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

What We're About

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

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

- We are not a motorcycle club or gang.

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

So, there you have it.

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

by Bill Bish
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A.B.A.T.E. of California

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Coordinator's Comments

Hello everyone,

As you may remember, *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* sent Bob Avery and I to Washington, D.C. in March to lobby the Oregon congressional delegation on behalf of motorcyclists' rights. Due to the nature of politics, I was unable to be very specific about what took place or what we accomplished. That story can now be told! According to Tom Wyld, vice-president of governmental affairs for *M.R.F. (Motorcycle Riders Foundation)*, you are a part of "the most dramatic advancement in motorcycle safety in history!"

If you have supported *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* with your membership, as a local chapter member, chapter or state officer, then you are a link in the chain that has led to this great victory for motorcyclist's rights. An e-mail I received from Tom Wyld at 2:38 PM (5:38 PM, Washington, D.C. time) on July 25 says it best::

Dear Joe and Hairy George, [Legislative Director for A.B.A.T.E. of Ohio, George Nitzky]

Yesterday, N.H.T.S.A. released its latest motorcyclist fatality figures.

Today, thanks to you, the motorcyclists' rights movement responded.

The day after N.H.T.S.A. reported that 2002 marked the fifth straight year of increasing rider deaths, U.S. representatives Steve LaTourette (R-Ohio) and Pete DeFazio (D-Oregon) launched a 'dear colleague' letter. The LaTourette- DeFazio Safety Letter urges Congress to adopt the heart and soul of the joint M.R.F.-SMRO T.E.A.-21 reauthorization agenda. The letter encourages congress to retain past protections (e.g., no federal blackmail) and encourages adoption of:

a) Crash prevention as the priority focus for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's motorcycle safety programs;

b) A Motorcyclist Advisory Council in the Federal Highway Administration;

c) Motorcycle safety incentive grants to encourage as well as assist states in delivering rider skill training (\$100K for any state that maintains or increases rider ed.);

d) Motorcycle safety a N.H.T.S.A. Section 402 grant priority;

e) Tightening of the already existing provisions barring N.H.T.S.A. from lobbying the states using taxpayer dollars.

Genuine M.R.F. champions of motorcyclists' rights and safety, Steve LaTourette and Pete DeFazio signed and began circulating the letter today at 5:14 p.m.

Gents, I cannot thank you enough for the close teamwork and cooperation we've enjoyed that led to this development. Together, we are going to make motorcycle safety history – and save lives! I know you will be thanking your champions yourselves; please add my gratitude as well.

*With thanks and best wishes,
Tom Wyld*

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The magic moment that began this train of events occurred in congressman DeFazio's Washington, D.C. office. After a cordial welcome to Tom Wyld, my wife Ricci and I, (Bob and Nina were in another congressman's office) I noticed a framed picture of that great American and Oregonian, Wayne Morse. I told Peter of a time when I sat with the senator for 45 minutes following a high school assembly. During that time I and three other students listened and spoke to the senator. At that time he was one of only two senators opposed to our increasing role in Vietnam. He told me that "perhaps you will have to serve in Vietnam (as I did within a few short months) but one day you will be able to influence public policy from within the system". I told congressman DeFazio that some 35 years after the fact, the prediction of possibly



by Joe Laurance

the greatest man I have ever met, had come to pass. Peter smiled and said "Wayne Morse has always been my greatest hero, and behind you on my desk you will see his motto. What can I do for you?" Tom Wyld's responded "We would like you to be lead sponsor for our *T.E.A.-21* legislative proposal". Peter read the brief we brought along and when finished looked up smiling, and said "Okay!" Congressman Peter DeFazio has stood by his word and has begun the effort which will ultimately result in "the most dramatic advancement to motorcycle safety in history". Each of you played a part in meeting our mission statement to a degree only dreamt of before March 5, 2003. Please thank congressman DeFazio for his landmark effort at his town-hall meetings or e-mail your thanks to peter defazio@mail.house.gov. Help this effort by e-mailing the congressman from your district and ask for his support of this important legislation.

As we acknowledge His blessings upon us, may we also accept His guidance.

Joseph Laurance

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

Central Oregon Chapter



Greetings from hot and sunny Central Oregon.

We had 18 members at the last meeting & held officer elections, so here's the list of our officers for the upcoming year:

Coordinator-- John Baumann
 Vice Coordinator--Marie Proffit
 Secretary--Jackie Baumann
 Treasurer--Harry Janicki
 Sgt of Arms --Mike K.
 Legislative Director--Mike K.
 State Board Rep --Bob Hadley
 Ways & Means --Marie Proffit
 P. R. Director--John Baumann
 Membership --Andy Duran
 Education Director--Bob Hadley
 Chapter Historian --Loren Larson

We have an excellent group of officers, therefore it should be a very good year. A big Thanks to all of you who have stepped up for a position.

Our *Rocks, Bridges, and Lakes Run* to support the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation (M.R.F.)* went very well. The weather was great, everyone really enjoyed the route, and a good time was had by all. There were about 50 riders and we sold a bunch of 50/50 tickets.

The last stop was at *Coyote Creek Restaurant and Lounge* in Sisters with live music. There we awarded High Dice Roll and drew the 50/50 ticket. High Dice Roll winner was a gal named Sam from the LaPine area who went home \$100 richer, and the 50/50 winner was Dave Kupetz, who won \$131. The other \$131 went into the pot for the *M.R.F.* Dave kicked back \$50 to the *M.R.F.* and joined *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*, he had such a good time.

Welcome Dave.

We also had a donation jar on the sign-up table which netted \$144 to be donated to the *M.R.F.* By the time it was all said and done, the *Central Oregon A.B.A.T.E. Chapter* had raised \$955 for the *Motorcycle Riders Foundation*. The local *High Desert Eagles Veteran's Club* donated \$50 out of their account. Thanks a lot guys! That means we can cut the *M.R.F.* a check for \$1,005. It's really great to see our chapter make a difference.

I would like to thank Eric from *Coyote Creek Cafe and Lounge* in Sisters for having us at his establishment and for providing the live music. We had a ball. I would also like to thank all of you who helped out and participated in this run for our rights.

Remember, on October 4th, 2003 we will be holding the 6th annual *Teddy Bear Run*. We meet at the *Black Horse Saloon* in Bend, with the group ride starting at 10:00 a.m. So bring some new stuffed animals down to the *Black Horse* and play a poker hand.

I hope to see many of our members (there are 109 members in our chapter), and members from other chapters and groups attending this fun event. See you on the 4th of October.

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

Later,
 John



CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Columbia River Chapter

Our August meeting featured Longview Tom, a club representative, who came to the meeting to discuss *Fossil* and the complaints that have been raised about some of the club members who attended. He said that if anyone had any problems with club members' behavior at any of our events, they should contact him. We explained that we had tried to go through the *Confederation of Club* representatives at the state board and that we were not aware of his role as spokesman for the clubs.

Willie gave the state board report for Larry.

The chapter voted to pay \$100 for the registration fee to send Duane Calkins, a chapter member who is a democratic party P.C.P., to the Oregon democratic summit October 10 through 12 at Sunriver, Oregon. This meeting is an opportunity to develop and maintain political contacts inside the democratic party. Although we have been fairly successful in our contacts with our state representatives and senators, we don't yet seem to be making any headway with our new governor.

Another guest was Michelle Hobbs, the state products director, who showed us some new t-shirts that are available.

We were saddened to learn that two chapter members were recently injured.

Billie Jo was injured at *Run 21* when she was struck by a motorcycle while she was walking in the vendor area. Fortunately, the motorcyclist has insurance and her medical care will be covered by his policy.

Sharon and Shag were involved in

an accident with an uninsured driver who pulled out on them. Shag avoided the truck but Sharon struck the back of Shag's bike when he swerved to miss the truck. Sharon suffered a broken knee and other injuries. I will be looking into the way that the police treated them and allowed the driver to leave the scene without providing them with the necessary information. It seems that the driver was treated kindly by the cops and Shag and Sharon as if they were the criminals.

We wish both Billie Jo and Sharon speedy recoveries.

As a result of Sharon's injuries and Shag's need to take care of her at home, they will not be working the gate at the *Summer Run* as planned. Fortunately, other chapter members as well as members from *Southeast* and *Northeast* will cover for them.

We were introduced to the new owners of the *U & I*, Jason and Will, who recently bought out Art and Carol. It looks like we are going to have a good relationship with them as they seemed very friendly and welcoming toward us bikers. Please make sure to drop by the *U & I* and say "hello" and give them some business.

Brandy won the membership drawing.

Spike

COLUMBIA RIVER MEETING TIME and PLACE

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

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

Hub City Chapter

Hi guys, [*c.o.e* — *and gals*]

Boy the summer is just flying by. We've had some great runs but we still have some more to go. At *Run 21*, *Hub City* signed up six new members and congratulations Polly – it pays to run with the winning dogs. Another new member, John, won a Tequila basket and donated it back to the E.M.T.'s. Is our "class" contagious or do we just keep attracting class acts. Very cool, buddy. A big thanks to Richard Androes for getting the chopper landed. Your cool head may have saved a life.

Question: How many *Hub City* men does it take to put a canopy?

Answer: we lost track of the count! The one thing you can be sure of, if it was our crew it was a blast getting it done.

Oh. And constructing it upside down first *must* be the newest technology!!!

Lincoln County just had their annual *Beaver Creek Run* and, as usual, *Hub City* was there in force to help out. Thank you, thank you, thank you all so very much for being so helpful to our brothers and sisters at *Lincoln County*. Congratulations Warden!!! *Lincoln County* did their usual good job despite their small numbers and we were glad to be there in force to help assure the success of the run.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the *Ice Cream Run* September 13th. This is *Hub City's* family day. We will start at 10:00 at *Bowman Park* in Albany with stops at a couple of ice cream shops along the route and will end at New Hope Christian Fellowship in Albany for a barbecue and family games.

This is our last month submitting the chapter report (you can stop cheering now!) and it's been great fun. Look for chapter reports from our new secretary starting in October. The results of the elections will be posted in the next newsletter. Take care everyone, keep the shiny side up and the rubber side down!

Cliff and Debbie McCalley
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***HUB CITY MEETING TIME
and PLACE***

3rd Thursday at 1900 (7pm)
Ciddicci's Pizza

Albany

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

Josephine County Chapter



Pat "Spanky" Allen speaks at the August state board meeting concerning the efforts to create a Josephine County A.B.A.T.E. chapter.

We'rre Baaack !



Well, it's true.

Josephine County is back.

After lots of work I've managed to get *Josephine County A.B.A.T.E. Chapter* going again.

The southern Oregon area is filling up so fast with riders from all over that its time now to have two chapters again in southern Oregon.

Over seven years ago I started the *Southern Oregon Chapter* out of my bike shop here in Grants Pass with the help of Tim Rhode and a few other people. With two chapters here in southern Oregon it will be easier for both chapters to work on their counties and not be so spread out.

In just three week I've been able to get 54 members into the *Josephine County Chapter* and we're still getting more members ever week.

I'm very excited about this. Plans are to have more brotherhood in our area plus to get more runs going and rides. We have really good weather for riding here and many good places to ride as well. Hopefully we will have lots to report in the future on good things that are going on here in are area.

Remember the old saying "Together we stand, divided we fall."

Watch us grow here in *Josephine County*.

We are here to stay!!!!

Pat "Spanky" Allen
coordinator,
Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

North Coast Chapter

Greetings from the *North Coast*,

Hope everyone is enjoying the great long and warm summer days we've had of late, including us in the northwest corner of the state providing us with some fantastic riding opportunities.

Our chapter's coffee trailer hit its first run of the year at the recent *Cowlitz County Chapter's* annual *Cow Chip Boogie* event. Many thanks to our "Queen of the Coffee Trailer", Christina Kelso, Jeff Gee (past *North Coast Chapter* coordinator) all our chapter members and friends for their the hard work with setting-up and staffing the trailer once again. We greatly appreciate their efforts as always. Christina reported the trailer sales were great (thanks to all of fellow *A.B.A.T.E.* brothers and sisters), which included our new chapter coffee mugs. In fact, our trailer stock was sold out the first morning of the run, so we ran more cups up to her on Saturday afternoon for those who wanted one of these great cups. We'll have more of these cups for sale in our coffee trailer at the upcoming *End of Summer Run (E.O.S.)* in September. Speaking of which, we're all looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones at *E.O.S.* this year. The

Washington County Chapter will no doubt put on the great event this year with lots of fun for everyone. Don't miss it. Be sure to mark your calendar. See you there.

Our run committee is zeroing in on setting up an overnight campout run sometime in September and they're discussing a casino run as well. More to follow as these runs get firmed up. We'll also be starting work on our annual *Spaghetti Feed* in late November which is our chapter's big funding event for the year. Our new meeting location at the *Moose Lodge* in Astoria (7 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month) should prove to be a great venue for this event.

While I missed our regular July chapter meeting since I've started a new job out of town, (many thanks to Amelia for chairing the meeting in my absence and Sue for taking minutes), I was pleased to hear we had a few new faces and some current members we haven't seen in a while at the meeting. This is great to hear. Sue (membership secretary) reports she signed up a few new members at this meeting and our chapter's membership growing toward our goal of breaking 100 by year's end. A very warm welcome to our new members. Great to have you aboard.

Here's some very important news for everyone's information and action. The following is an excerpt from the August 7th *M.R.F.'s* leaders report:

Make Motorcycle Safety History Now!

As members of congress depart Washington and return to the states, you have a golden opportunity to make motorcycle safety history. Just before departing Washington, congressmen Steve LaTourette (R-Ohio) and Pete DeFazio (D-Oregon) launched a "Dear Colleague" letter

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NORTH COAST MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

4th Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)

Moose Lodge

420 17th Street

Astoria, Oregon

Children are welcome

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

Northeast Portland Chapter

What a month this has been so far!

Run 21 was killer.

I'm sure I had fun. Guess I made the Long Island Ice Teas a little too strong. Yee Haa! The *Jimmy Van Zandt Band* played Lynyrd Skynyrd as well as I remember Lynyrd Skynyrd playing them. Of course I was usually pretty twisted when I saw them and can't actually remember much about the concerts but those were the good old days when sex was safe and my old shovel head sure wasn't!

The *Pony Express Relay for Breast Cancer* went off on schedule. I ended up raising \$370 and Kat and I rode the leg from Portland down to Salem. The *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Salem Chapter* ran the hospitality welcome on the steps of the capitol. They did a great job, too! Kat and I were the only *A.B.A.T.E.* members from Portland to make the ride. Maybe next time (in two years) we can have a little more participation. When we left the pack at the gas stop just south of Salem. They were heading for Eugene. But we had to return to Portland and the fun of *Run 21*.

Kat said that *Beaver Creek* was wonderful as usual. I had to stay up here so I could forget to go to the last planning meeting for *Summer Run*. (Sometimes I amaze even myself!) The weather, the bonfire, the bands, the people: everything connected to make a good time for all. Kat's daughter, Krystal, had fun working in the kitchen. Katie, our chapter mascot, had fun leading all of the young men around by their imagination.

Summer Run is going to happen next weekend. By the time you read this, it will all be history except for the happy smiles and the winners of Rusty and Tim's primo trophy's.

Our *Northeast Portland Safety Awareness Poker Run* happened on August 30. Tell you all about it next time. I do like riding down those country roads when the air is crisp, the mountains close and the traffic is somewhere else.

September, my boss and I are riding down to Crater Lake for a campout. Haven't done that in a long time. Hope there's some trees left to look at. Looks to be a long hot summer for forest fires.

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

Motorcycle-friendly places are getting hard to find. *Roundtable* rolls out the red carpet for us. So come support the people who support us. Hope to see you there.

Ride often, ride long, ride happy.

Crow

We will fly together forever,
 Seeking new horizons,
 new gifts,
 Feeling the power,
 giving it,
 receiving it,
 growing it,
 Waiting until the other eagles
 Find us - find them,
 Flying,
 always flying.



N.E. PORTLAND MEETING

TIMES and PLACE

1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 1930
 (7:30pm)
 Round Table Pizza
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A.B.A.T.E. Chapter Reports

River City Chapter

July 15, 2003

Small meeting with 14 members and two guests. Brian talked about B.O.D. [state board of directors] members and officers not understanding that he does represent the chapter.

After lengthy discussion a vote of confidence was taken and passed 12 yes, 1 abstention (Stovall), and 1 not voting. One of the newer members asked if he could come to the B.O.D. meeting and was told certainly. He suggested that people could visit a B.O.D. meeting to show support.

We talked about the upcoming *Diabetes Run* on 26 July and several other events in the near future. Alice Wilbur would have won the membership drawing for \$10 if she had been present. It will increase to \$15 next meeting. Shelley won the 50/50 for the second time at \$7/\$7.

We all adjourned to the parking lot for informal fun in the beautiful evening light.

Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Lee at 7:13 pm. 16 people present + one.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Lee.

Guests: Tom and Veretta Mott.

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

Treasury Report is \$451.42.

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Board Report: Brian gave a report including beginning with asking for a review of his position by the chapter. He explained the circumstances of that request, citing a conversation with Ken Ray and a subsequent conversation with Joe Lawrance, leading to his resignation from the *BikePAC* representative position. He gave the report of the meeting of 12 July including officer reports, motions, and the status of the questions that the chapter has asked the officers to answer about *Fossil*.

Legislative Report: Lots of talk about other states around the country.

Ways and Means Report: Shirts here, new Lee's jacket product soon.

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols: Short and long rides took place.

Planned Rides: Diabetes day at HR, 26 July.

New Business

Three Flags Classic, Labor Day weekend. Need checkpoint help here. Contact Teresa for details.

Klickitat County Fair parking project. We need volunteers

Review of Brian's position: vote of confidence called for by Don Cael. 12 yes, 1 abstention (Stovall, conflict of interest), 1 not voting

Coordinator's Comments:

Announcements: Flyers for swap meets and runs

Membership Drawing for \$10 would have been won by Alice Wilbur if she had been present. It will be \$15 next time.

50/50 was won by Shelley at \$7/\$7.

Adjourned 8:23 pm

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August 5, 2003

Lee was late due to going to Portland to pick up his repaired bike. Steve went with and rode it home for him in thunderstorms. Thanks to Teresa for filling in. We had a hell of a storm and power outage during the meeting.

Fortunately my computer runs on batteries at the meeting and all was well.

We are just ablut out of chapter products and Debra is going to look into an updated supply line.

Teresa brought us a printed piece about picking up our fallen bike. Thanks, T. We reported on our very successful *Summit to Surfbicycle* run event help project. We had about a dozen chapter members come to help. Next is our county fair parking gig in Goldendale late in the month (August 23-24). We need more volunteers to help. Contact Lynne at

(503)-767-4158.

Teresa won the 50/50 at \$8/\$8 and donated her share back to the chapter.

Thanks, Teresa. Tammy Boyce would have won the membership drawing for \$15 if she had been present. It will be \$20 next meeting.

Brian

Regular Meeting

Called to order by Teresa at 7:10 pm. 15 people presen, 2 arrived later.

Pledge of allegiance. Led by Teresa

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

Correspondence was an *M.R.F. Reports* and a plea for back-to-school program

Treasury Report is \$451.42.

Bills submitted . Motion by Tim to pay Teresa \$43.18 for print cartridges, passed.

Legislative Report: Recent lobbying of Peter DeFazio for sponsorship of legislation and a dear colleague letter in congress.

Ways and Means Report: Shirts here. Motion by Cheryl to buy 6 *A.B.A.T.E.* hats at the B.O.D. meeting, passed.

Old Business

Group Riding Protocols: Short and long rides took place. (Lee arrives and takes over leading meeting)

Klickitat County Fair parking project We need volunteers. 23-24 August at 9:00 AM

New Busines

Toy Run bike raffle tickets, \$10

Back-to-school progam, SVDP/SA, \$20 each. Motin by Lynne for a \$100 donation, passed.

How to pick up your bike handout provided by Teresa.

Tim brought two packages of cookies for the two bikes he has just bought: a Honda XL and a '00 Ducati Monster M900

Coordinator's Comments:

Membership Drawing for \$15 would have been won by Tammy Boyce if she had been present. It will be \$20 next time.

50/50 was won by Teresa at \$8/\$8, who donated her share back to the chapter. Thanks, Teresa..

Adjourned 8:00 pm

RIVER CITY MEETINGTIMES and PLACE

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

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

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

Salem Chapter



With nineteen people in attendance we picked on each other intermittently, wanting to be out in that sunshine. Kathy brought up the question awhile back, "Why don't we meet in a park, when it's nice out?" Good idea. But the September meeting will be at *Denny's* on Market Street where a motion will be brought to membership to have bar-b-que's during next summer's meetings. Also in September we will be beginning the drawings for prizes, large and small. This will go along with our 50/50 which Bob "Papa Smurf" Woodworker won at the July 22nd meeting.

Speaking of chapter business...in a few months will be nominations for officers. If you are a member who regularly pays his or her dues but doesn't make it to the meetings, please consider stopping by. We would love to see you and getting someone new in the positions that are coming open would be just this side of fantastic.

Our treasurer, Cindy Poulin (who the state auditor, Nancy Curran, says is doing a great job) brought her sister to visit. She is from Moses Lake and

seemed to enjoy herself. Thanks for visiting us, Mara Gibbons.

Our food drive brought in 201 pounds of non-perishable food and \$73.45 in donations. That was just the two days that the collection point was at *Roth's* in West Salem. By the time you read this we plan to have reached the goal for this year of 1,200 pounds in the two months that the food drive has been in effect. Hunger knows no holiday.

The next Salem chapter event is the *Lime Ride* on September 27th. Call Marlene at (503)-873-2492 to clarify what a *Lime Ride* is. You will be pleasantly surprised by how much fun it is.

Have a great month. I am on my way to *Run 21, yay!*

Chapter Goddess,
Michelle (crowlady)

FOX CREEK LIME RIDE
Sponsored By
SALEM CHAPTER A.B.A.T.E.
ALL RIDERS, ALL BIKES WELCOME
SEPT. 27th. SATURDAY

LOTS OF PRIZES CASH FOR 1st & 2nd Place

STARTS: McSuby Cycle - 2014 Hwy 20 S. - HAZARD
10:00 am. - 11:00 am. \$ 5.00 EACH

ENDS: Shoshone Tavern - 275th S. Hwy 211 - Multa
RACE STARTS AT 3:00 pm

TROPHY for PEOPLE'S CHOICE 50/50 GAMES

Trophy: Photos by JESSIE LAMM
Sponsored by A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
Proceeds go to Motorcyclist Relief and Education
Members and/or Contributors get out the word to make the meeting fun
Return the envelope

SALEM MEETING TIME
and PLACE
4th Tuesday at 1900 (7pm)
J.C.'s Pizza
4200 River Road N., Keizer

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

South Coast Chapter

We didn't have a meeting in May due to a regularly-scheduled schedule conflict with the *Rhody Festival*. The May events have all gone very well anyhow, despite our lack of a meeting.

The *Many Faces Of Motorcycling* show at *Pony Village Mall* went very well. We have a few comments and thank-you's from our coordinator.

The winners of the *Merchants Choice Award* were:

1st Place went to Wayne Slape

2nd Place went to *Coos Cycle Supply*

3rd Place went to Roger and Cindy Freeman

We had several excellent exhibits including a display from *Team Oregon* that Dorie shipped to me which included key fobs, buttons and a VHS tape that we played throughout the event and the *Free Souls* sold some of their products.

We didn't have as many dealer displays this year as many of them were short handed or had prior commitments.

I would like to thank, Brian, Bill, Judy, Mike, John, Sue, John, Janet, Carole, Bob, and everyone else who helped set up, work the event and/or had an exhibit in the show. Also thank

you to Bud who stayed at the mall and did security. Without these people, our event wouldn't have been so successful. Mike Friend and Mike Richards helped us get the *Shriners* bike to the event where we sold 100 tickets for it. The employees of the mall were very pleased with our organization which is also good public relations.

We will now spend a little more time preparing for *Coos River Run* and *S.O.S.*, both of which are coming along quite well.

Ride safe

Charlie

For information on events please visit our website at:

<http://www.southcoastabate.org/Events.html>

Janet Jinkner

South Coast A.B.A.T.E. secretary

SOUTH COAST MEETING**TIME and PLACE**

3rd Sunday at 1100 (11am)

Gino's Pizza

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

Southeast Portland Chapter

Hey Good People,

Thank you for *Southeast Chapter
Poker Run:*

Well, *Run 21* happened.

Boy, did it *ever*.

Hope that everyone who attended had a great time.

The vendors who were there did a great job. The bands were awesome. Special thanks to the headliners.

Of course a thank you to our brother JR.

I don't have individual names for every one but thanks also go to Wyoming and Vicki and those at the gate. Pee Wee and her crew at the *A.B.A.T.E.* booth. Barry and Matt and everyone who helped with security and Terry and the first aid folks. Hope it goes as well next year.

I have two lists of people who donated door prizes. The first is for *Run 21*, and the next is for *Southeast Chapter's
Poker Run.*

- Stewart Leather*
- Love Leather*
- Cycle Gear*
- Langlitz Leather*
- Latus Motors*
- Eastside Motorcycle*
- Hunt & Cooper—Rampage*
- Gateway Pub*
- Captain Jack's*
- All American Motorcycle*
- Haggar's*
- Brother Speed Lulu Leathers*
- Jen Eddy*
- Tippy Canoe*
- Lariat Tavern*
- Eagle Creek Inn*
- Stage Coach Inn*
- Brightwood Tavern*

Hope we saw a lot of you at *Summer
Run.*

Thank you for *Run 21:*

- Love Leathers*
- Stewart Leathers*
- Langlitz Leather*
- Latus Motors*
- KBR*
- Brightwood Tavern*
- Captain Jack's*
- Haggar's*
- Tippy canoe*
- FedEx Ground*

Talk at ya later,

Mammy Tami



S.E. Portland MEETING
TIMES and PLACE
 1st and 3rd Sundays at 1200
 (noon)
 M/M Restaurant & Lounge
 137 N. Main -- Gresham

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

Southern Oregon Chapter

Well *Southern Oregon* brothers and sisters, we got a reprieve at our August meeting. It was quite a meeting. Hope I can explain it all.

There's going to be a *Southern Oregon Chapter* and a *Josephine County Chapter* of *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon*. *Josephine County* is slated to receive their charter at the next state board meeting, from what I heard from Herb and Ab after they got back from the state board meeting in Newport.

We faithful to the *Southern Oregon Chapter* are thinking of moving meeting locations and meeting time to an evening in the middle of the week, maybe, Wednesday at 7:00 PM in Medford at a place central to those of you who live in Jacksonville and Shady Cove, and not as far for those of you who live in Ashland. We will find a place soon and give you all a call.

Septembers general membership meeting will still be at *Big Daddy's Pizza* the same time as always, 11:00 am Sunday morning.

Tim Rhode and Pat Allen (who will be coordinating *Josephine County*) visited us and they are trying, with the help from our coordinator Herb Sweeten and all of us as members, to make our organization an acting and active group of fun loving people who like to just get together and *ride!* Herb and Pat have talked about having a rally or gathering between the two sometime in May.

We will develop a better call list system although this may take some time in that the new roster won't show who has remained and those who have chosen to join *Josephine County*. Herb asks that you stay with us and that

anyone who wishes to join *Josephine County* is welcome to do so with no hard feelings. After all, building the brotherhood is the number one goal of both chapters.

Our sgt. of arms, Jack Baker, is pretty disgusted with the division of the chapter and I hope to get him to express what he has to say in the next issue.

But like I have said in the past, we plan on making changes to keep our *Southern Oregon Chapter* together and more fun for all! Our goal is to build brotherhood with all riders and promote *A.B.A.T.E.* year around in southern Oregon.

Our new alternate state representative is Norman Schiller. (Just call him "Ab".) Our new treasurer is Lynn Livingston. (Just call him "Motor".)

"Just get back the unity of *A.B.A.T.E.* and all brothers and sisters together again" as stated by *Southern Oregon Chapter*, sgt. of arms #2, Norm Schiller (Ab).

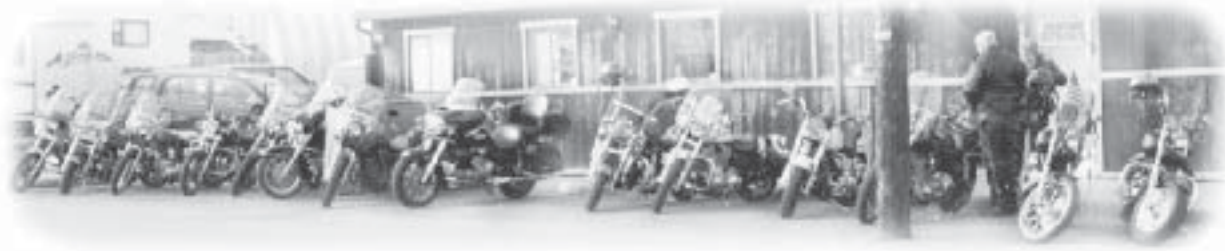
Your secretary,
Ric Goodwin

SOUTHERN OREGON
MEETING TIME and PLACE
 1st Sunday at 1100 (11 am)
 Big Daddy's Pizza
 (formely Oregono's) -- Gold Hill

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

Willamette Valley Chapter

Our chapter continues to grow. There are minor differences between how we count it and the state tally, but we are at or over 200 members for the first time. That's rather astonishing, considering where we were just a few short years ago. The recruitment effort, as is the case for chapters statewide, has been a major focus for *Willamette Valley*. Our success in this endeavor is exciting, but is also a bit of a mixed blessing.

We are, in comparison to society at large, a rather headstrong and outspoken group of individuals fairly confident about our opinions and not all that shy about sharing them. And while we certainly have our common interests, the opportunity for differences grows along with our membership list, making consensus a little tougher to establish. Officers in our chapter are hoping for some organizational soul-searching in the coming year, looking into who we are, and why we are, and how we might best go about the business of assuring bikers' rights in the current political and economic climate. Getting our name out through the use of a portable information booth to be set up at non-biker civic events is one suggestion. A few members with a supply of *A.B.A.T.E.* information, some membership applications, and perhaps some products could do much to increase our name recognition and perhaps even engender some support among the larger community.

Satisfactory meeting places also become a little more difficult to find as our numbers grow. The back room of a sports bar worked out really well for a few years,

but could only handle about 20 of us. The pizza place was bigger, and there was much more variety to the food, but room size and noise level were problems. The bar and grille in east Springfield was great in many ways, despite never having enough wait staff on duty, but apparently went bust and shut down. We're now meeting at the *Vet's Club* in downtown Eugene. There's plenty of room, even more than we need for now, and the room price is right. But it's in the center of town, where parking is an annoyance, and the food is rather expensive. Should any of our members suddenly come into extraordinary wealth, the chapter would gladly accept the donation of a clubhouse with a large meeting room. We would like a central location with easy highway access, good food and drink at a reasonable price, and plenty of paved parking where we can keep watch over the bikes.

We all hope that with increasing numbers will come increasing influence in the political and economic arenas important to motorcyclists. Three of us showing up at a city council or *D.O.T.* meeting to petition for motorcycle-only parking areas in preferred locations may get the message noted in the official meeting minutes. Thirty of us showing up at the same meeting will also get our message to the media, and may well buy us some press access to discuss other motorcycle-related issues, as well.

Numbers have always mattered, but have never been the whole story. We had anticipated perhaps 100 might show up for our July 4th celebration at Fern Ridge

Lake, but we only drew about half that. Those of us who did make it had a great time, more food than we could possibly eat, great riding and picnic weather, games for young and old, and even a train ride that unfortunately experienced a little mechanical difficulty. It is likely that July 4th being part of a three-day weekend this year decreased our attendance. If so, the fact that the fourth is on a Sunday next year may bring a better turnout. Many of our *Harley-Davidson* riders will be heading to Milwaukee for the 100th anniversary this year, and will miss *S.O.S.* So the numbers may be down for that party, too. For those who do get to participate in *S.O.S.*, have a cold one for us and we'll see you next year.

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WILAMETTE VALLEY**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

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

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Our Officers at Work

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

09 August 2003



by Charlie Hill
State Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by state coordinator, Joe Laurance at 12:10 with 9 of the 14 chapters represented. All chapters present were eligible to vote. (We had two additional representatives show up later for a total of 11 chapters)

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Reading of the minutes from the July 12, 2003. Motion made by Randy Phipps, seconded by Mel Yeager to approve minutes as printed, motion carried.

Coordinators Comments

Joe thanked those in attendance for coming to the *Beaver Creek Run*.

Correspondence

Joe received an e-mail from Tom Wyld, *M.R.F.*, that congressman Pete DeFazio has agreed to sign our *TEA-21* motorcycle safety initiative. Many thanks to the Oregon team for weighing in on this historic development. Our joint S.M.R.O.-*M.R.F.* initiative will be the most dramatic advancement to motorcycle safety in history and Tom is so proud that a long-time friend like Pete DeFazio has stepped boldly on our behalf.

Guests

Norm, Kat and several members of *River City Chapter*.

*** OFFICERS REPORTS ***

Legislative Director: Rick Maish not in attendance.

A.B.A.T.E.'s BikePAC representative: None

Confederation of Clubs representative: Ed Vaughn reported the *Confederation* met last Sunday. They are proceeding with the civil cases in Eugene on the motorcycle

confiscation. Lane County suit is asking patch holders to leave, then they apologize and act like business as usual.

Confederation of Clubs representative II: Bob Earl had nothing more to report.

Education Director: Geoff White thanked everyone especially Mel. Iris has been coordinating efforts with schools in the Salem and outlying cities. They are requested every year by the schools to do the *M.A.P.S.* program. They have six reports not yet given to Geoff. They have an average of 25 kids per class. Iris told everyone, if you don't have a bike available for the class, use a replica of a bike and street to demonstrate. Mel said that's what makes this program so great is the versatility it offers. Geoff said we do have the means to do the program without instructors, so contact him if that's been holding you back on doing classes.

Education Director II: Nora Rohde reported that education is getting ready to go in southern Oregon. She is looking for instructors for the southern Oregon area. *Rogue Community College* is doing the drivers ed classes and Nora is working on getting classes started.

Membership Secretary: Jill Tracy reported 2,036 members. Good job to *WaCo* keeping their membership up. *Josephine County* has list of meetings and officers. They will probably get their charter at the next board meeting.

Newsletter Editor: Rot Path said Charlie noted to him that the sign

artist who made our mission statement banner said that the statement had spelling errors in the newsletter. Rot said his e-mail account can receive e-mail but he cannot reply to them.

[*crusty ol' editor's note: That particular e-mail problem has been remedied and replies will once again be inflected on the unsuspecting.*]

Products: Michelle Hobbs not here. Melinda reported for Michelle that if you have a run or event, Michelle needs at least one month advance notice to get products to you. Many have waited till a week before the event, then get upset because they didn't get them on time.

Public Relations: Melinda McCrossen reports she didn't do much last month. All set for the Swapmeets. Melinda brought 2 boxes of the annual report for the chapters to use. Also use tri-folds for promotion.

State Run Coordinator: Rotten Roger went to *Sturgis*.

State Run Coordinator II: Michelle Lipchitz has swapmeet flyers for all to take.

Treasurer: Wendy Vaughn thanked Charlie for the time sheets. She doesn't have any checks as the bank made an error on them. They credited our account \$5 and has reprinted them. Since Roger is gone, she hasn't been able to get them from the Post Office. Wendy said she wants to resign from her position effective October. Anyone interested should contact her or Joe Laurance. Joe thanked Wendy for all her hard work.

Chapter Auditor: Nancy Curran is gone to *Sturgis*.

Historian: Iris Yeager wanted to thank Wizard for submission of pictures. Iris also wanted to remind everyone that when you submit pictures, write the date and what the picture is about on the back.

Webpage Editor: Maddog was not in attendance.

Vice-Coordinator North: Matt Hobbs was excused

Vice-Coordinator South: Tim Rohde reported he got a phone call from Pat "Spanky" Allen to start *Josephine County* chapter. Tim went to the *Southern Oregon* chapter meeting. Tim and Herb agreed it would be easier to make two chapters and make the work load easier. Tim introduced Spanky who informed the board of the many memberships he has acquired and how he has gone about getting them. Spanky also expects to have 100 members by Christmas. He has signed up band members and others who ride that have something to offer A.B.A.T.E.

Insurance companies are jacking up insurance costs if you have bad credit. Spanky thinks this is something else we need to pursue. He is also promoting A.B.A.T.E. as a brotherhood. Use the phone tree to help those with a need.

Vice-Coordinator East: Bob Hadley was not here.

Sergeant at Arms North: Matt Hobbs was excused

Sergeant at Arms South: Cole Hembree was not present.

Sergeant at Arms East: Keith Odoms was not here.

Sanctioning Officer: Ron Bloker reported he needed information for *Willamette Valley's Casino Night* and *WaCo Toy Run*. Ron said come December, he no longer wants to do insurance/sanctioning. He reminded

everyone that this is a volunteer organization and people need to plan ahead of time to get insurance forms in on time. He needs two months advance notice to get insurance. Brain noted the requests that Ron noted earlier in the year were clear. Chapters need to have their run dates in by September for *A.B.A.T.E.*, all other M.R.O.'s set their calendars in November.

Quartermaster: Steve Baton. Steve was excused. Joe mentioned how well of a job Steve did with the stage cover. Mel noted *Hub City* is trying to find storage in Albany.

Committee Reports

1. Run Committee: Did not meet. Two major Swap Meets, get the flyers out.

Unfinished Business

1 *O.D.O.T. Safety Conference* October 15-17, 2003. Randy contacted the hotel. It's been paid. Need four people to go. Nora wants to go, Geoff wants to go but will pay for himself. Brain suggested Rick Maish, Melinda and Joe. Joe said he can't afford to take the time off to go. Joe said everyone with transportation issues will be there. M.A.P.S. booth will be there at the conference. Melinda can't go due to work. We will have another meeting before the conference.

2. Ted Tracy said he will have 100 posters by the next meeting. He has ordered bumper stickers and they will be ready by the next meeting.

3. Ted wanted to remind everyone of the planning session, October 18, 2003 at the *V.F.W.* hall in Cottage Grove.

4. Need nominations for *BikePAC* representative. Brian said he would take it back only if there was a unanimous vote from the board. Joe

said we would continue with nominations until next board meeting.

5. Need nominations for treasurer position. Take back to the chapters and report back.

6. Brain asked if there was an actual number of attendees on paper for the *Jokers* that would correspond with the money collected. The answer was no.

7. *Southern Oregon* has a computer if anyone needs it. Rex said that Tania needs one for *Douglas County* and Wendy will get in touch with her.

New Business

1. Motion made by Mel Yeager, seconded by Geoff White requesting that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Inc* reimburse plane fair of \$450 and airport parking of \$40 for a total of \$490 for Theresa Hepker to be a presenter at *Meeting of the Minds* in Green Bay, WI. Amendments to include Joe and at least two other people to attend and reimburse their expenses. Nine were for, motion carried.

2. Motion made by Geoff White, seconded by Randy Phipps that *A.B.A.T.E.* donate \$100 to *Josephine County A.B.A.T.E.* chapter as a "good will" gesture to be used for their *Ice Breaker*. Nine were for, motion carried.

3. Motion made by Mel Yeager, seconded by Norm Scheller that *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* pay for democratic party P.C.P.'s participation at the *Summit Meeting* in October 2003. Also, approve \$100 for a hospitality room not to be used for liquor. Ten were for, motion carried.

4. Melinda asked if there was going to be an annual meeting this year. She said she would head it up. Brian will be on the committee and she will ask Jim Niece if he will help.

Next meeting: September 13, 2003.
Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Vice-Coordinator--South

by Tim Rohde



It's been awhile since I've actually written a report but as you know I usually wait 'til there's something to say.

July was quite a month with the Fourth and the parades, the ride to the coast and there were bikes everywhere.

After the board meeting, many of us went to Joe Laurence's place down around Winston and I gotta tell ya, Joe and Ricci are great hosts. Nora and I had a great time.

After all the business was out of the way, we all had a great time and got to know each other a lot better. We all camped around his yard and I'm sure some where they fell, but the weather and atmosphere were perfect.

Once again, bikes and custom cars everywhere 'cause down by Joe's they were cruisin'. Around the 25th and 26th of July, Grants Pass hosted its annual *Back To The Fifties Cruise* and car and bike shows. There was a poker run and bike shows downtown while at Riverside Park the cagers had their thing going on. Saturday night there was a dance downtown and bikes everywhere. Come to think of it, a Coose Bay officer rode all the way over on his service machine (which was a really nice *Harley*) just for the events on Saturday,

I finished up July by signing loan papers for my "new-to-me" *Harley*.

What a month.

The first part of August is also exciting with the first meeting and birth of *Josephine County* chapter. Due

to rain, the *Coose River Run*, and everybody leaving for *Sturgis*, there weren't many people in attendance at our meeting. About 16 people. But it was a good start. Among the attendees was *Southern Oregon* chapter's coordinator and member, Norm Schiller. They rode — yes, rode — in the rain to support the birth of a new chapter. Thank you Herb and Norm.

The very next day, on August 3rd, I attended *Southern Oregon* chapter's meeting and once again due to weather and other runs, attendance was low. But he had 14 people there and signed up two new members.

Now *Southern Oregon* has been experiencing a few difficulties, one being location, but I believe after that meeting things will start looking really good in *Southern Oregon*. Herb has a plan and if he gets the help he needs, I'm confident he'll pull it off. The idea that *Southern Oregon* chapter focus its efforts on *Josephine County* and *Josephine County* focusing on *Southern Oregon* is a good one. A lot can be done with that in not having one chapter stretched thin in two counties. When able, I'm sure they'll even be able to support each other in their runs and activities, expanding their brotherhood.

Of course, as with many organizations there are those who may not agree with everything. But as Herb and I discussed even a year ago, on the whole growth in the organization is a good thing.

I'm proud to announce at the writing of this report that Pat Allen (otherwise know as "Spanky") will be the new coordinator of *Josephine County* chapter. He has a good lineup of officers as well. He will be asking for a chapter charter at the August state board meeting in Newport.

Summer isn't over yet. I can't wait to see what happens next.

Ride safe, ride free.

Tim Rohde

**VICE-COORDINATOR--
SOUTH**

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Willamette Valley Chapter
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One place where numbers really do matter is in Salem. As of this writing, the legislature has just broken the record for the longest session, and I suspect it has at least tied the record for the least productive session. It is often said that crises bring out the best in us, but it would appear that it can also bring out some of the worst. Little besides taxes and baseball got any attention from legislators this year. Certainly, motorcycle-related issues got short shrift despite some good effort by *BikePAC* and some of our legislative supporters. Our brothers and sisters in Pennsylvania do much to lift our spirits with their well-deserved success, and remind us that the time to start working on the business of the next session is before this one has even ended.

Each of us has had ample opportunity by now to analyze the results of our individual efforts on the legislative front this session. You know the way we do "analysis," right? We point some fingers and place some blame, then slowly come to realize that the "they" in our epithets is actually a "we," and then start working on the excuses for why it isn't our fault that we weren't more active. My personal list is up to seven moderately good excuses,

four really good ones, and one or two that I might copyright because they are so good that I think they might bring in some royalties.

Of course, I've been working at this for quite a while. Your own results may vary, especially if you're rather new to the process. Making excuses is an art form, requiring both talent and training, and takes a good deal of practice to perfect.

It is likely easier, and will certainly be more productive, to contact your representative and/or senator and/or governor and/or candidate for office and introduce yourself and your issues. Do not expect undivided attention, especially during the remainder of this session, but instead ask to schedule a few minutes of his/her time whenever this budget crisis does finally get resolved. Look back through your *A.B.A.T.E.*, *M.R.F.*, and *BikePAC* newsletters if you have some trouble putting your feelings into words, seeing if someone else has said something close to what you would like to express, and build on that.

I don't recall which of our founding fathers said it, and I can't recall just the way it was said, but message was that we do not need to be a majority in order to prevail. We can win because we are a dedicated and determined minority unwilling to accept the tyranny that accompanies defeat.

North Coast Chapter
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that urges the house to make sure that genuine motorcycle safety is a part of any reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (T.E.A.-21). This effort brings us one step closer to passing into law the heart and soul of the joint M.R.F.-S.M.R.O. agenda for motorcycle safety from further restrictions on N.H.T.S.A. lobbying to a motorcycle safety incentive grant that assists and encourages states to train riders and make motorists aware of motorcycles. The time to call, write and visit your U.S. representative is now! Please urge your U.S. representative to sign the LaTourette-DeFazio Safety Letter! The actual letter and the M.R.F. Riders' Alert are posted on the M.R.F. website (www.mrf.org). These two champions of motorcyclists' rights and safety need your help and the signature of your congressman if we are to continue to make motorcycle safety history!

A last note: If I had been present at our July meeting, I would have won the \$85 membership drawing. Just another reminder to those who have been missing our meetings, (this time I'm the loser), ya can't win if you don't attend. We'll look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

All the best and keep the rubber side down,

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I will now be passing the soapbox.
Ride safe,

Michael Boggs

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From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK



Again the days of August slipped by me so fast I hardly had time to realize the hot month was here. This is the heavy riding month in Oregon and we have runs every weekend all month long.

It starts off with *Run 21*, which is our adults-only run. My boss Sam Hochberg's chapter of *A.B.A.T.E.*, *Southeast Portland*, started this whole deal a few years back. Sam went to the very first one and said it was fun – but we didn't see his mug or that new *Heritage* of his this year. Musta' been off riding.

Matter of fact, Sam *did* take a nice ride down south to Medford, Oregon last month, and gave an "A.I.M. Talk" to the *Rogue River Chapter* of the *Women in the Wind*. Sam had a great time, and was very impressed with this large group of serious riders.

Sam's been doing these "A.I.M. Talks" for over fifteen years. He goes to your biker group meeting, and talks about the law and motorcycling. He also likes to spread the gospel of *N.C.O.M.* – the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists*. Regular Sack readers know *N.C.O.M.* is supported by fees from *A.I.M.* (that's *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists*) lawyers like Sam, from all over the U.S. and Canada, through the law office of Richard M. Lester. And if *that's* news to ya, you might be new to the *Sack*!

Run Safety

Our *Run 21* was great as usual, but there was one incident that shouldn't happen at any run. A rider blasted out of the stage area and hit a woman. He was just on his way to his campsite.

I've seen this happen too many times at events that we're supposed to be having fun at.

When you get through with the bike games and shows in the afternoon, take your scoot to your camp and leave it there. A drunk scoot always causes the owner trouble, and will always hurt somebody.

The *Coos River Run* over by the Oregon coast came down after *Run 21*, and as always a great time. Love the "rubber duck races." If you haven't seen this, ya gotta make this run next year. It's a real hoot to watch all those leather clad bikers sitting on a creek bank, cheering their little rubber duckies as they come bobbing down the stream! [*c.o.e. note — photos of the rubber duck race appear elsewhere in this issue. Happy duck hunting.*]

But even there, we had a guy go down on the gravel road and break an arm. It's good road but there is loose gravel on about three hundred feet of it, just before you get to the run. It's a shame when an otherwise great time is marred by an injury.

Please lets keep the other guy in mind and *be careful* fackrissakes when you ride, no matter where it is. It's just not fun when folks get hurt, especially when it's from plain old carelessness.

Legal Safety

If y'*do* go down, or if you're there when someone else does, our Oregon *A.I.M.* attorney Sam Hochberg wanted me to remind you to *take pictures* and get names and numbers of *witnesses*. Oh, and call the cops. Tell them you're hurt or they won't come out. *Take* the ambulance if you need

to, and see your doctor. *Most* important, Sam says, is *don't talk to the insurance adjuster!* They have a way of twisting the most honest speech. Talk to *any good* personal injury lawyer. Sam is part of *A.I.M.*, so you can always reach him at 1-(800)-On-A-Bike, or e-mail him at SamBikeLaw@aol.com. He checks it all the time

-- Newsbits-N-Pieces -- Royal Scooter Dude

The *Thunder Press* had a feature about the future king of Merry Olde England and his love of two wheeled motor sports. We had a story here in the *Sack* about a year ago that the young prince William is a fan of motorcycles and rides very well himself. The royal family isn't too happy about it, but the prince says his father deals with it well. Motorcycles have their dangerous side but so does the royal sport of polo. You couldn't pay me to try and hit a small, very hard ball from the back of a running horse.

The prince has been riding for several years now, and says he fell in love with "motorbikes" as they are called in England, at a very early age. He says also, that proper training is essential. When he puts his helmet on, he says he feels anonymous, so he can relax and enjoy the ride without being chased by *papparazzi!*

Orlando, Florida — Here it comes folks. We have been watching things develop around the country and here is what we have found. There will be a law enforcement set of seminars held

somewhere in the Orlando area during *Bike Week 2004*. These seminars are open to law enforcement only and will cover subjects such as: *Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Investigations, From the Inside - Combating Biker Gangs, Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Identification - Intelligence Gathering, Major Run Enforcement - Police/Biker Relations, Motorcycle Gang Coalitions* (They're worried about our *N.C.O.M. Confederations of Clubs?*), *Combating Lawsuits* (like the ones our *A.I.M.* lawyers file?), *Development and Management of Gang Member or Associate as an Informant*.

These words should concern every American, not just riders. We've covered the *P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act* in earlier *Sacks* and this is just what I'm talking about. I'm not pretending we are all perfect in our lifestyle but neither is any other lifestyle you might want to mention. This kind of surveillance of our lives is an outrage and we need to scream like hell about it. Learn more at the next *N.C.O.M. Conference* next May in Oklahoma City.

Costa Mesa, California — This time it's the *A.C.L.U.* in court battling for homosexual woman bikers. Kind of a back door source of help for bikers whatever their sexual persuasion.

The women want to run their second *Dyke Run* parade through the town of Costa Mesa and the city is using their restrictions against motorcycles to discourage the ride. They are saying the *Dykes on Bikes* will have to follow the permit process like any other group.

One of the requirements is the group arrange for a million dollar liability insurance policy and a \$3,000 deposit for police protection during

the ride. The city wants the organizers to provide porta-potties and trash pick-up after the parade. They also want to limit the number of bikes to 10 and threaten tickets to be mailed to offenders on the parade route. Sounds like a real mess to me.

Los Angeles, California — The worlds largest rent-a-bike company of *Harley-Davidson* motorcycles, *Eagle Rider*, is set to offer travel agents a 40% commission on the reservation of bike rentals at vacationers destinations if the rental is for a week or more. This is in effect until February 20, 2004. Sounds pretty steep. I'd rather rent direct and pay a little less!

New York, New York — Here we go again! Got this story from a contributor to the e-mail listserve of the *SoLR*, the *Sons of Liberty Riders*:

The Long Island area near New York City has found the neatest way there is to harass bikers. They have instituted "Safety Checkpoint Stops," which are designed, according to the information I have, to interrupt the travel of those persons using the motorcycle as a way of getting from one place to another. This gives the cops a way to write tickets. These checkpoints are for *motorcycles only*. Other methods of travel are left alone!

Don Lanham, the legislative coordinator for *A.B.A.T.E. of New York* wrote a letter to several newspaper editors and four were printed. One rebuttal letter expressed concern with the noise levels some bikes cause, and also had something to say about the attire worn by many of us: black leather and denim. He said bright colors were more to his liking because it made bikers more visible. I'm wondering if he had any idea the reason we wear such attire is because

it protects us when we get run over by folks who think we should wear bright colors.

Maybe the idea was to make us easier targets for cage drivers.

I don't know.

At any rate it bothers me that authorities will go to such lengths to harass people and not include the entire traveling population no matter what vehicles they choose to use.

New York, New York — Well here's a new one: According to *Billboard* magazine there's a new rock group - actually just three guys - and they call themselves the *Black Rebel Motorcycle Club*. They're doing a North American tour in September and October. They even call themselves *B.R.M.C.* If any *Sack* readers know about this crew I'd like to know if they're riders at all. If *not*, I wonder what bonafide clubs might have to say about them. Drop old Gunny a line at AIMGunny@aol.com any time on any subject at all, but especially about this bunch.

That's it for this month. Stay safe, and keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny,

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

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NEWS and NOTES



The *National Association of Independent Insurers' (N.A.I.I.)* Kathleen Jensen, insurance services counsel and motorcycle committee liaison, said in a release dated July 25, 2003, "The increase in motorcycle ownership is leading many insurers to take a closer look at several factors affecting motorcycle insurance costs, including legislative developments."

This year there were mixed results in legislative efforts to keep costs down by enacting measures that would help reduce the number of accidents.

Tennessee lawmakers enacted legislation that will allow motorcycles to proceed through a red light when their motorcycle does not trigger the sensor that makes the traffic light turn green in their direction, provided they stop and look around carefully. Law enforcement officials and other traffic safety experts are concerned that this law increases the chances of intersection accidents.

Maine enacted a bill that requires drivers' education courses to include instruction on sharing the road with motorcycles. Kentucky established a motorcycle advisory commission for highway safety to assist the transportation cabinet in ensuring that highway design, construction and maintenance policies and procedures consider the specific needs of motorcycles. "These measures will help reduce the number of accidents involving motorcycles and help contain costs," said Jensen.

Oregon and Virginia took steps to address the visibility of motorcycles. The Oregon legislation specifies that a motorcycle may not be equipped

with more than three headlights and standardizes rear mounted lighting equipment. Motorcycles in Virginia will be required to have at least one brake light and red taillight plainly visible in clear weather from 500 feet.

"These bills were of note to the *N.A.I.I.* motorcycle insurance committee because they enable insurers to know what equipment is legally allowed when making cost-effective repairs on damaged motorcycles," added Jensen.

Go to:

www.insurancejournal.com/news/newswire/national/2003/07/25/30966.htm

for more information.

British motorcyclists should face one less hazard on the road after December when a new law comes into force specifically banning drivers from using handheld phones while driving.

The move, announced by David Jamieson, the government's road safety minister, will see drivers face a £30 fine and three points on their license if caught speaking into a handheld phone or text messaging while on the move. The fine could increase to £1,000 if the case goes to court.

Previously drivers could only be prosecuted for failing to have control of their vehicle or for dangerous driving. The offense has been left deliberately broad so that even if a passenger is holding the phone for the driver or the driver is holding the phone with their shoulder, they will still be liable to prosecution.

The law has been introduced following a study by *RoSPA* (The *Royal*

Society for the Prevention of Accidents) which showed that drivers using phones are four times more likely to crash. (MCN)

Michigan governor Jennifer M. Granholm signed Senate Bill 462, legislation that moves the Michigan *Motorcycle Safety Education Program (M.S.E.P.)* from the department of education to the department of state and continues the funding sources for the program.

Governor Granholm, in her April 2003 budget recommendation for the department of education, proposed the elimination of the *M.S.E.P.* and its funding sources.

SB-462, introduced by senator Valde Garcia (R-Howell) on May 7, sought to preserve the *M.S.E.P.* by moving administrative responsibility for the program to the department of state and retain the fees collected from each new/renewed driver license motorcycle endorsement and motorcycle registration to fund the program.

Large numbers of motorcycling enthusiasts, at the behest of the *A.M.A.* and *A.B.A.T.E. of Michigan*, flooded the governor's office with messages of support for the *M.S.E.P.* They also contacted their state senators and representatives to ask for their assistance in retaining this valuable program.

Their efforts paid off. On June 12, 2003, the Michigan senate voted passage of SB-462 by a 38-0 margin. A slightly amended version of the bill passed the Michigan house of representatives on July 1 by a vote of

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103-1. The senate concurred with the amended version on July 3, voting 37-0 in favor of senator Garcia's bill.

SB-462 was presented to governor Granholm on July 10. The Governor had 14 days to sign, veto or let the bill become law without her signature. On July 24, she responded to the overwhelming support for rider education in Michigan by signing the bill. It becomes effective October 1, 2003.

Part of working on an important issue is to acknowledge the support of those who helped save the *M.S.E.P.* Now is an excellent time to thank those individuals who stood up to help all Michigan motorcyclists keep affordable rider education opportunities in place.

Take a moment to contact senator Valde Garcia to say 'thank you'. You may do so via e-mail to SenVGarcia@senate.michigan.gov, via telephone at (517)-373-2420, via fax on (517)-373-2764, or via U. S. mail to:

The Honorable Valde Garcia
Michigan Senate
S-132 State Capitol
P. O. Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909-7536.

Finally, it is important to acknowledge governor Granholm's signature on SB-462. You may contact her to say "thank you for signing SB-462" via telephone to (517)-373-3400, via fax to (517)-335-6863, or via US Mail to:

The Honorable Jennifer M. Granholm
PO Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909.

The *Bureau of Land Management* (*B.L.M.*) Hollister Field Office is proposing to close over 400 miles of roads and trails to O.H.V. use at the *Clear Creek Management Area* south of San Jose, California. This popular riding area in central California was already the subject of an 8-year Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.) process. The completed plan called for 270 miles of signed and mapped "Encouraged" routes, over 400 miles of open, unsigned "Allowed" routes, and 923 acres of open ridding areas. The *B.L.M.* has already begun closing routes and areas since then, with no further site-specific analysis or opportunity for public participation, as the plan and the law calls for.

The *B.L.M.* has announced that they intend to do an Environmental Assessment (E.A.) to amend the Environmental Impact Statement and close all of the "Allowed" routes. Since this is a significant change from the current E.I.S., the law states that another E.I.S. must be done before the existing E.I.S. can be amended.

Contact the *B.L.M.* office with letters protesting the proposed closings at:

Robert Beehler
Field Area Manager
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Bureau of Land Management
20 Hamilton Court
Hollister, CA 95023

via e-mail at:

rbeehler@ca.blm.gov
by phone at
(831)-630-5000
or by fax at
(831)-630-5055

The *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration* (*N.H.T.S.A.*) has launched a campaign of particular interest to motorcyclists. The program is intended to educate motorcyclists about the dangers of drinking and riding and now there are opportunities for state motorcyclist rights organizations, clubs and/or *A.M.A.* community councils to obtain grant money for this important cause within their state or region.

In 2001, 41 percent of the fatally injured motorcycle riders were impaired, with blood alcohol content (B.A.C.) of .08 g/dl or greater — the legal limit of impairment in many states. Impaired-riding issues were listed among the urgent recommendations of the National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety, a national plan that was developed by the motorcycling community in late 2000.

See Federal Register Notice / Vol. 68, No. 121 / Notices for complete information on how to apply for these grants and learn more about this program.

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

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

For more information, visit the AMA website at:

www.AMADirectlink.com

Motorcycle Riders Foundation



Make Motorcycle Safety History - Now!

As members of congress depart Washington and return to the states, you have a golden opportunity to make motorcycle safety history.

Just before departing Washington, congressmen Steve LaTourette (R-Ohio) and Pete DeFazio (D-Oregon) launched a "Dear Colleague" letter that urges the House to make sure that genuine motorcycle safety is a part of any reauthorization of the *Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (T.E.A.-21)*. This effort brings us one step closer to passing into law the heart and soul of the joint *M.R.F.-S.M.R.O.* agenda for motorcycle safety - from further restrictions on *N.H.T.S.A.* lobbying to a motorcycle safety incentive grant that assists and encourages states to train riders and make motorists aware of motorcycles.

The time to call, write and visit your U.S. representative is now! Please urge your U.S. representative to sign the LaTourette-DeFazio safety letter! The actual letter and the *M.R.F.* riders' alert are posted on the *M.R.F.* website:

www.mrf.org

These two champions of motorcyclists' rights and safety need your help - and the signature of your congressman - if we are to continue to make motorcycle safety history!

Safety Belongs, No Matter The Amount Of "Tea" In The Cup

When you talk to your congressman about the LaTourette-DeFazio safety letter, be aware: there is a complication facing the reauthorization of *T.E.A.-21*, and that complication is the cost of the *T.E.A.*

For all of us, the preferred option is the full reauthorization, the six-year plan, complete with the *M.R.F.-S.M.R.O.* joint safety agenda called for by congressmen LaTourette and DeFazio. We can call that "a full cup of *T.E.A.*"

There are, however, other options circulating.

One option is a two-year reauthorization that puts off for a few years some of the contentious money issues. Call that a half-cup of *T.E.A.*

There's another idea, too - a "multi-month" reauthorization that extends the current *T.E.A.-21* (which expires in September) a few months, into January of 2004. Call that a "spot" of *T.E.A.*

How Much Tea Do We Want?

Here's where you and I should stand. Whether congress moves in favor of a full cup of *T.E.A.* or just a spot, the LaTourette-DeFazio motorcycle safety initiative belongs in the reauthorization - no matter the amount of *T.E.A.* in the cup.

Why?

The answer is simple, and simply tragic: rider fatalities are still up, states are still cutting training and awareness funds, and *N.H.T.S.A.* is still lobbying.

In short, we are ready for action.

Congressmen LaTourette and DeFazio are ready for action. I hope your congressman is ready for action, too.

Brush Up On The E.P.A. Issue

In our efforts to enhance the *M.R.F.* website and help make it more user

friendly, we have added a new section simply called, "*E.P.A.*"

The new *E.P.A.* section of the website, www.mrf.org/epa.php, provides a comprehensive list of links to every document on the site related to the *M.R.F.*'s fight against the *E.P.A.*'s proposed emissions regulations - from *Leaders' Reports* to position papers. This new section will make it easier for everyone - particularly newcomers - to get a complete overview of this issue in one easy-to-use location.

Teri Stobbs,

M.R.F. director of communications, wants to send a huge "*thank you!*" to JD DePaolantonio of *A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona* for his timely and valuable assistance with this new section.

Look for other updates and improvements to the *M.R.F.* website in the near future.

M.R.F. Meeting Of The Minds

This year's *Motorcycle Riders Foundation's Meeting of the Minds* conference is to be held in Green Bay, Wisconsin, September 18-21.

This year's event will be incredible! We have many new workshops planned, including "How to Put Together a Federal P.A.C.," "Putting On A State Seminar," and "Working With Your D.O.T."

For the benefit of those of you who are new to motorcyclists' rights, and even those who have been around awhile, we are going to open the conference with a session entitled, "History of Motorcyclists' Rights and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation."

This should be a dynamic session full of history, antidotes, and even hard lessons learned. But what a way to start off the conference - with a reminder of where we've been and why we are here!

The full agenda for the *Meeting of the Minds* is available on our website at www.mrf.org. You can also go to the *M.R.F.* website to register or you can call the D.C. office at (202)-546-0983.

The conference will take place at the *Regency Suites Hotel* in Green Bay. The number for reservations is (920)-432-4555.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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

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Senator Campbell Revs Up Attention To Small Motorcycle Businesses

In a June 19 letter to the *Environmental Protection Agency*, U.S. senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-CO) urged the *E.P.A.* to modify their proposed rule to tighten emission requirements for highway motorcycles by including a flexible implementation schedule.

"The flexible implementation schedule would ideally allow smaller motorcycle manufacturers more time to adjust to the rule in order to help them comply with the requirements, without going out of business," said Campbell. "Clean air should remain a national priority, yet we must be mindful of the unintended consequences that new rules can have on our small businesses."

Currently, six manufacturers (*Honda*, *Harley-Davidson*, *Yamaha*, *Kawasaki*, *Suzuki* and *B.M.W.*) account for 95% of the U.S. motorcycle sales. Given their significant market presence and economies of scale, these companies are well positioned to incorporate new rules requiring production modifications, Campbell told the *E.P.A.* However, manufacturers of the remaining five percent of the motorcycle market are far less likely to meet more stringent requirements without significant and disproportionate market impacts.

The *E.P.A.* intends to implement California-style emissions cut-backs in a two-phase plan beginning in 2006, resulting in an 80% reduction in motorcycle tailpipe emissions by 2010.

Stricter new limits will be established for hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides emitted by the engines, requiring motorcycle manufacturers to reduce emissions from a currently allowable 5 grams of Hydrocarbons per kilometer to 1.4 grams/km by 2006 and .8 grams by

2010. Nitrogen oxides, which are unregulated at this time, must also be reduced to 1.4 grams/km in 2006 and .8 grams/km by 2010.

It is widely speculated that new motorcycles will be required to use fuel injection on the intake and catalytic converters on the exhaust in order to comply with the tough new federal regulations, as well as altering cam timing and making other engine modifications, including liquid cooling.

As the federal *E.P.A.* prepares to release their final rule, it's nice to know that we have friends in high places. Senator Campbell is a long time motorcycle enthusiast and is a member of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists Legislative Task Force (N.C.O.M.-L.T.F.)*.

Riding The Campaign Trail

While senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell may be the most visible motorcycling legislator, other politicians are climbing aboard.

During a recent meeting of western governors in Missoula, Montana, the star of the show was Idaho governor Dirk Kempthorne, the former U.S. senator who could eventually be the president's pick to head the *Environmental Protection Agency*. Kempthorne is a polished politician, but here he was in a rumpled suit and unkempt hair. What was going on? All was revealed when Kempthorne took the podium and told the audience that he had ridden his *Harley-Davidson* up from Boise. Kempthorne apologized for his ruffled suit, explaining that his saddlebags didn't afford much room. The republican even told how he'd pulled over to hear the birds chirp along the river.

The image was Marlon Brando meets Marlin Perkins.

Montana senator Max Baucus had a meeting in Glacier National Park to discuss the deteriorating condition of its Going-to-the-Sun Road. Baucus seemed to present the image that he was zooming to the rescue, federal checkbook in hand. Why? He arrived - you guessed it - revving the throttle of his *Harley-Davidson* motorcycle. And, yes, the democrat did tip off the local TV stations before he rode into town.

Times have certainly changed since California's senator George Murphy once called bikers "the lowest form of animal".

But Ben Long, a contributor to *Writers on the Range*, is apparently still stuck in the past. "Sure, senators want to look like regular guys, even though most of them are millionaires who wouldn't know a carburetor from a camshaft. Politicians make laws. Rebels break laws. Politicians and *Harleys* go together like thermal long johns on an August day in the Mojave. We know the mundane truth: Politicians spend their days behind desks, not behind handlebars."

Buyou Politics

"We are just going to have to get inside people's lives and change their behavior," said former legislative auditor Dan Kyle in officially announcing his candidacy for state insurance commissioner on August 14, adding that Louisianians need to change their behavior to reduce insurance costs.

That includes banning all open containers of alcoholic beverage from vehicles, requiring all passengers to wear seat belts and require motorcycle riders

to wear helmets.

While he differs with governor Mike Foster over helmets, Kyle passed the litmus test for Foster's support: He will decline all contributions from people in the insurance industry.

Kyle dropped out of the governor's race because he couldn't raise enough money to run, but told the *Lafayette Daily Advertiser* that "people in the business community" have agreed to finance his race for insurance commissioner in an effort to hold down insurance costs.

Kyle said rates are based on costs and he has many ideas of how to reduce costs, including stronger D.W.I. laws to lower the number of deaths from drunk driving.

The Governator

On August 7, actor and bodybuilder Arnold Schwarzenegger announced on the set of the *Tonight Show with Jay Leno* that he was running for governor of California in the wake of a recall election aimed to unseat governor Gray Davis.

Who can forget his thrilling ride on a *Fat Boy* in *Terminator 2*, which led to the *T2:3D* mega attraction at *Universal Studios*? The former *Mr. Universe* continues to be an avid motorcyclist and can frequently be found mixing with other riders at the *Rock Store* in the Santa Monica Mountains of southern California.

Schwarzenegger has had past forays into the political arena. Two *Indian Chief* motorcycles used in making *T3* were auctioned off to help fund California's Proposition 49 to increase state grants for before and after-school programs, which was sponsored by Schwarzenegger, and he also served as chairman of the *President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports* under president George Bush.

Could the *Presinator* be his next sequel? Unlike the rise of Ronald Reagan from Hollywood actor to governor of California, to president of the United States, Arnold doesn't meet the qualifications because he is not a natural

born citizen.

A.C.L.U. Defends Dykes On Bikes Parade

A group of lesbians trying to hold Orange County's second *Dyke March* say city leaders here have come up with a set of rules so onerous that they are trying to march them right out of town.

City officials told the *Orange County Register* that they have no problem with lesbians parading on their streets. But they say the *Dyke March*, led by *Dykes on Bikes*, will have to follow the permit process like any other group. This year's permit was granted by the city with 21 conditions, including restricting the number of motorcycles to 10 and requiring that all bikers attend safety training before the parade and provide their driver's licenses and proof of insurance. If police witness traffic violations, tickets could be mailed to the bikers.

"The conditions were clearly designated to make the process so complicated and so intimidating that we would just give up and go away. Well, we're not going away," said march organizer Lori Hutson.

The *American Civil Liberties Union* filed a lawsuit on behalf of the *Dyke March* in which they claim Costa Mesa is discouraging the group from holding what would be its second annual event on August 16 through its restrictions on motorcyclists, a requirement that organizers arrange for a \$1 million liability insurance policy, and that they put up a deposit of more than \$3,000 to pay for police.

The lawsuit filed in federal court in Santa Ana asks for a temporary restraining order to keep the city from imposing the restrictions, and contends that Costa Mesa's permit process is unconstitutional because it lets the city arbitrarily impose conditions that demonstrators must meet to receive a permit.

The *A.C.L.U.* said it has won fights against similar restrictions on gathering permits in Long Beach, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Santa Monica.

9-11

Everyone has seen the photo of three New York City firefighters raising the American flag over the rubble of the twin towers at ground zero on 11 September 2001, but did you know that one of those brave public servants is a biker? That's correct, the fireman pictured on the right is Billy Eisengrin and he is a full patch wearing member of the *Islanders Motorcycle Club* in Staten Island.

"Yes, Billy is the firefighter on the right side of the photo," said Mike "OilCan" Spano, webmaster for the *Islanders Motorcycle Club* (www.islandersmc.com). "He's a member of the *Islanders Motorcycle Club*, he's also a great guy and a good friend."

He's also a hero, one of many that day.

Quotable Quotes

"The truth is incontrovertible. Malice may attack it. Ignorance may deride it. But in the end, there it is."

Sir Winston Churchill
(1874 - 1965)
British Statesman

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BikePAC Report

Just Say "No" To The U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act

Dear endorsers and supporters of bill of rights defense committees,

Oregon has not passed a resolution defending our liberties *yet*. But *with your help, we will have a resolution in oregon in a few weeks.*

This will take a small commitment of your time, but it is worth it!

Oregon could well become the fourth state in the nation to take a stand against the U.P.A. (U.S.A.P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act) and other post 9/11 violations of our liberties.

We have begun contacting legislators in Salem, and we will be meeting with state senators and state representatives at their offices in Salem starting . . . Monday, July 28.

Already a few legislators have expressed excitement about the resolution, despite the consuming budget battle in Salem.

We think this may be due in part to recent setbacks that John Ashcroft's justice department has suffered:

1. The inspector general's report of physical and psychological abuse of many Muslim detainees after 9/11.

2.. The passage of an amendment in the house of representatives that would prevent funding for one of the most egregious parts of the U.P.A., the so-called "sneak and peek" searches by the F.B.I. (searches of private residences and businesses without a warrant showing probable cause of criminal activity, and delaying notification of the search perhaps indefinitely).

The house of representatives' amendment, introduced by republican Butch Otter of Idaho, passed on Wednesday, July 23 by a vote of 309-118, and is the *first time since September 11* that any part of the draconian restrictions of the U.P.A. have been repudiated by congress.

This is the first crack in the John Ashcroft juggernaut.

We know there is broad support for action against some parts of the U.P.A. right now.

And here in Oregon, we suspect politicians may well be looking for some way to publicly distance themselves from John Ashcroft, who made himself an unpopular figure among Oregonians by ignoring *Death With Dignity*, passed by the people of Oregon.

Put all this together and it could spell a *big win* for all of us who care about our Bill of Rights.

This is where we need help.

Please contact your legislators in salem now, and tell them you support the resolution to oppose the so-called "U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act."

We have a tremendous window of opportunity now that we must take advantage of, because the legislature is nearing the end of its session, and is not in session next year (the Oregon legislature only convenes every other year). If we are unable to grasp this opportunity now, we will be forced to

conduct a ballot initiative campaign, gathering signatures well into next year, and attempt to win at the ballot box in November 2004, a very costly and time consuming process.

Supportive legislators have told us we can pull this off, if we push hard in the next few weeks before the end of the session.

So we need your *help now* to deluge the legislature with *phone calls and e-mails* to support the resolution against the so-called "U.S.A. P.A.T.R.I.O.T. Act."

In addition, if you want to set up a personal appointment to talk to your legislator in person in Salem, we will send our experienced committee members with you to help make the case for the resolution.

Just let us know when and we'll be there.

If you need contact information for your legislators, go to:

[www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/
findset.htm](http://www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/findset.htm)

We need your help over the next two or more weeks.

We want to make Oregon the 4th state, after Hawaii, Alaska, and Vermont, to condemn the U.P.A. and take a firm stand to defend our constitutional liberties.

We have carefully drafted the resolution to include our primary concerns about the U.P.A., and

modeled it after the successful resolutions in those other three states.

You can read the full text of the resolution at:

www.lanerights.org/stateresolution.htm

Thank you for your help towards making Oregon the fourth state to take a stand against the U.P.A., and building nationwide momentum toward *repealing the U.P.A.*!

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Coos River Run

01-03 August 2003

(photos from Charlie Hill, South Coast Chapter)



A panoramic view of the Coos River Run site.



Happy campers cruise through the run site.



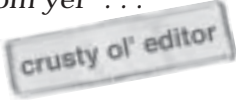
Volunteers herd rubber ducks into the starting pen prior to the race. (And they thought herding cats was hard.)



*And they're off!
Despite a quack up on the first turn, the race went well.*

Question: Why does a duck walk so softly?
Answer: Because it can't walk hardly.
(Sorry about that. It's one Rat Path's motorcycling father used to inflict on us.)

From yer . . .



Becoming The Message

c.o.e. -- 20



by
Rot Path
(c.o.e.)

"Sorry about dragging you into that. When that reporter began asking me questions, I just couldn't answer them all."

"I'm glad you were aware enough to get me. It's usually more harmful to attempt to answer when you have insufficient information."

"Yeah ... well. I wonder if I'll ever learn all there is to know about motorcycling issues."

"Probably not."

"Oh great."

"What I mean is that you don't have to know absolutely *everything* about an issue in order to answer questions. You need to know enough to be able to work out the answers yourself. You become the message."

"Eh? Become the . . . What does *that* mean?"

"When someone new to motorcycling joins our organization, they begin to learn about our history and issues from listening to what goes on in meetings and bull sessions. Isn't that correct?"

"Yeah, that's sure the way it's been for me."

"So if someone asks you about something that you've heard here once or twice, can you answer their question?"

"Probably. I least I hope so."

"What would you do if someone asks a question about something you haven't heard about?"

"I ... uh ... don't know. Guess I'd have to ask someone else or maybe make something up."

"Hopefully you would find someone who had enough knowledge to answer the question rather than making up answers. Made up answer are usually speculative and almost always wrong. And they create misinformation and confusion within the organization."

"Boy, that's true. I remember once we

were told that . . . "

"Excuse me?"

"Oops, sorry. Go ahead."

"If someone has been in our organization and has been attending meetings for several months, would they be able to answer questions outside their experience?"

"Hmmm ... I'd say they could probably answer quite a few. More than I could at this point."

Later this month our plunge towards darkness reaches equilibrium. Let us appreciate the light and warmth we have.

"True. They would have sufficient information to try to deal with questions. Would their answers always agree with more experienced members of the group?"

"Gee, I don't know. I don't suppose they wouldn't *always* agree."

"Very true. They have a strong sense of what we're about, but they don't understand it in enough detail to generate their own answers."

"I see. So the longer someone is in, the more questions they can answer? That would be another ten years for me."

"It's not the length of exposure but the intensity of involvement that affects a person's ability to absorb information."

"Oh."

"If someone has been attending our meetings, participating in discussions, and witnessing legislative activities, will they be able to answer questions about our group with conviction?"

"I should think so."

"I quite agree with you. They may not have a deep understanding or be comfortably assured in their answers, but

they could give the information that's needed."

"Okay. So, that sounds like what I should be aiming for."

"Not quite."

"What more is there? If you know the answers, isn't that enough?"

"No. You need to *become* the message to be effective."

"What? Become the ... "

"... message. Yes."

"What does *that* mean?"

"It means that you must have a clear, strong image of our vision. Only with that vision and experience will you be able to answer questions that go beyond what you've heard and learned from the rest of us."

A thoughtful pause.

"*That's* what I'm going to do. I'm going to become the message about motorcycling issues."

— Rot Path

16 August 2003

(based on *The Story Of B*, pp71-72)

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The most significant problem from sitting around naked all weekend once a month producing this newsletter is "terrycloth butt". (Conscientious naturists always sit on towels.) I suppose it's an occupational hazard. -- Rot Path

2003 RUN LISTINGS

(Boldface indicates state sanctioned A.B.A.T.E. events)

Date:	Event:	Location:	Contact number:
07 September	Washington A.B.A.T.E. Swap Meet	Monroe, WA.	(253)-536-3565
07 September	Liverpalooza 3 Ride -- KUPL	Portland	http://www.kupl.com/sales/liverpalooza.htm
19-21 September	End of Summer Run Washington County	Birkenfeld	(503)-648-1877
20 September	Baker's Memorial Food Drive-South Coast	North Bend	(541)-269-2934
21 September	Horny Wolf Off Road Run		(503)-656-5801
27 September	All A.B.A.T.E. Portland chapters' <i>Picnic</i>	Troutdale	(503)-760-9015
27 September	Lime Ride-Salem Chapter	Hubbard	(503)-873-2492
04 October	Teddy Bear Poker Run - Central Oregon	(541)-382-6146	
11 October	Casino Night-Willamette Valley chapter	Eugene	(541)-688-4268
17 October	Biker Night-Salem Chapter	Stayton	(503)-873-2492
18-19 October	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Planning Session	Cottage Grove	(541)-679-3775.
26 October	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Swap Meet	Roseburg	(503)-285-4329
02 November	A.M.A. Run Sanctioning Meeting at Noon		
15 November	Washington County Chapter <i>Toy Run</i>	Hillsboro	(503)-648-1877
16 November	A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon Swap Meet	Portland	(503)-285-4329
06 December	Portland Chapter's Shriners' <i>Toy Run</i>	Portland	(503)-771-0188
13 December	North Coast <i>Toy Run</i>	Astoria	
14 December	Salem <i>Toy Run</i>	Salem	(503)-371-7550

Let's see . . . in June there was the *Southwest Portland Volar Run*, Rot Path was working on the newsletter that weekend. In June there wasn't anything scheduled for the weekend Rot Path was working on the newsletter, so he didn't miss anything except the sunshine. In August there was *Summer Run* and Rot Path was working on the newsletter that weekend. In September there is *End Of Summer Run*. Guess what Rot Path will be doing that weekend. (Sometimes 'er crussy' editor feels a bit like Cinderella!)



A..B.A.T.E. of Oregon Meetings and Events . . .

September 2003

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day weekend	2 Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	3 Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm)	4	5	6
7 Douglas County 1230 (12:30 pm) ----- Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- Southern Oregon 1100 (11:00 am)	8	9 Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)	10	11	12	13 STATE BOARD MEETING Junction City 1200 (12:00 pm)
14 Central Oregon 1400 (2:00 pm) ----- Columbia River 1230 (12:30 pm)	15	16 Lincoln County 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- River City 1900 (7:00 pm)	17 Northeast Portland 1930 (7:30 pm) ----- Willamette Valley 1900 (7:00 pm)	18 Hub City 1900 (7:00 pm)	19 End Of Summer Run North Coast, WaCo	20 End Of Summer Run North Coast, WaCo Food Drive South Coast
21 End Of Summer Run North Coast, WaCo Southeast Portland 1200 (12:00 pm) ----- South Coast 1100 (11:00 am)	22	23 Salem 1900 (7:00 pm) ----- Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm) <i>fall equinox</i>	24	25 North Coast 1900 (7:00 pm)	26	27 Lime Ride Salem All A.B.A.T.E. Picnic Portland chapters
28	29	30				

How do you find bands that play the music you want to hear at your runs? One way is to go to music festivals. Got a good one at Squaw Mountain Ranch southeast of Estacada every summer. Too bad it was last month. (Oh yeah, and it's clothing optional. Ride free, groove free!)
 -- Rot Path

ABATE of Washington

Fall 2003

Swap Meet

Motorcycles
 Parts
 Accessories
 Leathers
 Fashions



Collectibles
 Services
 Potions
 Notions
 Whatever

Sunday Sept. 7, 2003

🕒 9 am – 3pm 🕒



Evergreen State Fairgrounds

Monroe, WA
(Hwy. 2 & Hwy. 522)

Info & Vendors: 253-536-3565
 State Office: 253-475-4944 P O Box 8369
 Tacoma, WA 98418
 email: swapmeet@abate-wa.org

Admission:	Members	\$3
	Non-members	\$5

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Eugene, Oregon

Motorcycle

Swap Meet

Sunday

September 21st, 2003

9:00am – 4:00pm

Lane County Fairgrounds

Exit 194B off I-5

Admission \$5

Children under 12 free

FREE PARKING

Information:

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Email : collectorswest@aol.com

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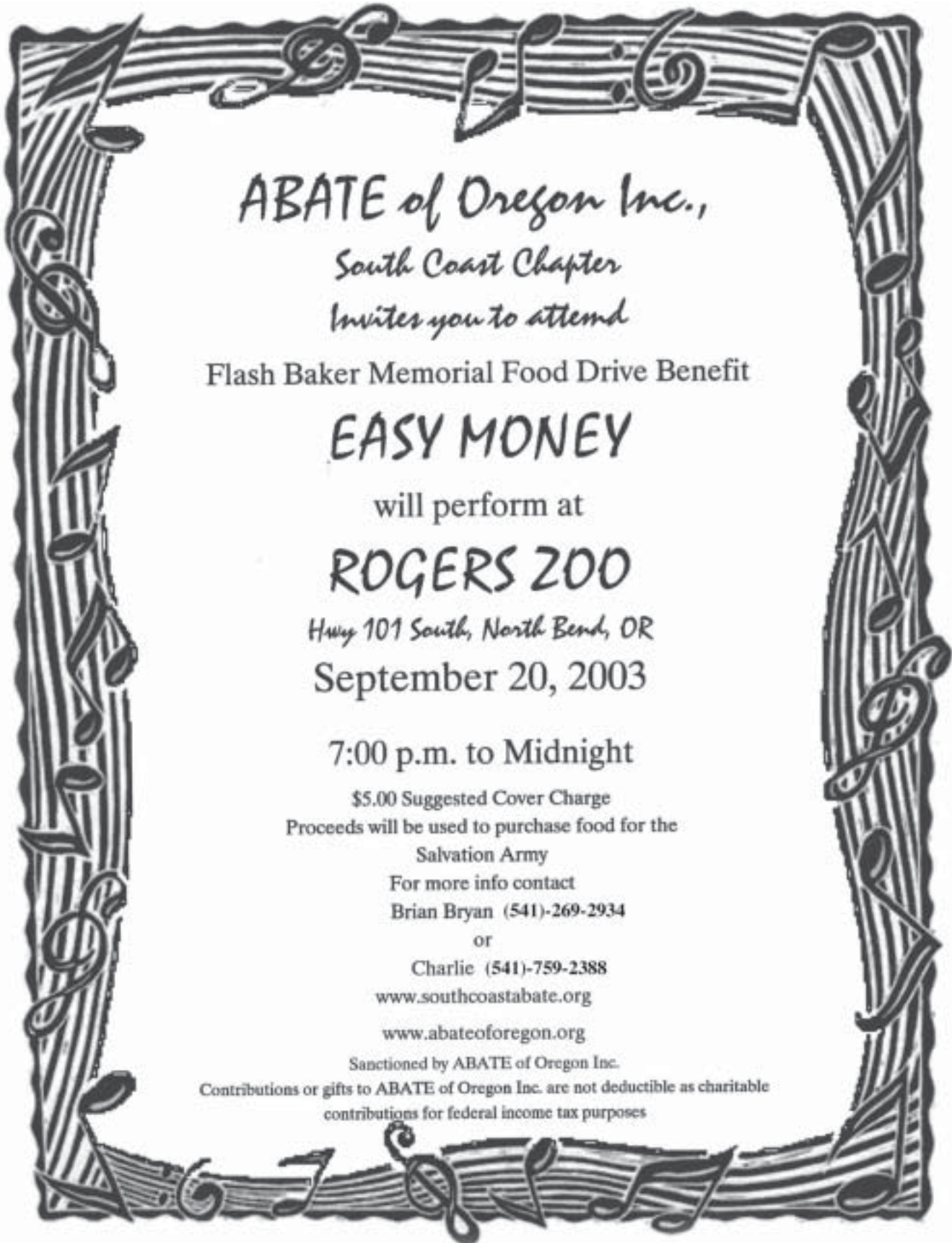
We'll see you in Birkenfeld

www.endofsummerrun.com

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>>MAP ON BACK<<



ABATE of Oregon Inc.,

South Coast Chapter

Invites you to attend

Flash Baker Memorial Food Drive Benefit

EASY MONEY

will perform at

ROGERS ZOO

Hwy 101 South, North Bend, OR

September 20, 2003

7:00 p.m. to Midnight

\$5.00 Suggested Cover Charge

Proceeds will be used to purchase food for the
Salvation Army

For more info contact

Brian Bryan (541)-269-2934

or

Charlie (541)-759-2388

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STARTS: Mid Valley Cycles - 2614 Hwy. 99 E. - Hubbard

10:00 am. - 11:00 am.

\$ 5.00 EACH

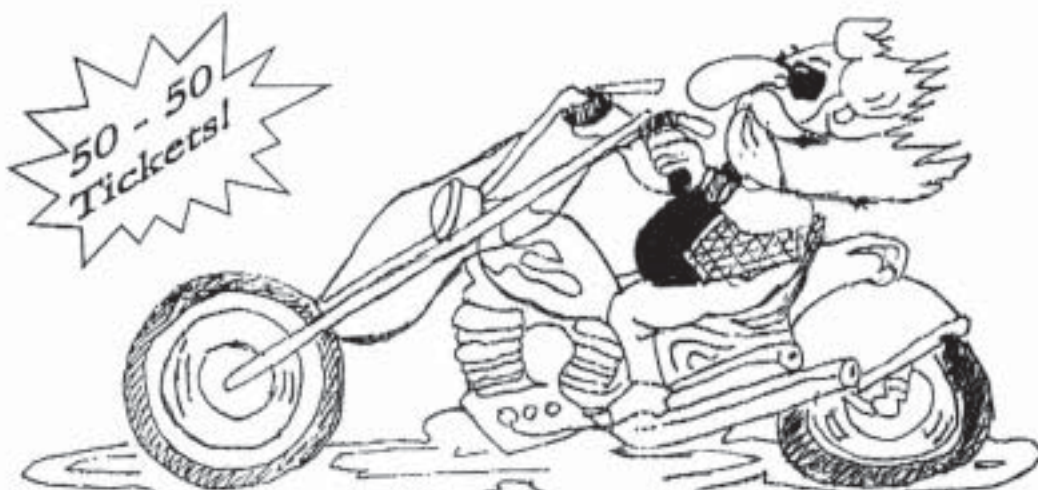
ENDS: Horseshoe Tavern - 27534 S. Hwy. 211 - Mullino

BAND STARTS AT 3:00 pm

TROPHY for PEOPLE's CHOICE

50/50

GAMES



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**A
FAMILY PICNIC**

Feel Free to Invite your family and friends

Place: Hagar's at Viking Park; 29311 SE Stark, Troutdale, OR

Date: September 27, 2003 (SATURDAY)

Time: Start at 10:00 am and we'll go till ??

This is a Family Function!! We'll have Kid's Games, Bingo, Volleyball, Cribbage Tournament, Fishing (furnish your own License, tackle and bait), Swimming (with supervision), a Play Ground, and Camping (tents only).

The Chapter's will furnish, Our Famous Burger's, Hot Dog's, Ficing's, Pop and Ice Cream. Everything else is Pot Luck so bring your family favorites.

Directions to site

I- 84 East, take exit 18, turn left onto Columbia River Scenic Hwy, to Stark St., on right across bridge. Or for those of you who might want a longer ride: I-84 East, to Corbett exit, right on Columbia River Scenic highway to Stark St., cross bridge.

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**Central Oregon ABATE
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October 4, 2003**

Group ride beginning at the Blackhorse Saloon

**Time: Gathering at 9:00 a.m.
Ride begins at 10:00 a.m.**

**The Teddy Bears will be delivered to all Central Oregon area
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CONTACTS: JOHN and JACKIE BAUMAN 541-382-6146

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A.B.A.T.E. OF OREGON, INC.
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9pm**



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BIKER NIGHT

Friday Oct. 17th

Poor John's Bottle Factory
1883 W. Ida (at Wilco Road)
Stayton, Oregon
7:00 p.m.



Live band begins at 9:00 p.m.

Donation at door: \$2 per Person or \$3 per Couple

Bring a TOY & Can of FOOD

Raffle for Door Prizes: \$1 each or 6/\$5

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For Information call:
Michelle (503) 371-7550
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Raffle proceeds, food, & toys benefit local community!

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Annual

Planning Session

Saturday, October 18th

9 AM to 6 PM

Spend the day or the weekend.

Camping available Friday and Saturday nights.

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3160 Hillside Drive, Cottage Grove OR

A Saturday morning snack and lunch will be provided.

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Motorcycle Swap Meet

An Indoor/Outdoor Event

111 NW General Avenue, Roseburg, Oregon

at the National Guard Armory (map on back)

Sunday, October 26, 2002

Gates open to the public at 9 AM

Admission:

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

*Langlitz Leathers Gift Certificate Door Prize
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Swap Meet parking available on site
Bike parking in front of building

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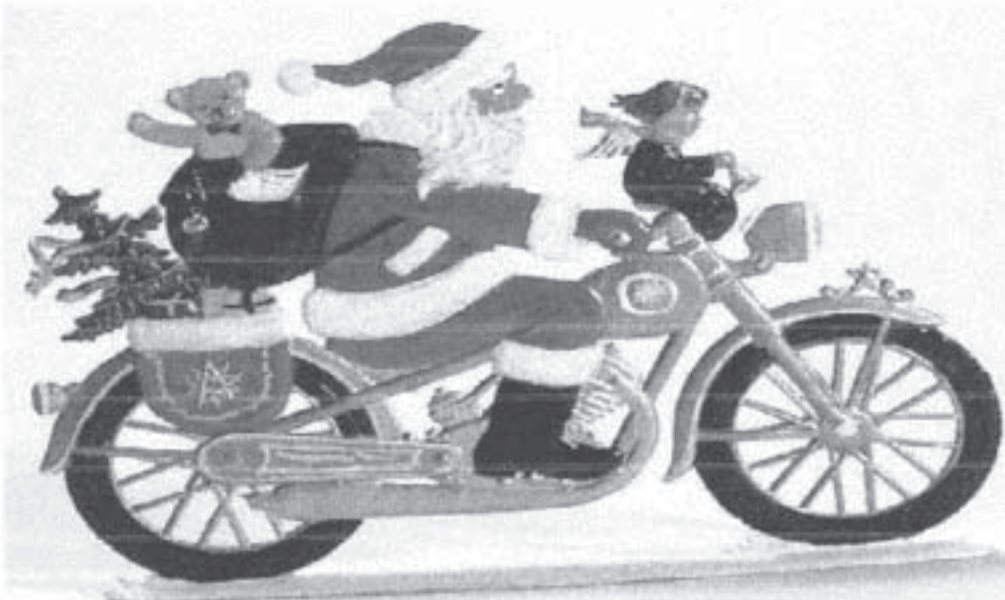
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TOY RUN



November 15th, 2003

Bring a new, unwrapped toy or stuffed animal to Washington County's Annual Toy Run! This run is one of the largest donations to the Toy & Joy Program here in Washington County. Not only do you get to participate in a Police and Fire Company escorted parade through Hillsboro on your scooter but also you get the joy of knowing you helped a child or family in need!



Starting Point:

Stocker's House of Power
214 SW Walnut St.
Hillsboro, OR

Departing at 12 Noon

Arrive early for Hot Coffee and Refreshments provided by the Christian Motorcycle Association



Ending Point:

Hillsboro Fire Station
205 SE 2nd St.
Hillsboro, OR

Arrive with toys and money for donation Meeting at the Copperstone afterwards for raffle and door prizes.
Copperstone: 264 E Main St

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An Indoor/Outdoor Event

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at the Armory (map on back)

Sunday, November 16, 2003

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A Letter From *Fossil* E.M T.s

Dear Roger, Kat, and Wendy,

I wanted to get a thank you off as soon as I could [*c.o.e. misplaced it.*] to let you know how much the *Fossil Volunteer Ambulance* crew appreciates your donation.

Roger, I know you felt the donation was low this year, but you have to realize, \$600 to us is a *lot* of money! Do you know how many bake sales we would have to have to make \$600?

We have big plans to further our E.M.T education and upgrade ourselves to intermediates this fall. We have finally found an instructor who will come here and give the class. We will be able to provide *A..B.A. T.E.* with better, more skilled care next year. (If we all pass.)

Your continued support makes it possible for us to pay for things like continuing education, supplies, and equipment. We want to thank you for coming again this year and for thinking of us.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Carol MacInnes
Fossil Volunteer Ambulance

P.S. I love my *A.B.A. T.E.* shirt with the picture of Roger on it!

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Home At Last



Well everyone I'm back home now and just wanted to let you all know.

Thanks for all your support throughout this. Your letters/packages/e-mails meant a lot. I hope to hear from you all soon so you can let me know what's been going on.

Thanks again,

Greg

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13 August 2003
Cusco, Peru

Evening all,

Simon Milward e-mails from the ancient Inca capitol city of Cusco in southwest Peru. Here the director general of health for Cusco region, Dr Wilbert Holgado Excalante, asks *Motorcycle Outreach* to assist with introduction of a maintenance system for their fleet of 100 existing motorcycles. They are used to reach out to rural communities with basic health services for children and mothers. The health chief also underlines the importance of the system for a brand new fleet financed by the *World Bank*, starting with five motorcycles next week with more to come at regular intervals.

"We catch the *World Bank* red handed! Acting as though vehicles run themselves with no provision for maintenance nor training undermines sustainability in a big way. Through vehicle management techniques developed in Africa we can supply 400% increased cost effectiveness," declared Milward. Yesterday's letter from Dr Holgado will be on his web site soon.

In this update Milward updates sponsors on his trip through Peru, the 40th country on his world tour by handmade motorcycle. He has now been on the road three and a half years.

You'll have to excuse the delay since the last update. It seems like an age ago, but it was only northern Peru. I leisurely rode down the Pacific coast, stopping at a few beaches here and there, making the most of the warm sea before it turns cold due to the current coming up from the south. I saw the world's biggest mud ruins at Chan Chan on the coast and met Michal from Poland going round the world on his *Yamaha* cruiser with trailer.

A nice diversion was an off road track up to the Andean mountain town of Huaraz, looping back to pick up the *Pan Americana* again a few hundred km north of Lima. That's when I picked up two speeding tickets within 10 minutes.

Ridiculous.

The police on this stretch are notorious.

The last speeding ticket was Costa Rica, and before that was way back in Turkey over three years ago! Thanks to all the police in between!

Right now I'm in Cusco, the impressive Inca capitol, about 3,500m up in the Andes. These people are lovely. They have a special look in their eye when you meet them out in the country with their llamas and cheeks so rosy they look blotched. The clothing of their women is brightly coloured and their artesian products have the most intricate detail I've seen. Of course here in Cusco, with its proximity to Macchu Picchu (where I'm off to later today) there are hundreds of thousands of tourists annually with wads of cash to spend.



Simon Milward

But you can still eat well in a basic restaurant for a dollar. I found the first biker's bar since I can remember, *Norton Rats Tavern*, run by Jeff, right on the main plaza.

Yet again spending even a small amount of time with these Latin American Indians I am left thinking about the corruption in these countries. I have real love for these people because they talk plainly and simply. They are fed up with being ripped off. It has been the same story for nearly 500 years. I met the secretary of the association of vicuña wool producers. The fur is next to silk in price and total production in Peru is sold to Italy for luxury suits. Vicuñas are in the camel family like llamas. It was thanks to the international community that they were saved from extinction. The association is fighting in the courts against privatization so that the indigenous communities can use the profits to improve their lives. There was a demo here in the Plaza de Armas the other day by army reservists complaining like heck about rampant corruption and government policy to destroy by chemical the coca crops. Coca is a part of the religion, it is a medicine, keeps out the cold, gives endurance and is a part of the culture in many other ways. They chew it and make nice tea with it, which numbs the mouth a little. They say that if the west buys the refined product it is their problem. It made me think of the

motor car, essentially an import to the Inca culture, which itself does enough to wreck society, bringing pollution and making the famous earthquake-proof Inca building foundations crack open. The Incas don't even get a choice about stuffing the pollution up their noses.

I am enjoying Peru anyway. I saw the famous Nasca Lines, up to 1,500 years old parallel and geometrical lines carved into the rocky desert. There are figures such as a dog and a bird with a 100m wingspan. The lines were perhaps for calendar use, or running competitions, and the pictures were simply art. Ancient local Indian paintings show that they were air balloonists: the lines and figures are best seen from the air.

I spent a lovely few days at the desert oasis of Huacachina. Towering sand dunes surround a fresh water (though slightly sulphuric) lake protected by palm trees. Sand surfing was great fun. You strap your feet to a 75cm long board and hurtle down enormous dunes in a few seconds, which took you half an hour to climb! At least I can now surf. Sand came out of various bodily orifices for several days! Yvette, a cute Peruanan from Lima, was lovely company for a few days.

A week I spent in majestic Lima, the Spanish colonial capitol of all of South America, waiting on the health ministry. Thanks to *Hotel Espana* for their support.

I have been unable to engage the bikers in any meaningful discussion. Bikes are banned from the Via Expressa in Lima, the only safe way to cross the city. This is straight discrimination, just like the Philippines. Only there the bikers

were prepared to move their arses and demand fairness.

It has been nice to ride up and down the Andes. I saw the world's highest sand dune at about 2,000m. I also had another incident with a two foot deep concrete drainage ditch, this time riding right into it on the exit of a curve. I could hardly believe it, spectacularly sliding my spine along the concrete edge. The bike was hardly scratched, a crack in the front fender basically, after coming to rest upside down in the ditch on top of me. It has been a painful week and the bruises are only now starting to come out. I didn't like the look of those ditches the first time I saw them in Ecuador. Half an hour later down the road I came across a religious procession of Incas. The whole village of Vado was out giving thanks to the god of water, and they danced around my motorcycle. It was a happy occasion.

Yesterday I fitted a nobbly tyre, a gift from Ray back in Ecuador, my favorite one, the *Metzeler MCE Karoo*, half worn though. Just for the record I have been very pleased with the Ecuadorean *Maxxis* nobbly rear tyre. I am seriously considering riding into Bolivia via the jungle back door. You see I haven't yet ridden into the Amazon jungle, and if I don't do it now I'll miss it, and it is dry season. It seems that there are sufficient tracks north from Puerto Maldonado in the southeast Peruvian region of Madre de Dios, clipping the southwest of Brazil to the east. Then go south to Bolivia. I'm looking forward to it. As long as the coca growers don't think I'm from the U.S. *Drug Enforcement Agency* I should be okay.

Ricardo Rocco (www.andesmototours.com) has canceled his Alaska

trip to forward the aims of *Motorcycle Outreach* whilst he is in the U.S. for a few months. Ricardo is an important and special member of our global team. What with Wili in Asia and Ricardo in Latin America, and you who are helping in many ways, we are doing something very special. We are looking for some motivated, capable and responsible individuals in the U.S.A. to join our team on a voluntary basis. If you think you can help, or could host Ricardo's presentation (similar to mine but a different part of the world), please get in touch with him at aroundforpeace@yahoo.com. He will be in the U.S. until the autumn.

So, that is all for now.
Simon

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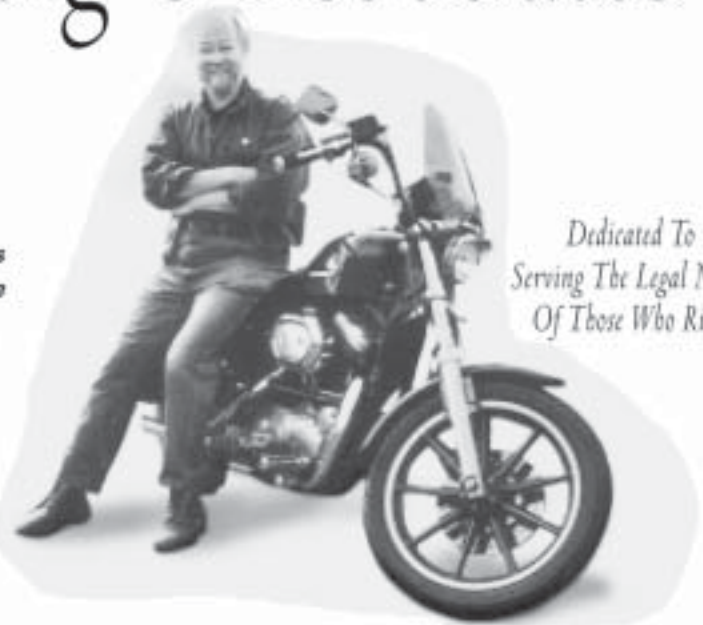
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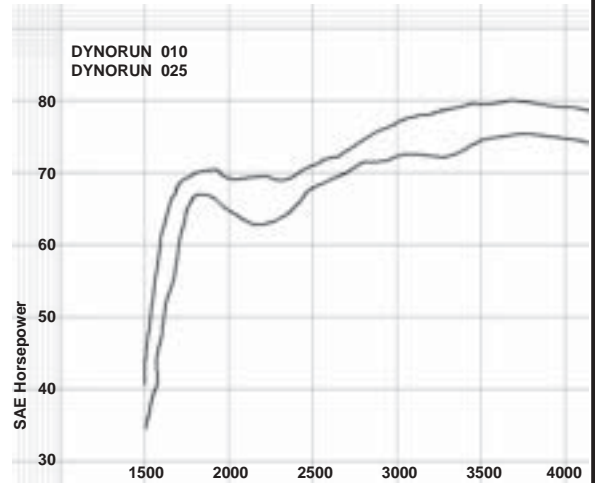


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_____	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red	3.00	_____
_____	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red	3.00	_____
_____	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black	3.00	_____
_____	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/gold	3.00	_____
_____	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold	3.00	_____
_____	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blue	4.00	_____
_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIS	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold	5.00	_____
_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin	5.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color	5.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold	5.00	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color	3.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin	5.00	_____
_____	ACWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing- 5 color on white	5.00	_____
_____	ATM	Thermal mug hot/cold	7.00	_____
_____	A#1ER	Earrings (post or hoops)	6.00	_____
_____		Bandanas	6.00	_____



YEAR PIN



New!
Long-sleeved black shirt with A.B.A. T.E. logo -- \$40



ABATE PINS



MISCELLANEOUS

_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats		_____
_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin	3.00	_____
_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts	15.00	_____
	Sm	_____	Med	_____
	Lg	_____	X-Lg	_____
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts	22.50	_____
	Sm	_____	Med	_____
	Lg	_____	X-Lg	_____

ABATE T-SHIRTS




Chapter Logo setup fee with each order = \$15.00 (One time charge)



NOTE: Assorted Colors.

(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)

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QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL	
_____	AWS-L	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (left side)	3.00	_____	 STICKERS
_____	AWS-R	ABATE Wing Sticker - black/red (right side)	3.00	_____	
_____	AFRS	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Sticker - large, inside, 5 color	5.00	_____	
_____	AMS	ABATE #1 Membership Sticker - large, 5 color	3.00	_____	
_____	HLS	HELMET LAWS SUCK Sticker - small	1.00	_____	
_____	LTWRD	LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Sticker - small	1.00	_____	
_____	ACWS	Warning Sticker: "This Bike Belongs To A Member of ABATE, Don't Mess With It"	2.50	_____	
_____	HLSB	HELMET LAWS SUCK Bumper Stickers	3.00	_____	
_____	LTWRB	LET THOSE WHO RIDE DECIDE Bumper Stickers	3.00	_____	
_____	MIM	UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL Patch	5.00	_____	
_____	ANG	Year Bars (indicate year _____ - 1982 thru 1993 available	1.25	_____	 SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS
_____	CHPT	Chapter Rockers (indicate Chapter _____)	5.00	_____	
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Small _____ 1984-1993 avail. ..	2.00	_____	
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (indicate year _____) Large _____ 1984-1992 avail. ..	2.00	_____	
_____	Courtesy Cards			_____	
_____	License Plate Frames — Cars with			7.00	
_____	"Let Those Who Ride Decide			_____	
_____	License Plate Frames — Motorcycles with			7.00	
_____	"Let Those Who Ride Decide"			_____	
_____	LPSL	Loud Pipes Saves Lives	3.00	_____	
_____	AEP-L	Straight Wing Eagle pin	5.00	_____	
_____	FAP	Free America Patch	5.00	_____	
_____	FAB	Free America Pin	5.00	_____	
_____	EAP	Eagle Pin	5.00	_____	
_____	Chapter Coordinator			5.00	 OFFICER ROCKERS (special order items)
_____	Chapter Vice-Coordinator			5.00	
_____	Chapter Secretary			5.00	
_____	Chapter Membership Secretary			5.00	
_____	Chapter Treasurer			5.00	
_____	Chapter Historian			5.00	
_____	Chapter Legislator			5.00	
_____	Chapter Educational Director			5.00	
_____	Chapter Ways & Means Director			5.00	
_____	Chapter Sergeant-At-Arms			5.00	
_____	Chapter Public Relations Director			5.00	
_____	Chapter State Representative			5.00	
_____	Chapter Rockers- (Need to be ordered by Chapter Ways & Means Director)			_____	

	Sub Total	_____
Shipping & Handling Charges		_____
	Under \$25.00 = \$5.00	
	\$25.01-\$100.00 = \$7.00	
T-shirts (over 1 Doz.) shipping		\$8.00

Thank you for your order ;-)

mail order to: **A.B.A.T.E. PRODUCTS** **TOTAL** _____
att. Products Director PHONE: **(503)-666-8806**
P.O. Box 4504 E-MAIL: **mhobbs256@yahoo.com** Date _____
Portland, Oregon 97208

Prepaid _____
Name _____ Phone Number (_____) - _____
Street Address (for UPS shipping) _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP code _____

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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

PLEASE SEND TO:

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

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

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

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

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

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

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

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

If modified describe: _____

Member's Classified Advertisements

For Sale

1936 *Knucklehead*. Custom tank, lots of extras. **\$8,000**.
Animal (503)-645-1251.

(Sept 2003)

1982 *VW Westfalia* camper.
• 3,500 miles on rebuilt engine
• New rear tires
• 20mpg highway, 17 mpg city
• Full camper pop-top, sleeps up to four people
* 360 degree privacy curtains
* Propane fridge & stove, built-in tank
• Sink with 15 gallon storage.
• Lots of cabinets & storage space
• Runs great, clean. **\$3,500** or best offer. Please call (503)-357-7529.

(Sept 2003)

1979 *Yamaha 650 Special*. Black and chrome. **\$1,750** or best offer. (503)-313-6923 or (503)-667-3312 Jimmy "Bear".

(Oct 2003)

Car tow dolly for foreign cars only. **\$200**.

Portable dishwasher **\$30**.

1965 *Chev 2-1/2* ton truck, 16' dump bed, mechanically sound. **\$3,250**.

1951 *Chevy 2-1/2* ton truck. New motor, new brakes. **\$2,500** or some trade.

Phone (503)-285-4329

Rotten Roger

(Nov 2003)

For Sale

1985 *Ford F700 Ex U-Haul* moving van. 460 V-8 engine, 5-speed stick, 22 foot box with hang over above cab, roll-up rear door, slide-out rear loading ramp. Runs and drives great. Minor shifting fork problem. (You fix, you save.) **\$3,500** or best offer, maybe trade.

1969 *Dodge 3/4* ton pickup. 318 V-8, 4-speed, stick, almost new *Mitchlin* tires, electric brake unit for towing trailer with electric brakes, wired for camper. A little rough but runs and drives great. **\$550** or best offer.

Frank (541)-926-0333 (Albany)

(Nov 2003)

WIN A BRAND NEW SPRINGER!!

For a measly **\$10** you can help the children of the Shriners Hospital and win a Harley-Davidson 100th anniversary *FLSTS/I Heritage Springer*.

Call:(503)-255-5415 Ask for Mike.

or e-mail:
mailmikefriend@aol.com

for tickets.

The drawing for the bike will be December 2003.

Wanted

DANA 70 rear end, 411 ratio.
Call Rotten Roger at (503)-285-4329

(Nov 2003)

Wanted

Wanted

Your ad here.

Reach over 2,000 people each month for free.

(It's one of your perks as an A.B.A.T.E. member.)

September Cryptogram

B U R Y B S K E S U Y S ,

U Z B U H Q H O Z D E C A Y ,

U H Q H O Z P Z S J S E R Q L P Z D .

— E C N S E Q N E C A Z P Z D

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

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

Spies used to send messages using cryptograms because they kept their opponents busy trying to crack the code while the spies went about their skulldruggery.

Now days cryptograms is mostly recreational.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS CRYPTOGRAM -- August --

Even in America, the Indian summer of life should be a little sunny and a little sad, like the season.

-- Henry Brooks Adams

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Position/Name:	Phone #:	E-mail:	FAX #:
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VICE-COORDINATOR SOUTH	(541)-218-4228 (cell)		
Tim Rohde	(541) 479-4451(h)		
VICE-COORDINATOR EAST			
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A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

(Return address on reverse side)

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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: _____

Congressional District: _____ Senator: _____ Representative: _____

Annual Rates:

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

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

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

Please send completed application to:

Membership Secretary
A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PORTLAND, OREGON
PERMIT No. 638

**TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL**

[ADDRESS LABEL HERE]

“Spokes” loves the wine, women, and song,
He did all three ‘till something went wrong,
If he does the first and third,
He can’t be quite so lurid,
The second gets bored and starts to yawn.

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NEXT STATE BOARD MEETING:

Saturday, 13 September 2003 at Noon
7th and Kalmia
Junction City, Oregon

CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Chapter:	Date/Time::	Location:
Central Oregon	2 nd Sunday 1400 (2:00 ^{pm})	<i>Old Redmond Hotel</i> ; Redmond
Columbia River	2 nd Sunday 1230(12:30 ^{pm})	<i>U&I Tavern</i> ; 6910 N. Interstate Ave.; Portland
Douglas County	1 st Sunday 1230 (12:30 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; Roseburg
Hub City	3 rd Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Ciddicci's Pizza</i> ; Albany
Josephine County	1 st Thursday 1800 (6 ^{pm})	<i>Pizza Hut</i> ; 1465 6th; Grants Pass
Lincoln County	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7:00 ^{pm})	<i>American Legion Hall</i> , 424 W. Olive Street, Newport
North Coast	4 th Thursday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Moose Lodge</i> ; 420 17th Street; Astoria
Northeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Wed 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Round Table Pizza</i> ; 4141 NE 122 nd ; Portland
River City	1 st & 3 rd Tues 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>Lone Pine Restaurant</i> ; 335 Lone Pine Dr., The Dalles (I-84 & US-197)
Salem	4 th Tuesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	<i>J.C.'s Pizza</i> -- 4200 River Road N., Keizer
South Coast	3 rd Sunday 1100 (11 ^{am})	<i>Gino's Pizza</i> ; 1324 Virginia Street; North Bend
Southeast Portland	1 st & 3 rd Sun 1200 (noon)	<i>M/M Restaurant & Lounge</i> ; 137 N. Main; Gresham
Southern Oregon	1 st Sunday 1100 (11 ^{am})	<i>Big Daddy's Pizza</i> ; Gold Hill
Washington County	2 nd & 4 th Tues 1930(7:30 ^{pm})	<i>Prime Time Sports Bar</i> ; 4202 Pacific Ave; Forest Grove
Willamette Valley	3 rd Wednesday 1900 (7 ^{pm})	Veteran's Memorial Building 1626 Willamette Street; Eugene