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

-- Rot Path

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 Rasor of the *American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)*, Ron Roloff of the *M.M.A.* of California and Ed Armstrong of *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house 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

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Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

As I write this the *Hayabusa* sits in the garage below, both fairing side panels off, dripping water from a thorough cleaning. The large economy sized gallon can of *WD-40* nearby will be used as soon as I'm done writing this, in an effort to prevent corrosion resulting from several days spent on the Bonneville salt flats in Wendover, Utah.

All of this is the result of Rex Jamison, my partner in lobbying Washington, D.C. this year, showing me an article at our last board meeting in *Iron Works* magazine that read: *The Run Watcha Brung* category, presented by *Iron Works Magazine*, is for the rider who has always wanted to have a pass down the Bonneville salt flats and never knew when or how!

Provided that all requirements are met and the motorcycle passes through tech inspection, *Run Watcha Brung* entrants will be able to make a pass, receive a special *Run Watcha Brung* tee-shirt, and a timing slip of the timed run. The top time for this category will also receive a trophy in recognition of the effort involved, the name being laser engraved on that lead crystal glass trophy, the same style trophy received by this season's land speed record winners, is mine.

I will be writing more about this experience, shared with my cousin Brian Laurance, in future editions of our newsmagazine. You may well ask what my wife, Ricci, thought of this nonsense. I'm not sure as I forgot to tell her I was going before she, our daughter, and her mother left for Hawaii two weeks ago. She should

have known better than to leave me home alone with a motorcycle full of gas and a valid credit card. You can learn more by checking out the sponsor's web site at www.speedtrialsbybub.com.

As we approach the end of the year, it's important that we consider upcoming elections both at local chapter level and at state level. I would like to see every one of these positions contested so that this fine organization is left in the best hands possible for the future. The people who have made *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* what it is deserve nothing less. You're probably thinking "I don't have the time, or ability, or a chance at being elected" or any of a hundred excuses that each of us has thought who now find ourselves holding officer positions. If you are willing to put your brothers and sisters, as well as *A.B.A.T.E.*, ahead of yourself you have met the most important requirement. Once you are in office, talents and abilities you weren't aware that you possessed will become evident. Look at our mission statement and if you believe in what we are doing, make known your desire to be nominated for office at your next chapter meeting, or accompany your state board rep. to the next board meeting and make it known that you are seeking to be nominated for state office. Nominations will be accepted in November and elections will occur in December at state and most chapters statewide. Most everyone I know, including myself, would be willing to step down if a more qualified person were willing to undertake the job.



by Joe Laurance

Please carefully think about this and then run for office.

Mark you calendar for October 16th, when our annual planning session will take place in Cottage Grove at the *V.F.W.* hall beginning at 9:00 in the morning. At least two members from each chapter are asked to attend, as well as all state officers. This will be your opportunity to provide direction for *A.B.A.T.E.* as well as determine what we do and where we go in the future. Be there, speak up, this is *your A.B.A.T.E.*!

Many of us will be going to *Meeting of the Minds*, a *M.R.F.* conference taking place in St. Louis September 24-25. A number of issues important to all motorcyclists as well as issues particularly important to us in Oregon will be on the agenda so look for our reports in upcoming issues of this newsmagazine.

The *T.E.A.-L.U.* transportation bill we have worked so hard to enact may be coming up for a vote about the time you receive this issue of your newsmagazine, so call your congressman or senator in Washington, D.C. and ask for their vote for this life saving issue.

May the Lord show us the road to take and help us travel it

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

Central Oregon Chapter



Greetings from sunny central Oregon!

By the time you receive this, our 7th Annual Teddy Bear Run will be over. I will let you know how successful it was next month.

Our C.P.R. class last month had to be canceled due to a lack of attendees. Only three to four members showed up for this class. It would have been a good thing to put some members out on the road with that kind of knowledge. Maybe we will try again this winter when people are not so busy. Once again thanks to our members who worked at putting this class together.

Jackie has ordered chapter rockers for our members. They will be \$5 each. If you are interested contact myself either at home or at the *Bigfoot Shop*.

With the days getting shorter and nights getting cooler, there is the feeling of a little fall in the air. I hope everyone is attending the many fun runs available and getting out there

and doing some riding.

That's about all I have to report on this month because the deadline for this report is before our September meeting.

Remember, "united we stand . . ." and everyone knows the rest of that sentence.

Later,

John

Central Oregon ABATE Chapter Presents
7th Annual
Teddy Bear Poker Run
October 2, 2004

Group ride beginning at the Blackhorse Saloon
 20665 Brinson Blvd., Bend 541-382-4270

Time: Gathering for breakfast 8:00 a.m.
 Ride begins at 10:00 a.m.

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CENTRAL OREGON MEET-
ING TIME and PLACE

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

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"Columbia River Welcome's You"



The September 12th meeting started at 12:30 p.m. at the *Ponderosa Room at Jubitz Truck Stop*. Duane, Kodiak and Dee were the missing officers.

We now have 151 members and received a commendation from the state board recently for our recruitment efforts. Way to go everyone.

Jimbo and Julie reported on the toy run committee meeting. The wheelchair presentation will be at the *Shriners' Hospital* October 16th at 11 a.m. This is always a moving event; it is great to see the poor crippled children get medical equipment that makes their lives better, all due to the hard work and generosity of bikers. However, ticket sales are flagging and more help is needed to sell tickets. Please sign some tickets out and get busy.

Larry gave the state board report due to Duane's absence. We thank him for stepping up and taking over that important task.

We had a lengthy discussion about the *Summer Run*.

Scottie B received a lot of compliments from people who were present at the run. He worked his tail off and did a great job of coordinating it and even getting awakened at 3 a.m. on two separate days to deal with problems. Scottie was helped by a number of *Columbia River* members as well as members from *Southeast* and *Northeast Portland*. Shag and Sharon and Janet and I worked the gate as did Robert from the *Northeast* chapter. Jimbo and others were at the info booth. Kat from *Northeast* handled the vendors and did a good job. Crow from *Northeast* was in charge of the music. The bike games were fun

as was the bike show.

Unfortunately, there were some glitches, none of which was Scottie's fault. We were once again plagued by low attendance. Once we get the final financial figures, we will discuss whether the chapter believes that the *Summer Run* is a good investment in our time and money. It takes a great deal of effort to put on a run and I have doubts whether the *Summer Run* is still viable given all the competition there is during the summer.

The chapter will discuss this run at our next meeting so if you have something to say about the run, please make sure that you are present. We also had interesting rides home on Sunday due to the torrential rain that started Saturday night during the music and continued unabated into Sunday afternoon.

Despite a personal visit by Scottie and Duane to the *Washington County Chapter*, we received minimal support from them at the *Summer Run*. That lack of support notwithstanding, I encouraged our chapter members to support the *End of Summer Run*. It is important to support all *A.B.A.T.E.* events, not just your own chapter's.

Our own editor, Rot Path, rode up from Salem to attend. We had someone from Alaska at the run and a Hamster from Hawaii stopped in on Saturday to check us out although he did not stay.

Chapter elections are coming up in January. I will not be running for coordinator again; I have been coordinator since Angie Jensen died in 1998 and need a break. I think that there will be other positions to be contested. Please consider being an officer.

We will be having our *Sweet Heart Dance*

on February 12th. Chuck will be checking with the owners of the *Blue Eyes Lounge* to see if they want us back. Everything went well last year so I am hopeful that the lounge will once again host the dance.

Susan Wheeler missed out on the membership drawing. Denise Wilson won the short drawing.

I invited all chapter members to Rotten Roger's and my birthday party on Sauvie Island on October 2nd. We will be roasting a pig again. B.Y.O.B.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1230 (12:30 pm)
Jubitz Truck Stop
 10310 N. Vancouver Avenue --
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 Kids welcomed. Full bar.

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

Douglas County Chapter



Greetings once again from *Douglas County*,

It seems the weather here has taken a shift toward fall. That or someone advanced the calendar to November without telling anyone.

We have been very busy here with remembering people and benefit runs. There was a memorial ride for Greg Jackson who owned and operated *Umpqua Custom Cycles* with his family (our own Abe and Cindy Zaffarano). Greg left us last year due to cancer. He has been missed greatly. We rode from Winston to his and his wife P.J.'s home on the river for a B-B-Q with a live band. The group was led by fire engines and the *Wind and Fire Club*. It was a wonderful time of honoring one of our own.

There have also been activities to support Frank and DeDe Boone. Frank has been quite ill and is at the V.A. hospital here in Roseburg. There was a party on the 11th of September and a poker run on the 19th. We are all supporting Frank and DeDe, loving them and praying for them.

Here's a little secret: your state coordinator, Joseph Laurance took a little trip to the Bonneville salt flats – with the *Hyabusa*. Want to take a guess at why he went there . . . and how fast he went when he was there. Remember, you didn't hear it from me.

This newsmagazine and the events and activities reported in it make one thing clear – *A.B.A.T.E.* is a family. We care for each other, support each other, and when one of our ranks is lost we mourn and grieve together.

That's what makes it work.
Go find some sunshine...

Blessings on ya,

Becky Garino
secretary

DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING TIME and PLACE
 3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7:00pm)
Round Table Pizza
 Roseburg

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Hub City Chapter



The first *Hub City One Night Stand* is in the bag and I must say it went off without a hitch. Run coordinators Shawn Harwood and Jerry Conant put together a great event. With help from Garry Hastie (sergeant at arms #1) everything went smoothly and I think everyone who attended had a blast for their money.

Hub City owes Fred Tucker, fellow *Hub City* member, a debt of gratitude for allowing us to use his property for our event. Thanks Fred!

Thanks to Jim and Cathy Jantz for bringing out their new *Peterbilt* and refrigerated trailer to hold our ice and bottled water. First time I've seen a run with a \$100,000 ice chest!

Glad to see John and Robin of *Northwest Biker* magazine there to support *Hub City*. They have been instrumental in getting the word around about *Hub City* and our dedication to motorcyclist's rights issues.

We had a flag raising ceremony by the B-52 engineer company out of the Albany national guard armory. It was exciting to see this important event handled with strict military protocol. Marcie Troxel kicked butt with her

rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.

Later in the day another detail showed up from the Albany *V.F.W.* to present the colors and fire a 21 gun salute followed by "Taps". Everyone was impressed and moved by this reminder of our unity in this ongoing fight for freedom. Remember freedom?

Tacey Little rounded up several vendors who were all willing to gamble on the first overnight event *Hub City* put on. By the end of the event, most had joined *A.B.A.T.E.*! I know that the food vendors sold out by the time they had to pack up on Sunday, so they were happy camper\$.

Richard Androes, printmaster, did a fantastic job. Richard not only ran the games, (how about that *Pole in the Hole?*) which entertained all who came, but he also arranged the full time E.M.T. coverage we had.

Thanks to the Scio *R.F.P.D.* for their equipment and personnel.

Richard also secured the fire department's dunk tank and our public relations director, Mo Niebuhr (the dick lady), was the first to entice the attendees to show how good they

were with a softball. Mo definitely got wet and the crowd's attention!

Dennis Stoelting made sure we didn't have to try to haul the state water tank from Rotten Roger's. He just went to *Western Farm Inc.* and bought one. It was dandy to see that we have our own tank dedicated to safe drinking water for all. The tank will go into storage until we need it again at our next function. Thanks again Dennis and Carol Stoelting!

We held an iron butt contest so that the ladies had some entertainment and they were good enough to reciprocate.

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HUB CITY MEETING TIME
and PLACE
 3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddici's Pizza
 133 Fifth Street
 Albany

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

Josephine County Chapter

Well, here's another summer that's coming to an end and the holidays are coming!!!

First off I'd like to say that we've had a great summer here and as August we celebrated our first year as a chapter. Things are going great too.

In July a few of us rode up to the *Douglas County Chapter's* meeting and we had a great time. I'd like to say that it's a good thing to go visit other chapter's meetings and show your support.

Okay, now down to business. By the time you get this we would have already had our chapter overnigher that took place on 18 September at *Greyback* campground in Cavejunction, Oregon.

On Saturday, 09 October 2004, we're having a chapter yard sale to start raising money for our weekend run next summer. Anything you can donate that can be sold at our sale would be greatly appreciated. Just call Spanky at (541)-471-6049 or Jim at (541)-472-0924 for more

information or to have items picked up. We also need volunteers to help run the sale. The sale will be held at the *Bank of America* parking lot between 7th and 6th street in Grants Pass starting at 9 am.

We also have our chapter potluck coming up soon. The date will be announced.

At the last meeting we had a great showing of members there. I was very proud to see all the people there.

So remember, if we all give a little, we all benefit from it.

This is a good chapter with a lot of great people as members so please be involved as much as you can and *support your chapter* of A.B.A.T.E.!!!

Thanks,

Spanky

JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Thursdays at 1900 (7 pm)
Abby's Pizza
205 Beacon Drive
Grants Pass

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Lincoln County Chapter

More Beaver Creek Pics

Greetings from *Lincoln County*,

What a great *Beaver Creek*. Thanks to all of the *Lincoln County* members and all of the rest of the chapters who helped us out.

Thanks to the Lechners once again for a weekend of terrific camping and fun and games and great food.

I do not have a list of all of the game winners. Congratulations to all of you who won and to the other 8516 [?] of you please come back and play again next year.

We have signed up ten new members since *Beaver Creek*.

We had our largest meeting ever this past week. We would really like to see 706 of them again at the next meeting.



We are looking forward to going to *End of Summer Run*.

I will keep this short because I know that Rot is waiting for this.

Be safe and keep the rubber side down,

Wanda



LINCOLN COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1930 (7:30 pm)
American Legion Hall Post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport
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North Coast Chapter

Greetings from the *North Coast Chapter*,

Not a lot of news to share this month, just a few highlights to pass along.

The first annual *Fruit Loop Run* was a lot of fruity fun. While we didn't have a big turnout and the weather turned to miserable rain (lots of it) everyone had a great time. Lots of cool fruity prizes at the end. Don't miss this fun event next year.

Many thanks to Amelia Williams our chapter secretary (the run creator) who worked very hard to organize this fun event. See the accompanying photo of the grand prize winner Mick with his fruit crown. He's *sooooo* proud of this crown.

Our run committee has been working on the arrangements and details for our annual November spaghetti feed and our December toy run. Flyers for the events should be out in the near future. Last year's spaghetti feed/auction was very well attended and great fun was had by all. More to follow on these events in the

future.

Sue (our chapter coordinator), chapter members Kirk and Mary Taylor and I are getting ready to head down the road as I write this report to *Bike Fest* in Las Vegas. We're really looking forward to a great road trip with lots of adventures in the warm weather. Hopefully we'll see lots of fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* brothers and sisters during our trip and at the event.

Don't forget about the new speed limits in the school zones. The tickets are mighty expensive. Watch your speed closely. Aside from the fact we all need to be cautious for the sake of the kids, we don't need to have bikers busted for speeding and give the establishment an opportunity to point fingers at us for violating the law in these zones.

That's about it until next month. All the best from the *North Coast Chapter*.

Don't lose sight of the fight for the freedom of the road. Every one of us has the power – seize it, make a difference, get involved, exercise your rights.

Be safe out there. Get out there and enjoy what we all hope to be a few more weeks of good riding weather and a dry Indian summer.

Keep the rubber side down !!!

Al Jaques

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All hail Mick!

NORTH COAST MEETING

TIME and PLACE

4th Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Moose Lodge

420 17th Street

Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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Northeast Portland Chapter



Hi everyone,

We at the *Northeast Portland Chapter* hope you've enjoyed your summer.

The *Summer Run* was great, with kids and adult games, bands, and fun for everyone. There were many trophies and games, like the bartender game, where you had to put cups on a tray and not spill too much water, slow bike race, and many more. The trophies were made and donated by Tim and Rusty Taylor. One of our own from the *Northeast Portland Chapter* won the game swinging ball, and that was Danni. Congrats Danni.

First of all, I want to thank *Stewart's Leather, Oak Grove Choppers, Tippy Canoe, Love Leathers, Latus, Sir Loin's Restaurant, and Hometown Buffet* for the lovely donations that were contributed to *Summer Run*. We also want to thank the vendors and the people who came to the run for supporting us.

I want to give a special thanks to Laura Stewart for the special donation of leathers to the *Northeast Portland Chapter*. Thanks to Laura we raised \$526 for our cause. The donation consisted of chaps, vest, gloves, bag, skull cap – over \$600 worth of leather. I do not know the lady who won, but I'm sure she will enjoy the leathers.

Laura is a *Northeast Portland Chapter* member who donates a lot to our runs. You can visit her shop anytime and she always has a kind word and a big smile for everyone and truly helps you find all your needs. You can find her shop at 12105 NE 49th street in Vancouver.

I also want to give a big pat on the back to Al Thompson. He sold the tickets and showed the leathers. Al is our *Northeast Portland Chapter* ways and means. Thank you Al.

If you have never been to one of our meetings then I want to invite you to come visit us. You can find us at *Round Table Pizza*, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland – first and third Wednesdays at 7:30 pm. There is a great salad bar, pizza and free pop of your choice and it's kid-friendly.

The *End of Summer Run* is coming and I'm hoping to see a lot of you out there enjoying yourself. Bands, drawings, contests, and beautiful weather.

With school starting, I hope you all remember the new law on the speed zones. I know they are confusing, but if we all just [go] 20 miles per hour, we can't go wrong and we will be keeping the children safe.

We need help on the *Shriner's Toy Run* bike raffle. We have not sold enough of the tickets, so if you haven't bought any please do so. And if you have, maybe buy one more. We all know how important this toy run is, so lets get out there and sell all those tickets.

Hope to see you all soon.

Have a great month,

Bev

N.E. PORTLAND MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930 (7:30pm)

Round Table Pizza

4141 NE 122nd -- Portland

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River City Chapter

August 17, 2004

It was a hot room for a meeting, so some of us were a bit on edge and testy. We sent some money off to one of our local charities for a back-to-school program for kids. We also decided to try one more letter to those whose memberships expired to get them back.

French won the 50/50 at \$5/\$5. Dan Roberge missed the \$95 membership drawing by not being here tonight. (He often is at meetings. Too bad!). It will go up to \$100 for the next meeting. I sure would like to win it!

After the meeting, we all went out and looked at Scott's new bright blue paint job and talked in the parking lot. It was a lot more comfortable than the meeting room.

- Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm. 14 people present, one arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee

Guests: none.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Scott because they were presented in e-mail and written form.

Correspondence: St Vincent DePaul back to school solicitation; a H.O.P.E. Walk/Run solicitation; and a B.O.A. statement.

Treasury report is \$1309.35

Membership report: 62 members. French moved to begin sending a reminder to people whose membership has recently expired - passed.

Board report: None.

Legislative report: None.

Ways and means report: The chopper throw will be raffled all summer.

Public relations report: None.

Historian report: None.

Old Business

Group riding protocols: Watch out for

deer!

Planned rides: Farmer/Kendrick Party, 18 September, 4 pm, 1300 highway 35 pot luck; Street Vibrations; Moro Motorcycle Rally.

Troop support still on schedule. Nothing new.

New Business

Del will sub for secretary.

Teresa moved to send \$100 to S.V.D.P. for the back to school program - passed.

Adjourned 7:37 pm

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September 7, 2004

There wasn't much happening at tonight's meeting. Several officers were absent, so no drawings were held. We ate cookies brought in by Don Cael in honor of his '04 WideGlide and we all got to admire it in the parking lot again.

Lee and Scott had a good trip to Grand Coulee Dam to look at the light show.

French announce that he and Johnna are getting married in October. Congratulations!

The next meeting's minutes will be sent in by Del Nicholson who will be taking my place as secretary when I am gone for the Meeting of the Minds in St. Louis.

- Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:02 pm. 12 people present, five arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee

Guests: none.

Minutes were waived on a motion by Tim because they were presented in e-mail and written form.

Correspondence: a B.O.A. statement; a flyer for Street Thunder in Stevenson.

Treasury report is \$1309.35

Bills submitted: None.

Membership report: None.

Board report: None.

Legislative report: None.

Ways and means report: The chopper throw will be raffled all summer.

Public relations report: None.

Historian report: None.

Old Business

Planned rides: Farmer/Kendrick Party, 18 September, 4 pm, 1300 highway 35, pot luck; Street Vibrations; Moro Motorcycle Rally.

Troop support still on schedule. Nothing new.

New Business

Don Cael brought cookies for his '04 WideGlide

Tim announced his and Johnna's impending marriage in October.

Membership Drawing was not held. It will be \$100 next meeting

50/50 was not held,

Adjourned 7:37 pm

Upcoming meetings

September 21, 2004

October 5, 2004

7:00 pm

RIVER CITY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd 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

Greetings, all!

We had lots of folks attending our last meeting night, (yes, dancing on the tables, but this time it was the guys' turn - whooe!). Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum of officers, so we simply had an "unofficial update" rather than a regular meeting. It works!

So here's the update.

Special guest was Murge's brother, Perry - welcome!

Updates... (Most will be passed by the time you read this.)

The road pick-up (cleanup), has been scheduled for September 12th. Hope we get lots of help this time. Nice to see *A.B.A.T.E.*'s name on the credits sign. Ought to be the goddess's name, but we'll take what we can get. Let's earn it, folks! Many hands *do* make quick work and it is amazing what you find!

Lime Ride is [was] set for September 25, originating in Hubbard. Mona says Rick has it all under control. See ya there! Fun times in store.

Macleay Inn has a couple of events scheduled:

First there [was] the big event on September 26th from 1-5. Check it out!

Then there will be our first biker night fund-raiser for the holidays, on October 16th. You will get the information for this event in time, so we'll see ya there fur sure..... (sounds like the crusty ol' editor!) Get into the spirit and join us, please.

The next biker night will be November 6th if all goes well. Location to be determined.



Toy run will be the second Sunday in December, the 12th. Gather at *K-Mart* on Mission Street for a fun ride and a good cause. Thanks!

We hope to have a special event this holiday season, in the form of a special *Gray Run* to benefit some local elderly folks. Donations accepted and delivery scheduled for the week of Christmas. Timely and welcome!

That's all for now, folks. Still waiting for our secretary to get some time off and attend one of our meetings. Neat lady - love to see her again! Maybe we need to talk to her boss...

Best regards,

sub Sheryl

BIKER NIGHT

SPONSORED BY ABATE OF OREGON SALEM CHAPTER

WHEN: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2004
 WHERE: MACLEAY COUNTRY INN 8541 MACLEAY RD SE SALEM OR
 TIME: 6:00 PM

HELP THE COMMUNITIES OF STATTON AND DEERBORN OREGON

\$1.00 donation at door - \$1000 drawing - gift bags door prizes raffle prizes

Please bring a toy and a non-food item (champions, software, cleaning supplies, etc etc)

Please contact Mona - 503-343-5917 after 6:00 pm.

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SALEM MEETING TIME
and PLACE

4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
Chalet Restaurant
 Market Street, Salem

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

South Coast Chapter

Hi y'all!

Well *S.O.S.* is over and it was a coalition as well as a personal success. (I'll talk about the personal success later.) I want to take this time to comment on the vendors and entertainment this year. This year there was something for everyone, from massage to leather repair and jewelry to bike wax. The entertainment also offered something for everyone. My personal favorite was the fire dancers. They were awesome. Our chapter was well represented this year. Over a third of our members were in attendance. *Yeah!!!!*

You all remember that I'm the girl without a motorcycle, but at *S.O.S.* thanks to Roy Donaghey I learned to ride one. Roy had his *Honda 70* at *S.O.S.* and after a few minutes instructions I was off and riding. (Every chance I got all week end long.) I had an absolute blast. (Now I really want a motorcycle. I have asked for one for my birthday and/or Christmas.) This was my first run ever so I helped with the bike show, the games, and even did a tour as security. I am already planning to attend next year.

At our last meeting we brought up the subject of continuing to host the *Coos River Run*. We will be discussing

this in the next couple of meetings. Members were asked to think about the run and decide if we want to continue. There are pros and cons to keeping the *Coos River Run*. I will keep you updated on our decision.

It is that time of year again for our chapter to start thinking about our annual food drive for the *Salvation Army* and the *Andy Proctor Memorial Toy Run*. Both of these events are right around the corner. So lets start talking to our friends and neighbors about these projects. Many families in our community depend on the success of these two events.

School is now in session. Please watch your speed and watch for the children!!!

Ride safe and free,

Kris

SOUTH COAST MEETINGTIME and PLACE

3rd Sunday at 1300 (1 pm)
Gino's Pizza
 1324 Virginia Street -- North
 Bend

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

Southeast Portland Chapter



Hey freedom fighters!

There's nothing much to comment on for this month because we have been taking a break after *Run 21*.

Between *Southeast* and *Northeast Chapters* we [had] our annual *A.B.A.T.E. Family Picnic*. There [was] good food and fun games for all ages. Once again it [was] located at *Eagle Fern Park*. The date of this event [was] September 25th. Everyone [was] invited so I hope [I] see all of you there.

Other than that I would just like to add my little bit about safety:

Ride safe out there and keep your eyes out for those who don't.

Note from the Coordinator:

Yup!

No one knows the meaning of *brotherhood* any more. It comes from the top and filters through the chapters. Brotherhood stands for teamwork, respect for one's space, respect for one another, and respect for the dedication and work that they do. But I see no one knows what the B stands for in the word *A.B.A.T.E.* any more.

Well, you best wake up and rediscover what teamwork means. So

all you non-team players best wake up and start playing the brotherhood relations once again. Or you can always leave – you are not worth the trouble you create.

That's it for now. I hope this summer has been a great one for all of you.

Love,

Nicoluscious

S.E. Portland MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200 (noon)

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

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

Southern Oregon Chapter

SOUTHERN OREGON

MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd 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

By now, *End of Summer Run* will be over. Please check out the festivities on www.endofsumme.com

We have a new [run] site, also in the Birkenfeld area.

In late August a hardy group of people got together and spent a little bit of time clearing the road into the site. With the number of people who volunteered, it took longer to drive out to Birkenfeld than it did to do the work. Thanks to Ted for supplying the equipment and to ways and means for the donuts.

Other site prep work is going on now (at the beginning of September) so we can be certain the run will be as good as we can make it at a new site. Undoubtedly we will learn that there may be one or two items that were overlooked but we are all excited about the coming event.

Thanks to Trace for keeping the web site updated as well.

Our October *First Sunday Ride* will be a memorial ride for grandpa Jones who passed away this year at the age of 103. We are working on a route for this event and hoping to get permission to ride past his graveside. The ride will end at Ed and Wendy Vaughn's house in Beaverton for a B-B-Q. we will meet at *Prime Time* sports bar in Forest Grove and depart around 10 am. Please join us, if you can.

We are also working on the *Washington County* toy run on November 20. we will be meeting at southeast 2nd and Walnut streets in Hillsboro and taking a parade route through the city. We will review the route with the police again this year

and may not have to tour the countryside to get to the destination. we will, once again, end at the fire station, then over to *Copperstone* for a celebration.

Every month I remind everyone about the meetings. They are the second and forth Tuesdays of the month.

Our longtime member, mark Pratt, attends infrequently of late. Between work and life commitments, it is good to see him when shows up. he managed to stick around for the whole early August meeting and won the membership drawing. He walked out the door with \$400 in his pocket. Congratulations, Mark!

The pot started over at the late August meeting at over \$100, but Craig Barger was not present to win, so it will continue to grow.

Every month I sign off with the same reminder to watch out for others on the road. Jim and I were riding over Labor Day weekend and were some of many bikes out on the road. Unfortunately some of those other bikes were posing hazards to themselves ad other road users.

Please remember to ride within the limits of your experience and the road conditions. Just because the bike can do 140 does not mean that you should try to do 140. Please do not let confidence and adrenaline overcome your common sense.

Watch out for the other guy because he probably is not watching for you,

Linda Wells
WaCo secretary



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

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Cornelius, OR 97113

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



The riding season may be winding down for some of us, but *Willamette Valley Chapter* is still busy, doing, and motivating!

S.O.S. was another success for our chapter this year! We can report that it was a fantastic party. Much praise for MaryAnn, Michael, Wendy and Rhonda, and Charlie Hill, and others who put in so many hours of effort to pull this off. Gate was really smooth and efficient with a great poker run, bike games, and show. The raffles were a huge hit and a great money-maker. The chapter trailer worked out well for its first real duty as the information booth at this run. Too much fun!

By the time this is read our chapter had already done the first year of having a *A.B.A.T.E.* booth at the *Eugene Celebration* September 18th and 19th. Peggy Schneider is overseeing this with others and myself. We will be introducing *A.B.A.T.E.* and chapter through this venue. I am sure there will be a learning curve doing this for the first time, but am confident it will be well excepted and a success. We will be right in front of the 5th and Willamette post office by the 5th street stage so we get to hear all that great blues.

Casino Night October 9 is our fall casino night at *Yukon Jack's* in Veneta. Black jack tables are open for games at 2pm to 6pm and the auction is 6pm to 8pm. Danny at *Yukon's* always has great food and music at 9pm to finish off the evening for this fun fundraiser for our chapter. The address for *Yukon's* is 4th and west Broadway in Veneta. Don't forget to bring usable items for the auction and make yourself available to deal cards or help with the auction. See ya there!

We will be holding our chapter officer elections at our general chapter meeting on October 14. This is the time to nominate someone or step up and volunteer and take part in the direction of the chapter. We have created new positions for coordinator of

casino nights, *Rhody Run*, and *July 4th Social* along with the *S.O.S.* coordinator to work with the events coordinator.

So if one of these events is something you would like to work with then this is the position for you. If your one of those who have issues with how the chapter is conducting their runs, events or direction then this is the time to put up or shut up and make a difference. I cannot say it any plainer than that!

State *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* planning meeting will be in Cottage Grove veteran's hall as usual. Believe it will be on October 16 and 17. Our chapter has always hosted the breakfast morning snack and lunch for this session and will do so this year. If your want to meet those from other chapters and be part of planning at the state level, you are invited to attend. We can use your help!

We are having our chapter's planning session for 2005 on November 4 (Thursday – a week before the October chapter meeting) at the *Vet's Club* starting at 6pm. This is our meeting of the minds for all members for our chapter's agenda and events for 2005. Be part of deciding what our chapter represents and does. All members are invited to participate. Bring your issues and agenda ideas and plan on a four-hour night!

Our chapter is providing a Thanksgiving family donation this year and all donations of food should be brought to the November 11 meeting. The Christmas family donations should be brought to the December 9 meeting. As Always the chapter will be providing a turkey or ham with member donations filling in the rest of the meal. A seasonal warm and fuzzy!

We will do the *Mission Run* on December 5 and be serving three separate seasonal turkey meals to staff, women/children and

the men. We will be meeting at *Quackers Tavern*, Eugene at 2pm or meet us all at the *Eugene Mission* at 2:30pm. Bring usable socks, gloves and coats.

December 9 we will be having our Christmas party at the December general chapter meeting. Bring a gift (\$10 or less) if you wish to participate in the gift exchange. If you would like dinner, the charge will be \$10 with R.S.V.P. before December 6th. Dinner will be two main dishes with all the trimmings and a great time as always at the *Vet Club*. This is always a seasonal celebration for the chapter and great fun. See you there!

Well I hope I have not missed anything, anyone and have all my dates correct!

Here are the tentative dates for our chapter events for 2005, so mark up those new calendars.

2005 chapter calendar

March 5 *Fall Casino*

May 21 *Rhody Run*

July 4th Social (first Monday)

August 26–28 *S.O.S. Run*

October 8 *Spring Casino*

December 4 *Mission Run*

That's all folks,

Hal

WILAMETTE VALLEY
MEETING TIME and PLACE
 2nd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Veteran's Memorial Building
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Historian

by Iris Yeager



Hysterical report by Iris E. Yeager

Mel and I were privileged to do eleven *Motorcycle Awareness* classes during this past summer. The (mostly) kids are excited to meet with a motorcyclist. It is informative and most of the kids really enjoy the presentation we do. Each is different but includes the information we want to convey. That is to "please watch for motorcycles". They like our sense of humor too.

A few times I have had a student ask why we want car drivers to be more careful for us when there are motorcyclist who weave in and out of lines of cars going fast and with little space between. My response is that although most try to be respectful of other vehicles there are

some who do not, just as there are some car drivers less concerned about others on the road and drive rudely.

Now the reason for starting my report this way: I was in my car on a Sunday the end of August on highway 34 coming out of Corvallis heading east. A motorcycle came up behind me. Cars were fairly closely moving slightly higher than posted speed. Cars on the right (I was in left lane) just a few feet ahead of me. A car in front of me and several cars lined up like that, staggered for about a mile. The motorcycle had moved to the right hand lane. Then all of a sudden that motorcycle jagged over between the car just to my right and me. There was little room and it startled me. This motorcyclist continued jaggging in and out of traffic lanes, with little space to work through, until he was at the head of the line of traffic. You all might say "Okay!!" and this move might have seemed macho to some but was not wise, safe, nor respectful of others. I think he

needed to thank our powers above that he made it. Oh, by the way, there was a lady behind him. Sleeveless and all, a small change in movement by one of those cars being weaved in and out of could have changed the looks of her skin quite dramatically.

Please, if we want other motorist to respect us we need to act respectfully.

Hey, I still need a few pictures of each event for the books.

Have a great fall. I really hope to see you guys and gals a whole lot more this fall and spring than the last couple of years.



BikePAC of Oregon, Inc.

Membership Application

PO Box 5612
Salem, OR 97304
www.bikepac.com

(please circle desired type of membership below)

Individual	Corporate	Group or Club
Associate \$15	Sponsor \$150	General \$75
Full \$30+	Supporting \$300	Supporting \$150
Family \$40+	Platinum \$750	MAB* \$300
MAB* \$60+	MAB* \$1000	

*Member of the Advisory Board

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)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

Email _____

I am in state senate district _____

I am in state representative district _____

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BikePAC of Oregon promotes the interests of motorcyclists through education and legislative advocacy

Our Officers at Work

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

11 September 2004

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:12 with 13 of the 15 chapters represented, all present were eligible to vote with the exception of *Southern Oregon*. Chapters not in attendance were *North Coast* and *Southern Oregon* forth time in a row.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the August 14, 2004. Correction on run coordinators report regarding the stage cut poles should have read: The poles were cut by an individual from *Columbia River* and they were fixed. Motion made by Doc Squires, seconded by Kurt Speas to adopt the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Coordinators comments: Joe was glad everyone was here. Moment and prayer for 9/11. Joe spoke of his trip to the Bonneville salt flats. He had heard you could run the flats by giving *A.M.A.* vets \$100 and they would allow you to run.

Guests and first time attendees: Crackers the parrot, Rick and Margo, Robert Hale (*Northeast Portland Chapter*)

Correspondence: None noted.

*** Officer's Reports ***

Legislative director: Rick Maish mentioned that if you were flying a flag today that it should be at half mast. For some of us that can't lower our flags in remembrance, it is proper to attach a black ribbon or streamer at the top of the flag.

November is closing in on us. Be

sure to vote November 2nd. October 12 is the last day anyone can register to vote for the November 2nd election and October 15-19 the ballots will be mailed out to us. In Oregon on the last major vote, only 73% of eligible Oregonians were registered to vote, and from that, only half actually voted. So get out and vote. Your one vote does actually count.

M.R.F.'s Meeting of the Minds in St. Louis and we're ready to go with ten people from Oregon attending. Were all flying except for Brian who's doing the ride.

Washington A.B.A.T.E. is celebrating their 25th anniversary by doing a special ride September 18th from Tacoma to Olympia capital campus. That brings up [that] *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* was founded August 1975. We need to plan something special for the legislative session for the next year.

Sturgis data for 2004 from Karen Bolin: 514,000 at *Sturgis*. For more details go to the web site.

In a e-mail from Gypespashn of *Biker Bits* It's from a web site called *Hell Bent MC*. According to the article, it all started with *A.M.A.* and an article they wrote about the bikers attending *Hoisted* that attended *A.M.A.'s* events. It went something like this; "99% of all of their members are law-abiding citizens and only 1% are "outlaw." This then began what is today know as outlaw motorcycle clubs and 1%er's. Clubs that were not sanctioned by the *A.M.A.* and non-members of the *A.M.A.* were banned from attending *A.M.A.* events.



by Charlie Hill
State Recording Secretary

Loud pipes issue is showing up in all parts of the country in one form or another. *Loud Pipes Save Lives*, but the way it's going "the few are causing problems for the many." "If we abuse it, we may very well loose it." Here in Oregon, D.E.Q. controls our sound level. The maximum levels depending on the year of the motorcycle in Oregon are:

1. Motorcycles and mopeds before 1976 = 94 dba, 1976 = 91 dba.
2. Motorcycles and mopeds after 1976 = 89 dba.

Massachusetts; September 7, 2004, student drivers start getting motorcycle awareness training when they do their drivers education. Because a four year long push to get *Nelly's Bill* passed.

BikePAC of Oregon! Have you joined yet?

M.R.F. has legislation pending before the *T.E.A.* conference committee. They are asking us to contact, by phone, our congressional representatives. We all know where Peter DeFazio is with *T.E.A.*, but what about David Wu of district 1, Greg Walden of district 2, Earl Blumenauer of district 3 and Darlene Hooley of district 5.

O.D.O.T.'s conference September 22-24. We are sending four people to the conference.

New pedestrian law, stop and stay stopped for pedestrians:

- 1) At uncontrolled intersections, motorists are required to stop and stay stopped for a pedestrian in a crosswalk

when the pedestrian is in the motorist's lane or an adjacent lane.

2) At controlled intersections (with signals or signs), motorists must stop and remain stopped while the pedestrian is lawfully in the intersection or crosswalk.

In Eugene, police have even been doing cross walk stings for a year or so.

Updated copy of Oregon laws concerning motorcyclists. There's a new beginner rider safety course in town known as *B.R.T.* Included in the packets is an updated Oregon laws of interest to motorcyclists (bikers).

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Geoff White – Next *BikePAC* meeting will be October 2 at noon at the *Chalet Restaurant* located at Market and Lancaster Drive. [In Salem–c.o.e.]

To join *BikePAC* today, see Mel. For *M.R.F.* see Ted; *A..B.A..T.E.* see Jill.

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughan – Excused.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Michael Schneider – No report, was on the road and didn't get a chance to talk to Ed.

Education director: Geoff White – It's the start of a new school year and time for classes. A lot of drivers education classes have been dropped. Tom Curran said he tried health classes and they were not receptive. Geoff will contact North Bend and Marshfield. Brian said the education should be something for *BikePAC* to look into.

Education director II: Nora Rohde had nothing to report.

Membership secretary: Jill Tracy – We have 2,500+ members. Several chapters have increased membership.

Take a minute to say hello to people.

E-mail or phone for supplies and Jill will bring them to the board meeting.

New tri-fold holders – be sure to put chapter information on there in case they become empty. Roger reminds everyone to take care of these as they cost \$4 each.

Newsmagazine editor: Rot Path – September 19 is *Talk Like a Pirate Day*. Thanks for submissions. Need submissions from *Douglas County*, *Lincoln County*, and *Southern Oregon*.

Joan McCarty wants to get motorcycle people at sci-fi conventions. Their issues are similar to ours. This would help raise awareness.

October 16-Cottage Grove is the planning session. Melinda will submit flyer to Rot Path.

O.P.B. we had five *A.B.A.T.E.* people there. Marty will be person to contact regarding future *O.P.B.*

Products: Michelle Hobbs – Excused.

Public relations: Melinda McCrossen said she is concerned about negative energy as she is leaving this board in December. Unity is what we are about. Melinda went through the loss of a father in law and the funeral was yesterday.

Swap meet: she hasn't heard from Steve Baton, unknown about post cards or flyers being sent out, she is very concerned.

State run coordinator (*Fossil*): Duane Calkins – Not here.

Swap meet coordinator: Stephan Baton – Not here.

State run coordinator II: Michelle FitzHenry – Chapters need to get your run dates in by the next board meeting to Duane.

Committee meeting will be September 28 at Duane's house: 8238 NE 17th, Portland.

Michelle has made it to five runs this year.

Treasurer: Ted Tracy – Letter with a \$100 donation check from

Ramsey-Waite Company. Ted read his response letter written to them explaining where their donation would go.

Checking \$11,687.42; money market \$37,595.51 for a total of \$49,286.93.

The biggest expenses of the last month were room and airfare to the *Meeting of the Minds* in St. Louis. Wendy got us an excellent deal on airfare. We will also be presenting the \$5,000 check to the *M.R.F.* as voted on at the last state board meeting.

State auditor: Nancy Curran – Excused. Ted said Nancy came to Jill and Ted's house and spent four hours cleaning up their computers.

Northeast Portland is still using *Microsoft Money* and they *must* use *Quicken*.

Historian: Iris Yeager reported that the kids love to see motorcycles when they teach the *M.A.P.* classes. Iris read her report which will also be published in the newsmagazine regarding proper gear while riding.

Iris reminds all that she still needs pictures. Please note the event, date, and who they are when you submit them.

Web page editor: Mad Dog was not present.

Vice coordinator–north: Larry Brown apologized for not making to the last few meetings. He has not been able to attend and made this meeting with a broken wrist.

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes
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More motorcycles have been bought this year than in the last three years due to rise of gas prices. When you see people, talk to them about our education opportunities and what *A.B.A.T.E.* is about. Larry even signed up his attorney.

Vice coordinator-south: Tim Rohde – [State board] elections are coming up, all positions are open. Tim would like to see two of each chapter at the planning session. *S.O.S.* is doing very well. *Josephine County* is looking into bringing back the *Last Chance Run* at the end of September next year.

Vice coordinator-east: Bob Hadley – Excused.

Sergeant at arms-north: Larry Brown – Next year *Fossil* will be even better. Thanks to those who participated this year.

Sergeant at Arms South: Doc Squires said a couple of weeks ago he went to Pendleton. When they checked into their rooms [in Lafayette] he asked if they had veteran's discounts, which they didn't. He got a phone call to move his bike four spaces away as they were afraid it would leave oil. Doc told him he would when he got dressed and the guy was a jerk and ended up calling the police on him, throwing him out without a refund. Doc is to submit the name of this motel to alert others as this was a case of discrimination against bikers. This is a good example of *U.S.A.P.A. T.R.I.O. T. Act* results.

Sergeant at Arms East: Keith Odoms – Excused.

Sanctioning Officer: Ron VonSild said he got information from Melinda for swap meets to get insurance.

Need to speak to *Central Oregon* representative on break.

Hub City run is tonight, \$15, great bands.

Send run dates to Ron by next board meeting for next year's calendar.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton – Excused.

Committee Reports

Next meeting: September 28 at Duane's: 8238 NE 17th street, Portland.

Unfinished Business

1. Oregon transportation safety conference, September 22-24. Randy Phipps said they are locked in and money is paid, rooms rented. Nora, Randy, Mel, Iris, and Michelle are attending.

2. *Meeting of the Minds* - September 24 and 25. Ted said we got a good price on the airfare. Brain is riding. We got the last rooms at the host hotel. *Central Oregon* is sending Ed along with a check for \$1,440. State is also taking a check for \$5,000. The first meeting was in St. Louis, 10th in St. Louis and this one St. Louis. Brain said *M.R.F.* is coming out with foil wrapped chocolate *M.R.F.* coins. Mel suggested chapters allotting \$500 to be spend on the silent auction items at the conference. Kurt said *Lincoln County* is send him with \$500. The live auction sales are for large amounts of money, the silent auction sales are less expensive. Jill suggests we take items for the auction. Larry said we have surplus of *Fossil* shirts. Joe suggest \$100 worth of products.

New Business

No motions submitted.

Planning session: Joe wants representation of two people from each chapter. October 16-Cottage

Grove. *Willamette Valley* will serve breakfast Saturday morning and lunch.

Kurt Speas, *Lincoln County* representative said a vendor was selling illegal shirts at *Beaver Creek*. Kurt apologized for not catching this guy sooner. The vendors name is Notorious. Lee said he had the same problem at their run with that guy. If this happens, give the vendor back his fee and escort him off the property. Put on the vendor sheets, no run shirts or any other run merchandise may be sold. Jill suggests our attorney send a letter to that vendor to cease and desist using our name. Brian said we need to ask Sam about copyright of our *A.B.A.T.E.* name.

Announcements

Executive board to follow this meeting.

End of Summer Run, two miles past original site. Wedding on Saturday.

25 September – *Salem Lime Ride*.

02 October – *Teddy Bear Ride*.

09 October *Willamette Valley Casino Night*.

Last Thursday Paul Holvey, new state representative, was invited to *Willamette Valley* meeting. He came to check out *A.B.A.T.E.* with questions and answers. He learned about *A.B.A.T.E.*

Willamette Valley September 17-19 is sponsoring a booth at the *Eugene Celebration*.

Tonight, *Hub City One Night Stand*. They also signed up senator Gary George to *A.B.A.T.E.*

Third weekend of February is *S.T.E.A.M.*, be thinking of classes.

Free movie posters and tattoos in the back.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Legislative Report

Rick's Ramblings On Stuff

And another month fades away as summer slowly leaves us. By the time you read this we will be approximately one month away from voting in the November 2 election.

We will be deciding on who will be president of the United States again for four years, our representation in Washington and in Oregon's legislature. On top of all that, we will have at least 8 to 10 state measures to decide not to mention local issues. Lots of decisions/choices to make.

You should have received your voter's pamphlet and will be receiving your voting ballot about now. The ballots are mailed October 15-19th. In addition, we'll have all of the information we need to make educated, intelligent decisions. We always wonder if we are making the right decisions with the mixed information we have these days. You just don't know what to believe sometimes.

However, if you get out and vote on November 2nd and have done some checking out on the issues, where different candidates stand on your issues of concern, then you have at least made an effort to do the right thing. This gives you the right to an opinion on the outcome of this election. If you do not, then you don't have a darn thing to complain about. You gave up your rights and options.

In Oregon on the last major vote, only 73% of the eligible Oregonians were registered to vote, and from that only half actually voted. That's not exactly what I would call a majority rule. Right! So get out and vote. Your

one vote does actually count.

Enough soap boxing. Get your ass out and vote. It's your responsibility as an Oregonian and as an American citizen.

By the way, if you're not yet registered to vote, shame on you! However, you still have time to correct that problem if you get down to your local voter's registration office and register by October 12th.

October 12.....Voter registration deadline for November 2 general election.

October 15 - 19Ballots mailed for November 2 general election.

November 2.....Election day: statewide general election,

Come January, we will again be heading into some heavy duty legislative activities with *BikePAC* and we as both *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC* members need to fully support these efforts. *BikePAC* will be scheduling capital rides, and hearings on our bills. We will have a new lobbying leader with Wayne Schumacher, who has agreed to work with *BikePAC* as our lead lobbyist. *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* has also agreed to support *BikePAC* in that endeavor. As individual members and chapters we will all need to do our part in the support of this, both with participation/support and with dollars in the form of memberships.

Loud Pipes

The loud pipes issue is showing up in all parts of the country in one form or another.

Yeah, I know "loud pipes save lives", but the way it's going "the few are



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causing problems for the many". "If we abuse it, we may very well lose it."

In Colorado Springs, Colorado, they are writing tickets for loud mufflers on motorcycles as well as import cars.

The problem in Colorado Springs is how they are doing it. They ticket based on sound or muffler brand. They use an educated ear and/or eye and not by a measured decibel's (sound meter) readings to determine if you need a ticket.

Quote from a Colorado Springs city council member: "City law does not require a decibel meter to enforce the law," Velez told the council. Officers are put through 10-hour training sessions and told to watch for disturbing noisiness and to examine whether the exhaust pipes are stamped as being certified.

In Manchester, New Hampshire they are looking at what others are doing before jumping on the bandwagon.

Salem, Massachusetts – Residents are working a petition to force Salem police to enforce current law. Ordinances (sections 24-20 a. (3) and 22-1 (a)(2)) proscribes use of a motorcycle "In a manner so as to create loud, unnecessary or unusual noise so as to disturb or interfere with the peace and quiet of other persons" and which provides for fines reaching to \$200 for violations.

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Rick's Ramblings

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They are even looking at installing decibel meters in inspection stations across the state.

Hawaii: section 291-24 of the Hawaii revised statutes makes it illegal to "modify the exhaust system of a motorcycle or moped in a manner which will amplify or increase the noise emitted by the motor."

Violators are subject to a fine of up to \$100

It's happen all across the country. I've been seeing articles coming in from a number of different states and if we as bikers don't take care of it, *somebody else will*. Like I've said before, we as bikers can control the outcome of this. It *all* comes down to a little common sense and some respect for others.

A year or so ago, the *A.M.A.* and the *M.R.F.*, along with others present at a nation noise conference, agreed that excessive motorcycle noise is a serious issue in some communities, that it may become an issue in many more, and that the potential exists for it to affect motorcyclist's rights nationwide.

Well it's happening and we have the power to make changes concerning it.

Enough!

Rick Maish

Hub City

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The *Hub City Hooters* took the stage in very fine form! Serrina and Polly, the two finalists, worked till they literally dropped. I know every man there joins me in saying "Thanks girls. We love ya!"

Kay Fristad, *Hub City* member and director of *Salem H.O.G.*, was good enough to help me with emcee duties and took care of the iron butt contest and all the military protocols for the flag raising, presentation of colors, and 21 gun salute.

Elixser, *Hub City's* adopted house band, and *Virtual Ground* really put on a show! Each band alternated back and forth to draw from all the positive vibes flowing from the crowd. They jammed together and even drew Marcie Troxel, our national anthem singer, into the mix.

Even when the sheriff showed up after midnight to calmly remind us that we had to quiet the music down, these people went out and did an acappella set by the bonfire! There's true American spirit in these people. No quitters here!

All *Hub City* members should be proud of what they've done in their first shot at organizing and running an event like this. *Hub City rocks!!!*

That leaves the only thing this run didn't have - people! *Hub City* only sold 125 armbands and half those were *Hub City* members. I know *Hub City* has won several awards for "most chapter participation" at several *A.B.A.T.E.* functions. We had hoped a few folks would show up to reap the benefits of all our planning and hard work.

We saw a few from other *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* chapters but that was it! My

heartfelt *thanks* to all of you who did show up!

I know I've forgotten some important people, so let me throw a big blanket *thanks* out there to all the ones who've done so much with so little recognition.

This only proves one thing - *Hub City* can put on a kick-ass run without help from anyone else. I'm proud of my group for holding their head high and moving on.

Suffice it to say that all of you who missed this run blew a chance to have a great dry day and evening of incredible music, vendors, games, military ceremony and honor, enough toilets for everyone to have their own (what a concept!), and the fun of watching the well oiled machine of *Hub City* at work.

At our September meeting we will hold officer elections, so by next printing of the newsmagazine we will have some new names to report as officers. I'm proud to see members step up like they have to help share the load. I am determined that this chapter will not become one where a few do everything because others have been pushed away. *Hub City* welcomes all and is always open to suggestions and other viewpoints. Remember freedom?

On to other events. *Hub City* has once again done the highway cleanup on highway 34 between Albany and Corvallis. We support this program because it keeps a nice section of highway clean (many of us use this section daily), and because the state provides a very nice sign proclaiming that this work is done by *Hub City A.B.A.T.E.* What better way to get our name out there? Thousands of people drive by every day and see that *A.B.A.T.E.* sign. Even if they have no

idea what *A.B.A.T.E.* is or what *A.B.A.T.E.* does, when they see or hear our name in other circles they remember that we care enough to go out four times a year and clean up miles of the road they use everyday.

Encourage your chapter to *Adopt a Highway* and you won't be sorry!

Hub City also contacted *Team Oregon* and arranged an experienced rider class. We encourage all riders to take advantage of *Team Oregon*. This program, founded by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, is the benchmark for all other rider instruction courses in the nation.

All the major manufacturers have banded together to form their own education courses (*Rider's Edge, Motorcycle Safety Foundation*, etc.), because it was felt *Team Oregon* was "too challenging". Isn't that a little like letting *Boeing* decide who can fly a 757?

Untrained, unqualified riders are a hazard to themselves as well as to others and we all know how much proper training helps when a crisis situation arises.

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon will refund half of your *Team Oregon* fees upon successful completion of any class, so you've a financial incentive as well. Some insurance companies will offer a discount to motorcyclists completing this recognized training course.

Please plan to drop by the bike show that *Hub City* will be putting on at the *Heritage Mall* in Albany on October 23-24. Carolyn Freeman has been working diligently to improve things over last year. At that time we had over 70 bikes in the show and this year will be better. *Hub City* will have the *Shriners* raffle bike there and we'll try to eclipse last years record ticket

sales. *Hub City* will also offer a chance to have your photo taken on a cool custom motorcycle, so come on by and visit. The mall is on 14th and Geary in Albany. Take the Santiam highway exit off I-5 and head west. Take a left at *Burgerville* and you're there.

Please check out:

www.westernbiker.com

It's a web site built and operated by our own Polly Lenon. She has made sure to list everything she can find about biker events. If you have something you'd like to see posted, go to *WesternBiker.com* and use the link to inform Polly about your event. The site gets local as well international attention so use it. It's free!

Our patriarch, Mel Yeager, won the membership drawing, but alas, he wasn't there! The drawing prize increases again and maybe they'll draw my number next time. Thanks Mel, but I'd rather see you at the meeting!

Hub City enjoys our host restaurant, *Ciddici's Pizza*. Tim Siddiqui, a red blooded American, makes sure bikers are welcome! Please stop by and enjoy pizza, broasted chicken and jojos, and fantastic sandwiches. Adult beverages are always available as well as soft drinks too. Tim has something for everyone and it's always served with a smile.

Hub City meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7 pm. *Ciddici's Pizza* is located at 135 5th street in downtown Albany. We look forward to seeing you there!

Al Sims

Free Fender Snicker

Let's face it, bumper stickers just don't fit on motorcycles at all well. What we need is our own line of stickers that will fit our bike's fenders.

Below is aother modest effort. It can be cut out or duplicated at a copy center, then laminated. Stick on with glue, rubber cement, or the rider's best friend—duct tape.





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News & Notes

American Motorcyclist Association

The *A.M.A.* has expressed its opposition to a federal court ruling that has the potential to shut down an additional 4.1 million acres of the California desert to all off-highway vehicles.

U.S. district judge Susan Illston issued a ruling that could end all off-highway motorcycling and A.T.V. riding in areas of the desert that are designated critical habitat for the desert tortoise, which is listed as a threatened species under the *Endangered Species Act*. Illston's ruling reverses an opinion by the *U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service* that had allowed activities including cattle grazing and motorized recreation on some tortoise habitat controlled by the federal *Bureau of Land Management* within the 25-million acre desert.

The ruling came in a lawsuit filed by opposing forces in the debate over access to the desert:

A.M.A. district 37 and the *Center for Biological Diversity*. The *A.M.A.* district organization argued that the *Bureau of Land Management* should look into other factors leading to a decline in the tortoise population, most notably, diseases affecting the tortoises' upper-respiratory systems and their shells. The district asked that the *B.L.M.* be ordered to consider some 900 pages of research pointing to the diseases as primary causes of tortoise deaths when developing its plan for recovery of the species.

Meanwhile, the *Center for Biological Diversity* argued that restrictions on motorized recreation and cattle grazing imposed by the *B.L.M.* did

not provide sufficient protection for the tortoise.

In ruling against district 37 and in favor of the *Center for Biological Diversity*, Illston essentially decided that no matter how minor a role off-highway motorcyclists and grazing cattle play in the decline of the tortoise, the *B.L.M.* is obligated under federal law to consider the elimination of those activities throughout the tortoise's critical habitat.

The amount of public land available for recreation has shrunk dramatically over the years, until today, the areas available for open riding amount to a mere 2 percent of the overall desert. Closing an additional 4.1 million acres to all off-highway vehicles would be another giant step toward eliminating this legitimate form of recreation from the desert. *A.M.A.* district 37 will appeal to the 9th U.S. circuit court of appeals in an effort to get Illston's ruling reversed.

Connecticut now has two off-highway vehicle riders political action committees (*P.A.C.*) registered with the secretary of the state to gain better access to state legislators.

Connecticut Trail Rider P.A.C. is an "organization" *P.A.C.* which is sponsored by the *New England Trail Riders Association (N.E.T.R.A.)*. *N.E.T.R.A.* is contributing \$2,500 to this *P.A.C.* this year. Individual *N.E.T.R.A.* members may also contribute to this *P.A.C.* up to \$500 per year (\$30 limit for ages under 16). While *C.T.-O.R.V.P.A.C.* is the "two or more individuals" *P.A.C.*. This

P.A.C. can accept contributions from any individual up to \$1,000 per year (\$30 limit for ages under 16). It can accept unlimited amounts from fund raising events. Contributions to either *P.A.C.* may be sent by check to *P.A.C.* treasurer Mike Stone; 45 Padanaram Road; Danbury, CT 06811.

Deer, cows and even squirrels are to blame for more than 26,000 injuries along the nation's roads each year, the government said recently. It is the first time the *Centers for Disease Control* and prevention (*C.D.C.*) has ever examined how many people suffer non-fatal injuries in car accidents involving animals.

In half of the animal-related accidents surveyed in 2001-2002, motorists were injured by hitting the animal while the other half were hurt by swerving to avoid hitting the animals, said Ann Dellinger of *C.D.C.*'s motor vehicle injury prevention team.

Each year, about 200 people die in animal-related crashes out of the nearly 44,000 traffic fatalities nationwide according to the latest Federal highway data. There were 247,000 crashes involving animals in 2000, the latest federal highway data available.

The *C.D.C.* doesn't know if the number of car-animal accidents are on the rise. They typically happen on rural roads or highways. Although nearly nine out of 10 such accidents involve deer, the *C.D.C.*'s crash study also found cows, squirrels, bears, dogs and raccoons to be major



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contributors.

The *C.D.C.* said putting tall fences at deer crossing spots and channeling deer to underpasses would help, but noted the cost might be prohibitive for many public roads budgets. (*Associated Press*)

US congressman Duncan Hunter (CA-52) has proposed an amendment to the *Department of the Interior* appropriations bill stating that fee demo revenue shall not be used in the future for biological studies to determine the status of endangered species in the *Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area (I.S.D.R.A.)*.

Joined by congressman Richard Pombo (CA-11) they claim that the fee demo money was never intended to utilize user fees to do anything but support improvements, operation, and maintenance at the *I.S.D.R.A.* The amendment has cleared the house and now must be approved by the U.S. senate.

The *A.M.A.* urges motorcyclists to contact their members of senators and ask them to support *D.O.I.* appropriations with this amendment intact. Motorcyclists can use the *A.M.A. Rapid Response Center* on www.AMADirectlink.com to send messages on this and other subjects to their federal lawmakers.

A.M.A. is hosting a Washington, D.C., seminar for motorcyclists who want to learn how to influence governmental decisions, whether in congress or their local councils.

The seminar is March 5-8, 2005 at

the *Phoenix Park Hotel* in Washington, D.C. Participants will meet and learn from the *A.M.A.*'s Washington staff, as well as other political experts. In addition to learning about state and federal issues facing motorcyclists today, participants will get tips on building relationships with government agency officials and lobbying elected officials.

Participants will also prepare to meet face-to-face with members of their congressional delegation. But the seminar isn't all work; there will be a welcome reception, as well as a luncheon and a banquet over the course of the seminar.

The seminar registration fee is \$75. The registration deadline is February 11, 2005. *A.M.A.* membership is required. For more information or to register, contact Sharon Titus at (614)-856-1900, ext. 1252 or by e-mail at stitus@ama-cycle.org

BikePAC of Oregon has formalized an agreement with Wayne Schumacher of *Association Management* to represent motorcycling interests in Oregon. Schumacher is an avid motorcyclist as well as an experienced lobbyist and brings years of experience to the organization. He will not only work for *BikePAC* during the legislative session, his firm will be starting to immediately pave the way for their efforts next year. He will also be involved in strategy and development of grassroots activism.

Schumacher is native Oregonian

who has been an avid motorcyclist for over 35 years. He has been heavily involved in organized motorcycling, safety training, and the motorcyclist rights movement for most of that time. He served for five years as the western regional coordinator for the *American Motorcyclist Association*, and eight years on the *Oregon Governor's Motorcycle Safety Advisory Committee*, serving five years as chair. He is a life member of the *A.M.A.*, and *H.O.G.*, and is a long time member of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. He has authored numerous articles on motorcycle safety, association management, and government relations in trade magazines and newsletters.

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

Motorcycle Riders Foundation



M.R.F. Extends Voting Deadline for Elections to October 23rd

The ballot for the member representative election in the current September/October *M.R.F. Reports* contains a printing error. The deadline for returning ballots had been extended to October 23rd, 2004.

The deadline extension was agreed to in order to allow M.R.F. members to meet both candidates at *Meeting of the Minds*.

Please make a note of the extended deadline, and please vote. For those attending *Meeting of the Minds* please take the time to speak with both Cindy Hodges (North Carolina) and Susan "Miss Red" Huttman, (Florida).

The member representatives are elected at large by the *M.R.F.* membership. The ballots are returned, then counted and overseen by the election committee. The winner will be announced after the vote is verified, and will be seated on the *M.R.F.* board at our winter meeting.

-The Motorcycle Safety Foundation (M.S.F.) Pressures Idaho

The *Motorcycle Safety Foundation (M.S.F.)* has officially notified the *Idaho Motorcycle Safety Program (Idaho S.T.A.R.)* that it has until the end of the year to adopt the new *M.S.F.* novice training curriculum, known as the *B.R.C.* If *Idaho S.T.A.R.* does not comply the *M.S.F.* has indicated it will withdraw official *M.S.F.* recognition of the *Idaho Motorcycle Safety Program*. Known as *Rider Education Recognition Program* or *R.E.R.P.*, this *M.S.F.*

designation impacts a state program's access to dealer loaned equipment and insurance. The *Idaho Motorcycle Safety Program* is currently using the long standing curriculum (*M.R.C.-R.S.S.*).

Furthermore, in what it considers a violation of *M.S.F.* intellectual property, *M.S.F.* will prohibit the *Idaho Motorcycle Safety Program* from reproducing or distributing any *M.R.C.-R.S.S.* materials even though the *Idaho S.T.A.R.* program purchased these materials.

Asked for comment; Ron Shepard, coordinator *Motorcycle Safety Programs (Idaho S.T.A.R.)* stated; "It is interesting that the *M.S.F.* would take such a heavy handed approach to the use of a curriculum that has been state of the art for 20 years. In this era of tightened budgets, meeting the demand and doing more with less, threatening to disrupt the training of a state is not serving the needs of the stakeholders."

Jay Jackson, *M.R.F.* director of motorcycle safety observed, "I resent that so many resources are being expended to determine who will deliver rider education. In the end the actual delivery is affected."

M.R.F. Leader's Report September 7, 2004

The *M.R.F.* has legislation pending before the *T.E.A.* conference committee. To shore up our supporters in the house of representatives as the conference begins, the *M.R.F.* is sending a letter from members of the house to the

members of the conference committee urging the committee to include the motorcycle safety education grant program and advisory council in the final conference report of the highway bill. The letter is being originated by two of our biggest supporters, Mark Green (R-WI) and Leonard Boswell (D-IA). Many thanks to *A.B.A.T.E. of Wisconsin* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa* for all their hard work.

Your member of congress has the opportunity to support this important legislation by signing onto the Mark Green and Leonard Boswell letter to the conferees. Simply call (please don't e-mail or write as time is of the essence) your representative and ask them to sign onto the Mark Green/Leonard Boswell motorcycle safety letter to the conferees.

Signing onto the letter signals your representatives dedication to motorcycle safety. The Green-Boswell letter is an important step towards reducing motorcycle injuries and fatalities across the country.

You can view the letter and "dear colleague" by visiting the *M.R.F.* web site (www.mrf.org) and following the link under "Key Issues" for *T.E.A.*. You can contact your U.S. representative by dialing the U.S. capitol switchboard at (202)-224-3121 ask to be connected to your U.S. representative. Along with congressional champions like Mr. Green and Mr. Boswell, you can help the entire motorcycling safety community make this milestone. Get

your U.S. representative to sign onto this letter and put us one step closer to victory.

To A Biker Dying Young

Back in a high school english class I vaguely remember having to read *To An Athlete Dying Young*, which I *totally* did not get. To be seventeen with an entire life stretching away into the murky future made death seem a remote possibility, not something a

youth should or need consider.

It took several more years of maturing and gaining life experience to fully understand the point of the story – that for the subject to have died at the peak of his athletic prowess immortalized his memory with that image. He would never age and gradually loose his strength, vigor, and hair. He would never be a wrinkled old man boring people with his tales of youthful accomplishments. He and those close to him would not suffer through his lingering death. His image was caught forever at the zenith

of his being.

A week before 9-11 we lost a biker known to many as Indian Larry. He had become known to many people by his appearances on *Biker Build Off* programs on the *Discovery Channel*. He designed and built custom motorcycles, influenced and guided by Ed “Big Daddy” Roth. One of his signature actions was to ride a motorcycle while standing on the seat with his arms outstretched.

It was while performing his signature piece at a motorcycle event on 04 September 2004 that the bike suddenly developed a wobble and he was thrown off and killed.

I feel sympathy for his family and close friends to have someone they care about to be suddenly snatched from them. I feel slightly cheated because he was someone I would have liked to have met.

I feel, as others do, grief at his loss.

But I also realize that at the time of his death he was doing what he loved to do.

And is that such a bad way to go?

— Rot Path

11 September 2004

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



Study Claims Motorcycles Damage Hearing

Is it any wonder why motorcyclists hate “scientific studies”? Here’s a new one that’s sure to fuel the fires for noise ordinances, as researchers from the *University of Florida* told the *Washington Times* that “the noise from a motorcycle is as intense as that from a loud rock concert and can permanently damage hearing.”

In a test of 33 motorcycles, audiologists at Florida’s *College of Public Health and Health Professions* determined that nearly half produced sounds above 100 decibels when throttled up. That’s equal to a chain saw or loud music, they said.

The *National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health* warns that exposure to noise at 100 decibels is safe for only 15 minutes. The federal agency cautions that permanent hearing loss can result from eight hours of exposure to any noise measuring 85 decibels or above.

“Almost all of the motorcycles we tested reached action-level noise, which in the workplace would require ear protection,” said Joy Colle, an investigator in the Florida study, which the university released before it was published in a medical or scientific journal. “Potentially, the vast majority of motorcyclists could be exposed to dangerous levels of noise.”

But here’s the kicker: In the *U.F.* study the noise levels were tested at riders’ ear levels from stationary motorcycles when idle and throttled

up. How many riders sit astride a parked motorcycle and “throttle up” for lengthy periods of time?

At least the audiologists admitted that motorcycle helmets do not provide much protection against hearing loss. No evidence was found that motorcycle noise harmed the hearing of those standing on a sidewalk near the test site either, but you can bet that won’t stop lawmakers from citing this “study” as justification for noise ordinances that target motorcycles.

Feds Seek Stiffer Sentences For “Gang” Members

“In an attempt to make punishments stiffer for street gangs, a bill has been introduced in the U.S. senate to define what a criminal street gang is,” reports *A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania’s* legislative coordinator John Mullendore, who is also a member of the board of directors of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*. (*N.C.O.M.*)

S.2358 defines a criminal street gang as “an ongoing formal or informal group, club, organization, or association of three or more persons through or for which they individually, jointly, or in combination, have committed or attempted to commit, for the direct or indirect benefit of, at the direction of, or in association with the group, club, organization, or association,

three or more unrelated predicate gang crimes.” Also, having “membership, age or other qualifications, initiation rites, geographical or territorial sites, boundary, or location, or other unifying mark, manner, protocol, or method of expressing or indicating membership.”

“Needless to say,” concludes Mullendore, “any one of us could be defined as a gang under this broad definition if this bill passes. So let your senator know we are against this bill.”

If you would like to read the entire bill, go to the senate web site:

www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/g_three_sections_with_tasers/legislative_home.htm and type in s2358.

California Amends Handlebar Height Law

Following a spate of handlebar height citations, *A.B.A.T.E. of California* set out to amend their “no more than shoulder high” handlebar height limit to allow for greater flexibility. assemblyman Jay La Suer introduced assembly bill 2844 to “prohibit a person from driving a two-wheel motorcycle that is equipped with handlebars so positioned that the hands of the driver, when upon the grips, are more than six inches above his or her shoulder height.”

A.B.A.T.E. lobbied AB2844 through the assembly and senate, and

governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed the bill into law on August 23. AB 2844 has become chapter 280 of the law books and will become effective January 1, 2005.

“*Congratulations* to every freedom loving rider in this state who took a minute to stand up for something!” said Jean Hughes, *A.B.A.T.E.P.A.C.* chairman. “We can make a difference! We can change the law! Now go for a nice long ride and come back refreshed and ready to work some campaigns so we can lock in those remaining votes we need to get the helmets off our heads!”

Honda Hybrid

Honda Motor Company, the world’s biggest motorcycle maker, said it is developing motorcycles that can run on gasoline-electric engines and fuel cells, extending the so-called hybrid technology for the first time to two-wheeled vehicles.

The company has built a scooter with a 50 cubic centimeter hybrid engine and a 125cc fuel cell-powered scooter, said *Honda* president Takeo Fukui, speaking to journalists at its research center in Tochigi prefecture, north of Tokyo.

Honda, one of the world’s two makers of vehicles with hybrid engines, is trying to use its technology to extend its edge over smaller motorcycle makers *Suzuki Motor Corporation* and *Yamaha Motor Company*. *Toyota Motor Corporation*, the world’s biggest producer of hybrid cars, doesn’t make motorcycles.

Automakers are trying to take the lead in developing cleaner technology as governments around the world tighten emission regulations. Vehicles

that are more fuel-efficient and which run on alternative fuels are also becoming increasingly popular as the price of oil surges to record levels.

Weird News: License To Bill

Jim Cara just wanted a vanity license tag for his *Suzuki Hayabusa* sport bike that would make people laugh, but when he chose to put “NOTAG” on his plate, the joke backfired.

The new tag arrived under an avalanche of Wilmington, Delaware parking violations. “All the traffic tickets say, ‘Notice of violation. License number: no tag,’” Cara told the *News Journal* newspaper.

City computers, talking to state *Division of Motor Vehicles* computers, had finally found an address for ticketed vehicles that lacked license tags: Cara’s home in Elsmere. He has received more than 200 violation notices, ranging from \$55 to \$125 for violations such as meter expirations.

Cara, 43, admits he’s been a lifelong prankster, but this time he says, “the cleanup is going to be worse than the joke.”

Officials say they are clearing up the glitch, but advised Cara to get a new plate.

Quotable Quote

“It is now proved beyond doubt that riding a motorcycle is one of the leading causes of statistics.”

N.C.O.M. Convention Update

The 20th annual *N.C.O.M.* convention will be held next Mother’s Day weekend, May 5-7, 2005, at the *Sheraton Music City Hotel*, located at 777 McGavock Pike in Nashville, Tennessee. Reserve your room by April 3rd for the special *N.C.O.M.* rate of \$79 single/double by calling (615)-885-2200. Registration fees for the convention are \$75 including the *Silver Spoke* awards banquet on Saturday night, or \$40 for the convention only. To pre-register, call the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* at (800)-525-5355.

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GUNNY'S SACK



This month has been one of all kinds of progress in *my own* motorcycle world.

Oregon Confederation of Clubs: I went to another *C.O.C.* meeting, this time in Bend, Oregon. We had a great turnout and a warm reception. The *C.O.C.*'s lawyer is Sam Hochberg, *A.I.M.* attorney. He gave a talk, with vital information about some terrible street crime and gang bills in congress. These are aimed straight at biker clubs, along with other groups these folks think are dangerous "gangs." It's very scary stuff.

Sam distributed copies of the bills he got in the shipment he gets from *N.C.O.M.* (*National Coalition of Motorcyclists*) before every *C.O.C.* meeting. He had a sample letter to send to our Congressmen and Senators, to try to stop this. He also updated us on some of the problems goin' on around *our* fair state. See our *Newsbits* below, for details.

Traveling *C.O.C.* meetings started up this year in Oregon and it sure gets me out on the scoot! This in response to the motorcycle groups around the state. We had another meeting this summer down in Grants Pass, about 250 miles or so from Portland. Me and Sam and quite a bunch of us rode on down there and we stayed overnight. Next day, we had our regular meeting, and we had a *great* reception from *all* the riders down there in that part of the state. Sure was gratifying – and that goes for Bend, too. These meetings get *me* around the state plenty on my scoot and the scooter gets some exercise. The whole

thing is really about *communications* with our brothers and sisters.

Newsbits-N'-Pieces

U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act forum will be featured at the *West Coast Regional Conference of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists, N.C.O.M.*, to be held at the *La Quinta Inn*, in Federal Way, Washington, on October 23rd, 2004. The conference will be *free* to all bikers and we expect riders as well as bikers rights leaders from throughout the west with seminars on a whole mess of issues that affect riders. Wisconsin *A.I.M.* attorney Michael Mandleman will fly in to give a talk about the *U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act*. Don't miss this one folks. It's nearby for all of us here in Oregon. Lemme *see* ya there, okay? Make an old Gunny happy and let me see your smiling mug up there, okay?

Los Angeles, California: These low power scooters of yesteryear have grown up and are now serious contenders for their share of the highways. Remember the *Vespa?* *Piaggio* of Italy was the builder. Their new *Piaggio X0 Evolution* is a screamer and capable of highway speeds all day long. Riding one of these things puts a *big* smile on grandpa's face. In the first quarter of 2004, the company increased sales by over 70%. I'd like to have that kind of growth in my bank account. Look online for 'em, under *Piaggio U.S.A.* And look with an open mind. You'll be surprised.

Eugene bike seizures update: It just doesn't stop. Police love to stop legit motorcycles with "assembled" titles. Sam Hochberg, Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney, [has been] fighting one bike seizure for about three years. That's how long the cops have had this Eugene biker's ride. His bike was *totally* legal. It was inspected, it passed, and got an assembled title.

This all started when the rider, Terry David, left the anniversary party at a local clubhouse, was stopped and the bike taken. Terry called Sam, and Sam sent his then-associate, Leah Johnson, to get the bike back in court. The city of Eugene argued that there was at that time an "*ongoing criminal investigation*," entitling them to keep the bike. Sam filed a *Notice of Appeal* for Terry.

Next surprise: Maybe a month after that appeal was filed, *the bike builder was arrested*, for using "stolen" or "un-numbered" parts. That, in turn, caused Sam to drop the appeal, since logic said that *now*, there really *was* an excuse to keep the bike. A *year* went by and it turns out that the guy arrested for using "stolen" parts on Terry's bike was never prosecuted! So another lawsuit was filed – this time, in federal court – for what amounted to a civil theft, or "conversion," among other claims.

Final surprise: After Sam filed that federal lawsuit, the D.A. there *did* prosecute the guy who built Terry's bike. The bike-builder wisely hired our former *A.I.M.* criminal lawyer, Bill Redden. With the help of his client,

Bill got the charges all dropped!

Status, September 2004: Now that the bike's builder has had his charges dropped, the city of Eugene will give Terry his bike back – in a basket! It's *in a million pieces*, I hear! Well, Sam is back in court for Terry, with his new associate lawyer, Dylan. Doesn't Joe Rider have *any rights* anymore? We'll keep you informed of the whatever's next on *this* ongoing story.

New York: Oregon isn't the only place cops steal motorcycles from us. Two bikers in New York were pulled over for some B.S. The cops confiscated their rides for bogus reasons. After a few weeks, the riders hired a lawyer to help them recover the bikes. They were told they may *never* see their scoots again. These were *fully legal*, well-documented motorcycles, with legal riders.

It's way past time for us to get some laws passed that will bring this thievery to an end!

Michigan, I heard, leads the way with a law that makes the state put up or shut up within 30 days.

D.O.T. Announces Historic Low Fatality Rate:

The highway fatality rate in 2003, was the lowest since record-keeping began nine years ago, according to a recent press release by the *National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)*

N.H.T.S.A. made sure they took the credit for the new stats, which is fine. The fact that our nations *drivers* might have had some small measure of credit for this wasn't mentioned. They also claimed that motorcycle fatalities were *on the rise*, with a 12% increase. Some folks were quick to blame that on the

rise in helmet-free states. They failed to mention that *motorcycle ridership has increased by leaps and bounds.*

M.A.I.D.S.: Motorcycle safety study-Europe. Now, contrast *N.H.T.S.A.*'s information with this recent and very thorough study in Europe.

Of course, the object riders hit most often was cars. In half the collision accidents, the car driver made the error that caused the crash. He failed to *even see* the rider in 70 percent of the two-vehicle collisions!

Here's a new one on me: *Car drivers who had some motorcycling experience are more likely to see and avoid motorcyclists.* Makes sense.

Now, the second most common point of impact was hitting that pavement itself. Some went down because the rider was trying to avoid hitting a car, but an awful lot of riders managed to crash all by themselves. *In rural areas, over half the bike crashes happened without the help of another vehicle.*

This still leaves plenty of opportunity for serious injuries from curbs and all sorts of roadside crap, like those cheese-cutter barriers that are meant to corral out-of-control cars. A collision with one of these things will ruin yur day.

Rider inattention was cited in 10.6 percent of the crashes.

The big surprise: It's not the speed! *"There were relatively few cases in which excess speed was an issue related to accident causation."* In the typical accident, speed was fairly low. In 70 percent of the crashes, the rider went down at *under 30 mph!* Even at that speed you'll get a hell of a knot on yur noggin. Don't leave the protective

gear at home or wear it casually.

Now since this was Europe, 90 percent of the riders were wearing helmets and they did a good job – when they stayed on! Many of the helmeted riders *lost their helmets during the crash*, either because they didn't fit properly, weren't fastened right, or were smashed off in the crash.

Other protective gear did a good job of reducing injuries – to arms and legs, that is. Wearing flip-flops doesn't work well at all. Your toes will wear out real fast.

Rider ed came out ahead: Riders who took some sort of rider training were more likely to try some sort of *avoidance maneuver*. Untrained riders were more likely to sit there and crash without doing anything to prevent it.

The full 173-page report can be downloaded as a .pdf file from the site of *A.C.E.M.*, the *Association des Constructeurs Europeens de Motocycles*, a European motorcycle industry group. Ya go through a quick, free online registration process for access.

It's worth doin' folks! All you officers in the M.R.O.'s (the motorcycle rights organizations), go git it! I bet there's a

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lot of info buried in there that we can use!

Go here to download the report:

<http://maids.acembike.org/>

We found a nice comprehensive summary of the report at:

www.motorcyclistonline.com

so thanks to those folks for the rundown!

Lawyer update: Our former *A.I.M.* criminal defense attorney, Bill Redden, took a job late last year at metropolitan public defenders where he tries cases almost every day, out in the trenches.

Our new Oregon *A.I.M.* criminal defense lawyer is Jim Rice in Portland. He has spoken before at an *N.C.O.M.* regional conference in Portland. He also ran for supreme court with campaign poster showing Jim astride a *Harley* and with the logo of his organization, *O.V.M.A.*, the *Oregon Veterans Motorcycle Association*.

Most people know that Spencer Neal, aka "Spike," and aka "Mike Neal," has left private practice and is back in the public sector again.

Oh, and Sam hired a new crackerjack lawyer, Dylan R. Lawrence. This fellow is licensed in California and Oregon. Dylan worked in the Bay Area, including about a year working for that famous colorful San Francisco lawyer, Melvin Belli. Dylan has been in Oregon now for around four years and he's been litigating for over ten. More about Dylan is on Sam's web site:

www.YourInjuryLawyers.com

He sure seems like a hell of a guy!

Goin' downstate again: Later this month, Sam will be giving his *A.I.M.* talk to one of the *A.B.A.T.E.* chapters down there. He'll do that for your group, too. It's a talk about motorcycles and the law – everything from helmet laws to the different kinds of insurance you can carry on your bike, which type of coverage you really *should* carry; what to do at the scene if there's an [crash], what to do afterwards, and so on.

I've been to several of these, and it's a treat.

Hell, I might help out and do my Gunny-talk, too!

Set it up with Sam's office, at (503)-224-1106, or 1-(800)-347-1106, or go ahead and e-mail Sam instead at: SamBikeLaw@aol.com

Gunny Again

Speaking of *A.I.M.* attorneys, their network is in place to help in emergencies. These guys all ride and live in our world. Without their support, the programs that *N.C.O.M.* (*National Coalition of Motorcyclists*) provides and the *A.I.M.* program, they'd bite the dust.

Probably even the *Confederations of Clubs* (*C.O.C.'s*) would stumble, since the *A.I.M.* lawyers are their free legal counsel.

If you find yourself in a jam call your nearest *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists* (*A.I.M.*) attorney before you talk to *anybody*, especially insurance people.

He can save you a ton of grief.

The nationwide numbers are 1-(800)-531-2424 and 1-(800)-**On-A-Bike**.

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Keep the round side on the bottom, Gunny

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Does O.P.B.



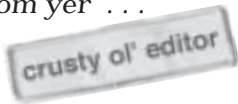
Marty Soehrman of Northeast Portland Chapter participates in the 08 September 2004 Oregon Public Broadcasting pledge drive. Marty will be taking the lead on coordinating the next A.B.A.T.E.-O.P.B. event, so keep an eye out in this rag for information on when that will be. Let's see the entire phone bank filled with A.B.A.T.E. tee-shirts!

Talk Like A Pirate Day 2004



Rot Path the pirate (Rot Pirate?) gives the not-so-secret Heather Alexander pirate sign outside of Hemingway's in Independence on International Talk Like A Pirate Day, 19 September, while Crackers the parrot guards the gold.

From yer . . .



Prisoners Of History Class

Discover This!

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by
Rot Path
(c.o.e.)

Christopher Columbus did *not* “discover” America.

Nor was he the first European to land on the shores of north America. The Norse had been exporting wood from Labrador and Greenland since the 11th century. 20 million people already lived in the Americas when Columbus “discovered” it.

Although it took a great deal of courage to sail west from Europe, Columbus didn’t even hit what he was aiming for. He missed India entirely, yet his ignorance remains with us in the name still applied to the original tribal settlers of this land.

If we are to survive as a people, we must acknowledge our history accurately, warts and all. We need not wallow in our ancestor’s mistakes and ignorance, but we must seek to learn from them, right any continuing wrongs that resulted from their actions, then use that knowledge to treat all living beings with the same respect that we would expect.

Why should we know our true history? (Not the highly imaginative and inaccurate stories that pass for history in grades K to 12.)

One answer is that we learn from the past.

But that doesn’t mean that we wait for historical circumstances to reoccur, then do what others have done before. It means that we need to understand the circumstances and context of historical events in order to understand why people reacted as they did. (The course of historical events

was *not* fixed. People had choices.)

It also means that we need to see that events have possibilities, that history and ourselves are not preordained to march lock-stepped along a set path into the future.

How can someone “discover” a land where people are already living?

History is *not* memorizing facts and dates – it’s about process.

We in the here and now are in the constant and dynamic process of creating the future’s history. By studying first and second hand accounts (primary and secondary sources) of historical events we can understand why some courses of action succeeded and why others failed. By understanding the forces at work during an event, we can counter obstructions before they blindside and defeat our efforts. (This is especially true during the upcoming legislative session.)

But if all we know are the often fanciful tales, mistruths, and outright lies of secondary school history textbooks, we will be easily defeated every time.

Historians strive to record and update the truth of historical events. That is their goal. Historians are also human and given to cultural influences. Many historical textbooks are written from an European viewpoint. (Eurocentric.) Such texts miss the richness and possibilities of the native culture that already existed on this continent before Columbus

stumbled ashore by accident. Yet their influences remain with us to this day. “We the people” is the literal translation of many tribes’ name for themselves.

Drop by a library and browse some historical books about events you’re interested in. You don’t have to read such books word-for-word. Just flip through them until you find something that interests you and read it. Then go on to the next event that catches your attention. (The great thing about being an adult reading history in a library is that there is no teacher is telling you what to do or how to do it. And you don’t have to do reports.)

Let others know about the real history you’re finding, especially young people.

There can never be too many motorcycles parked in front of libraries.

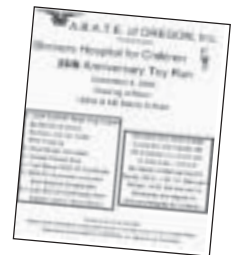
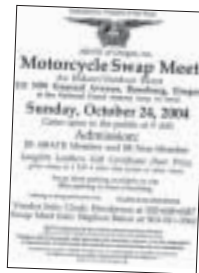
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If I “discover” a motorcycle I really like, do I get to claim and take it?

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09 October	Casino Night-Willamette Valley Chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
16-17 October	ABATE of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-679-3775
16 October	Biker Night-Salem Chapter	Salem	(503)-363-5957 (after 6 pm)
23 October	NCOM region 1 meeting/seminar	Federal Way, WA	(253)-529-4000
23-24 October	Hub City Biker Awareness	Albany	(541)-451-3940
24 October	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet	Roseburg	(503)-285-4329
20 November	Toy Run-WaCo	Hillsboro	(503)-646-2060
20 November	North Coast Spaghetti Feed and Auction	Astoria	(503)-325-2823
21 November	ABATE of Oregon Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
21 November	South Coast Salvation Army Food Drive	Coos Bay	(541)-759-2388
04 December	Portland Chapter's Shriners' Toy Run	Portland	(503)-771-0188
05 December	Willamette Valley Mission Benefit	Eugene	(503)-351-8193
11 December	Toy Run-North Coast	Astoria	(503)-325-2823
12 December	Toy Run-Salem	Salem	(503)-371-7550
08 January, 2005	Ice Cycle Run-WaCo	Hillsboro	(503)-646-2060







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October 2004

Samhain

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 <i>Central Oregon Teddy Bear Run Bend</i>
3 Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm)	4	5 Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	6  Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) fourth quarter moon	7 Josephine County 1900 (7:00 pm)	8	9 STATE BOARD MEETING Junction City 1200 (12:00 pm) <i>Willamette Casino Night Eugene</i>
10 Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	11 <small>1492</small> Columbus gets lost looking for India, "discovers" new land already occupied by mil- lions of people for thousands of years and misnames them "Indians." <small>1493</small> Columbus returns looking for gold – enslaves or extermi- nates native peoples of the "new world."	12 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	13  Southern Oregon 1100 (11:00 am) solar eclipse 2000/8 pm new moon	14 Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	15	16 <i>Oregon ABATE Planning Session Cottage Grove</i> ----- <i>Salem Chapter Biker Night Salem</i>
17 South Coast 1100 (11:00 am) ----- Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) <i>Oregon ABATE Planning Session Cottage Grove</i>	18	19 Douglas County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	20  Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) first quarter moon	21 Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm)	22	23 <i>Hub City Biker Awareness Albany</i> www.potcinteractive.com
24 <i>Oregon ABATE Swap Meet Roseburg</i> ----- <i>Hub City Biker Awareness Albany</i>	25	26 Salem 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	27 (blood moon)  lunar eclipse 2005/8:05 pm full moon	28 North Coast 1900 (7:00 pm)	29	30
31 HALLOWEEN/samhain						

Aho ya scallywags! There's to be an interactive showing of *Pirates of the Caribbean* at the Hollywood theater in Portland on 23 October at 1300/1 pm (Sort of *Rocky Horror* meets *captain Jack Sparrow*.)

Note: "PDX" is the aviation designation for Portland international airport and is often used as shorthand for the city itself.



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Seminar registration.*

10:00 a.m. - 12Noon

Freedom of the Road Throughout the Nation

Butch Harbaugh, N.C.O.M. legislative task force member

Get Our People Elected To Public Office

State senator Jim "Putt" Putnam, N.C.O.M. legislative task force member

12-p.m. - 1:00p.m.

Lunch

1:00p.m. - 2:45p.m.

Beyond Helmets-Other Legislative Issues in our Region

Marty Fox, A.I.M. attorney, Washington

Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. attorney, Oregon

2:45pm - 3:00 p.m.

break

3:00pm-4:00pm

Regional meeting – *Legislative and Legal Problems in our Region*

moderator "Swede" Matzek, N.C.O.M. board of directors

4:00pm-5:00pm

The U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Acts I and II And It's Effects on Your Rights

Mike Mandelman, A.I.M. attorney-Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa

5:00p.m. - 5:15p

break

5:15pm-6:00pm

Confederation Of Clubs regional meeting

moderator- "Pig Pen", *Outsiders MC*, chairman *Washington C.O.C.*

7:00pm-??

Freedom fighters dinner and social

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ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

Motorcycle Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event

111 NW General Avenue, Roseburg, Oregon
at the National Guard Armory (map on back)

Sunday, October 24, 2004

Gates open to the public at 9 AM

Admission:

\$5 ABATE Member and \$8 Non-Member

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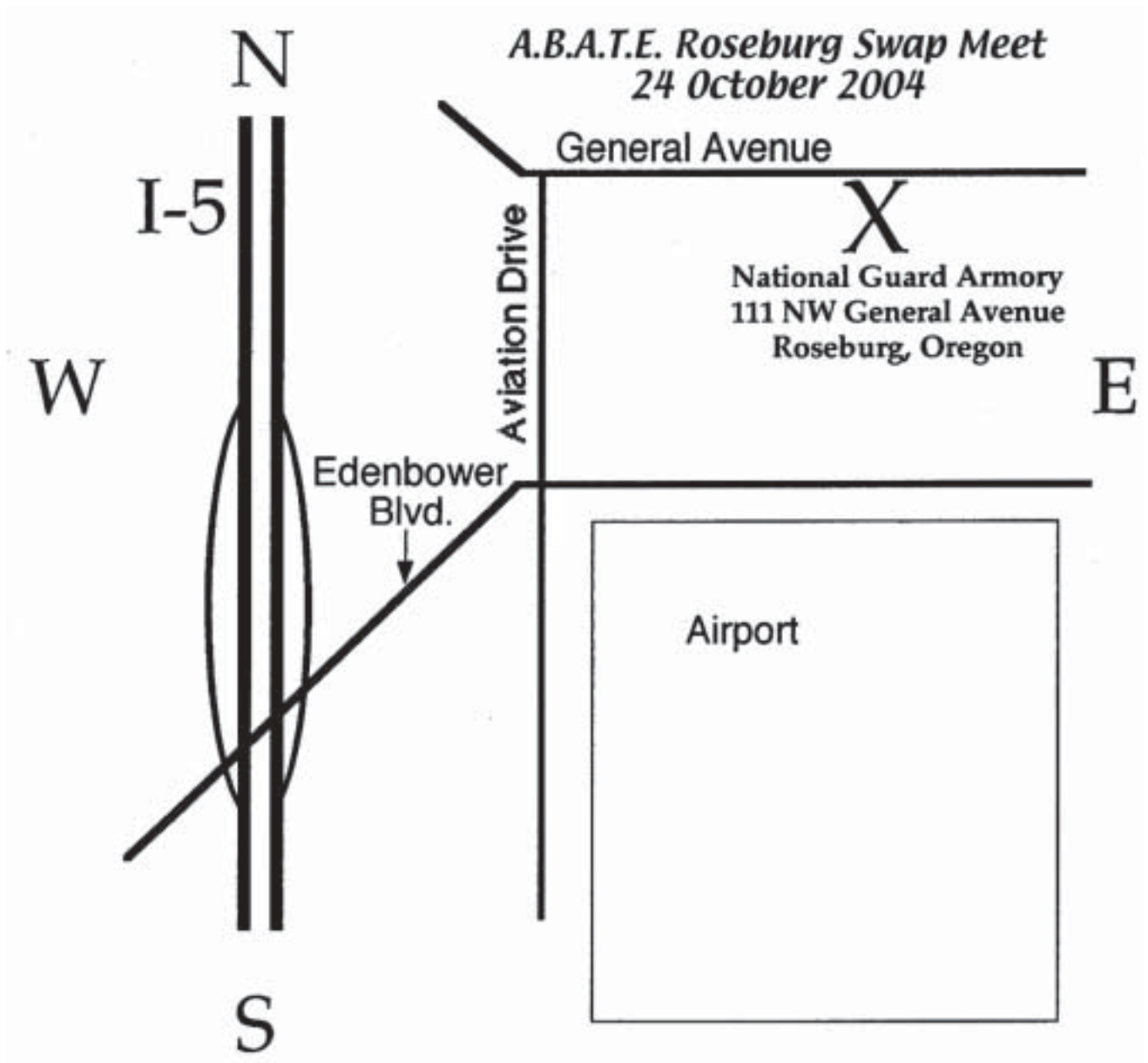
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TOY RUN



November 20th, 2004

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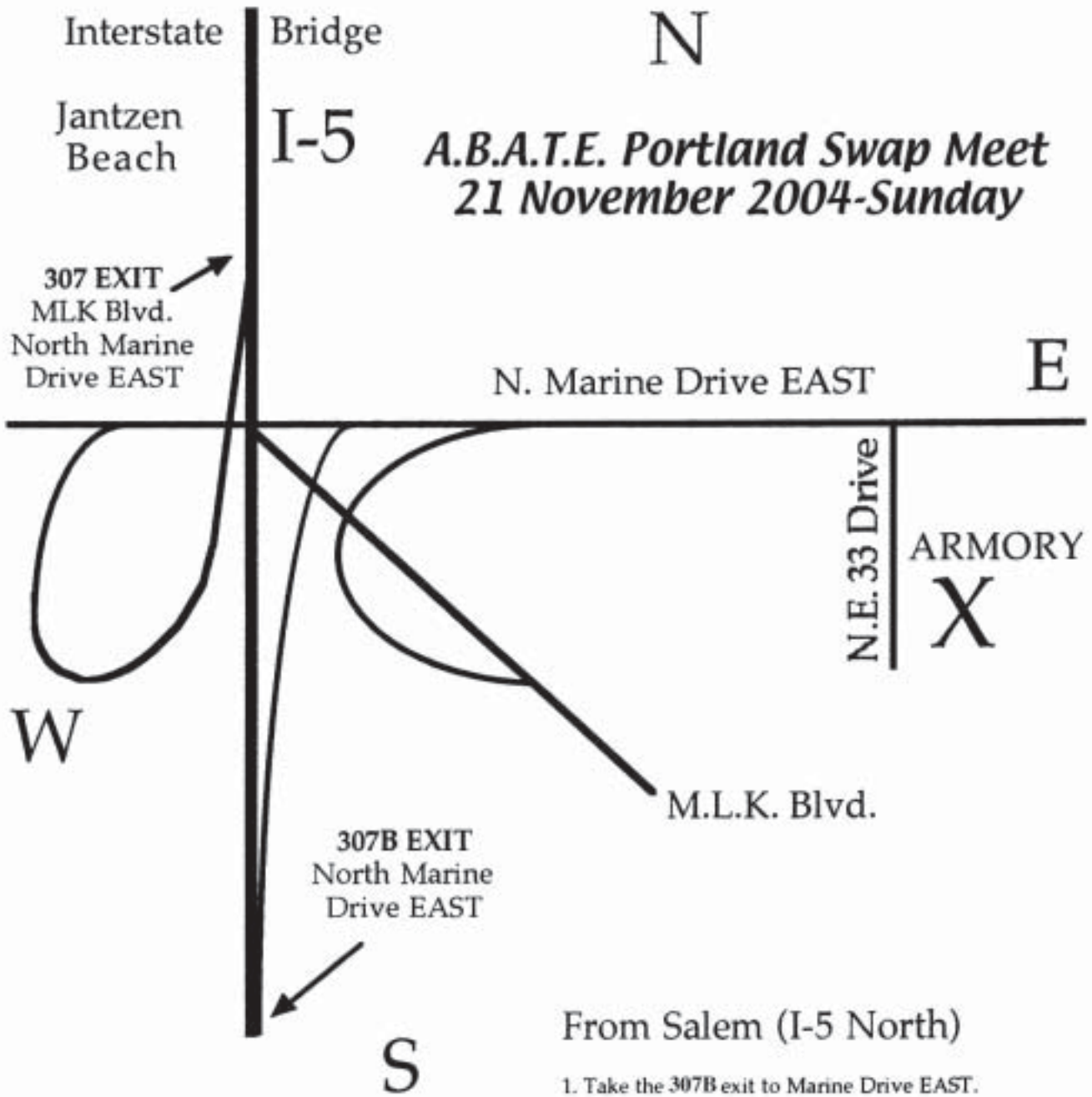
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Millenium Ride

Jambo!

(Hello in Swahili)

I've gone around the world! If it's a cultural world tour then Arabian influence is unmistakable here in Tanzania with the Muslim calls to prayers starting at 5 am each day, veiled women, the distinct Arabian musical influence and Indonesian products like the pink packaged mosquito repellent.

In five hour's time (10 pm) the ship *Aziza II* will be leaving for Pemba island and I will reluctantly be on board. I admit it, I am hooked on exotic and mysterious Zanzibar and I'm definitely coming back. It is an island in the Indian Ocean just off the coast of Tanzania in east Africa.

Explorers, sultans, slave traders, merchants, and pilgrims all chose Zanzibar as their strategic base, spurred by monsoon winds along trade routes, driven by imagined wealth and riches or led by starry maps and religious conquest towards escape and discovery.

Zanzibar absorbed peoples from the orient and Iberia, Assyria, and India, carried in centuries gone by on trade winds. Tribe and nationality were blurred creating a cultural tapestry and rich ethnic array that is the foundation of the peaceful Zanzibari way of life and friendly spontaneous hospitality. Here is the birthplace of Swahili, the east African language, a lingua franca forged from global dialects, upon which legends were carried, trade routes opened and a sultan's empire prospered. The sultan of Oman once even made his capitol here.

I glance out of the window of this

internet café at wooden dhows moored just 20 metres from the promenade and behind them are a few luxury catamaran cruisers. This is historic stone town, a metropolis built to harbour secrets in its labyrinthine alleyways of ornately carved doors and serene courtyards. Emblems of a rich and tumultuous history survive, depicted through Arabian knights palaces, mournful slave markets, aromatic spice bazaars, ornate cathedrals and an historic fort that was the scene of the world's shortest war survive today.

Today I went on a spice tour (thanks for the present, Mitus, watch for the sign outside the port) seeing, smelling, and tasting the tumeric, cardamom, cloves, cinnamon, peppers, cumba, which scent the groves of lychee, mango, jackfruit, and coconut. Seafood here is always the cheapest on the menu. Paradise!

Variety is the life of spice. I thank Sun at *Sea View Bungalows* (www.kulalabar.com) at Paje on the east coast for four days of wanton rest and recuperation. I wallowed on the palm-fringed beaches, sun bleached sands, and in jade coloured waters. Someone has to do this research! What a pleasure at last to swim to my heart's content in the Indian ocean, wade out to the reef when the tide is out, then dig sharp spindles from sea anenomis from my feet! Ah, I bet you thought I'd taken a job with the tourism ministry!

I've seen a fair amount of the world now and the thing that makes me most proud to be British is that we led the fight against the slave trade. Thousands arrived packed like



Simon Milward

sardines in dhows from the mainland port of Bagamoyo, which in Swahili mans "place to leave your heart". This was the last slaves would see of their country.

Arriving in Tanzania from Malawi I was struck by the beauty of the west. I spent a two weeks in Dar es Salaam mainly to make my presentation for the people, which was well attended at the *Royal Palm Hotel* www.royalpalmdar.com. I thank the *Royal Palm* very very much not only for those facilities but also for putting me up in luxury for four nights (thanks Steve and Adrian). We managed to raise some money and everyone enjoyed their night of high adventure!

Lots more thanks are due in Tanzania: *Diamond Hotel* in Mbeya, *Iringa Hotel*, the Lutheran hostel (and especially to the staff) in Dar, *Tuk Tuk Motos* for the rear tyre (it is the first time I am traveling with three spare tyres!), *Rosanas Ltd* for the USB camera cable, and the captain of the ship *Aziza II* who is ferrying me round these islands for free. He was trained in Dartmouth near my hometown in Devon, U.K. Also, from Malawi, thanks to orphanage builder Junior Andrews who gave me his new *Gerber* knife that he only received the day before. I had lost my *Leatherman* in Zambia. Also thanks to Dr Anoush Mazloum (a Bahaist) at the *Family Dental Clinic* in Lilongwe for

replacing the notorious filling first repaired (on this continent) with glue in Capetown.

Motorcycles in rural areas took on a couple of new twists. The health ministry in Tanzania is very interested in motorcycle ambulances used to transport pregnant mothers with complications to hospital. The maternal mortality rate is very bad since there is no transport and the roads are small and poor. I was able to pass on some contacts for units produced in Africa. They may put them in next year's budget. I put people in contact. I hope Rev Jacob Kahemele follows it up.

What else in Tanzania? Yes the tea. There are two types. Forget the awful version with milk that is no better than dishwater, give me the spiced black sweet tea that I have to say is the very best in the world. Tanzania has the best designed road humps in the world: before the hump there is a series of three smaller rumble strips that warn you of the proper bump ahead. And for disabled round towners, there are three wheeled bicycles pedaled with the hands.

Okay, I am going to be late for the boat unless I sign off. It's 7.30 pm. I'm going to Pemba Island for a few days, enroute back to the mainland to take the road to Mount Kilimanjaro.

Tally ho!

Simon

Moshi, Tanzania

13 September 2004

At eighteen metres below the surface of the Indian Ocean the dive master points. I look. I am transfixed on a surreal image of beauty and

grace. The pod of five or six dolphins appear transparent as they barely glance in our direction. The regal mission is on its purposeful way to an appointment at King Neptune's court somewhere off along into the dark blue far beyond the reef wall. I stare after them for minutes. The god-like encounter is a treasure forever etched in my mind. Thank you www.swahilidivers.com on Pemba island.

One elephant gets up on his hind legs and with his trunk shakes the branch of the acacia tree providing lunch for all three. Thirty vultures squabble over two wildebeest kills metres apart, pulling the last of the flesh from the white bones of the stripped carcasses. Two scared zebra dare not take their eyes off three cheetahs lying in the grass and move cautiously away. Residents of the hippo pool do a slow lazy roll revealing pink undersides and tiny legs. Two female lions sleep on a fallen tree trunk. Palacial luxury awaits at *Ngorongoro Crater Lodge*, with fudge and chocolate dates, roaring log fire, drinks and the best fare. Thank you www.CCAfrica.com.

At a quarter past midnight after a few hours sleep, several biscuits and hot tea, I follow my guide Emmanueli out of *Kibo Camp* heading for the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro. We are at 4,700 meters. It is well below freezing. There is salt into my water bottle along with glucose and iodine. We inch up the steep scree, each step is victory in itself, every muscle in my feet and legs scream. The cold gets to my bones, my lungs struggle for oxygen. I take the most precarious crap of my entire life. We reach Uhuru Peak on the dot of sunrise at

6.30 am, the roof of Africa at 5,896 meters. The cold grey glaciers turn orange and at last I understand why I did it. Thank you

www.TransKibo.com and www.AhsanteTours.com-----

—Well, I am still in Tanzania. As you can see it ranks among the world's top tourist destinations.

Passengers and port workers in Zanzibar were all treated to a hilarious sight the night I sent you the last update. Up the gangway I ride my motorcycle to an upper deck of the steamer *Aziza 1*, to get stuck halfway on deck and halfway off. A final twist of the throttle and the 300 kg cargo plops into an area with nether an inch to spare on either side. A hundred people cheer. My grin stretches from ear to ear. An hour or two before arrival at Pemba Island in the morning we manhandle my big bike down several flights of stairs and halfway round the ship to the front off loading area, enabling a straight ride off on the quay.

Pemba turns out to be a different world altogether to Zanzibar, with little tourist infrastructure and only a dozen or so tourists at any time. There is lots of peace and quiet. Diving is

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Simon Milward, on the road

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Millenium Ride

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the main activity and my few days stopover waiting for the ongoing ferry turns into ten at the invitation of Turkish Raf who runs *Swahili Divers*. Sure I can postpone onward travel for a week's sponsored food, accommodation, and diving!

The diving is great, though since it was a year and a half since Belize my oxygen was used up in half time on my first dive. It necessitates a bit of an emergency ascent. I soon settle into marveling at the multi-coloured fish and coral and all the other wonders of the underwater world. Air gets trapped behind a capped tooth at 20 metres and refuses to budge, so I curtail the diving after a fourth dive. The dolphin experience was well worth the toothache that lasted only a week.

I check out some ancient ruins that are diminishing in size because locals use the stone for new buildings – a British-made lighthouse that they say is the oldest in the world and a whale stranded for the last five days.

The massive mammal got trapped behind the coral reef and its belly is now splayed open. Locals use huge knives to cut off the blubber that is hauled up the coral cliff face. Dozens of people boil it up and carry off the oil in buckets, pots and pans. The smell is overpowering and the Swahili Divers, dogs go beserk when I get back to the dive base.

From Pemba we chugged back to mainland Tanzania at Tanga where *Ocean Breeze Hotel* puts me up and I rode the dusty road to Kilimanjaro. Sorry to the guy from Dar who stopped in his pickup up to say hello. I ignored you because I was

preoccupied with my tooth! Moshi is the town at the foot of Kilimanjaro and 80 km west is Arusha that is the gateway to the parks and wildlife.

For African ecotourism, safari, and wildlife viewing you cannot get more exceptional and prestigious service than with *Conservation Corporation Africa* which operates in breathtaking locations in six countries. Sure I was impressed with the two complimentary US\$500 nights of luxury and safari. But what really impressed me is their genuine and sustainable conservation ethic and their real results for local healthcare, education, and small enterprises via their foundation www.africafoundation.org. It was an honor to be their guest.

Ngorongoro rises from the eastern arm of the rift valley, a volcano whose peak collapsed and eroded forming an extensive highland refuge, a natural zoo enclosed in the crater walls. The spectacular assemblage of wildlife is a wonder of the world. Besides the animals mentioned above I saw a black rhinoceros, jackals, gazelles, elands (700kg antelopes), monkeys and baboons, warthogs, buffalo, birds like ostriches (the males with red legs revealing their hot desire for a hen!), lots of kori busteds, flamingoes, and eagles of the fish, crested and bateleur varieties, buzzards, stalks, kites, cranes, and herons. The relationship between hyenas and lions is different in the crater to most other places. The 400 hyenas have superiority over the 80 lions which are habitually lazy, so the roles of the predator and scavenger are reversed. The lions settle for second place after the hyenas finish eating the choicest parts of the kill.

Baboo is the name given by rangers to the elephant with the longest tusks. Local newspapers still have stories of captured ivory poachers, as well as giraffe poaching for the brains said to prolong life in A.I.D.S. sufferers when eaten.

The Maasai are the local indigenous people, the men dressed proudly in red checkered capes sporting heavy elaborate earings which stretch large holes in ear lobes, sometimes ripping them off completely leaving a real mess that is attractive in their culture. I rode a local bus to the crater which was a human safari in itself. On seeing animals like buffalo out of the bus window the Maasai passengers look intently at them, standing to get a better view. They have great respect for animals, like some of us would crowd to catch a glimpse of a pop star. You can't stop the 21st century though so underneath their capes you can sometimes spot a strapped on cell phone.

Trekking up Kilimanjaro has been playing on my mind for the last four years and the sponsored five day hike up (usually costing over US\$700) was only possible with the help of Thomas Lyimo of *Trans Kibo Tours* at the *Y.M.C.A.* in Moshi and *Absante Tours*. These guys are the experts and even covered for the incomprehensible attitude of the director general of *Tanzania National Parks* who ignored his staff's recommendations about a free pass for me.

Kili is the world's highest free standing mountain and though only a hundred km south of the equator is permanently snow-capped.

The *Landrover* is loaded and we head for the entry gate at Marangu, my support team being the guide

called Emmanuelli (a self proclaimed prophet of the Tribe of Judah!), Paul the cook and Mercury the porter and waiter. The first afternoon's hike brings us through lush forest to Mandara Hut, a series of four bed dorms and common large eating place. At only 2,750 meters it was still tee-shirt weather and not too cold at all at night. The food turns out to be excellent given the circumstances and throughout the full five days is way too much. The second day's hike through heather and open moorland is to Horombo hut at 3,700 meters, a hard walk. I make new friends all the way with fellow American, Australian, British, French, German, Irish, and Japanese hikers. We are a happy throng, though leg and feet muscles are starting to complain and prior motorbike injuries come back to say hello. My stomach feels very strange indeed and Nancy from Massachusetts gives me some altitude sickness pills. An English guy donates a heel plaster and some glucose. Hikers often take an extra day at this point to get acclimatized.

Arriving on the third day at Kibo hut at 4,700 meters I have several layers of clothing on and strain my neck looking up the steep angle of the scree.

From here the going will get serious. Before sleeping I swallow the last of the day's three half altitude sickness tablets.

We inch up the side of the mountainside for five hours starting at midnight. Pilo from Germany overtakes everybody with a large pack on his back commanding his guide "we must go faster, faster I tell you." We reach *Gilman's Point* at 5 am. The worst of it over and I stagger into

Frank's coffee mug that spills over his backpack. An hour later through biting cold wind we reach *Uhuru Peak* and are awarded with the orange glow of sunrise and a great feeling of accomplishment. Some didn't make it. After congratulations and photographs we descend, sliding down the scree and are back at *Kibo Camp* by 10 am, absolutely exhausted. I am now a veteran, able to advise those going the other way, passing on the remaining tablets to some Irish and chuckling to myself wondering what sort of experience they will have. The following day we check out the park exit after a long a painful walk. Coming down is every bit as hard as going up!

Kili is the ultimate hiking experience and for me, there starteth and endeth my trekking career! It was great to get back on two wheels, so I went to Amani orphanage and gave three-up rides to the lads. Needless to say we were all whooping it up!

Someone else to thank is Samuel at *Victoria Expeditions* (www.victoriatz.com) who sponsored [me] for five nights at the *Meru House Inn* in Arusha. He is on the board of the *Orphan's Foundation Fund* (we4orphans@yahoo.ca), which provides a crucial service in communicating among existing groups working on the A.I.D.S./H.I.V. pandemic in the area, with a mission to provide equitable support to orphans. Thanks also to the *Impala Hotel* in Arusha for the night.

I have in fact got quite a long way to go. I'd like to get to 100 countries or more and Tanzania is only number 56. But it should work out okay since after Kenya I'll head on into Uganda, with a quick trip into Rwanda and

maybe Burundi. Then it's out into the D.R.C., provided there is a way round or through the fighting during the start of the dry season in November, up into the Central African Republic. That will take me through to Cameroon, Nigeria, and all those small countries along the coast like Benin, Togo, and Ghana, up to Senegal (Dakar) and Gambia and into Mauritania and Morocco. The idea is to cross the Sahara Desert in the winter, probably staying fairly close to the ocean, thanks to advice from Raf. Then I'd like to go to all the European countries along with Israel and perhaps one or two other spots in the vicinity before going to Moscow and Scandinavia when it warms up a bit and into the U.K. in the autumn 2005. At least that's the general forecast.

Now if anyone can get some European fundraising events (powerpoint presentations) planned for me when I can take audiences on a virtual tour of the world I would be very grateful. I can do English and Spanish, though perhaps French might again be possible by then. Presently Europe has been thoroughly tronced by America in terms of charitable donations! In fact Europe hardly figures at all in the hall of fame save for some contributions mostly in the previous millennium from Chris and Marty Cartoons, Germany; *Bobcam Industries*, Ireland; *Rotax*, Austria; *Bridge Garage*, U.K.; and *Harley-Davidson*, Europe. All of whom I thank profusely!

In a day or so it will be a goodbye to Tanzania and a hello to Kenya. See you there.

Simon

***BikePAC* of Oregon Accident Report**

www.BikePAC.com 503-347-0524

The purpose of this form is to allow *BikePAC* to track your motorcycle accident and to follow what legal action may be taken, if any, by the police or district attorney, against the party at fault. We would also like to follow the case with you, and let us know what the outcome was, either as to any criminal charge against the other party, or whether you settled any civil claim or had to go to trial or arbitration to get it handled. Ultimately, *BikePAC* may use this information, anonymously of course, to show the Legislature the actual problems Oregon motorcyclists face every day in our legal system, and which laws may need changing. We are specifically interested in tracking what criminal punishment is meted out to drivers who are hurting and killing Oregon motorcyclists.

Please submit this form ***even if you do not have all the information***. We will use this form to track the event anyway. Please submit as soon as possible. If you need additional paper to finish this, please feel free to do so. Please print carefully. Thank you.

R.M. "Randy" Phipps
Legislative director—*BikePAC of Oregon*

Your name, address, phone and e-mail:

Date of motorcycle accident:

Location (mile marker, intersection, city or nearest town or street address):

What happened? Left turned, rear ended, broadsided, etc, and the nature and extent of any ***injury*** to rider(s).

Was anyone ***cited*** or ***arrested***? If anyone was, please provide the name of the person cited, the nature of the criminal or traffic charge, the name and location of the court, the name of the district attorney handling the prosecution, and any other pertinent details or case numbers:

Victim's name (s), address, license number (driver and vehicle), year and make of vehicle(s):

Other driver(s) info (name, address, license number, state issued by, etc.):

Law officer who attended (name, department (police, sheriff, state trooper), badge number (B.P.S.T. number in Oregon):

Please submit to **Sam Hochberg** and **Gunny**, either via FAX at 503-224-3869, or mail to the following address:

Sam Hochberg
Attorney at law
720 SW Washington, #750
Portland, Or. 97205

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*NOTE: If you checked "no" in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.				
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Important! This card must be postmarked by the 21st day before an election, unless you are already registered to vote and are using it to change information on your registration.



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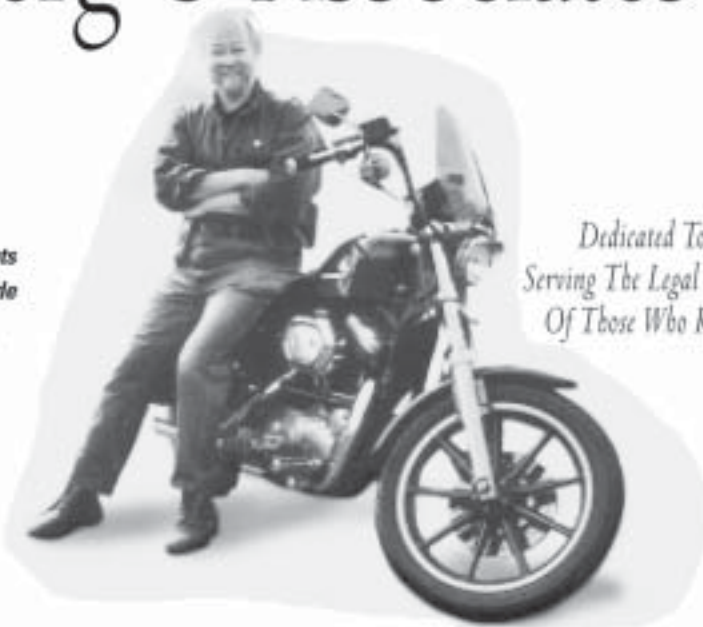
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_____		Chapter State Representative	5.00	_____	
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Sub Total _____

Shipping & Handling Charges

Under \$25.00 = **\$5.00**
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T-shirts (over 1 Doz.) shipping **\$8.00**

TOTAL _____

mail order to: **A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS**

att. **Products Director**

P.O. Box 4504

Portland, OR 97208

PHONE: **(503)-666-8806**

E-MAIL: **mhobbs256@yahoo.com**

Date _____

Prepaid _____

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Street Address (for UPS shipping) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____

**Thank you
for your order
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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.

PLEASE SEND TO:

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

British *Royale Enfield* with sidecar and extras, low milage. Stan "Grey Ghost" Johnson's bike. **\$8,500** or best offer. (503)-324-7852

(Oct 2004)

Custom softail chopper- complete roller. 75% complete. *Pro One* front and 200 series tire in rear. Missing motor, primary belt, partial wiring. Want **\$6,200** for all. Call Alex at home (541)-535-2445 or (541)-512-1200 *EZ Motor-cycles*

(Oct 2004)

2004 *Roadking Custom FLHRS*. Lava red, factory alarm, smoked wind deflector, *K&N*, *Dyna-Jet* modified exhaust, \$600 in accessories. Perfect. **\$19,500** or best offer. With warranty. (503)-648-1367

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1972 *Sportster*. Iron head. Runs good, looks good. **\$3,000** or best offer. Lightening (503)-253-0149

(Nov2004)

1997 *XLI200C*. 7,000 miles, Python III pipes, *K&N* filter, rjetted carb, two seats, short sissy bar with pad. Black and chrome. **\$6,995** or best offer. "JR" at (503)-551-3951 or (503) 792-3201

(Nov2004)

1964 *Ford* one-ton dump truck, 6-cylinder, 4-speed stick, dual read wheels. Needs tender loving care. **\$850** or best offer. Frank Harms (541)-926-0333

(Nov 2004)

For all you freelance gynecologists, I have a gynecologist's table with stirrups and drawers for the toys. **\$150** Rotten Roger (503)-285-4329

(Nov2004)

For Sale

1976 *Jeep CJ5* Running, driveable project. New tires, gas tank, windshield, windshield frame, brakes, fuel pump. Rebuilt 600 *Holly* carb, front diverental. 40,000 on rebuilt 304 V-8, hi-rise header, one full top, one bikini top, custom stainless dash, custom full cage roll bar. Needs paint and some tender loving care. **\$3,200** or best offer. Contact Oopy. (503)-286-6727 or oopy@prodigy.net

(Oct 2004)

1984 *Harley-Davidson Sportster* - Looks runs and sounds fantastic . Loaded with lots of extras and chrome. Excellent bike. Don't wait too long to call Richard at (503)-519-0727 **\$4,950** Or best offer. Must see.

(Dec 2004)

For Sale

Lawn Mower Man Returns 4 horsepower, 21 inch cut, rear bagger lawn mower. Real nice, runs good, cuts great. Bag in excellent shape. **\$60** Or best offer. Call Bill at (503)-257-7390 Also several other models available soon. Call for information. (Dec 2004)

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For Sale

1964 *Ford* one-ton. *Dully* factory built dump truck. 6-cylinder engine, 4-speed stick. Needs restoring. Frank Harms (541)-926-0333 Albany **\$950** or best offer. (Dec 2004)

1992 *Toyota* 4-runner 4x4, V-6, 5-speed, stick, power sun roof, four-door, full power (seats, windows, door locks), alarm system, air, AM/FM/cassette/CD, custom wheels and tires, tow package. Red. Frank Harms (541)-926-0333 Albany **\$5,750** or best offer. (Dec 2004)

Answer to September CRYPTOGRAM
Business has three basic issues to face:
What it takes,
What it makes,
What it wastes.

— Paul Hawken

October Cryptogram

ZFYIFMA LOTA FVFR,

TOA RB GFJS LU LIB PMCIL UD EFR,

ZFYIFMA IUHB FAE HTFR,

FPP RB YBBL FTB LIB CBALPB DFB.

— IBFLIBT FPBKFAEBT

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

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

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 STATE: _____
 ZIP CODE: _____
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
 SIGNATURE: _____
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 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (____) - ____ - _____ E-mail: _____

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____
 Name: _____
 Name: _____

Congressional District: _____ Senator: _____ Representative: _____

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 _____	_____
Patch Received ?	Membership #
Yes _____	
No _____	

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 09 October 2004 at Noon
7th and Kalmia
Junction City, Oregon

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Date/Time:	Location:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday 1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	<i>Black Horse Saloon</i> ; Bend
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday 1230(12:30 ^{pm})	<i>Jubitz Truck Stop</i> ; 10310 N. Vancouver Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	3 rd Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 rd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> ; 133 Fifth Street; Albany
Josephine County	1 st Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Abby's Pizza</i> ; 205 Beacon Drive; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 th Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Lone Pine Restaurant</i> ; 335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles (I-84 & US-197)
Salem	4 th Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Chalet Restaurant</i> , Market Street, Salem
South Coast	3 rd Sunday 1300 (1 ^{pm})	<i>Gino's Pizza</i> ; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M/M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	2 nd Wed 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Abby's Pizza</i> ; 2550 Crater Lake Hwy; Medford
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Tues 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	2 nd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	Veteran's Memorial Building 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene