		
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CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS REP (SOUTH)			
< vacant >	(541)-	CofCSouth@abateoforegon.net	

(Return address)

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

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAME: _____
 NEW ADDRESS: _____

 CITY: _____
 STATE: _____
 ZIP CODE: _____
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
 SIGNATURE: _____

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

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

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____
 Name: _____
 Name: _____

How would you like to receive your state newspaper?
 Print version mailed to your address.
 Download PDF version from state web site at:
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

Chapter: _____

New member ?

Yes _____

No _____

Patch Received ?

Yes _____

No _____

Renewal ?

Yes _____

Membership # _____

Please send completed application to:

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

97208

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

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

(revised Jan 2011 — Rot Path)

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







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

Comments:

May 2012

(beltane)

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

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STATE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, 12 May 2012

1200 (noon)

Ciddici's Pizza

133 SW Fifth Street

Albany, Oregon

Fossil run meetings

1100 (11 a.m.)

Nothing takes the edge off a bad day,
 Like riding through the greenness of May,
 Crack open the trottle,
 Instead of a bottle,
 And let your wheels follow the sun's rays.

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2012 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run
 BN = Biker Night

date:	event / chapter or sponsor:	location:	contact number:
>>> 2012 <<<			
04-06 May 2012	Southern Oregon Swap Meet	Central Point	(541)–659–8715
05 May 2012	Motorcycle Awareness Rally / BikePAC	Salem	(541)–223–3827
11 May 2012	Bike Night / Douglas Co.	Diamond Lake	(541)–
12 May 2012	Spring Poker Run / LoCo	Clatskanie	(503)–
25–28 May 2012	35th Fossil Campout / ABATE	Bear Hollow	(503)–791–2862
02 Jun 2012	Poker Run / Hub City	Albany	(541)–990–0994
08 Jun 2012	Bike Night / Douglas Co.	Rice Hill	
10 Jun 2012	Roll-N-Ride / Washington County	Forest Grove	(503)–459–7912
14–17 Jun 2012	Party In Woods / WA-ABATE	Easton, Washington	lacoy@live.com
15-17 Jun 2012	Best Of The West / MRF	Las Vegas, Nevada	
16 Jun 2012	Rocks, Lakes, & Bridges / CentOr	Bend	(503)–887–3032
23 Jun 2012	Saddle Mountain / North Coast	Astoria	(503)–440–1114
13 Jul 2012	Bike Night / Douglas Co.	Glide	

CHAPTER MEETINGS — A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

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Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)–383–0889
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	M's Restaurant; 443 S.E. Jackson street; Roseburg	(541)–672–5966
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SW Fifth Street; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Indian Creek (IC)	6th Friday	2359 (11:59 pm)	(anywhere we feel like it)	
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	D & S Harley–Davidson; 3846 S. Pacific highway; Medford	(541)–
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)–474–3553
Lincoln County (LinCo)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	1st Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–728–4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)–298–5502
Salem	1st Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–378–0100
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–665–2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Grape Vine Restaurant; 11525 SW Barnes; Portland	(503)–597–0300