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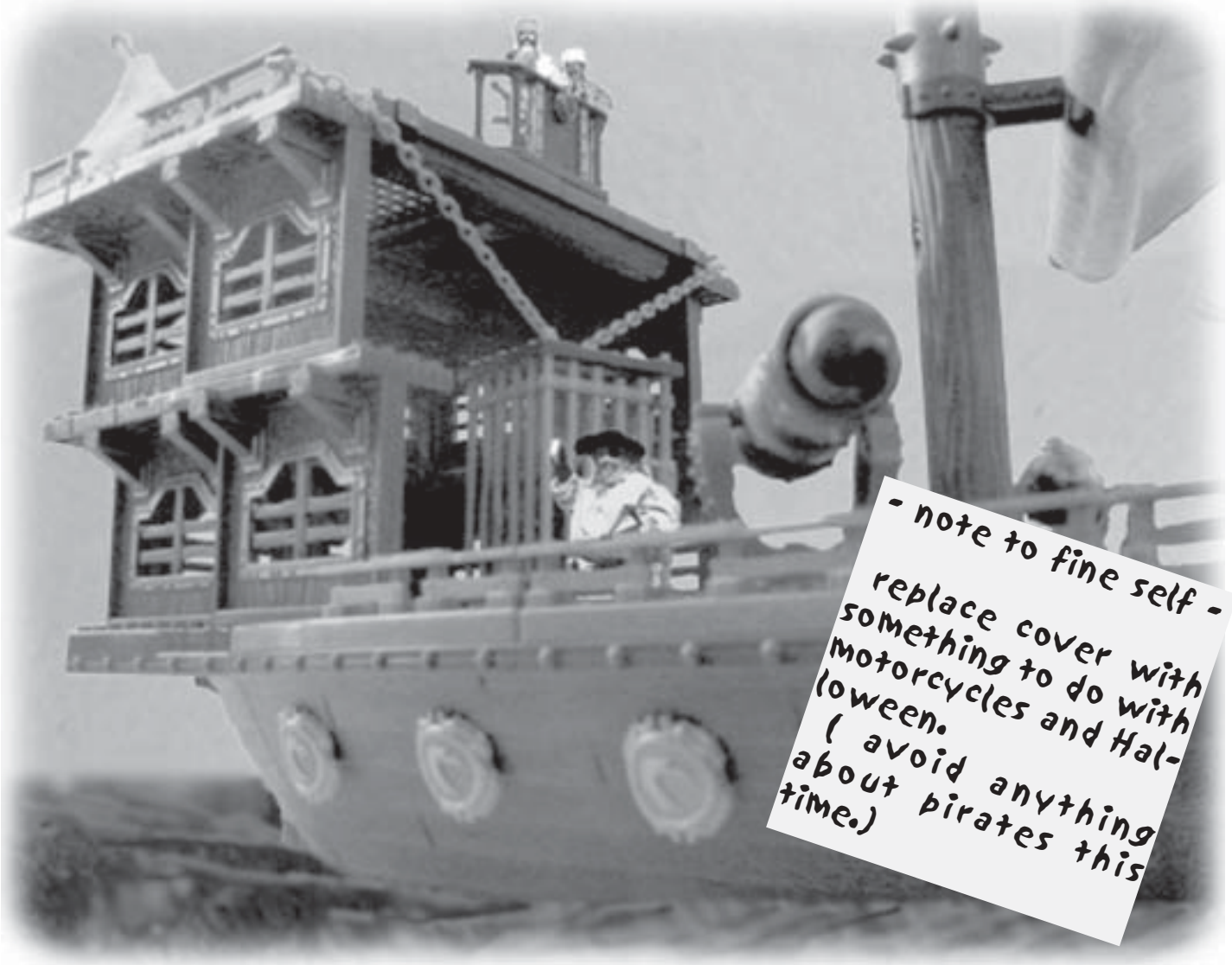
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# Welcome to A.B.A.T.E.

## What We're About

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

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

- We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

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

- It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride on.

We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, on-road or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.

- You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working on are important to their community.

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

-- Rot Path

### MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

by Bill Bish  
Executive Coordinator,  
*National Coalition of Motorcyclists*  
*A.B.A.T.E. of California*

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# Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

I've just returned from the garage, after having installed and tested my fourth rear tire since I bought the *Hayabusa* last December 28th. I suppose that would mean I need to install stronger throttle return springs; it also means that we've had a perfect riding season and the opportunity to enjoy a run or rally nearly every weekend. With things winding down a little, it's a good time to look ahead to next year and how we each might make *A.B.A.T.E.* better and more effective than it is now.

The most important event on the *A.B.A.T.E.* calendar for future planning is our annual *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* planning session which takes place at the *V.F.W. Hall* in Cottage Grove on October 18-19. I would suggest that an absolute minimum of two members from each of our fifteen chapters attend. Most of our state officers will be there as well.

If this organization is important to you, *be there.*

If you think it could be improved, *be there.*

If you have an idea you feel would benefit *A.B.A.T.E.*, *be there.*

This is a comprehensive study of our past, present, and future so if you have complaints about how *A.B.A.T.E.* has functioned in the past, or intend to *ever* complain in the future, help us out by attending and contributing to the various subjects being discussed.

Elections are also coming up, so consider running for, or nominating that talented person for chapter and state officer positions. An organization is only as good as the people who run

it and frankly many of our best people have been doing too much for too long and would be grateful to step down or accept a different position if a qualified replacement were elected. I can truthfully say that being an officer and contributing to the success of this brotherhood is more satisfying than I could have imagined. You don't need to have had previous experience in other organizations. All that is really required is a passion for motorcycling and a strong desire to assure our freedom to ride in the future.

With the rotten rainy weather we Oregonians are just a little proud of coming soon, it's a good time to review our preparedness for accidents. Think about where, how, and with whom you ride and consider if the worst were to happen how you could assure that an injured rider would be receiving emergency trauma care within the "golden hour", those sixty short minutes when life can be saved and after which shock often kills those who might otherwise live. A phone in the hands of a person with a plan is vital. So is the care that is taught in the most basic *Red Cross* life saving courses.

We've all read statistics that show murder rates decreasing throughout the country. If you think this is a result of better law enforcement, or a gentler, kinder society, think again. Murder attempts have constantly increased over the years but result in less death due to the remarkable advances in trauma care that have enabled caregivers to save two out of the three who would have died only ten years ago. Your brother or sister will usually pull through if you promptly do your part.



by Joe Laurance

This time of year most bike magazines have articles on how to mothball your bike until spring. May I suggest getting your bike into the best shape you can, ready in all respects to immediately ride, and on that decent day that comes along once in a while during the winter, ride. Not only is it good for the bike, it will be great for your emotional well being. So what if you have to wash the bike afterward. I'm always amused by the ads in *Cycle Trader* that claim "never ridden in the rain". I think to myself that they must not be *A.B.A.T.E.* members because my brothers and sisters ride! Rain or shine, day or dark, long or short the people in this organization ride! May we all do our part to insure that we always can.

Please lord, keep my brothers and sisters safe and bless them always,

Joseph Laurance

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

*Central Oregon Chapter*

Greetings from sunny *Central Oregon*,

Had a good turnout at the last meeting. We have been putting together our 6th annual *Teddy Bear Run*. By the time you read this it will be history. I will let you know how it turned out next month, if you didn't make the run.

I received a call from Ken Ray from the *M.R.F.* in Oregon. He will present our donation check and give a brief recap of our run to the *M.R.F.* at the meeting of the minds in Greenbay, Wisconsin this September. This is a nationwide *M.R.F.* conference, so that will be very cool. We have made a difference. He mentioned challenging all other chapters nationwide to do the same.

That's about it for this month. Kind of a quiet month. I hope everyone put on a lot of miles. Unfortunately, the season is coming to an end on this side of the hill.

Remember, "United We Stand" and you all know the rest of that sentence.

Later,

John

**CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)  
Old Redmond Hotel  
(next to Sulley's Restaurant)  
Redmond, Oregon

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

## Columbia River Chapter

We should have seen it coming at the *U&I* when the bar changed hands recently. Despite the new owners' promises that we could meet there on the second Sunday every month at 12:30 p.m., when we showed up for our September meeting there were about ten patrons sitting before the five or six new televisions watching various sports events. The new owners wanted to make it into a "sports bar" and had invested heavily in the new televisions, the dart board, etc. All well and good for the "sports fans" but the thirty or so of us who had come for the meeting were only offered the opportunity to meet in the bar area around the two pool tables that the new owners had covered with plywood panels so we could use them for tables. Unfortunately, the owners were unwilling to turn down the volume on the televisions. We had no choice but to leave and adjourned to the *Highway House* where we held our meeting on the outside deck there.

I don't really blame the new owners. They are trying to run their business and have the idea that they can make a "sports bar" work in the same neighborhood where there is already one just five or six blocks away. It's their business and they don't owe us any loyalty. Nor will they get our business anymore either.

More troubling is the lack of support from *A.B.A.T.E.* members at the *Summer Run*. We got the news from Lee Austin about the final figures: we just barely broke even with each chapter netting just \$151. It seems not enough *A.B.A.T.E.* members showed up to support the run. Unfortunately, that run is our chapter's major fund raiser and the poor turn out means that we will have less money to support our chapter's work this year.

I am aware that the big *Harley* event was the same weekend in Portland. Big deal! I went to it after the *Summer Run*, after I helped tear down the stage and

clean up the site, and then helped Janet sell tickets for the *Toy Run* bike at the *Harley* event. It is too bad that the factory's publicity event enjoyed the attendance of *A.B.A.T.E.* members rather than our own run.

For those of you who missed the *Summer Run*, I am pleased to report that it went off well and many thanks to Crow from *Northeast* who was in charge of the run and Kat from *Northeast* who handled the vendors. The weather was great and the games for both the adults and the children were a lot of fun as was the music. For the kids we had a bicycle slow race that allowed the kids to show off their riding skills. We intend to expand the kids' games even more next year. Thanks to Janet and Brandy of our chapter for running the kids' games. The only sad thing was that someone left the run during the night and hit a deer and had to be *Life-Flighted* away.

*Columbia River* had the responsibility for the gate at the *Summer Run* and Shag and Sharon were going to handle it. When Sharon got hurt in an accident and broke her leg and Shag and Sharon could not attend the run, Janet, Rob and I covered the gate with the immense help of Craig and Debbie Mae of the *Southeast Chapter*; my thanks to all of you for your work.

We have established a committee headed by D.C. to explore locations for our new chapter meeting place. In the interim we will meet at the *Highway House*, 5301 N.E. Portland Highway. The folks there were kind enough to let us suddenly drop in and take over their place and have welcomed us back. The only problem we might have there is the size of the place inside since the weather is turning now and the inside is a little small. Drop in and thank them for their generosity.

The *Sweet Heart Dance* location is also now up in the air. We are looking at the

*Kenton Club* as a possibility.

D.C. reported that he has the chapter's bank account set up in a computer account.

Rhonda reported that we have 116 members with others needing to renew.

Janet reported that the *Shriners' Hospital* presentation is going to be in October and she will see if it can held after our October chapter meeting so that she can get the word out to the chapter. Otherwise, we will try to use the phone tree.

Willie gave the state board report in place of Larry.

Rob had some great door prizes for the ways and means drawing including two of the ten *Toy Run* raffle tickets that the chapter purchased to support the *Toy Run* committee.

Sammie won the short membership drawing.

Thanks to all of the chapter members who attended the meeting and to all of you who supported the *Summer Run*. Next year our chapter is in charge of that run and we hope to have another great run. If anyone has any suggestions about the run, please let me know.

Spike

**COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)  
U & I Tavern  
6910 North Interstate Avenue --  
Portland  
Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

*Douglas County Chapter*

Hey gang,

How are you doing?

Sorry I didn't write last month, but D.J. and I have been real busy. We've been moving. Even though it was just across the street it was a big move.

And I know that we were supposed to be at *Coos River Run* too. Well, D.J. and I lost our way there. A big wrong turn. We ended up at the North Umpqua instead. I know what you thinking: "We're way off." (Oh ya@#! They're gone!) Well, we found our way back.

So let get to the bizz at hand.

If you didn't know, the state is donating a computer to our chapter. Thank you state. (And all of toughs that made that happen for us.) It is greatly needed.

Well, we did it!

*S.O.S.* was a big success. Thanks to all who helped to make that happen.

*Roseburg Swap Meet* is coming up. Put it on you calendars: October 26th. Save all your money. Be there or be square. (Also, we need volunteers so if you can help, let me know, okay?) Only you can make it happen.

We got a new member last month. Her name is Janni Cutis. (We already like her.) Welcome sis, we're glad to have you.

Tim and Nora Rohde came to visit us at the last meeting. They want us to know that everything in *Josephine County* is coming along well. (There was a location discrepancy.) But rest assured, Herb has everything under control. Good job Herb! (I had the pleasure of meeting Herb at *S.O.S.* Laid-back guy.) Herb you're welcome at our camp any time. (See ya soon.) <smile> In fact, two of our members, will be joining Herb's chapter. Pat Wine and her husband, you will be missed.

[c.o.e note — *Herb Sweeten* is coordinator of Southern Oregon Chapter; *Pat "Spanky" Allen* is coordinator of the new Josephine County Chapter.]

Well, if you didn't know we have a medic team. Tom and Diane Bowdon. They came to *S.O.S.* This was there first time to a run. Their first anything. Well, thank goodness. The first hour they were there, a man had a heart attack and he had to go to the hospital. Good job you two. Thanks for being there. It means a lot to the chapter.

Hey, if you didn't hear it yet, Rick and Mary are pregnant. Congrats and good luck from the hood. (We love you both.)

Well that's all for now.

See you all at the next meeting.

Your secretary/public relations/  
newsletter lady,

Tonia Judd

*Douglas County Chapter*

**DOUGLAS COUNTY MEET-  
ING TIME and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 1230 ( 12:30pm )  
Round Table Pizza  
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Josephine County Chapter

Well "Hi everyone" from *Josephine County*!!

Things are going great here. I'm so excited about our chapter.

We had a first meeting on 04 September 2003. We had a good turnout at it 43 people. I have to tell you that's not bad for a first meeting, what with *Woodburn Drags* getting ready to start and some of our members already off to it.

I'm proud to say after a lot of work and only being a chapter for a very short time we now have 89 members and we're still growing all the time. We've had a lot of positive response to the forming of this chapter.

I'd love to mention that I was really

blown away by the September newsletter. I think I look good in that bus. <Ha-ha> Rot does a really good job on the newsletter.

I'd also like to thank the local bike shops here in Grants Pass for their support and donations for our raffle at our last meeting. Also the *Provolt Store* in Provolt that is really awesome to the local bikers here.

There's a lot of riders out there if you take the time to talk to them who would join *A.B.A.T.E.* I've learned that it takes a little effort and time and it works to get new members into *A.B.A.T.E.*

*Out of 89 members, 70 of them are new members to A.B.A.T.E. in our chapter.*

Take care and ride safe,

Pat "Spanky" Allen  
*Josephine County* coordinator

**JOSEPHINE COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 1800 ( 6 pm )  
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**Northeast Portland Chapter**

*Summer Run* was a great time.

We had twenty vendors just waiting for people to show up, eat six different types of food, buy leather, t-shirts, knives, jewelry

and events that were lots of fun. The bands played their hearts out in weather that was clear and warm.

Friday's band, *Where's Joe* was a big hit. People kept asking us if they were going to play on Saturday also. Love them blues. *J.R. Sims* rocked us on Saturday and *Vagabond* closed the show.

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to put this on. Lee Austin, Spike, Robert Hale, Kat and I have been planning this for almost a year. Spike, Rob, Janet, Craig and Debbie Mae manned the gate. Janet and Brandy put on the kids games. Spike, Al and Marty put on the adult games. Rusty and Tim Taylor, Stan and Dewayne put up and took down the stage and canopies. Marty Coon and Lee Austin manned the *A.B.A.T.E.* booth all weekend. Marty used his motor home as the back of the booth. We were able to use the generator in it to help power the stage and lights. Matt Hobbs, Barry Skinner, and Ron held down security. Rotten Roger pulled the stage to the site with the water truck and then got the truck filled up with water in Estacada which was good considering that it was pretty hot. Pee Wee and Buff Helzer arrived with the run trailer on Thursday night.

So the point of all of this is that a team put on the event. It takes a team working together for a common cause. When you are a team, you can accomplish almost anything. Like freedom of choice on the road, if we work together, it's just a matter of time.

Well, it was a great party at a great location and we ended up breaking even so maybe next year we will do better at the gate since we won't be competing with the *Harley-Davidson* 100th Anniversary celebration in Portland.

Our *Northeast Portland Safety Awareness Poker Run* took place on Saturday of Labor Day weekend. The weather was almost too hot so those shady spots along the road were very appreciated. Each of the stops along the way greeted us with open arms. We started from the *American Legion* on 21st and Albina

in Portland where we had a killer breakfast, went out US 30 to St Helens, went over the mountains to *Cedar Side Inn* in Veronia then on to Gales Creek, back over the mountains to *Skyline Tavern* on Skyline Drive and back to *North House* on Portland highway for a bar-b-que dinner that the bar had been cooking for two days. Almost everyone got a door prize.

Winning high hand took home \$84, low hand took home \$42. 50-50 winner took home \$60. All the money we raised is used by our chapter to fund the reimbursement of chapter riders taking the *Team Oregon Motorcycle Safety Course*. Thanks to Bill VanKirk and Oopie for setting up the route and extending it to Gales Creek.

I had a great ride down to Crater Lake last weekend. This was my first time there and I highly recommend it.

We stayed at the *Woodman's* motel in Cresent and while the beds were a little hard, the service was wonderful and the rooms were clean and warm. Next door was a restaurant that had more stuffed animals than I had ever seen. It was like eating at a varmint museum. Across the street was a very friendly little bar. But it's pool table didn't like me very much. It seemed to like everyone else though as they proceeded to kick my butt. The beer was cold, the people friendly and I could walk back to the room instead of having to ride which turned out to be a good thing.

Crater Lake was formed by a volcano that blew it's top and all of it's magma 8,000 years ago, then collapsed into the hole that was left under it. Lost about 5,000 feet off the top. Must have been quite an event according to the local tribes.

Imagine Mt Rainier turning from an outtie to an innie.

Like to have seen that.

The little island in the middle is what is left of the top with a little cinder cone in the middle. The water is blue beyond belief. It's almost 2,000 feet deep.

On the way back, the rain started as soon as we went over the mountain toward Eugene. By the time we got to I-5, everyone was ready for a break. We stopped at the

*Sunrise Cafe* for a bite to eat and a chance to dry out a little. They greeted us with open

arms. Let us put all of our wet leathers in a separate booth, the owner came over and talked about our bikes and his *Gold Wing*.

So if you are near Pleasant Hill on SR 58 by I-5, stop by the *Sunrise Cafe* and have a great meal and some good company. Biker friendly places are few and far between and this is one.

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

So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

Ride often, ride long, ride happy.  
Crow

The wind is my friend,  
the bike, my companion.

Hours we have shared  
the communion of the road.

Of us want this ride to end yet.

One more moment  
we pause,  
the lights draw us forward,  
moths to the sacrifice.

**N.E. PORTLAND MEETING****TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 1930  
(7:30pm)

Round Table Pizza  
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

River City Chapter

August 19, 2003

Tonight's meeting was big, with 22 people! Tim rode his new *Ducati*, and Ron Colegrove became our newest member. He's been getting in plenty of local riding and is having a great time doing it.

We talked about upcoming events such as our parking project at the Klickitat County Fair next weekend.

Attention Attention Attention

We need more volunteers show up Saturday or Sunday mornings at 9:00 at the fairgrounds in Goldendale or be at Holstein's in The Dalles before 8:15 to ride together.

We also talked about the *Three Flags Tour* the following weekend. We need volunteers to man the checkpoint on Sunday and Monday of Labor Day weekend.

It is a chance to meet all sorts of unusual folks who are doing weekend jaunt from Tijuana to BC. Call Teresa for details or to sign up.

Our membership drawing would have been won by Mary Green if she had been present tonight. It will be \$25 next meeting. 50/50 was won by Teresa (second time in a row) at \$10/\$10, who donated her share back to the chapter. Thanks, Teresa.

September 2, 2003

Good meeting tonight with about 20 people and lots of discussion. We will be recruiting members ( and others) to do a *Team Oregon E.R.C.* in the spring. For details, come to a meeting.

We decided to do the *Klickitat County Fair* parking project again and my get more money next time. They like our work and lots of folks made good comments about us. We already have the check for \$300 from it.

Teresa and Lynn did a terrific job of organizing the *Three Flags Classic* checkpoint. It was a lot of fun and earned

us another \$100. We met a lot of very serious riders who much appreciated our efforts to take good care of them.

We've heard that Greg Hughes is having a bit of a rough time after his accident. Lee said people's visits and small kindnesses made abig difference for him as he mended, so let's get out there and visit to cheer Greg on in his healing process. The chapter also voted to donate \$300 to Greg and Laurie to help with expenses at this difficult time.

Justin volunteered to do the secretary job in Brian's absence next meeting. Thanks, Justin. Teresa will be going to the board of directors meeting in Brian's place.

Brian won the 50/50 at \$11/\$11 and donated his share back to the chapter, Thanks, Brian. Sue Wiebalk would have won the chapter [membership] drawing for \$25 if she had been present. It will be \$30 next meeting.

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:00 pm.16 people present, three arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Tim because they were presented in written form.

Correspondence was a letter.

Treasury Report is \$373.21

Membership Report: 73

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols: The fair and *Three Flags Classic* took up the last two weeks and cut down on riding. Three people went to Kah Ne Tah last Sunday

Planned Rides: Birkenfeld 21 September; *Street Vibrations*, Reno 26-28 September; *Teste Fest* 21 September; *MeetingOf The Minds* 13-28 September

*Three Flags Classic*: Great time and we got a \$100 [check] for our treasury.

*Klickitat County Fair* parking project The check is in our possession. Brian moved to commit to doing the project next year, passed.

New Business

New charity fundraising idea — Delese Temporary Secretary for 16 September: Justin.

Brian: E.R.C. planning move to old business and start gathering participants for spring.

Brian:*Poker Run* - yes

Greg Hughes: Steve moved to donate \$250 to Greg to help him out. Lynne made a friendly amendment to increase it to \$300; passed. Stop by and visit him at 1214 Washington Street, The Dalles

Announcements

Membership Drawing for \$25 would have been won by Sue Wiebalk if she had been present. It will be \$30 next time.

50/50 was won by Brian at \$11\$11 who donated his share back to the chapter. Thanks, Brian.

Adjourned 8:05 pm

Upcoming meetings

October 7, 2003

7:00 PM

Brian

RIVER CITY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7pm )

Lone Pine Restaurant  
335 Lone Pine Dr. -- The Dalles  
( I-84 & US-197 )

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

*Salem Chapter*

It is so nice to get together with our members at meetings, sit around to do nothing but a little planning and listen to some reports.

There are 104 people signed up for membership in *Salem Chapter* and if there is ever anything someone in another chapter needs, feel free to call us up. The contact number is in the corner of the page that these minutes are on.

At the August state board meeting in Newport, Spanky (the coordinator of *Josephine County Chapter*) brought up the thing about phone trees and keeping in touch with members. The point being - you got to reach out to people you have not seen in awhile to make sure they are still okay and not needing help in one way or the other. Stay in touch with your members. They might like it!

I met a new member at this meeting. His name is Ken Robinson. Welcome to the chapter and organization.

So, my friend Kathy signed up for *A.B.A.T.E.* along with her family and now they are coming to runs and she is going to accept the nomination that I will make in November for her to

run for the position of secretary. It feels good to find someone that is proactive, willing to take a chance.

Looks like we may need a membership person for next year unless we can talk Sheryl into staying. Also, the idea of nominating a person for the position of chaplain was brought up by me, Michelle. I thought Bob Woodworker would be good for that.

Mona has been doing some great work on gathering info on a fundraiser for animals. What with our *Annual Food Drive* for humans (which looks like it will net more than last year) she came up with the idea of one for animals. This is such a great notion and there is so much need for it. Will have more on this as the idea is worked out.

Our meeting place in October is the *Chalet Restaurant* on Market Street in northeast Salem. (Right across from *Elmer's* . . . sort of.) We will also be there in November.

For the *Lime Ride* that we had in September, the *C.M.A.*, graciously offered the use of their sound system. A big "thank you" to them for

personing that coffee trailer at *S.O.S.* It sure is nice to get up, just have the coffee ready and not have to wait for it to perk on the campstove. What a good feeling to be so spoiled.

Check out the swap meets coming up in Roseburg on October 26th and the Portland one on November 16th. Please see the fliers in this newsletter. Thank you!!

That is all the news that fits.

Maybe.

Be well and happy with yourself,

Michelle FitzHenry Lipchitz  
*Salem Chapter* goddess

**SALEM MEETING TIME  
and PLACE**

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

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

South Coast Chapter



S.O.S. went very well.

We had a possible heart attack victim Friday night and the emergency medical technician. response time was amazing. They did an excellent job. One of the E.M.T.'s rode on the back of Mike Richards bike to go meet the ambulance and all the kid could say was "Sweet, this is sweet."

The fire dancers did an excellent job and both bands were very good.

I was a little disappointed that a lot of our South Coast members didn't show and none of them were able to stick around and help with cleanup.

The members who did show, did a good job. Some worked more than others, but all helped at one time or another. This year's event is as successful as the first one we did. Willamette Valley and Douglas County did a great job too.

We saw some areas in need of improvement which we will be working on. Most of our trouble-makers were the locals who live there, but our security guys were right on top of it and did a great job defusing some other issues.

The vendors were all really good. Deb and Tim Malone did a great job

and of course Mike Taylor and Wendy and their crew did a wonderful job as well. I am hoping to have a critique meeting after the state board meeting to iron out some things for next year's S.O.S. while it's still fresh in our minds.

Thanks also to Rotten Roger for getting the golf carts to us, all the workers from the three chapters, and especially a big thanks to everyone who attended. We hope everyone had a great time and want to do it again next year.

Charlie



Charlie Hill, Mike Taylor, Rick Maish, Rotten Roger, Griz, Hall Fletcher, with Wendy in front, eating oysters at SOS

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

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Southeast Portland Chapter**

Hi folks,

Hope that everyone who attended the Portland chapters' *Summer Run* enjoyed themselves. All went well for those I have talked to.

The *A.B.A.T.E.* family picnic, hosted by *Southeast* and *Northeast* chapters, will have happened by the time this newsletter comes out. We hope that a lot of you were able to attend and those of you did attend enjoyed a change of site.

Officer elections will be soon for our chapter. I know that there will be changes for us and hope that those who step up will bring fresh ideas to our chapter, and those who stay on as officers continue to do a fantastic job they have been.

The seasons are changing and soon the holidays will be with us, among the hustle and bustle be aware of the weather changes and the hazards that come along with them. Its been a hard year for some *A.B.A.T.E.* riders and our associates. Lets all ride and drive safe so everyone can enjoy another year in the wind.

Later,

Tami

P.S. If anyone has information about a pair of lady's black chaps with red rose inserts and a ladies black vest with *2003 Redwood Run* pins on it, please contact me. They were "taken" from a friends bike at *Run 21*. Tami (503)-408-9039. No questions asked!

**Run 21, 2003**

*Run 21* went off with a bang! The opening of the first band, *The Yanks*, was the national anthem, which was sung by Nicolle Battisca.

*The Yanks* definitely entertained the crowd, but was cut short due to a few problems with getting sound up in time.

*Vagabond* followed with Troy Spence back at the helm and put on a good show.

*Kenny Lee and the Sundowners* and *J.R. Sims and Texas Special* pulled up the evening and into the early morning. I know I don't have to say a word about either of these people. It was quite the night with over six hundred people showing on Friday night. Yes, we did have a hospitality tent that served all who could get one. Thank you Jack for working the tent with your *O.L.C.C.* license.

Saturday showed and was a day for all. The usual events, games, shows,

*Run 21* girls. Quite a few things to do for one day. 4:30 came early and the bands began to play.

*Flashpoint* opened the evening for the *Fryed Brothers* and the party was on. By this time the crowd had grown to 1,000 people.

Rock on.

Van Zant, singing bare foot, like the legendary Ronnie Van Zant of Leonard Skynard was in top shape. These guys can tear it up. I can see this band making another appearance sometime in the future.

Having thought the show was over, the crowd left, but began to come back. Last but not least were the

*Stingers*. The hundred people who came back were not disappointed. If you missed this venue you missed quite the show and you definitely lost out this year. There is always next year.

Being 59 this year put the strain on myself and by the time it was all over I felt like 95. All in all, from the phone calls and personal comments, it is very self rewarding.

*Run 21* is here to stay and over the next couple of years we hope to be one of the biggest and best runs in the northwest. This is one run you need to put on your list of runs to be at. I want to thank all the people of *Southeast Portland Chapter* who helped, plus all who helped period.

And all the people from every corner who attended this run, thank you very much. I hope you all had a good time.

See ya all next year and most important, "See ya in the funnies"

Lee A. Austin

*Run 21* coordinator

Kerry "Maddog" Trotter

*Run 21* producer

**S.E. Portland MEETING****TIMES and PLACE**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 1200 (noon)

M/M Restaurant & Lounge  
137 N. Main -- Gresham

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

Southern Oregon Chapter



Southern Oregon Chapter *movers and shakers*: Ric, Robert, Pat, A.B., Dan, Herb, and Motor.

Well guys and gals,

We had a pretty good September chapter meeting. We had a couple of visitors who joined before the meeting was concluded. Ironman is considering taking the position of historian. Herb is checking on A.B.A.T.E. cards ("You have just met A.B.A.T.E. member \_\_\_\_\_") and personalized name bars for our cuts.

A.B. wants to see about going on the internet more especially the officers. But if you have internet, then by all means use it!

We currently show 61 members, but we are not sure exactly how many members we currently have. We are not sure how many have changed their chapter status to *Josephine County Chapter*. We who remain with *Southern Oregon Chapter* are still *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc, Southern Oregon Chapter*.

Until the *Freedom Run* in November, we are accepting donations of time, energy, and money to put on the run. It will be a poker run ending at a barbeque only known to those who participate in the poker run.

Well that's about all I can think of at this time, so signing off!

Yours truly,

---Ric---

**Attention**

***Southern Oregon Chapter Meeting time and day has changed***

We now meet in Medford at:  
*Abby's Legendary Pizza*  
2550 Crater Lake Highway  
Medford, Oregon  
7:00PM  
the second Wednesday of each month

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

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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Washington County Chapter**

First of all, let me apologize for not writing a submission for the September newsletter. I thought I had but cannot find it and it did not appear in print, so therefore it must have been a dream. Life has been a little hectic with the passing of my father and the purchase of a home that required a lot of work, not to mention the family visits that accompanied the illness of my father, I simply forgot. I would like to thank everyone for their understanding during this difficult time. Their kindness has been a blessing. This is truly an organization that is a brotherhood.

With everything that has been going on, neither my boyfriend nor I have been doing much riding. In fact, we both gave up the September *First Sunday Ride* to work on the house. That just does not seem right, but there is so much to do! So, chaplain and education director Roger headed for parts unknown. The ride drawn was to Corvallis. He was not sure where he was headed when we parted ways. Other members who showed up for breakfast and a ride headed off to *Liverpalooza*. It was one of those grey, drizzly days that can be kind of scary after a long, dry, hot spell. Nothing like a little road snot to make you question your sanity and check your pulse regularly.

There have been a rash of *Harley* thefts in recent months, including Gary Watson's "Cow Bike". Now, that one is a classic and should be easy to find, but it seems it's gone. The main culprit appears to be a lack of necessity of using a key to start the ignition (those newer bikes, not the kick-start kind). Most of us are so comfortable in our surroundings that we even leave our gear with our bikes. (Present company included!)

Now, if you see someone wearing my "road flare" leathers and it is not me, you have my permission to take them down! Especially if they are on my Primadonna!

I know it is a bit harder to tell each other apart with all that black leather, but the message here is:

1. Lock your bike, use your key.
2. Don't leave your stuff (helmet) on your bike.
3. Don't assume your bike and gear is safe in a group of riders.

We hope that everyone who has lost their beloved piece of machinery will be able to get it back intact. I have been a victim of burglary in the past. I can empathize with feelings of helplessness and rage from having something taken from you, including your sense of trust.

By the time this gets to print, *End of Summer Run* will be just a memory. I know Jim Henderson has been taking a lot of calls and putting in a bunch of time to get everything squared away. I can only hope that the event was a success. We will not know how much money was raised for the

Birkenfeld/Mist volunteer fire department nor how many people attended. Look for an update in the November newsletter. By then we will be gearing up for the *Toy Run* and *Ice Cycle Run*, which are already being planned by the run committee.

Just a friendly reminder that our membership drawing was headed to \$500 in early September as no one won it in August. I would like to tell you that Richard Van Der Borg was not present for the drawing, but that would be redundant because he missed out earlier in the year too. Rick :Smith" did not claim the early August drawing. That pot just keeps growing. Still no winners in 2003. What are the chances of that?

Well, school is in session, leaves are falling from trees, people are still not paying attention behind the wheel, so please watch out for the other guy, whether on foot or in a cage.

Be safe and I'll see you on the road!

Linda Wells  
WaCo secretary

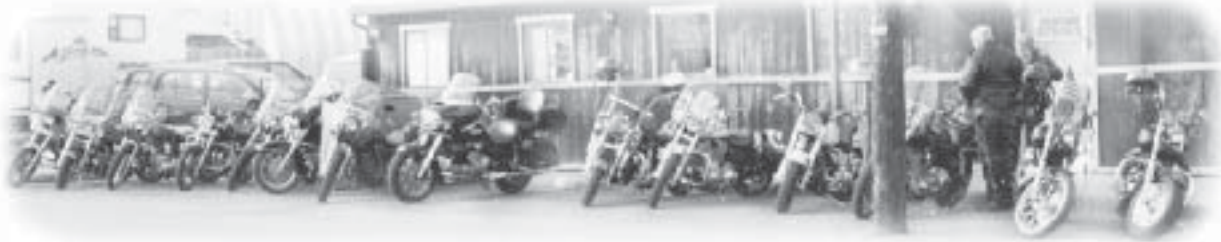
**WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 1930  
( 7:30pm )  
Prime Time Sports Bar  
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## A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

## Willamette Valley Chapter



Since I won't say much about legislative/political issues this month, I would advise you read last month's report by Michael Boggs. In fact, tear it out and nail it on your fridge! He said it all very well, and his thoughts are ones we should all keep in mind!!

At the August meeting, Andrew Mason finally broke the two-year long membership drawing pot for \$270!! Thought I'd get that out there right away. We've all been drooling over it for sometime, and, even though it wasn't me, I'm glad to see it start over at \$20 for the September meeting!! Congrats Andrew!!

Don't forget Hal's comment in the chapter newsletter about the October chapter planning meeting. It will be a session for *all of us* to take a good look at *Willamette Chapter*, establish our priorities, focus on our political future, and begin creating a new leadership. Your input is critical for this. We're over 200 strong and that should give us plenty of grist for the mill. Buster has been feverishly trying to get rides organized and could use some ideas on motivation and directions from the chapter. There will also be some changes in the officers. Our meetings have been well attended, and there is a lot of new energy available to help define what we're doing and where we're headed.

I'd also like to commend Hal for not only doing a fine job of leading the

chapter but for putting together a *great* newsletter!! If you haven't seen it in color yet, download it off the chapter web page. There are lots of great bits of info and updates and plenty of humor! It's a good read... don't miss it!

The third annual *S.O.S. Run* was a great success this year! Our thanks to Rotten Roger for bringing the state's stage all the way down from Portland and helping us figure out the so called "directions" for putting it together!

A little kickoff reunion Thursday night before the run put away five (or six?) dozen oysters thanks to "chef Grizz" and the Douglas county pranksters!! (I could hardly move Friday morning.)

Deb and Tim at *Douglas County* did a fine job putting together a good selection of vendors, and Charlie's crew from *South Coast* handled the 720 or so attendees without a hitch. The games and bike show got a little harried but turned out well, and security was able to handle the crowd without any major problems.

*Repeat Offender* and the opener band, *Forrest T Black*, did an incredible show for all, and the typical "hot" weather was even more tolerable than the last two years.

Although the take was a bit under what our first year brought in, I think it might have been the most satisfying one of the three. I've got a lot of good

feedback overall this year and look forward to 2004.

Thanks to all the folks from *South Coast* and *Douglas County* chapters for their efforts. *South Coast*, on the heels of the *Coos River Run* and *Douglas County*, with it's limited numbers, were a hundred percent and totally indispensable.

Deb and Tim, Grizz, Tanya and D.J. and the rest from *Douglas*, as well as Charlie, Kelly, Michael and others from *South Coast* were great. Couldn't have done it without you and all the rest.

WILAMETTE VALLEYMEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

**Willamette Valley Chapter**  
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Special thanks to Charlie for taking up the lead this year (and keeping me in line!). You were great!

In our own chapter: Thanks to Wendy for holding down the info-booth and keeping it running, and to Maryann for taking over so much of my responsibilities this year. Her advertising and organizing experience helped put the S.O.S. word out there very effectively.

Above all, thanks to the many other *Willamette Valley Chapter* members who put a big chunk of their "party time" aside in order to help make this another successful run. It was hot, hard, grueling work at times, but always fun!!

It's that kind of effort and good times in action that assures me our chapter will continue to grow, make an impact on behalf of motorcyclists in Oregon, and just plain make the good times happen!

Don't forget *Casino Night* on October 11th at *Yukon Jack's* in Veneta. Bring something worth auctioning off and join the fun! Gambling is 2:00 to 6:00 and the auction is from 6:00 to 8:00-ish. Live music tops off the evening, and it's *always* a great time!!

Ride safe, ride free,

Michael

## A Thank You From Billie Joe

Billie Joe wishes to express her appreciation for all the help she received after taking an unexpected backwards ride on the front fender of a motorcycle at Run 21.

She especially wants to thank Santa, Peppermint Patty, *Columbia River*, and *Southeast Portland* chapters for their aid.

Tiamo ("love" -- Italian)

### BikePAC of Oregon, Inc



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## 2003 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Circle Type of Membership

INDIVIDUAL	CORPORATE
Associate .....\$15	Sponsor .....\$150
Full .....\$30+	Supporting .....\$300
Family .....\$40+	Platinum .....\$750
MAB * .....\$60+	MAB * .....\$1000

GROUP OR CLUB

* Member of the Advisory Board	General .....\$75
	Supporting .....\$150
	MAB * .....\$300

Your contribution will be directed into the BikePAC General Fund, which includes the Education Fund, unless you specify the following:

Put \$\_\_\_\_\_ of my contribution into a dedicated fund supporting Motorcycle friendly candidates (Qualifies for Oregon Tax Credit up to \$50 individual and \$100 couple)

I am in State Senate District \_\_\_\_\_ I am in State Representative District \_\_\_\_\_

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

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## Our Officers at Work

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

13 September 2003



by Charlie Hill  
State Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:12 with 12 of the 15 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the August 09, 2003.

Motion made by Mel Yeager, seconded by Randy Phipps to approve minutes as printed, motion carried.

**Coordinators Comments**

Joe was very glad to have everyone there and noted a lot of faces present we haven't seen in awhile. Joe also reminded everyone that we conduct the meetings under parliamentary rules: you have ten minutes to discuss the subject, then you can't speak on that issue again. You may address a question to the chair, not the speaker.

**Correspondence**

None.

**\*\*\* Officer Reports \*\*\***

**Legislative Director:** Rick Maish said in the newsletter and packet is a constitutional quiz. Take the quiz before you look at the answers to see how much you know.

Rick received an e-mail from Ken Ray that the sport bike portion of the *A.M.A.* is attempting to take all three of the individual member seats. This could have an adverse affect for motorcyclists rights issues within *A.M.A.*

Rick received an e-mail from Frank Saxon that he sent to a large number of people. Seems he is attempting to run against representative Greenlick of the Portland area. Mel commented that Greenlick was our "enemy" in the last legislative session.

From *M.R.F.*, Tom Wyld a letter in remembrance of 9-11. Tom and the *M.R.F.* board of directors joins all Americans in remembrance of that terrible day.

A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania wins helmet reform. You can go to their website: [www.abatepa.org/abate/legislation/history/sb259-2003.htm](http://www.abatepa.org/abate/legislation/history/sb259-2003.htm) and see how they did it.

**A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative:** Joe recognized that Mel cannot be our *BikePAC* representative but Mel did let us know that they will be having a meeting October 4 at 12:30 at the Salem city library downstairs in *Anderson A* meeting room. Mel also noted that *BikePAC* is donating \$100 toward the hospitality room at the *Oregon Summit*.

**Confederation of Clubs representative:** Ed Vaughn was not present. Ted Tracy informed us that Ed told him they have not had a meeting, therefore had no report.

**Confederation of Clubs representative II:** Bob Earl was not present.

**Education director:** Geoff White thanked *Hub City* for the M.A.P. classes they taught during the summer school and thanked Matt Hobbs and Judd Whitcher [for] helping him with classes. Go to area schools and if they don't have time for our program, we do have a short video they could use.

*Team Oregon Basic Rider and Experienced Rider* course in Portland: If interested in either of these two classes, Geoff is taking names today to put together a class.

**Education director II:** Nora Rohde reported that she is still working on *Rogue Community College* and *Douglas County* is interested in doing some classes.

**Membership secretary:** Jill Tracy was not present, therefore Ted reported 2,116 members. Ted put membership posters in the packets today. Take tape and put them up in windows. Mel noted that they have two new members who are also going to attend the *Oregon Summit*.

**Newsletter editor:** Rot Path thanked all for additions and apologized to *Southeast Portland* for missing their submissions and he forgot to put the map on back for *End of Summer Run*. September 19 is *Talk Like a Pirate Day*. Swap meet flyer year is wrong for Roseburg in the newsletter. Joe wants Rot to look into the cost of eight color pages or whatever Rot thinks best. Something more eye catching, putting our best foot forward. Need overruns arranged to be dropped at the church.

**Products:** Michelle Hobbs reported she is working on dew rags and stainless steel mugs

and has vintage t-shirts for sale. Ted gave Michelle 15,000 new bumper stickers: 5,000 each of *Legalize Freedom, Be Aware, Motorcycles are Everywhere* and *Let Those that Ride Decide*. Be sure representatives take a bunch back to their chapters.

**Public relations:** Melinda McCrossen thanked Randy Phipps, Duane Calkins, Iris and Mel Yeager as they have all been working on the summit. Melinda has been running swap meets [ads] in the *Nickle Ads*. Thanks to all who have been getting posters up. Thanks to Roger, Bill and Michelle for getting posters out. Willy brought *S.T.E.A.M.* agenda for *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* and Melinda noted they have a new members class and we should think of doing something like that. Vernonia has a banner that says "Welcome *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*."

**State run coordinator:** Rotten Roger reports that flyers need to get out in southern Oregon for the *Roseburg Swap Meet* and *Portland Swap Meet* flyers need to get out too. Roger is still working on the *Fossil* tri-fold. Need help at *Roseburg Swap Meet*. Need some help Saturday 9 a.m. and will need security Sunday. E-mails are out and post cards sent. *Washington County* want to be in charge of parking at the *Portland Swap Meet*.

**State run coordinator II:** Michelle Lipchitz reports that she will be at the *Lane County Fairgrounds* September 21 passing out swap meet flyers. If anyone is interested in helping her, all are welcome to help.

**Treasurer:** Wendy Vaughn has stepped down from the position.

**Chapter auditor:** Nancy Curran was not present but Tom Curran passed out her report in the packets.

**Historian:** Iris Yeager reported she and Mel had their first call requesting a motorcycle awareness class for this school year. Iris Patton, one of the teachers of driver's training classes in Albany talked with Iris for several minutes saying how helpful the program is. [Students] take their responsibility as a driver more seriously. Ms. Patton said that it helped that we teach the same standards as she does, but from the motorcyclist's, not the teacher's

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[perspective]. Mel does his presentation as a macho guy, and Iris presents her part as mom/grandma who loves them and is proud of them for learning to drive properly. She emphasizes that by driving within the laws and obeying the rules of the road, they can enjoy many years of driving. Iris said she often mentions her mom who is 85 years old and has never had an accident or ticket and she still drives. Do you realize that is 69 years to be able to get yourself to where you want to go? (A big number for those kids.)

Iris also wanted to encourage support for *M.R.F.* The September *M.R.F. Report* is full of information concerning our rights being considered in Washington D.C. at the federal level. Our own Teresa Hepker is the editor of this national publication. [*M.R.F. Report.*] It is also important that individuals as well as organizations help the national effort to protect our rights by joining the *M.R.F.* and participating in making government policy all year long. As a dues-paying member you receive a *M.R.F.* newsletter every two months and regular updates on your e-mail. This is to keep you informed on what is being done on a national level and how you can be instrumental in the decisions being made in our nations capitol.

Iris also noted how she really does appreciate the pictures of events you contribute for the state history books. Due to their family needs and involvement in other organizations, she and Mel are not able to come to the many runs and events that are put on during the summer in Oregon, although they wish they could be there with you.

**Webpage editor:** Maddog was not in attendance.

**Vice-coordinator—north:** Matt Hobbs apologized for missing the last meeting.

**Vice-coordinator—south:** Tim Rohde reported he turned in 42 new members for *Josephine County*: Carl Wilson, a radio announcer, a congressman and several others. Need help with the swap meet: help vendors unload and passing out flyers.

**Vice-coordinator—east:** Bob Hadley said on September 11, three quarters of his chapter showed up for a memorial with about

100 motorcycles.

**Sergeant at Arms North:** Matt Hobbs reported they will need help with security.

**Sergeant-at-arms—south:** Cole Hembree was not present.

**Sergeant-at-arms—east:** Keith Odoms was not here.

**Sanctioning officer:** Ron Bloker reported said he received and submitted flyers from *Central Oregon, Hub City, Salem, and South Coast*. Any other chapters who have events coming up that he didn't mention, need to get in touch with him.

**Quartermaster:** Steve Baton reported he had been on a long trip the last six weeks traveling 8,200 miles. He is going to look at the box van and need to have a serious discussion about it.

**Committee reports**

1. **Run committee:** We have four swap meets and *Fossil*: pitch in where you can. Roger mentions we need more people on the committee and they need to be team players.

**Unfinished business**

1. *O.D.O.T. Safety Conference:* October 15-17, 2003. Joe Laurance, Geoff White, Nora Rohde and Randy Phipps will be attending and will write and submit a report.

2. *Oregon Summit:* Iris, Brian, Theresa, and Roger to attend. Chapters are picking up others.

3. *Annual Meeting:* Melinda said Jim Niece is not interested in helping this year. Matt Hobbs volunteered to take care of the food for the meeting.

**New business**

1. Treasurer position: Ted said he would take it through the end of the year. Need a chapter treasurer to step up beginning January. Joe appointed Ted as interim treasurer.

2. Captain Mitch Putnam from the *Governor's Advisory Board* spoke. He is a long-time *A.B.A.T.E.* member. He joined the *Governor's Advisory Board* for motorcycle safety advisory board and bumped up over the years and is now chairman of the board. As chairman of the meeting, he sets the agenda and tries not to change the agenda. He informed us that the committee is in

balance by gender, ethnic, and geographically. This year their budget will be difficult as they have had the same budge for the last five years and it looks like this year they will only get about [?] of what they have in the past. They will try for federal monies. He brought brochures, bumper stickers, and buttons along with road maintenance phone numbers for you to report any road hazzards. Majority of accidents are single vehicle alcohol involved.

Next meeting will be September 13, 2003. Jim Bennett is his vice chair. They meet the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the transportation building located at 235 Union Street N.E. Everyone is welcome. Hold comments until that section of the meeting. Any issues regarding transportation can be addressed at these committee meetings. They are looking at European countries who are being a little more motorcycle friendly. He also said that the [traffic] lights are mass sensing, not weight sensing. This issue was brought up before but was written improperly as weight sensing, so it was dismissed. Report all accidents to road maintenance so they are aware of all road hazards. He said he would be more than willing to speak at any of the chapter meetings. His phone number is (503)-807-3423. He also brought two *Team Oregon* gift certificates good for any *Team Oregon* class.

Joe called for anyone with two 7's or two 8's in their membership number and the certificates were won by Melinda and Ted. [Rot Path, actually.]

**Announcements**

*Lime Ride:* September 27

*O.P.B.* fund raiser: Michelle Lipchitz can sign you up.

*End of Summer Run* next weekend.

Ron reminds everyone to submit your run dates no later than next month.

Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.



Nora



Geoff

# Education Directors



Greetings from Nora Rohde and Geoff White,

Another school year has begun, and that means another year of motorcycle awareness presentation opportunities.

I would like to thank the people who have already contributed along with those who are notifying me that they are interested in becoming involved in our program. I'll be contacting the schools and organizations to try to get some dates for our motorcycle awareness presentations soon.

I'll be contacting the people who are interested in becoming instructors in the near future to set up some training seminar dates. The certification process is very easy, and it can be accomplished in a couple of ways. The normal way to become involved in the program in an instructor capacity is to attend an awareness presentation as an observer. We will provide you with the information on the program which will enable you to determine if you would like to become an instructor. If it appeals to you, we'll have you begin the process of presenting the information as an instructor in a future class visit.

The material is very easy to master, and the students are terrific to work with. Many of the students already have a pretty good attitude regarding motorcycles and motorcyclists. After you have given a presentation as an instructor number one, and as an instructor number two we consider that you are certified to present the program.

See how easy that was.

The second method that I am happy

to provide to see that members can become certified instructors is a seminar prior to a state board meeting. The state board meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month in Junction City. The meeting begins at 12:00, so if we are to schedule a seminar for training and certification, it would have to begin promptly at 11:00. I will be happy to set a seminar up for this training as long as I know that there is a demand and that there will be people who will show up at 11:00. This method must be set up and coordinated in advance.

Becoming a certified instructor and delivering our *Motorcycle Awareness Program* is a great way to help protect the lives of many motorcyclists, and open the eyes of a large group of people to our world of motorcycling. Thank you for playing a valuable part in our program.

Now that the summer season is slowing down a bit, I'll try to get a class or two with *Team Oregon* for basic motorcycle rider training and experienced motorcycle rider training scheduled. I must insist that the only way that I can do this is with a strong commitment from the people who are interested in the classes. I will not be able to pay for classes that people decide that they cannot attend after I have set up the date. Please plan on attending the class if you have signed up for it. I am updating my lists of people who would like to take either of these two types of classes.

Please contact me with an e-mail at:

[gwhite5528@worldnet.att.net](mailto:gwhite5528@worldnet.att.net), or with a telephone call to (503)-774-7558 if you wish to be on my list for a class in the Portland area. I must have a firm commitment from twelve members before I can schedule a class.

Remember that the basic rider training class requires a Friday evening, a full day Saturday, and a full day Sunday.

The experienced rider class will require a full day on Saturday. Please contact me. Ask your chapters about the *A.B.A.T.E.* reimbursements for these classes.

Thank you to all the people who have made this summer school driver's education season so successful for our *Motorcycle Awareness Program*.

We have had a great opportunity to reach out to many new young drivers with our "share the road" message. I hope that these new drivers will all go on to become thoughtful, conscientious, and courteous motorists, as we have all striven to be. Our lives depend on other peoples' attitudes, so help them to develop a positive one.

Spread the awareness, ya'll.

Take care.

Geoff White, Nora Rohde

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## The Constitutional Quiz

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How much do you know about your Constitutional Rights and how they have changed since September 11th?

### “We the People”

by Karen McCowan  
*The Register-Guard*

Talk about a toll: Seattle resident Loren Kinman, fed up with people cutting across his yard to reach a local fireworks show, set up a unique sidewalk poll. Before passing through, folks had to pass his *Constitution 101* pop quiz.

If people were going to trample his grass, he figured, they ought to at least know the inalienable rights they were celebrating.

We don't control any shortcuts to local pyrotechnic displays.

We can only invite you to voluntarily test your knowledge of the history and freedoms feted on this holiday. It seems timely, for two reasons: Most Americans say their constitutional knowledge is a bit rusty, and some of our freedoms have changed since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

So, please - do try this at home before venturing out to celebrate *Independence Day*.

1. True or false: July 4th marks the anniversary of the signing of the *U.S. Constitution*.

2. True or false: The first three words of the headline on this page (“We the

People”) are the first three words of the *Declaration of Independence*.

3. How many people signed the *Declaration of Independence*?

- a) 1
- b) 13
- c) 56
- d) 76

4. What did they risk by doing so?

5. What was the approximate value, in today's dollars, of the tea tossed overboard during the Boston Tea Party?

- a) \$85
- b) \$850
- c) \$8,500
- d) \$85,000

6. What currently out-of-favor ally helped the patriots win the Revolutionary War?

7. Who was “the father of the constitution?”

- a) George Washington
- b) John Hancock
- c) James Madison
- d) Thomas Jefferson

8. What four rights are guaranteed by the first amendment?

9. True or false: In a 1997 poll by the *National Constitution Center*, most Americans could name only one of those rights.

10. What percentage of Americans say they have a detailed knowledge of the rights and freedoms spelled out in the constitution, according to a 2002 poll by the same bipartisan organization?

- a) 16%
- b) 38%
- c) 62%
- d) 87%

11. Which of the following rights has been altered in the United States since September 11, 2001?

- Freedom of association
- Freedom of information
- Freedom of speech
- Right to legal representation

Freedom from unreasonable searches  
Right to a speedy trial  
Right to liberty  
All of the above  
None of the above

12. According to a 2002 *National Constitution Center* poll, Americans are more worried that:

- a) Terrorists might hurt us by taking advantage of our rights and freedoms
- b) The country might get so caught up in fears of terrorism that we would give up too many of our rights and freedoms

13. True or false: The defense department is developing a cyber-surveillance system that would comb through the private records of millions of Americans - bank and credit card statements, travel records, medical information, library and Internet use, employment and education records - in search of patterns that might lead to a terrorist.

14. Who said that amassing a large, unified database available to government investigators is dangerous for America?

- a) One of the *Dixie Chicks*
- b) Martin Sheen, on *The West Wing*
- c) The C.E.O. of the *C.I.A.*'s venture capital arm

15. Why did the pentagon recently change the name of its anti-terror surveillance system from *Total Information Awareness* to the *Terrorism Information Awareness*?

16. What percentage of Americans say government has crossed the line or is threatening to cross the line in terms of too much power to snoop in people's private lives?

17. Which of these groups publicly opposed the *Terrorism Information*

Awareness project?

- a) American Civil Liberties Union
- b) American Conservative Union
- c) American Library Association
- d) All of the above

18. What woman-founded organization said the T.I.A. "goes against our very character as a nation to accept that anybody is guilty until proven innocent in American. And that's exactly what T.I.A. does. It makes us all summary suspects, and does so without any guarantee that it will catch the bad guys."

- a) The liberal *National Organization for Women*
- b) The conservative *Eagle Forum*

19. What group opposed attorney general John Ashcroft's proposed *Domestic Security Enhancement Act*, saying law-abiding Americans could be classified as terrorists "for the purpose of searches, bugs and wiretaps," including "electronic surveillance for up to a year without the approval of any court at all"?

- a) *Gun Owners of America*
- b) *The American Civil Liberties Union*

**Here are the answers to the quiz**

- 1. False. It's the anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.
- 2. False. "We the people," is the beginning of the preamble to the U.S. constitution. The *Declaration of Independence* begins, "When, in the course of human events..."
- 3. c.) 56.
- 4. Execution for treason.
- 5. \$85,000.
- 6. France.
- 7. James Madison.
- 8. Freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of the press, freedom of assembly.
- 9. True. Sixty-four percent of Americans surveyed named freedom of speech, but only 41 percent could name freedom of religion, only 33 percent could name freedom of the press, and

only 17 percent could name freedom of assembly.

10. a.) Sixteen percent said they have a detailed knowledge of constitutional rights. Ironically, 38 percent said it's "dangerous for the country" if few Americans have detailed knowledge of their constitutional rights.

11. h.) All of the above. According to a 2002 *Associated Press* summary, the changes include:

Freedom of association - To assist terror investigation, government may monitor religious and political institutions without suspecting criminal activity.

Freedom of information - The government has closed once-public immigration hearings, has secretly detained hundreds of people without charges and has encouraged bureaucrats to resist public records requests.

Freedom of speech - Government may prosecute librarians or other record-keepers if they tell anyone that the government subpoenaed their records related to a terror investigation.

Right to legal representation - Government may monitor federal prison jailhouse conversations between attorneys and clients, and deny lawyers to Americans accused of crimes.

Freedom from unreasonable searches - To assist a terror investigation, the government may search and seize Americans' papers and effects without probable cause.

Right to a speedy trial - Government may jail Americans indefinitely without a trial.

Right to liberty - Americans may be jailed without being charged or being able to confront witnesses against them.

12. b.) Forty-nine percent said they were most worried that terrorist fears would would cause us to give up too many of our rights and freedoms. By contrast, 40 percent said they were more worried about terrorists taking advantage of those rights and freedoms.

13. True. It was launched as the *Total Information Awareness* project.

14. c.) Gilman Louie, C.E.O. of the *Central Intelligence Agency's* venture capital firm, called government "data mining" an overly blunt instrument likely to needlessly undermine individual freedom.

15. To alleviate privacy concerns that prompted U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden of Oregon and others to impose congressional restrictions.

16. Fifty-four percent, according to the 2002 Constitution Center poll.

17. d.) All of them.

18. b.) *Eagle Forum* executive director Lori Waters made the remarks last month.

19. a.) *Gun Owners of America*. Both groups opposed the so-called *P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act II* on constitutional grounds, but the quoted remarks are from the *G.O.A.'s* web site, which also calls the *Domestic Security Enhancement Act* "a huge end run around the fourth amendment protection against warrantless searches and seizures."

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Sources for quiz information include:

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- Gun Owners of America*, [www.gunowners.org](http://www.gunowners.org)
- The Associated Press*
- Old South Meeting House*, Boston
- The Words We Live By: Your Annotated Guide To the Constitution* by Linda Monk

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From The . . .

## GUNNY'S SACK



Just last month I had a few words to say about safety at motorcycle runs. I just returned from our *A.B.A.T.E. Summer Run* near Estacada, Oregon and unfortunately there were more injuries.

Folks leaving the run late at night hit a deer on the twisty road near the run site. The man was life-flighted and I don't know about the gal on the back. Problem could have been lack of attention or speed. These roads are curvy, wooded, and the night was *dark*. My boss Sam says he almost *never* rides after dark in the countryside – although he's not exactly Farmer John, being a Bronx boy.

Please folks, these injuries are not only expensive as hell, they ruin otherwise great times; sometimes, lives. In this case it was a deer, but it could have just as easily been a car coming the other direction and crossing the line just a little bit. We gotta start keeping our eyes open and our minds on what we are doing – and if you can, like Sam says, just stay *off* those country roads late at night!

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### Newsbit-N-Pieces

*Tokyo, Japan* — It appears from the article I read online that the expertise *Honda* has in building transmissions for *motorcycles* is the driving force behind their start-up of an automatic transmission plant for their cars in Indonesia. They say the move will cut costs and they will have better control over the quality of the product. I wonder when they will start to build

automatics again for motorcycles? They use that *Hondamatic* on one or two models. I don't think I'll wait for the day when we'll see a *Harley-matic*.

*St. Paul, Minnesota* — One person's dream may not come true, but pursuit of that dream is filled with truths other dreamers can go to school on. That's why Dan Hanlon, the former president of the *Excelsior-Henderson Motorcycle Company*, sat down and wrote a book on the rise and demise of the company. Anybody with the idea of starting a company from scratch should nose through this publication. It might just save you some grief. The book called *Riding the American Dream*, is a chronology of the successes of his dream to resurrect *Excelsior-Henderson*. Its reported to be a good read just to find out the history behind the dream. He says no matter what happened to him it shouldn't stop you from your dreams. Maybe the book will keep ya from making some of the mistakes he made.

*Trent, South Dakota* -- Representative Bill Janklow says he feels "anguish" over the death of Randolph E. Scott, the motorcyclist who was his victim the night he blew a stop sign in a hurry to go nowhere special. Janklow is well known locally for his disregard of speed limits. Now, he ignored a stop sign, it cost a biker's life, and he feels "anguish".

The law says you are innocent until proven guilty, but the facts in this case make it all pretty damned obvious what happened. The good

representative and former governor (home of Sturgis) has been formally charged with manslaughter in this incident.

I have very little sympathy for the man for what has happened. This kind of accident was absolutely preventable. If I'm a little out of line I'm sorry, but if he's guilty they should throw the book at him. This guy is supposed to show the rest of us how things are correctly done. I think he has fallen far short of his obligations to his people, and it cost the life of yet another biker on the road.

*Greensboro, North Carolina* — *Wrangler Jeans* has entered the motorcycle attire market. Many of us have worn these for years, mainly because they fit well and went over the tops of our boots. Rodeo riders have long worn these critters because they can take the punishment of falling off wild four-footed beasts doing their best to kill their riders. Now we have jeans specifically made for riding motorcycles.

They put the pockets higher up, so we don't sit on that hard wallet with no money in it.

*Wrangler* will continue to make their regular jeans, and they're good scotch britches even without all these doodads. But these new biker jeans will have, along with the high pockets, seams that are reversed to prevent chafing from long rides, and a little extra room in the thigh and knee so they don't bind when sitting. They even flattened out the little copper

rivets to protect your saddle. And, they're longer. Boots stay covered so we don't get that cold blast of air up the crotch when riding in cooler weather. Who needs *THAT!*

*England* — Dying to go? Well, the English have one-upped us again. This is from an article Sam's associate attorney, Leah Johnson, found on the internet. There is now a motorcycle funeral service in the United Kingdom that will give you your last ride in a *motorcycle hearse*. How about that? I don't know of one in this part of the planet but I think it would be a nice way to send our brothers and sisters on to the ride in the sky. The hearse part is sort of a long sidecar with open sides and a top high enough so the casket fits and rides high.

If you're on the net, go visit them at [www.motorcyclefunerals.com](http://www.motorcyclefunerals.com) Their online material says that they offer "*Distinguished Motorcycle Hearses for a Dignified Final Ride.*" Hell of a deal.

*What The Devil?* — Here in Oregon, we've had enough harassment on runs lately, as reported here in the *Sack*. So, when the all-woman *Devil Dolls Motorcycle Club* came up here from California to have a poker run with the *Gypsy Joker Motorcycle Club* and other riders, they made a point to invite our *A.I.M.* lawyer Sam Hochberg to ride with them. If only *every* run could have a lawyer riding shotgun! Turns out there were no problems, and Sam says the *Devil Dolls* are serious bikers and really good people.

*Aid to Incarcerated Motorcyclists* — To add another service to the riding community, *A.I.M.* has been offering

*A.I.M. Criminal Defense* in our network, to help us if we are in a pickle. Same number: **800-OnABike**. We're proud to announce our *new* Oregon *A.I.M.* criminal lawyer, Jim Rice. Jim spoke about the *Patriot Act* at last year's regional *N.C.O.M. Conference* in Portland, and he's a member of *O.V.M.A.*, the *Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association*. *Welcome aboard, Jim!*

### Gunny Again

As I've said so often, we need to remember who the people are who get us out of trouble when we find ourselves mired in the goo. Sam Hochberg of Oregon and all the other *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorneys around the country, with the help of **Richard M. Lester**, spend untold hours of their own time, many times at no cost to us, to further our rights as motorcyclists. Whenever we find ourselves on the pavement due to an accident they are there for us and we are doing ourselves a huge favor when we call them and ask them to represent us.

If you are of that small group that have a poor opinion of these folks then

you never had to find out what good these folks do for us. If you haven't walked in their moccasins do some simple research into what they're about. The motorcycle community is fortunate that these motorcycle riding attorneys are on our side. You can reach these *A.I.M.* folks by dialing **1-800-On-A-Bike**, and for a whole lot more information from *A.I.M.* and *N.C.O.M.*, go to [www.onabike.com](http://www.onabike.com). If you're a *Sack* fan, there are *years* of old *Sacks* archived on the site, if you want to catch up on old news!

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny

Oregon *A.I.M.* Chief of Staff

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# American Motorcyclist Association

## NEWS and NOTES



*A.M.A. Community Council*—Metro Richmond (VA) came up with an innovative idea for July's *National Ride to Work Day*, held annually across the country and supported by many organizations and enthusiast press.

In conjunction with *Moto Europa* (a local motorcycle shop), it held the *First Annual Ride to Work Day Breakfast*. Approximately 75 riders came through in the two hours including the local state police sergeant and assistant secretary of state Bob Crouch who is an *A.M.A.* member.

The community council recruited a few new members, several applications went home for completion and the

*Moto Europa* management wants to continue the event next year.

Michigan's A.T.V.-safety training program, which is funded by vehicle registration fees, has been saved. The enacted version of senate bill 574, authored by senator Burton Leland (D – Detroit), transfers responsibility for the off-road vehicle safety education fund to the *Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection*. Earlier this year, governor Jennifer Granholm (D-Northville) had proposed to eliminate the program from the *Department of Education*, as part of her FY 2003-04 budget proposal.

*A.B.A.T.E. of Massachusetts, Inc.*, and the *Massachusetts Motorcycle Association (M.M.A.)* approved and signed an agreement dated July 31, 2003, where *A.B.A.T.E. of Massachusetts* would cease operations effective December 31, 2003, as

a "member based" organization, incorporating its members into the *M.M.A.*

"After taking over as director of *A.B.A.T.E. of Massachusetts*," says David Condon, "I found that our efforts overlapped with those of the *M.M.A.* Duplication at the state house was causing some confusion among the state officials and their staff, and was counterproductive in advancing our issues for the motorcyclists of this state."

Jimi Ricci, chairman of the *M.M.A.*, welcomed the unification of the two groups. "Like most states with more than one organization advocating motorcyclists' issues, that 'second organization' starts when a few are disgruntled. The *M.M.A.* has shown over the past two legislative sessions we are getting things done at the state house and in other government agencies, and working together will increase results vs. working separately."

Both organizations established a working committee which met over the past six months working on the terms of the agreement. The *M.M.A.* will maintain the rights to the *ABATE of MA, Inc.*, name.

*A.B.A.T.E. P.A.C.* (political action committee) will remain with new officers. It is expected the P.A.C. will get a boost of activity and donations from *M.M.A.* members in supplementing legislative efforts, especially enactment of the adult helmet choice bill, senate, no. 1363, presently in the senate ways and means committee.

The full agreement is displayed on both organizations' web sites

([www.mma-of-ma.com](http://www.mma-of-ma.com) and [www.abateofma.com](http://www.abateofma.com)).

*California State Parks* will be conducting a fuel use survey in the upcoming months throughout the state. Participants will be asked questions regarding their fuel use and the results will be used to determine the O.H.V. portion of the overall state gas tax revenue. The *A.M.A.* encourages those contacted to participate in this survey.

Pennsylvania's house bill 181, introduced by representative Teresa Forcier (R-Titusville) to increase penalties for right-of-way violations that cause injury or death to other roadway users has stalled in committee. This bill is consistent with model legislation included in the *A.M.A.*'s "Motorcyclists Matter" campaign,

Your letter in support of HB-181 should be addressed to: the honorable Richard A. Geist, chairman, *House Transportation Committee*, main capitol building, room 144, Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020. You may also contact representative Geist in his Harrisburg office via telephone at (717)-787-6419 or fax at (717)-772-5142, or his district office in Altoona via telephone at (814)-946-7218 or fax at (814)-949-7915.

An additional letter in support of HB-181 should be addressed to your representative at the Pennsylvania house of representatives, capitol building, house box 202020, Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020.

Your support for HB-181 is needed



## American Motorcyclist Association



now to make sure Pennsylvania motorists and courts know that "Motorcyclists Matter."

Arizona O.H.V. enthusiasts want to form a state-wide association to represent their interests with legislators and regulatory officials.

Along with *Blue Ribbon Coalition*, *Motorcycle Industry Council* and *A.M.A.*, the *National O.H.V. Conservation Council* hosted an August O.H.V. summit and workshop aimed at creating a motorized coalition of user groups throughout the state.

Riders interested in joining this organization should contact Sanford Cohen,

*N.O.H.V.C.C.* state representative, 414 N. Fitzmaurice Dr, Prescott Valley, AZ 86303 or by e-mail at [sanford9@mindspring.com](mailto:sanford9@mindspring.com).

Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich (D) amendatory vetoed senate bill 1804, which would have required that 85% (now, 60%) of the money from the *Off-Highway Vehicle Trails Fund* be used for motorized recreation. The governor recommended that the motorized proportion of the fund be raised to 70%, rather than 85%. *A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois* fostered this initiative and is working to override the veto.

The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* (*N.H.T.S.A.*) has released its *Vehicle Safety Rulemaking and Supporting Research: Calendar Years 2003-2006*.

The section on motorcycles includes a section entitled *Improve Motorcycle Safety* – where *N.H.T.S.A.* outlines its

desire to increase helmet usage as well as upgrade the federal motor vehicle safety standard number 218 that establishes helmet testing procedures, including addressing comfort and labeling requirements.

The agency is considering undertaking a crash data collection effort that is jointly funded by the offices of traffic injury control, applied research, and rulemaking. Then, the agency will initiate rulemaking to update international braking standards. *N.H.T.S.A.* is also undertaking conspicuity research, and it published a final rule to reduce the minimum hand lever and foot pedal force for fade and water recovery tests in August 2001.

The document is online at:

<http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/rulings/PriorityPlan/FinalVeh/Index.html>

Michigan senate bill 321, introduced by senators Cropsey, Barcia, Leland, Patterson, Prusi, Stamas, Jelinek, McManus and Schauer and referred to the committee on transportation, provides exceptions to requirement of wearing motorcycle crash helmet if successfully completed motorcycle safety course.

SB 321 aims at putting Michigan among the 31 other states that have restored the long-standing fundamental belief of both *A.M.A.* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan* that adults should continue to have the right to voluntarily decide when to wear a helmet.

You can find all of your senators contact information at:

<http://senate.michigan.gov/>

[SenatorInfo/find-your-senator.htm](#)  
or by mail at: Michigan senate, state capitol, PO Box 30036, Lansing, MI, 48909-7536.

The American Motorcyclist Association is a 270,000-member nonprofit organization.

Established in 1924, the Association's purpose is to pursue, protect and promote the interests of motorcyclists, while serving the needs of its members.

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

[www.AMADirectlink.com](http://www.AMADirectlink.com)

## Motorcycle Riders Foundation

# E.P.A. Responds to Congressional Letter Regarding Motorcycles



The *Environmental Protection Agency* (*E.P.A.*) responded to the May 28, 2003 letter written by U.S. representatives John Shimkus (R-Illinois) and Ted Strickland (D-Ohio), signed by 44 other members of congress, on questions regarding the impending rulemaking on new motorcycle emissions standards.

Most noteworthy is *E.P.A.*'s reasoning for excluding the motorcycle industry's independent shops and aftermarket suppliers in the rulemaking process. The *Regulatory Flexibility Act* (*R.F.A.*), as amended in 1996 by the *Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act* (*S.B.R.E.F.A.*), requires federal agencies to tailor their regulations to fit the needs and capabilities of small business. The agency asserts it was correct to dismiss independent shops, citing case law that states, "An agency is under no obligation to conduct a small entity impact analysis of effects on entities which it does not regulate [*Motor & Equipment Mfrs. Ass'n v. Nichols*, 142F. 3d 449, 467 (D.C. Cir. 1998)]."

That case, however, was brought on behalf of engine and parts manufacturers, not vehicle manufacturers. "This rule would promulgate requirements only on manufacturers of new motorcycles," *E.P.A.* continues.

"Precisely," responds Tom Wyld, vice-president of government relations, *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*). "And independent shops are 'manufacturers of new motorcycles.' *M.R.F.* and its partners have argued

for more than three years that independent shops are the smallest of small volume makers, have dramatically unique needs as compared to larger entities, and deserve what little protection is offered them under the *S.B.R.E.F.A.* umbrella."

"Independent dealers, shops and aftermarket parts suppliers and end-users are not directly regulated by the rule," *E.P.A.* claims, adding that it expects "no significant effects, even indirect ones, on these entities." Visit the *M.R.F.* website at <http://www.mrf.org/positionpapers.php> to view the letter from congressmen Shimkus and Strickland, as well as *E.P.A.*'s full response.

Ducking under the semantics of "not directly regulated" is a common federal regulatory tactic - one that congress has heard before. In testimony before the *House Small Business Committee* in March 2002, an expert on *S.B.R.E.F.A.* compliance stated "agencies are still attempting to avoid or defeat *R.F.A.* requirements...[specifically] Agencies often claim that their regulations do not directly impact small entities..." The case cited by the expert *Motor and Equipment Manufacturers Association*. Nichols.

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* has requested an emergency meeting with the executive office of the president to address these and other pressing concerns regarding the *E.P.A.*'s proposed rulemaking.

## M.R.F. Distributes E.P.A. Story Via National Wire Service

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (*M.R.F.*) distributed news about the *Environmental Protection Agency's* (*E.P.A.*) answer to congressmen Shimkus (R-Illinois) and Strickland (D-Ohio) via *U.S. Newswire* this morning. This national wire service distribution was made possible thanks to the generous donations last year of the *M.R.F.*'s partners in the *E.P.A.* fight. The *M.R.F.* would once again like to thank those organizations and individuals whose donations made possible the *Vaughn Study* and news alerts such as the one sent this morning.

The *M.R.F.* has argued for more than three years that the *E.P.A.*'s proposed emissions regulations for street motorcycles will have an extremely negative impact on small businesses such as aftermarket parts manufacturers and small-volume motorcycle makers. Subsequently, *American Motorcycle Dealer Magazine* (*A.M.D.*) warned those small businesses in its July 2003 issue of *Pro-Guide #3 - Aftermarket Exhausts* about the serious implications of this proposed rule.

In an article written by *A.M.D.* editor Richard Burton that appeared on pages 4 and 5 of the

A.M.D. Pro-Guide #3, Mr. Burton warns, "Unfortunately, the E.P.A.'s proposals pose a threat to the much-relied on aftermarket, as well as the vast cottage industry of other small businesses involved with the v-twin sector, including small-volume bike manufacturers." To view Mr. Burton's article in its entirety, visit the M.R.F. website at [www.mrf.org/epa.php](http://www.mrf.org/epa.php).

Naturally, the E.P.A.'s proposed street bike emissions regulations was a hot topic at this year's M.R.F. Meeting of the Minds in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

## Diesel Dave's Letter of Thanks

On my way back from Michigan last week [September], I had the transmission sprocket come loose on my FLT in Ontario, Oregon. Gail's Custom Cycle in Fruitland, Idaho helped me greatly and I would like to print a thank you notice for their kindness.

There are few shops in this area much less ones that will go out of their way to help a stranger. John and Gail's friends Joe, Eva, and Michelle Wilson offered me their hospitality for two days and refused any recompense. John then trailered my

bike home on their way to the A.H.D.R.A. in Woodburn. In these days of the "yuppie shop" these folks are true friends.

They kept a medium breakdown from becoming a vacation-ruining experience. For quality work on American motorcycles contact:

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Thanks,  
Diesel Dave Ganslein

### M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists



# Congressman Charged In Biker's Death

South Dakota congressman Bill Janklow has been charged with second-degree manslaughter in the deadly crash that claimed the life of 55-year-old Minnesota motorcyclist Randolph Scott when the legislator ran a stop sign at a rural intersection near Sioux Falls on Saturday, August 16. Police investigators determined that representative Janklow's *Cadillac* proceeded through the intersection at speeds estimated between 70-75 mph in the 55 mph zone, and continued into the path of Scott's *Harley-Davidson* without stopping, giving the rider no chance to avoid the fatal collision.

Janklow, 63, has a long history of speeding, and his driving exploits have been near legendary in his home state during his many years of public service. At one point during his 30-year political career, the four-term governor racked up 12 speeding tickets in four years.

Janklow served as attorney general from 1974-78 before being elected to four terms as governor, from 1979-1986 and 1995-2002, and was elected to the state's lone house seat last year. During his tenure as governor, the pugnacious republican was credited with elevating the *Sturgis* rally into a tourist attraction, and in 2001 he was inducted into the *Sturgis Motorcycle Museum Hall of Fame*.

In addition to the felony manslaughter charge, which carries a maximum penalty of up to ten years in prison and a \$10,000 fine, Janklow has also been charged with failure to stop, speeding and reckless driving, the latter charges being misdemeanors.

The charges brought against Janklow represent the maximum allowable under South Dakota state law, and if convicted of manslaughter he would lose his authority to vote in the U.S. house of

representatives under terms of the house ethics rules.

## Nevada Courthouse Cannot Ban Biker Garb

A federal judge has permanently struck down Carson City courthouse rules that prevented bikers from wearing their insignia or "colors" into the courthouse. The decision by U.S. district judge Philip Pro finalized the preliminary injunction he granted last October against the first judicial district court in Carson City, Carson City justice court and other officials.

"It's a huge victory for motorcycle clubs," said Richard Eckhardt of *Sparks*, president of *His Royal Priesthood*, a christian-based biker group that belongs to the *Northern Nevada Confederation of Clubs*, which initiated the lawsuit.

Eckhardt and nine other bikers were cited for trespassing at the Carson City courthouse on March 26, 2001 for refusing an order from court security officers to either remove their motorcycle jackets or leave the public building. They were among the 35 or more motorcycle riders who showed up at the courthouse that day in support of two *Branded Few Motorcycle Club* members who had been arrested two weeks earlier on the same charge.

The initial incident involved bikers Scot Banks and Steve Dominguez of Reno, who went to the courthouse to contest a traffic citation but were told by security officers that they couldn't wear their swastika-decorated colors inside. They were arrested for criminal trespassing and their vests were confiscated after they refused the officers' ultimatum.

But Carson City district judge William

Maddox told the *Reno Gazette-Journal* that while the ruling restricts a broad ban on wearing biker insignia into the courthouse, judges could still dictate what people can or cannot wear in their courtrooms. Pro noted in his decision that judges have the power in particular cases or circumstances to restrict what people wear.

"A judge is like the proverbial 800-pound gorilla who can do whatever he pleases within his own courtroom," explained Richard Lester, founder of *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*, whose group of nationwide civil rights attorneys were party to the ensuing lawsuit. Lester referred to a recent incident in Utah where a judge barred members of *Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.)* from wearing their colors into the courtroom during the trial of an accused child molester.

In making the injunction permanent, Pro also granted summary judgment to the thirteen bikers who filed suit in federal court to overturn the courthouse rules, allowing them to collect legal fees and damages.

"The first amendment is alive and well, fortunately, but people are still trying to attack its freedoms on a daily basis," said Reno lawyer Don Evans, who represented the thirteen plaintiffs. Evans is the *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney for northern Nevada and serves as legal counsel to the *Northern Nevada Confederation of Clubs*.

## Wisconsin "Anti-helmet" Bill Heard

Wisconsin state senator Dave Zien is a long time biker, a founder of the bikers' rights movement in Wisconsin and an active member of the *National Coalition*

of Motorcyclists' Legislative Task Force (N.C.O.M.-L.T.F.). So it's no surprise that when Wisconsin's high court recently ruled that an injured A.T.V. rider's damage award could be reduced by up to 100% because he wasn't wearing a helmet, senator Zien stepped up to protect street riders from suffering a similar fate.

On August 26 Zien returned from a Guinness World Record ride through 48 states in eight days to testify in favor of senate bill 223, which he sponsored along with six other state senators and seventeen state representatives. The bill would prevent courts from reducing damages awarded in lawsuits based on whether the driver of a motorcycle, all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile was wearing a helmet when an accident occurred. The legislation would effectively nullify the 2002 state supreme court decision in *Stehlik v. Rhoads* that upheld a jury's authority to consider helmet use in awarding damages, according to the legislative reference bureau analysis of the proposal.

The bill does, however, allow the introduction of such evidence in cases against a helmet manufacturer for any alleged product or design defect, or to determine whether a helmet contributed to the personal injury or property damage suffered by another person.

Wisconsin does not have a law requiring adult motorcyclists to wear helmets, but the court's decision created its own *de facto* helmet law by penalizing riders who don't wear helmets, said David Dwyer, legislative chairman for A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin. Dwyer told the *Milwaukee Journal* newspaper that the court decision penalizes motorcyclists injured in accidents, even if others are clearly at fault.

Zien remains convinced that helmets contribute to accidents by reducing head mobility, vision and hearing. "I will go to the grave believing that helmets should be freedom of choice and that helmets,

in my opinion, cause accidents," Zien, an Eau Claire republican, said.

The Wisconsin legislature repealed its mandatory helmet law in 1978 after overriding a gubernatorial veto.

"This legislation is necessary to protect those who ride and those who exercise their right to choose whether or not to wear a helmet," Zien said. "Let's let those who ride decide and not allow the court system to implement another mandatory helmet law."

The bill received a public hearing in the senate committee on judiciary, corrections and privacy August 26. The committee has not yet voted on a decision.

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### New York Enacts "Lemon Law" Protection For Motorcycles

Governor George E. Pataki has signed legislation aimed to include motorcycles in the state's "Lemon Law" protections against faulty and defective vehicles.

According to A.B.A.T.E. of New York, the new *Motorcycle Lemon Law* (companion bills S.4500 and A.5218) will give all buyers of motorcycles the same consumer protections that automobile buyers have. Montana passed a similar law earlier this year.

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### Weird News Of The Month —

#### No Nudes Is Good Nudes

The threat of scrapes and bruises, not to mention sunburn, didn't stop the fledgling *North American Nude Bikers* club from holding its first rally over the July 26-27 weekend.

Events at the *Rock Haven Lodge Family Nudist Park* near Murfreesboro, Tennessee included a barbecue, live music, bike games and a poker run — where bikers vie for the best hand by drawing cards at stops along the way. They don't actually ride naked. Mostly.

"You've got to be real careful or you're liable to get something burnt or hurt,"

club vice president Allen "Anchor" Turner told the *Associated Press*. Turner, 46, came up with the idea for the group last November.

Participants said the values of trust, respect and freedom are common to both nudists and bikers.

"It's all about living a freer lifestyle," said Turner, who has been a biker for 15 years and a nudist for five.

When not astride their choppers, the bikers mixed with the rest of *Rock Haven's* members and visitors by swimming in the pool, playing volleyball and soaking up the sun.

Turner said he wanted to dispel the myth that the nudist culture was perverse. "This is a family park," he said; "Anyone perpetrating lewd shenanigans in public areas is immediately booted out."

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### Quotable Quotes

"The United States is putting together a constitution now for Iraq. Why don't we just give them ours? It's served us well for 200 years, and we don't appear to be using it anymore, so what the hell?"

Jay Leno

host of *N.B.C.'s Tonight Show*

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## Public Relations Director

by Melinda McCrossen

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Autumn is always a busy public relations time for everyone. In addition to our regular meetings, we have two swap meets, a planning session, and the *Democratic Party Summit*. I'm excited and ready to shake some hands (and corner a few legislators).

Randy Phipps, Duane Calkins, and I have been working to get our usual turnout at the summit this year. We need to continue our presence as active citizens, continue the dialogue, and exercise our right to vote. We need to be seen as the valuable community members that we are, day-after-day, year-after-year.

Talk about public relations! There's nothing like a dozen bikers participating in politics. Think of what we could do with two dozen...

This year we are only running the swap meet ads in the *Nickel Ads*. Effective poster distribution seems to be our best method of getting the word out. If we do a good job of getting posters out, it is thanks to Roger, Bill, Michelle, and the many members who get thousands of posters out to riders and shops. Thank you.

Speaking of faithful volunteers, we need workers for both swap meets. Get a hold of Roger at

(503)-285-4329 or me (info at bottom of report) soon. Working our events is fun but expect to work for at least four hours. It makes a huge difference when you help out. It's what makes an event a good one.

Last, but not least, I'd like to encourage all of our active volunteers and officers to make a point of attending the planning session. This is a time to bring up all of those good ideas that occur to you when you are working graveyard gate duty. It is the one time of the year that we have the opportunity to all come together and agree on our next year's goals.

Well, this month's report is a short one, as it is time to drive south for the state board meeting. I didn't want to show up empty handed.

Remember, we are all public relations people.

It's not just me, but all of us.

## Historian

We, Mel and I, had our first call requesting a motorcycle awareness class for this school year. Iris Patton, one of the teachers of driver's training classes here in Albany talked with me several minutes saying that our program is very helpful. Parents tell her that their kids show a change in attitude after our presentation. They take their responsibility as a driver more seriously. Ms. Patton said that it helped that we teach the same standards as she does, but from the motorcyclist's point of view, not the teacher's.

Mel does his presentation as a macho guy, and I present my part as a mom/grandma that loves them and is proud of them for learning to drive properly. I emphasize that by driving within the laws and obeying the rules of the road, they can enjoy many years of driving. I often mention my mom. She is 85 years old

and has never had an accident or ticket, and she still drives. Do you realize that is 69 years to be able to get yourself to where you want to go? (A big number for those young people).

Anyway, our presentation gives them a different and positive way to look at the need to obey the rules of the road.

The next part of this report is to encourage support for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation* (MRF). The *M.R.F. Report* (newsletter) for September, 2003 is full of information concerning our rights being considered in Washington D.C., at the federal level. Our own Teresa Hepker is the editor of this national publication. It is also important that individuals as well as organizations help the national effort to protect our rights by joining the *M.R.F.* and participating in making government policy all year long.

by Iris Yeager



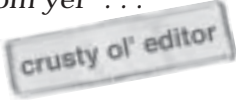
As a dues-paying member you receive a *M.R.F.* newsletter every two months and regular updates on your e-mail. This is to keep you informed on what is being done on a national level and how you can be instrumental in the decisions being made in our nations capitol.

I really do appreciate the pictures of events you contribute for the state history books. Due to our family needs and our involvement in other organizations Mel and I are not able to come to the many runs and events that are put on during the summer in Oregon. We sure wish we could be there with you.

Thanks,

Iris Yeager  
state historian

From yer . . .



# You Can Learn A Lot From Labels And Links



by  
Rot Path  
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Labeling is a form of name-calling. And like that school yard activity it attempts to attract supporters by turning people against an individual or group.

Labeling is especially dehumanizing to whoever applies labels to others.

With a label in place, no thought is required. There is a preset response for each label. By applying the appropriate label, people know how to react to others or to situations. They don't have to think about what they're doing.

People who live by labels are vulnerable on two fronts:

1. Because their reactions are predictable, they can be easily manipulated by those who know the prescribed reactions for particular labels.

2. When faced with new situations that defy labeling, they are often paralyzed into inaction because they don't know how to reason and think for themselves.

There is a web site that a reader drew yer crusty ol' editor's attention to. (Dangling participles be damned.)

The web site promotes itself as liberty-oriented.

In exploring the site's layout, many interesting features came to light, including motorcycle concerns and issues about freedom.

*First Rule of the Privileged:  
Don't kill the common folk  
unintentionally.  
(relearned by representative Janklow )*

Just as a matter of interest, yer c.o.e. went to their extensive links page. (You can tell a lot about a web site's background philosophy by the links it promotes.)

The first link for this web site was for a particular religion. Okay, everyone's belief choices are their own matter. (Or should be.) That's part of what the concepts of liberty and

freedom are all about in this country.

Yer crusty ol' editor started going down through the rest of the different categories in the site's link list. There were several hot-key topics.

After a while, yer c.o.e. realized there was only one side being presented for several of the hot-key topics. (Therefore not an exactly balanced view.)

One of the principles of democratic freedom is the presentation of *all* points of view so that citizens can make *well-informed* decisions.

Any web site that presents only one point of view is not about liberty, it is totalitarian.

And that, brothers and sisters, is what we in *A.B.A.T.E.* are against.

## Where Were You On *Talk Like A Pirate Day*?

( 19 September)



(Photo taken by Melisa of Hemingway's Coffee Spot in Independence, Oregon.)

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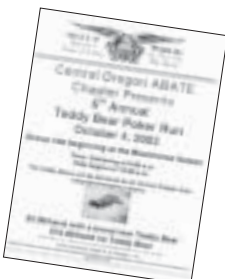
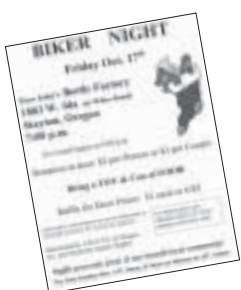
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Something pithy. (Or not.)

# 2003 RUN LISTINGS

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11 October	<b>Casino Night</b> -Willamette Valley chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
17 October	<b>Biker Night</b> -Salem Chapter	Stayton	(503)-873-2492
18-19 October	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-679-3775.
26 October	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Swap Meet	Roseburg	(503)-285-4329
25-26 October	Hub City bike show	Albany	(541)-451-3940
02 November	A.M.A. Run Sanctioning Meeting at Noon		
15 November	Washington County Chapter <i>Toy Run</i>	Hillsboro	(503)-648-1877
16 November	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
16 November	South Coast food drive		(541)-759-2388
22 November	<b>Biker Night</b> -Salem Chapter	Silverton	(503)-873-2492
06 December	Portland Chapter's Shriners' <i>Toy Run</i>	Portland	(503)-771-0188
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# October 2003

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			<b>1</b> Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>2</b> Josephine County 1800 (6:00 pm)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Teddy Bear Run</b> Central Oregon
<b>5</b> Douglas County 1230 (12:30 pm) ----- Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm)	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>8</b> Southern Oregon 1100 (11:00 am)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>STATE BOARD MEETING</b> Junction City 1200 (12:00 pm)  <b>Casino Night</b> Willamette Valley
<b>12</b> Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>15</b> Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>16</b> Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>17</b> <b>Biker Night</b> Stayton	<b>18</b> <b>Planning Session</b> Cottage Grove
<b>19</b> <b>Planning Session</b> Cottage Grove  Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- South Coast 1100 (11:00 am)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> North Coast 1900 (7:00 pm)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Hub City Bike Show</b> Albany
<b>26</b> <b>Swap Meet</b> Roseburg  <b>Hub City Bike Show</b> Albany	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Salem 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	



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# BIKER NIGHT

Friday Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

Poor John's **Bottle Factory**  
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**Stayton, Oregon**  
**7:00 p.m.**



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# Hub City ABATE

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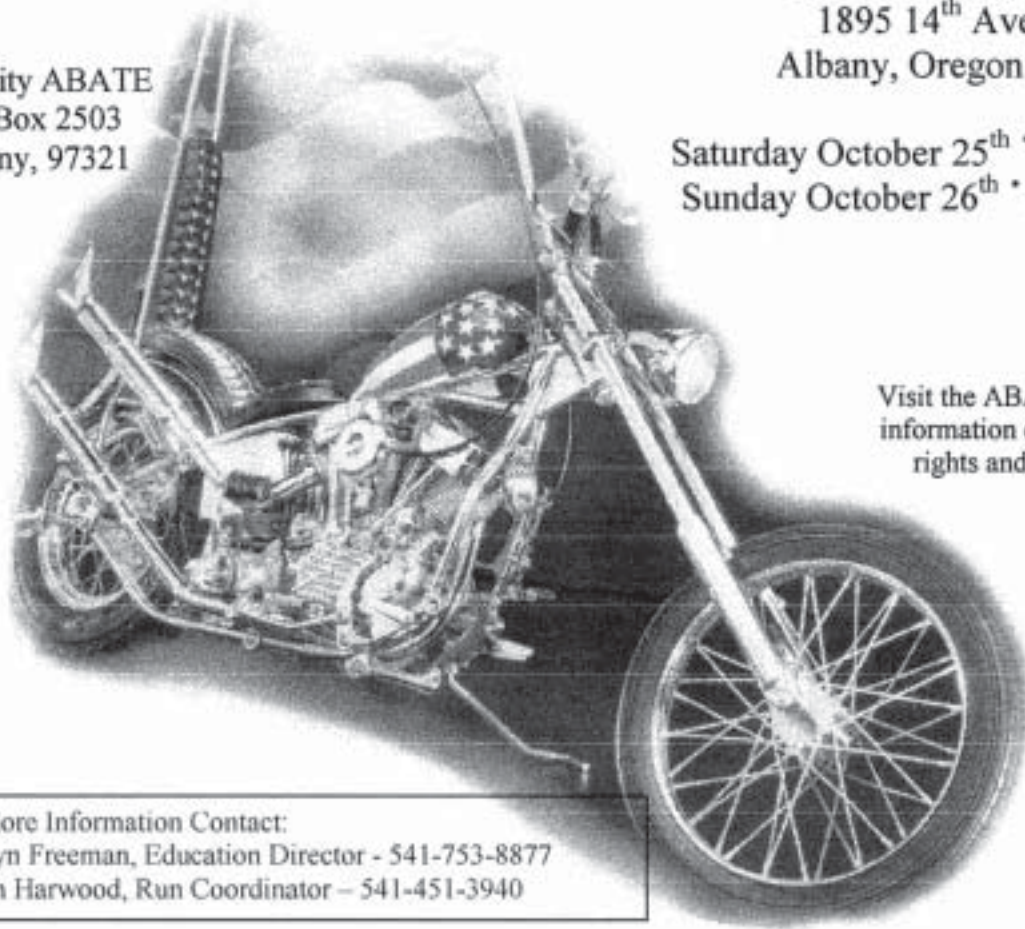


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Saturday October 25<sup>th</sup> \* 10am – 7pm  
Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> \* 11am – 6pm



Visit the ABATE booth for  
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# Motorcycle Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event

111 NW General Avenue, Roseburg, Oregon  
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## Sunday, October 26, 2003

Gates open to the public at 9 AM

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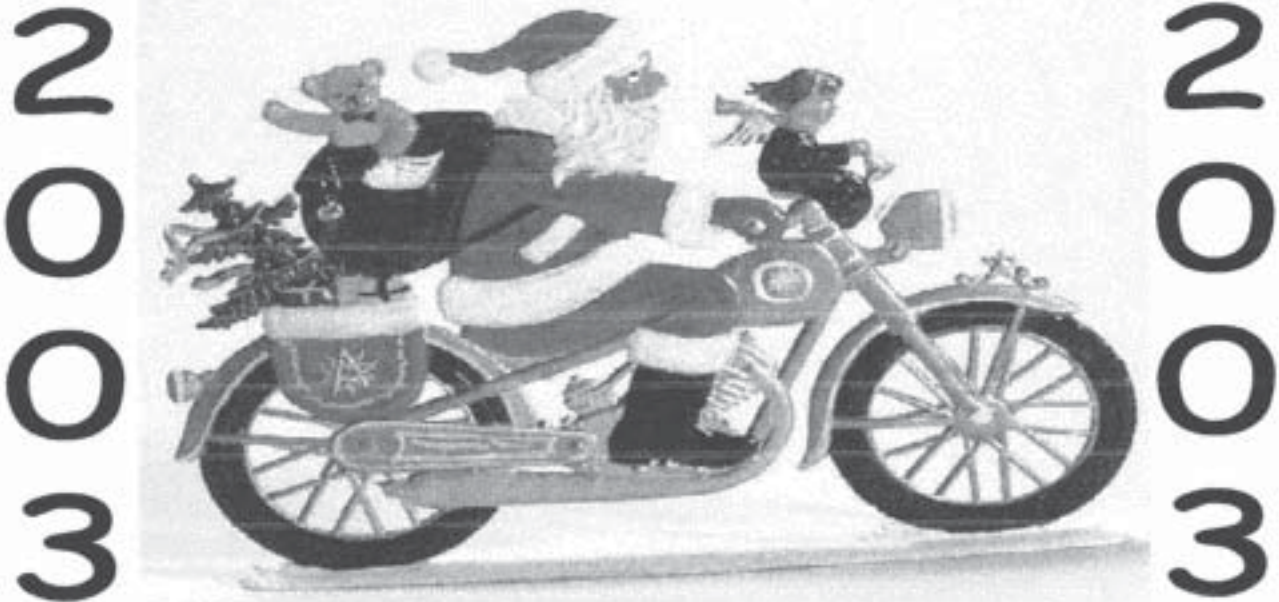
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# Motorcycle Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event

10000 NE 33rd Drive, Portland, Oregon  
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## Sunday, November 16, 2003

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South Coast Chapter  
Flash Baker Memorial Food Drive  
Come ride with us, all are welcome

Gino's Pizza  
11:00 a.m.  
November 16, 2003

After a brief meeting we will ride over to  
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**Saturday Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Wooden Nickel  
1610 Pine St.  
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7:00 p.m.**



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Salem, Oregon

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Andy Proctor Memorial Toy Run  
Come ride with us, all riders welcome

Starting Point: Gino's Pizza  
11:00 a.m.  
December 21, 2003

After a brief meeting we will ride to  
a couple of toy drop sites, pick up the  
toys and proceed to the Salvation Army  
All toys to benefit local kids through the  
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## Millenium Ride

Dear friends and supporters,

Yesterday I rode here to the famous silver mining city of Potosi in central-south Bolivia, a place that bankrolled Spain for two centuries. Tomorrow I'm going down a mine for to do the tourist bit. I'll take with me a present for the miners, some dynamite.

Bolivia has been quite explosive actually. I met a German-English couple on their motorbikes at Uyuni, next to the world's biggest salt lake, the Salar de Uyuni in the southwest of the country. Arno is into dynamite. With a twinkle in his eye and a grin on his face he produced two sticks with fuses and asked, "Shall we?"

"Wow yes. Where?" I answered excitedly, already laughing.

We decided on the train graveyard south of town, out in the desert. Dusk would be best, when tourists were safely back in town. Off we went with his girlfriend Sian and Yuki, a Japanese girl who is riding a 250cc around the world.

We advised two locals, stripping metal for a car repair, to take cover. We planted the explosive, lit the metre long fuse, and legged it to join the girls behind a mud wall. With fingers in our ears and mouth open to absorb the pressure wave (Arno's tips were learnt in the Army he said. He knew all about making different sorts of bombs, more like a terrorist I thought), it went "boooooom."

We rushed out to inspect the damage amid the dust cloud, quite impressive on the 1cm thick steel, and ran off in a circular route back to town. The army barracks are the closest part of town to the train graveyard, and we laughed at the prospect a diplomatic incident involving Japanese, German and English launching an attack on a Bolivian outpost.

But the explosion didn't perk the interest of the army nor police. Anyway,

it was an interesting pre-dinner diversion, and quite legal since anything goes in Bolivia.

The Bolivian train story is a bit sad. Invasions by Brazil, Argentina and Chile resulted in compensation from those countries by building railways for Bolivia. One was never finished and some lines have been closed for decades. Hence the train graveyard.

Paraguay, to the east, and Peru to the west, also took chunks of Bolivia. Bolivians lost about half of their country and their Pacific Ocean access. Bolivians are a very gentle people (it might be the coca!) and the land is hard to protect, being so remote and mountainous. Bolivia was also responsible for the capture and death of some romantic guerrillas and criminals like Che Gueverra and Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. The latter were killed after creating havoc throughout the Americas a little south of here where I'll visit on my way to Argentina in a few days.

Bolivia, straddling the Andes, is a land of gaunt mountains, cold desolate plateaux and semi tropical lowlands. For the last week or so I have been on the bleak, treeless, windswept Altiplano, most of it 4,000m above sea level, with peaks jutting upward to 6,500m. It a bit strange up here, and for me that makes it nice. There are salt and fresh water lakes, deserts, lots of llamas and snow capped mountains. Most of the population lives on the Altiplano in cities but there are efforts to encourage people to move to the lowland jungle areas where the soil is more fertile and where there is plenty of water.

It is a weird experience to ride on a salt lake. The surface is more grippy than tarmac. You can close your eyes, open the throttle, and turn whatever way you want with no fear! (Okay, I know some of you think that I do this on a regular basis anyway.) Nearly all of Bolivia's roads are



*Simon Milward*

dirt tracks. My bike has been working very hard, and so have a few welding shops. Ha, ha!

I rode the world's most dangerous road, climbing the Andes from the jungle region north of the city of La Paz (meaning "peace"). This muddy track is cut into the sheer cliff face and is usually wide enough for just one four wheeler. It is usually foggy.

Last week a bus toppled over the edge and fell a kilometer or so, and a bicycle tourist was getting out of the way for a bus when she fell down. Trucks go off all the time.

I was taking extra care. One wrong move and it could have been the end. Two girls sitting next to me in this internet cafe were to scared to go on it.

La Paz is surrounded by jagged cliffs and towering snow capped mountains. The south of the city is 500 meters lower than the north.

I won't forget the dried llama fetuses stacked up on market stalls that you can buy for use in religious festivals as offerings. There are small several inch ones, and bigger metre long ones with fur. One stall holder told me they bring luck!

I left you last time in Cusco, Peru. My visit to Macchu Pichu, the Inca stronghold high in the Andes, was magic. For photographs see:

[http://www.ifip.com/  
Machupijchu1.htm](http://www.ifip.com/Machupijchu1.htm)

In fact there are lots of new photos on my web site going on all the time. Check them out!

Thanks *Kodak* for the camera and thanks Mike Forrester for doing all of that



web page stuff. Mike is the biggest unsung hero of the *Millennium Ride*.

Then I rode east to the frontier town of Puerto Maldonado near Bolivia. The ride down the Eastern Andes to the jungle was breathtaking, both the scenery and the effort needed to get through, over or round certain obstacles!

At one point some workers offered the skip of their tractor to help me across a series of rivers. I stood on the skip with my bike like the captain of a ship.

This stretch of track was accompanied by the customary shock absorber breakage, welded in Puerto.

I could hardly believe my eyes on seeing the sheer number of motorcycles here in the jungle region. The car-motorcycle proportions were inverse to most places in this world. I was reminded of Cambodia, and the destruction wreaked by cars in terms of congestion, pollution and car parks. When you see the effect of adding just one car to a street full of moving motorcycles, you would understand.

A conditional single occupant permit (for disabled people for example) could be issued to car owners if they want to drive their car without passengers. That would stop so much wastage in our cities, don't you think?

I rode 200 km in western Brazil, on tarmac no less, to get into northern Bolivia. Brazil speaks Portuguese, and I didn't feel good about not being able to communicate. Even in this far flung corner of Brazil, I could see that the country is much richer than all its neighbours.

I also saw that the destruction of the Amazon jungle is fact. The lungs of the earth are truly being turned into cattle grazing grounds. I saw blackened tree stumps among the cows. I was very saddened and quite alarmed. We all should be.

In the year 2000, an area the size of Belgium was destroyed. Brazil recently put in place a strategy to protect it, and

the main problem appears to be with small time loggers these days. Here is the position of the local indigenous tribes:

<http://www.hartford-hwp.com/archives/41/186.html>

and this is a Reuters wire:

<http://www.macon.com/mld/macon/3447808.htm>

Thereafter for several days the dusty track clogged up my air filter as I rode through the remote coca producing and smuggling region of Bolivia. Helicopters buzzed overhead and I wondered who benefits from this operation, which has little or no effect on the coca trade.

I was invited out for a spot of night game fishing on the river Madre de Dios when we were stopped by drug enforcement officials in motorized canoes. Our catch amount to a four inch winnow.

More welding to three or four other points on my bike were needed, including some aluminum work in La Paz, and today I had my right shock absorber welded again.

I am getting bored of telling you about my shocks. I could always simply strut the back end again. But hardtailing is not really a solution.

The health ministry in La Paz gave me a letter indicating their interest in working with us on maintenance for their fleets of motorcycles, probably over 700 machines. They are used extensively in providing health services to remote communities, in particular against a disease called *chagas* which kills you within 15 years of being bitten by a certain mosquito. I think I'll stay on the altiplano for the time being. Its too high for mozzies here.

There are lots of *Jawa* motorcycles in Bolivia. I saw one today being serviced at this town's only motorcycle shop. It was 46 years old and used on a daily basis!

I wish the development community would take maintenance seriously too.

I was there to try and find a new rear tyre. The only option was a *Kenda*. No

thanks, I'd rather take the present *Maxxis* down to canvas.

There's only about 300-400 km left of dirt before I hit the tarmac of Argentina, so they say.

Let's see.

Anyway, I have to say that Bolivia is one of my favorite countries and not only because of the dollar dynamite sticks. It seems that a lot of other adventure motorcyclists agree, since there are plenty of us!

All the best,

Simon

Simon Milward, on the road  
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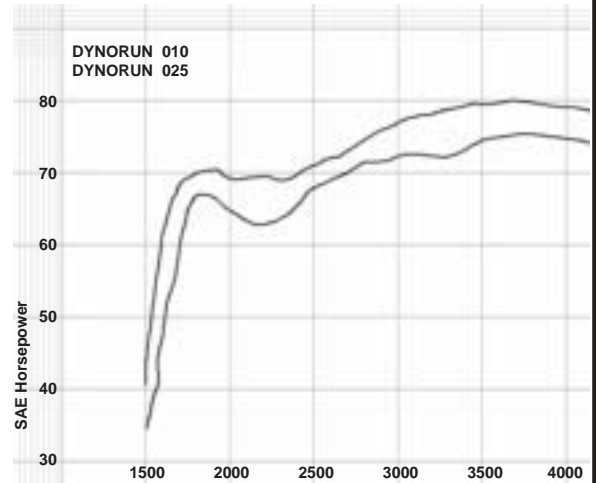


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If you're out riding around our beautiful state and you have trouble on the road, you can call someone on the road list who is close to where you are and ask for help. The X marks in the columns indicate what kind of help is available. This is a wonderful 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 [rotnews@open.org](mailto:rotnews@open.org), or send your information to *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*.





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

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
_____	AYP2	Year Pin - 2 yr. member - blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP3	Year Pin - 3 yr. member - white .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP4	Year Pin - 4 yr. member - red/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP5	Year Pin - 5 yr. member - white/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP6	Year Pin - 6 yr. member - black/orange .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP7	Year Pin - 7 yr. member - black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP8	Year Pin - 8 yr. member - dark blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP9	Year Pin - 9 yr. member - yellow .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP10	Year Pin - 10 yr. member - red/white/blue ....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/gold ....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blue ....	4.00	_____
_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIS	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver .....	5.00	_____
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_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color .....	3.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin .....	5.00	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white .....	5.00	_____
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_____	FAP	Free America Patch .....	5.00	_____	
_____	FAB	Free America Pin .....	5.00	_____	
_____	EAP	Eagle Pin .....	5.00	_____	
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# HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

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ATTN: Gunny Hutch.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? **(YES) (NO)**

### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_\_ a m / pm  
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance date: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ am/pm  
COURT LOCATION: city / county: \_\_\_\_\_  
ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Did officer follow normal traffic laws in making the stop? **(YES) (NO)**  
If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
Did officer treat you fairly and respectfully? **(YES) (NO)** If no explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

### WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

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

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

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

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

### DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

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

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

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

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

If modified describe: \_\_\_\_\_

## Member's Classified Advertisements

### For Sale

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(Oct 2003)

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Rotten Roger

(Nov 2003)

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(Nov 2003)

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Joe  
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(Dec 2003)

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#### Wanted

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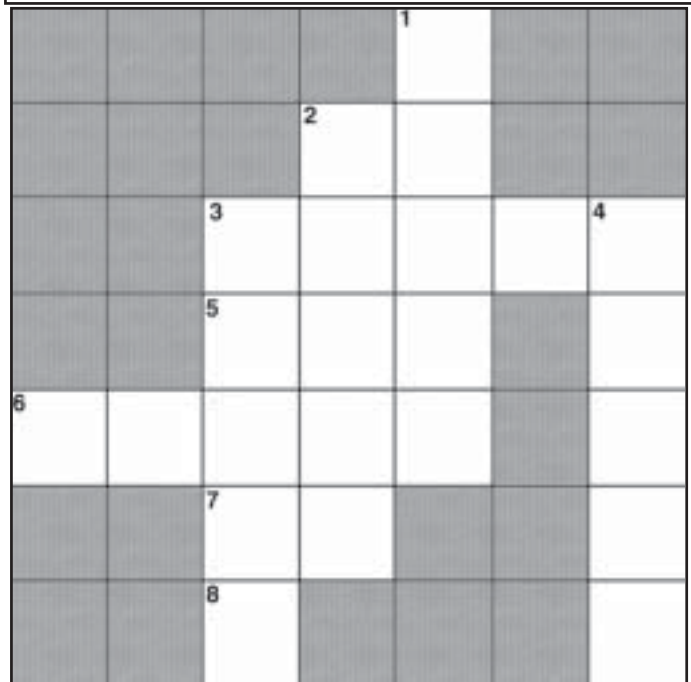
### October Crossword Puzzle

#### Across

- Singular.
- Under a beer belly.
- What Abigail did at lunch.
- Kept behind bar.
- A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments
- Efficient pipes.
- Fifth letter.

#### Down

- American Bikers Aimed Toward Education.
- Night-flying mamal trainee.
- Honey insect finished its meal.
- Extra Terrestrial Advocating Biker Awareness.



ANSWER TO PREVIOUS CRYPTOGRAM -- September --  
Days decrease, And autumn grows, autumn in everything.

-- Robert Browning

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**Membership Application**

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**Annual Rates:**

\_\_\_ Individual membership      \$20  
 \_\_\_ Couple membership        \$25  
 \_\_\_ Family membership        \$30

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

Chapter: _____	
New member ?	Renewal ?
Yes _____	Yes _____
No _____	_____
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Yes _____	
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Please send completed application to:

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Being freshly sober, she had a hunch,  
The ingredients were scary,  
Which made her quite wary,  
Until she found all the candy to munch .

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**NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:**

Saturday, 13 September 2003 at Noon  
7th and Kalmia  
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**CHAPTER MEETINGS**

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

Chapter:	Date/Time::	Location:
Central Oregon	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 1400 (2:00 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Old Redmond Hotel</i> ; Redmond
Columbia River	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 1230(12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>U&amp;I Tavern</i> ; 6910 N. Interstate Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 1230 (12:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Ciddicci's Pizza</i> ; Albany
Josephine County	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday 1800 (6 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Pizza Hut</i> ; 1465 6th; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1900 (7:00 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 <sup>nd</sup> ; Portland
River City	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Lone Pine Restaurant</i> ; 335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles ( I-84 & US-197 )
Salem	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Chalet Restaurant</i> , Market Street, Salem
South Coast	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 1100 (11 <sup>am</sup> )	<i>Gino's Pizza</i> ; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M/M Restaurant &amp; Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Abby's Pizza</i> ; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford
Washington County	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 1930(7:30 <sup>pm</sup> )	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 1900 (7 <sup>pm</sup> )	Veteran's Memorial Building 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene