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Of the eleventh month,  
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Annual Planning Session  
A Complete Success



(photos by Linda Henderson and Rot Path)

Jubilant attendees of the A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC annual planning session pause in their endeavors to have a photo taken outside the Cottage Grove V.F.W. hall. (Can you spot who was added to the photo?)



What The Heck  
Are These Things ?



Earth – By now you may have noticed small blocks of black and white squares and rectangles that look like checker boards that had one too many espressos.

They are called "Quick Response" (QR) codes. They allow folks with smart phones and far too much free time to scan the QR image with their phone's built-in camera, then extract information from the jumble such as web sites, phone numbers, and even text. (Those of us with "intellectually-challenged" cell phones or none at all just type stuff in.)

QR codes came about as automobile manufacturing became increasingly automated. They allowed precise tracking of parts and subassembly status in complex plants.

Now they've become all yuppified.

The codes have gone through several versions, with earlier ones looking rather chunky and containing only a few characters. Newer ones contain so much information that they look like the salt-and-pepper noise we used to see on Jez grams. (It's a S.O.N.A.R. thing.)

There are free web sites available where information can be entered and a QR code graphic generated. (The QR codes above are for the Oregon A.B.A.T.E. web site.)

Just enter "QR code generator" in a web search engine to find loads of sites that create labor-saving graphics for folks.

Not bad for upright bipeds who named their planet after dirt. --Rot Path

Getting Gassed

In an effort to conserve petroleum-based go-juice for automobiles during yet another oil crisis, a scheme was concocted to dilute gasoline with alcohol. (A terrible waste of fairly natural resources in either case.)

By the merest coincidence, the folks pushing for such a merger just happen to grow lots of corn which could be used to make fuel alcohol (ethanol) at a higher profit instead of feeding people and other livestock.

As it happens, alcohol can be extremely corrosive to fuel systems that weren't designed to accommodate it. (Just ask any recovering alcoholic who's had a liver transplant.)

Those of us with older vehicles, including motorcycles and 8N tractors (one of the original off-road vehicles), are faced with having to rebuild everything in our vehicles' fuel systems – an expensive and time-consuming process.

In addition to alcohol's initial inconvenience, it readily absorbs water causing rust in fuel tanks, it burns hotter thereby overheating air-cooled engines, and mileage decreases which increases the number of refueling stops on any given trip.

What are we to do?

Fortunately for us, there is still undiluted gasoline out there. We just have to know where to look.

Specialized refueling stations for aircraft, boats, and farm equipment often sell ethanol-free gas. Some conventional service stations still carry it, but finding them can be tricky.

Luckily there is a web site called "pure-gas" that tracks the location of stations and facilities that dispense real gas in the U.S. and Canada. For Oregon, the URL is:

<http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=OR>

Oh yeah, one more thing. Ethanol-free gasoline can cost up to fifty cents more per gallon. (Just another case of paying more for doing less.) --Rot Path

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

## What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

*Easyrider*s 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.)*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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## U.S. Motorcyclist Organizations

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

Promotes motorcycle awareness, education, safety, and liberty through community involvement and legislative action.

### BikePAC of Oregon

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

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

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

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

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

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

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

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

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

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

### American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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 regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinance; a decree; a regulation.
	MEANS FREEDOM	

## officers at work

**State Coordinator**

Hello everyone,

State officer elections are over and I feel very confident that the 2012 officers will do a fine job.

I will be turning over the reins to your new state coordinator, Allan Nichols. Allan has done an excellent job as vice-coordinator (north) for the last two years and I feel he will be an excellent state coordinator. Allan has also done a great job as *M.R.F.* representative for Oregon and he has agreed to continue in that role also. Allan is an extremely intelligent and dedicated person and we are lucky to have him in these positions.

Our new vice-coordinator (north) is Al Sims, a man I have admired for many years. Al is the coordinator of the *Hub City Chapter*, one of the most active and productive chapters in the state. Al has done a great job keeping *Hub City* focused on our mission statement and I feel he will do a fantastic job in his new role.

Don Mason is our new legislative director and he is very excited about his new position. Don was the driving force this year in getting representative Andy Olson to be the chief sponsor of our adult choice bill earlier this year in the statehouse. I have also known Don for many years and I am very confident that he will do an outstanding job.

I want to welcome another new state officer, "One-Eyed Bob" Nichols as our new public relations director. This position has been unfilled for the better part of two years, and I wish Bob good luck in his new position.

Spanky is stepping down as vice-coordinator (south) because of health reasons. We need someone to step up to fill the position, but these will be big shoes to fill. Spanky has done a fantastic job getting new chapters started, recruiting new members, and

spreading the word about *A.B.A.T.E.* to the entire southern part of the state. I am sure we have not heard the last of him though.

We can thank our lucky stars that many of the fine people who currently hold a state office have decided to hold these positions for another year. They are a fine and dedicated group of individuals.

Two positions that are not filled are sgt-at-arms (east) and (south). Please consider stepping up to help Randy Phipps (sgt-at-arms (north)) run security at our state events.

In my column next month I will focus on how we all can help these officers in their tasks and what we all need to do to make *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* great.

Take care,

Ted



**Ted Tracy**  
state coordinator  
*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*

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

Hello *Central Oregon*.

Just to let everyone know what a great turn out for our *14th Teddy Bear Run*. And also so much fun.

Thanks to the members who helped out to make it so good. Road guards, ladies who help with the t-shirts sale, and to all of *Central Oregon's* membership who showed up for a great run and cause — to help with all teddy bears that went to all the hospitals. What a great feeling it is to do this.

This is what *Central Oregon* bikers do.

Now for what happened at our meeting.

A few things to say here, so just bear with me.

New run dates:

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*M.R.F. Run* = June 16th 2012

*Teddy-Bear Run* = September 15th 2012

Next meeting will be election of new chapter officers:

President

Vice-president

Secretary

Treasurer

Time for new blood to take over and handle what goes on with *A.B.A.T.E.* in *Central Oregon Chapter*. For the people who have sat outside and said things about how it was run, time to step up, take over, and have fun with it. Time has changed from many years ago, so make it new and not the old way.

We also need to make plans for the xmas party in December. Gary has said that he would offer his house this year for the party. Thank you Gary. So please be at the next meeting to make plans for the party.



*M.O.C.O.T.R. (Motorcycles Of Central Oregon Toy Run)* will be held on December 10th at the the *Harley-Davidson* shop. Watch for flyers to be out soon. Please help out with this as much as you can. They need everyone's help for this event.

*O.V.M.A.* will have their xmas party on the 17th of December, so parties are happening and that means that Christmas is just around the corner. (Damn, where did the summer go?)

Also want to say thank you to the *American Legion* for holding our teddy bear run there in Redmond, close to our last stop. We also got to help out our veterans. We voted to have it there again next year. (Hope that the new members will have it there for years to come. This is what *A.B.A.T.E.* is all about.)

Okay, I think I have said what I needed to say for now.

Ride safe and rubber side down,

Animal

*Central Oregon* coordinator

**CENTRAL OREGON MEETING**  
**TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)  
*Northside Bar & Grill*  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --

**Douglas County**

Well, 'tis the season.

It's that time of the year when we dress in thermals, extra thick clothes, heated riding gear, and in a blink of an eye, Christmas will be here.

First however, we'll start planning for our wonderful Thanksgiving feast.

However let's not forget those in Douglas county who may not be able to afford a spread like the one we are planning.

Fear not your *Douglas County Chapter* plans to once again provide dinners for several families throughout our county by using a portion of the proceeds raised during this year's *S.O.S. Run*. We will provide a small feast for the families.

Last year we blessed eighteen deserving families with a turkey or ham dinner and look forward to doing it again this year.

If you are unable to participate in this heartwarming experience, there is still time to start stockpiling toys for many upcoming toy runs scheduled throughout the county.

Your generous donations are well received by many children as well teens that may otherwise go without on Christmas day. (Something no child should have to experience.)

Imagine the relief that the parents will feel as they watch their young child's or teenagers smiling face as they open their gifts because Santa Clause didn't forget them.

It's priceless!

You can be a huge part of that. If you work in an office, start a "Toys for Tots" collection box if they don't already have one. Or donate to one already around town. Make this Christmas something special for someone else and in return your heart will feel warm knowing you did just that.

See you at toy run soon.

Until then, enjoy the journey, enjoy the ride,

Chris Shull  
secretary

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

**Douglas County  
MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 ( 7 pm )  
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Jackson County**

Hi to all,

Once upon a time or two I've mentioned how I tend to read every word in our newsrag, every month. The Spooktober one was no exception to that habit, so I will note that our awesome and humble newspaper editor, Rot Path, has an "A" beside his name, so we need not worry over the quality of our newsrag in 2012. Yay for you and yay for Spanky ("Everready Bunny"), who signed up for almost everything else! L.O.L.

Our report was listed as missing, but was shipped outta here at 10:48 a.m., the 10th, long after that state meeting had come to order.

As fer the c.o.e. staying on, to Lou Grant *et al*, I'm certain we could add Perry White and J. Jonah Jameson to that eclectic list of characters.

The toy run of *Josephine County* looked successful to my bride and I as we dropped off some things. Yup, I had

a fever and the bloody coughs that go with it since April. Cancel me out of that "good time was had by all". (Again.)

November (the month before Christmas) is upon us already. That brings us two holidays worth note.

*Veterans' Day* is November 11th and I trust you to do your part in thanking a veteran, treating a veteran to a coffee or something that you feel good about doing for the veteran or veterans in your life. Freedom is never free and all of these men and women signed a blank check to you the people and the U.S. government, for an amount up to and including their lives. To those gone on and those still in it, we thank and honor all of our veterans.

Thanksgiving, a national day of football and overeating. You know the drill: ya gonna drink, don't ride or drive. It'll wait for ya, whatever that may be.

Remember to drop a sack down by the mission or *A.C.C.E.S.S.* for them to



dole out to those not so fortunate.

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

Watch for them and all of the wet leaves.

Thank you to all of our Oregon/*A.B.A.T.E.* veterans. (Yes Rot, you qualify as both, even though you were imported, you've paid your dues.)\*

Will somebody say hi to "Fast" in Dixonville for me? ( *Douglas County*, you copy? )

Happy Thanksgiving,

Mikey and the *Jackson County Chapter* salute you.

\* [ *crusty ol' editor's note* – Hub? Who was imported? Yer c.o.e. was born and raised in the heart of the Willamette Valley, Corvallis. ]

**Jackson County  
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1830 ( 6:30 pm )  
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## A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Hub City**

Well summer took awhile to get here But it was a nice one, not too hot too often.

*Weekend at Bernie's (Hub City only)* was, as always, a great time.

My first time at *Beaver Creek*. Hope it's not my last. Hope it is not *Lincoln County's* last one. Lots of discord there. Some are definitely in the wrong and sorry. Apologies and forgiveness are needed in abundance. Much thanks to those who hung in there and made it a great weekend. You folks hang in there. Your number will come back up. *A.B.A.T.E.* needs ya'll.

I was out of state for *Hub City's* second poker run, *Meet In The Middle*. Lots of stuff going on at the time. Turns out it was less than we'd hope for, but it was a good time and we made out, money wise.

Okay, last Saturday in July *Washington County's Mid Summer Poker Run* was a great ride. You guys have some nice country to ride around in. I hope that lots of *Hub City folks* make it next year. It's really a nice ride. Come on, *Hub City* rocks. (Show up.) You'll be glad you did.

1,500 mile in six days. Red and Connie with Dave Ezell and Trish. (Connie's daughter.)

First day we rode to Forks, Washington, stayed in a very nice private cabin.

Rode next day to Port Angeles to catch a ferry (\$50 for a motorcycle) to

Victoria, British Columbia. Spent the night there.

Went to Butchart gardens. (Beautiful.) Been there twice now and that's enough. I don't want to do it again. \$30 to walk around a very crowded garden.

Then we caught a ferry from Swartz Bay. Almost \$57 for this one. Nice ride, nice scenery.

Rode highway 20 through Sedro Woolly and the *North Cascades National Park*. Spent the night at Marblemount.

Next night we found ourselves in Leavenworth. Nice place to stay also. Avoided big highways and made our way to highway 26 and across Washington to Walla Walla. (Connie's 96 year old dad is there.) Good visit, then off to *Wild Horse Casino* for the night. Rode to Pendleton and back to Oregon, then home.

Fun trip.

Sunday, October 3rd twelve of us from *Hub City* took a rider skills practice class from *Team Oregon*. It was a good, worthwhile class to take. (You other chapters get together twelve people and you can do it also.)

Of course my brothers and sisters enjoyed laughing at me.

One exercise I stood and watched really hard, had it down pat until my butt hit the seat when then I created my own route!



I passed and improved my skills, so it's all good.

And to top it off Mo, Betty, Caroline, and Donita had a wonderful dinner of pulled pork barbecue with the best barbecue beans I've ever had. Thanks girls.

The third weekend of October we had our bike show at *Heritage Mall* in Albany. (*Hub City* bikes only.)

Hope you checked us out.

Community involvement.

May the Lord keep you safe, and shinny side up.

Peace out,

Red

### **Hub City**

#### **MEETING TIME and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

*Ciddici's Pizza*

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

## **Josephine County**

Well, what happened to our summer? It seems like it was way too short. I'm hoping we will still see an indian summer, at least until the middle of October.

The *Josephine County Toy Run* on October 1st was a big success. Approximately 125 bikes showed up, plus quite a few folks in cars. We even had Mr. and Mrs. Santa riding in the back of Lance and Karen Tolles' "chariot" pickup, which was decorated by Jerry and Shirley Huft and myself.

The run went very well with all bikes coming back safely. The run was escorted by members of *Missing In America Project*, led by Bud Thieme.

After the run there was a wonderful potluck featuring hamburgers and hot dogs barbecued by our local *Shriner's Club* members, and all

kinds of goodies. Then there was a 50/50 drawing, raffle, and silent auction.

The "best decorated bike" actually went to two: a bike ridden by Jerry Huft and a scooter ridden by Shirley Huft of Grants Pass.

Congratulations to all the prize winners.

A great big thank you to everyone who took part in making the toy run a success. I won't name anyone because I'm afraid I would leave someone out who deserves credit, so you all know who you are.

Thanks guys, you did a great job.

Not very many people in this area like to camp, but my hubby and I do. Last month we went on a campout up at Sweet Home with a group of friends and had a very nice time.



Also, several of our local friends took a ride up to the Oregon Caves for lunch. That's really a beautiful ride, and the weather was perfect.



That's all for this month.

Be extra careful on the slippery roads.

Ride safe.

Karen Headley,

secretary

*Josephine County Chapter*

### **Josephine County**

#### **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1830

(6:30 p.m.)

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

Lincoln County is alive and well and busy planning the *Senior Thanksgiving Dinner*. The seniors already want to know if there will be changes to the menu or if we will leave it alone since it is perfect, they say. There are always hoops to go through to be able to use all the facilities. The kitchen at the senior center is perfect for what we do. Everyone there tries to make it as easy as possible for us.

Not much riding going on here. The weather is wet and windy, as usual for this time of the year. Bob and I were in hopes of making the parade in Albany on *Veteran's Day*, but that is not going to happen. I'm still a fair weather rider. Need some more miles under my belt to try the wet ones.

By the time this is read, halloween will be over with and the planning session will be history. I know we will accomplish lots of things while at the planning session, besides tall tales and renewing friendships of

people in a more relaxed setting. (Oops. People will think we are not working if I say "relaxed".)

Not much happening here, just getting ready to start electing new officers in *Lincoln County*. We will see who has been serious about moving our chapter forward and who will be standing behind them helping.

We do hope you have a wonderful thanksgiving and remember always that there are others around who have no family to enjoy it with, so you might think of asking someone to join you.

Keep dry as you ride safely,

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



**Lincoln County**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)  
American Legion Hall, post 116  
424 W. Olive Street  
Newport

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

Greetings from the *North Coast*,

The chapter has been busy with supporting, planning, and attending events with more work in the weeks ahead as we approach the holiday season.

A benefit spaghetti dinner for Michele and Markku Tila was held on September 10th at the *American Legion* hall in Seaside Oregon was a big success. Huge community turnout and support, lots of help from our chapter members in so many way. Many thanks to everyone who helped. Great work.

Bottom line, \$10,000 was raised to help this couple with the medical costs associated with their injuries.

The *Village People Ride* scheduled for Saturday September 17th was, unfortunately, rained out. It's an event the chapter hosts that offers rides for the residents of the *Clatsop Retirement Village*.

Twenty bikes from the Oregon side rode across the mighty Columbia river to attend *Pacific County Chap-*

*ter's (A.B.A.T.E. of Washington) Fall Run* held on September 24th. We were blessed with great weather and good times, as always. I always pump up this premier 200+ mile run in terms of the beautiful scenery in southwest Washington. Hope to see you on this run next year.

Our *Care Bear Drive* will run through the month of November. In early December we will join forces with the *Pacific County Chapter* to sort, clean, and distribute the critters to hospitals, fire, police, E.M.T.'s, and shelters in Clatsop and Pacific counties.

Our *Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Auction* will be held on November 19th from 5 to 8 p.m. at the *Moose Lodge* in Astoria. Look for the flyer in this month's newspaper. For those who have attended this event in the past, they know they will enjoy our chapter's world famous (well maybe not the world, but its damn good stuff) spaghetti and good times.



Hope to see you there.

Our *Annual Toy Run* will be held on December 10th. This year we will be starting at *Dundee's Bar & Grill* in Seaside and finishing at the *Moose Lodge* in Astoria with another great feed. Again look for the flyer in this month's newspaper.

Nominations for the 2012 chapter officers were held at our regular September meeting. Very happy to report we have nominations for every position.

Many thanks to everyone for stepping up to support the chapter in 2012. It will be a great year.

All the best from the *North Coast Chapter*.

Happy holidays to all.  
And above all, be safe out there.

Al Jaques  
chapter coordinator



**North Coast**  
**MEETING TIME and PLACE**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1730 (5:30 pm)  
*Moose Lodge*  
420 17th Street  
Astoria, Oregon  
Children are welcome

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

Once again the *Lower Columbia Chapter* is on the move. We are collecting canned foods for the less fortunate in our area during the holiday season. Along with our annual, complete Christmas day providing food and gifts for ten families.

As with every chapter, we are in the middle of nominations. It was nice to see some different members stepping up along with some from our past year's officers becoming involved again. Our December meeting will be the first Sunday at 6 p.m. We will be starting with a holiday potluck followed by the monthly meeting that will include voting on our new officers.

Be safe,

Dave Witmer  
coordinator  
*Lower Columbia*



### **Lower Columbia**

#### **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> 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 -- **River City**

**September 20, 2011**

Tonight's meeting was loud, funny, and full of laughter.

We saw a picture of Richard on a *Harley* wearing a huge smile (He never smiles like that when he's on his *Honda*.)

We heard from various people about their recent rides.

We did planning about the upcoming candy sale and our vending trailer project.

The membership drawing for \$15 would have been won by Amelia Goad if she had been present. It will be \$20 next meeting.

The 50/50 drawing tonight was won by Tony at \$8/\$7, who donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Tony.

Remember, the memorial for Jim Middleton will be this Saturday, 24 September 2011, at 4 p.m. at the Grass Valley pavilion. There will be a potluck after.

**October 4, 2011**

Tonight we had a small but long meeting.

Rick had a lot to say about his trip to the *Meeting of the Minds* in Detroit. He talked about who was represented and some of the highlights.

The membership drawing for \$15 would have been won by John Ebeling if he had been present. It will be \$25 next meeting.

The 50/50 drawing tonight was won by Brian at \$5/\$4, who donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

-- Brian



### **Upcoming meetings**

**November 01, 2011**

**November 15, 2011**

### **River City**

#### **MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7 p.m. )  
*Shiloh Inn*  
The Dalles

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

Last month we had a blast from the past show up at the meeting. And we all took a trip down memory lane to a time when Salem A.B.A.T.E. hosted rides and rallies.

It got a few of us thinking, “Why not?”

We could do this again.

Granted, *Fox Creek Run* is gone, but not forgotten.

There are still many runs that *can* be done.

So next year is looking bright.

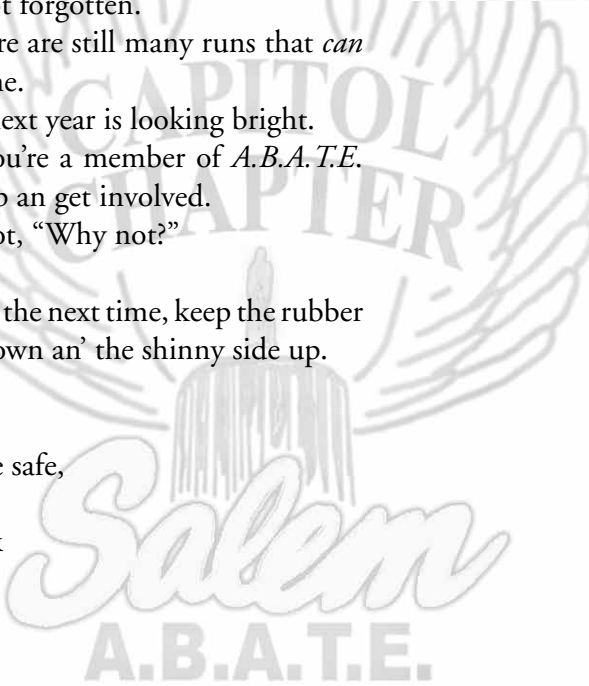
If you're a member of A.B.A.T.E. step up and get involved.

If not, “Why not?”

‘Till the next time, keep the rubber side down and the shiny side up.

Ride safe,

Rick



**Salem**  
**MEETING TIME and PLACE**  
1<sup>st</sup> 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

The year is winding down here in *Washington County*, but that doesn't mean we're hibernating. There are plenty of activities to keep us busy during the rainy season.

We're only a couple weeks away from our *Annual Toy Run* on Saturday, November 19.

We're collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Hillsboro *Toy and Joy Program*, as well as raising funds to help the Hillsboro *Elks* provide food baskets to families in need right here in our own community. There are very few people who've not been affected by the economy this year. Now more than ever, it's important that we do what we can to help our neighbors.

*Beaverton Honda-Yamaha* has generously donated a \$250 gift card and *Washington County* has purchased a second one.

Our goal is to sell 2,000 tickets. So decorate your ride, throw on your festive gear, and join us for an uplifting day. The neighborhood

residents are counting on us for a big parade line!

Tickets are only \$1 and every ticket gives you two chances to win.

Toy run tickets are available at all chapter meetings, state board meetings, or by sending a check (payable to *Washington County A.B.A.T.E.* ) to:

P.O. Box 202  
Cornelius, OR 97113.

Toy Run tickets are **not** tax-deductible. However, we will gladly accept tax-deductible donations made payable to *Hillsboro Toy and Joy* if you'd like to donate without buying tickets.

November 11th is the nationally appointed day to recognize our veterans, but really every day should be *Veteran's Day*.

To all our veterans and active duty members, thank you for your service, your dedication, and the sacrifices you've made to protect our freedom. You truly are heroes in our eyes.



As always, get the latest updates and happenings on our web site:  
<http://www.wacoabate.info>

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow



**Washington County**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 1930  
( 7:30 p.m. )  
*Prime Time Restaurant*  
4202 Pacific Ave -- Forest Grove

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



Hello from *Southeast Portland*,

As of this writing, the clouds are moving in and the rain is on the way. There has also been reports of lowering snow levels. If this is a sign of things to come, it could turn out to be a very nasty winter this year. So for those of you that are still out there riding, please be very careful and alert.

Our family picnic went well. A big thanks to Keli, Randy, and Donnie for putting everything together and purchasing everything needed.

Our search for a billboard has come to an end due to the high cost of rental.

At our October 2nd meeting,

Randy read a list of officers running for office at the state level and the chapter voted on who they want in office.

Geoff reported that motorcycle awareness classes will soon start up at David Douglas high school. Whoever is interested in taking part or wants to learn more about those classes should talk to him.

After the regular meeting there was a *Run-21* meeting to discuss how the run went and what we could do next year to make the run even better.

The toy run is happening soon. (Next month!) People really need to check out toy run tickets and start

selling them. As of this writing there are still 3,000 tickets available, so please check out and sell tickets. We need to sell every last one of them sold.

Ed Lowe would have won the membership drawing if he had been present.

That's all for now.

Stay safe and keep the rubber side down,

K. Brewer  
recording secretary  
*Southeast Portland Chapter*

### ***Southeast Portland*** ***MEETING TIMES and PLACE***

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

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<http://www.run21.biz>  
<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

## Governor's Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety

I sure hope you all had some good riding in this past summer. Mel was able to ride more this year than some in the past couple of years.

Just to let you know that the *G.A.C.M.S.* committee has only four meetings planned for this coming year. The next meeting is this October 21st.

2012 has January 20, April 20, July 20 and October 19th.

I am going to this October meeting and will let them know that it is time for me to let that position go. Since the health issue of four years ago, I have not been able to ride. I talked with the director for transportation safety and he thinks I am of value anyway, but I have decided it is time to have someone who is able to be more directly involved with motorcycle riding.

May I continue to see you all at swap meets and such.



**Iris Yeager**

Sincerely, with love,

Iris

Keep those wheels rolling down the road!

Be a friend to others on the road.

## *Fossil Games Results*

-- Bob Highfill

### **Bear (Dino) Boot**

3rd = 31' 7" – Scott (#9)  
2nd = 32' 8" – Kraig Markusen (#5)  
1st = 40' 8" – Will Hansen (#29)

### **Ping Pong Drop**

3rd = Mark and [?] (#6)  
2nd = W and [?] (#15)  
1st = Scott and Terri (#9)

### **Board Race**

3rd = 1.53 seconds – Reach (#7)  
2nd = 1.56 seconds – Will Wonel (#31)  
1st = 1.72 seconds – W (#15)

### **Weenie Bite**

3rd = 1-7/8" – Will Wonel and [?]  
2nd = 2-1/8" – Mark and [?]  
1st = 2-3/8" Steve P. and [?]

### **Slow Race**

3rd = Anthony Sullivan (#20)  
2nd = Stan (#1)  
1st = Mark (#6)

### **Egg Toss**

3rd/2nd = (tie) Kim Newton and Jason, Nancy and Luke  
1st = Dannie and Travis

### **Kid's Trophy**

**Bear (Dino) Boot** = 31' 6" – Jordan Taylor (#12)

**Slow Race** = 28.81 seconds – Jordan Taylor (#12)

Thanks to the crew for helping out on the games:

Carlio for setting up the bear and starting the slow race.

Rick for giving me a math reminder and keeping score.

Trucker for chasing and keeping score.

Jack and Mary for keeping an eye on registration and just helping out.

A special thanks to Geoff for measuring, timing, and so forth. Too often while we are having a good time, he is playing it straight as our first aid guy.

Thanks also to the spectators. When the weather took a turn for the worse, you all stuck around.

**Our Officers at Work****A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes**

08 October 2011

*Ciddici's Pizza*—Albany, Oregon

The meeting was called to order by Ted Tracy at 12:04 p.m. with ten of twelve chapters represented.

**Not present:** *Salem, Southeast Portland* chapter representatives.

**Ineligible to vote:** All chapter representatives present eligible to vote.

**Pledge of allegiance.**

**Moment of silence** for downed brothers and sisters, service people.

**Guests and first time attendees:** “Mom” from *Lincoln County Chapter*, 78 years young and just got her motorcycle endorsement two weeks ago.

**Reading, approval of minutes:** Motion made by *River City Chapter* to adopt minutes as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by *Washington County Chapter*. **Motion passed.**

**Coordinator’s comments:** Ted Tracy welcomed everyone and spoke on the *Meeting of the Minds* conference. He stated that he hates flying but went anyway and stayed at the *Sheridan Hotel*, getting to see a lot of Detroit before the meeting started.

Al Nichols gave the Oregon report for the conference. Ted said that Al spoke one hundred words in fifteen seconds but it was good. Al replied that it is easier to talk to twenty than to two hundred people.

Ted reported that the Washington state contingent were in a wreck and were unable to attend.

They had a great time.

Ted complained that Rick’s constant winning at the fund raiser kept him up at night.

Ted mentioned that he has been donating *Pendleton* blankets to the fund raiser at a cost of about \$100 and that this year’s blanket went for \$700. Past blankets sometimes went

for about as much. This is money that is used to keep fighting for our rights at the federal level. Items specific to your area bring the most money. People from other areas want these things and are willing to pay big bucks for them. They are great advertisements for your area or state too.

Ted read a card from Amy Derby, Wheeler county *4-H*, thanking *A.B.A.T.E.* for their generous donation.

**Secretary report and correspondence:** Nic Oliver had nothing to report other than voting will take place just before the break and he would appreciate a couple of people helping count the ballots. Kay Sipple and Bob Highfill volunteered.

**\*\*\* Officer’s Reports \*\*\***

**Vice-coordinator (north):** Allan Nichols reported that chapter representatives should bring ideas for agenda items for *A.B.A.T.E.* to the planning session.

Spoke on Ted’s comment on items for donating to the *M.R.F.* Said that the items donated should be unique to Oregon, as those are the items that they get good money for.

**Vice-coordinator (south):** Pat “Spanky” Allen reported that the *Josephine County Chapter* toy run went well.

Also spoke on the idea of putting sponsor names on the back of t-shirts for the southern Oregon swap meet as they sell well and the sponsor gets advertising out of the deal. They are willing to pay a little more for the spaces.

**Vice-coordinator (east):** Robert Terrill reported that the *Run To The Cascades* event was a bust. They advertised that thousands would attend and barely hundreds showed up. Everything just fell apart.

Reported on attending Jim Middleton’s memorial and that there was good support from the community in attendance. They appreciated all of the motorcyclists who came.

Also reported that the toy run

for *Central Oregon Chapter* had 109 bikes and that 1,600 teddy bears were given to local hospitals.

**Treasurer:** Kay Sipple reported that we have a new checking account with *On Point* credit union. We are still partially with the old bank until all checks have cleared.

Account totals:  
checking = \$6,632.51  
savings = \$22,636.16  
*PayPal* = \$300.00.

Also reported was that all chapters should get *Quicken 2011* as soon as possible. She will be checking on how many copies she can make of the one the state has.

**State auditor:** Connie Ceccacci (Excused.) Report given by Kay.

All chapter reporting needs to go to Connie, not Kay. Kay can also get them, but they need to go to Connie.

Year end statements from the bank need to come in as soon as possible from the chapters. The longer we take to get them, the later the federal people get the report and it costs us money. We had to file for two extensions last year.

Reports and year-end statements need to be in before tax time.

**Newspaper editor:** Rot Path thanked everyone for attending the meeting today.

Stated that he could not complain that chapter reports aren’t in yet but today is only the 8th and they are not due till the 10th.

Rot Path reported that he checked out his phone lines and they seem to only work when it is raining. He can’t find any mechanical or electrical problem.

Reported that next month, November, reports need to be in as early as possible because November is a very busy month for the printer. So everything needs to be in as soon as possible in order to get our newspaper out on time.

**Membership secretary:** Linda Henderson reported that our current membership is 1,546.

We lost four members recently due to crashes.

We need to be careful out there.

Linda reported that when she is checking the mail (which is done only one day a week), it would help if people would put “Attn \_\_\_\_\_” (to whoever is to get the letter) on the outside of the envelope. If you



Nic Oliver  
*acting state recording secretary*

don’t write that, then she has to open it and try to figure out who it goes to and that delays the mail being distributed.

**Sanctioning officer:** Matt Price (Excused – medical.) Nothing to report.

**Legislative director:** Randy Phipps (Excused)

**Sergeant-at-arms (north):** Randy Phipps (Excused)

**Sergeant-at-arms (south):**  
< Vacant >

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

**Products director:** Dave Meeker reported that he has products available including a life member pin.

Turned in \$216.00 to Kay for the treasury.

Next year is the *35th Annual Fossil Run* and it is time for people to submit their artwork for the t-shirts.

**Education director:** Geoff White (Excused)

**Public relations director:**  
< Vacant >

**Fossil coordinator:** Howie Long (Excused)

**Fall/spring swap meet coordinator:** John “Wheel” Betts (Excused)

**Historian:** Jennifer Brackman (Excused)

**Web page editor:** Trace Ceccacci (Excused)

**Quartermaster:** Dwayne Sterba (Excused)

**Bike PAC representative:** Randy Phipps (Excused)

**M.R.F. representative:** Allan Nichols reported that the *Meeting of the Minds* this year was mostly dedicated to organizational issues.

It was noted that one way to increase our membership and reach more people would be to get involved with off-road riders. They

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## A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting – 08 October 2011 (continued)

start very young and it becomes a family activity, lasting for many years.

There was a discussion on waivers and how they worked.

Also talk about the “intelligent systems” in cars that slow them down when they get too close to other vehicles and other items like that. Do these things recognize coming up on a motorcycle too fast? Are these systems being considered for motorcycles?

These are items that were discussed, but any possible legislation is many years away.

The biggest national issue is noise. Many cities and areas are passing anti-noise rules which directly affect motorcycling.

*Confederation of Clubs representative:* David Hickerson reported that the issue of enough insurance was discussed and whether you can get personal injury protection (P.I.P.) insurance or not.

Be sure that you have passenger coverage. You have to ask for this coverage.

Also, escalating reports of harassment are coming from the Klamath Falls region.

All motorcycle stops should be reported, especially if you get a ticket. There are report forms in every *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper, on the *A.B.A.T.E.* and other web sites. They need to be sent in to Sam Hochberg's office to gather statistics that can help you in court.

### \*\*\* Unfinished Business \*\*

#### — 2012 State Officer Elections —

Last nominations were taken for the 2012 officers.

Voting took place.

Below you will find the list of winning officers for 2012.

(Please note that there are far too many vacant positions. *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* needs good people to step up and help all motorcyclists in Oregon by helping fill these vacant positions.)



**Coordinator** - Al Nichols

**Vice-coordinator (north)** – Al Simms

**Vice-coordinator (south)** – < V a c a n t >

**Vice coordinator (east)** – Robert Terrill

**Recording secretary** – Nic Oliver

**Membership secretary** – Linda Henderson

**Sanctioning officer** – Matt Price

**Treasurer** – Kay Sipple

**State auditor** – Connie Ceccacci

**Newspaper editor** – Rot Path

**Legislative director** – Don Mason

**Sergeant-at-arms (north)** – Randy Phipps

**Sergeant-at-arms (south)** – < V a c a n t >

**Sergeant-at-arms (east)** – < V a c a n t >

**Products director** – Dave Meeker

**Education director** – < V a c a n t >

**Public relations** – Bob “One Eyed” Nichols

**State run coordinator** – Howie Long

**State swap meet coordinator** – John “Wheels” Betts

**Historian** – Jennifer Brackman

**Web page editor** – Trace Ceccacci

**Quartermaster** – Dwayne Sterba

**M.R.F. representative** – Al Nichols

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative** – Nic Oliver

**Confederation of Clubs representative (north)** – Dave Hickerson

### \*\*\* New Business \*\*\*

- Motion: Submitted by Brian Stovall (*River City Chapter*) and seconded by Nic Oliver (*Hub City Chapter*): “To bestow a life membership to Geri Middleton.”

This was due to a request by Mrs. Geri Middleton to keep getting the *A.B.A.T.E.* newspaper now that her son, Jim, has passed on. This would also get her other benefits.

There was a discussion on various proposed amendments or a new motion, but all were refused by Brian. It was decided to vote and see what happens. Voting took place with ten voting chapters present. **Motion passed** unanimously.

- Brian Stovall stated that anyone who wants to send anything to Geri Middleton in remembrance of Jim Middleton can do so by sending it to:  
PO Box 1422  
The Dalles, OR 97058.

- Projected time table for the planning session:

**Saturday** 9 a.m.: Start of business

**Saturday** 5 p.m.: Done for the day

**Sunday** 9 a.m.: Start of business

**Sunday** noon: Board of directors meeting to act on planning session action items.

All chapters should be in attendance for the planning session as the agenda for the next year in *A.B.A.T.E.* is part of what is worked on.

All chapters representatives should also be in attendance of the board of directors meeting on Sunday.

### \*\*\* Announcements \*\*\*

- Next state board of directors meeting: October 16, 2011, at V.F.W. hall – Cottage Grove, Oregon.

- Dave Hickerson reported on a web site that lists all ethanol-free stations. It is

<http://pure-gas.org>

Check it out.

### \*\*\* Upcoming Events \*\*\*

- 15-16 October 2011 – *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* planning session. V.F.W. hall – Cottage Grove, Oregon. For more information, contact Nic Oliver at (541)-223-3827.

- 11 November 2011 – *Veteran's Day* parade raffle.

For more information:

<http://www.smmroregon.com>

- 03 December 2011 – *Shriners' Toy Run (Southeast Portland Chapter)* Portland. For more information, call (503)-255-5415.

- 06 December 2011 – Rick Colclasure's 70th birthday party at the Medford railroad park.

- 01 February 2012 – First annual session of the Oregon state legislature.

Attendance by as many as possible is needed at the State capitol building at about 10 a.m. for opening ceremonies and to make a statement of our resolve in protecting and fighting for the rights of all motorcyclists in Oregon.

- 29 April 2012 – Spring A.B.A.T.E. swap meet.

Portland armory  
10000 NE 33rd drive  
Portland, Oregon

**Adjourned** at 1:56 p.m. (1356)



From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK

Our annual *End of Summer Run* in Oregon is behind us and it was a wet one. Rained the whole weekend. Our run site is premiere, however, so the music and dancing was inside and dry! The run next year will be held a little earlier for a better shot at good weather. The site is the Columbia county fairgrounds, and facilities abound. The camping area is a flat lawn so yer tent is stable and ya sleep flat for a change. Great games and super vendors. Come and see us next August and have a great time. I'll be sure and let ya know the exact date when things are firmed up.

**Bicycle Recall:** Here's a recall, for a change, on bicycles for our human-powered two-wheeled brethren. Not from *N.H.T.S.A.*, though, from the *Consumer Product Safety Commission (C.P.S.C.)*, and it's serious.

The *Consumer Product Safety Commission* has announced a recall of 14,200 bicycles distributed by *Specialized Bicycle Components Inc.* The agency says the brake component can disengage from the carbon fork and come in contact with the wheel spokes causing a fall. No injuries have been reported so far in association with the bicycles.

**Road Congestion:** Somebody agrees with the motorcycle community. Can ya believe it?

More motorcycles and scooters would ease traffic congestion.

A study released by a European company called *Transport and Mobility Leuven* says that just 10% more motorcycles commuting equals 40% less traffic jams. But **we** knew that.

**Sacramento, California:** This is good news from the California highway patrol. A lot of California riders **didn't** die last year in motorcycle wrecks, because the death rate was down 9% from 2009.

They say it was because of their (C.H.P.) awareness campaign.

I question their claim that the high-profile motorcycle "checkpoints" that are so offensive to riders had much to do with the statistic.

What they did right, and what probably made the difference was the giant electronic signs that C.H.P. put on the freeways, saying "*Share the Road – Look Twice for Motorcyclists*". That's what increased driver awareness.

Motorcyclists are already very aware of the hazards, and don't need "safety checkpoints" to be reminded.

Thanks to the *New York Freedom*

*Riders* for the story.

**Nevada:** Twelve motorcycle riders filed a class action lawsuit recently against Clark county and five cities within the county, charging arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement of Nevada's helmet requirement.

The suit filed in U.S. District Court names as defendants the county and the cities of Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, Henderson, Mesquite, and Boulder City.

If certified as a class, the suit could represent more than 40,000 motorcycle riders in the county.

The suit charges "*defendants, through their agents, have an on-going pattern and practice of issuing helmet tickets to the class members that are not supported by constitutionally sufficient probable cause, thereby violating the civil rights of the class members.*"

This violates the fourth amendment to the U.S. constitution barring unreasonable search and seizure.

The suit also alleges violations of the 14th amendment protections against arbitrary and discriminatory enforcement. They are saying the fines are all over the map with no balance.

The suit essentially says that enforcement folks are using the Nevada helmet regulation to harass motorcyclists.

**Florida:** The chair of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*, Doc Reichenbach, who has also been the chair of *Florida A.B.A.T.E.*, has been accused by one elected official in Florida of wasting state money. *Florida A.B.A.T.E.* spends state money that they themselves have levied on motorcycle endorsements to use for safety purposes.

The Florida legislator says they are just "buying trinkets" to give away and not using the funds correctly, because they put lifesaving messages on key fobs and other items, to raise awareness amongst drivers and riders alike.

*Florida A.B.A.T.E.* receives about \$250,000 annually from endorsement fees for motorcycle safety education.

Doc defends the way the money is spent by pointing rather convincingly to the dramatic drop in motorcycle crashes and fatalities in Florida since they began the program.

We did something similar here in Oregon with our endorsement money. We raised the endorsement fees to help fund *Team Oregon*, our statewide motorcycle rider training program.

I have one of the Florida magnetic signs on the back of my pickup, and I'm telling ya people see it and let me know it by waves and thumbs up signals all the time.

The "trinkets" do work, folks.

*A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* has seen fit to have them made for our own state and they are making an impact.

Thank you Florida for the help in reducing crashes and fatalities here in this state.

**Boston, Massachusetts:** In October, fifteen insurance companies that had settled with the state attorney general for overcharging policy holders began refunding nearly \$40 million in excessive motorcycle insurance premiums. Their attorney general alleged that the companies had based premiums on inflated motorcycle values.

Any riders who bought comprehensive and/or collision insurance on a motorcycle after January 2002 in Massachusetts may be entitled to a refund.

It pays to keep an eye on the insurance industry. I know our *A.I.M.* lawyer here, Sam Hochberg, has to fight with them every day just to get fair treatment for motorcycle crash victims.

This information was provided by the *American Motorcycle Association (A.M.A.)*

For more information on-line, you can see this:

[http://Motorcycle.ago.state.ma.us/motorcycle\\_insurance/process\\_request.action](http://Motorcycle.ago.state.ma.us/motorcycle_insurance/process_request.action)

**N.C.O.M. West Coast Regional Conference:** I'll have a report for ya in the next Sack.

Your Gunny is at the deadline for the *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* newspaper, and the conference in Federal Way will be done by the time you read this. Hope I saw ya there.

### Gunny Again

As I always do I remind my brothers and sisters that our *A.I.M.* attorneys are here for our benefit.

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**Gunny**  
chief of staff  
*Oregon A.I.M.*

Doesn't matter what you drive or ride, the insurance adjusters are still in it to screw ya over, no matter how nice they sound on the phone.

Call your nearest *A.I.M.* attorney if you have a crash. These folks specialize in injury crash cases.

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Reach your *A.I.M.* attorney in your neck of the woods by calling **1-(800)-534-2424** or **1-(800)-On-A-Bike**.

They will put you in touch with the right people.

Lots more information from *A.I.M.* and *N.C.O.M.* is now on-line, too. Check them out at:

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# Prohibition and Safety

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

*A dozen early mornings into October and the full moon is high, hard, and coldly distant in the predawn darkness.*

*Dreams of alien earth invasions keep sleep away.*

*As good a time as any to continue writing November's editorial.*

Towards the beginning of last month, yet another remarkable Ken Burns series was shown on public broadcasting. This one was entitled *Prohibition*, tracking the history of the U.S. temperance movement, passage of the eighteenth amendment to the United States constitution (*Volstead Act*), the unintended consequences of going "dry", and the eventual repeal of prohibition via the twenty-first constitutional amendment a baker's dozen years later.

There are parallels to what happened then and what is happening now.

In both eras special interest groups have attempted to use government to legislate citizen activity.

In the case of prohibition, it was morality; today it is "safety".

Events leading up to passage of the *Volstead Act* (prohibition) were nearly a century in the making. It was felt to be a noble cause to decrease public drunkenness, spousal abuse, and crime.

Eventually strong arm tactics were used to gain passage and ratification of the act by crushing politicians who did not absolutely support the prohibitionists. (Their "all or nothing" attitude coupled with zero compromising eventually led to a political backlash and repeal of prohibition.)

When put into effect, prohibition provided an opportunity for increased government interference and intrusion into the daily lives of its citizens. (Many European nations were openly appalled

at what the United States was attempting.) Spying on neighbors and reporting their illicit activities was encouraged.

Since many people felt prohibition exceeded government authority, they were determined to keep drinking despite the ban. With the closing of saloons, back room "speakeasies" sprang up. (Where the word "scofflaw" was derived.)

To supply the suppressed nation's craving for alcohol, organized crime increased dramatically and became well entrenched in American life.

The federal government never fully enforced the act, leaving that expense up to individual states and cities who could ill-afford it. (Rather like Oregon's cell phone legislation.)

We see similar events happening in the name of government-sanctioned motorcycle safety mandates.

States were forced to pass helmet requirements under the threat of losing federal highway funds if they did not. (Extortion by any other name.)

In the name of safety, funds provided by motorcyclists for safety training and awareness messages to the driving public have been diverted by some municipalities and states to create motorcycle-only "safety checkpoints", a thinly disguised method for harassing a segment of legitimate road users.

There is nothing inherently wrong with the concept of safety. Being safe makes for longer, healthier lives.

It is only when safety is politicized and used for personal gain that it loses its effectiveness and may actually cause more harm than good.

Freedom is a measure of how far a government trusts its people.

Liberty is how free people feel from government interference in their daily lives.

It is not the function of any democratically-based government to determine people's freedom, but rather to maintain the infrastructure necessary for living in civilized societies. Any government interference beyond that activity is an abuse of power and a betrayal of its citizens.

Illinois has what is called an "amendatory veto", wherein the governor can reject a bill as presented for signing, but with changes requested that, if met, will win his signature. (*N.C.O.M.*)

"On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month . . ."

This month will mark the ceasefire of world war one on 11 November 1918 at 11 a.m. Ninety-three years ago guns of the "great war" fell silent, though peace was not formally ratified until 10 January 1920. Since the *Volstead Act* (prohibition) went into effect six days later, Americans had less than a week to celebrate the actual end of the war.

President Wilson, whose fourteen points had served as a basis for the ceasefire, served ravioli to returning military veterans at the white house, a food that has become a tradition for many veterans at this time of year.

Until the middle of the twentieth century, the 11th of November was known as *Armistice Day* in the United States. In 1953 a patriotic citizen, Alvin King, proposed an "all veterans' day" to honor troops of world war two and the Korean war as well as those of the first world war. President Eisenhower signed the legislation on 26 May 1954 to replace *Armistice Day*



**Rot Path**  
crusty ol' editor

with *Veterans' Day*.

This year's *Veterans' Day* is unique because it is the first to be denoted by four number elevens — 11 a.m. on 11 – 11 – 11.

Such a numerical alignment will not occur again for another century, so serve up ravioli, take photos, then pass them along to your great grand-descendants to enjoy on 11 November 2111.

Other peoples of the world look at Americans and often mistake surface appearances for the depth of our character.

That is a mistake on their part.

The rulers of Japan, Germany, Al-Quada, and the Taliban thought that Americans were soft and would roll over at the first sign of trouble.

The fact is, we are a people of deep passions.

Once attacked or betrayed, we are relentless in seeking revenge. Yet we are capable of great compassion for the suffering of others.

In creating a nation of new ideals, our country's founders invested themselves along with succeeding generations in protecting those basic concepts and developing way of life. Many older, well-established nations of the old world believed we would fail.

Britain often stood ready to take former colonies back into the empire's folds.

But after the elapse of time and events, there was no going back.

Once born, nothing goes back into the womb. (Except Oedipus.)

It does no harm at this time of year to find a quiet time away from daily distractions to pause in silent gratitude for all that we have and to give thanks to pervious generations for what they have done for us.

*The full moon is lowering now as are eyelids. Time to put this editorial and crusty ol' editor to bed.*

*Safety, like morality, is nothing to be legislated.*

[Five years ago c.o.e. sat in a hospital room editing a forthcoming *A.B.A.T.E.* newsmagazine while his mother dozed nearby. Had he realized that she would pass on within two weeks, he would have devoted all his time to her and there would have been no November 2006 issue.]

## NOVEMBER Cryptogram

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<b>Salem</b>	1st Tuesday – 7 p.m.	<b>Almost Home Restaurant</b>	Salem
<b>Southeast Portland</b>	1st and 3rd Sunday – noon	<b>M&amp;M Restaurant</b>	Gresham
<b>Washington County</b>	2nd and 4th Monday – 7:30 p.m.	<b>Prime Time</b>	Forest Grove

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

# Pennsylvania Measure Would Limit Learner Permits

*A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania* is supporting legislation to limit the number of motorcycle learner's permits allowed before a rider must get a license. "All too often those involved in serious [crashes] have no motorcycle endorsement on their license," lobbyist Charles Umbenhauer of *BikePAC* told the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)*, adding that "In most cases this also means they have had no formal motorcycle rider training."

State representative Seth Grove (R-Dover Township) has introduced legislation aimed at increasing motorcycle safety by requiring riders to get a motorcycle license rather than continuously reapplying for a motorcycle learner's permit.

Currently, an aspiring rider can get a permit after passing a written test, which is good for a year to allow motorcyclists to legally ride and gain experience until they get their motorcycle license. However, some riders reapply to renew the permit year after year rather than getting a full license, representative Grove said.

Under Grove's proposal, a rider would only be allowed to reapply for a learner's permit three times in ten years.

"The purpose is to make people get the license," stated Grove, adding that more motorcyclists taking the skills tests or enrolling in the state's rider training program would mean more trained riders on the road.

If a rider doesn't get a license within ten years of receiving the first permit, he or she wouldn't be able to get another permit for seven years. The bill was referred to the transportation committee earlier this year and is expected to be addressed this fall.

## Illinois Governor Seeks Changes To Red Light Bill

Illinois motorcyclists who get stuck at red lights will remain stuck a while longer, as governor Pat Quinn has vetoed legislation that would have made it legal to proceed after a red light that does not detect motorcycles.

However, the bill may yet come into effect if legislators agree to make some changes. Illinois has what is called an "amendatory veto", wherein the governor can reject a bill as presented for signing, but with changes requested that, if met, will win his signature.

As written, house bill 2860 sponsored by senator Gary Forby (D-Benton) and representative Daniel Beiser (D-Alton), specifies that motorcyclists could proceed through red lights "after a reasonable period of time." Quinn objected that such wording is too subjective and "its interpretation could vary from individual to individual and county to county." He asked that the bill be changed to specify that the motorcyclist must wait two minutes. Quinn also asked for clarification that motorcyclists would still have to obey signs prohibiting right or left turns on red and would still have to yield to oncoming traffic.

*A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois* supported the measure when it passed the legislature in May, which is similar to legislation enacted in eleven other states. "I was kind of disappointed with what the governor done," said senator Forby. "A.B.A.T.E.'s going to have to make a decision on whether they want to negotiate with the governor's office or try to override his veto."

The Illinois legislature has placed the amendatory veto on its calendar for action on October 19.

## Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints Challenged In New York

On Monday, August 29, 2011, Robert "Prospector" Boellner, state legislative coordinator for *A.B.A.T.E. of New York, Inc.*, and *N.C.O.M.* region VIII director, met with a representative from the New York state attorney general's office to discuss the ongoing motorcycle-only vehicle checkpoints.

Since May 2008, *A.B.A.T.E.* has publicly expressed its opposition to New York state's tactic of conducting highway roadblocks which divert only motorcyclists from the state's roadways for the purpose of conducting "safety checks".

Because motorcycles operated in New York State are already required to pass annual safety inspections, the ongoing New York state police initiative serves only to harass, intimidate, and inconvenience motorcyclists traveling on the state's roadways.

Further, motorcycle-only roadblocks conducted in the name of "safety checks" are a discriminatory and unconstitutional infringement upon an individual's right to travel without interference, and an abuse of discretionary power as acknowledged by the New York state court of appeals.

The office of the attorney general was reportedly receptive to Prospector's request of an investigation into the actions of the New York state police, and a reporting mechanism has now been implemented for direct complaints of motorcyclist profiling.

If you, or anyone you know, has been a victim of motorcyclist profiling, Prospector encourages you to call him at (518)-239-4560 for assistance in filing a complaint.

## Profiles Of America

In recognition of *Sturgis Bike Week*, the U.S. census bureau posted the following daily "Profile America" feature:

*Friday, August 12: Biggest Motorcycle Gathering - The small town*

*of Sturgis, South Dakota hosts the world's largest gathering of motorcycles this week — the 71st Sturgis Rally. Normally home to about 6,600, the town sees its population swell to some 350,000 during the rally. The idea began with just nineteen riders taking part in racing and stunt events 71 years ago. Those attending are seeing races, trade shows, and thousands of bikes on display. Mostly, they will share their love of the sense of freedom their motorcycles give them, and take in the scenery of the Black Hills. There are 7.7 million motorcycles registered in the U.S., with California home to about every 10th bike in the country. You can find these and more facts about America from the U.S. Census Bureau, on-line at:*

**<http://www.census.gov>**

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## Six Millionth Motorcyclist Graduates From Rider Training

The *Motorcycle Safety Foundation* recently graduated its six millionth rider course student, a milestone reached through the ongoing efforts of nearly 10,000 rider coaches at more than 2,000 training sites worldwide.

"We have rider courses across the nation and around the globe, often during weekdays, and virtually every weekend of the year," said Robert Gladden, vice president of the *Motorcycle Safety Foundation*, adding that a wide variety of *M.S.F.* rider courses are available in every state to provide motorcyclists everywhere with lifelong learning opportunities.

"From the basic rider course to a much more advanced day on the track, from standard motorcycles to scooters to three-wheel motorcycles, from small bikes to large, we cover it all," said Dr. Ray Ochs, *M.S.F.* director of training systems.

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In addition, the *M.S.F.* collaborates with safety professionals worldwide. For example, the *M.S.F.* is currently helping establish rider training in the Hashemite kingdom of Jordan. The *M.S.F.* works with all branches of the U.S. armed services to support riders in the military. And the foundation also works with world champion road racers on track-based programs that improve rider safety everywhere.

"The *M.S.F.* is still best known for its world renowned basic rider course, the best first motorcycle ride for any new street rider and the cornerstone of the *M.S.F.*'s essential C.O.R.E. curriculum," said Tim Buche, president of the *M.S.F.* "We want all riders to start with the *B.R.C.*, then continue their education with the basic bike bonding, street rider courses and more."

Founded in 1973, the *M.S.F.* is a not-for-profit organization sponsored by *B.M.W.*, *B.R.P.*, *Ducati*, *Harley-Davidson*, *Honda*, *Kawasaki*, *K.T.M.*, *Piaggio*, *Suzuki*, *Triumph*, *Victory*, and *Yamaha* to promote safety through rider training and education, operator licensing tests, and public information programs.

For safety information or to enroll in the rider course nearest you, visit <http://www.msfcusa.org> or call 1-(800)-446-9227.

### Florida Cops Use Secret Files On Bikers To Lobby Against Gun Rule

Florida police officials dipped into secret intelligence files to lobby against legislation that would have allowed holders of concealed-weapons permits to carry their guns openly. Newly released records show that a staff lobbyist for the Orange county sheriff's office handed out restricted photos of bikers with valid concealed weapons permits to legislators as examples of the sort of people who might scare away tourists if they displayed their pistols.

"I actually stopped by every one of you guy's office this morning and dropped off . . . photographs of some biker outlaw gang guys that have concealed firearm permits. Those are the ones we're worried about carrying," sheriff's captain Mike Fewless told the state senate judiciary committee

on April 12, 2011. "Please defeat this terrible bill."

After the provision allowing open carry of firearms was removed from the bill, the state senate voted against the measure, prompting accusations of fear-mongering by police officials and raising concerns about police misuse of confidential files for political goals.

All together, Fewless obtained photographs and other information for seventeen "outlaw bikers" from the Orange sheriff's intelligence squad, an undercover unit that investigates "motorcycle gangs, white supremacy groups, and organized crime," specifically asking for pictures of "one percenters", state attorney's records show. Seven of the eight photos of members of the *Mongols*, *Outcasts*, *Outlaws*, *Pagans*, and *Warlocks* motorcycle clubs came originally from the state *Driver and Vehicle Identification (D.A.V.I.D.)* system, which federal regulation classifies as "highly restricted personal information." None of the bikers had felony records and all were eligible for concealed-weapon permits recognized by Florida and 34 other states.

The motorcyclists are now represented by *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney Jerry Theophilopoulos, who said he is planning to file a lawsuit against the sheriff's office. "The only way to police the police when they break the [rules] is to file a lawsuit, and we are prepared to get justice for all concealed weapon permit holders in this state," according to "Jerry T", who serves as legal counsel for the *Confederations of Clubs* in Florida and advises *A.B.A.T.E. of Florida* on legal matters.

### Driving While Biker

From the *Gunny's Sack*, a monthly newsletter from *Oregon A.I.M.* chief of staff Gunny Hutcheson, members of the *Henchmen* motorcycle club have hired a lawyer to put the San Jose police department on notice that harassment is not going to be tolerated without a fight.

They've filed an official complaint with the city's office of the independent police auditor alleging

that the police are illegally profiling them, and the city's code enforcement unit is digging up zoning beefs to run them out of town. They say officers routinely pull them over, sometimes photographing their tattoos, based solely on their bad-boy reputations.

The *Henchmen's* complaint is not the first time a motorcycle club in San Jose has fought the police using legal means.

Five years ago, the *Hell's Angels* won \$1.8 million after suing police and sheriff's deputies for illegally raiding the club's headquarters and members' homes to link a bouncer, charged with killing a drunken bar patron, to the biker club. A jury acquitted the bouncer and a federal court sided with the *Hell's Angels*.

"This kind of thing has come to a halt in Washington with their recent biker anti-profiling [regulation], thanks to the Washington Confederation of Clubs and A.I.M. attorney Marty Fox," writes Gunny, "Fighting harassment by using a lawyer and the court system."

### Quotable Quote

"The constitution is not an instrument for the government to restrain the people; it is an instrument for the people to restrain the government, lest it come to dominate our lives and interests."

Patrick Henry  
(1736-1799)  
American patriot,  
founding father

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## Meeting of the Minds Report

First let me start by saying thank you to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. Without your support I would have never been able to attend this fantastic conference.

When I first looked into going to *Meeting of the Minds*, I noticed it was in Detroit, Michigan and wasn't too sure it was such a good idea.

I was wrong.

I realized that I wasn't going to sight-see, I was going to represent Oregon and bring back information we could all use.

Personally I was glad I went. I learned a lot of valuable things and the people I met will be an endless source of information for issues we may have in the future.

While going over the agenda and seeing all the classes offered, I made it a point to attend the ones that offered answers to our most immediate problem, membership.

Lets face it folks, our membership is getting older and we do not have the interest of the younger crowd to take on the fight after we are gone.

The first session I went to discussed the merger of *A.B.A.T.E. of Indiana* and *D.I.R.T. (Discover Indiana's Riding Trails)*, the predominant Indiana off road association.) They had representatives from both groups discussing the benefits each offered. *D.I.R.T.* offered the benefits of having the younger members and *A.B.A.T.E.* offered the numbers and experience to help fight the legislative issues off-road riders are facing.

As you would expect, there was a lot of hesitation on both sides until everyone saw how much stronger they became, not to mention the eyes they opened up in their capitol.

We can do the same thing here. How many of us cut our teeth on a dirt bike or off-road motorcycle of some sort?

If you have any doubt as to the age group on motorcycles and A.T.V.'s, pick up any off-road magazine, take a trip to the local track, or nearest riding area. That's where the families are. We need to find a way to get to know these people and let them see we are also a family organization and not a bunch of Hollywood thugs. We need to show them that we can

be an asset and a partner in their fight for the rights of dirt riders as well as street riders.

Okay, so what about the younger members we have already?

The people I talk with say they don't feel very comfortable amongst us. It isn't anything we have or haven't done *per se*, they just feel different.

How do we change that feeling?

How do we get them to feel more comfortable around us "old farts"?

Get them involved!

I know we have officer elections and committees and a whole slew of other things they can do, but there is another way. Let them do something they already are better at than most of us.

Which brings me to the second seminar I attended.

It was on "social media" or *Facebook* as we know it. (There are many other aspects to it than *Facebook*, but you get the idea.)

Why not ask our younger members to run pages for our chapters?

They already know how important public images can be and what better way to get us noticed in the younger generations eyes?

We could help them with guidelines on what is acceptable, but for the most part let them run with it.

The seminar discussed how pictures are an important factor on our page. Again, get young people involved and let them post pictures of their age group at the events.

*YouTube* is another site but is video oriented, which is becoming a huge sensation on the internet.

We can insert links on our pages to *YouTube* to show a clip of the event from last year, with a note telling everyone how fun it was. We need to remember to leave the public wanting more. (Tease them, if you will.) Give them a short description of an event, at least enough to get their attention, then have a link to your chapter's web site to get the rest of the information.

Guess what happens then? People are naturally curious and they will start looking at your web site. Make sure you keep their attention with updated information on all we

do. Not just the runs, but all our community projects and our legal battles as well. Here is where we can educate the public on who we really are and what we are about.

This is a valuable tool that I think we all need to explore. If for nothing else, it's free advertisement.

The next seminar I went to was on keeping our organization safe.

It told us the importance of making sure we had a good legal release and how important it is that everyone who attends our events sign them.

They also discussed a lawsuit in a couple of states where they are arguing the legality of parents being able to sign for minors, something we will need to keep an eye on.

It discussed the importance of having someone in charge of getting information when the unavoidable happens and someone does get injured. We need to take pictures of the area where it happened and get written reports from witnesses or at least their names and a way of contacting them.

I don't like the idea of thinking that something can go wrong, but it is a necessity we need to prepare for.

It was also recommended that each person sign their own waver, not a list under a waver that might be mistaken for something else. This will remove any doubt from everyone's mind about what they are signing.

Other things that were talked about and just as important are things going on overseas, which we all know eventually find their way over here.



**Al Nichols**

(future state coordinator)

The big thing being looked at in Europe, much to the chagrin of motorcyclists, was the research for *I.T.S. (Intelligent Driving Systems)* for bikes. These include anti-lock brakes and computers that would control the speed and braking of our rides.

I personally don't like the idea of leaning into a corner and having a computer decide I'm going too fast and apply the brakes halfway through the corner. That, my friends, could be disastrous.

We need to keep an eye and an ear to our neighbors in order to prepare ourselves for the battles to come.

So in closing, I hope this information will be helpful to make us a stronger organization, both on chapter and state levels.

Remember, we have to look out for each other to remain strong.

So ride safe, ride alert, but most of all ride!

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

Oregon *M.R.F.* representative

*A.B.A.T.E.* state vice-coordinator (north)



# Planning Session and State Board of Directors Meeting

October 15-16, 2011 — V.F.W. hall – Cottage Grove, Oregon

## Planning Session

**Saturday: 15 October 2011**

**9:04 a.m.**

Ted Tracy opened by thanking everyone for attending. He stated that he would like to utilize *Robert's Rules of Order* for the planning session to help get things started and keep them moving smoothly.

Pledge of allegiance.

Ted Tracy gave a brief explanation of the purpose of the planning session in that this is where *A.B.A.T.E.* works out problems and plans for the upcoming year of operation. He explained how we usually work with breakout sessions on Saturday, concluding the planning session on Sunday.

Ideas were discussed for making money and event tracking.

The group breakouts were settled on as:

**Financial** – chaired by Kay Sipple

**Legislative** – chaired by Don Mason

**Education** – chaired by Geoff White

**Fossil** – chaired by Gene Mortimer

**Membership** –

chaired by Linda Henderson

**Media/public relations** –

chaired by Rot Path

It was announced that training would be ongoing at the board of directors meetings as needed or desired by the officer assigned to that area. Howie will begin holding meetings starting at 11 a.m. before the state board meetings beginning with November's.

Nic asked that every group please turn in a report and he will include that in the planning session report. He stated that it did not have to be fancy as he was going to put the main points down and not every word in order to keep it brief. But, if no report, he should be able to get enough out of his notes when they give their reports to the group as a whole.

**9:35 a.m.** -- Breakout sessions. (Anyone could take part in any of the sessions that they wish to attend and even bounce around between different groups if they want to.)

**11:30 a.m.** – Lunch.

**12:35 p.m.** – Back to breakout sessions.



Breakout session committee reports: (Complete reports, if turned in, by committees are available upon request. The following is a summation of those reports.)

### Financial:

- Importance of monthly financial reports from the chapters and how they needed to be on time with their reporting.

- Varying statement date conflicts were noted and ideas for accommodations were explored.

- Big issue of tracking events regarding money, attendance, and other issues was discussed.

A tracking report was settled as the most viable solution.

This report is to be filled out and returned to the state auditor, just like financial reports. All checks are to include the same report when submitted to the treasurer. Changes to help compliance will be put in place and violators will be dealt with immediately in order to keep the I.R.S. off our back and from getting our money by way of penalty fees.

- Auditor going to review bylaws to verify and work with them.

### Legislative:

Issues went beyond working the legislature during session to working the election process through *BikePAC*.

- Every chapter should have a membership in *BikePAC* and work with them as they work for us.

- The use of social media, including *Facebook* and web sites, as a way of moving forward.

- Options for newspaper use, such as editorials.

- Communication as a tool needs to go both ways. It is the responsibility of all officers to pass on information, even when they don't agree with the issue.

- Engaging organizations that are impacted by legislation we are working on. This tactic gets them on our side and makes our voice louder.

- Don stated that he would be visiting every chapter at one of their meetings in order to really get things going.

### Education:

There was a discussion about S.T.E.A.M. It will be held on February 25, 2012, at *Chemeketa Community College* in Salem, Oregon. Geoff will be asking for a committee to help set up needed classes and agenda. Planning meetings will be held one hour prior to each board of directors beginning in November.

Discussion topics included:

- Possible agenda format change for S.T.E.A.M. Maybe fewer classes along with opening session changes.

- Registration or pre-registration for S.T.E.A.M. along with various available media services to assist in promoting and coordinating registrations.

- Food at S.T.E.A.M. was discussed as a way to keep the lunch and breaks at *Chemeketa* without necessarily having to use their catering service.

(Too expensive.)

- Display booths for other groups such as *BikePAC*, *Team Oregon*. Rider training information on the various classes offered from *Team Oregon*.

- The need for a legislative session, headed by Don Mason, was discussed. It was decided that the class was needed.

### Fossil:

- Help that would be needed to build a permanent stage.

- Recreational vehicles and trailers at the *Fossil Run*. Possibility of some spaces being made available.

- Chapter donations for door prizes.

- People for working at the event at setup, gate help, manning the *A.B.A.T.E.* information booth, security, tear-down, cleanup.

### Membership:

Linda announced that she would not be at the November board of directors meeting.

- Statewide membership drive to be reviewed at S.T.E.A.M. Would begin in spring 2012. Incentives and other items were discussed.

- Membership retention was also discussed. It came to light that people seem to be concentrating on partying while getting away from family and community events. Contacting expired or missing members is the responsibility of everyone in the chapter, not just the membership secretary.

- Families at meetings, alcohol consumption problems.

- Sending out renewal reminders two months in advance may help retention of members.

- Chapter phone tree to help keep in touch.

Changes down the road. — ideas that were discussed:

- Putting *BikePAC* membership applications in the new member packet. *BikePAC* is the legislative arm of *A.B.A.T.E.* We also need to get the word out on the good we do. (This ties in with public relations).

- Work on other organizations that are affected by the work we do, such as moped riders, scooters, off-road riders, A.T.V. groups.

- Maybe adding a line for "referred by" or "recruited by" in the new tri-folds.

- Softening of our name to *American Bikers Aimed Towards Education* was again brought up. Discussion became very heated. It was brought up that we are *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments* for a reason and it is not to please people. It was accepted that instead of changing our acronym, state what it is that we do for all motorcyclists when we are asked what "*A.B.A.T.E.*" stands for. Learn and quote the mission statement for what "*A.B.A.T.E.*" does.

### Media and public relations:

- Decreasing newspaper production costs was a highlight.

The printing/ mailing costs are very high each month. The possibility of members opting out of the print version for an electronic version was discussed. It was noted that the web site could be the place for this.

- Methods for increasing web revenue.

- Ways to use social media to our advantage. This includes *Facebook*, *MySpace*, etc.

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## Planning Session and State Board (continued)

- Timely event flyer publication problems. Means for dealing with that included printing before sanctioning with a “sanctioning pending” overlay on the flyer. This may help some people in their planning for events for their families. More attendance means more revenue.

- Attending local events or putting up a booth at such events, such as farmers’ markets.

### Closing Statements

Ted Tracy spoke on the wonderful work that was done today and how great it was to see everyone working together like that.

He stated that unless there was a problem, the board of directors meeting would take place the next morning. All motions that needed to be considered are to be handed in at that time.

- It was suggested that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.* do away with the *Indian Creek Chapter* designation and relabel it “member at large”, dropping the “chapter” designation. This is an issue for all chapter representatives to take to their chapters for discussion.

- It was also suggested that many entries in the state newspaper’s *Duff’s Road List* are out of date and should be updated very soon. Each chapter please check your area for accuracy and get the information back to the state newspaper editor, Rot Path.

**Adjourned for the day at 4:15 p.m.**



### State Board of Directors Meeting October 16, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Ted Tracy at 9:24 a.m. with eleven of twelve chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Not present: *Lower Columbia Chapter*.  
Pledge of allegiance.

**Coordinator’s comments:** Ted Tracy welcomed everyone and spoke on the work that all of the committees had done yesterday. Many good ideas were presented and enthusiasm generated.

We need to keep the planning minutes fresh and not let them go away without

work being done or them getting lost.

Mentioned that all motions presented today will not be completed as they will have to go back to the chapters for further review and vote later.

There will be an education committee meeting prior to the November 12th board of directors at 11 a.m.

There will be a membership committee meeting prior to the December 10th board of directors at 11 a.m.

Ted said that there was no need for officer reports. The board agreed, so we went directly to new business.

### New Business

Geoff White volunteered to remain as education director for 2012. Unanimous vote confirmed Geoff as the 2012 education director. Congratulations to Geoff White!

**1.** Motion made by Gordon (*Washington County Chapter*), seconded by Randy (*Southeast Portland Chapter*):  
“State to acquire administrative access to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Facebook page.”

Discussion on social media importance ensued.

Voting took place.

**Motion passed** unanimously.

**2.** Motion made by Gordon (*Washington County Chapter*), seconded by Karen (*Josephine County Chapter*):  
“Move to require all chapters to use 2011 Quicken accounting software by January 1st, 2012. State to assist those chapters that request help to purchase software.”

Discussion on everyone being “on the same page”. This software would be good for many years to come and is very easy to use.

Voting took place.

**Motion passed.** (Ten “yes”, one “abstain”)

**3.** Motion made by Karen Tolle (*Josephine County Chapter*), seconded by Rick (*Jackson County Chapter*):

“Beginning January 1, 2012, a new form entitled ‘Event Reconciliation Report’ is to be completed by each chapter for every chapter event organized under the A.B.A.T.E. logo. This form is to be reviewed at the 2012 and 2013 planning sessions. The report is to be sent to the state treasurer with the 10% check (if applicable) and is due sixty (60) days following the event.”

There was much discussion regarding need, insurance, accountability.

Voting took place.

**Motion passed.** (Ten “yes”, one “abstain”)

**4.** Motion made by Karen (*Josephine County Chapter*), seconded by Rick (*Jackson County Chapter*):

“I move that a committee be formed to review event waiver statements used by all chapters. The scope of the committee should include:

(a) Review of the policy of using one sheet with multiple signatures vs. using a single sheet for each signature.

(b) Consult with our insurance company to get their recommendation for the wording, since they would get involved with any lawsuits.

(c) To create a policy covering storage of signed waivers after the event including length of time and who or where they should be stored.”

Explanation, then voting.

Voting took place.

**Motion passed** (Ten “yes”, one “abstain”)

**5.** (Withdrawn.)

**6.** Motion made by Randy (*Southeast Portland Chapter*), seconded by Bob (*Douglas County Chapter*):

“That A.B.A.T.E. modify the title of ‘Indian Creek’ and add ‘member at large’ to the previous designation.”

This issue was discussed and it was decided that chapters need to review this issue.

**Motion tabled.**

**7.** Motion made by Karen (*Josephine County Chapter*), seconded by Millie (*Lincoln County Chapter*):

“Members be given the option to opt out of receiving A.B.A.T.E. news[paper] by mail and get their copy from the [state] web site.”

Discussion ensued with cost savings being the big issue discussed.

Voting took place.

**Motion passed** unanimously.

**8.** Motion made by Nic (*Hub City Chapter*), seconded by Richard (*Salem Chapter*):

“Any chapter that gives up or loses their charter must turn over all assets, debts, bank accounts to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc, due to all chapter assets belong to the state to begin with but are held “in toto” by the chapter. No funds or other assets are to be “given away” or transferred to another organization or chapter without the A.B.A.T.E. board of directors approval before hand.”

Discussion ensued.

Nic explained that “in toto” is latin for “altogether” and used in this instance is similar to legal use meaning “part of the whole”.

This motion closes a loophole that had been abused in the past. This also

stops any unauthorized “mergers” as that term does not work within our organization.

Any charter loss makes the chapter die and assets revert to the state for redistribution as needed.

Nic asked that this motion be tabled to go to the chapters for discussion.

**Motion tabled.**

Ted Tracy thanked everyone and appreciated all the help.

We got a lot done and a great job was done by all.

Again, Ted said thanks to everyone for their work.

### Announcements

- Next state board of directors meeting: November 12, 2011, at *Ciddici’s Pizza* in Albany, Oregon.

### Upcoming Events

- **11 November 2011** — *Veteran’s Day Parade* raffle. For more information go to:

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- **03 December 2011** — *Shriner Toy Run* in Portland. (*Southeast Portland Chapter*) For more information call:

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- **06 December 2011** — Rick Colclasure’s 70th birthday party at the Medford railroad park. (Or was that September?)

- **01 February 2012** — First annual session of the Oregon state legislature. Attendance by as many as possible is needed at the state capitol building at about 10 a.m. for opening ceremonies and to make a statement as to our resolve in protecting and fighting for the rights of all motorcyclists in Oregon.

- **29 April 2012** — Spring *A.B.A.T.E.* state swap meet. Portland Armory; 10000 NE 33rd drive; Portland, Oregon

**Adjourned at 10:25 a.m.**

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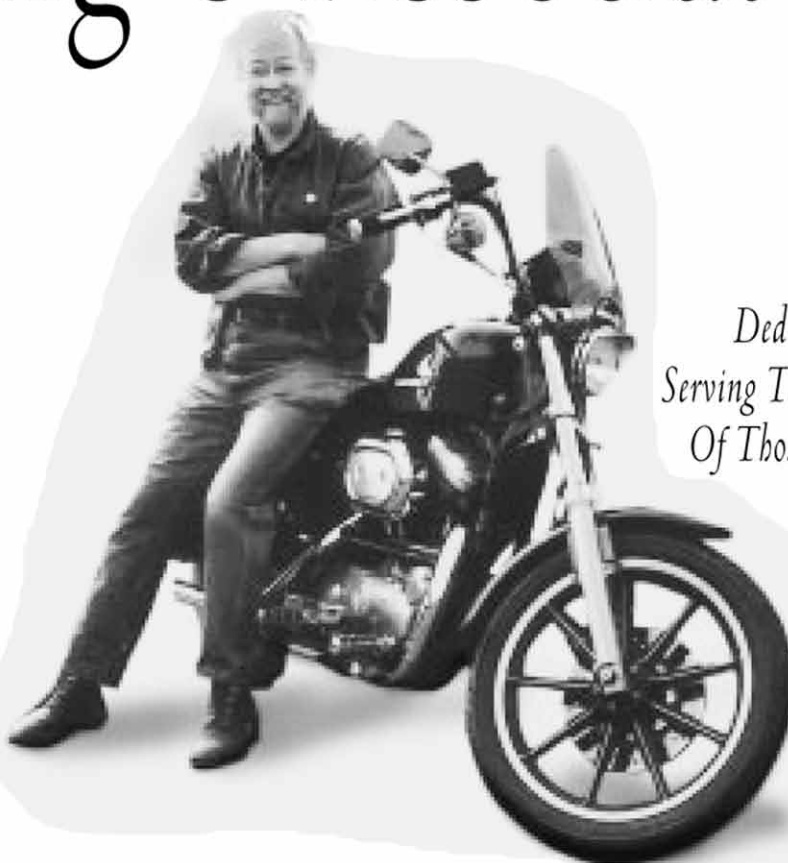
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Fred's Honda Corvallis (541)-757-1034	Eastside Motorcycle Co. Portland (503)-282-8876	Ace Discount Motorsports Redmond (541)-548-2607	Greg Coen Motor Co. Springfield (541)-747-3525
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If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available. This is a wonderful service provided by folks who care about motorcyclists, so please don't abuse their kindness. (Yeah, that means you, telemarketers.) If you would like to participate, phone (503)-838-6893, e-mail to [statenews@abateoforegon.net](mailto:statenews@abateoforegon.net), or send your information to A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon.

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

name:	phone number:	location:	P	T	G	P	I	M	G	L
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<b>North Coast area</b>										
Curve Hagert	(503)-325-6383	Astoria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>Central Coast area</b>										
Rod Hatter	(541) 997-969	Florence	X			X	X		X	
Ralph, Wanda Janes	(541)-265-6850	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bob & Millie	(541)-265-7586	central coast	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Jack	(541)-336-3844	central coast	X						X	
Randy, Deb Becker	(541)-5635501	central coast		X		X	X	X	X	
<b>South Coast area</b>										
Sherm Acord	(541)-888-6672	Coos Bay		X	X	X	X			
Tom Curran	(541)-888-2572	Charleston	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Brian Bryan	(541)-269-2934	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Charlie Hill	(541)-759-2388	Lakeside			X		X			
John Ireland	(541)-572-4300	Bridge/ Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Bob Kudrna	(541)-759-4164	Lakeside		X			X	X		
Greg McNair	(541)-396-6477	Coquille	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Brian, Paula St. Louis	(541)-572-6108	Myrtle Point	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Mike Richards	(541)-396-2609		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Ross Pipe Works	(541)-290-1958	Coquille		X	X		X	X		
Bill, Judy Shineflew	(541)-269-0553	Coos Bay	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Larry Winter	(541)-572-0207	Bridge/ Myrtle Point						X		
Susie Worthington	(541)-269-2354	Coos Bay						X		
<b>Washington County area</b>										
Trace Ceccacci	(503)-639-4768		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Troy Davis	(503)-260-6451		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Kent and Pat Gore	(503)-848-7653		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-816-9832(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	
Chuck Jeffcoat	(503) 649-7344		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Mark Pratt	(503)-357-1727		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ted and Jill Tracy	1-(503)-819-8113		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Greg "Goatboy" Vaughn	(503)-502-4229(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rich, Margo Virchow	(503)-502-4941(c)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Roger Yarnell	(503)-810-0625		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>Portland area</b>										
Lee Austin	(503)-760-9015	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Steve Baton	(503)-761-3362	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Rich Colwell	(503)-519-0727	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
B. Davenport	(503)-668-7810	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dick Emmonds	(503)-654-9498	Milwaukie	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Dan Hein	(503)-xx7-4826	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Emmett Hurd	(503)-631-35xx	Portland	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Gunny Hutcheson	(503)-366-2636	St. Helens	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Dave Janca	(503)-730-6998	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Roy Kirk	(503)-653-0183	Portland		X	X		X	X	X	
Ken Mortallero	(503)-860-2793	Portland		X			X	X	X	
B. Skinner	(503)-665-5063	Portland	X	X			X	X	X	
Scott Tuthill	(503)-630-2419	Estacada	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Geoff White	(503)-774-7558	Portland		X			X	X		

**Chapters**  
 Please ensure your area  
 listings are up-to-date

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

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<b>Salem area</b>										
Walt Allegar	(503)-363-4727	Salem	X		X					
Terry Edwards	(503)-856-9281	Salem	X	X	X					
Michelle Fitzhenry	(503)-588-4149	Salem				X	X		X	
Tylor Johnson	(503)-856-9180	Salem	X	X	X					
Rot Path	(503)-838-6893	Independence				X	X			
L.R. Schroeder	(503)-873-2492	Silverton							X	
<b>Willamette Valley area</b>										
Bob & Nina Avery	(541)-998-8318	Junction City	X					X		X
Michael Boggs	(541)-367-9728		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
T. Brown	(541)-607-8500	Eugene		X	X			X	X	X
Ron Budde	(541)-343-6447	Eugene	X	X	X					
Jim Drew	(541)-782-1136	Oakridge	X	X		X	X		X	
Michelle FitzHenry	(503)-390-4292	Stevens		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Gary, Carolyn Freeman	(541)-760-1827(c)	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bryan Freitas	(503)-793-9641	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ted Hudgins	(541)-338-8380(c)			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike, Ruth Johnson	(541)-935-6261	Venteta	X					X	X	
Rich (Snake) Kaestner	(541)-929-4589	Philomath/ Corvallis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick & Lyn Maish	(541)-746-7837	Springfield	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nic Oliver	(541)-487-5570	Alsea	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fred Reyes	(541)-896-3348	Eugene	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Michael, Peggy Schneider	(541)-349-9864	Eugene	X	X	X			X	X	X
Roy Smith	(541)-689-2407	Eugene	X						X	
Warren Tegge	(541)-344-0344	Eugene	X						X	X
<b>Southern Oregon area</b>										
Ray Adams	(541)-679-5097	Winston	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eric Grout	(541)-673-4371	Roseburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rock On	(541)-459-3541		X					X	X	X
Ron & Pat Wine	(541)-832-2219	JoCo	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Central Oregon area</b>										
John Baumann	(541)-382-6146	Bend	X			X	X	X	X	X
Bird Dog	(541)-420-2062		X	X				X		
Steve Chakar	(541)-410-0389	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X			
Scott Greene	(541)-420-7526	Bend		X	X					
Greg Has-Ellison	(541)-280-9375	Tumalo		X	X			X	X	X
Dale Hix	(541)-548-1633	Redmond	X	X	X			X		
David Miller	(541)-420-6134	Redmond		X	X			X	X	
Ed Miller	(541)-923-5503	Redmond	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rob Mitchell	(541)-280-3228	Bend	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Aaron, Bonnie Myhra	(503)-901-1816	Bend	X	X	X			X	X	X
Larry Ramos	(541)-923-3809	Redmond	X	X	X			X	X	X
Richard Shurley	(541)-549-8180	Bend	X	X	X	X				
Slim	(503)-349-9540(c)	Culver	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mike Smith	(541)-588-0204	Bend	X					X	X	
Alan Wenzel	(541)-820-4694	Prairie City	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>other areas</b>										
Mike Farmer	(541)-386-8744	mid-Columbia River	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rick	(541)-673-4371	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Joseph Laurance	(541)-679-3775	Dillard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Rod "Reckless" Runyon	(541)-993-6413	The Dalles	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Region 1	Portland and metro area	(503)-731-8200
Region 2	Salem and northwest Oregon	(503)-986-2600
Region 3	Roseburg and southwest Oregon	(541)-957-3500
Region 4	Bend and central Oregon	(541)-388-6180
Region 5	LaGrande and eastern Oregon	(541)-963-3177

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Road and weather information: 1-(800)-977-6368 (O.D.O.T.)

web site: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT>



## Member's Classified Advertisements

**For Sale**

**Free**

**Employment Wanted**

**Found**

2002 *Bar Fly* 2000 bar stool racer. Powder coated frame with aluminum racing wheels and *Bridgestone* racing tires. Powered by 3-1/2 horsepower *Briggs* motor. Recent carburetor rebuild. Top speed about 25 m.p.h. (Just scary enough to be dangerous.) Disc brake and lowered seat height with bar stool seat replaced with large motorcycle seat for those cross country trips. **\$900** or best offer. Call **(503)-257-7390** and please leave message. Call to arrange appointment to view.

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Unemployed (just like everybody else) heavy equipment operator. Hustling, odd jobs.  
 Got any scrap metal laying around? Portland area.  
 Arthur West  
**(503)-351-5054**  
 Teamster driver looking for union driving job.  
**(503)-282-6285**

Well-fattened turkey. Keeps getting inside and crapping on my toilet seat.

**Lost**

Nervous-looking domestic pet turkey. House and potty-trained. Answers to the name "Mr. Gobbles".

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 Portland, Oregon 97208



### HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone **1-800-347-1106** or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 720 SW Washington, Portland, OR 97205 ATTN: Gunny

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

If verbal, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

#### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

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

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

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

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

#### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

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

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

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

## Oregon A.B.A.T.E. STATE OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011

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(Return address )

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

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEW ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Additional Members in Same Household:

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

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

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

Please send completed application to:

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

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

(revised Jan 2011 — Rot Path)

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







( please circle desired duration of membership. )

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

Comments:

# November 2011

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

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**STATE BOARD MEETING**  
Saturday, 12 Nov 2011  
1200 ( noon )

Ciddici's Pizza  
133 SW Fifth Street  
Albany, Oregon

**2011  
EVENTS  
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LISTINGS**

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

Date:	Event – Chapter / Sponsor:	Location:	Contact number:
05 Nov 2011	BikePAC meeting	Albany	(541)–223–3827
12 Nov 2011	<b>ABATE</b> education committee	Albany	(1100- <i>Ciddici's</i> )
19 Nov 2011	<b>Spaghetti Dinner /North Coast</b>	Astoria	(503)–325–4376
19 Nov 2011	<b>Stan Johnson Toy Run / WaCo</b>	Hillsboro	(503)–459–7912
03 Dec 2011	<b>Shriner Toy Run / SE-PDX</b>	Portland	(503)–255–5415
10 Dec 2011	<b>ABATE</b> membership committee	Albany	(1100- <i>Ciddici's</i> )
10 Dec 2011	<b>23rd Toy Run / North Coast</b>	Seaside	(503)–325–3566
>>> 2012 <<<			
( It's never too early to get your chapter's upcoming events listed here. )			
01 Feb 2012	<i>Black Wednesday at Capitol / BikePAC</i>	Salem	(541)–223–3827
29 Apr 2012	<b>Spring Swap Meet / ABATE</b>	Portland	(503)–285–6523
05 May 2012	<i>Motorcycle Awareness Rally / BikePAC</i>	Salem	(541)–223–3827
25–28(?) May 2012	<b>35th Fossil Campout / ABATE</b>	Bear Hollow	

That hour they fall silent to observe,  
Honoring those with whom they have served,  
They risked their flesh and bone,  
Others were safe at home,  
Thanking them is the least they deserve.

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Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)–383–0889
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Rae Ray's; 4550 old highway 99 south; Roseburg	(541)–672–1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SW Fifth Street; Albany	(541)–928–2536
Indian Creek (IC)			(entire state)	
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	D & S Harley–Davidson; 3846 S. Pacific highway; Medford	(541)–635–5515
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Wednesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass	(541)–474–3553
Lincoln County (LinCo)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport	(541)–265–9017
Lower Columbia (LoCo)	1st Sunday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon	(503)–728–4122
North Coast (NC)	3rd Tuesday	1730 (5:30 p.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)–325–0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)–298–5502
Salem	1st Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)–378–0100
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)–665–2626
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)–357–3684