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Sadly, it was not to *Sturgis* that a national leader rode this year.

And it was not a United States president who rode, but rather Russian prime minister Vladimir Putin.

Dressed in black shirt, pants, and fingerless gloves while sporting *Terminator* sunglasses, the lanky leader left aboard a *Harley* trike, then thumped to an international biker rally in Sevastopol, Ukraine.

Joining over 5,000 primarily european riders, he addressed the crowd about the importance of freedom. (Wonder if he's free in February to speak at S.T.E.A.M.?)

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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

BikePAC of Oregon

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

BikePAC works within the political process.

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

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

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

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

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

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

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A	A	Single entity.
B	BROTHERHOOD	The state of being a brother; an association of people of the same order; the mutual regard resulting from this association
A	AGAINST	In contact with; opposite to; in opposition to; in preparation for; in exchange.
T	TOTALITARIAN	Of or relating to a political regime based on subordination of the individual to the state and strict control of all aspects of the life and productive capacity of the nation by coercive measures.
E	ENACTMENTS	To make into law; the passing of a bill into law; a decree; a law.
	MEANS FREEDOM	

officers at work

State Coordinator

Utah — Senate bill 106 would require all vehicles to have an exhaust system that is “installed by the original manufacture”.

Illinois — The state supreme court has ruled the state can seize funds from the motorcycle rider training fund and use the money as it sees fit.

Michigan — HB-4136 will require all motorcyclists to carry \$20,000 health insurance.

New York — Motorcyclists have filed a class action lawsuit against motorcycle-only roadblocks.

Wyoming — Motorcyclists are fighting a new criminal street gangs regulation.

Washington D.C. — (Don't even get me started.)

My point in all of this:

We must all remain *forever vigilant*.

We must all keep the fire burning in our bellies.

We must all stay active in all aspects of motorcyclists rights.

We have much to accomplish here

in the state of Oregon.

- We still have a helmet requirement.

- We did not get included in the *Vulnerable Road User's Bill*.

- We do not have adequate funding for motorcyclists safety and training.

First, make sure your membership is up to date for *A.B.A.T.E.* and *BikePAC*.

If you can afford it, join the *M.R.F.* and the *A.M.A.*

Next, work to get a buddy of yours elected to the state house. Yes, a buddy. Find a candidate you like, make yourself their friend, and help to get them elected.

When the legislature convenes in Salem next January, be an active motorcyclists rights activist. Visit your legislators, attend biker days, write letters, do all you can do.

Together we can accomplish everything we want to accomplish.

One more thing, lets build our ranks. Get your friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join *A.B.A.T.E. of*

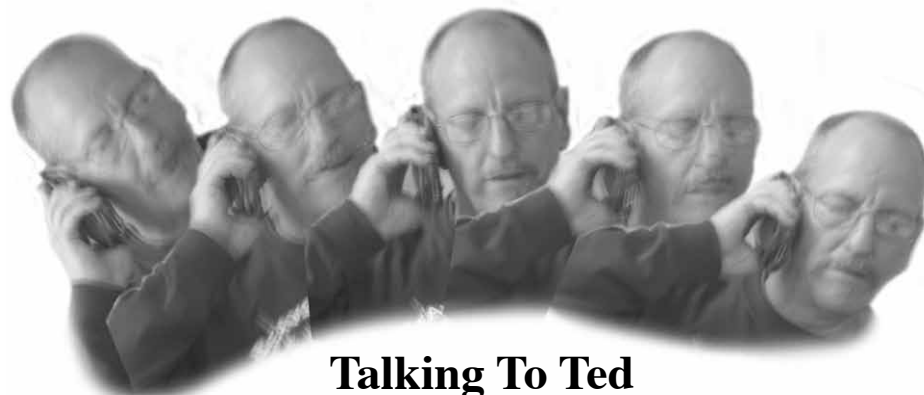
Oregon.

I cannot tell you how proud I am to be your state coordinator.

Be a proud and active member, and lets get things done!



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



Talking To Ted
(He's beside himself for you)

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

Hello *Central Oregon!*

Let's get to the point of this report.

We need everyone's help for our *Teddy-Bear Run* on the 18th of September. And that is *now*.

We have flyers out.

We need raffles items, donations, help with the run.

Last year we had 130 bikes on hand. Let's make this year even bigger.

But we need everyone's help.

We need you to show up for the meeting before the run. The next meeting will be the 12th of September. Please help us out. If you never come to a meeting, please show up for this one. This is *your* big event of the year for *Central Oregon* to bring joy to kids in all the hospitals. We need help.

Just want to give a big hug to Kay (state treasurer) for coming to our meeting and getting us on the right

track with the money problems that some of the chapters have had. And thank you Aron for stepping up to help Ellan out also.

This is what *A.B.A.T.E.* is all about — helping each other out in time of need.

Also want to say thanks to John and Jackie for the flyers that you did for the *Teddy-Bear Run*. Great job.

So with all of the above in mind, please come to the September 12th meeting at the *Northside Bar and Grill* in Bend at 2 p.m.

Animal
coordinator
Central Oregon Chapter



[crusty ol' editor's note: Sorry about getting your chapter meeting on the wrong day of the calendar in the August state newspaper. Obviously disgruntle elves have been at work.]

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING
TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2:00pm)
Northside Bar & Grill
62860 Boyd Acres road
Bend, Oregon

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

Douglas County



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DOUGLAS COUNTY MEETING

TIME and PLACE

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Del Ray Cafe

5669 NE Stephens St

Winchester

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

Howdy fellow riders and readers,

August is flyin' right on by and if you're like some of us, there either ain't 'nuff time nor money to do all you wanna do. We hit what we can and miss out on the rest — such is life.

Anybody out there ride to Anchorage/Fairbanks or even Whistler, B.C.?

Sturgis?

Gulf coast for an oil change or at least to help out?

Me neither. Maybe next time, right?

Mark and Trav are gone to *Sturgis* to show *Sniper* and some other awesome iron art. (Thunderstruck Custom Bikes.com)

Sniper was the show-stopping show winner at the 2009 Las Vegas *Bikefest*, where only 200 of the world's best were invited. Good luck gentlemen!

A bunch of us went to the *Second Annual Ride In The Light Rally* in Yreka, California and had a blast.

Twenty-two of us took over the *Motel 6* down there and all over town things were hoppin' and runnin'. Plans for next year already are forming.

The *32nd Annual Run to the Coast* by *Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.* was awesome and the weather was 63-66 degrees, so no whinin' there after the hot weather around Medford. The run ended at *Our Daily Bread* in Crescent City, California. (Thanks so much to Mike, Rachel, Daphne, and da crew.) The *Sons Of God Motorcycle Club* had a meal or slice of really great cake for a small donation. This was a great run and everyone is rooting for you, Debijo.

Kevin, Cherie, Larry, Kathleen, Huff Daddy, and a bunch of other people were presented the American flag at *DandS Harley-Davidson* on Thursday the 5th and ran it up to *Doyle's Harley-Davidson* in Eugene. It's goin' to one-hundred *Harley-Davidson* shops in one-hundred

days.

On the way back, Kevin and Cherie comped a room at *Seven Feathers Casino* with a \$40 meal deal, enjoyed the hot tub, and had a great rest. They deserve it, as they're always doing for others.

If you ain't been in to see Greg, Pati, Suzanne, and Janice at *Street Leathers* lately, you're flat missin' out. They're kitty-korner from our own *DandS Harley-Davidson* (the 2011's are comin') and they repair road-rash leather goods, sell used or new, and take and sell consignments. They sell and sew patches (great selection) and have doo-rags, pins, bells, and whistles too. Check 'em out and you'll be glad you did.

Join *A.B.A.T.E.* The rights you save are yours.

"Lost through complacency" should not be our motto in politics, bikes, guns, or bibles.

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

McHorn
secretary

JACKSON COUNTY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 pm)

Saxton's

4618 N. Pacific highway

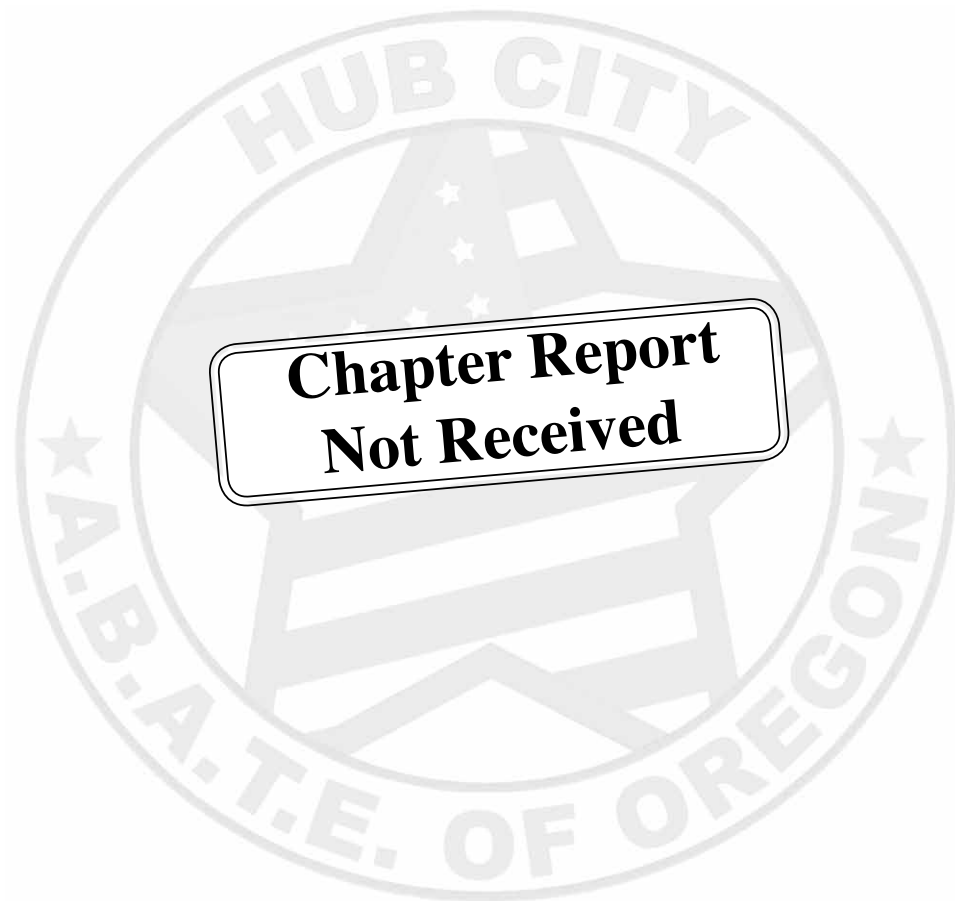
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- **Hub City**



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**

Where has the summer gone?

Well, we have finally found a small travel trailer that we will be gutting out and fixing up to use to store and transport chapter equipment. It will be great to get my car port back.

By the time this is published, another *S.O.S.* will be on the books as history. Here's hoping you had as much fun attending as we did putting it on. It was a pleasure working with *Douglas County* and *Willamette Valley Chapters* and all the *Indian Creek* volunteers.

Thanks.

Run to the Coast once again was a success. 53 bikes, 66 riders. The *Sons of God* put on an awesome meal. Lots of food for only \$10. Thanks for all your help. The weather was perfect for a leisurely ride to the coast. Great day to get out of town for a few hours.

The September chapter meeting will be Sunday, September 19th at 1 p.m. This meeting will be our annual "last chance" social and potluck, and will be either at Riverside Park, or at All Sports Park. Place to be

announced at the regular August chapter meeting. Call Spanky (541)-659-8715 or Karen (541)-660-8730 to confirm location if you miss the August meeting.

Chapter will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish. There will be raffle and 50/50 drawings. Guests are invited.

We want to take a new chapter picture, so we want to get as many members to come out as possible.

Josephine County Toy Run will be October 3rd at the Fruitdale grange in Grants Pass. Staging at 1 p.m., ride out 1:30. BBQ waiting when you return. Chapter provides hamburgers, hot dogs, and chicken. All the side dishes are potluck. Bring a dish if you want to eat. Bring a toy to help the cause. Lots of nice raffle prizes. Huge silent auction. Live music. Helping the children of Josephine county.

If there are any volunteers out there with extra time on their hands, we should could use some extra help this year. We have gotten a really late start and need to hustle to



accomplish our goals.

We do the best we can to help the Siskiyou community health outreach programs serving Grants Pass and Cave Junction as well as the kids of the *Wolf Creek Parenting Center*.



Chapter meetings are at 6:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month (except for September — see above) at the Fruitdale grange on Rogue River highway in Grants Pass. Stop by and visit anytime.

See you down the road,

Karen Chapter secretary/treasurer

JOSEPHINE COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

Fruitdale Grange
1440 Parkdale Drive
Grants Pass

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

August 12, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

There were twelve people in attendance.

Lowell presented with the new Oregon regulations concerning motorcycle endorsement and motorcycle training being required.

We talked about the new regulations that have passed in California concerning emission testing on motorcycles and how it will affect the regulations in Oregon.

We discussed again the R.I.C.O. act concerning three or more riding with patches.

Talked about how *Bike Night* went, that only five showed for it and that we needed to find a different venue for it.

This month's *Bike Night* has been canceled. [August.]

We discussed changing our *Bike Night* to the third Sunday of the month in the afternoon. We

discussed the Mexican restaurant on the way to Chiloquin, the restaurant in Dairy, or the *Longhorn* in Bonanza as possible venues.

Tentatively we have set our next *Bike Night* for Sunday, September 19th. We will meet at 2 p.m. at the *Biker Church* parking lot, then take about an hour's ride and end at whichever restaurant has been chosen for that month's destination.

It was decided that we would have a membership list made up and available to our members with phone numbers of all members. Lowell said he would have it available next week at his barbershop for any of the members to pick up.

It was brought up that we need a new membership secretary. And a motion was made and seconded that we hold our elections annually at our January meeting. It was passed unanimously.

We discussed our *Spaghetti Feed* that was scheduled for Saturday, August 28th at 1 p.m. to be held at the *Biker Church* at the cost of \$5 a



person.

Our next meeting is scheduled for September 9th. It was asked that we have bottled water available for those who attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

-- Debi Buie

KLAMATH COUNTY MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

2nd Thursday at 1800 (6 p.m.)
Biker Church
601 5th street
Klamath Falls, Oregon

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(planet earth)

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

Hi all from *LoCo*,

This report is going to be short and sweet as we're on the road to *Sturgis*.

We had a meeting on the first Sunday of this month with 30 members present.

We have our roach coach coming along — the motor is in, the back is cleaned out. I guess we're ready for paint and new construction.

We have been getting ready for our *Fall Run*, which is September 11th.

We will be drawing the winning raffle ticket for the *Tika* 300 *Winchester Short Mag*, with *Redfield* 4X12 power scope. We may have some raffle tickets left for sale on run day.

The run starts and ends at *Colvin's* where we'll have a band starting at 9 p.m.

Hope we saw you there.

Ride safe,

Dave Bridges
coordinator
LoCo



LOWER COLUMBIA

MEETING TIMES and PLACE

1st Sundays at 1900 (7 pm)
Colvin's Pub & Grill
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon

(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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



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LINCOLN COUNTY MEET-->ING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900
(7 pm)

American Legion Hall Post 116
424 W. Olive Street

Newport

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

Hello from the *North Coast*,

Well here we are September, the twilight of the riding season. Bikers in this area got screwed by mother nature bringing on light rain and persistent drizzle for a week or so in August. I hope there is some pay-back this month.

This last July in Seaside, *Bikefest* had their annual event. The promoter of the event had passed away and the event was in danger of being a bust. The wife and son of the promoter asked us if we could assist them. We assisted where we could and the event was successful. I am mentioning this because our chapter and I would like to thank the *Black Sheep Motorcycle Club* for their valuable time in manning the poker run stops. The *Black Sheep Motorcycle Club* also assisted in our *Around Saddle Mountain Run* in June, doing road guard duties. Thank you, *Black Sheep*.

This month we need to start to think who is going to step up and

be chapter officers. I think it's time for some old timers to come back to the flock and new blood to step up. We have a great core of people who are always there and they have been doing so for the last several years. Let's give them a break.

September brings on some of the greatest rides in this area and I'm urging everyone not to take their eye of the ball and . . .

Ride safe,

Rick

P.S. to c.o.e. — Thanks for the extra ink.



[crusty ol' editor's note: Sorry about getting your chapter meeting on the wrong day of the calendar in the August state newspaper. Obviously disgruntle elves have been at work.]

**NORTH COAST MEETING TIME
and PLACE**

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

Children are welcome
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- *River City*

July 20, 2010

We had a small meeting tonight, but took care of business.

We have members down: Raunchy and Liska hit a deer and will be laid up for some time. We have chosen to help them economically.

Brian is recovering from sudden serious back surgery.

We have just about got our treasurer change worked out so our chapter will soon be back in compliance with rules.

No drawings tonight.

I hope to be back on the road soon!

-- Brian

August 3, 2010

We had quite a lovely meeting tonight. Twelve people showed.

We talked about treasury and membership a lot.

Several people reported some really good riding.

I hope to be back on my bike tomorrow.

Two of our members, Raunchy and Liska, had an encounter with a deer and our chapter has helped them out, as they would any of us. They are mending and will return to their home tomorrow. The chapter will ride out to see them this Sunday.

Larry won the 50/50 at \$13/\$13 and donated back \$10. Thanks, Larry.

Christopher Hildreth would have won the membership drawing for \$100, if he had been present



Upcoming Meetings

September 07, 2010

September 21, 2010

RIVER CITY MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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

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

Hello to all you good folks,

Well another *Run 21* has come and gone.

This year's run was a spectacular as last years. Vicki (a.k.a. "Killer"), our run coordinator this year, did a wonderful job her first time out. She and her staff made this year's run a great time.

Everything went well and the atmosphere was really laid back. Thank you to all who attended and I hope a great time was had by all.

I do not have final reports on attendance yet as Vicki is still winding down from the run.

We had 117 folks sign up for the bike games and show this year. Wow, what a hoot.

I will have a list of winners posted on the *Run 21* web site soon and will include them in next month's report, as I still have not unpacked my bike game box yet.

As I write this, our *Ticket to Ride Poker Run* is still a week away. I hope we see you out for it this year.



Now Three Great Chapters In One !

I have to announce the passing of two of our chapter members:

Brenda Chaney (a.k.a. "Shaker") was a former chapter member and a great friend to us all. She passed away from an infection two weeks ago. Brenda was just a plain fun person and her smile lit up the room. We will all miss her dearly.

Jackson Clarke, our chapter head sergeant at arms, also has passed away from liver cancer. Jackson made *Run 21* this year, but had to be transported from the run back to the hospital. He passed on a few days later. Jackson was a great man

and a long time personal friend. The man's heart was a big a he was. He was a good soul. God bless Traci his wife and keep safe. We will miss you Jackson. Ride free, brother.

Love and respect,

Mammy Tami

[*crusty ol' editor's note: Sorry about getting your chapter meeting on the wrong day of the calendar in the August state newspaper. Obviously disgruntle elves have been at work.*]

S.E. Portland MEETING TIMES and PLACE

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



Well, there is not much to say this month.

We had a good day for the poker run. Approximately thirty people had a beautiful ride in the country. Thank you to all those that stepped up to help out.

As the ride season gets into high gear for the majority of riders, I remind you to be safe and alert. Many of us ride all year round, but that is no excuse to be lax.

Be careful and remember the November elections are just around the corner. Candidates like active supporters.

Ride safe and have a great summer,

Rick

SALEM MEETING
TIME and PLACE
 4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Washington County

It's been a busy summer here in *Washington County*.

Now that the riding weather is finally here, folks are out every chance they get to put some miles on the bike.

WaCo members had an information booth at the *Hillsboro Tuesday Market* on August 3rd. About a dozen of our members brought their bikes, chatted with folks, and got the *A.B.A.T.E.* name out to the community. It was a great time, and an event we hope to participate in again.

Most of our energy right now is going into preparation for our *21st Annual End of Summer Run*. Mark your calendars for September 17-19 and plan to join us at the Columbia county fairgrounds in St. Helens for a great weekend. We have the time-honored traditional bike show and games, vendors and live music in an indoor pavilion. We also have some new things in store, like a swap meet, day passes, and an exhibition show by some very talented stunt riders.

(Due to contract limitations, we

do not have access to the fairgrounds until Friday morning. Consequently, there will be no pre-party party or admittance on Thursday night. Gates will open Friday at noon. We regret having to give up this tradition, but appreciate your understanding and look forward to seeing you on Friday.)

In looking ahead, we have about three month before it's time to elect our 2011 chapter officers. At least a couple of our current officers will not have the time to continue in their positions next year. If you've been thinking of getting more involved, now is the time. Come to the chapter meetings, find out what's involved in the duties of the various offices, and think about stepping up next year. You won't achieve fame and fortune, but you will have the gratitude of many, and the satisfaction of serving an awesome chapter.

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

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See you on the road,

Margo Virchow

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WASHINGTON COUNTY MEETING TIMES and PLACE
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A.B.A.T.E. chapter reports -- Willamette Valley



**Chapter Report
Not Received**

WILAMETTE VALLEY
MEETING TIME and PLACE
 3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
 (location varies – check web site)
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Our Officers at Work

A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes — 14 August 2010

American Legion Hallk – Newport, Oregon



Yvonne Sahnou
state recording secretary

The meeting was called to order by Ted Tracy at 11:18 a.m. with nine of thirteen chapters represented. *Jackson County* and *Douglas County* chapters excused. *North Coast Chapter* unexcused. All chapters present were eligible to vote.

Pledge of allegiance.

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

Guests and first time attendees: Lynn with the *Salem Chapter* and Traces' older brother from Bend.

Reading/approval of minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes for

the July minutes, passed.

Coordinator's comments:

All chapters are expected to be represented at state board meetings. Unexcused absences are not acceptable. Same goes with state officers.

A lot of progress has been made on the treasurers' reports.

Officers' Reports

Vice-coordinator (north): Alan Nichols – *End Of Summer* has been moved. Columbia county

fairgrounds in St. Helens will be opening the gates at noon on Friday. Anyone who wants to come help set up can come at 9 a.m. No quads or pit bikes allowed.

Vice-coordinator (south): Pat "Spanky" is trying to start a *South Coast Chapter*.

Vice-Coordinator (east): Gene Mortimore – We had a display at the county fair. Eloise, his wife, had reserved a table at the fair. Newspapers and tri-folds were passed out. They had a really nice display and got a blue ribbon for the table. They are receiving a plaque for their

participation. *Gillim City Fair* next week. Gene will try to put a display of some kind in some of these small county fairs.

A shadow box for a permanent display was suggested by Nick.

Rot Path suggested we use some money from the education fund to help set up something.

Gene read a letter he received from the Fossil museum. The museum board appreciates and thanks us for the continued support by *A.B.A.T.E.*

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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes — 14 August 2010 (continued)

Treasurer: Kay Sipple – Excused. Treasurer's report read. Total funds = \$26,423.46.

Membership secretary: Linda Henderson – Reported 1,720 memberships to date. *Twin Rivers Chapter* will remain listed until they are all zeros. *Willamette Chapter* will also have zero membership soon. If anyone wants to change chapter affiliation, please give Linda a call.

Linda will get all expense requests to Kay no later than Tuesday.

Lower Columbia Chapter is current as of today, and a thumb drive was returned.

Kay will get this report next week.

Sanctioning officer: Matt Price – It costs \$175 for a table at the [state] fair for a meet and greet. We need to start planning for an *A.B.A.T.E.* table soon. More discussion to follow.

A.B.A.T.E. of Florida received \$250,000 for advertising [safety]. We should be able to do the same.

Current on all sanctions.

If a chapter has a flyer with *A.B.A.T.E.* sanctioning, it will have the disclaimer at the bottom of the page. If anyone has a question about an event being sanctioned, send Matt an e-mail to confirm the insurance on the event.

Also, if another club wants to join with a chapter under one specific event, they must submit their own insurance. Our insurance will only insure a company entity. No individuals will be insured.

State auditor: Connie Kintz - The audit report was reviewed. Almost everyone is in the green, meaning current. At the rate of progress, everyone should be caught up by next month.

Newspaper editor: Rot Path – Asked if a monthly report would help know which events have been sanctioned. Flyers approved for immediate publication are sent by Matt directly to Rot and Gene when they are sanctioned. Not before. Matt will send one blanket e-mail to both individuals each month.

End Of Summer and September 17th poker run fliers [will be in September issue].

Legislative director: Randy Phipps – No report.

M.R.F. representative: OPEN

A.I.M.I.N.C.O.M.: Gunny – No report.

Confederation of Clubs representative-north: OPEN

Confederation of Clubs representative-south: Pat "Spanky" Allen – No report.

Sergeant at arms-north: Randy Phipps – No report.

Sergeant at arms-south: Bill Foster – *BikePAC* is in need of our support.

Sergeant at arms-east: Jim Middleton – Fall swap meet is coming up and we need some people for security and people to work at the gates.

Products director: Dave Meeker – Absent, excused.

Education director: Geoff White – Expressed concern over the S.T.E.A.M. event. Would we be having one or not? The board is in favor of S.T.E.A.M.. Further discussion needed. Please contact Geoff with any input or questions.

Education director II: VACANT

Public relations director: Debra Lutje – No phone call. Not excused.

State run coordinator (Fossil): Howie Long – Absent, excused.

State run coordinator II: Rick Prentice – *Fossil's* a year away. Flyer and date are ready. Just need sanctioning.

State swap meet coordinator: Patricia Carner – Absent, excused. Swap meet flyer submitted yesterday.

Historian: VACANT

Web page editor: Trace Ceccacci – No report.

Quartermaster: Dwayne Sterba – No report.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: Randy Phipps – Road maps were passed out by Randy. *Beaver Creek* has maps available.

Unfinished Business

- Ted will give Tim of *Ciddichi's Pizza* a call to confirm a room every month with specific time and dates in writing before giving the *Eagles* notice and asking for a refund on the remainder of the year that's paid for. [For state board meetings.]

- Rick Prentice and Ted will be sent to *Meeting of the Minds*. Allan Nichols will be sent by *Washington County A.B.A.T.E.* They will be sharing a room to cut costs. All three

will be submitting reports from *Meeting of the Minds*.

- S.T.E.A.M. would be nice to have in February. Ted will follow up.

- Next [state board] meeting is at Nick Oliver's house [near Alsea, Oregon]. A map will be in the September state newspaper. Meeting will start at noon and end by 2 p.m., leaving the grange hall open for more *BikePAC Summit* issues. Meeting can resume at Nic's house if needed.

- **State officer elections:** Preliminary nominations were held. All officers present, with the exception of Bill Foster and Connie Kintz, accepted nomination for the following office year.

Bill Foster (state sgt-at-arms-south) to think on the position until our next meeting.

Connie Kintz (state auditor) will be resigning after her term is done this year.

> Education director II: OPEN

> Historian: OPEN

> *M.R.F.* representative: OPEN

> *Confederation of Clubs* representative: We had two individuals wanting the position.

Matt Price wants to be the representative and get involved with avenues that will increase the effectiveness of *BikePAC* and the *Confederation of Clubs* of Oregon.

David Hickerson (*Road Brothers* – Lincoln City) would like working on *BikePAC* involvement at the capitol level and further help motorcycle rights.

Matt was voted in with six votes and David getting three votes.

Ted suggested Dave be the alternate. It was agreed Dave is to fill in when Matt is not available. Matt and Dave will go to the next *C.o.C.* meeting together. Ted thanked them both.

New Business

- Matt Price suggested a large logo state patch would significantly increase our membership. This would also generate a lot more money. Details to be worked out.

Trace said we don't want to look like a club and putting a big patch on our backs is going represent us as a big club. Not necessarily what we want. Is the *Confederation of Clubs* backing them on this one-

piece patch?

Design to follow with *Confederation of Clubs* approval. Costs on the artwork will be reported on after it's finished.

Gene commented on the lower patch having problems with rockers. Move to table the motion by Leroy. Nine people voted to table the motion.

- Rotten Roger commented on the October state swap meet needing more people to help Patricia, or get more people involved. Getting organized and working as a team. Roger suggested a run coordinator II was needed to aid with the swap meet. However, that position was done away with last year. Ted will follow up with Patricia on the current status of the swap meet.

- Bob Highfil (*Lincoln County Chapter*) would like us to thank the *Newport American Legion* for the use of the hall. It was suggested we send a donation to *Albany's American Legion* in place of payment to the *Newport* post because the *Albany* hall just burned down. Secretary will send them a thank you note with a donation by *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* to *Albany's American Legion* in appreciation of hall use for the board meeting.

- Chapter secretary notebook procedure manuals were offered by Ted. Each chapter secretary should have one of these. These notebooks also contain by-laws, expense forms, and *Roberts' Rules of Order*.

- Connie asked when the next *A.B.A.T.E.* planning session would be held. Nomination of officers should happen today. Ted asked for nominations to officer list. Ted would like to see chapter nominations to fill the positions needing to be filled for next year.

- Ted would like to see the board make it mandatory that all chapter treasurers attend S.T.E.A.M. so that everything could go smoother. These are key people, and S.T.E.A.M. is training and motivation. If we are going to put the effort into it, we need the right people there representing us.

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

14 August 2010 (continued)

Announcements

Rotten Roger would like to see communication between the chapters and coordinators showing up, and not waiting until the last minute to get things together.

Trace believes we need S.T.E.A.M. and it's late in the year, we need a volunteer. Motion to have a S.T.E.A.M. coordinator so that we can have someone find a location as well as an agenda.

Ted thinks that falls under education director, which is Geoff. Word will get rolling so the chapter representatives can get involved. Officers were asked to come up with some ideas by Ted, so that we can start working on this. Geoff is the contact person.

• **Next state board of directors meeting:** Saturday, September 11, 2010 at noon in conjunction with the *BikePAC* summit. Location is west of Alsea at the grange hall. Nick Oliver's property will be available after 5 p.m. if the board has not finished with the meeting. Map in the state newspaper.

- August 21-22-*Douglas/Josephine Counties/Willamette Valley – S.O.S. Campout*
- August 28-*Texas Hold 'em Poker Run*
- September 19, Sunday – *Josephine County's Last Chance Social*
- October 3 – *Josephine County's Grants Pass Toy Run*

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.



American Legion hall in Newport, Oregon site of the August state board meeting.

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Mandatory Motorcycle Helmet Requirement Repeal in Oregon

an opinion piece by Frank Saxton, citizen

Unless you've been in a coma for the past decade or so, let me state the obvious:

If John Kitzhaber is elected governor of Oregon, the possibility of dumping the mandatory motorcycle helmet requirement in Oregon is zero. And it will remain zero until he is no longer in office, which will probably be in another 8-12 years at a minimum.

There are alternatives that I'll get to but overriding a governor's veto with a 2/3 majority of both chambers of the democratic party controlled legislature is not a realistic option. In fact, even getting a helmet requirement repeal through the Oregon legislature is highly iffy for the next few years.

So, in keeping with the state coordinator's advice to volunteer time on Oregon election campaigns, working to get John Kitzhaber's opponent elected as governor seems like a worthy expenditure of effort. (Note how I tactfully avoided endorsing any political candidates in this opinion piece. The preceding was much more about stating the legislative realities in Oregon versus promoting one candidate over another.)

There is certainly value in working on any political campaign. (Or running for office yourself.) But in terms of getting the most bang for your buck, the governor's race is where you need to think about spending your time.

Ted Tracy also said that "you never forget the people who helped you get elected" and truer words were never spoken. I don't know if I was the *BikePAC* official who coined that statement but I certainly said it often enough.

When I ran against Mitch Greenlick for house district 33, there were a few people who gave tirelessly of their time to work on my campaign. Though I lost, it is nevertheless a fact that even six years later, I always take their phone calls and I would drop whatever I was doing to help them out, any time they asked. If you want to develop lifelong bonds with people who may be in high places one day, working on political campaigns is a way to do

this.

An aside to this is that it is ridiculously easy and inexpensive to run for political office in Oregon. I got 15% of the vote even though my opponent outspent me 100:1. And in many contests, these guys run unopposed!

In my humble opinion, anyone who's serious about motorcycle rights ought to be filing to run in these uncontested races. Winning is actually secondary — Mitch Greenlick respects me a lot more and our relationship moving forward after the election was *much* better because I ran an effective campaign against him. Today he sees me more as a political peer than as just some "dumb biker" which was formerly the case.

Just like with your biker brothers, even if you don't happen to like or agree with someone, respect is huge in political circles.

When I took over *BikePAC of Oregon* long, long ago, I knew a lot about how the legislative process worked and I was a well-seasoned business executive and freedom fighter who knew how to get things done. What I didn't know was how things worked at the grass roots level in the democratic party of Oregon. (D.P.O.)

Luckily, my friend brother Clark Brooker worked at a company that was owned by a fellow who was a D.P.O. "mover and shaker" back in the 1970's. Clark arranged a meeting with this guy for me.

As a result of being an active listener I learned a lot of valuable things that helped make adding mandatory helmet requirement repeal part of the D.P.O. legislative agenda at their 2000 state convention. Probably the most important thing I learned in that several

hour meeting was, if you can't make the rules, at least know the rules. For those who weren't there, it was this strategy that put Oregon's bikers on the map, so to speak.

Previously, the prevailing S.M.R.O. strategy for getting bills passed was to write letters to elected officials and to attend "biker days" at the capitol. This may have worked in the 1970s but it's not very effective in the new millennium.

I'll spare you the history lesson but in my opinion, the political realities in Oregon suggest that the best way to get rid of the mandatory helmet requirement is to do the same thing that it's supporters did to make it a requirement: use the ballot initiative process.

I have several friends who are experts at getting initiatives on the ballot and this can certainly be done in our case. However, doing so will require a *lot* of work and some money and I don't know that the *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* membership is up to that kind of a challenge. It is a 100% true statement that we will not see mandatory helmet requirement repeal in Oregon in my lifetime unless a non-legislative strategy for repeal is undertaken.

In closing, I'll also mention that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's* lackluster membership numbers may be due at least in part to the fact that *A.B.A.T.E.* seems to be suffering from an identity crisis these past few years.

I was delighted to see Ted Tracy back at the helm, but getting *A.B.A.T.E.* back on track is way too big for any one guy to do by himself.

As an example, I'll draw your attention to the fact that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* had "no position" with regard to the mandatory [re] training requirement for motorcycle endorsement renewals.

In my humble opinion, *A.B.A.T.E.* needs to become the same kind of rabid mad dog organization that the *N.R.A.* is. There ought to be *no* issue that effects *any* motorcycle group that *A.B.A.T.E.* (or *BikePAC of Oregon*) is neutral on.

As an example, I was very active working against the Clinton-era "roadless area initiative" when I was executive director for *BikePAC of Oregon*, even though we didn't have a single off road rider as a member of my organization.

If it's bad for any motorcyclist, I'm against it.

This needs to become *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon's* credo.

In last month's state newspaper, Ted said that "anyone is welcome to attend the state board meetings". I'm sure he meant anyone but me but I won't test the validity of his invitation, so no worries.

I'm looking forward to seeing lots of folks in black leather jackets pounding in political campaign lawn signs in my neighborhood over the following weeks.



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From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

Wow! Summer is on the way out and we here in Oregon just got started. Crazy weather throughout the country. Something like some of the crazy stuff going on in the motorcycle world. Traffic stops of bikers in the guise of safety, according to the people doing it.

Funny to me that these stops more often than not are always around a motorcycle gathering or camp out. Seems like we are the villains in this scenario because the motorist driving a cage is ignored. Something is very wrong when a broad and varied group like bikers is the center of police attention.

Had a salesman in my home recently that made much of the fact that he was a reserve peace officer and was telling me what dangerous and criminal people those patch holders are. He was very surprised when I straightened him out and then invited him to leave the premises. We are still fighting the Hollywood image that suggests that nearly all bikers are criminals. We are making progress, but still have miles to go. We can't let up folks. *Freedom is not free.*

India, not Egypt: They're trying an old idea that the power of the pyramids have some energy properties that somehow slow the crash rate. The police here have actually placed several small pyramids along problem roads and they say they are effective in preventing crashes. Maybe we ought to try it here in this country. If it saves lives it would be worth a try, even if it sounds weird.

Pennsylvania: Good for nothing. PennD.O.T. has a free on-line program celebrating the freedom of motorcycling. It's called the *Live Free, Ride Alive* program. "*The campaign reminds riders to take it easy out there and accept personal responsibility for their actions. It addresses issues of drinking and riding, speeding, and being properly trained and licensed to operate a motorcycle,*" according to a PennD.O.T. spokesperson. Pennsylvania riders can enhance their driving skills and safety awareness by taking free training

offered through Pennsylvania's *Motorcycle Safety Program*. The live courses are free to Pennsylvania residents and are held from March through October at approximately 70 sites across the state. Motorcycle permit holders who successfully complete the course will be issued a motorcycle license.

Now that is pro-active thinking.

Florida's new statistics: According to authorities here, motorcycle fatalities have decreased in this state. Kind of debunks the idea that if you're not wearing a lid you're gonna die. Over the last few years, Florida has been reporting a decreasing number of deaths while motorcycle registrations in Florida have been steadily increasing. From 2000 to 2008, Florida has reported an average increase of 12.98% per year in motorcycle registrations, but reported a 0.77%, 2.90%, and 25.10% decrease in motorcycle crash fatalities for 2007, 2008, and 2009. This kind of news sure doesn't hurt my feelings and gives the rest of us some good ammo to fight the arcane laws in our states. We don't say "no helmets; we do say make our own choices.

This is welcome news as motorcyclists in Florida have just celebrated the 10th anniversary of their freedom of choice when deciding if they were going to wear a helmet when going out to ride. Safety training is the proper way to go in my mind and Florida proved it.

N.H.T.S.A. recalls: We've been getting a lot of these lately. Contact *N.H.T.S.A.* or your mechanic for more detailed information. These are only partial lists:

Kawasaki: 2009-2010 — brake pedal operation.

Ducati: 2010 — steering head screw, center stand screws, cable tie.

North Carolina: Injury bike crashes here have more than doubled in the first six months of 2010 compared to last year.

Economic conditions and warmer weather have stimulated increased motorcycle use and many riders are not prepared to operate these

vehicles in a safe manner in various traffic and weather conditions. Speed and failure to see motorcycles approaching continue to be leading contributing factors in motorcycle collisions in North Carolina.

These factors are true in most any state ya wanna talk about. Safety is brought about by proper training and paying attention to your surroundings.

Some safety things that can be taken care of are just plain common sense. Wear sturdy shoes or boots and abrasion resistant pants, chaps, jackets, and gloves out on the road and reduce skin injuries in the event of a fall.

Protective eye wear will prevent foreign objects from damaging the eyes. Dust, dirt, or insects striking the eye at highway speeds can cause permanent damage or create a distraction that will cause ya to crash.

Don't wear beanie helmets in North Carolina, you'll get a ticket. Motorists should be aware that officers will not allow further operation of a motorcycle if legal requirements are not met, meaning bikes would need to be safely parked or towed by the operator and alternate means of transportation acquired if you don't have another "regulation" helmet. Tough state to get stopped in folks. Just be aware.

This is the sort of thing Mich Proner, our *A.I.M.* attorney in New York has filed suit over. New York has been hit with mandatory motorcycle "safety checkpoints" along their highways.

Gunny again: Again I remind you all that our *A.I.M.* attorneys all over the country do more for us than take care of us or at least advise us when we have an crash or other legal problems. They are constantly staying on top of motorcycle harassment, biker illegal stops, and myriad things that affect us as riders.

These folks ride and are part of our world out there. They provide the funds that pay for the *N.C.O.M.* conventions nationally and the local regional conventions as well. They represent us at all *Confederations of Clubs* meetings. Most of these things are *pro bono*.



Gunny
chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

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Rot Path
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Please give a moment of pause the morning of 11 September to remember not only those who perished nine years ago, but those who struggled valiantly to save lives. Think of them often and thank them in your mind.

It is the mark of a great people that they will risk themselves in order to help others. They remind us of our own potential to be wonderful persons.

It's a couple of months until another set of elections takes place.

If you haven't already gotten involved with politicians who support motorcyclists concerns, now would be a good time to find one who resonates with you and at least pound in lawn signs for them. They won't forget your efforts and they are more likely to listen, then act on your concerns about motorcyclist issues.

We have many motorcyclist organizations at local, state, and national levels who keep their eyes on the legislative and legal processes and often act on our behalf. But ultimately it is the individual biker like you and *moi* who make the biggest difference in how we are perceived and treated by others.

It's time for riders to become pro-active.

We can't sit around waiting for our organizations to do everything for us.

We need to creatively involve ourselves in the process of educating the general public, politicians, and police agencies at every opportunity.

We need not wait for those opportunities to come to us — we

can go out and make them happen for ourselves.

Don't avoid people or organizations who cause problems for us. Go get involved and let them discover that we are really wonderful people who happen to enjoy riding motorcycles.

That includes the police.

How many folks in our community have ever participated in a police "ride along"? (Riding with a police officer in the *front* seat of a patrol car during a typical patrol.)

They often have holiday programs for helping disadvantaged folks in the community. Getting involved and helping their efforts while retaining your rider identity defuses suspicion while building trust.

Police often tend to take the easy route of using stereotypes. It makes a difficult job easier. But if local officers have come to know and respect local riders, it makes it more difficult for them accept attempts to paint us all with the same paintbrush.

Over in the *M.R.F.* section this month is an article about "livability".

Planners seem to suffer from social Alzheimer's, since they need to be reminded frequently that not everyone in our state lives in a city or town. Take look at a map. Most of the space is countryside with pavement strips connecting the urban dots.

One week after the state board meeting in Newport, yer very own crusty ol' editor was riding around on two wheels without a helmet. He

never got so much as a glance from the constabulary. (The first one lasted too long.) He wasn't in a parade or other civic activity where helmets are optional. It wasn't off-road, on private property, or in another state, but right here riding on Oregon roadways.

He was riding a brand-new American-made *Electra Amsterdam Classic*.

That's a bicycle.

The first time he's ridden one since . . . oh, maybe the last decade of the previous century. And definitely the first time on back-pedal-brake bike since he was a young teenager.

Motorcycles and bicycles may look similar but they sure ride differently.

For one thing, bicycle steering is so squirrely compared to a motorcycle. (It may have to do with the lack of mass.)

And in this case, having to back-pedal to slow or stop takes a lot of getting used to. Yer c.o.e. is forever grabbing for the front brake handle that isn't there. In fact, that's going to be one of the first modifications c.o.e. is going to make to the bike.

But the biggest difference is the way cage drivers interact with you. We think we've got it bad (we do), but it's even worse for a bikist riding rural roads with no shoulders and little pavement right of the fog line. Even on straight stretches with no on-coming traffic, most cage drivers barely brush the center line when they zip past poor peddlers. S.U.V. drivers seem to be the worst offenders.

Despite all that, there is something very satisfying about being able to glide along the pavement under your own power, going far faster and with less effort than it takes to walk the same distance. For those of us large enough to have our own personal gravity wells, it's good exercise without a lot of strain on the joints. You're going slow and quiet enough that you can have brief conversations with folks you pass. It gives you a whole different perspective when on the road.

Now if c.o.e. could just get all those helmeted day-glow bicycle snobs to wave back . . .

The end of September marks an anniversary of sorts for yer crusty ol' editor.

It was two decades ago that a retiring Navy person packed his V.W. bus up to the gunnels and left Sunnyvale, California to return to his home state after nearly twenty years of service protecting the nation from attack by submarine-launched Soviet nuclear missiles.

Volunteering should never be used as an excuse for doing less or evading responsibility. It should be be a point of pride for investing yourself in worthwhile causes.

Do what you can . . . and a little bit more.



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(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 22)

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The Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Planning Session
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Plan on being there

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(Real flier and map coming next month.)

A.B.A.T.E. Run Fliers

Have you seen the words, "No colors allowed," on an A.B.A.T.E. event flyer?

We have received multiple reports that A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon flyers modified with the words "No colors allowed" have been posted to non-A.B.A.T.E. event web sites. These flyers have *not* been authorized by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.

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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon exists to promote the rights and interests of *all* motorcyclists, both patch holders and independents alike.

All A.B.A.T.E. event flyers and other promotional materials are the property of A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc. and may not be modified except by the responsible elected chapter and state officers, subject to the approval of the state sanctioning officer. Modifying our materials to exclude patch holders can only be interpreted as an attempt to sow dissent among those who must stand together in order to protect all our rights. This will *not* be tolerated.

If you manage an event web site that has posted one of these counterfeit flyers, please remove it immediately.

If you have seen one of these flyers posted or have information about the individual or individuals responsible, please e-mail the information to our state coordinator, Ted Tracy, at:

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News & Notes

American Motorcyclist Association

A.M.A. Unveils National Motorcyclist Voter Guide

The *A.M.A.* is pleased to announce the *2010 A.M.A. Voter Guide*, a comprehensive on-line voter guide designed to educate *A.M.A.* members on how their elected officials acted upon and voted on motorcycle-relevant issues.

The *2010 A.M.A. Voter Guide*, the first national voter guide of its kind for the motorcycling community, features a fuel-gauge rating for every federal and gubernatorial candidate of the major political parties who returned an *A.M.A.* questionnaire. The rating shows how closely the candidates' answers correspond to the positions held by the *A.M.A.* The voter guide also spells out where candidates stand on motorcycling-related issues. In addition, it features a scorecard for federal incumbents seeking re-election that demonstrates how closely their voting records match the positions held by the *A.M.A.*

The *2010 A.M.A. Voter Guide* is available to *A.M.A.* members in the

members area of the *A.M.A.* web site at:

<http://home.ama-cycle.org/membersonly/index.asp>

Motorcyclists who wish to join the *A.M.A.* and take advantage of this latest member benefit can do so at:

[http://www.](http://www.AmericanMotorcyclist.com/join/index.asp)

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Groups Opposing Ethanol Increase In Gas Launch Campaign For More Testing

Environmental and industry groups who frequently oppose each other on a broad range of policy issues are launching a joint campaign calling on congress to require thorough and objective scientific testing before allowing an increase in the amount of ethanol in gasoline.

Raising strong concerns about consumer safety and environmental

protection, the groups have joined forces to sponsor an ad with the tag line "Say *no* to untested E15" as part of an effort to persuade congress and the *Environmental Protection Agency* to reject calls by some in the ethanol industry to allow the amount of ethanol in gasoline to increase by 50 percent. The ads began running on July 22.

Some 36 groups have also signed a letter that went to the majority and minority leaders of the U.S. senate urging opposition to any amendment to the coming energy bill that would authorize the sale of gasoline with more than ten *per cent* ethanol.

Help Spread The Words: "Think. Ride."

Some timely resources are now available as part of the *A.M.A.*'s "Think. Ride." public service announcement campaign.

The campaign addresses riders with messages such as riding responsibly

off-road, riding straight, and riding quiet bikes. It also warns motorists to watch out for motorcycles on the road.

Win A Pair Of Classic Kawasakis

Own a fully restored 1973 *Kawasaki Z1* and a brand new *Z1000* muscle bike. The lucky raffle winner will be chosen in a random drawing during *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* next summer.

A.M.A. Legislative Alerts

Signing up to receive *A.M.A. Action Alerts* and *News & Notes* will keep you informed on hot topics, news affecting the motorcycling community, and opportunities to communicate with your elected officials.

New A.M.A. Logo Pin

We've had an enormous amount of positive feedback about the new and improved *A.M.A.* logo. Visit our on-line gift shop and buy a pin showing your support today.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

U.S. E.P.A. Considers Lowering Motorcycle Sound Emissions Levels

The *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* has learned that the United States *Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.)* has begun collecting data from the industry to consider lowering the allowable decibel level for motorcycles. Currently the allowable sound any vehicle can generate is capped at 83 db.

The *E.P.A.* has sent letters to nine companies that either import or build after market exhaust systems or complete motorcycles. This small sample size is troubling for a couple of reasons.

First, it is not representative of the much larger motorcycling community that will be affected by changing the regulation, rendering the survey results questionable at best.

Second, any time a federal agency wants to spend taxpayer money

to survey a group of ten or more individuals or organizations, they must obtain approval from the U.S. office of management and budget. (O.M.B.) The approval process isn't easy and can often be drawn out, giving American citizens the right to weigh in on the agency's application for permission to survey. However, when an agency only contacts nine organizations, they don't have to tell anyone or get permission from the O.M.B. to move forward on the survey, making the process lack transparency.

Why just motorcycles?

It appears that the *E.P.A.* doesn't want to curb all noise, or even all vehicle noise, just noise coming from two-wheeled vehicles.

We at the *M.R.F.* find that distinction discriminatory and simply unacceptable, not to mention

that it suggests a more personal agenda and not an agency-wide push. What sort of impact will new decibel levels have on retailers and ultimately motorcycle owners? Alarmingly, this does not appear to have been addressed. After reviewing the survey questions, it appears that the *E.P.A.* is only concerned with the impact on manufacturers.

While public correspondence has not revealed the *E.P.A.*'s true intention to lower the allowable decibel limit, the *E.P.A.* indicated in a private phone call with the *M.R.F.* that it would certainly not be raising the standard or keeping it the same. That leaves one option, lowering the decibel standard for motorcycles.

The *M.R.F.* is working with congress to get the *E.P.A.* to explain their intentions and motivations. The *M.R.F.* is also working to meet directly with the *E.P.A.* to further

determine exactly is going on with this issue.

You can view the actual *E.P.A.* questionnaire on the *M.R.F.* web site at:

http://www.mrf.org/pdf/E.P.A._questionnaire_June2010.pdf

M.R.F. Urgent Call To Action: Mandatory Motorcycle Roadside Stops

A mandatory roadside motorcycle stop may be coming to a town near you, reports the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)*. Recently, the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* has asked for applications from law enforcement outfits to apply for a new pot of taxpayer money designated for pulling motorcyclists off the road to lecture them about safety.

The *M.R.F.* strongly opposes this sort of discrimination against motorcyclists. "Pulling over law-

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abiding motorcyclists does not make anyone safer and is huge waste of taxpayer money," said Jeff Hennie, vice president for government relations and public affairs for the M.R.F.

N.H.T.S.A.'s request for applications asks law enforcement officials to submit plans similar to what New York state police did last summer. They set up outside big public motorcycle gatherings and pulled every single motorcyclist over to the side of the road to lecture them about safety, drinking and riding, proper tire inflation, and so on.

The M.R.F. feels there are much more productive and less discriminatory ways to promote safety for motorcyclists, and is disappointed that this approach was decided upon behind closed doors by a group of federal employees who apparently did not consult anyone in the motorcycling community for their input and expertise in motorcycle safety.

This particular project is limited to five law enforcement agencies, and total funding is capped at \$350,000. In these tough economic times, that's a ton of money. The deadline for applications is August 13, and to the M.R.F.'s knowledge, no applications have yet been submitted.

The M.R.F. will be investigating to determine if N.H.T.S.A. and the federal government have legal jurisdiction to fund states to single out one particular type of vehicle for clearly discriminatory practices over other vehicles, and will be working diligently to see that these proposed grants are never awarded.

The M.R.F. encourages you

to contact U.S. secretary of transportation Ray LaHood today to voice your displeasure, either by phone:

(202)-366-4000

or by e-mail:

<http://ntl.custhelp.com/cgi-bin/ntl.cfg/php/enduser/ask.php>

Contact Jeff Hennie, M.R.F. vice president for government relations and public affairs, at **Jeff@mrf.org** if you have any questions or need further information.

Livability

The newest buzz word circulating the halls of congress is "livability." The term has been applied to all sorts of issues related to the environment and energy, and the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* has learned that the term is now being applied to transportation issues as well.

The United States senate committee on banking, housing and urban affairs passed SB-1619, the *Livable Communities Act (L.C.A.)*, on Tuesday, August 3, 2010.

L.C.A. establishes a new federal office that would issue grants to develop and implement "livable communities."

The bill passed through the committee with a party line vote: 13 democrats voted for and 10 republicans voted against the measure.

The U.S. senate was set to adjourn for the August recess, so it was highly unlikely that SB-1619 would make it to the floor for a full vote. Even if that were to happen, it is unclear if the majority party has the votes needed for passage.

Here is how L.C.A.'s supporters

see things as "livable." They envision halting development of currently undeveloped suburban properties because urban sprawl has spread our cities too thin, and driving or riding by residents who live in suburbs is causing too much pollution and wasting too much gasoline. Instead, they want to mandate that all new developments be in metropolitan areas where people can take mass transit and walk to their jobs, shopping, and entertainment. It's what L.C.A. refers to as "compact development."

L.C.A. would remove lanes of travel from car and motorcycle users and give them to bicyclists and pedestrians. Walking and pedaling are both great, but they don't pay into the system as it exists. States will no longer have control over their own destinies. If an area of a state or town is declared "unlivable," no future infrastructure developments would occur. L.C.A. supporters believe the result will be to force Americans out of their cars and off their motorcycles so that they will use less energy and pollute less, all at the demand of the federal government. The M.R.F. believes that reducing traffic lanes would result in more traffic gridlock, actually causing more energy use and pollution.

The bottom line is that the choice to operate a motor vehicle should be that of the operator, not Washington D.C. bureaucrats. L.C.A. both discriminates against and punishes Americans who use vehicles that burn gasoline.

The M.R.F. will keep you updated on this and all other legislation that impacts motorcyclists.

M.O.T.M.

The M.R.F.'s *Meeting of the Minds* conference is this month.

Have you made your reservation for the nation's premier motorcyclists' rights conference?

Do it on-line here:

https://mrf.org/shop_registrations/catalog/index.php
Hope to see you in Peoria, Illinois.

Facebook

I know many of you have embraced the latest internet craze known as *Facebook*.

Well, so has the M.R.F.


Check out our *Facebook* page here:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Motorcycle-Riders-Foundation-Washington-DC/118473331530404>

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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**Rally Rescinds Discriminatory
No-Colors Policy**

Following a “call to action” issued by the *U.S. Defenders*, a politically active arm of the *Confederation of Clubs*, a major motorcycle rally in the red hills of Oklahoma has rescinded a “no colors” policy that would have prohibited entry to anyone wearing a patch, including *H.O.G.*, *A.B.A.T.E.*, and any club.

The *Hawg Lakes Motorcycle Rally* published a no colors policy on their fliers, ads, and web site that quickly stirred an uproar across the country.

Brook “Xman” Bullock, state secretary of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* and *Oklahoma Defender* representative, sent out a nationwide call to action to “*Please take your money and support to biker friendly rallies and events, not 2010 Hawg Lakes. Pass the word.*”

According to the e-mail, “2R” (*A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* state coordinator) personally talked on the phone with *Hawg Lakes* and “*the guy in charge said he was absolutely unwilling to change his policy. A.B.A.T.E., H.O.G., B.A.C.A., and not any club, no colors of any kind will be allowed.*”

Mark “Bus” Buskirk, Oklahoma commander, *U.S. Defenders* wrote “*Hawg Lakes Rally on July 29th will not allow you to wear your club colors on their property. So we the motorcycling community need to not go. They are stomping on our rights of freedom of speech.*”

Within days, the call to action was called off when Tiger Mike Revere, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oklahoma* liaison to the *Oklahoma Confederation of Clubs* and member of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists* board of directors, reported that; “*The Hawg Lakes event has rescinded its no-colors ban. Score one for our side!*”

**Myrtle Beach Sued Again
Over Noise Regulation**

As Myrtle Beach prepares to adjust some of the 14 ordinances passed in 2008 to quell the May motorcycle rallies, including their city-wide helmet requirement and four other ordinances being invalidated by the

state’s high court, it faces yet another legal challenge that could require even more changes.

Some residents and other motorcycle enthusiasts are suing the city again, this time hoping the Horry county circuit court will overturn the city’s noise ordinance.

Under the final version of the noise ordinance amendment, which gained final approval in March 2009, no vehicles except emergency vehicles can be louder than 89 decibels when measured from 20 inches away from the exhaust pipe, at a 45-degree angle, while the vehicle is idling. Bikers also must have an *E.P.A.*-issued sticker that states their bike meets federal noise reduction laws according to the municipal ordinance, but not South Carolina state legislation.

On June 15th, Virginia-based *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney Tom McGrath filed suit in Horry county circuit court on behalf of local motel owner William O’Day, *Horry County A.B.A.T.E.*, and others who feel the city overstepped their authority in enacting muffler regulations that conflict with existing state legislation.

McGrath’s challenge to the city’s helmet ordinance prevailed in the South Carolina supreme court, with all five justices unanimously agreeing that the state has already covered the issue of who has to wear motorcycle helmets and that the city could not make its own rules because there must be a uniform traffic code.

The noise ordinance wasn’t included in the case the high court recently ruled on, he said, because the focus was on the helmet requirement. “*They were issuing tickets left and right [under the helmet requirement],”* he said. “*No one we know had gotten a ticket under the noise ordinance. It’s still sitting there, and the city has bought decibel meters, so we assume they are planning to use them. We felt we shouldn’t let the ordinance stay on the books.*”

McGrath said he felt it best to give the circuit court the first chance to

make the decision in this case. “*Let’s see if the judge will follow the supreme court’s opinion,*” he told the *Sun News*.

Meanwhile, the city of Myrtle Beach has mailed out refunds to those who paid fines when they received tickets for not wearing motorcycle helmets. The city repaid nearly \$14,000 in fines for 141 tickets it issued when the improper helmet regulation was in effect.

**Michigan’s Rejuvenated
Helmet Requirement
Repeal Efforts**

HB-4747 to repeal the helmet requirement was passed by the Michigan house of representatives in March, and now awaits action in the senate. Even though similar legislation has been approved by the state legislature the past two sessions (only to be vetoed by outgoing governor Jennifer Granholm (D) both times), two out of the three gubernatorial contenders to replace her support giving adult motorcyclists freedom of choice.

Herb Rials who lobbies for *A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan* claims to have the support of every candidate for governor minus one, he told *FOX News* in Detroit.

According to the legislative analysis of HB-4747, proponents of voiding the 40-year old helmet requirement argue it is a civil rights issue. “*Wearing a helmet, or not wearing one, they say, should be a matter of personal choice and not a legal mandate.*” Supporters of repeal legislation, which includes *A.B.A.T.E.*, the *Michigan Confederation of Clubs*, and both democratic gubernatorial hopefuls, also argue that removing the helmet requirement would increase motorcycle traffic in Michigan and thereby stimulate the state’s sagging economy.

“*Our outdated helmet [requirement] is a barrier to motorcycle tourism,*” argues *A.B.A.T.E.’s* Jim Rhoades. “*Michigan is the only great lakes state with a mandatory helmet [requirement]. Surveys repeatedly show that an overwhelming majority of motorcyclists in neighboring states*

refuse to visit Michigan because of this [requirement].”

According to a study done by Michigan consultants in Lansing, Michigan is losing millions of tourism dollars and approximately \$1.2 billion in overall economic benefit because of this requirement.

So if the house and senate vote next year to kill the helmet requirement as they have in years past, there’s a good chance that a governor’s signature, not a veto, will be attached to the measure.

**Congressional Resolution
Reinforces N.H.T.S.A.
Lobbying Ban**

In response to statements made by *N.H.T.S.A.* administrator David Strickland that the core component of the federal agency’s motorcycle safety plan is to increase helmet use, five members of congress have introduced a resolution urging the *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.)* to concentrate on motorcycle crash prevention and rider education instead of lobbying state legislators to enact mandatory helmet laws.

Introduced on July 1st by U.S. representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI), HR-1498 “*supports efforts to retain the ban on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s ability to lobby state legislatures using federal tax dollars and urging N.H.T.S.A. to focus on crash prevention and rider education.*”

Since 1996, *N.H.T.S.A.* has been prohibited by federal law from testifying before state legislatures in support of helmet laws unless

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specifically invited to do so, and HR-1498 reinforces congressional intent.

Could A Helmet Be Bad For A Biker's Health?

Most countries around the world require motorcyclists to wear a crash helmet for their own safety, but could it actually be harming their health and affecting their riding?

That is what academics are investigating in a new research project.

A team of Bath University researchers will take on-road measurements to find how noise is transmitted from a helmet and how it affects the riders hearing and ability to concentrate.

Dr. Michael Carley of the university's department of mechanical engineering said: "The noise inside the helmet at the legal speed of 70 mph is higher than the legal limit for noise at work - more than enough to cause serious hearing damage. The issue isn't noisy engines or loud exhausts as you may think. The noise is simply from the airflow over the helmet.

"Ear plugs won't help much either as the noise is transferred into the inner ear from the rider's bones. This has been known for 20 years, yet little research has been done on the noise and its effects."

The laboratory study will be split into two parts — the first will examine how noise is transmitted through the whole system of the helmet including the head. The second part will determine if noise reduces performance.

Dr. Nigel Holt from the department of psychology at Bath

Spa University said: "It is known that noise can affect perception and cognition but, so far, nobody has tried to examine how noise in motorcycling affects the performance of riders."

Riding a motorcycle requires great attention and concentration. Anything that reduces performance may lead to more crashes.

Dr. Holt added: "This isn't about putting people off riding or wearing helmets; it's about finding ways to reduce this damage so that riders can have a better riding experience. We hope the research will provide information which can be used in setting standards for helmets and to help improve helmet and motorcycle design."

Debt Crisis Impacts Global Motorcycle Sales

Yamaha Motor Company, the world's second-largest motorcycle maker, said sales in North America and Europe may fall twice as much as forecast, as a spreading debt crisis dampens demand.

"From May, there has been a sudden impact from the Greek crisis," chief executive officer Hiroyuki Yanagi told the *Washington Post*. Combined sales in North America and Europe may decline as much as 20% this year, compared with an earlier estimate for a drop of about 10%, he said in an interview from Tokyo.

The company last year posted its first loss since the year ended April 1984 as sales tumbled 45% in North America and 25% in Europe, though sales in Asia, excluding Japan, may exceed a 14% growth forecast, so Yamaha expects to break even this year says Yanagi.

Honda Motor Company, the world's largest motorcycle maker, said in an April presentation it expects its two-wheeler sales in North America and Europe to drop less than 1% to 385,000 units in the fiscal year ending March 31.

Australian Police Seek To Dismantle Outlaw Clubs

As police in New South Wales move to have the supreme court declare the *Hells Angels Motorcycle Club* a "criminal organization" and subject to new legislation that would dismantle the club and disallow members from ever associating with one another. Representatives of the *United Motorcycle Council (U.M.C.)* met in Sydney recently to discuss their response and warn others that the same state legislation could be used against other clubs and groups in society.

Authorities announced in early July that the "Hells Angels Motorcycle Club in New South Wales" would be the first target of the *Crimes (Criminal Organizations Control) Act 2009*, passed by state parliament in April last year, which allows the court to declare criminal organizations and control members under orders determined by the court.

The *U.M.C.*, comprised of 17 motorcycle clubs (from rival "bikie gangs" to religious and family clubs) is raising funds in anticipation of a legal challenge to the ban. Mark "Ferret" Maroney (*U.M.C.* chairman and member of the *Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club*) said, "These [regulations] are unjust, they're unnecessary, and they go against the rule of [legislation]...where people

are being discriminated against by the clothes they wear and their lifestyle."

Similar legislation in South Australia has been ruled illegal, but is subject to a high court appeal.

Macho Municipalities

Think you're a manly man?

Maybe, but do you live in the manliest city?

From the research experts behind the popular *Best Places to Live* studies, the *Combos America's Manliest Cities* study ranks 50 major metropolitan areas, using manly criteria like the number of home improvement stores, steak houses, pickup trucks, and motorcycles *per capita*.

Charlotte took the top spot this year, beating out Nashville as last year's winner. Portland, Oregon ranked last in this year's study.

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Other September events . . .

- 11-12 Sept
Shrewsbury Renaissance Faire
(a great source of rider garb)
- 16-19 Sept
Mt. Angel Oktoberfest
- 18-19 Sept
Portland Pirate Festival
- 25 Sept
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(Can you say "beer"?)

Are You A Veteran Who Rides?

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Just print out the colour coupon, then show it at the gate and you get to stroll in for free. It's a good chance to stock up on scones without paying an entrance fee. (Of course, it would be more respectful of veterans' service if the voucher was for the first day of the fair rather than the last, when everything is winding down. Might be worth mentioning at the Oregon vets booth and to fair management.)

In addition, if you ride your bike to the fair, there is motorcycle parking area just across the street from the Sunnyside road (south) entrance. Makes it real easy to get in and enjoy the fun.

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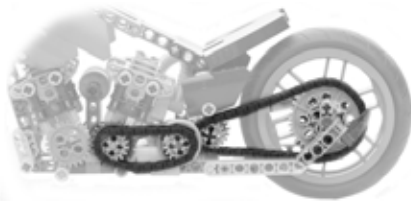
It's the *Lego* 2 in 1 motorcycle kit #8051.

It comes with instructions for building a sport bike or a cruiser, but let's face it — we know riders will be making all kinds of other bikes. (Yer c.o.e. will be attempting a CX-500.)

The cruiser version has what is supposed to be a springer front end.



It even has an open primary (unlike Oregon) that is chain-driven.



What's also interesting about this kit is that they have attempted to model a V-twin engine (vaguely a Knucklehead) complete with moving pistons and crank. (Something someone very much like yer c.o.e. has been trying to do for some time.)



With this kit, new mag-style motorcycle wheels have been introduced along with sport-tread tires for where the rubber meets the desk top.

This kit would make a great door prize or raffle item at your chapter's next biker night. (You can get them for ten bucks less at big box stores. See if the management will even donate one.)

If nothing else, when the weather turns nasty this winter, you could hold biker build-offs inside. (Hint: Use serving trays with lips to keep all the parts in one spot.) Such events could be a lot of fun. If held in the meeting room of a restaurant, all

the whooping and laughter is sure to make other diners curious and bring folks in to see what all the fun is about. Then we can tell them all about *A.B.A.T.E.* and its mission.

Sneaky and devious as we riders are, someone should be able to figure out a way to make such a model bike build-off into a way to raise funds for charity or *A.B.A.T.E.*

Heck, someone will probably figure out how to make trophies out of *Lego* gears and parts. (There's a *Lego* store at *Washington Square* in Beaverton where parts can be bought.)

This is a product that we could definitely use to our advantage, bridging the gap between rider and non-riders of all ages, and even reaching younger people who may become interested in motorcycling and our issues.

Yer c.o.e. will have one at the *A.B.A.T.E.* planning session in October so folks can check it out.

And yes, these models are just plain fun.

-- Rot Pat, c.o.e.



Run-21 Report

Run 21 2010 is over and what a party.

This year was our eleventh annual. Second highest paid attendance at only 80 less than last year.

I would like to thank everyone who helped out to make this run the success that it was.

Special thanks to the following people:

- Richard Colwell, for helping me to learn the things that I didn't know.
- Even though we butted heads a lot. Turtle, for running the bike games and stepping up as head of security when Jackson got sick.
- Derwood, for being out in that madhouse Thursday parking all of the RV s.
- Brad, for stepping up and taking care of the placement of the large amount of vendors that we had this year.
- And also a special thanks the Joker who helped me out of a situation on Thursday morning that I was really not happy being in.

Coordinating *Run 21* was quite a learning and eye opening experience.

I hope those of you who attended, had a great time.

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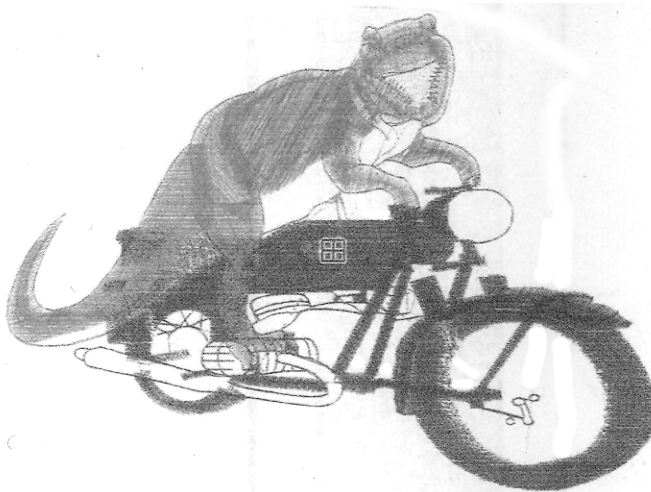


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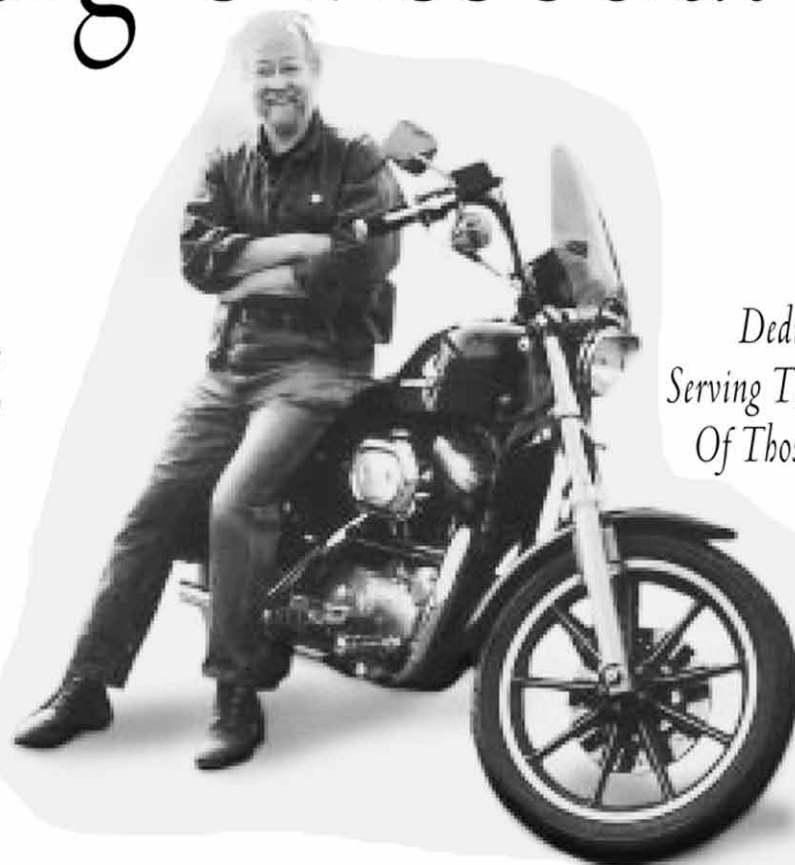
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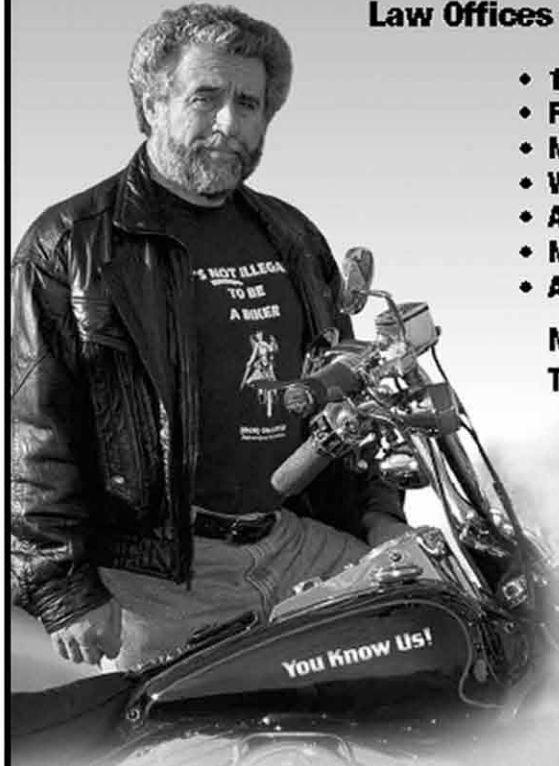
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Portland area (continued)

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Southern Oregon area

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Washington County area

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Willamette Valley area

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other areas

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Oregon Road Maintenance – Phone Numbers for State and Interstate Highways

Table listing Region (1-5) and corresponding phone numbers for maintenance services.

For street maintenance and signal problems associated with safe motorcycle operation in your local community, check in your telephone directory for the city, county, or state maintenance section in charge of the street with a safety problem that you have identified.

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

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

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale



1993 Harley-Davidson Ultra. Basket case. Needs motor. Case studs pulled out, everything else in good working condition. Call for information. **\$3,500** or best offer. New Baker 6-speed. Evo-style without the oil tank bottom, splined main shaft. **\$1,200** or best offer. (503)-695-3283 (Nov 2010)

**FREE - FREE - FREE - FREE
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To first million Oregon A.B.A.T.E. members. Your Oregon A.B.A.T.E. membership lets you reach hundreds potential buyers for three months, all for the measely price of ... free. That's right, member classified ads are one more perk of belonging to A.B.A.T.E. So use the application inside the rear cover. Phone/FAX your ad to: (503)-838-6893 E-mail to: statenewsmag@abateoforegon.net

1997 custom built softail. Former Katrina victim. Hidden belt primary, Vance&Hines pro pipe exhaust, electric air horn, custom headlight, powder coated frame. Too many new parts to list. \$8,000 or best offer. (Much more invested but have new Heritage and wife says one must go.) Pictures available. Was at last Hub City Mall Show. Call Nic at (541)-223-3827 or mail to: nic_oliver@peak.org (Sept 2010)

Tailgate for a Chevy or GMC wide box pickup. Fits 1976 through 1980. Real good condition and works perfectly. Pictures can be seen on Southeast Portland Chapter's web site classified ads section. Call (503)-257-7390 and please leave message. \$40 or best offer. Make offer. Thank you for looking. (Sept 2010)

For Sale

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Look at all this wide open space

just waiting for your free
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Employment Wanted

Unemployed (just like everybody else) heavy equipment operator. Hustling, odd jobs. Got any scrap metal laying around? Portland area. Arthur West (503)-351-5054

Teamster driver looking for union driving job. (503)-282-6285

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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

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

NAME: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____
ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: _____ TIME STOPPED: _____ a m / pm

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) _____

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

CITE # _____ 1st appearance date: _____ TIME: _____ am/pm

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

ANY OTHER CHARGES ISSUED AT THE SAME TIME? LIST: _____

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

Was helmet modified? (YES) (NO) If modified describe: _____

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. STATE OFFICERS FOR CALANDAR YEAR 2010

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

NAME: _____
 NEW ADDRESS: _____

 CITY: _____
 STATE: _____
 ZIP CODE: _____
 MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____
 SIGNATURE: _____

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

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

Additional Members in Same Household:

Name: _____
 Name: _____
 Name: _____

Annual Rates:

_____ Individual membership \$25
 _____ Couple membership \$30
 _____ Family membership \$35
 _____ Lifetime membership \$250

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

Congressional District: _____
 Senator: _____
 Representative: _____

Chapter: _____

New member ?	Renewal ?
Yes _____	Yes _____
No _____	Membership # _____
Patch Received ?	
Yes _____	
No _____	




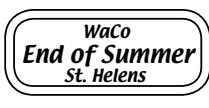



Please send completed application to:

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

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

Comments:

September 2010 A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon meetings and events . . .

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STATE BOARD MEETING

C Saturday, 11 Sept 2010 **C**
H **1200 (noon)** **H**
A **Nic Oliver's** **A**
N--> 18712 Alsea highway **--N**
G **Alsea, Oregon** **G**
E **(map on page 12)** **E**

Summer came, but the sun always lagged,
 The U.O.D. was flip-flops and tags,
 Though fall touches the land,
 And we ride when we can,
 The threat of winter constantly nags.

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2010 RUN LISTINGS

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

Date:	Event - Chapter / Sponsr:	Location:	Contct number:
10-12 Sept 2010	National Guard Freedom Ride	Touchet, WA	(509)-394-2387
11-12 Sept 2010	BikePAC Summit		(541)-
17-19 Sept 2010	End Of Summer Run - WaCo	St. Helens	(503)-341-2563
18 Sept 2010	Teddy Bear Run - Central Oregon		
19 Sept 2010	Last Chance Social - JoCo		
19 Sept 2010	International Talk-Like-A-Pirate Day	(world-wide)	Arrr! Who needs a stinkin' number?
03 Oct 2010	Toy Run - JoCo	Grants Pass	
09-10 Oct 2010(?)	ABATE Planning Session	Cottage Grove	
24 Oct 2010	ABATE Fall Swap Meet	Portland	
20 Nov 2010	Spaghetti Dinner/Auction - N.C.		
11 Dec 2010	Toy Run - North Coast		

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

Chapter:	Day:	Time:	Location:	Location Phone:
Central Oregon (CentOr)	2nd Sunday	1400 (2 p.m.)	Northside Bar & Grill; 62860 Boyd Acres road; Bend	(541)-383-0889
Douglas County (DC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Del Ray Cafe; 5669 NE Stephens St; Winchester	(541)-672-1522
Hub City (HC)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SW Fifth Street; Albany	(541)-928-2536
Jackson County (JackCo)	3rd Tuesday	1830 (6:30 p.m.)	Saxton's; 4618 N. Pacific highway; Central Point	(541)-665-5864
Josephine County (JoCo)	3rd Sunday(Sept) Wednesday	1300 (1 p.m.)	Riverside or All Sports Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale Drive; Grant's Pass	(541)-474-3553
Klamath County (KlamCo)	2nd Thursday	1800 (6 p.m.)	Biker Church; 601 5th street; Klamath Falls	(541)-
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)	3th Sunday	1000 (10 a.m.)	Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria	(503)-325-0881
River City (RC)	1st & 3rd Tues	1900 (7 p.m.)	Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles	(541)- 298-5502
Salem	4th Tuesday	1900 (7 p.m.)	Almost Home Restaurant; 3310 Market Street, Salem	(503)-378-0100
Southeast Portland (SE-PDX)	1st & 3rd Sun	1200 (noon)	M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham	(503)-665-2626
Twin Rivers (TR)	(NOTE: Twin Rivers Chapter has merged with Southeast Portland Chapter)			
Washington County (WaCo)	2nd & 4th Mon	1930 (7:30 p.m.)	Prime Time Restaurant; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove	(503)-357-3684
Willamette Valley (WV)	3rd Thursday	1900 (7 p.m.)	(Meeting site/planet varies - see web page)	(541)-935-4632