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





### How A.B.A.T.E. Works

misunderstanding of who has the power to effect change in A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon and where true decisionmaking power lays within the organization.

The chart to the right shows where power resides, from the most at the top level to the least at the bottom.

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There often seems to be a basic chapter representatives who are the only people allowed to make and vote on motions at the state level.

> State-level officers exist to facilitate and coordinate activity by direction of the chapters via their elected representatives. State officers have no power to initiate action except under emergency circumstances between state board meetings when an executive board may implement action for the good of the organization. Otherwise, all power and decision-making rests with the chapters and those who they elect to represent their interests.

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# Jim Middleton

members were saddened in early September to learn that Jim Middleton had been fatally injured when his pickup plunged down a moun-

He had been making annual trips around the sun for just over half a century, with a considerable amount of that time astride motor-

Jim was a member of River City Chapter and was reputed to have one of the longest set of year bars for attending the annual *Fossil* Campout. (He made available some his Fossil T-shirts from the early 1980-era so that they could be photographed and published for others to see.)

He often crossed the Cascade mountains to attend meetings and events in the wetter western side of the sate, including a BikePAC /A.B.A.T.E. meeting at the Alsea grange hall last year where the photo above was taken.

He will be missed in all the activities, meetings, and runs he attended.

A celebration of Jim's life was held 24 September at the Grass Valley pavilion near where he lived



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

What We're About

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

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

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

It doesn't matter what brand of bike you ride. We are not a manufacturer-specific organization. All are welcome: bikes, trikes, onroad or off, riders, passengers, or non-riders.
You don't have to ride a motorcycle to belong to A.B.A. T.E. Many of our members just enjoy being around motorcyclists. (We're just *that* wonderful.) And they feel that the social and legislative issues we're working with are important to their community.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

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### **U.S. Motorcyclist Organizations**

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

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

#### BikePAC of Oregon

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

*BikePAC* works within the political process.

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

Family-based and dedicated to

family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun (based on information supplied by Brian Stovall–*River City Chapter*) riding through education. Welcomes

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

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

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

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

Acts as advocate before national, state, and local legislative, executive, and judicial bodies and with private or public entities regarding issues affecting motorcycles, motorcyclists, or motorcycling. American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.) Produces conferences, information pieces, and a web site. Has also sponsored the Confederation of Clubs, a legal rights organization.

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A AGAINST

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In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.

T TOTALITARIAN

Single entity.

Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.

E ENACTMENTS

To make into regulation; the passing of a bill into ordinence; a decree; a regulation. MEANS FREEDOM

#### officers at work

## State Coordinator

Hello everyone,

Hope all is going well for you all. It is that time of year again that the state and many chapters are accepting nominations for new officers.

At the state level, nobody has accepted nominations for:

Vice-coordinator (north) Sgt-at-arms (south) Sgt-at-arms (east) Education director,

*Fossil* coordinator

Many of us are getting old, tired, or both.

Please consider stepping up for one these positions.

The good news is that many great people have decided to run again for their important positions. (Your crusty ol' editor is worried that not putting out this great newspaper might leave a void in his life.)

We have a great mentoring program and Rot Path has someone

who is interested in finding out more about the newspaper position.

We also have a few new people who have accepted nominations for public relations and legislative director.

Many chapters will be holding nominations soon. Holding one of their offices can be very rewarding.

We have a great training program at S.T.E.A.M. in February, so do not worry about being "qualified".

2012 can be a great year for *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* and being a state or chapter officer, you can help make a difference.

I would like to invite you all to the annual planning session in Cottage Grove, October 22nd and 23rd. This is where we plan ahead for next year, make changes, make improvements, make friends, and have a good time. Many fantastic ideas have come out of this forum, and being part of this activity can be very exciting. Hope to see you all there.

Keep the rubberside <del>up</del> down,

Ted



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

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

Nothing to report right now. Teddy bear this weekend. Will say more later.

Animal coordinator *Central Oregon* 





<u>CENTRAL OREGON MEETING</u> <u>TIME and PLACE</u>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.) <i>Northside Bar &amp; Grill</i> 62860 Boyd Acres road Bend, Oregon
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### A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports --Douglas County

Southern Oregon Summer (S.O.S.) As usual, it was a blast. Lots of hard work, but also a lot of fun.

Thank you Wolf Creek fire volunteers, *Josephine* and *Douglas County* chapters, Frank, Ann, Francois, Mary, and Roy for all your hard work at making this another wonderful turn out.

Roy, as always, your shirt design was killer.

We would also like to thank all the businesses for donating the wonderful prizes given to those holding the lucky tickets.

Janie and Tanya, you did an awesome job getting the donations and we thank you both for all your hard work and schmoozing. Truly you have a gift for bringing in wonderful prizes that make everyone feel like winners.

We would also like to thank Willie for bringing in this year's entertainment. *Sagebrush Rock* and *Long Story Short* rocked the event this year. Hope you'll come out to play with us again next year. TO BE AND A CONTRACTOR

Wow! September.

Can you believe the year is almost

over?

Time to start thinking about elections for next year's officers for *Douglas County Chapter*.

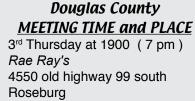
It's time for the new faces and new members of the chapter to step into the light with fresh ideas and new energy.

Believe me, us old timers are ready for a break.

Remember our chapter meetings are at 7 p.m. at *Ray Rae's*, the third Thursday of the month. Hope we see you there.

For now . . . Enjoy the journey, enjoy the ride,

Chris Shull secretary Douglas County Chapter



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

Howdy fellow riders,

Hope you are enjoying the heat and the street.

We wanted summer, we got summer.

News this month partially consists of the fact that this year's 15th Annual Xtreme Bike Show and Street Party raised \$14,200 for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Jackson and Josephine counties.

We again thank Mark and Betsy Daley of *ThunderStruck Custom Bikes*, along with Mary, Travis, Devin, and all the rest of their volunteers.

Once again this year our chapter had a booth to chat about *A.B.A.T.E.* Thanks, Mark, for allowing us to take part in such a worthwhile event.

Don't forget the Brittney Mallory

*Ride* October 7 – 9 in Canyonville at *Seven Feathers Casino.* (Where I was born, Rot. Actually kiddy-corner across I-5.) More info at:

http://www.brittneyride.com

We salute Kevin "Old School" and Cherie, his bride, as he has stepped down as coordinator. Thank you both very much for all your hard work for our chapter.

Our new coordinator, Pat S. will do a great job.

Our meeting location has changed to D & S Harley–Davidson in Phoenix. Upstairs at 6:30 p.m. every third Tuesday of the month. This started in September. We thank Kim and crew for the new location as we feel this will bring in more interested riders.



Rubber down, chrome up. Be brutally aware of the terminally unaware. See you out there,

Mikey and the *Jackson County Chapter* salute you.

Jackson County <u>MEETING TIMES and PLACE</u> 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 pm) D & S Harley–Davidson 3846 S. Pacific highway Medford (541)–535–5515

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

Hello from the busiest chapter in Oregon.

One of the recent activities was a poker run that started in Eugene and in Salem. The theme of the run was "*Meet In The Middle*". One of the goals of the run was to let the defunct *Willamette Valley Chapter* know that there is still hope for those who lost their chapter. *Hub City* welcomes them to our fold.

*Hub City Chapter* is only a short ride from Eugene and it gives a good reason to get the bike out of the garage and get in the wind.

The poker run met in Junction City and a great time was had by those who participated. The weather was exceptional and everyone rode safely.

Al Simms, chapter coordinator, emceed the door prize drawings, the high and low hands, and the 50/50 drawing.

Since the *Hub City Chapter* is so active, it is no wonder that we get from 40 to 70 members and guests at every meeting. There is a line of people wanting to serve in some way. At nearly every meeting we sign up a member or two. Members talking to friends is what it takes. As each officer gives his or her report on their assignments, discussion is held to a minimum until the report is finished. Question and answer then takes place. If every chapter would follow this simple guideline, we feel that there would be more interest and participation in *A.B.A.T.E.* meetings.

We are now in the planning stages for our annual bike show in *Heritage Mall* here in Albany. Only *Hub City* members are allowed to put their bikes in the show. Last year we had one of the most successful shows and this year it promises to be even better. Other organizations will also be participating by presenting their program information. (*Team Oregon*, etc.)

Summer is almost over but didn't we have some great, but short days to ride? It was the proverbial good time that was had by all.

Ride safely.

We know you and we love you.

Mel Yeager Hub City Chapter A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon



#### Hub City

MEETING TIME and PLACE 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.) *Ciddici's Pizza* 133 SW Fifth Street Albany

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

Happy summertime to you all. Hope you are having a fun filled summer.

The weather down here is gorgeous, even with the smoky sky from a fire burning up around the Fish Lake area. Hopefully it will be put out very soon.

It's also been very hot, but folks are still out riding their bikes and trikes.

Gotta do it while we can!

The A.B.A.T.E. chapters S.O.S. campout in Wolf Creek was a great success. There were approximately 400 people who registered for the event. It was very well organized and went off without a hitch.

A great big thank you to all the volunteers from the *Josephine* and *Douglas County* chapters who worked hard to bring it all together. I don't know all of your names, but you all know who you are. Know that you were greatly appreciated. Thanks again.

That's all for now.

Better get off my computer before my keyboard locks up on me again. (I don't like it when that happens.)

Until next time, ride safe you all,

Karen Headley

secretary Josephine County Chapter



#### **Upcoming Events:**

October 1 – Josephine County Chapter

toy run October 22 – Illinois valley toy run October 29 – *Josephine County Chapter* halloween party and graveyard tour.



#### Josephine County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

(6:30 p.m.) Fruitdale Grange 1440 Parkdale Drive

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

*Lincoln County* is regrouping after *Beaver Creek*.

The 29th Annual Beaver Creek is now in our history book and had perfect weather for all the events that happened there.

Looking out tonight the moon is about the same as it was while we were enjoying the campout.

Missed some people that we usually see, but saw many new faces.

The state board meeting was short and to the point, so we got back in time to see the bike games played.

The winners were the following:

Ping pong ball drop – Rob and Brian Slow race – Jake LaVergne

Beaver boot – Vernon

Keg race - Fast Frank

Weenie bite – .Rich Rau and daughter Karalee

They all received trophies made by our own Randy Becker. (He does wonderful work. He built our new foot bridge and widened it for handicapped use for those who needed it.)

Our new membership secretary did a great job of signing up members not only for *Lincoln County*, but also for other chapters. Thanks Carliol. A job well done.

Tina and Mona did a bang up job at the ways and means booth. Our members were able to enjoy more of the run with the help of new people being involved.

The music was local and well received by attendees. One of our past members, 45 John, played with one of the groups. It was wonderful to see him at *Beaver Creek* again.

We did have a bit of a change in the food area. For the first time we had someone other than our chapter members running the kitchen and it seemed well received by those attending. We are looking at adding other food vendors next year. Many ideas for change have been discussed and more information will become available as we progress through the year.

The wedding was small but very beautiful. Ralph and Wanda have a wonderful new son-in-law. Welcome to the family, Don. Meg and Don now have a beautiful blended family who we are all so very fond of and love them all dearly.

We owe a debt to all our members and families for making this run a success.

It s a lot of work in preparing for the run, as we clean up of the fields so that you don t get lost in the tall grass of the area.



It s always a shock to go and see what needs to be done, then work together to get it ready for company. We do hope that you had a good time if you attended *Beaver Creek*. Butif you missed it, we hope that we see you next year.

We again thank Mr. and Mrs. Beaver Creek (a.k.a. Gary and Vicki) for allowing us to use their grounds for our campout. They truly embody what brotherhood is all about. They also have the most gracious neighbors for allowing us safe passage to and from the run.

As you may know by now, I was not in attendance at state board. The last chemo treatment I had was harder on me than I figured it would be. Guess the build up makes it this way. One more treatment and it should be over.

Thanks for the well wishes from those of you who know this was happening.

I found out while the *S.O.S.* run was happening. Only four treatments and will not have a final answer until December when the next C.A.T. scan will be done.

Ride safe my friends. Keep the rubber side down. Smile big so the bugs have landing strips,

Millie Highfill secretary state board representative *Lincoln County A.B.A.T.E.* 

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

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





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

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

As I am sitting down and writing this, I first need to reflect on what a wonderful day we had on our annual fall run.

The weather was perfect for a group of over forty motorcycle enthusiasts to be out on a ride.

We gave out some great door prizes including a bass fishing trip.

Rick Indergard, our sergeant-atarms, was the winner with the best poker hand, with a pay out of \$235.

A big thank- you to all those who helped to make this a hazard free safe run.

We had several of our members participate in the city of *Clatskanie K9 Run*. After retiring the last police dog, Clatskanie purchased a new dog. The run was to help raise funds for training and upkeep. We always enjoy supporting a cause in our community. Despite missing our regular meeting in September due to Labor Day weekend, we will be continuing with our regular meetings on October 2nd at 7 p.m. at *Colvin's* in downtown Clatskanie.

As you continue to ride throughout the fall, be safe and keep the rubber side down,

Dave Witmer coordinator *Lower Columbia* 



#### Lower Columbia <u>MEETING TIMES and PLACE</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 1900 ( 7 pm ) Colvin's Pub & Grill 123 N. Nebalem

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

#### August 16, 2011

First, the explanation for the delay of the last minutes was due to operator error which I didn't detect until recently. The problem was a newly entered address. (With a mistake.)

Moving on.

Tonight's meeting was busy and lots of fun.

We heard good reports of rides recently and planned for the near future.

We had a lively discussion about ethanol fuel. Rick and others reported on the state board of directors meeting and the *Beaver Creek Run*.

The membership drawing for \$5 would have been won by Ron Fryer if he had been present. It will be \$10 next meeting.

The 50/50 game tonight was won by Rick at \$8/\$8, who donated his share back to the chapter.

Thanks, Rick.

#### September 6, 2011

I report with sadness and great memories the loss of Jim Middleton, a long time chapter member and the guy with the longest line of *Fossil* year bars anywhere. Jim has been a state sgt-at-arms for several years now, and has always been willing to help with just about anything.

We had a busy meeting tonight. Sad news made a sad start and was the subject of ways to remember Jim.

We are beginning our preparations for our holiday candy sale. We will need several work parties on our trailer. The next one will be on 11 September, at noon at Brian and Teresa's.

There was quite a long discussion about all the riding folks have been doing and several highly technical shop discussions.



The membership drawing for \$10 would have been won by Amelia Gove if she had been present. It will be \$15 next meeting.

The 50/50 game tonight was won by Rick at \$7/\$7, who donated his

share back to the chapter. Thanks, Rick.

-- Brian

### **Upcoming meetings**

October 04, 2011

October 18, 2011

*River City* <u>MEETING TIMES and PLACE</u> 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 1900 ( 7 p.m. ) *Shiloh Inn* The Dalles

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

I am writing this on 9-11, 2011.

As I walk through the *Field of Flags* at Riverfront park, I am saddened to see how many people have already forgotten.

Then I got to the *Field of Heroes* ( troops who have lost their lives) and I think of how many of the funerals for these young men and woman I have been to.

I heard a young lady ask why all these flags were here and her daddy said "Because these are heroes, honey. These people who died for freedom."

Whether you thought the Viet Nam war was right or not, whether you think these current wars are right or not, matters not.

These men and woman are our brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers, uncles, aunts. They are patriots who fought and some of them died for the freedoms we enjoy now. They deserve our respect and honor. God bless them all.

As another summer comes to a close, it's time to get ready for winter riding. Just a reminder that the roads will be getting nasty. Make sure your ride is up to the task and be safe.

Salem Chapter has canceled our Sonic Night.

Keep the rubber side down,



#### Salem

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

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

Rick

As short as it seems, our summer is winding down here for *Washington County*.

But that doesn't mean things are slowing down!

By the time you read this our End of Summer Run will be history. I hope you were there. If not, you missed a great weekend.

With fall around the corner, it's time for our *Adopt-A-Road* cleanup. Our run coordinator II, Jerry Cruz, is arranging the date. It will be either Saturday, October 15 or Saturday, October 22. Please check our chapter web site, as the date and details will be posted there as soon as we have them. We really need a good turnout if we want to continue this service. The twelve people who have traditionally been there are getting worn out, so please plan to come give us a couple hours of your time. We're gearing up for our annual toy run, which will be Saturday, November 19.

This year we have the support of *Beaverton Honda–Yamaha* and we're giving away two \$250 gift cards to *Beaverton Honda–Yamaha*. Tickets are \$1 each and we're only selling 2,000, so buy early or you may be out of luck.

We're also partnering with the Hillsboro *Elks*, with all proceeds going to the Hillsboro *Toy and Joy* program.

We will have the same route again this year for our ride and the neighborhood residents are looking forward to waving to hundreds of bikes, so help us make it happen.

Toy run tickets are available at all chapter meetings, state board meetings, or by sending a check, payable to *Washington County ABATE* P.O. Box 202 Cornelius, OR 97113



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

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

http://www.wacoabate.info

See you on the road,

Margo Virchow



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

*POINT of CONTACT* (503)-643-4725

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



Greetings from SE-PDX!

Hope that everybody has been enjoying the excellent weather that we've been having lately and have been out taking advantage of it, 'cuz before we know it, old man winter will soon be nipping at our heels and it will be time to put our bikes away until next spring.

So get out and enjoy the weather while you still can.

Our September 4th meeting was quite a short one due to most of the officers not being there. (Of course, it was *Labor Day* weekend.)

There is not very much going on as far as legislative or BikePAC, except

that people are requested to be at the A.B.A.T.E./BikePAC planning session in Cottage Grove on October 15th to 16th.

Once again let's not forget the toy run in December. Check out tickets and start selling them.

At the first meeting in October, there will be a meeting after the regular meeting regarding Run-21.

Daniel Dave would have won \$40 if he would've been present. At the next meeting, the membership drawing will be for \$45.

Be careful, enjoy the great riding weather.

Keep the rubber side to the road.

That's all for now. See you next month,

K. Brewer recording secretary Southeast Portland Chapter (SE-PDX)

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

**POINT of CONTACT Richard Colwell** (503)-519-0727 RGC1959@hotmail.com

**CHAPTER ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 90233 Portland, OR 97290 http://www.abatese.net http://www.run21.biz http://www.abatetoyrun.com

## **Reluctant Road**

It is that contemplative time around a fire, when boisterous laughter, tall tales, and free-flowing spirits have died back with the flames. Staring eyes begin to see shapes moving in heat-crazed air burning gently above orange coals. Only occasional soft crackles disturb brooding evening darkness outside the fire-lit circle.

One voice softly begins a tale.

Once, on an evening not unlike this one, a stranger arrived in a community.

Quiet without being shy, unusually named even in their experience, the person soon became involved in the community's activities.

After some time had passed, the person began to experience that restless feeling of the spirit signaling a desire for change.

The community was told that the person was considering doing other things.

that the former stranger was leaving away from the community. them.

Though the person tried to help the community understand that no such thing had been said, the group now had it in their collective mind that the person was as good as gone.

Arrangements were made for others to take up work the person had been doing. Thanks were given for the person's

services.

Reasons were sought and given for the person's departure, but one question was not being asked.

The person felt compelled along by events set in motion by the announcement, yet as it became apparent that the particular question was not going to be asked, the person let events sweep along until at last, feeling strangely displaced, the former stranger found himself outside the community with feet on a road and nowhere to go. And so Immediately the call went out the person began reluctantly moving

Contemplative silence greets the story's conclusion, disturbed only by half-hearted fire snaps.

Finally an unvoiced curiosity is given quiet voice.

"So, what was the question that never got asked?"

The tale teller's mouth twitches, a slight smile flickers at the corners of lips, then is gone. The soft reply is barely audible.

"For the answer to be meaningful, you must discover the question for yourself."

-- Pat Henderson

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#### **Our Officers at Work**

### A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes 10 September 2011

Ciddici's Pizza-Albanyt, Oregon



The meeting was called to order by Ted Tracy at 12:02 p.m. with nine of twelve chapters represented.

Not present: Excused: *Central Oregon*, *North Coas*t chapters. Unexcused: *Lower Columbia Chapter*.

#### Pledge of allegiance.

**Moment of silence**: For downed brothers/sisters and service men/women, 9/11 victims, survivors, families, and Jim Middleton. (*A.B.A.T.E.* sgt-at-arms east lost on 05 September 2011)

**Guests and first time attendees**: Faye Winfield

Reading, approval of August state board minutes: Motion made by *Lincoln County* to adopt minutes as printed in the state newspaper. Seconded by Washington County. Motion passed.

**Coordinator's comments**: Ted Tracy welcomed everyone and spoke on the confusion at the last meeting of the board of directors. Clarified that the board of directors is the chapter representative from each chapter and that the officers serve to carry out the will of the board of directors according to their job/officer descriptions. So, in short, the board of directors is the chapter's themselves through their respective representatives. Voting on any and all issues is done by the chapter representatives only.

Secretaryreportand correspondence: Nic Oliver had nothing to report other than again noting that he apologized to the coordinator for his outburst at the last meeting.

#### \* \* \* Officer's Reports \* \* \*

Vice-coordinator (north): Allan Nichols made the statement that he noted the large contingent from southern Oregon at the meeting today. It is good to see so many involved.

**Vice-coordinator** (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen (Excused.) Working at the *Veterans' Bar-B-Que*.

**Vice-coordinator (east)**: Robert Terrill (Excused.) Working the *A.B.A.T.E.* booth in eastern Oregon at the *Run to the Cascades* event. **Treasurer**: Kay Sipple handed in report. The results of *Run–21* are not in yet, but currently we have: Checking =: \$8,151.64 Savings = \$21,007.17 *PayPal* = \$602.67

Kay also spoke on the fees and problems with *Chase Bank*, talked about changing banks. It was decided by acclimation that she could do as she felt was best for the organization. **State auditor**: Connie Ceccacci

handed in report and stated that two chapters were in the "blue" status.

Jackson County now in the "green" due to reports handed in today.

*Washington County* will be "green" next month.

*Douglas County* will be going "red" next month, but she is working with them to get things back on track.

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

Reminded everyone that September 19th is *International Talk Like A Pirate Day*. It was noted that four chapters did not have their reports in yet, as of this morning: *Hub City*, *Jackson County*, *Lower Columbia*, and *Salem*.

He spoke on the importance of information being accurately reported. For information that goes to the chapters, it is vital that it be accurately reported on so that there is no confusion or misinformation delivered to the chapters or put in the newspaper.

Rot Path reported that he discovered that the newspaper phone line was not working properly and that he would be attending to that immediately. He said he knew were the problem was and would fix it as soon as he got home.

Rot Path talked about equipment needs for the newspaper editor position. He stated that *A.B.A.T.E.* should look into buying computer equipment and the appropriate programming to fulfill the position. The equipment and software that he is using is his personal material. He stated that he would like to purchase an external hard drive of about a terabyte for backup so that he could put all of *A.B.A. T.E.*'s files on it for the next editor. It was decided that he could do this under the conditions regarding needs of his office without a motion as the cost was minimal since prices have dropped so much recently.

**Membership secretary**: Linda Henderson (Excused.) Report turned in. Ted Tracy stated that each chapter should seriously consider doing a membership drive to get our numbers back up. Current Membership is 1,543 as of 11 August.

**Sanctioning officer**: Matt Price (Absent.) No report turned in. Was called on the phone and it was reported that everything he has is current.

There were a couple of complaints regarding timely sanctioning. Everyone was reminded that all requests for sanctioning are supposed to be turned in 90 days before any event date is scheduled. If not done, there is a chance that sanctioning could be delayed.

All flyers and information must be turned in with the sanctioning forms for proper dissemination.

Also, it was reported that Matt Price would be attending the planning session and meeting in October.

He has been busy with attending military funerals.

A discussion also ensued regarding board of director officers and attendance at the regular meetings of the board. All officers are reminded to call or e-mail the state coordinator if they are not going to be in attendance at a meeting.

**Legislative director**: Randy Phipps reported that the *A.M.A.* travel management project is now complete. This can be accessed by going to the web site at:

#### http//www.fs.us.r6/centraloregon/ travel-management/index/shtml

**Sergeant-at-arms (north)**: Randy Phipps reported that help from the chapters has been virtually nonexistent this past year. This is important as every chapter officer is responsible to work with their state officer counterpart/supervisor to insure the smooth facilitation of the organization as a whole.



Nic Oliver acting state recording secretary

**Sergeant-at-arms (south)**: Rick Colclasure reported that he must step down from his position due to his arthritis acting up so badly.

Sergeant-at-arms (east):

(Vacant)

**Products director**: Dave Meeker (Absent.) No report.

Kay brought in magnetic signs that read "Check Twice for Motorcycles". These are available for purchase for \$10 each. Very nicely done items and Kay stated that they guy that made these can do others very cheaply as well and will compete in price with any other firm.

(Ted tried to put one on his bike before he realized that they don't stick to fiberglass.)

**Education director**: Geoff White (Absent.) No report.

**Public relations director:** (Vacant )

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

**Swap meet coordinator**: John "Wheel" Betts reported that April 29, 2012 is locked in for *A.B.A. T.E.* for the next swap meet. He is currently working on the flyer.

Discussion ensued regarding why the last one was a virtual failure. It was noted that the date was bad and that "Wheels" had almost no help or guidance with which to draw upon. Ted suggested that this be an issue that be addressed at the planning session and that more chapter involvement is needed for this to be a success. Kay spoke on vendor deposits needing to be required before any space is reserved and a "no show" would lose their deposit. Many spaces were reserved at the last one without deposits. Also noted was that a lot of people were on their way to Sturgis and therefore could not attend.

**Historian**: Jennifer Brackman (Excused.)

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### A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting - 10 September 2011 (continued)

Web page editor: Trace Ceccacci reported that he puts more than *A.B.A.T.E.* events on the web site in the hopes of drawing more people to look at *A.B.A.T.E.*'s calendar of events and thereby look at our web site. He stated that he puts any and all events, sanctioned or not, on the web site. So, anyone wanting an event to be advertised, send the information or flyer to him and he will get it posted on the web site.

**Quartermaste**r: Dwayne Sterba (Excused.)

*BikePAC* representative: Randy Phipps reported that there was not a meeting of *BikePAC* in September.

Nic Oliver reported on the August meeting at the *Beaver Creek Run*. He stated that this is the age of the motorcycle and motorcycles are becoming more and more popular with people due to the price of gasoline, the trouble with the economy, and motorcycles' relatively low expense to operate and maintain.

February 1, 2012, is the opening date for the very first legally required annual session for the Oregon legislature. Since the state has changed its constitution to have annual sessions, this is an opportunity to get tremendous media coverage of our issues and resolve. There is expected to be a very large media presence at the capitol on February 1st and we need to take advantage of this.

Nic asked for everyone who can possibly be there on February 1st to do so. He doesn't care if you ride or walk or drive, just be there. If we can get 1,000 people to fill that place, we will make a very large statement as to our issues and that is what we want and what we need.

So everyone should put on your calendars at home and work that February 1, 2012 is the day to announce to Salem that this is the "age of the motorcycle".

If you care about your rights as motorcyclists, you are needed.

There will be a call to action sent out in advance of this date to remind everyone as to the importance of attending the legislative opening ceremonies.

**Confederation of Clubs** representative (north): David Hickerson (Absent.)



**Confederation of Clubs** representative (south): Pat "Spanky" Allen (Excused.)

*M.R.F.* representative: Allan Nichols apologized for his missing report last month.

He reported that HR-715 "Let Kids Ride" was passed at the federal level.

Also reported that a study in now being conducted in England regarding wind noise while wearing a helmet and the corresponding reports of hearing loss. This item is considered as one that does not happen under current applications and requirements in the United States. This study could benefit riders in the future.

Don Mason reported that a large billboard has been placed on I-5 in north Salem regarding watching for motorcycles. We are not sure at this time who placed the billboard, but it is assumed that *O.D.O.T.* did this. Ted Tracy is going to check on this and write a letter of thanks to the appropriate person/agency. He will also share this information with Nic Oliver of *BikePAC*.

#### **Unfinished Business**

• Nominations were taken for the 2012 officers.

Nominations will remain open until closed at the first October board of directors meeting when voting will take place.

All nominations must be accepted by the person being nominated, either in person or in writing. No exceptions allowed.

If there is an "A" after the name, the nomination was accepted.

At least two people nominated for each position is desired.

Coordinator - Al Nichols (A)

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

Spanky (A) Vice coordinator (east) –

Robert Terrill (A)

Recording secretary – Nic Oliver (A)

Membership secretary – Linda Henderson (A) Sanctioning officer – Matt Price

Treasurer – Kay Sipple (A) State auditor –

Connie Ceccacci (A) Newspaper editor – Rot Path (A) Legislative director –

Don Mason (A) Sergeant-at-arms (north) –

Randy Phipps (A) Sergeant-at-arms (south) –

Sergeant-at-arms (east) -

Products director – Dave Meeker

Education director – Geoff White (wants to think about it)

Public relations –

"One Eyed Bob" Nichols (A) State run coordinator –

Rotten Roger (Gene Mortimore offered to do all the work if Roger would impart upon him his direction and wisdom. Roger is thinking about it.)

State swap meet coordinator –

John "Wheels" Betts (A), Randy Phipps (A) Historian –

Jennifer Brachman (A) Web page editor –

Trace Ceccacci (A) Quartermaster –

Dwayne Sterba (A) M.R.F. representative –

Al Nichols (A) *A.B.A.T.E.*'s *BikePAC* represent-ative – Rick Colclasure (A)

*Confederation of Clubs* represent-ative (north) – Dave Hickerson (A)

*Confederation of Clubs* represent-ative (south) –

Pat "Spanky" Allen (A)

#### **New Business**

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

"To spend \$350 (Gene Mortimore) for purchase of decking material for new permanent Fossil Run stage."

Discussion indicated that Gene had available to him one hundred  $2^{\circ}$  x 6°s, length 16 feet each, for a cost of \$350. (This amounts to about \$0.22 per linear board foot, an excellent price.)

This stage would be a permanent structure and available for use by all who utilize *Bear Hollow*. The county and park would assume all liability for this stage.

As our current stage trailer is many years old and is literally falling apart, this investment is cheaper than trying to rebuild our portable stage and (as Ted reported) cheaper than one year of moving the stage from storage to the *Bear Hollow* site and back.

It was also reported that the old permanent stage was burned down by some jerks after a previous run many years ago.

Voting took place with nine eligible voting chapters.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### Announcements

- 10 September 2011 = *Fall Run* by *Lower Columbia Chapter* at Clatskanie.
- 16-18 September 2011 = End of Summer Run by Washington County Chapter at St. Helens. For more information (503)-341-2563
- 17 September 2011 = Teddy Bear Run by Central Oregon.
- 24 September 2011 =S o u t h e a s t Portland Chapter's Family Picnic.
- 01 October 2011 = Toy run by Josephine County Chapter in Grants Pass. For more information (541)-659-8715
- 15–16 October 2011
   *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* planning session. *V.F.W.* hall south of Cottage Grove, Oregon. For more information, call Nic Oliver at (541)-223-3827
- 11 November 2011 = Veteran's Day Parade Raffle. For more information go to: http://www.smmroregon. com
- 03 December 2011 = Shriner Toy Run by Southeast Portland Chapter in Portland. For more information (503)-255-5415
- 06 December 2011 = R i c k Colclasure's 70th birthday party at the *Railroad Park* in Medford.
- 29 April 2012 = A. B. A. T. E. Spring Swap Meet at the Portland armory, 10000 NE 33rd Drive.
- Next state board of directors meeting = October 8, 2012 at *Ciddici's Pizza*, 133 5th avenue SE in Albany, Oregon.

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

According to all that we experience normally, our riding season should be on the wane. Winter is supposed to be on the way. With the weather the east coast has been suffering, maybe that has some truth to it. However, as I write this, Texas, and New Mexico are burning up along with fires all over the place, including God's own country here in Oregon. Our governor just the other day, declared an emergency because of the ferocity of the fires in this state. The National Guard are using their helicopters to help battle the flames. Hopefully this will get a handle on the mess.

When the little state of Vermont is drowning from hurricanes on the east coast, we have a lot more to be concerned about than wearing helmets when we ride. Lives are at stake and are much more important in my mind than inconvenience for bikers. We need to be talking to our legislators about safety measures that will have an effect on us all. How can we avoid the damage of devastating natural events that come along seemingly more often than not anymore? It's time for some real planning to take care of our fellow Americans when these things occur. Enough whining from the Gunny.

Lets get on with the Sack.

#### **News Bits–N–Pieces**

*N.C.O.M. Region I Conference* – Don't miss this year's free one-day information-packed conference. Look for the flyer in your newsletters, or look for it on-line at:

http://www.aimncom.com/

The conference is on October 15th, in Federal Way, Washington (I-5 exit 142) at the *Best Western Plus Evergreen Inn and Suites*. Call them before October 7th and mention *N.C.O.M.* for the \$79 rate.

Leading lights in the biker world, nationally and regionally will be there, including South Dakota state senator Jim "Putter" Putnam.

New York *A.I.M.* attorney Mitch Proner will talk about the latest attack on civil liberties, motorcycleonly roadblocks.

And, there will be techniques discussed for fighting biker

profiling.

San Jose, California Police Frenzy – Are San Jose cops illegally profiling a motorcycle club for "driving while biker"?

**GUNNY'S SACK** 

Why doesn't that surprise me?

"Big Ed" Aki doesn't want your sympathy. The only thing the 54-year-old chip designer and former Marine wants is a nightblack *Harley Electra-Glide* full of high octane, a herd of brothers stretching out along a dry highway first thing in the morning, and to be left the hell alone.

Sound familiar?

The co-founder of the *Henchmen Motorcycle Club* and his club have hired a lawyer and intend to put the San Jose police department on notice that harassment is not going to be tolerated without some response from them. They intend to fight, demanding their civil rights to stop their most pernicious rivals from hounding them.

No, not the Mongols.

The San Jose police.

They've filed an official complaint with the city's office of the independent police auditor. They allege that the police are illegally profiling them, and the city's code enforcement unit is digging up zoning beefs to run them out of town.

Like many members of society, some have criminal pasts.

But the most egregious charges aimed against the *Henchmen* as a whole haven't stuck.

officers routinely They say pull them over, sometimes photographing their tattoos, based solely on their bad-boy reputations. "We have a police force that feels they are above the law," said Aki, who, like his father and younger brother, served in the Marines. "They feel as though they can tell the public anything and this city is going to believe them. We have grown up here, have deep roots and ties in this city. We are raising families here and now they are raising their families. We should be afforded the same rights as everyone else."

Police enforcement officials, here

and elsewhere, claim they don't openly target motorcycle club members.

All biker clubs are not alike.

There are recreational bike clubs, christian bike clubs, even police officer bike clubs.

But local police agencies and experts say they often see *Henchmen, Hell's Angels, Mongols, Vagos,* and others as little more than "gangbangers on choppers."

It's that mindset who thinks all patch holders are criminals that results in being profiled as a criminal if we just associate with members of the patch holding clubs. Yet the police will deny it if they are cornered and lie like rugs in court.

The *Henchmen's* complaint is not the first time a motorcycle club in San Jose has fought the law using the law. Five years ago, the *Hell's Angels* won \$1.8 million after suing police and sheriff's deputies for illegally raiding the club's headquarters and members' homes to link a bouncer, charged with killing a drunken patron at the *Pink Poodle*, to the biker club. A jury acquitted the bouncer and a federal court sided with the *Hell's Angels*.

I guess the courts do work well sometimes.

*RECALLS*: From *N.H.T.S.A.* again comes some useful information on safety issues with these motorcycles:

*Triumph* (2011-2012) – Engine management software.

*Triumph* (2011-2012) – Center stand spring.

Get yur *Triumph* scoot to the dealer and get it fixed free.

#### **Gunny Again**

This month maybe I've overstepped my bounds just a bit, but I'm just sick of police everywhere thinking that if they see a person riding a motorcycle, especially a *Harley*, with almost any patch on their back, they have a criminal on their hands.

In the state of Washington they still use *Biker 101* as a handbook for their officers. Ask them and they will deny it in court. This kind



**Gunny** chief of staff O*regon A.I.M.* 

of thing has to come to a halt in Washington with their recent biker anti-profiling rule, thanks to the Washington *Confederation of Clubs* and Marty Fox.

Fighting harassment, using a lawyer and the court system.

When ya get into the city bank account because your police did wrong, it gets the public's attention.

Remember to use an *A.I.M.* attorney if ya have any legal problem or a bike wreck. They will at least give you good advice.

Call 1–(800)–531–2424 [1– (800)–On-A-Bike] and they will send you in the right direction if you don't know who the *A.I.M.* attorney is in your area.

Sam Hochberg here in Oregon is at 1–(503)–224–1106. He's online at: Sambikelaw@aol.com

Your Gunny is at **AIMGunny@ aol.com** or **1–(503)–366–2636** in the St. Helens, Oregon area.

Keep the round side on the bottom!

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

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## Listen, Think, Act

Oom-pah c.o.e. – 117 web site: (such as it is) http://www.otoolevideomagic/RotPath/

As the year winds down towards the holiday season, the big event this month for *A.B.A. T.E.* members is our annual planning session in Cottage Grove.

This is the time and place where you can directly influence how *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* goes about fulfilling our mission statement.

It's also a great time and place to learn more about the organization from members who converge from all over the state. You'll get to meet movers, shakers, and folks who shake when they move.

Chances are that if you have questions or a problem in your chapter, you can find the answer you need at this two-day event.

If you've been elected to a chapter or state office for the first time, you can get a lot of good information about how to go about doing your new job with a minimum of angst.

And there's food.

(Along with southern Oregon flies.)

It all happens during the third weekend, 15 - 16 October, at the *V.F.W.* hall just southeast of Cottage Grove. A flier, map, and hotel listing are available on the next couple of pages of this fine newsrag.

Looks like a deal has been brokered to where Bob "One Eye" Nichols will be taking on the state public relations job while yer crusty ol' editor will be staying on another year doing his Lou Grant/Michael Brugess/Herb Cain impression at the helm of the state newspaper.

We certainly do thank Bob for stepping up to offer his services at the state level. We know it goes against the "never volunteer" principle he learned in Navy boot camp, but we're sure he'll find that *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* is a worthy exception.

Got problems with morale in yer chapter?

Try encouraging desired behavior rather than condemning undesirable behavior.

Encouraging desired behavior keeps a person, organization, community, or nation moving forward.

If members aren't stepping up to help out, then it's time to go proactive.

Find out what skills members have. Go one-on-one, if necessary.

Match up known member skills with activities that need to be accomplished.

Even if folks don't have the skills needed, as long as they are willing

to learn, they can acquire the knowledge they need to fulfill activities.

Despite public bravado, many folks often feel unsure of taking on an activity they haven't done before.

The fear of public humiliation has deep-seated roots.

We need to reassure and cajole each person into moving forward personally so that we can move forward as an organization. That's how positive momentum is created.

In order to succeed in continuing to accomplish our mission, we need each member to feel good about themself and what they do in the group.

If we are truly to be brothers and sisters to each other, we must be there to help others when they stumble.

Last month yer crusty ol' editor went to the Mt. Angel Ocktoberfest, which for obscure reasons is held in September. That's why his photo to the upper right this month is sporting an alpine hat, leather suspenders, and a stein.

He has found that going on the opening day (Thursday) means less crowds and more opportunities to sample the schnitzel.

If he was a drinking man, the



various gartens would fill his needs nicely with traditional brews made only with barley, hops, and water.

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Rot Path

crusty ol' editor

As it was, the beer halls were places to watch chicken dancers and listen to oom-pah music. Except that this year c.o.e. bought CDs from a Canadian group called *The Gordanairs* who call Vancouver, British Columbia home.

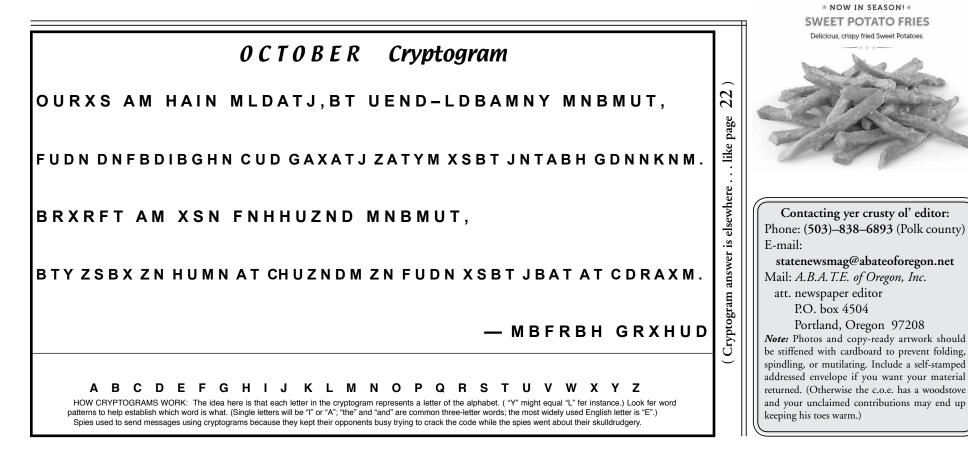


Now c.o.e. is searching desperately for a local *Polka Music Anonymous* support group.

### Psst !

Guess what? It's that time of year again at *Burgerville*. Sweet potato fries are back just in time for chilly weather riding. So much tastier than mere fries, even when cool.

By heck, they might even be slightly good for us.





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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

## President Obama Signs Repeal Of Kids' Motorcycle Ban

President Barack Obama signed a bipartisan consumer safety bill on August 12 that exempts youth-sized motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles (A.T.V.s) from the *Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act* (*C.P.S.I.A.*) of 2008 that bans children's products that contain lead.

HR–2715, introduced by U.S. representatives Mary Bono Mack (R-CA) and G.K. Butterfield (D-NC), passed near-unanimously in the house 421-2 on August 1 and was approved by unanimous consent by the senate later that day. The measure excludes kids' off-road vehicles from the overlybroad C.P.S.I.A. lead certification rules, which previously prohibited their sale due to lead content of components such as batteries and brakes.

"This [rule] is a win-win for American consumers and the American economy," said congresswoman Bono Mack, "and I thank the president for signing this critically important bill into [effect]."

Be sure to contact your federal legislators and thank them for rectifying the onerous "lead law" bike ban, and for supporting the rights of millions of off-road enthusiasts and future motorcyclists.

#### A.B.A.T.E. Of Michigan Requests Your Immediate Action

This urgent call to action is on behalf of *A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan*, requesting the help of all motorcyclists in their fight for freedom.

"Senate bill 291 passed the Michigan senate in late June," writes A.B.A.T.E. president Vince Consiglio. "We are asking all rights activists to send a post card to Michigan's governor, Rick Snyder, urging him to support motorcycle helmet choice for adults."

Consiglio further advises that; "A

postcard from a 'free' state may help him realize that Michigan loses motorcycle money every day of the summer with a mandatory helmet [requirement]. Governor Snyder prides himself on being all about business and helping business. Please urge governor Snyder to support adult choice."

Mail to: Governor Rick Snyder State capital, P.O. box 30013 Lansing, MI 48909 Call (517)–373–3400 E-mail Rick.Snyder@michigan.

gov.

Michigan is one of twenty states with a mandatory helmet requirement for all riders. Before the state legislature broke for the summer, the senate voted 24-14 on June 28th to repeal their forty-year old helmet requirement for motorcyclists 21 or older, who have been riding for at least two years or passes a safety test, and have \$100,000 in personal injury insurance. A sunset provision would cause the ban on helmetless riding to resume in five years, unless the legislature acts again.

The heavily-amended measure now moves to the house of representatives for further action.

#### N.H.T.S.A. (Again) Pushes Helmet Rules

*N.H.T.S.A.* administrator David Strickland has testified once again before a congressional committee urging federal action to get motorcyclists to wear helmets.

On July 27, during a reauthorization hearing on the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*, Strickland told a subcommittee of the U.S. senate committee on commerce, science and transportation that "the most important step we can take to reduce the deaths of motorcyclists on our roads and highways is to assure that all riders



wear a D.O.T.-compliant helmet."

He further stated that, "A grant program emphasizing the use of motorcycle helmets would be effective in reducing fatalities."

Last year, in response to congressional testimony from Strickland that increased helmet use is the core component of *N.H. T.S.A.*'s motorcycle safety plan, U.S. representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) introduced a resolution urging *N.H. T.S.A.* to concentrate on motorcycle crash prevention and rider education instead of lobbying for helmet requirements.

#### U.S. Motorcycle Market Research

*Research and Markets*, a worldwide marketing research resource, has announced the addition of the "Motorcycle Dealers" report to their offering of over 718,000 global marketing research reports, which covers nearly 4,300 motorcyclerelated stores in the United States with combined annual revenue of \$18 billion.

According to their industry research, no major companies dominate. Most companies have a single retail outlet, "*The industry is highly fragmented:*. *The 50 largest companies generate just ten percent of industry sales*," states the report.

Under the "competitive landscape" heading, the R&M report says: "Discretionary personal income and interest rates drive demand, since motorcycles are high-ticket purchases and often financed. The profitability of individual companies depends on volume and sales of higher-margin goods like heavyweight motorcycles. Large dealers have advantages in broad inventory selections and negotiating power with manufacturers. Small dealers can compete effectively by providing superior customer service or offering unique services, like bike customization."

The report further observes that, "Major competitors include private market sellers, other recreational vehicle dealers, service center chains, and independent service shops."

Other key topics include: Industry



overview, business challenges and trends, industry forecast and opportunities, and products, operations and technology:

For those in the motorcycle industry, starting a motorcycle business, or interested in better understanding the two-wheel marketplace, check them out at: http://www.researchandmarkets.

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*R&M* has also conducted numerous other motorcycle-oriented marketing reports, including a *Global Industry Guide* and a *Global Motorcycle Report*, which examines market conditions across western Europe, North America as well as key emerging countries such as China and India.

#### **Safest States To Ride**

According to a statistical analysis from http://www.TheStreet.com financial web site, the safest state to ride in is North Dakota, with a fatality rate nearly a third the national average, low levels of congestion, and high quality road surfaces.

In an article *The Safest States for Motorcycles* in the August 1st business section, writer Greg Emerson points out that, "*The truth is that motorcycle riding is up. Way up. Between 1996* and 2005, motorcycle registrations increased 61% while vehicle miles traveled of motorcycles grew only 8.6%, according to the Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration. *That means a lot of new riders, riding not very far or not very often.*"

In an effort to "help keep all those weekend warriors looking to get on a bike and go riding from losing their heads, we looked at the most recent fatality data -- from 2009 -- to determine which states were the safest for the aspiring Evil Knievels among us. We ranked all 50 states and the District of Columbia to see which ones had the smallest proportion of motorcycle deaths as a proportion of total traffic deaths."

Half of the states fall below the national average of 15.4%, and half

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above.

Here are the ten states with the lowest ratio of rider fatalities: Tenth-safest: Vermont -

Motorcyclist fatalities: 68; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.8%

Nineth-safest (tie): Virginia -Motorcyclist fatalities: 671; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.5%

Eighth-safest (tie): Kentucky -Motorcyclist fatalities: 745; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 11.5%

Seventh-safest: Missouri -Motorcyclist fatalities: 806; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 10.8%

Sixth-safest: Wyoming -Motorcyclist fatalities: 129; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 10.1%

Fifth-safest: Alabama -Motorcyclist fatalities: 776; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 9.8%

Fourth-safest: West Virginia -Motorcyclist fatalities: 334; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.5%

Third-safest: Mississippi -Motorcyclist fatalities: 632; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.4%

Second-safest: Nebraska -Motorcyclist fatalities: 211; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 7.1%

Safest: North Dakota -Motorcyclist fatalities: 135; proportion of total vehicle deaths: 5.2%

### Helmet And Acoustics Research Could Quiet The Ride

After accelerating, most of the sound that a rider can hear isn't from the bike engine or other vehicles on the road, but from the air rushing over and around their helmet. Noise levels inside a helmet can reach rock-concert levels when traveling at highway speeds, and a group of engineers and psychologists from two U.K. universities have gathered to study how to minimize helmet noise to protect riders from hearing damage and reduce the potential distraction that noise poses to riders.

Their research paper, which has been accepted for publication by the *Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*, says that riders experience noise from multiple sources.

First is the engine noise, which is a relatively insignificant factor once riders accelerate to highway speeds.

Audible wind noise can reach volumes as high as 115 decibels or more, roughly equivalent to what power saw operators without ear protection would hear. O.S.H.A. recommends limiting such exposure to fifteen minutes or less per day.

Turbulent air buffeting off the motorcycle windshield is another source of noise, as is air rushing around the chin bar of the helmet.

There's another type of sound experienced by riders, called body conducted sound. Aboard a motorcycle, this process transmits engine vibrations and the percussive force of the wind through the flesh and bone to the ear. Earplugs don't stop it, and it can be significant.

Another topic under investigation by the Bath group is how sound impacts attention. One experiment measured how different volumes of sound impaired a test subject's peripheral vision.

While riders and others recognize that noise can be a serious health issue, many U.S. jurisdictions prohibit the use of earplugs or other noise-reducing devices. One long road trip could take a rider through numerous changes in local rules.

#### Nigeria Bans Motorcycles In Terror-Struck City

Officials in Maiduguri, Nigeria's seventh largest city and capital of northeastern Borno state, has banned motorbikes in a bid to curb militant activities borne on the backs of these ubiquitous vehicles.

Motorcycles and okada (motorcycle taxis) are the predominant mode of transportation in the mostly impoverished city, and members of the *Motorcycle Transport Union* have protested the ban on their livelihood. But the Borno state government is desperate to crack down on *Boko Haram*, an extremely orthodox

Islamist sect that is seeking to overthrow the secular government in favor of a muslim state. The terrorist group has become known for brazen public attacks conducted while riding motorbikes, and has killed at least forty people including police officers and politicians in drive-by motorbike attacks.

#### **Quotable Quote**

"Useless laws weaken the necessary laws."

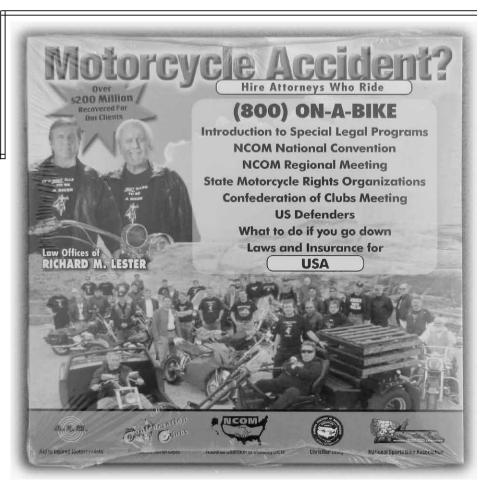
-- Charles de Montesquieu (1689-1755) French philosopher, political thinker

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## Motorcycle Riders Foundation **T.E.A. Authorization Passed**



The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.) has learned that, with current authorizations set to expire in the next couple of weeks, the U.S. congress passed legislation that would authorize surface transportation programs for several more months.

By voice vote, the house passed a bill (HR-2887) that would extend surface transportation programs through March 31, 2012. The bill also would extend certain highway-related taxes, including the gas tax, which is set to expire on September 30 under the most recent

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The senate also passed the extension late on Thursday, September 15.

This bill has been the vehicle for numerous motorcycle-related rules. HR–2887 is expected to be signed

into effect very soon.

"The extension keeps the current motorcycle awareness and education grants flowing. So far the government has returned \$49 million dollars to the motorcycle riders in the country. I call that a good start," said Jeff Hennie, *M.R.F.* vice president of government

relations.

The bill, which should be the most bipartisan bill in the entire congress, has been stymied for a number of legislative and political reasons, so much so that is now linked to the Federal Aviation Administration funding bill which is on its 22nd extension going back to 2007.

House transportation and infrastructure committee chairman John Mica (R-FL) said the short extension represented a "bipartisan, bicameral agreement to move forward," but warned that it should not be a "temporary Band-Aid."

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

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

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## A.B.A.T.E. / BikePAC Planning Sessions



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2003 ( by Duane Calkins )

Bill, Bob, and Millie ponder things. The blur is Randy Phipps who seems to be everywhere at once.





2005







## **Of Years Past**

(most photos the fault of of yer crsty ol' editor, Rot Path, unless blame otherwise assigned to others )







2009







Ted Tracy contemplates a possible homework assignment from Nic Oliver while Jordan Kelly



2010



(Don't <u>even</u> think about calling us "geeks".)

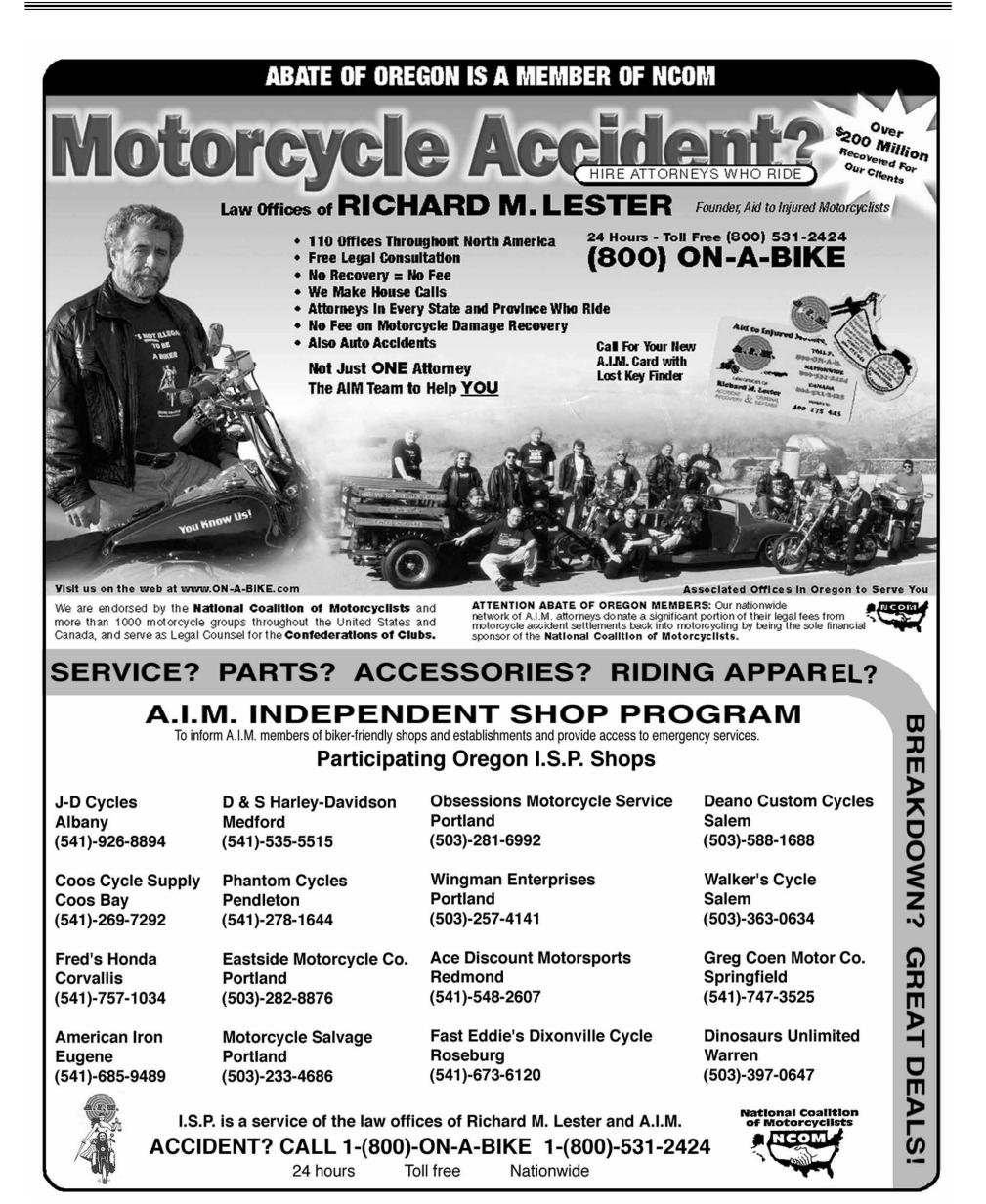


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Did officer follow normal traffic laws ir	• • • • • • •										
Did officer treat you fairly and respect	fully? (YES) (NO) If no explain:	·									
Vas your helmet confiscated? YES /	NO Explain:										
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lave you gone to court? NO: When you pled NOT GUILTY, have you go 'ES : What was the verdict ? GUILT guilty, what was the sentence?	is court Date? YES : How did you one to trial? ( <b>YES) (NO)</b> If Y NOT GUILTY	f no when is ye	If your court date?								
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## **October 2011** A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events ...

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Saturday, 08 Oct 2011 <b>1200 ( noon )</b>			19 Nov 2011	Toy run/WaCo	Hillsboro	(503)-459-7912
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<i>Ciddici's Pizza</i> 133 SW Fifth Street Albany, Oregon		RUN         LISTINGS         boldface indicates         state-sanctioned         Oregon A.B.A.T.E.				nts listed here. )
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Central Oregon (Cent		-			2860 Boyd Acres road; Be	
Douglas County (DC)					way 99 south; Roseburg	(541)–nnn–nnnn
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thu	rsdav 190	00 (7  p.m.) Cia	ldici's Pizza: 133 SW I	Fifth Street Albany	(541)-928-2536

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