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is coming
Saturday
26 February 2011

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Correction to the previous correction

A word was left out of the front page correction of last month's newspaper. The second paragraph should read:

"In case any September copies should fall through time portals and into the hands of future archeologists or aliens (or both), . . ."

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Planning Session A Huge Success



Participants of the 2010 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon planning conference pose outside the rain-swept Cottage Grove V.F.W. hall during a break on the 9th of October.

Last month's annual planning session in Cottage Grove proved to be one of the best ones of the twenty-first century.

The big news is that S.T.E.A.M. (Seminars To Educate/Enthuse And Motivate) will be back next year. It's a great chance for newly elected officers at all levels to get advice and questions answered about how to do their jobs.

S.T.E.A.M. is also one of the best opportunities to meet members from all over the state face-to-face. Still looking

for a central location that will be easy for folks to get to. It takes place Saturday, 26 February 2011.

Time was spent figuring out ways to trim A.B.A.T.E.'s operating costs so that more can be spent on education and supporting those who support our mission.

Increasingly, chapter treasurers are becoming critical to the success of our work. Beginning next year, there will be no slack for late reports.

More of the future heavy work for



Participants were both busy and productive during this year's planning conference.

state events is going to be done in committees. This should stop our wonderful members from getting burned out. Committees will meet an hour before state board meetings.

With the Oregon state legislature beginning their next session in January, A.B.A.T.E. and BikePAC are positioning themselves for education and legislative action. The May Awareness Rally is going to be better with additional speakers across the street from the state capitol so more riders can hear what's going on.

In the good news/bad news department, membership rates will be going up beginning the first of January, but this will be somewhat offset by having multi-year memberships and renewals available. (Renew early and renew often.)

-- crusty ol' editor



State coordinator Ted Tracy guides activities while recording secretary Yvonne Sahn-ow goes into "the zone" taking minutes.

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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

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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.

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.

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.)

Produces conferences, information pieces, and a web site. Has also sponsored the *Confederation of Clubs*, a legal rights organization.

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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 law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.
	MEANS FREEDOM	

officers at work

State Coordinator

Ah . . . controversy.

We have it and you gotta love it.

Controversy means people care.

Controversy means people are passionate about our cause.

We do not always think alike on life's issues and that is a very good thing. If we all thought alike, what a boring world this would be. (Of course, if everyone thought as I do, it would be a perfect world. :-)

In the September issue of this newspaper, Frank Saxton wrote an article that I feel was very well written. This does not mean that I agree with all or even most of it. I have known Frank for a very long time, and I must say that his passion for removing our mandatory helmet requirement is beyond reproach.

This month's newspaper has a few rebuttals to Frank's letter. These people may not agree, but it shows they care.

We need more of you to care as much as these people do.

Frank has written another article

for this month's newspaper.

It is sure to spark controversy.

It is sure to stir emotions.

It is sure to rile up those who are passionate about our cause.

And I hope to hell it causes more people to write in this forum.

We need to get stirred up!

We need to get passionate about what we care about.

We need to visit Salem and D.C., to contact our legislators and congresspeople.

We may not agree on how to accomplish our goals, but isn't that part of the beauty of activism?

Frank, you are welcome to attend any state board of directors meetings. Stir things up if you like. (But maybe not too much.)

Take care everyone.



Ted Tracy

state coordinator

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



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

Hello *Central Oregon!*

Let's just say thank you all for a great *Teddy Bear Run* and all of your help.

Just got done with our meeting. All is well at the home front. Our X-mas party will be held on the 18th of December at AX-Bonnie house. Time will be in the next newspaper.

Winter is just about here for us on this side of the hill, so let's make sure we take care of our babies for the winter. Will write more about this later on in the months to come.

Okay, this goes out to the state board. We have done what you have asked us to do to keep up with your request. What happens when it gets there is out of our hands. We have sent you number of times our officer list, so I will put it in the state newspaper so we all have it.

- Coordinator — Animal (Larry)
- Vice-coordinator — Axe (Arron)
- Secretary — Vickie
- Treasurer — Ellan
- Sgt-at-arms — Scotty
- State board representative — sporty Mike

If we change officers in December elections, we will let it be known in the newspaper for January 2011. This way, there is no question that we have sent it in.

Our state board representative, sporty Mike, tells us that we have not sent this in when he goes for the meetings down there. He tells us that we have not sent it in, but we have many times.

-- Animal
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**

Hello from *Douglas County*,

Sorry I have missed the last two issues. Yes, the secretary has been remiss in her duties. So let's catch up on what's been happening.

S.O.S. was a *great* run and we thank everyone for their help with putting this wonderful event together, and for attending and making it a success!

It's a lot of work and it seems it's always the "faithful few" who are willing to go the distance. Thanks to you especially.

We are hoping our own Jim Waggoner will be our run coordinator for next year too. We would love to have him give us another year. Thanks, Jim. If you think this would be good, let Jim know.

It's Thanksgiving time and again we have an opportunity to say "thank you" those we care about.

Last year I commented that it's perhaps more than a coincidence

that Veteran's Day is celebrated in the same month as Thanksgiving. What a wonderful reminder to take time to participate in a Veteran's Day parade or event. You may want to go a step further and pay a personal visit to the veterans administration facility here in Roseburg. The transitional care unit at the V.A. hospital is a place you can thank a veteran. They are always in need of personal supplies for our aging and ill veterans. If you would be interested in contributing to that, please get in touch with me: Becky Garino, (541)-679-7729. They need denture care products, *Depends*, deodorant, and other items many of them cannot afford and are not provided to them.

Please take time to thank a veteran and to always acknowledge our active duty and Guard soldiers for their service. They appreciate our support and without them . . . well,

let's not go there.

It's also time to be thinking about Christmas, which always means toy runs and helping to make this blessed time of year special for children. In addition to the toy runs, our communities have other ways to benefit children. As our economy continues to struggle, so are many families. Those of us with a little more will be able to greatly impact those who have very little.

Please, be safe, remember to take care of each other, remember our veterans, military, and those needing our love and support.

May we all remember to thank God for each day, each one of us, and for America.

Becky Garino
secretary
Douglas County Chapter

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Del Ray Cafe

5669 NE Stephens St

Winchester

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

Hello fellow riders,

We here in *Jackson County Chapter* wish to dedicate this month to Kathleen Suther, who is now riding with the lord instead of for the lord. Kathleen and husband Larry are long time members of *A.B.A.T.E.*

Kathleen; always kind sweet to all. She will be missed in our chapter. Our heavy heart's prayers are with you Larry and family.

This is our reminder that we have so little time with ones we love. Take time to enjoy family and friends today. Don't miss chances to do what is important to you and to them. If you wait until tomorrow, it may never happen. Time stands still for no one.

Rubber down, chrome up, be brutally aware of the terminally unaware,

McHorn and Sherry

JACKSON COUNTY MEETING**TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 pm)

Saxton's

4618 N. Pacific highway

Central Point

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Kevin (541)-665-5864

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

Hi all you motorheads,

Don't forget to vote.
Happy turkey feast everyone.

Wow, what a fun filled summer it has been.

- A huge spring swap meet. After crunching the numbers, we all met or beat record turnouts of vendors and riders. (Maybe *Hub City* should come together with all our spare parts and do a tailgate vend. Dollars raised could go to the chapter for funding our chapter stuff.)

- *Motorcycle Awareness Rally* at the capitol.

- A fantastic *Fossil*.

- Runs galore. There was *Redwood Run, Bikes and Blues*, and *Run-21* was awesome, as usual. *Weekend at Bernie's* was wild. There was *Beaver Creek*, more poker runs, biker nights and the *All Harley Drags*, oh my.

So much to do so little time!

Well, if all that was not enough, *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* has done it again. We had a very successful

Motorcycle Awareness and Bike Show-Off at the *Heritage Mall* in Albany on the 23rd and 24th of October. The purpose of this is to mingle with the public and talk and show them we are real people like themselves. The mall has been really great about working with us on this .

November 11, 2010 brings the *Veterans Day Parade* in Albany, Oregon. *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* makes a huge showing of motorcycles along with many other riding groups. Come hell or high water, we show our support. Can't ride? Then join us on the sideline cheering section.

Now I know winter is coming. The leaves are on the ground, there is a chill in the air. All that's left are a few toy runs. November is my birthday month and I always relate that to the beginning of the hibernation months. For those of you who chose to ride in winter, be extra careful,. Hazards are everywhere. Be safe.



Have a warm and cozy winter and start making those plans for next year.

We will see you there,

Tacey Little
(a.k.a. GO4RYD)

HUB CITY MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Hey everyone,

It's late and I'm tired, so I'll make this quick.

Toy run attendance was down, but we had a great time anyway.

Our chapter had our *Halloween Social* on October 30th. 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Fruitdale grange. Potluck. Joint event with *Jackson County* and *Josephine County* chapters. Should have been lots of fun.

Chapter meeting was on October 20th.

Condolences to the family of Kathleen Suther, long-time member of *Jackson County A.B.A.T.E.*

Lance and Karen attended the October planning meeting. A full report will be discussed at the next chapter meeting. It was good to have another chance to share information and meet with members of other chapters.

On Saturday, November 6th at 10 a.m., *A.B.A.T.E.* members are invited to come out and enjoy the first *Annual Rogue River Veterans Day Parade*. This event is being sponsored

by several local veterans.

Good night.

See you down the road,

Karen
secretary/treasurer
Josephine County Chapter



JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

> September only = third Sunday <
3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 pm)

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

(Chapter closing for now)

Previous meeting time was on Sunday, October 17. Everyone one was there. Talked about runs we would like to do.

Spaghetti feed was held on October 23 at the grange hall down from Shasta Way. *Shasta View Community Hall* at 5831 Shasta Way. (On the corner of Shasta Way and Madison street.) Time was 7 p.m. to ?

Rib City Riders halloween party was October 30. No one under 21. Across from big lots on south 6th street.

Biker night at *Molly's* every Friday night.

Molly's had a tattoo special going in October. \$25 deposit for any tattoo.

Still working on getting more members.

Patches are \$5.

We are planing on other things: to raise money for *A.B.A.T.E*

Events for 2011: Casino night, fun fair, family night, toy run.

Our meeting time is on the third Sunday of each month at 6 p.m. in the *Old Town Pizza Company* at 722 Main street in Klamath Falls.

Phone number is (541)–884–8858.



We here in *Klamath County Chapter* are saddened to say that in our meeting held on 17 October 2010, it was decided to close our chapter for now.

We have been trying to overcome things from past chapters and have failed to do so.

We feel that while we are not costing the state money, we are not able to help them.

Those of us involved here in *Klamath County Chapter* have worked hard to make a go of it with little progress. It saddens us to have started something we believe in, but not see it though. We have tried to go on this for about a year with little luck.

Most of the chapter members here will remain members of other chapters or members at large.

We will still do what we can when we can to help the other chapters in the events.

Truly,

Carolyn Wilburn
former treasurer
Klamath County Chapter

KLAMATH COUNTY MEETING **TIMES and PLACE**

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(planet earth)

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

Hey from LoCo,

Seems like winter is coming fast and hard down on the lower Columbia, but we're still getting a little riding in.

We had our *Fall Run* on the 11th of September. Although we went in the hole by \$7, we consider the run to be a success as we met some new people, got some new members, saw some new country, and made some new friends, and we were able to sell a whole lot of raffle tickets for our Rifle Raffle fund raiser, which we gave away that night.

The winner was Leland Cudworth of Rainier, Oregon.

We've been working on our weenie wagon (concession van). It's running fine with a new engine in place. Everything else seems to work okay. We're planning a BBQ / work party for general sanding, cleaning, and paint. We plan on having this big guy ready for spring. You will never

know where the *LoCo* weenie wagon may show up.

We've gathered up enough money to fund two scholarships for our *LoCo College Scholarship Fund*. The criteria is written and will be submitted to the Clatskanie high school scholarship committee within the next couple of weeks.

Go, class of 2011.

It's looking to get real busy down her on the lower Columbia as it's time to clean up the highway again. (*Adopt A Highway* program.)

We are just now attempting to get into the local schools to present the *Motorcycle Awareness Program*.

We have just now gotten the totes delivered to our drop off points for our *Christmas Food and Toy Drive*.

At our last meeting, we opened up nominations for officers. Elections will be held at our December meeting.



Last but not least, I saw a bunch of girls wandering aimlessly around the front of one of the stores in Clatskanie last week. Upon further investigation I find that they're our very own *A.B.A.T.E.* women building an *A.B.A.T.E.* scarecrow on a chopper. They did a great job. Check it out.

That's all from down the creek for now,

Dave Bridges
coordinator
LoCo

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**



Chapters

If the person who usually sends your report is unavailable or can't send a report, ask someone else to send one in. (Some chapters rotate the task among members month-to-month. By heck, it could even be a group effort after a meeting.)

These reports can help keep your chapter charged up and motivated while attracting new members.

You can inspire others or get ideas from reading reports.



LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays 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**

Hello from the *North Coast*,

Things are a little hectic lately.

Our coordinator, Rick Verbrugge, resigned and we are busy trying to reorganize.

We are hoping people are going to step up and we are still are going to be a chapter after last month's nominations and this month's elections.

We are crossing our fingers.

Our run committee is working hard to make the *Spaghetti Dinner and Auction* on November 20th a success. The cooks are in place and we are still working on a team to decorate the *Moose Lodge*.

This is the time of year we try to sneak in a ride before the dark times fall upon us.

Remember, this is the time deer and elk are getting it on and they do not look for motorcycles.

Wet leaves abound.

Many of us will get our scoots

ready for the winter. We all know the drill here.

The *North Coast Chapter* wishes all a happy thanksgiving and ride safe in this changing weather,

Don Kelly
run coordinator
North Coast



**NORTH COAST CHAPTER
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PRESENTS

at the
Astoria
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, OR

Spaghetti Dinner & Auction Saturday
November 20th 2010
5:00 to 8:00pm

Questions?
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NORTH COAST MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Sunday at 1000 (10 am)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome
POINT of CONTACT

CHAPTER ADDRESS:

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Astoria, OR 97103

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

September 21, 2010

October 05, 2010

We had a long meeting with lots of discussion of state A.B.A.T.E. events and participation.

We talked about our upcoming candy sale, highway cleanup, christmas project, and more.

Richard won the 50/50 at \$5/\$6 and donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Richard.

-- Brian

The highlight of tonight's meeting was Rick's description of his trip to the *Meeting of the Minds* with three others from Oregon. He was very excited about all the training and sharing. He met a lot of knowledgeable people from all around the country.

Lorraine won the 50/50 at \$14/\$13 and donated her share back to the chapter. Thanks, Lorraine.

We have a chapter highway cleanup set for October 24. We will meet at the *Shilo* parking lot at 10:30 a.m. Come out and help keep the road clean out by the Deschutes Park.

-- Brian



Upcoming meetings

November 02, 2010

November 16, 2010

RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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S.E. Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)
M&M Restaurant & Lounge
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Salem



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SALEM MEETING
TIME and PLACE
 4th 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

Happy holidays from Washington County!

Yes, it's that season already. If the timing is right, by the time you receive this issue, you will all have turned in your ballots already. Elections are upon us, and the best way to participate in the future of our community is to vote. If the ballot is still sitting on your table, and it's not too late, get it to a drop-off site A.S.A.P. Every single vote counts.

Mother nature decided to play with us on our *End of Summer Run* weekend, but we had a fantastic time at *E.O.S.* anyway.

We managed to have the bike show and most of the games without rain. (The showers were not constant.) With the warm, dry indoor pavilion for the bands there was dancing well into the night. We received great feedback on our new location at the Columbia county fairgrounds.

If you missed *E.O.S.* this year, don't make that mistake again. It is well worth attending, regardless of the weather.

Our toy run is just around the corner on November 20. We still have some raffle tickets for sale to raise money for *Hillsboro Toy and Joy*. Tickets are \$1 each and you need not be present to

win.

Grand prize is a \$500 gift card to *Paradise Harley-Davidson*.

Second prize is a \$250 gift card to *Paradise*.

If you aren't able to make it to a chapter meeting to purchase tickets, we can make arrangements to meet or mail them to you. We want to sell all 2,000 tickets by November 20.

For tickets by mail, call Margo at (503)-476-4522. Deadline for tickets by mail is November 10.

See our flyer in this issue for run details.

November 11 is Veteran's Day. To all our active military personnel and all our veterans, thank you for your service and your sacrifice. We appreciate you.

As always, get the latest happenings on our web site at:

<http://www.wacoabate.info>

Happy thanksgiving to you and yours,

Margo Virchow



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WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
 2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930
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 Prime Time Restaurant
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October 9, 2010

Planning session called to order at 9:15 a.m. on the 9th of October, 2010 by Ted Tracy (state coordinator, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*)

Held the pledge of allegiance.

Ted appreciates everyone in attendance. With 16 people in attendance, Ted would like to have six breakout groups this afternoon. Breakout groups will consist of a financial, S.T.E.A.M., swap meet, membership, and legislative committees.

Brian has the operations manual down to nine pages. Back surgery has kept him from attending. Ted commented he liked the nine page report. Current by-laws and operations manual guidelines are still in place. There are new media guidelines that need to be included in the operations manual.

State board of directors will be requiring all chapter elections no later than December. Chapter rosters to be turned into our state recording secretary, Yvonne Sahnaw, within 30 days of their elections. Due no later than January 31st, 2011. This will allow better communication within the organization.

Modifications to our by-laws will be forthcoming.

Uniformity is key to a successful year. More discussion at the state board of directors meeting Sunday.

State board of directors elections will be held at Sunday's state board of directors meeting, October 11, 2010.

Morning Sessions

Financial committee—Reviewed budget, income and expenses. As Ted reviewed all large expenses, it was clear that we needed to revise the budget to correctly reflect expenses and income. Make changes, to show our need for instructional guidance to all chapter treasurers.

A.B.A.T.E. Planning Session Meeting

Cottage Grove, Oregon

S.T.E.A.M. committee — Jeff will chair the committee. Implementation and schedule of training sessions to be held. He would like to continue having a guest speaker for motivational purposes. Some of the most memorable events were held with Sputnik and Slider as guest speakers. Again, encouraging attendance and bringing wealth of knowledge back to each chapter's membership. Considerations for guest speakers are: Wayne Oversaw, Sharon Stone [not *that* one], or Andy Olson. Possible locations are: *Linn-Benton Community College*, *Silver Falls Conference Center*, or *Kaiser Renaissance Inn*. Attendance will be mandatory for all new officers, including chapter treasurers. A state board of directors meeting will be held at 2 p.m. the same day to increase attendance.

Swap meet committee — Ted will phone the Portland armory to confirm spring swap meet on 01 May 2011. Committee to be formed with Willie Sanders as chair person.

Membership committee — The white pages will be distributed to each chapter. Retention and increasing memberships using *FaceBook* could be an option. Ted will follow up with Lorie Bartholemew. Encouraging membership participation for random rides could promote more motorcyclists involvement as well as retention. It was suggested by Connie to purchase a listing of registered riders through the D.M.V. and promoting *A.B.A.T.E.* events. More discussion needed.

Legislative committee — Rally at the state capital to be held May 7th. There's a tentative layout of the parking area. There may be a new wireless sound system. Certificates of appreciation for speakers in a frame are also being considered. Please use [BikePAC voter guide in the] state newspaper for your legislative vote.

It was suggested we, as individuals, write to our legislators on their voting stance.

BikePAC has been working on the helmet repeal bill in conjunction with Bill Olson. (LC-1118)

No lane splitting being discussed

at the legislation level at this time. *BikePAC* has not decided to take action on this issue yet.

We have no paid lobbyists at this time. It's a good idea to have our chapters present in Salem to show our numbers and be heard.

Ted said there is money available for the national election candidates in your area through *M.R.F.*

It was suggested we have self addressed stamped cards with bullet points, made available at our monthly meeting.

Break for lunch at noon.

1:10 p.m.

Afternoon planning session

Budget was discussed in length, reviewing oversights in expenses not approved by the state board of directors.

It appears *Fossil* had a profit of \$85.63. Obviously, we need to readjust our expenses.

We didn't have a fall swap meet, and we paid the I.R.S. \$5,000.

Traveling expenses reimbursed to [state board] representatives have also been noted as a problem and should be charged to the individual chapters represented.

Conference expenses were reviewed as well.

Newspaper costs will also be reviewed for further improvements to be cost effective.

We need to improve the *A.B.A.T.E.* funds. Suggestions to come from breakout session.

Connie reviewed the October 2010 auditor's report. She would like to see a *Quicken* program purchased for the educational purposes of training anyone who [sentence missing] simplify turning books over to new treasurers. This would allow uniformity and overall ease for next year's business. More information to follow.

3 p.m.

Breakout sessions

Ted asked each committee to come up with concrete proposals. Not everything would need a motion filed. Anything that does

need a motion, will be voted on Sunday. Everyone's cooperation is appreciated.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Pizza at 7 p.m. Location is *Pinochio's Pizza* at 795 E Main street.

Meeting to resume Sunday at 9 a.m.



October 10, 2010

Reconvened planning session at 9:00 a.m.

Ted opened with the pledge of allegiance.

We have several breakout groups to cover.

Committee Reports

S.T.E.A.M. – Geoff White (chair)

We have a good roster of topics for the S.T.E.A.M. agenda.

- We would like some form of motivational influence at S.T.E.A.M. It will bring people back to *A.B.A.T.E.*

S.T.E.A.M. would consist of three different session periods with four different [tracks]. Class ideas are listed below. Nothing definite yet but we will put it in the state newspaper right away.

- Core functions for the legislative at state level and national level. Two specific different classes.

- State board representatives – how to do their job correctly. This will help state board members with their chapters. If your chapter has a good representative, we need that representative to share their information to help everyone else. This would include potential representatives to the state board.

- There will be a session on chapter and state secretary duties and functions to effectively communicate to our membership.

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A.B.A.T.E. Planning Session – October 2010 (continued)

- Public relations – Much of our work is done reaching out to the community with what we have to offer. Effective communication with the outside world.

- Basic leadership class and coordinating at chapter levels will be another. To better understand the coordinator position.

- A class for legal activities and insurance issues. Having the proper coverage for your life style and modes of transportation.

- Class on planning group rides. Road captain training to get system going throughout A.B.A.T.E. Operating in the same type of format. Standardizing a format is key.

- Class on event planning and execution. What's required at each event and how to perform these functions.

- Class on education and safety. Both rider training and possible safety aspects on daily riding. Reaching out to the people who actually ride daily.

- Class on membership generation, retention, and performing the administrative work tracking membership.

- Geoff will teach a class on motorcycle awareness program. (M.A.P.) We will also have a program on what it is, and how to make driver organizations better, depending on the membership attending S.T.E.A.M.

- Geoff will make a list of S.T.E.A.M. committee members, for better communication.

- Geoff will also make himself available an hour before each state board of directors meeting, if anyone needs help planning for S.T.E.A.M.

Membership – Linda Henderson (chair)

Linda will be available an hour before each state board of directors meeting.

The committee came up with several ideas.

- Increasing membership fees by \$5 would add substantial funds much needed at this time.

- A multi-year discount for membership dues will be offered.

- Create a sustaining level of membership, which would be \$100 per year. This would include all family members at a single address, recognition in the state newspaper and on the state web site. Possibly create a sustaining rocker for these individuals.

Financial – Kay Sipple (chair)

The committee came up with six ideas to propose to the state board of directors meeting for implementation.

- Current annual list of chapter officers, newspaper ads/income, sanctioning fees, state budgets, traveling expenses, and treasurers' training. (See planning meeting notes.)

- There will be a two hour required class held at S.T.E.A.M. for all chapter treasurers. Arrangements to follow. We still need facilitators for any of these classes. Please remind interested chapter members.

Legislative – Nic Oliver (chair)

- BikePAC is working on a new mantra. (That means a set statement that we use all the time.) "Freedom of choice in helmet reform" will be our new mantra. We are going after helmet change.

- Every bill gets a nickname.

- We are going to need a couple of things from A.B.A.T.E at no cost.

1. The use of the mantra. We need to beat the helmet appeal. This doesn't mean riding without a helmet, but the freedom to choose. Not mandated by government.

2. To keep up the web site with legislative candidates. We need riders at the capitol whenever we present a bill.

- Motorcycle Awareness Rally will also have many improvements. Any member will be welcome to address any issue.

- Nic will advise later on the session date.

Adjourn planning session at 11:00

Our Officers at Work

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes — 10 October 2010

V.F.W. hall – Cottage Grove, Oregon



The meeting was called to order by Ted at 11 a.m. with 12 of 13 chapters represented.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

Long time member, Ron Bork, passed away.

Also, a 25 year member, Kathleen Suther, passed away last week.

Guests and first time attendees: None.

Reading, approval of minutes: Motion made by Matt Price to adopt minutes from September 11, 2010 as printed in the state newspaper.

Seconded by Randy Phipps. Motion passed with 12 votes.

Coordinator's comments: (Ted Tracy) Due to the seven motions we have pending, we will suspend all but Connie's [state auditor] officer report.

Secretary report, correspondence: (Yvonne Sahnaw) No report.

Officer's Reports

Treasurer: (Kay Sipple) Report attached.

Membership secretary: (Linda Henderson) Report attached.

Legislative director: (Randy

Phipps) Report attached— summary of *A Bill For An Act*.

State auditor: (Connie Kintz) Report [handed out]. Blue chapters are in process. There will be no further follow up next month. According to the chart information, if you don't have anything for the last five months, you'll be in the red right away. Salem, sent everything in Friday, so they're all caught up. Connie will meet with chapters in-process to clarify and complete all paper work. The new chapters will not go red because they just received their ID numbers. All chapters not finished will need to file their own taxes. You will not be under A.B.A.T.E. for the tax year. Connie or Kay will be assisting *North Coast*. And *Lower Columbia* has been caught up.

Any [chapter] not current at the next state board meeting will be on probation. We will not pay the I.R.S. money because a chapter is



Yvonne Sahnaw
state recording secretary

not current. **The next state board of directors meeting is the deadline.**

Your chapter will be on probation [if financial reports not up to date.] We will be offering training, no excuses. The newly elected treasurers should be able to get their job done, so that we can move forward and do positive work at the state board of directors meetings.

Unfinished Business

As requested at the last state board of directors meeting, Gene has contracts for Bear Valley and

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting – 10 October 2010 (continued)

Three Value Ranches. Prices and agreements have been obtained. Building and staging has been approved for Bear Hollow. We have the stage license, and we will have the new stage permit in 2012. We will be using the same canopy that we have had, until we can build a permanent cover. It will be nice not to haul a big stage up to *Fossil*. *Washington County Chapter* does not use state stage. They now go to Columbia fair grounds where there's a huge pavilion. It's a great run with entertainment and band inside. We will either get the stage or sell it if we do not want possession of the stage.

The stage is still in Birkenfeld. Oliver will ask the coordinator again to remove the stage before we can not have access to this area any longer.

New Business – Motions –

- Motion made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) and seconded by Dwayne Sterba (*Lower Columbia Chapter*) to buy an instructional DVD/CD RAM for *Quicken* that can be checked out to chapters with no internet access. Not to exceed \$100. **Motion passed with 11 votes.**

- Motion made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) and seconded by Leroy Creel (*Southeast Portland Chapter*) to renew our sustaining membership with the *M.R.F.* at a cost of \$100. **Motion**

passed with 11 votes.

- Motion made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) and seconded by Leroy Creel (*Southeast Portland Chapter*) to offer multi-year memberships in addition to current membership structure

	single	couple	family (discount)	
2 yrs	\$ 55	\$ 65	\$ 85	(\$5)
3 yrs	\$ 80	\$ 95	\$110	(\$10)
5 yrs	\$125	\$150	\$175	(\$25)

Motion passed with 11 votes.

- Motion made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) and seconded by Dwayne Sterba (*Lower Columbia Chapter*) to increase membership costs by \$5 across the board. The cost of membership would increase to:

single member	\$30
couple member	\$35
family member	\$40

Motion passed with 12 votes.

- Motion made by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*) and seconded by Dwayne Sterba (*Lower Columbia Chapter*) to create a sustaining membership. The cost of a sustaining membership to be \$100. This covers either a single member, couple, or family membership at one address and includes recognition in the newspaper and one "sustaining member" rocker per year. **Motion passed with 12 votes.**

- Motion made by Rick Colclake (*Jackson County Chapter*) and seconded by Allan Nichols (*Washington County Chapter*). In order to reach a consensus, create a

baseline of operations, and facilitate the on-going development of the organization, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* adopt the operations manual, as presented by the operations manual committee in written form to the chapters, subject to future revisions as mandated by the state board.

Motion passed with 9 votes.

- Motion made by Bob Highfill (*Lincoln County Chapter*, *S.T.E.A.M.* financial committee) and seconded by Matt Price (*Salem Chapter*) that all chapter treasurers be required to attend treasurer training at either the January or February state board of directors meetings, or *S.T.E.A.M.* Failure to attend one of the above would result in the loss of the chapter's vote at the March state board of directors Meeting. **Motion passed with 10 votes.**

Officer Elections

The individuals listed below have been nominated to 2011 state board of directors positions:

- State auditor** – Connie Ceccacci
- Historian** – Jennifer Brackman
- Education director** – Geoff White
- Fall/spring swap meet coordinator** – Willie Sanders
- Confederation of Clubs representative (north)** – Dave Hickerson
- M.R.F. representative** – Allan Nichols

Vacant positions for 2011 state board of directors:

- Vice-coordinator (east)**
- Public relations director**
- Fossil coordinator**

All other board of director members will remain in office for the 2011 calendar year.

Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting = November 13, 2010 at *Ciddici's Pizza* 133 SW 5th street – Albany, Oregon.
- 03 October 2010 is *JoCo's Grants Pass Toy Run*.
- 20 November = *WaCo's Stan Johnston Memorial Toy Run*.
- *S.T.E.A.M.*'s contact list. Please sign up if you would like to be part of this committee.
- 2011 officer data forms need to be filled out and turned in to the state secretary. This is a *must!* (Even if you turned one in last year, this is a new year.)
- There will be a state board of directors at 2 p.m. the day of *S.T.E.A.M.* This will enable newly elected officers to attend.
- *Ciddici's Pizza* has been confirmed as the new state board of directors meeting location for November through July and again in September. The August meeting will be in Newport and the October meeting in Cottage Grove.



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Letters

Why Most Motorcycle Owners Aren't Active In A.B.A.T.E.

an opinion piece

-- Frank Saxton

(life member)

Ted Tracy stated that he would like to see *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* members contributing articles to the state newspaper. Not that I've ever been bashful about writing, but here's my latest submission, which may or may not make Ted (and *A.B.A.T.E.* members-at-large) happy.

I think Nic Oliver's piece, perhaps unintentionally, hit on one of the key reasons why *A.B.A.T.E.* membership numbers and participation have been lackluster. Nic stated: "if you can't work with us towards the goals we agreed upon when we joined BikePAC and A.B.A.T.E., then the least you can do is stop being a negative influence on those who are working. In other words, shut up."

That statement would certainly make me want to rush to sign up! Fortunately, having known Ted for nearly 20 years I'm pretty sure that he does not share that view. But at least a few of his predecessors have. In fact, after getting involved with *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* shortly after I moved here from New Hampshire, one of the "old guard" sat me down and told me essentially the same thing. You're welcome if you do what you're told and don't make waves. But if you want to challenge the way things are done, get lost.

If *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* is only interested in members who are willing to be mindless robots that toe the line and keep any independent thoughts to themselves, then they need to be clear about that in their membership literature. But I'll pass on a tip for whatever it's worth based on what I've learned after a lifetime of business management. As a leader, I went way out of my way to attract and hire employees who looked at life, business, and the world through a very different prism than mine. And I especially wanted people around me who were not timid about expressing their opinions. Some of my greatest career accomplishments never would have happened had I not been willing to listen to irreverent, sometimes abrasive people who color outside the lines. It's a fact that well-behaved

people rarely accomplish great things and make it into the history books. It's also a fact that if you do the same things year after year after year and constantly make no headway, it's time to start thinking about a change in strategy and tactics.

A big part of the reason why it's the same few people doing all the work is that new ideas are not particularly welcome. If the folks running *A.B.A.T.E.* want the organization to be a private club, then that's fine. But it's a little silly to be ragging on the non-participants while at the same time making it clear that they aren't welcome. That is to say that hostility is not a very effective recruitment tool.

And I'm not talking about myself here. Two of the people I have respected more than most any others since coming to Oregon were Bear (R.W. Alford) and Diesel Dave Ganslein. These are a couple of the smartest guys I have ever known, yet I've heard "old guard" members audibly groan when one of these two entered the room. When he was alive, Bear's zany ideas were often the seed I needed to bust through a cranial logjam. And in all modesty, getting helmet requirement repeal added to the D.P.O. 2000 legislative agenda never would have happened if it wasn't for Diesel Dave showing me that political party's Rosetta stone. Pretty much everyone in *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC* wouldn't give Dave the time of day but I knew that he was on to something and as history has proven, he was right and the nay sayers were wrong. Yet even with that stunning example of success, not much has changed in *A.B.A.T.E.* thinking and attitudes.

'Nuff said except that it is also "being a negative influence" if you pooh-pooh ideas that you don't happen to agree with or if you are hostile towards members that you don't happen to like. The "teamwork" paradigm goes both ways, folks.

A bigger issue, and the one I wrestled with (unsuccessfully) while I was executive director of *BikePAC*

of Oregon is how come there are nearly 200,000 motorcycle riders (including street, competition, off-road, A.T.V., and so on) in Oregon and yet only a few hundred are active in the S.M.R.O.s in this state? When I went around to various group meetings and talked about "global harmonization", noise/power limits, air bags on motorcycles, so-called "zero vision", and the rest of it, there was widespread and energetic agreement that these things would be bad. So why was I never able to energize the desire to protect our lifestyle into meaningful action and support? Like, for example, spending one day out of one's life once a year to pound in campaign lawn signs. And why are *A.B.A.T.E.* and S.M.R.O. organizations in some states very active while here in Oregon and Washington they aren't?

Exactly what will it take to get motorcycle owners off their couch and do something to protect their ever-eroding rights and freedoms? I wish I knew. Having to run your motorcycle through D.E.Q. when you renew your registration? It's coming, folks. A requirement to wear orange reflector vests when on a motorcycle? Plan on it. Having to rip off all of the non-stock parts from your *Harley*? Yikes! Ken Ray used to say that helmet requirement repeal was our line in the sand, and I completely agree with that. Many times I've said that as soon as we got off the offensive our enemies would attack. And representative Vicki Walker wasted no time in doing just that with her training requirement to renew motorcycle endorsements bill. Smart S.M.R.O. leaders will pay attention to this stuff. It's not about signing up drones to become *A.B.A.T.E.* members who will attend meetings. It's about reaching out to passionate people who have energy and ideas that will move *A.B.A.T.E.* forward. *A.B.A.T.E.* needs, in my humble opinion, more brash members who can and will kick down doors and take names.

For the information of those

involved, *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC* isn't the only game in town. Just because someone isn't active there doesn't mean that they aren't active elsewhere. As an example, I have probably talked to more legislative candidates for the upcoming Oregon elections than all of the officers in *BikePAC* combined. And I am currently volunteering with several candidate campaigns.

I asked several people whose opinion I value whether I ought to show up at the planning/summit meetings this year. The prevailing wisdom was that I skip it since I would most likely not be welcome. I also floated the idea of taking over *BikePAC* again when Nic Oliver retires and the response was similar. This does not hurt my feelings at all. Running any S.M.R.O. is a mostly thankless job that is hugely expensive financially and in terms of hours invested. And leading an army that wants to fight a 21st century war using 20th century weapons and tactics is not my idea of a good time.

But., don't you dare say that people who are not active in *A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC* are "do nothings and complainers". That claim may be true in some cases but I'll match my accomplishments with those of these bomb throwers any day of the week.



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From The ...

GUNNY'S SACK

Well folks, the rains here in Oregon have started so I guess winter is on the way. Time to go over the scoots and make any repairs or corrections we have been putting on the back burner all summer long.

Seems like riding always take precedence over maintenance.

It's our cans on those rides and we have enough to deal with when there are folks out there in cages driving badly. Be sure and check and replace those worn tires you have ignored all summer, too. A blowout or flat at 70 will ruin your day.

Check the brakes, lights and all the other things that make the scoot the joy it is. I don't need to preach to ya. You all know as much as I do and many of ya a lot more.

Safety doesn't just happen is the point I attempt to make here. We bury too many of our people as it is, and we don't need to lose more from being stupid.

News Bits-N-Pieces

Calabasas, California — The laid-back vibe of this affluent Los Angeles suburb gets a wakeup on weekends when hundreds of bikes thunder through the Santa Monica Mountains, triggering car alarms, rattling windows, and jolting alive barking dogs. Because of the problem, a new noise ordinance is on the governor's desk. Word is he signed it into effect, even though he rides himself.

The new regulation targets motorcyclists who remove factory-installed mandatory emission control devices and replace them with custom, after-market parts that often make their bikes louder and, consequently, a little dirtier. Motorcycles here will be required to bear the proper U.S. *Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.)* label certifying that the exhaust system is clean burning and does not exceed 80 decibels. (About the same as a vacuum cleaner.)

At least six cities, including Denver and Boston, have passed similar noise-reduction ordinances, but muffling motorcycles here could have symbolic impact.

"It's another example of government intrusion into our lifestyle," said Mike Levison, president of the *Southern California Harley Riders Association*.

First-time offenders can be fined up to \$100, but their ticket could be voided if they make corrections. Subsequent infractions would be subject to fines of \$100 to \$250. Federal and state regulations that limit motorcycle noise already exist, but enforcement is lax because it's impractical to outfit police with noise-monitoring instruments.

A Bad Stop — And I don't mean a crash, although that's a real bad stop, too. Our Oregon *A.I.M.* lawyer, Sam Hochberg, tells me he's sent off a letter of complaint to the Portland police for profiling a club member. They stopped the rider on his way to work for no reason, and then started asking about his club. To my thinking, this is wrong. Sam thinks so too, and if nothing else, this will bring the problem of biker profiling to a more visible level.

Any rider who is similarly stopped in Portland can easily initiate a complaint, which is screened by **non**-police before going to internal affairs.

New Helmet Mirror — A new design from the U.K. could transform safety for some of us. The *Reevu MSX1* motorcycle helmet features a small mirror in the top of the visor, which allows riders to see what is behind them. Now this might be a workable idea. This comes from an idea deep sea divers use to communicate.

They say this thing doesn't detract from forward vision, but through your peripheral vision the road behind is visible. Just might keep ya from getting rear ended. The thing is called the *Reevu Motorbike Helmet*.

The manufacturer reports customers have commented that after a short period of time, you're able to maintain awareness of the road ahead and behind without making a conscious effort. This means no more shaky steering when looking over your shoulder and no loss of vision of the road ahead while you are looking behind you.

The helmet costs around £249 (U.S. \$388).

I don't know if its available in this country yet, but when I find out I'll letcha know.

Look Here Quick — Distracted driving apparently causes fatal crashes affecting bikers and drivers of light trucks more than any other group on the road, according to 2009 statistics from federal officials at *N.H.T.S.A.* The statistic doesn't break down **who** was distracted, only that "distracted driving" affected one or more drivers in fatal crashes.

But, you can bet there aren't too many bikers distracted by talking or texting on a cell phone while riding their scoots!

In Oregon and many other states, it's illegal to talk on a hand held phone or to text while driving. Now the idiots are just holding the phones lower in the seat and texting away anyhow. Haven't the faintest idea how to stop that unless they just **go to jail** if caught.

Fines don't seem to be doing the job.

Scares the pants off me when I see it.

Almost makes me wish I was a cop at times.

Wow! That's scary, huh?

MONGOLS AGAIN — The *Mongols Motorcycle Club* has won their case again. In a ruling issued September 21st and filed September 24th, federal district judge Otis D. Wright has ruled that the United States cannot seize the name and patch of the club.

Judge Wright ruled that his previously issued "*preliminary order of forfeiture is rendered invalid.*"

In short, the prosecutors in this case have argued for two years that former *Mongols* president Ruben "Doc" Cavazos could forfeit the *Mongols* name and patch as part of his "punishment." Two federal judges have now ruled the *Mongols* insignia is not Cavazos' to give away.

We still need to be vigilant to attempts to limit our freedoms. Join and be active in your own M.R.O., your motorcycle rights organization. Our freedom is at stake.



Gunny
chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

Gunny Again

It's always on my mind when I talk to folks and they tell me they had a crash and I ask them if they had an attorney and they say not yet. And the crash happened weeks ago with injuries included.

This is a huge mistake folks.

Always call *A.I.M.* first or your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney, especially if you have been hurt. The insurance companies will give you pennies on the dollar for your losses and you will wind up holding the bag with no recourse. Don't be stupid when it isn't necessary.

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Keep the round side on the bottom,

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Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

The first week of November will bring the end of the current political campaigning and signs. After months of growing uncertainty, we know who will be in office at all levels of government, from city councils up through congress.

Now we can really get to work.

It's time to begin cashing in on the political good will we've created for ourselves in helping candidates get elected.

With the Oregon legislature poised to convene in early January, we need to start contacting our representatives and senators right now to let them know what concerns us about issues affecting motorists. As the 2011 session continues, we will need to keep communicating with our elected officials and their staffs as the legislative tapestry unfolds.

Each of us is important.

Last month's *A.B.A.T.E.* planning session may not have had throngs of folks standing elbow-to-elbow around the walls, but it felt like it was most productive endeavor in years. (There were a couple of dozen fine folks there both days.)

One advantage of lower turnout is more room to spread out and a greater chance of your voice being heard. Which means that those who show up are going to have greater say in what happens and the

direction we take than those who stay away growling about how they don't like the way things are.

Doing a little accomplishes more than doing nothing.

We've decided to follow Rotten Roger's good advice and go back to using committees for major events so that the organizing burden isn't dumped onto one person. (Causing burn out.)

Can one lowly person make a difference?

You betcha.

William Lederer* wrote about a dispirited navy destroyer stationed in southeast Asia before world war two. Morale was so low that the ship stood last in all fleet activities except for court martials. The skipper was a slob passed over for promotion, the exec had family problems, the officers' wardroom made pigstyes look clean, and the rest of the rusty, peeling tin can wasn't any better.

Fresh-faced ensign Lederer struggled manfully to bring order to chaos as first lieutenant, but after two months he found himself arriving at breakfast unshaved in a dirty unbuttoned uniform shirt, just like all the other officers.

Then a new chief steward reported aboard.

He made pro football linemen look tiny. Taking the other stewarts in hand, he had them appearing in

crisp, clean uniforms, keeping the wardroom tidy, attending to the officers' needs. As a result, the officers began smartening themselves up and feeling better. Of course, no enlisted person worth their salt will let newbie officers outshine them, so the crew began taking pride in their own appearances once again.

This story demonstrates that it is not only those in positions of power who can influence lives and effect change.

Each one of us has the potential to show others better ways of doing things.

People have a tendency to gravitate towards activities that will make their lives better, happier, or more stable. When we show others better ways of being or thinking about things, they tend to move in that direction of their own accord, adding their own energy to the process. It takes so much less effort than trying to push or drag people along.

Same thing happens in our political process.

When we show elected officials different, more productive ways of looking at our motorcycle concerns, we give them the ability to move ahead in helping us.

S.T.E.A.M. will be back next year on Saturday, 26 February. (That's **Seminars To Educate/Enthuse And Motivate.**)

There will be three time blocks and four or five tracks of seminars available. Bring as many chapter members as you can so you can send folks to different sessions and take information back for other chapter folks.

The location is still being arranged, but it should be near the I-5 corridor in the mid-Willamette Valley area. We will have more details and a flier available by the December newspaper.

Call state education director Geoff White at **(503)-774-7558** if you need information, have questions, suggestions or want to volunteer to help put on this self-motivating event.

A lot of folks at this latitude don't realize it but Canada gets the jump on us with thanksgiving. Theirs takes place the second Monday in October, which means no camping out that night waiting for stores to open so that workers can be trampled to death by rabid consumers intent on saving a few bucks. (Loonies)

* Co-author of *The Ugly American*.

The story referred to in this article is *Abe Brown-1* and *Abe Brown-2*. It came from the book, *All The Ships At*

NOVEMBER Cryptogram

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'PBS THANKUS, KPVNXI!'

--UGTPVUO YVTP

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(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 23)

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Meeting of the Minds Report

The first thing I would like to do is thank my *A.B.A.T.E.* chapter (*Washington County*) for sending me to the *Meeting of the Minds* conference sponsored by the *M.R.F.* and for giving me the opportunity to bring this information back to everyone.

We have all heard the phrase “Freedom is not free”. Well it seems today this is more true than ever. As much as we enjoy our freedom, there are people out there who want to take it away.

On the first day of seminars, it became very clear just how far some of these individuals will go to control our freedom. For example, there is a regulation just passed in California that says in 2013 exhaust systems on new motorcycles will have an *E.P.A.* stamp on them from the factory, and if it is not visible, the bike can be impounded.

As the conference went on, I found out there are vehicle manufacturers who have figured out it is cheaper to manufacture a three wheeled vehicle and classify it as a motorcycle instead of a car.

Think about that for a minute — motorcycles do not have to go through all the safety tests, there are no crash ratings, no airbags, and no seat belts. And if that isn't enough, one of these manufacturers has lobbied in Canada (and won) to

make it legal to operate these vehicles without a motorcycle endorsement. With the ammunition of having a regulation passed in one country, these companies can come to our legislators and tell them how good it will be for the economy, how well it is working in their country, and all kinds of nice-to-hear stuff. This should really concern us not just because of dangerous situations we may find ourselves in, but for what it will do to us financially.

Remember these are “motorcyclists” and any crashes they have will be classified as such. Insurance companies will not see it as a three wheeled vehicle crash, they will see it as a motorcycle crash and a chance to get more money from us because “motorcycles are dangerous,” and in some cases will not cover us if we are involved in a crash.

A bill that passed unanimously in the house in 2009 (HB-1253) makes it mandatory that insurance companies disclose what they will not cover, but as of yet there is no senate bill. People, until this bill is passed, we are playing Russian roulette and our insurance policies are the loaded revolvers.

The “Dodd Bill” (*Livability and Communities Act*) says that urban sprawl has made us too dependent on vehicles and we should limit the urban growth boundaries.

The “right to repair bill” ensures that the person who bought a car (and not the car company) can decide where that vehicle is repaired and maintained.

There are bills saying what the appropriate ride-along passenger age will be, bills about distracted driving that focus mainly on texting without mention of other forms of distractions.

All of these issues we have a say in. That is still a freedom that hasn't been taken away . . . yet.

Today I find that the word “freedom” is being replaced by another word . . . complacency.

We as riders and individuals have become complacent. We do not see, or seem to care how the world around us has changed. Although there is no one dying for these issues, do not think for a moment that this is not a war, one that we must fight everyday. I think it's conferences like this that provide us with ammunition and resources to fight this war and prevail.

We can be heard. We can yell loud enough to these people in office and tell them that they were elected by us. We may not be in the majority but we can make a difference. We need to send a message to these people and let them know -- respect our freedoms or be replaced.

As much as I don't like using quotes,



-- Al Nichols

Ronald Reagan said: “Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.”

Unfortunately I have a limited space here and there is so much information to be passed on. So look for more next month.

I will close for now by saying, don't be complacent. Be a part of the decisions. Cherish your freedoms and enjoy them, especially the ones that let us enjoy summer cruises on the coast or rides through the mountains.

And lastly, be safe, be aware, and get involved!

See you on the road,

-- Allan Nichols

- Oregon *M.R.F.* representative
- state vice coordinator (north)
- state board representative
Washington County Chapter

To the editor,

I attended the *BikePAC* summit on September, 11 2010. I thank *BikePAC* for the hospitality and the information presented. I thoroughly enjoyed the time spent after the official event talking and learning from the experience of others. The information released during the sessions was very important to the future elections and legislative session.

I was disappointed in the attendance, especially that of our [*A.B.A.T.E.*] executive board. They showed up, held their meeting, thanked *BikePAC* for the hospitality and left. **Not one** board member stayed for the additional two hours of the seminars that remained. I feel that was negligent and rude. The legislative director, or at least a representative from every chapter and every board member should have been present.

I do not know the reasons for the low attendance, but we must do better. To

anyone holding any office, now is not the time for half measures. If you are not willing to go the extra mile, resign. Then maybe the next office holder will do the job. If it is ego, put it aside. We must work together. We must hang together or surely we will hang separately.

We have a rare opportunity. For twenty-six years we have been mandated to wear buckets. More restriction are in the works if we do not step up. Now is time for unity, not bickering and dissent.

We can make a difference this election. We have an opportunity in this next legislative session that we may not have again for years. We will either gain or lose. Would it not be better for us to gain?

Put aside our differences, throw away your ego and personal agenda, and put in that extra effort.

We are at an important junction,

Will we be remembered as heroes, or those who stood idly by and let more of our rights be taken away?

Together we can win,

Robert Terrill
legislative director
Southeast Portland Chapter

Dear Robert,

Sorry to hear that you're disappointed. Disappointment is the belief that life isn't going the way you think it should. As such, it is a self-defeating way of looking at events unfolding in your life.

You make some good points. In fact, they are nearly identical to the ones Nic Oliver wrote about last month.

Yes, attendance was low. Hardly surprising when the *BikePAC* summit was held in a hamlet nestled in the coast range foot-

hills. Although the grange hall, food, and company were wonderful, Alsea is hardly the epicenter of easy access, particularly from south and eastern Oregon. Add to that one of the last beautiful warm days for riding and it becomes surprising that anyone showed up at all.

Neither *A.B.A.T.E.* or *BikePAC* has the luxury of kicking people out of office for lack of enthusiasm. By heck, we barely have enough folks volunteering for existing offices. (Was your name put forward for an officer position?)

We need to work with who we have and be encouraging each other to move forward.

Only then will we succeed.

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

Remember — The glass isn't half empty. Some biker took it for a souvenir and left a puddle on the counter.

BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

Election Year Legislative Report Candidate Survey 2010

If you have any questions, please contact *BikePAC of Oregon* through our web site at: <http://www.BikePAC.com>

Grading Key:

S = Satisfactory - Candidate has shown support or has answered our questions stating support for our issues. "S*" means proven record of support, has the support of *BikePAC*.

U = Unknown - Candidate either did not respond to phone calls, visits, or was unreachable. *BikePAC* does not know what their stand is regarding motorcycle legislation.

N = Not satisfactory - Does not support motorcycle issues. Has either a proven voting record against motorcycling or voiced opposition to our issues.

Federal Level Candidates

Senate		Representative					
Candidate	Standing	Race	Candidate	Standing	Race	Candidate	Standing
Ron Wyden	N	Dist 1	David Wu	N	Dist 4	Peter DeFazio	U
Jim Huffman	S	Dist 2	Rob Cornilles	U	Dist 5	Art Robinson	S
			Joyce Segers	U		Kurt Schrader	U
			Greg Walden	U		Scott Bruun	S
		Dist 3	Earl Blumenauer	N			
			Delia Lopez	S			

Oregon Governor

Candidate	Standing
John Kitzhaber	N
Chris Dudley	U

S – SUPPORTER
 U – Unknown or Neutral
 N – Non-supporter

Oregon Senate Races

Race	Candidate	Standing
District 3	Alan Bates	N
	Dotterer	U
District 4	Prozanski	N
	KITTELMAN	S
District 6	Lee Beyer	N
	Michael Spasaro	S
District 7	Edwards	U
	BODNER	S
District 8	Morse	N
	Rayfield	S
District 10	Winters	N
	Arcune	U
	Goodwin	U
	Dalton	U
District 11	Courtney	N
	FOREST	S
District 13	Parker	U
	George	N
District 14	Thompson	S
District 15	Starr	S
	Riley	U
District 16	Johnson	S
	Horning	U
District 17	Bonamici	N
	Kirkpatrick	U
District 18	Devlin	N
	Kremer	U
District 20	Schrader	N
	Olson	U
District 22	Shields	N
	Runyan	U
District 24	Monroe	U
	Wheeler	U
District 26	Thomsen	U
	Barton	U

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Race	Candidate	Standing	Race	Candidate	Standing	Race	Candidate	Standing
District 1	Krieger	S	District 21	CLEM	S	District 40	Gerritzen	U
	Kindred	U		Sannes	U		Hunt	N
District 2	FREEMAN	S*	District 22	LeCompte	U	District 41	Schulz	U
	McDermott	U		Komp	N		Tomei	N
District 3	Hicks	U	District 23	THOMPSON	S*	District 42	BAILEY	S
District 4	Levine	U		West	U		Hutchison	U
	Richardson	S	District 24	WEIDNER	S*	District 43	Fredrick	U
District 5	Abercrombie	U		Blosser	U	District 44	Harmon	U
	Buckley	N	District 25	THATCHER	S		Kotek	N
District 6	Esquivel	U		Dyer	U	District 45	Dembrow	U
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News & Notes

American Motorcyclist Association

New California Motorcycle Sound Regulation

A new California regulation requires street motorcycles registered in the state and built on or after January 1, 2013, to have an exhaust system label certifying the motorcycles meet federal sound limits.

On September 28, governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed into effect senate bill 435, sponsored by senator Fran Pavley. (D-Agoura Hills) While motorcycle manufacturers have been complying with the federal requirement since it was effective in 1983, the new regulation now makes it a state crime to operate any motorcycle registered in the state that was built on or after January 1, 2013, that doesn't have a federal *Environmental Protection Agency* exhaust system sound emissions label.

In addition, the regulation requires after market exhaust systems made on or after January 1, 2013, to display the *E.P.A.* sound emissions label, and therefore applies to individuals who seek to replace the exhaust system on affected street bikes.

A.M.A. western states representative Nick Haris expressed major concerns about the new regulation.

"Many *E.P.A.* labels are very difficult to locate on motorcycles," Haris said. "This [regulation] could lead to a flurry of tickets for motorcyclists who have legal exhaust systems with *E.P.A.* labels on their machines that can't be easily seen. It's unreasonable to expect a law enforcement officer to easily locate an *E.P.A.* label, and it's simply unfair to expect a motorcycle owner to partially dismantle an exhaust system along the roadside to prove the label exists."

Violators face fines of up to \$100 for a first offense and up to \$250 for subsequent offenses. Judges have the discretion to dismiss the fine for first-time offenders if the violation is corrected.

Also, a violation is considered a secondary offense, meaning a police officer can't stop a motorcyclist solely because the officer believes the

motorcyclist is breaking the sound emissions label regulation.

"Requiring that a motorcycle display a readily visible *E.P.A.* label isn't the appropriate way to address concerns about excessive motorcycle sound, which the *A.M.A.* has pointed out repeatedly," Haris said. "The only objective way to determine whether a motorcycle complies with sound [regulations] is for properly trained personnel to conduct sound level tests using calibrated meters and an agreed-upon testing procedure."

In 1972, congress passed the federal *Noise Control Act*, which required the *E.P.A.* to set sound standards for a number of products. It took several years, but the *E.P.A.* eventually wrote rules affecting all new motorcycles sold in the U.S. beginning in 1983.

Those regulations, which still stand today, required that all street-legal motorcycles be limited to 83 decibels at that time, with a stricter, 80-decibel limit imposed beginning in 1986, measured with a ride-by test.

A.M.A. model legislation offers an objective method to evaluate motorcycle sound based on the *Society of Automotive Engineers'* (*S.A.E.*) J2825 standard, *Measurement of Exhaust Sound Pressure Levels of Stationary On-Highway Motorcycles*, which is a stationary test.

New Café Racer TV Series Spotlights Unique Culture



Some of the coolest motorcycles in history hit the screen when *HD Theater* launched its new series, *Café Racer*, on Wednesday, October 13, at 9 p.m. (eastern time)

This 13-part series, airing every

Wednesday, explores the history, development, and worldwide culture surrounding the café racer, a motorcycle directly responsible for today's superbikes.

The producers note that *Café Racer* visits visionary motorcycle builders in the United States and England as they search for the perfect combination of style and speed. Chronicling some of today's top motorcycle builders through the search and build process, *Café Racer* rides with pro superbike racers Ben and Eric Bostrom as they test ride these unique machines.

Recorded in vivid high definition, *Café Racer* also takes viewers on a full-throttle ride to *Mods and Rockers* rallies and to London's legendary *Ace Café*. Celebrity café racers, including musician Billy Joel and actor Jason Lee, share their passion for fast stripped-down motorcycles.

Viewers can catch behind-the-scenes footage and learn how-to customizing tips at:

<http://www.CafeRacerTV.com>

Federal Safety Official Wants Active Helmet Use Promotion

The head of the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* (*N.H.T.S.A.*) told a congressional panel on September 28 that he wants to work with congress to promote helmet use among motorcyclists across the United States.

Addressing the U.S. senate subcommittee on consumer protection, product safety and insurance, *N.H.T.S.A.* administrator David Strickland said that to reduce motorcycling fatalities "the most important step we could take would be to assure that all riders wear a D.O.T.-compliant helmet, which are 37 percent effective in reducing fatalities.

We estimate that helmets prevented over 1,800 fatalities in 2008, and that more than 800 additional fatalities could have been avoided if all riders wore helmets," he said. "*N.H.T.S.A.* will actively work with congress to

promote helmet use."

The *A.M.A.* supports states' rights to determine their helmet policies free from the threat of federal sanctions. Congress affirmed this right as recently as 1995 in the *National Highway System Act*, when national legislators removed federal penalties placed on states that didn't have mandatory helmet requirements.

"The *A.M.A.* believes that the best way for the *N.H.T.S.A.* to reduce motorcycle crashes is through programs such as rider education and increasing motorcycle awareness among vehicle drivers," said Ed Moreland, *A.M.A.* senior vice president for government relations. "These programs would help reduce the likelihood that a crash will happen in the first place."

In addition, said Moreland, motorcyclists would be much better served by applying any funding that may go toward requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets to the national motorcycle crash causation study that is currently under way at *Oklahoma State University*.

This is a sentiment supported by U.S. representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) and many of his congressional colleagues through recently introduced house resolution 1498: Supporting efforts to retain the ban on the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's* (*N.H.T.S.A.*) ability to lobby state legislators using federal tax dollars and urging the *N.H.T.S.A.* to focus on crash prevention and rider education and training.

To urge your U.S. representative to support HR-1498 and to ask your U.S. senators to prevent the *N.H.T.S.A.* from focusing on federal helmet-mandate legislation and instead employ proven strategies to reduce motorcycle crashes from occurring in the first place, go to:

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Motorcycle Riders Foundation



Congress Expresses Concern With Federal Motorcycle Roadside Checkpoint Grant Program

U.S. representative James Sensenbrenner (Wisconsin) took the lead in a letter to Ray LaHood, secretary of the United States Department of Transportation, asking him to address the benefits of motorcycle-only checkpoints by October 13th. As previously announced by the M.R.F., LaHood's D.O.T. recently asked for applications from law enforcement agencies to conduct federally funded motorcycle-only roadside checkpoints.

The letter goes on to encourage Mr. LaHood to suspend funding for National Highway Traffic Safety Administrator David Strickland's program until the questions are answered. Sensenbrenner was joined on the letter by representatives Petri (Wisconsin), Jones (North Carolina), Schock (Illinois), Lanborn (Iowa), McCotter (Michigan), Ryan (Wisconsin), Rehberg (Montana), Terry (Nebraska), Paul (Texas), and Wilson (South Carolina). (Of note are Shock and Wilson who have been keynote speakers at Motorcycle Riders Foundation's Meeting of Minds and Beast of the East this year.)

The M.R.F. would like to thank all of those who heeded the call to gather support for this important matter. Should you be fortunate enough to have one of these outstanding members of congress who signed onto the letter, the M.R.F. encourages you to contact them and thank them. Ralph Bell from A.B.A.T.E. of South Carolina had this to say to his member of congress, Joe Wilson: "I

not only appreciate your signing on this letter but applaud your no nonsense understanding of what freedom is. This grant is definitely against all of our freedoms and discriminates against us because of what we ride. Thanks again for your support."

Wall Street Journal Attacks California's Motorcycle Awareness Month

Editors at the Wall Street Journal are not so fond of the Golden State's decision to honor the motorcyclists of California. The opinion piece claims that the awareness month bill is part of a pile of legislation that should not have been passed before the state balances its growing budget crisis. Assembly republican leader Martin Garrick defended the legislation pointing out the need "to honor motorcyclists many contributions to the community". At least those in power have the right idea. We at the M.R.F. have our opinion of journalists who attempt to diminish motorcyclists. Take a guess what that would be. Read the article for yourself and feel free to contact the author.

[crusty ol' editor's note: The link provided in the original M.R.F. article did not work. Web research failed to find the editorial this article is based on. Without the original material to provide context, this M.R.F. article becomes meaningless.]

N.H.T.S.A. "Highway Safety Facts" Released

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has learned that, based on a "Highway Safety Facts" report released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.), U.S. department of transportation (D.O.T.) secretary Ray LaHood believes that, "Highway safety programs and equipment saved thousands of lives in 2009."

The September 27, 2010 report unveiled by N.H.T.S.A. claims that in 2009, 12,713 lives were saved by seat belts and child restraints, and that minimum drinking age laws saved "hundreds more." LaHood went on to reassure the American public that, "Safety is my number one goal."

In addition, the N.H.T.S.A. report claims that motorcycle helmet use saved 1,483 lives in 2009. Exactly how the feds reached these seemingly arbitrary sums is not detailed in the report, other than lists of numbers that were collected from the states. You can read the report for yourself here: <http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/Pubs/811383.pdf>

Five Star Safety Ratings System

U.S. D.O.T. secretary LaHood and N.H.T.S.A. administrator David Strickland unveiled a new five star safety ratings system that will use more rigorous tests, better crash data, and higher standards to make

safety ratings tougher and vehicles safer for Americans. The program is not new; it's just getting an overhaul.

For example, the program will now use smaller female crash test mannequins alongside the adult male and child mannequins.

The new standards also reward cars that have new crash avoidance features like electronic stability control (E.S.C.), lane departure warning (L.D.W.), and forward collision warning. (F.C.W.)

The M.R.F. is supportive of employing technology to save lives, so long as the collision avoidance technologies can detect even the smallest vehicles on the roads. The M.R.F. also reminds that nothing can take the place of good old-fashioned blind-spot and path-of-travel awareness.

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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Sound Reasoning Silences New Hampshire Noise Ordinance

Although North Hampton, New Hampshire voters approved a noise ordinance in May that prohibits motorcycles without an *E.P.A.* sticker from being operated or even parked in town, a lawyer for the federal agency has expressed that just because the U.S. *Environmental Protection Agency* requires a label on all motorcycle mufflers indicating the noise the vehicle produces does not exceed 80 decibels doesn't mean a municipality has the authority to enforce that noise level.

"The Noise Control Act (N.C.A.), which authorizes *E.P.A.* to enact noise control regulations, states that 'nothing in this section precludes or denies the right of any state or political subdivision thereof to establish and enforce controls on environmental noise,'" wrote *E.P.A.* senior assistant regional counsel Timothy Williamson in an August 31 letter to North Hampton town administrator Steve Fournier. "However, neither does it grant localities any additional authority to control environmental noise beyond that available to them under state and local [legislation]."

"The ordinance basically bans motorcycles from the town if they do not have an *E.P.A.* label on their exhaust system even though the motorcycles comply with the state's noise level limit of 106 decibels," said *Seacoast Harley-Davidson* in court papers challenging the new regulation.

Even the town's own legal counsel has indicated the ordinance is unenforceable, saying that the state has already determined the appropriate noise levels for motorcycles and that the town, therefore, does not have the option of creating its own more restrictive noise ordinance.

That opinion was clearly reiterated in Williamson's letter on behalf of the *E.P.A.* "Thus, neither the N.C.A. nor the regulations in Part 205 (of the *E.P.A.* code) grant municipalities the authority to enact or enforce ordinances that supersede any limitations on their authority under state [ordinance]," he wrote.

Town officials decided not to fight the *Harley* dealer's request for a preliminary injunction against the enforcement of the noise ordinance. "The ordinance will remain unenforced until we have a hearing," Fournier said, indicating that the town's new noise ordinance will not be enforced until after the judge issues a ruling on the matter.

Massachusetts Enacts Rider Training For Junior Motorcyclists

The *Massachusetts Motorcycle Association* (*M.M.A.*) announces that senate bill 2344, dubbed *Ryan's Bill*, an "Act relative to assuring that motorcyclists between the ages of 16 and 18 are provided with adequate education relative to the proper safety and operation of a motorcycle." has been signed into effect by governor Deval Patrick.

Recognizing the additional burden formal training may require, *M.M.A.* legislative director Rick Gleason states, "A weekend of formal training sets the stage for a lifetime of motorcycling enjoyment and the skills acquired through training can help a rider avoid a crash."

This new law does not make training mandatory, and only affects those under 18 who wish to earn their motorcycle license. *M.M.A.* chairman Dave Condon further clarifies that passage of *Ryan's Bill* does not require a junior operator take a motorcycle training course. "A motorcycle permit in this state is good for two years. Therefore, a junior motorcycle operator can still ride on his/her permit beyond their 18th birthday, and take the road test offered by the registry of motor vehicles." Condon further stated, "The *M.M.A.* was very careful in not taking anyone's choice away or interfering with a parent's right to decide what is best for their child." Condon also pointed out that current state regulations require 40+ hours of formal training before a junior operator may obtain a license to operate an automobile.

Motorcycle Rider Education

Program (*M.R.E.P.*) officials analyzed ten years of information from the Massachusetts *R.M.V.* and found that just over 63% of those involved in fatal motorcycle crashes have never received any formal motorcycle rider training and 22.5% of motorcycle fatalities were from riders under the age of 21.

The *M.M.A.* supported the legislation in honor of 16 year old Ryan Orcutt of Brockton who died in a motorcycle crash.

Saving Time Can Cost You Money

In the current economic downturn, cash-strapped states across the U.S. are charging huge fines for speeding violations and other traffic infractions. All across America, legislators have one eye on road safety and the other on depleted coffers, and depending on where you live, a speeding ticket can cost from under a hundred dollars to a couple thousand or more, reports *AOL Autos*.

Drivers caught speeding in the states of Georgia, Illinois, North Carolina, Nevada, or New Hampshire all are liable to be fined up to \$1,000, at a judge's discretion, for a first-time speeding offense, according to the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*. The severity of the financial penalty also may depend upon the number of miles above the speed limit when clocked and the number of points on a driver's license, or if the offense occurred near a school or road works. A driver's license may also be suspended, their vehicle impounded, or they may face jail time.

Some states including Michigan, Texas, and New Jersey, operate under so-called "driver responsibility" regulations, which, in some cases, can result in a further fine of up to \$1,000 leveled a year after the conviction.

Virginia, which until 2008 had some of the strictest penalties for speeders, repealed its driver-responsibility ordinances last year after a public outcry.

Georgia, meanwhile, has just voted to add \$200 to the fine of

what it terms "super speeders," who travel more than 10 mph over the speed limit.

Other states with fines of up to \$500 (which in many cases is then compounded with additional court fees) include Maryland, Missouri, and Oregon.

Weird Nudes

An 18-year U.S. Marine Corps veteran and his female passenger were thrown from a motorcycle when they veered off the road near Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. According to newspaper reports, both sustained painful injuries due to total lack of safety gear; no helmet, no gloves, no boots . . . and no clothes.

The naked riders landed in a ditch, and the Marine was knocked unconscious and awoke to charges of *D.U.I.*, reckless driving, driving without a license, license revoked, expired inspection, no insurance, and no helmet. His passenger walked nearly a mile for help despite a broken arm and leg, but was only ticketed for failure to wear a helmet.

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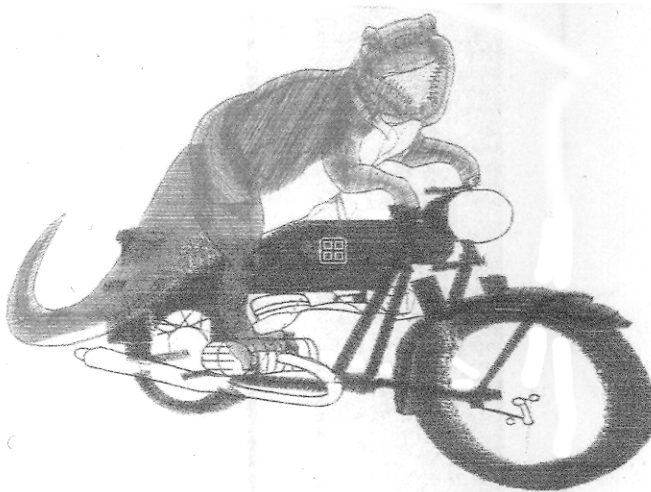


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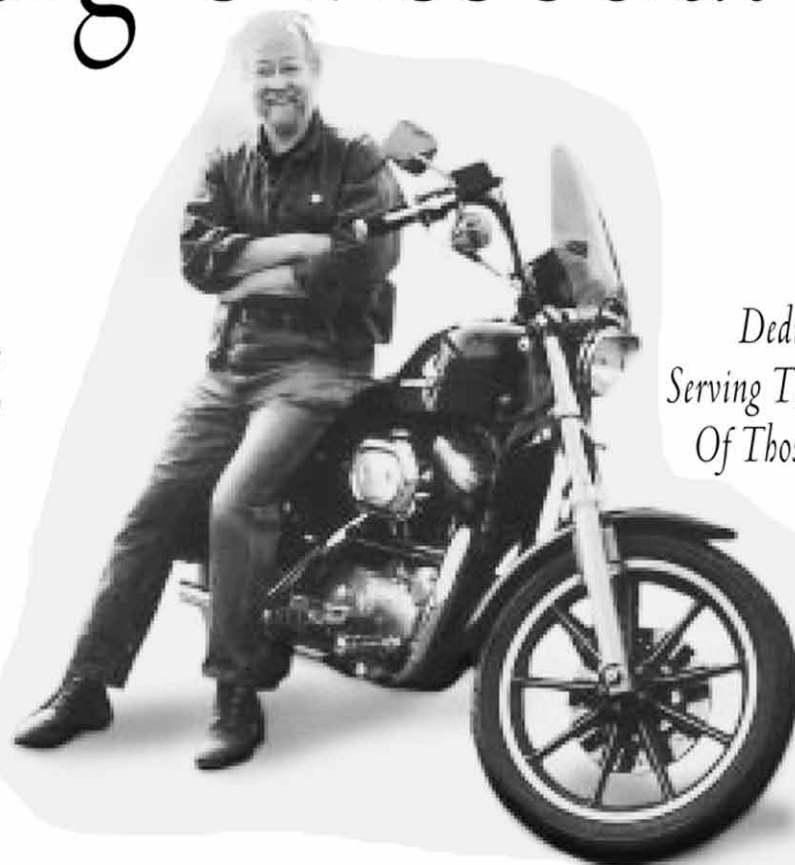
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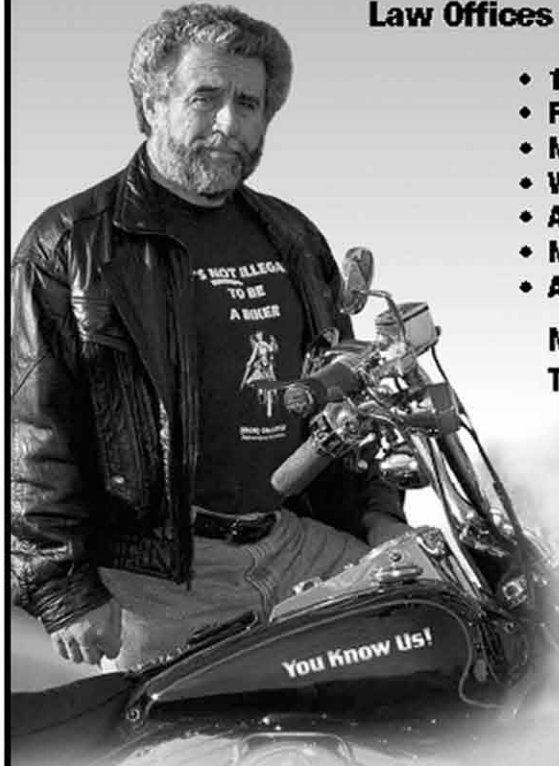
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Norm	(541)-563-4653	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ed & Laura	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X					X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast		X		X	X	X	

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Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X				
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X	X	
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Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X		
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Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X
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Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X
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Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X		X
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X		X
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LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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 Name: _____
 Name: _____

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 Amount enclosed: \$ _____
 Date paid: _____

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

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STATE BOARD MEETING

C Saturday, 12 Nov 2010 **C**
H **1200 (noon)** **H**
A **Ciddici's Pizza** **A**
N--> 133 SW Fifth street **<--N**
G **Albany, Oregon** **E**
E Run committee meeting – 1100

2010 / 2011 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event – Chapter / Sponsor:	Location:	Contact number:
06 Nov 2010	Toy Run Music Benefit–Francine West	Oregon City	(503)–351–5054
20 Nov 2010	Spaghetti Dinner/Auction – N.C.	Astoria	(503)–791–9776
20 Nov 2010	Stan Johnson Toy Run – WaCo	Hillsboro	(503)–750–6047
04 Dec 2010	Shriner Toy Run – SE PDX	Portland	
13 Dec 2010	Toy Run – North Coast	Seaside	(503)–325–3566
26 Feb 2011	S.T.E.A.M. – ABATE of Oregon	(T.B.A.)	(503)–774–7558
~ Apr 2011	Spring Swap Meet – ABATE	Portland	
May 2011	Fossil Campout – ABATE	Fossil	
~ Oct 2011	Fall Swap Meet – ABATE	Portland	

Leaves have fallen along with the sun,
For many riders, their year is done,
While winter turns us blue,
One thing will get us through,
Warm memories of many a run.

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	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.)	Del Ray Cafe; 5669 NE Stephens St; Winchester	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SW Fifth Street; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Saxton's; 4618 N. Pacific highway; Central Point	(541)–665–5864
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1300 (1 p.m.)	Riverside or All Sports Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)–474–3553
Klamath County (KlamCo)	(NOTE: Klamath County Chapter has closed their chapter)			
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 Sunday	1000 (10 a.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	4th 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.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)–357–3684