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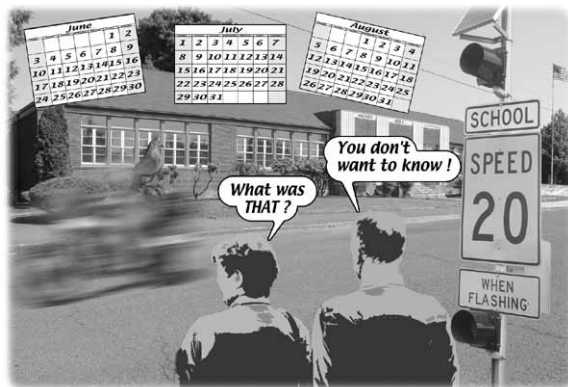
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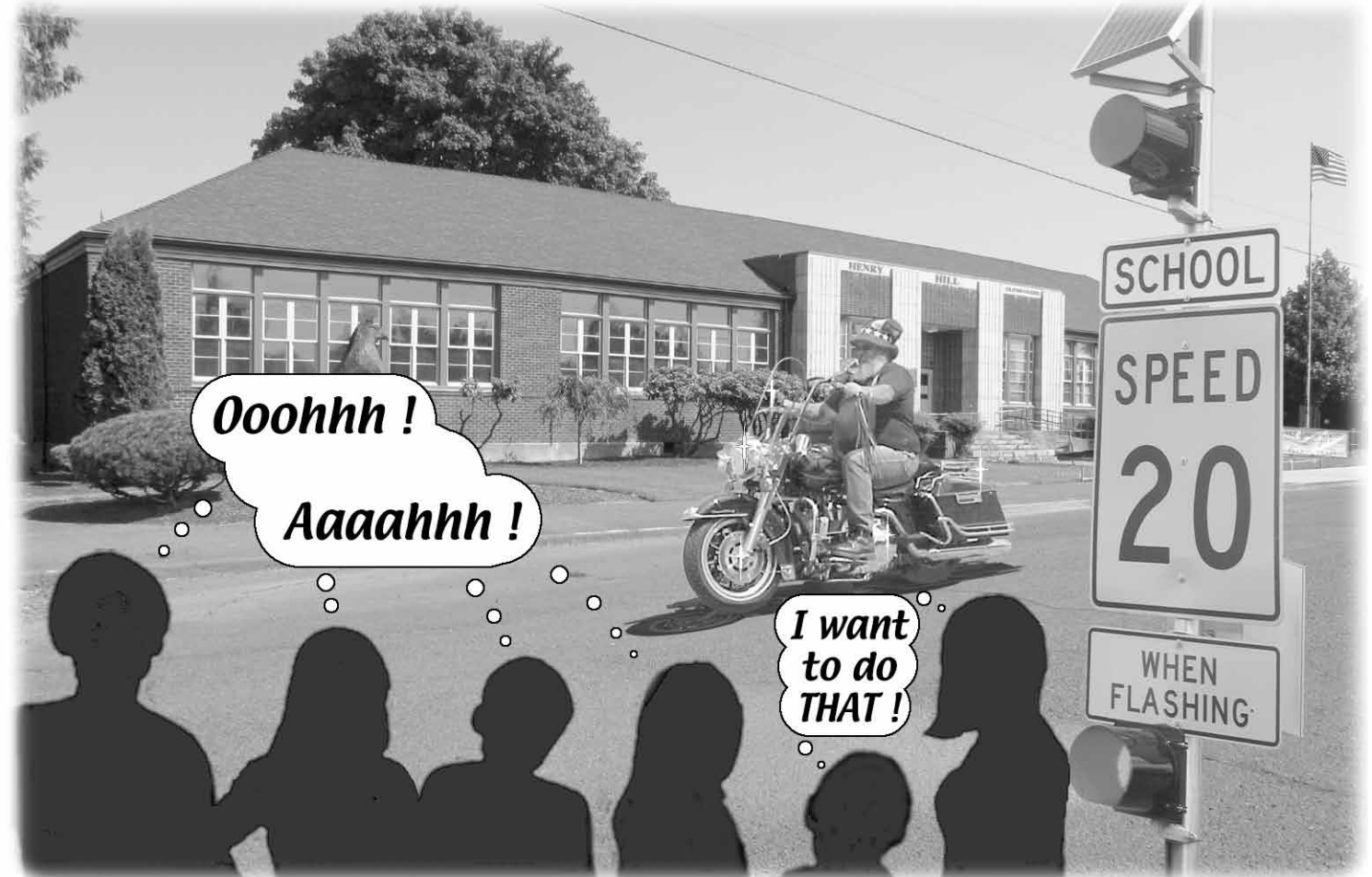
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Future Motorcyclists Back In Classrooms

It's time to slow down in school zones again



We've had our own summer vacation of sorts, maintaining a posted road speed through school zones for three months.

Now it's time to retrain ourselves to be aware of when school is in session, slowing down to 20 m.p.h. when necessary.

But rather than viewing it as a hardship, consider it to be an opportunity to parade yer fine machine in front of impressionable young minds, planting the seed of desire to ride as you majestically cruise past, striving to maintain an illusion of detached aloofness despite the fact that you just got smacked in the face by a wayward bug.

please continue remembering



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

What We're About

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

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

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

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

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

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

-- Rot Path, crusty ol' editor

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 from *A.B.A.T.E. of Chicago* presented the house sub-committee on surface transportation with convincing testimony to repeal the helmet mandates.

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

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

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

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

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

bikers, and succeeded in lobbying it through congress.

So, there you have it.

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

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BikePAC of Oregon

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

BikePAC works within the political process.

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

Family-based and dedicated to family values, family events, riding freedoms, and safe, responsible, fun riding through education. Welcomes

all motorcyclists or motorcyclist enthusiasts in Oregon.

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

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

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

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

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

American Motorcyclist Association (A.M.A.)

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

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

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

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

officers at work

State Coordinator

Here it is September and we can count on two things:

1. We know that the riding season for most of us will be closing again very soon,

2. We also know that the political silly season is just getting started.

As riders we tend to push the riding season as long as we can, but ignore the candidates running for office every year.

But are we doing what's best for us as individuals and as an organization?

If we ignore all the commercials and ads, are we fulfilling our obligation as representatives of motorcyclists all over the state?

As *A.B.A.T.E.* members we are tasked with not only looking out for our fellow members, but motorcyclists around the state as a whole. If we just ignore what is going on around us, trust me, it will not just go away.

The political game is very deceiving and the people playing it play for keeps. Most of the time we find ourselves on a playing field with these people without even knowing the game is being played. It is up to us to remember that *we* put these people in office.

We control how the game is played.

We are responsible for making sure the game is played fairly.

How do we do that you ask?

We get involved.

This doesn't mean we have to watch every ad on TV. In fact I recommend that you don't. What I am saying is, talk to candidates. Go to a town meeting, invite them to one of our meetings, write them letters or e-mails, give them a call.

Ask questions about where they stand on motorcycle issues, become familiar with their issues and projects, discuss them too.

It's all about getting to know them so that we can make our own conclusions about who we want representing us in the capitol.

Don't rely on the media to make up our minds. They are all part of the game as well and even though they say they are neutral, we all know that's BS. They have an interest in who gets elected just as much as we do.

Watch TV or go to the movies, listen to the radio, or even read the paper. They have made it very clear how they stand on our rights as motorcyclists.

We as riders and members of an organization for motorcycle rights and safety cannot let the media sway our decisions or the decisions of the general public about our rights and safety. We have got to make it clear that we are no less American than any of them and that we deserve the same treatment as any other group.

This will not come without a fight and the first step is to make sure our representatives in office represent *us!*

We need to make sure our voices get heard and our rights are protected by getting the people who will listen to us and speak for us without fear of doing it. These people are hard to find but they are out there and waiting for us to show a sign, waiting for us to ask to be heard again, waiting for us to step up and make a difference.

Looking closer to home, we also must become a stronger organization again.

We have all heard the argument that our members are getting old and no one cares anymore. I can say first hand that this couldn't be farther from the truth.

We have members among us that have the makings of great leaders and officers. All they need is a little encouragement. We are starving for leaders and officers to take us into the next chapter of *A.B.A.T.E.*

This last year I have seen a wave of passion all over this state. We need people to direct this passion at the chapter and state levels. We need leaders who will drive this organization back to greatness once again and be a force in Salem so that when our representatives bring our voice to the floor, it gets heard because of the teeth that we, as a united force of motorcyclists, have.

People, we are not that far away from this becoming a reality, but we must stand up for who we are and what we want.



Allan Nichols

ite coordinator
T.E. of Oregon

We have to quit ignoring the world around us.

The time is now to get our rights back.

The time is now to get our voice back.

The time is *now* to make a difference.

It's up to us and nobody else.

Join me, and let's make this organizations be intimidating again!

Ride safe,

Ride free,

Ride with respect.

Respectfully,

Allan Nichols

• state coordinator

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon

• Oregon representative

Motorcycle Riders Foundation

"The political machine triumphs because it is united minority acting against a divided majority."

-- Will Durant

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

Central Oregon

Greetings from *Central Oregon*,

Our *15th Annual Teddy Bear Run* is shaping up to be a great one. We deliver teddy bears to the four area hospitals for distribution throughout the year to children at the hospitals as patients or visiting relatives. The hospitals appreciate our efforts for them every year. Last year we had 118 bikes and delivered 1,600 teddy bears.

Come join us on September 15th for this great event. More information is on our run flier in this issue, on the state *Facebook* page, and the *Central Oregon Chapter Facebook* page.

We all have our favorite runs we go to every year. These runs are put on by a lot of hard working people. These runs are the fund raisers that allow *A.B.A.T.E.* to continue to

exist and fund our legislative efforts. Help make these runs a success by volunteering a couple of hours.

I had a great time helping at the gate for *Run 21*. Working for a little bit helps make these runs happens. Many hands makes for light work.

On Thursday August 9 two motorcyclists lost their lives in separate crashes here in central Oregon.

One was probably due to mechanical failure that caused him to go head-on into oncoming traffic. (Now you see why I have been harping about proper maintenance.)

The other rear-ended extremely hard a pickup that was stopped at a red light.

We complain about cagers hitting us, but more fatalities are rider error



than cagers not seeing us. We need to take responsibility for our own actions and ride safely.

Summer is rapidly coming to an end, Get out and put some miles on your scooter while the weather is still good, but ride safe and arrive alive.

Hope to see you out on the road.

Bob Terrill

coordinator

Central Oregon Chapter

CENTRAL OREGON MEETING TIME and PLACE

2nd Sunday at 1400 (2 p.m.)

Izzy's Pizza

810 SW 11th street

Redmond, Oregon

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

Douglas County



A huge thanks to all of you who showed up to the *Thundering Water Poker Run* on July 29th. Your attendance at the run helped to raise money in support of the *Treva Hoffman Foundation*.

Portions from the poker hands purchased tickets bought for prizes and 50/50 pot winnings from the high/low hand donated back by the husband wife. (Winners of the hands.) Winnings of the 50/50 pot and finally contributions made when the bag was passed around showed just what big hearts this biker community has.

Tina, best friend of Treva, was overwhelmed by your support and grateful for the contributions. At the end of the run, as part of a tradition, Tina and other cancer survivors released beautiful pink and white balloons as tokens to heaven for Treva. It was truly a beautiful ending to a wonderful day.

All was not wonderful that day for

a few unlucky riders.

One couple experienced mishap with a car that signaled incorrectly, then turned into them. Thankfully they were able to gimp away from the scene and join in the festivities at *Whistler's Bend Park*.

The other couple, Rick and Ronna Eisennacher (sorry if I misspelled), were not as lucky as both were thrown from the bike. Rick sustained a broken leg, Ronna a broken foot, both requiring surgery and of course the nasty road rash and other contusions that one experiences from being propelled through the air without a parachute.

Thank you to those who stayed with them both to keep them safe while waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

On Sunday, August 26th a good friend, Pat of *Big River Cycles*, held a fund raiser poker run and barbecue to raise money to help support them

while they mend. Hopefully they heal quickly and we will see them out riding alongside us soon.

Thank you *Bikers for Christ* who feeds these hungry bikers every year. You fed our bellies, hearts, and souls with all that you provide and we are a grateful group.

Next report will be following the

annual *S.O.S. Run*. Hopefully you were there in person to experience this fun event.

Until next month,
Enjoy your journey,
Enjoy the ride,

Chris Shull
secretary,
Douglas County Chapter

Douglas County
MEETING TIME and PLACE
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 pm)
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A.B.A.T.E. group report -- Indian Creek
(members at large)



Anyone in Indian Creek is invited to write and send in reports.

Indian Creek
MEETING TIME and PLACE
(when and wherever)

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(and beyond)

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

By this time this fine publication hits your kitchen counter, we will be looking at the downhill side of summer. Labor Day weekend is really the last holiday of the summer, though there are a few good runs left.

Upcoming events for *Hub City* are the *Motorcycle Awareness Bike Show* the last weekend in October at *Heritage Mall* in Albany, Oregon. It is a great venue to educate the public about motorcycle education and legislation.

Hub City biker night will be November 3rd at the *Pineway Golf Course Restaurant* at 30949 Pineway road southeast of Lebanon off of highway 20. Be sure to mark your calendars for this one. (Our poker run ended here in June.)

Approximately fifty-some days until the general elections when you get this issue.

Just a few words about the elections this fall. Be sure to take the time to find out what the local and national candidates want to accomplish when they are elected. Compare the candidates agendas to

yours and then decide on how to cast your vote.

In November I will remember! I will remember which candidates represented the things that are important to me.

It's very critical that you know what a candidate believes *before* you cast a vote for that individual.

The election in November is one that will shape our country for years to come, so make sure you cast you vote wisely.

And *do* vote. By not exercising your right to vote, you loose any right to complain. The first thing I ask when someone starts "the rant" is, "Did you vote?"

A good site to check out is <http://www.ride2repeal.com/>. There is a lot of information there on the legislative process.

A.B.A.T.E. officer elections are also happening soon. Please consider holding an office. It is not difficult and although there is a serious side, much fun is had. There are many people willing to help mentor so you won't feel you are out there alone.



Hub City meets the third Thursday of every month at *Ciddici's Pizza*, 135 SE 5th street in downtown Albany. Everyone is always welcome at the meetings and it is a good place to meet new friends who are interested in motorcycle education and legislation.

Remember to support the businesses which support us.

Ride smart and safe. There have been too many losses to the riding community this year.

T.B.
<http://www.hubcityabate.com>



Hub City
MEETING TIME and PLACE
3rd Thursday at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 SE Fifth Street — Albany

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

Howdy folks,

Slow down, it's school time again. Hope all of you out there are enjoying this 100 degree (bleep) weather.

By the time you read this, it should be that Indian Summer we riders all hope for in southern Oregon.

Mikey is still under the weather not just from the weather, so this is a very short news report because you are stuck with Sherry the wife. To say the least, I am not nearly as creative. Sorry.

Jackson County Chapter is looking for a new meeting location. Hopefully to be announced by next month.

We have had some people express that they would come to the meetings but the *D & S Harley-Davidson* location stairs are too steep.

The new location will be disclosed after the next meeting and vote. Hope to see new members and old ones come out to vote, please.

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

Hang in there,

Mikey and the
Jackson County Chapter
(by Sherry, the wifeling)



Jackson County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
3rd Tuesday at 1830 (6:30 pm)
D & S Harley-Davidson
3846 S. Pacific highway
Medford
(541)–

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

Josephine County

The 34th Annual Poker Run to the Coast is now in the history books. The ride was great, and the weather was good too. To my knowledge there were no mishaps and everyone got home safely.

There were 41 bikes and approximately 50 riders from this area, on the run. There was one \$300 winner, one \$150 winner, and one \$50 winner. Congratulations to all the winners.

We would like to thank the *Sons of God* for their help and support in helping the run go smoothly.

The next event was August 18th and 19th. That was the *S.O.S. Campout at Wolf Creek*, sponsored by the *Douglas and Josephine County Chapters*.

My husband and I rode the *S.O.S.* poker run route last week, and we saw several deer crossing the road in front of us. Luckily no close calls,



but just a reminder to watch out for those critters.

If anyone has any scheduled events to share, please let us know.

That's all for now.

Ride safe,

Karen Headley
secretary
Josephine County Chapter



**Josephine County
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

3rd Wednesdays at 1830
(6:30 p.m.)

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

Lower Columbia

Hello from *Lower Columbia*,

It has finally slowed down a little bit down here.

We had a lot of activity from our membership in July.

The summer is almost gone already, its mid-August now. Some of our people are just returning from South Dakota, Others are getting ready for *S.O.S.* And we are all getting plenty of riding done around home.

I have been riding the roads down here on the lower Columbia for many years. Every time I ride it is a different experience. Most of our roads are quite curvy with great views. We share the roads with a lot of different people here, mainly being tourists, who we need to help our local economy. Some people use the roads as a source of their income. Unfortunately not everyone has their eyes or their minds on the road.

The moral of the story is, we have a lot of fatalities on highways 30 and 47, so when we ride anywhere we need to be aware. And be awake.

Dave Bridges
LoCo



**Lower Columbia
MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

1st Sundays at 1900 (7 pm)
Colvin's Pub & Grill
123 N. Nehalem
Clatskanie, Oregon
(near where highway 47 joins 30)

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

Beaver Creek Run is upon us.

We hope everything is ready and that you arrived safely.

It's been a busy few months getting things completed, but they were done hoping you would come and enjoy our hospitality.

This last week has been a real challenge to accomplish everything. I had chemo on Tuesday and am feeling some of the effects now. This too shall pass.

We have two food vendors to make sure that all eat well. It is nice to not have to deal with the kitchen. Shirley and her crew did a wonderful job, but there was a lot of preparation involved.

The coast is finally seeing summer weather and we hope that it holds up for *Beaver Creek*.

We hope that you enjoyed the new item we are selling. The chapter members are really excited about them. By the way, they are 30th anniversary cups that have the original beaver that Kimberly did

for our first T-shirts. Many colors to choose from.

Not much time for writing this as Bob and I are packing to head to the run site so we can greet you as you arrive.

That is it for this month and we do hope that you enjoyed yourselves and had a safe trip home.

Keep the rubber side down,

Millie
secretary



Lincoln County MEETING TIMES and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1900 (7 pm)
American Legion Hall, post 116
424 W. Olive Street
Newport

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

Greetings from the sunny *North Coast*,

Catching up on our chapter's past and upcoming activities:

The *Seaside Motorcycle Festival (Bikes at the Beach)* in mid-July was blessed with clear skies and warm breezes. Needless to say attendance was much greater this year due to the great weather, with bikes filling the downtown core on Saturday. Our chapter chaplain Bob Hutson, who continues to put on this festival, promises to do it again next year with a hint he plans to incorporate blues into the mix. Sounds like a great plan.

Many thanks to all the Seaside businesses that help to financially support this event, including *Quick Throttle* magazine for their ongoing support and donation of the bike show trophies.

Special thanks to Bob Hutson for all his work to coordinate this event and to our chapter members who manned our informational booth and assisted with poker run.

Our chapter once again did the ice sales at *Run 21*. Many thanks to everyone who purchased ice from us.

The proceeds from this event and our

other annual events help to support the local food banks and help to provide a merrier Christmas for the children and families in Clatsop county. Many, many thanks to all of our chapter members for their hard work and time supporting the ice sales. Great job folks.

A big thanks to Vicki, the run coordinator, who allowed us to set up in the centrally located spot we used last year for our refrigerator truck and booth. Vicki and the *Southeast Portland Chapter* members deserve a big pat on the back for all their work planning and executing this event. Excellent job.

August was a busy month for the chapter.

On August 5th we rode down to Garibaldi to jump aboard a vintage steam train for great ride to Rockaway and back, followed by ice cream at the *Tillamook Creamery*.

August 18th was scheduled for our second chapter bowling evening.

Lastly, the retirement village ride was scheduled for Sunday August 26th. The chapter hosts rides for the residents of the village. They love getting these rides,



with some reminiscing about "back in the day" when they either owned or were a passenger on a motorcycle. We thoroughly enjoy bringing the joy of some "wind therapy" into their lives.

The *Pacific County Chapter* from *A.B.A.T.E. of Washington* will have their *Fall Run* on Saturday, September 22nd. The starting location is *Hunter's Inn* in Naselle, Washington on highway 4, about 20 miles from Astoria. Registration starts at 9 a.m., kick stands up at 10 a.m. This a premier run in terms of the beautiful scenery you will encounter and good times to be had by all. Don't miss it. Questions? Call Lenny at (360)-484-7226. (Washington)

One of the agenda items for our September chapter meeting will be 2013 chapter officers nominations. (Yes, it's that time of year again.) Looking forward to some new folks stepping up to help and lead the chapter in its ongoing positive direction in the future.

That's all for now.

Please be safe out there. Watch out for

those cages, especially those drivers who are using their cell phones or texting while driving. (Damn them!)

All the best from the *North Coast Chapter*,

Al Jaques
chapter coordinator

North Coast MEETING TIME and PLACE

3rd Tuesday at 1730 (5:30 pm)
Moose Lodge
420 17th Street
Astoria, Oregon
Children are welcome

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Astoria, OR 97103

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

July 17, 2012

We had a wild, loud meeting tonight. Lots of discussion and stories.

We also had a double winner for our games.

Bob won the 50/59 at \$11/\$11, of which he donated back \$6 to the chapter.

Then he won the membership game for \$105 and donated back \$55!

Thanks, Bob.

August 7, 2012

We had a big meeting, including Allan Nichols, our state coordinator. Thanks for coming to our neck of the woods.

It was a busy, loud meeting.

Joe won the 50/50 game at \$12/\$13.

Shelley won the membership game at \$55.

Lots of riding reported and plans made.



Upcoming Meetings

September 04, 2012

September 18, 2012

River City
MEETING TIMES and PLACE
1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1900 (7 p.m.)
Shiloh Inn
The Dalles

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

Respect

What does it mean and how do you get it?

There is all levels of respect; some taught, some earned, some deserved and some expected. One can not expect to get respect if they don't give it first.

Recently the *Southeast Portland Chapter* of A.B.A.T.E. put on our 13th year of *Run 21*. It was a enjoyable time that was had by most.

I say most because it is a working adventure for all the staff involved. It takes about eleven months of meetings, committees, and subcommittees to pull off the northwest's best all-adult motorcycle run.

First, this year we had to beg, plead, jump through hoops, and then jump through more hoops with Clatsop county (all with a smile on our face) just so we could come back to Birkenfeld and have *Run 21*. Clatsop county has seen the money that *Run 21* has generated and like any governmental agency, they want their cut. That is why ticket prices went up.

Secondly, in past years we have had individuals who like to set off



explosions. (The county does dot like that.) So this year with our begging, pleading, and jumping through all the hoops with Clatsop county, they agreed to let the *Southeast Portland Chapter* of A.B.A.T.E. to come back to their county and host *Run 21* for another year.

This year we put the word out to all the individuals, groups, organizations, and clubs to help us to continue to put on *Run 21* and refrain from the non-permitted activities of explosions and fires.

Friday night we had explosions and gunfire.

Saturday we had explosions, gunfire, fire, and some dipshit felt the need to blow up a shitter.

There has been speculations on who the individuals are who did these deeds.

I don't know who they are and I'm not going to speculate as to who they are.

But thank-you very f-ing much for f-ing up our run.

- If you know the different individuals who did the gunfire, thank them for f-ing up and ruining our *Run 21* site.

- If you know the individuals that let off the explosions, thank them for f-ing up and ruining our *Run 21* site.

- If you know the individuals that lit the chinese lantern that got caught in the trees, thank them for f-ing up and ruining our *Run 21* site.

- If you know the individual that broke the camels back by blowing up the shitter, thank them too for f_cking up and ruining our *Run 21* site.

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

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<http://www.run21.biz>
<http://www.abatetoyrun.com>

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

Began with the pledge of allegiance promptly at 7:00 p.m.

Several new attendees present.

Old business reviewed and passed.

Gave Mike Johnston (membership chair) the updated list of members.

Reviewed the statewide list of member totals and noted increase over last year.

New Business

Notified group of Tina Larson's resignation as secretary because of unavailability to attend meetings due to economic downturn.

Bob Wiro notified group that he was having to step down from sergeant at arms, and state representative due to moving to Quebec, Canada next month. All wished him well.

Tabled vacant positions elections until next month, September 4th.

Discussed representative Olson's bill regarding helmet choice and the factor of the sunset clause.

Group still unanimous in believing the influx of motorcycle tourism money into Oregon will be the causative factor for either extending

sunset clause or removing the clause all together. Reasoning as stated, money talks, and using that as an aid posted in business, from banks on down, is enough to carry it through in the elections coming prior to the sunset.

Discussed ways of increasing attendance at the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* at the state capital. Various camping areas were discussed, from parks to private farms, and members will be checking out potentials.

Also found among the attendees, a volunteer band who may be able to get other bands to volunteer for several sites, if the need arises.

Discussed two known and a potential third food vendor for sites of the three day camping for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* event.

Talked about distributing the *Independent Riders* web site along with our *A.B.A.T.E.* cards, when talking to scooter people, trail bike riders, *Goldwings*, *Beamer* folk, and crotch rocket riders, noting the importance of the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally* to them.

Also made a point of approaching the state *A.B.A.T.E.* for use of



awnings, stages, and generators, *et al* for the three-day camp out for the *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*.

Discussed the importance of starting now to prepare for May rally and being all inclusive for solo riders, clubs, patch holders, colors, scooters, dirt, *Goldwings*, *Beamers*, mopeds and anything with two or three wheels and an engine.

Lastly, the potential of having a slow down ride, from Wilsonville to Woodburn at 55-mph, and letting the media know just prior to it beginning as a notification of the coming *May Motorcycle Awareness Rally*.

As a group it was decided that our focus this year, along with gathering more members, is to communicate with those in congress for the need of outside money coming into Oregon

(tourism) and to continue with every detail of planning possible for a *May Motorcycle Awareness Camp Out and Rally*.

Lynn B. DeSpain
coordinator
Salem Chapter of A.B.A.T.E.

Salem**MEETING TIME and PLACE**

1st Tuesday at 1900 (7 p.m.)

Hitching Post

8046 River road NE, Salem

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

Since I have had my job a lot longer than my wife has had hers, I get a lot more vacation time than she does every year.

So, every spring, I take a little ride down the coast. It's my chance to shake off cabin fever and have a little alone time. It's usually not that warm yet, so I don't put on a lot of miles a day. I can go as fast as I feel like riding, and stop whenever I want. Along the way, I've met some really interesting people.

One guy that I will never forget pulled up in a Jeep and was admiring my *Road King* while I was taking some pictures at Cape Arrago.

When I went back to the bike we said our hellos, and then he nodded toward the bike and said "Man, they sure have come a long ways since mine was built." Then he told me about his '68 *E-Glide*.

He bought it brand new, the day after he got back from Viet Nam. Said he lost some good friends over there, and got wounded himself a

couple of times. He said he never appreciated life until he almost lost it, and never appreciated freedom until he had to give it up. But he'd served his time, and now he wanted to enjoy his freedom. So he hit the road for a couple of years, and eventually came home, got a job, a wife, and raised a family.

But 40-plus years later, he still had the same bike, and would never give it up for anything. Every time he rides it, it reminds him of how precious it is to be free.

As I write this my bike is packed and ready to head to the *Beaver Creek Run* tomorrow. I'm sure *Lincoln County Chapter* is going to put on a great party and it will be a fun weekend. But as we enjoy the good times, I hope we never lose sight of the fact that freedom is precious and that it must be defended.

The run committee has been doing a great job this year.

Our *Mid-Summer Poker Run* went really well. Much thanks to everyone



who worked to make it a success.

By the time you read this, the *End Of Summer Run* will be history. I hope all who attended had a great time.

Please mark your calendars for November 17 and our toy run to benefit the *Toy and Joy* program of the Hillsboro fire department. Planning is coming along, so if you want to help out, see Ed or Gordon.

You can find more info about the chapter, or contact us, at:

<http://www.wacoabate.info/>

Ride free!

Roger Yarnell
chapter coordinator

Washington County**MEETING TIMES and PLACE**

2nd and 4th Mondays at 1930

(7:30 p.m.)

Grape Vine Restaurant

11525 SW Barnes – Portland

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Our Officers at Work**A.B.A.T.E. State Board Minutes**

11 August 2012

American Legion hall—Newport, Oregon

Call to order, welcome: The meeting was called to order by Allan Nichols (state coordinator) at 11:08 a.m. with eight of twelve chapters represented.

All chapters present eligible to vote.

- Absent chapters: *Jackson County, Douglas County.*

- Excused chapters: *Josephine County, Central Oregon.*

Pledge of allegiance

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

Guests and first time attendees: Mike Byrum, Lee Kikanas, Bill Michaels (*Washington County Chapter*); Tim Hamrick, Komi (*North Coast Chapter*); Teresa Price (*Salem Chapter*).

Reading, approval of minutes: Motion made by Brian Stovall (*River City Chapter*) to adopt minutes as printed in the state newspaper.

Seconded by Paul Hering (*Washington County Chapter*).

Motion passed.

Coordinator comments: Allan Nichols asked that all officer reports stay on the job and save announcements for the end of the meeting. Report on your office and on just completed events. We need to work together and keep this organization moving forward.

Secretary report and correspondence: Nic Oliver had nothing special to report. Nic reported that this will be his last year serving as secretary

for A.B.A.T.E. He is retiring due to health and family needs. Anyone interested should step up for training as soon as possible.

***** Officers Reports *****

Vice-cordinator (north) — Al Simms (No report)

Vice-cordinator (south) — Pat “Spanky” Allen (Excused)

Vice-cordinator (east) — Robert Terrill (Report via e-mail)

“Long time Central Oregon Chapter member, Nick Ceniga, passed away recently. Please keep his family in your prayers.

For those unfamiliar with central Oregon riding, watch out for deer. They are extremely thick and near major roads at all hours, not just twilight and dark. They are used to humans, so are not scared off by the sound of your bike and will run out right in front of you or try to jump over you.

If you see one deer, there are probably more around, so slow down and keep your eyes open.

Thursday night (August 9) was a bad one here in Central Oregon. There were two motorcycle fatalities. One in Bend, one in Redmond.

The name of the rider killed in Redmond was released. He is a local but not an A.B.A.T.E. member. His bike swerved into oncoming traffic.

The one in Bend has not yet been released. He rear ended a pickup and was killed instantly.”

-- Robert Terrill,

Treasurer — Kay Sipple’s report turned in. Account balances were not available at this moment.

Membership secretary — Linda Henderson’s report turned in. The current membership is at 1,980. Also reported that electronic information problems are being worked out.

Linda stated that this is the last year she will be serving in this position. Someone should really step up as soon as possible because this job has a lot of work involved and it will take time to train a replacement.

Sanctioning officer — Matt Price reported that all submissions have been sanctioned, with the exception of the *Johnston Memorial Run* which is pending, awaiting the insurance certificate from the insurance company.

Need head counts from **all events** to satisfy the insurance company needs. No exceptions.

State auditor — Connie Ceccacci reported that we are mostly green this month and will be totally green next month. Some reports from July are already in and things are on track.

Newspaper editor — Rot Path (Excused. Report submitted via e-mail on 06 August 2012)

“I am unlikely to be in Newport for the August A.B.A.T.E. state board meeting, so this e-mail will serve as my newspaper editor report.

Thank you for all braving the mild temperatures, blue skies, and warm sunshine as you journeyed to the Oregon coast for the Beaver Creek Run. Your efforts to pry your fine selves away from the run for this Saturday morning meeting are also appreciated.

Chapter reports were due yesterday (10 August) with River City’s being the only one received so far. (As usual)

That’s it.

Finish up this meeting quickly and get back to the fun at Beaver Creek, pronto!”

--Rot Path

crusty ol’ editor

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Legislative director — Don Mason reported on LC-194. (The legislative concept for the helmet reform bill.) At this time the bill is for 21 years old and over, \$1,000 maximum fine, \$20,000 insurance/PI.P. and a four year sunset clause.

The original had a two year sunset clause, though virtually everyone agreed that no sunset clause was what



Nic Oliver

acting state recording secretary

we wanted. Representative Andy Olson would not write it without a sunset clause, stating that it would not pass without one.

What this now amounts to is we have a governor’s election and two legislator elections before the end of the sunset clause to get the sunset clause repealed before we have to put the helmets back on.

We need to keep discussing this at every level and at our chapter meetings because things can change very quickly with this bill.

The *G.A.C.M.S. (Governor’s Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety)* met and discussed the federal ethanol bill. The *E.P.A.* wants E15 (15% ethanol) to become the U.S. standard. Discussion in the meeting between the gallery and the members was quite extensive, including the *E.P.A.’s* recommendation to buy at least four gallons when you buy gas to be sure you do not get too much ethanol in your tank.

Good luck on that one with motorcycles. Some of them do not have that large a gas tank but our government doesn’t care. They only want what they want, not what is right for your vehicle.

Get to know your legislators (senators and representatives) and develop a relationship if you can. Help the ones who support our causes and it will work in our favor in the future.

Sergeant-at-arms (south) — Randy Phipps (No report)

Sergeant-at-arms (north) — Robert “One-eyed Bob” Nichols (Absent)

Sergeant-at-arms (east) — VACANT

Products director — Dave Meeker (Absent)

Education director — Geoff White (Excused)

Public relations director —
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A.B.A.T.E. State Board Meeting – 11 August 2012 (continued)

Robert “One-eyed Bob” Nichols
(Absent)

Fossil coordinator — Howie Long stated that he hoped everyone had a good time at *Fossil*.

Needs to get with Matt on alternative activities to appeal to younger riders.

Considering a possible date change to increase attendance. The 4th of July weekend is being discussed.

Asked everyone to volunteer to help out. This event is a state event and every chapter is responsible to support it in any way that they can.

Fall/Spring swap meet coordinator — John “Wheel” Betts (Absent)

Historian — Jennifer Sterba (Excused)

Web page editor — VACANT

Quartermaster — Dwayne Sterba (Excused)

BikePAC representative — Nic Oliver announced that the next meeting will be an impromptu at the *Beaver Creek Run* on Saturday, 11 August 2012 at 5 p.m. at the *BikePAC* booth.

The next regular meeting will be September 1, 2012, at the *Salem Library*, Plaza Room at noon.

M.R.F. representative — Allan Nichols is getting ready for the conference in North Carolina.

Confederation of Clubs representative (north) — David Hicker-son (Excused)

Unfinished Business

• Sergeant-at-arms (north) — No nominations.

• Web page editor — No nominations.

Nominations for 2013 State Officers

The following is the first round of nominations.

Please consider stepping up and serving as a state officer or chapter officer.

Coordinator — Allan Nichols (A)

Vice-cordinator (north) —

Vice-cordinator (south) —

Vice-cordinator (east) — Robert Terrill

Recording secretary —

Membership secretary — Bridget Hamrick (A)

Treasurer — Kay Sipple (A)

State auditor —

Newspaper editor —

Legislative director — Don Mason
Sergeant-at-arms (north) — Randy Phipps (A)

Sergeant-at-arms (south) —

Sergeant-at-arms (east) —

Products director — Dave Meeker

Education director — Geoff White

Public relations director — Robert “One-eyed Bob” Nichols

State run (Fossil) coordinator — Howie Long (A)

State swap meet coordinator — John “Wheels” Betts, Randy Phipps (A)

Historian — Jennifer Sterba

Sanctioning officer — Matt Price (A)

Web page editor —

Quartermaster — Dwayne Sterba

BikePAC representative — Don Mason (A)

Confederation of Clubs representative — Dave Hickerson

M.R.F. representative — Allan Nichols, Ted Tracy

The “(A)” after the name means that they have accepted the nomination.

Only accepted nominations in person or writing for a position can be put on the final ballot for voting.

New Business

• “Rotten Roger” Hendricks spoke on the need for more volunteers to step up and help out. State officers need the help of the membership and we need teamwork for this organization to work or we will be going nowhere fast.

• Motion #1.

Motion made by Paul Hering (*Washington County Chapter*), seconded by Nic Oliver (*Hub City Chapter*):

“To send Ted Tracy to Meeting of Minds. Cost not to exceed \$500.”

Discussion was short. A reminder was made of a motion made in February to send two people. So far we have only one person going.

It was agreed by Ted that any extras would be paid by him and that is why the monetary limit.

It was noted that Alan’s ticket was about \$500.

Voting results: 7 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention.

Motion passed.

Announcements

Next state board of directors meeting: September 8, 2012, at noon at *Cidicci’s Pizza* in downtown Albany, Oregon.

Upcoming Events

• 10-12 August 2012 — *30th Annual Beaver Creek Run, Lincoln County Chapter*. For more information contact Bob at (541)–265–7586 or Ralph (541)–265–6850.

• 14 August 2012 — *Norma Perrone Celebration of Life Memorial Ride*. Gather at *Latus Harley-Davidson* in Gladstone, Oregon at 7 p.m. Come join in to celebrate the life of this wonderful person who was so tragically taken from us.

• 17-19 August 2012 — *S.O.S. Run*, Wolf Creek, Oregon. More information at:

(*Douglas County*) Jim and Jamie (541)–733–4069 or (541)–637–5286

(*Josephine County*) Spanky at (541)–471–6049.

• 24-26 August 2012 — *End of Summer Run* by *Washington County Chapter*. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

• 25 August 2012 — *Tuff Butt Classic Run, O.V.M.A.* All proceeds go to central Oregon veterans and family. For more information call Dennis (541)–280–5161 or e-mail to: crazyhorse@coinet.com

• 20-23 September 2012 — *Meeting of the Minds* conference in Durham, North Carolina. Reservations at 1–(800)–325–3535

• 15 September 2012 — *Teddy Bear Run, Central Oregon Chapter*. For more information contact Bob Terrill at (503)–887–3032 or e-mail to: coordinator@centraloregonabate.org

• 19-21 October 2012 — *A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon* planning session at *V.F.W.* hall in Cottage Grove, Oregon.

• 17 November 2012 — Toy run by *Washington County Chapter*. More information at:

<http://www.facebook.com/WaCoChapter>

Adjourned at 1226 (12:26 p.m.)

London Olympics Closing

Featured Motorcycles

(well . . . Mods on scooters anyway)



Anyone else see the motorscooters tricked out like baggers during the *London Olympics* closing ceremonies? (At first yer crusty ol’ editor thought they were full-dress *Goldwings*.) There were fifty “mods” riding around the stadium and crisscrossing the center to the cheers of 60,000 enthusiastic attendees while *Pinball Wizard* blasted from the massive sound system.

Can you imagine riding yer bike into a people-packed arena like that?

Yer in luck.

You don’t have to imagine it. Go to:

<http://www.thescootclub.com/missscooters-in-olympics-closing> for two videos of the ride around the olympic stadium. Hurry and watch it before the *I.O.C.* pulls it down. (As the riders come out of the stadium, they ride past many props staged outside that will be used later in the show.)

From The . . .

GUNNY'S SACK

N.C.O.M. In Portland — We now have a date cast in stone for the region I *National Coalition Of Motorcyclists* (N.C.O.M.) conference here in Portland, Oregon.

October 13th, 2012 is the date to keep open.

The *Holiday Inn Airport* is providing spaces for us and have blocked rooms at the attractive rate of \$79 plus tax per night. Rooms are blocked for October 12 and 13 with checkout on the 14th. Be sure to let them know you are attending the N.C.O.M. conference to get the break in room rates.

The address is:

Holiday Inn Airport Hotel
8439 NE Columbia boulevard
Portland, Oregon 97220
Reservations by phone is:
(503)–256–5000 (local)
1–(800)–465–4329 (toll-free).

This is going to be a special conference for us because one of our own Oregon folks is going to do a seminar concerning bikers and construction zones. Patricia Baker is a personal friend and I have listened to many of her presentations. She is knowledgeable and is a former *Team Oregon* motorcycle instructor.

Job One — As many of you may know, this is my swan song, as I retire at the end of this year. Sam Hochberg is on the hunt for a new *A.I.M.* chief of staff. If you're interested, give him a call or drop him an e-mail. This is a great opportunity for the right person. It *is* part-time most of the year.

I've had this job for nearly twenty years and it's been a hoot the whole time. If I weren't getting so old and feeble I'd keep going, but health is forcing me to slow down and smell the roses.

Sam is a special person to work with, without a doubt. Over the years he has put up with my antics, mostly with a smile and tolerance. He is an extremely fair-minded boss and whomever he chooses to take my place will have a great job and see a lot of country. Thank you, Sam, for the great ride.

News-Bits-N-Pieces

California Transponders — California requires a transponder when traveling on toll roads. This is a real problem for bikes. Where do you mount the things to be in plain sight? This has been corrected by AB-1890, introduced by assemblyman Jose Solorio. The bill was signed into effect by governor Jerry Brown and

allows motorcyclists to store their transponders out of sight in a pouch or saddlebags when on toll roads. This reduces the probability of theft from being mounted in a visible location on a motorcycle.

California Victory — No biker-only checkpoints! The assembly and senate passed the bill nearly unanimously, and governor Jerry Brown signed AB-1047 into effect, which which prohibits motorcycle-only checkpoints.

AB-1047 was introduced by assemblyman Kevin Jeffries.

These two new California bills will take effect on January 1, 2013.

This is a great accomplishment for the entire motorcycling community and is due mainly to the efforts of many individuals and groups writing letters and supporting *A.B.A.T.E. of California* in our continuous efforts to defend the privileges, rights, and freedoms of motorcycle riders in California.

A.B.A.T.E. of California, along with the *U.S. Defenders Program*, the *M.M.A.*, and the *A.M.A.* have all applauded assemblyman Jeffries and assemblyman Solorio for introducing these bills and thanked governor Brown for his signatures.

Portland Responds — Downtown Portland now has parking run by vending machines. You get a sticker, but it can fall off a bike or get stolen. Contact the city and get yourself a free parking sticker holder for motorcycles.

Las Vegas Fighting Discrimination — The *Southern Nevada C.O.C. (Confederation of Clubs)* has retained attorney Stephen Stubbs, who says he rides a constitution-covered motorcycle. Stubbs is setting up a lawsuit for "Chytown" from the *Lokos*, "Blanco" from the *Mongols*, and "Bandido Guido" from the *Bandidos* motorcycle clubs, alleging the Las Vegas metropolitan police department has violated their constitutional rights.

The *Confederation of Clubs* in Las Vegas represents 37 motorcycle clubs. The problem: The metro police have contacted local bars and threatened them with the removal of their licenses to operate if they served patch holders.

A familiar story, no?

The *Scoundrels Pub* on Decatur boulevard near Harmon avenue has been visited by metro police, who are concerned about the clientele there. In June, metro sent *Scoundrels* a letter saying an event sponsored by the *Vagos*

motorcycle club is in violation of Clark county code, and could put the bar's liquor license at risk.

The letter says metro considers the *Vagos* a "criminal gang." Stubbs says police are overstepping their bounds.

"The Nevada supreme court has said specifically it is a first amendment violation to try to pull somebody's license because of their association with someone else," he said, "It's no different than me and my brother, my brother does something wrong, and you come and punish me for it."

Brake Lights On Yer Hat — When you're on a motorcycle any time of day, but especially at night, giving drivers in cars the best chance to see you before they hit you is priority one.

A band of lights that attaches to the base of a helmet, the *BikeLink* can flash all of the indicators found on the bike: right and left turns, hazards, stop and reversing, and it can operate as running lights. This gadget isn't on the market yet, but just might save a few lives when it is.

I'm intrigued.

N.H.T.S.A. Recalls — Here are some new ones

- *Kawasaki Motors Corporation*: 2008-2012 brake pedal and guard cap could cause a problem with control.

- *Zero Motorcycles Inc.* (an electric motorcycle): *Zero*-2012 battery circuit board could cause a fire. If ya own one of these rigs, get it to your dealer for a free fix.

- *Qingqi Group Motorcycle Company Limited*: *Zap*-2008 master cylinder reservoir cover. If ya ride Chinese, pay attention to this one and get to your dealer ASAP.

Gunny As Usual

Our *A.I.M.* attorneys across this land work their collective butts off on our behalf and many times *pro bono* (free). My thinking is when we find ourselves in a jam the least we can do is call them and beg for their help.

Other attorneys may be well versed in the field, but our *A.I.M.* attorneys are experts in crash recovery for their clients, especially for bikers.

Seems to me that it would be foolish to have someone working for my welfare who doesn't practice in the crash recovery field. I wouldn't go to a gynecologist with a broken arm and neither should you. *



Gunny
chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

Call *A.I.M. (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists)* at **1–(800)–531–2424** if ya don't know your *A.I.M.* guy and they will hook you up.

Sam Hochberg here in Oregon is at **(503)–224–1106** in Portland.

If you just want to browse *A.I.M.* and *N.C.O.M.*, go see their informative web site at:

<http://www.aimncom.com>

We're Movin' On Up — (To the west side.)

Sam just moved his office after 29 years in downtown Portland.

He's in the *John's Landing* neighborhood now in the former home of the *Portland Rose Festival*.

His new office is:

Sam Hochberg
attorney at law
5603 SW Hood avenue
Portland, Oregon, 97239
(Phones and FAX are the same)
He still has the same e-mail at:
SamBikeLaw@aol.com

Keep the round side on the bottom,

Gunny
chief of staff
Oregon A.I.M.

* [Despite often looking as though we are eight months pregnant, most guys would not go to a gynecologist, broken arm or not. -- c.o.e.]

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Rot Path
crusty ol' editor

At the July state board meeting, the subject of background checks for *A.B.A.T.E.* financial officers was raised.

Yer crusty ol' editor's personal stance is that either you trust him or you don't.

The U.S. Navy's heavy-handed response to illegal drug use was to treat all service members as suspects, hence the institution of random urinalysis tests. ("Pee-in-a-bottle.") Like others, c.o.e. begrudgingly submitted to the tests, feeling dirty and untrusted while doing so. Being in the military, we could either submit or be kicked out.

Out of that experience grew c.o.e.'s personal rule that could be applied once he was back in the civilian world:

If an employer requires me to take a drug test, I will do so and pass easily, whereupon I will resign due to the lack of trust displayed by the employer.

It used to be that a person's word was their bond. (Some might argue that only applied to gentlemen.) Legally, it has become fashionable to trust no one.

What continues to surprise and dismay yer crusty ol' editor is how many supposedly red-blooded Americans in the civilian world meekly go along with indignities or intrusions into their personal

liberties in order to obtain an illusion of security.

Are the people of this once proud, rebellious, freedom-loving nation being conditioned?

Are we to continue allowing ourselves to be controlled by fearful bureaucrats or greedy self-interest?

Shall we be ruled by fear or courage?

Motorcyclists know that life on less-than-four wheels is fraught with peril and risk. Yet we learn or are taught in *Team Oregon* rider skills classes to manage risk so that we may continue to live and enjoy riding our machines.

Our greater society could learn from the motorcycling community.

Increased security doesn't have to come from hiding or limiting liberty.

By the third week of this month, we will be halfway to winter's longest darkness.

Elsewhere in this issue of this fine rag, someone writes about apathy.

Yer crusty ol' editor has come to realize that too often apathy is confused with people not knowing what to do or how to go about doing it. Sometimes they are just fearful of taking a first step. Slapping a negative

label on them won't necessarily shame them into action. Quite the contrary in most cases, it causes them to withdraw their energy from an organization.

We've got a whole lotta fine folks in *Oregon A.B.A.T.E.* — some new, some have been around awhile. They don't take well to being scolded. (Who does?) Often all they need is for someone to help place their hands on the grips before they take off and ride on their own.

Our obligation is to encourage people to move forward, not berate them for standing still.

Among the many lessons that yer crusty ol' editor has learned from really watching and absorbing episodes of *The Dog Whisperer* program is that we are the energy we project.

Negative energy saps vitality from the health of person or organization, halting forward movement.

Positive energy uplifts people or organizations and moves them forward.

Stand up from where you are reading this, walk across the room and back.

Now take a deep breath, put your shoulders back, then step out to walk across the room and back again.

Feel the difference?

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It is up to voters to discover for themselves unbiased information sources that respect people's intelligence.

Ignore smear labels that others have placed on sources.

Look to radio, television, print media, town hall meetings, or direct direct dialog with candidates as potential sources of information that will allow each of us to make informed decisions when marking our ballots.

SEPTEMBER Cryptogram

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(Cryptogram answer is elsewhere . . . like page 15)

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AGENDA - October 13, 2012

- 10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m. **FREEDOM OF THE ROAD THROUGH THE NATION**
State Senator (SD) Jim "Putter" Putnam - Chairman, Legislative Task Force
- 11:00a.m. - 12 noon **Other Legal Issues in our Region**
Marty Fox - AIM Attorney - Washington
Sam Hochberg - AIM Attorney - Oregon
- 12:00p.m. - 1:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:00p.m. - 2:00p.m. **Motorcycle travel through construction zones**
Patricia Long - Hillsboro Public Schools Safety Officer
- 2:00p.m. - 2:45p.m. **Discrimination among ourselves/Outlawing our existence as we know it**
"Sarge", Executive Coordinator for NCOM, and Chairman ABATE of California
- 2:45p.m. - 3:00p.m. **BREAK**
- 3:00p.m. - 4:00p.m. **REGIONAL MEETING**
Legislative Problems in our Region
Moderators, Irish McKinney & Jeff Rabe - NCOM Board of Directors
- 4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m. **THE DEFENDER PROGRAM / Profiling the Big Win**
"Double D" Outsiders M/C "Lucky Les" Bandidos M/C, Washington State COC
- 5:00p.m. - 5:15 p.m. **BREAK**
- 5:15p.m. - 6:00p.m. **CONFEDERATION OF CLUBS MEETING**
Moderator, "Quiet Mike" Gypsy Jokers M/C, Oregon State COC - Chairman
Reports from Representative of each Confederation present
- 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. **CHRISTIAN UNITY SEMINAR AND MEETING**
- 7:00p.m. **FREEDOM FIGHTER SOCIAL**

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| Josephine County | 3rd Wednesday – 6:30 p.m. | Fruitdale grange | Grant's Pass |
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| Lower Columbia | 1st Sunday – 7 p.m. | Colvin's Pub | Clatskanie |
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| Salem | 1st Tuesday – 7 p.m. | Hitching Post | Salem |
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Look Who's Having Birthdays Next Month



(Be sure to help them celebrate)

September Cryptogram Answer

Arrr !
 This one is often confused with "arrgh",
 which is of course the sound you make
 when you sit on a belaying pin.

-- Capt. Slappy & Ol' Chumbucket



Carson City: That's A Wrap

The *A.M.A. International Women and Motorcycling Conference* came to a close over the weekend in Carson City, Nevada with hundreds of women motorcyclists, their friends, and supporters putting the wraps on an incredible weekend of camaraderie, motorcycles, and fun.

As we sit back and remember the great times, the *A.M.A.* invites all attendees (and all other women riders) to participate in the *How Many? How Strong?* survey [*below*] of the women motorcycling community. By contributing your thoughts and opinions through this survey, you can express your power, and show that your opinions, and those of thousands like you, count.

How Many? How Strong? Surveying The Women's Motorcycling Community

There are two aspects of the term of empowerment:

1. To give someone power to act with authority.
2. To promote self-actualization and its influence.

This survey is designed to examine both aspects for women motorcyclists and also co-riders (passengers).

Here you can give voice to your opinions about what women riders think, need, and want.

By contributing your thoughts and opinions through this survey, you can express your power, and show that your opinions, and those of thousands like you, count in the motorcycling community.

When you participate in this brief, 16-question survey, your personal information will not be shared, sold, or marketed.

Please forward this survey link to all women who ride: street riders, co-riders, off-road riders, and racers.

Our goal is to hear from all women with two- and three-wheeled horsepower.

You do not need to be an *A.M.A.* member to take this survey.

Launch survey:

<http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/events/womenandmotorcycling/Survey.aspx>

[c.o.e. notice: Web page may have dark letters over dark wallpaper making reading text a real challenge to one's sanity.]

A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days A Success



They came, they raced, they watched, they met their heroes, and they purchased vintage parts and motorcycles by the truckloads. They are the thousands of attendees and partners who made *2012 A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* one of the most successful ever.

The *A.M.A.* and the *American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation* (which raises funds to support the *A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame*) extend their appreciation to the racers, enthusiasts, collectors, restorers, fans, clubs, companies, and others who come together during this three-day celebration of motorcycling's heritage.

"*A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days is a product of cooperation fueled by a shared love of motorcycling's history and the accomplished men and women*

who made our sport and pastime what it is today," said *A.M.A.* president and C.E.O. Rob Dingman. "*I personally thank 2012 grand marshal Craig Vetter and all the other volunteers and partners who contributed to the event this year and helped raise funds to support the mission of the A.M.A. Motorcycle Hall of Fame, as well as Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, which hosted 2012 A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days.*"

Bob Althoff Honored



A.M.A. board of directors chairman Stan Simpson presents the 2011 *Friend of the A.M.A.* award to Bob Althoff, owner of *A.D. Farrow*, the oldest *Harley-Davidson* dealership in America.

Ride for Kids Raises \$101,000



Ride for Kids events in Knoxville, Tennessee and Kansas City combined to raise \$101,155 for the *Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation* on July 29.

Knoxville hosted its *12th Ride for Kids* on July 29 and the event didn't disappoint the 175 participants. The group raised \$59,722 to help children like Joseph, Zachary, Dawn, Hannah, Jessica S., Grace, and Jessica M.

Frances, Ben, Zander, Carter, Jake, Collins, Noah, and J.T. put the "kids" in the *Ninth Kansas City Ride for Kids*. These young people were part of an event that raised \$41,433

for the *Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation*.

My A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days Experience by Matt Bucher



I arrived at *Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course* Thursday morning on July 19 to help set up the hare scrambles course. It poured down rain, of course, but we had fun out in the woods getting it ready for Friday.

I rode the vintage *Penton* motorcycle I was going to race for the first time on Thursday after we finished working the trails. It was the first time I ever rode a vintage bike. I always grew up on modern dirt bikes and A.T.V.s and have historically raced enduros.

Wow!

What an eye-opening experience that was. I knew it was going to be a long day Saturday at the motocross.

The hare scrambles races took place Friday, and I used my A.T.V. to pull about five to six vintage bikes out of the woods when they stopped running. There was some good racing during the three one-hour hare scrambles races.

Saturday morning came around, and I went out for practice on the moto track. I think I got passed by about 50 people. I felt so awkward on the bike and could not figure out how to ride it. I swear Jeff Fredette jumped right over me and there weren't hardly any jumps!

I was moto number 10 and I raced the Vet A class. I am man enough to admit I was pretty nervous. I looked at it as fun, but I had friends and family come down to watch me, so I wanted to do well. I was racing

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Motorcycle Riders Foundation Meeting of the Minds 2012

The annual *Meeting of the Minds* is closer than you think. The dates seem early; but it is still the fourth weekend in September. This year those dates are September 20-23.

Concerned Bikers Association/ A.B.A.T.E. of North Carolina (C.B.A./A.B.A.T.E.) will be our hosts for this year's conference.

We will be in Durham, North Carolina at the *Sheraton Imperial Hotel*. (For those not familiar with Durham, they share an airport with Raleigh.)

Shuttle service is available between the airport and the hotel.

M.R.F. members pay \$80 registration fee. For non-members it is \$90.

Pre-registering is easy. Simply log on to <http://www.mrf.org>, click on "2012 Conference Information". A

secure link for registration is right on the page. You will also find a link to make your hotel reservation.

If you prefer to pay by check, you may send you check to our D.C. office:

236 Massachusetts avenue NE
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The conference begins on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. with the *Meet and Greet*. This is one of the most important events at any conference. This is where we find out who is in attendance and what issues they are facing at home. It gives us an answer to the question, "Who do I need to talk to this weekend?"

Again this year, we have a variety of topics to cover in the general sessions as well as the offered workshops.

We will be doing a panel discussion

of what challenges different parts of the country are facing and how to help each other.

Our individual workshops will cover topics ranging from attracting younger (read that sport bike) riders to leadership to an analysis of the C.D.C. statements on motorcycle safety.

Another item to note is this may be the last year for the *Tug of War*. Currently, the standings are three wins each for bibs and kilts. And as an added bonus, Bruce "goes both ways" Downs will come out of retirement and again tug for the team who raises the most money. In the previous year's that Bruce tugged, the team he was on won three of four matches.

We have other fun events planned as well. You will need to join us to find out what all there is to do and who all there is to meet.

See you later this month!



M.R.F. -- Who We Are

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

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the complete opposite of what I normally race: an old bike on a moto track. Give me a modern bike and tight trees.

In my first moto, I got a good start and started to get a little arm pump about half way through the moto. I couldn't catch the guys ahead of me, so I just settled for where I was at while still trying to figure out how to ride the *Penton*. I ended up fourth in my moto. I thought that wasn't too bad. But like any racer, you want to win, so I was a little disappointed.

I went back to the pits after the first moto with no clutch, no rear

brakes and not much of the front brake left. My family and friends in the pits were giving me some friendly advice like rail the outside berms, do this, do that. I have so much respect for the men and women who raced those bikes back in the day, I know they didn't know any better, but man oh man it is a challenge compared to how good we have it today.

My second moto came calling. I figured I didn't have a snowball's chance, but I figured out a lot in between the motos. I used the outside berms and tried different lines and stayed off the brakes. The

old *Penton* doesn't change direction like my 2011 *YZ 250* does, so I had to change up my technique.

I got another good start after almost wheeling off the back of the bike when I started in first gear because I couldn't get the *Penton* to go into second on the line. I ended up banging bars a few times, and I rode more aggressive with the throttle. With better technique, and a little luck, I ended up second in my second moto and second overall in the Vet A class. If I had one more lap, I believe I could have had the guy in first. I was stalking him the whole

time, but, hey, I'll take the second.

I left *A.M.A. Vintage Motorcycle Days* having had a great time helping with the hare scrambles, going through the swap meet, and seeing some racing buddies. I also got to ride some 2013 *K.T.M.s* at their off-road demo rides.

Most importantly, I went back in time and raced some motocross on a 38-year-old dirt bike and did pretty well!

I can't wait until next year.

Matt Bucher
A.M.A. member
Toledo, Ohio

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

Compiled and Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition Of Motorcyclists

California Legislators Bar Motorcycle-Only Checkpoints

On Friday, July 13, California became the fourth state in the country to oppose roadside checkpoints that target motorcyclists.

Governor Jerry Brown signed assembly bill 1047 into effect, joining with Virginia, North Carolina, and New Hampshire in prohibiting police agencies from using safety grant money to fund motorcycle-only checkpoints.

“Persistence pays off!” said Jim Lombardo, lobbyist for A.B.A.T.E. of California. “It took two years of hard work to get our bill through both transportation committees, the assembly and senate appropriations committees, passed by both houses and then returned to the assembly for concurrence to a stronger amended bill.”

AB-1047, sponsored by assemblyman Kevin Jeffries (R-Lake Elsinore), passed its final legislative hurdle by a unanimous 77-0 vote in the assembly. The new legislation becomes effective January 1, 2013.

“The funding of such checkpoints has made the passage of AB-1047 of paramount importance,” noted a letter of support circulated to legislators by C.O.I.R. through the U.S. Defenders program. Calling the checkpoints discriminatory and un-American, they noted that “Across California, [police] agencies have been using these funds, not to establish generic checkpoints intended to stop all vehicles looking for impaired operators, or unsafe vehicles. Rather, these checkpoints have been stationed adjacent to motorcycle events and stop only motorcycle riders while automobile drivers are waved on.”

On the federal level, dozens of congressional representatives have signed onto house resolution 904 by representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) to bar the U.S. Department of Transportation from providing funds to government agencies for motorcycle safety equipment

roadside checkpoints.

Meanwhile, *Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (A.I.M.)* attorney Mitchell Proner of New York city is appealing a federal judge’s ruling that upheld the constitutionality of such roadblocks, vowing to take the fight on behalf of A.B.A.T.E. of New York and the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists (N.C.O.M.)* all the way to the U.S. supreme court if necessary.

E.P.A. Officially Approves E15 For Sale In The U.S.

Putting E15 (a mixture of 15% ethanol and 85% gasoline) on sale in the U.S. has been all but official since April, when the *Environmental Protection Agency* approved the first applications to make E15. Now, “all but official” has become official, with the *E.P.A.* giving approval for retailers to start selling the controversial biofuel, which many claim can damage smaller engines such as motorcycles and A.T.V.s, voiding manufacturers’ warranties.

Nevada Motorcycle Clubs Sue Police For Civil Rights Abuses

Four motorcycle clubs that belong to the *Southern Nevada Confederation of Clubs (C.o.C.)* have filed a federal lawsuit against the metro and north Las Vegas police departments, claiming that their civil rights have been systematically violated.

Dozens of club members of the *Mongols, Bandidos, Vagos*, and *Stray Cats* allege they have been “unlawfully targeted and harassed” by the two police departments for several years, and the 78 complainants are seeking over \$75,000 on each of its fifteen different claims. Punitive and exemplary damages of more than \$75,000 are also being sought.

The lawsuit claims that Las Vegas police threatened to revoke the



liquor licenses of local businesses if they served certain motorcycle club members or let them frequent their place of business. The legal action cites numerous other incidents of abuse, including police officers purportedly informing members of the *Stray Cats* that they had “no constitutional rights on the streets of northern Las Vegas.”

Legal documents detail six encounters that occurred between June 2010 and September 2011 that violated the patch holders’ first, fourth, and 14th amendment rights, but attorney Stephen Stubbs and *Southern Nevada Confederation of Clubs* president Guido Novicelli say the harassment has gone on for more than the two years the lawsuit covers. “All we’re really looking for is to be able to meet and have a good time and ride motorcycles without being harassed,” said Novicelli.

“Everybody has the same constitutional rights,” said Stubbs, serving as legal counsel for the 37 Las Vegas-based clubs that comprise the *Southern Nevada C.o.C.* “The minute we start disregarding someone’s constitutional rights because we don’t agree with them, this country is in big trouble.”

New York Bill Would Require Motorcycle Safety Education For New Drivers

A New York bill that would improve motorcycle safety by including awareness training in the state department of motor vehicles required courses passed unanimously in the senate on June 4.

S-7138 would amend the vehicle and traffic regulations to create a two-hour motorcycle safety and awareness component to the D.M.V.’s mandatory five-hour pre-licensing course for new drivers. Specific requirements would be set by the commissioner of motor vehicles.

“This is just one more step towards making our highways safer for both motorcyclists and those traveling on four wheels,” said state senator Patricia A. Ritchie (R-Heuvelton)

who cosponsored the bipartisan measure along with senator Kevin Parker (D-Brooklyn). “By teaching people how to properly share the road, we can cut down on [crashes] and help save lives.”

Now senator Ritchie is looking for a sponsor to introduce the legislation in the general assembly.

Rhode Island Riders Get Designated Parking

A new Rhode Island regulation will require all state and municipal buildings to provide designated parking spaces for motorcycles from April to November. The legislation, sponsored by senator John J. Tassoni Jr. (D-Smithfield) and state representative Peter John Petrarca (D-Lincoln), was recently approved by the general assembly and signed into effect by governor Lincoln D. Chafee (I).

The legislation dictates that city and town officials create parking plans by this November for parking areas at municipal buildings and mandates that the new parking spaces, marked by appropriate signage, be made available by April 1, 2013. All state, city, or town buildings must establish a motorcycle parking plan by November, with the number and placement of the motorcycle parking spaces varying by building, and to be determined by the number of employees who use motorcycles. The regulation does not apply to state airport parking lots.

Novelty Helmets Outlawed In Canada

A new provincial regulation announced by the ministry of justice requires motorcyclists in British Columbia to wear helmets that show proper industry certification, such as *Snell* or a U.S. department of transportation sticker.

The legislation takes effect in July on Canada Day. Until now, motorcyclists could wear anything that was sold as a motorcycle helmet, including so-called “novelty” models

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that are smaller, lighter, and lack protective inner padding. “Many members of biker gangs and their followers wore such helmets,” noted the *Maple Ridge News* in announcing the policy change.

“A lot of the Hells Angels guys... they will wear the fake helmets, as well,” R.C.M.P. constable Tom Sparks told the newspaper. Once the helmet regulation is enforced, \$138 tickets will be handed out. In addition to a ticket, riders also will be required to park their bike if they’re caught using an illegal helmet. “You cannot continue.”

Sergeant Dale Somerville added that police aren’t targeting any particular segment of riders, but if there’s a group that uses non-legal helmets more often, they’ll get stopped more often.

European Union Proposes Motorcycle Safety Inspections

The *European Commission* proposes to include all types of powered two wheelers into a regulation on periodic road worthiness tests and calls for annual inspection intervals for all vehicles more than six years old, according to the *Federation of European Motorcyclists’ Associations (F.E.M.A.)*. The measure would cost riders over 1.2 billion Euros extra per year, with no clear benefits for anyone, says *F.E.M.A.* in criticizing the proposal as unnecessary and ineffective, calling for its withdrawal.

On Friday, July 13th, the *European Commission* published a proposal

for a “Regulation on periodic road worthiness tests for motor vehicles and their trailers”. In comparison to the previous regulation (directive 2009/40/EC) powered two wheelers (P.T.W.s) are now also included (motorcycles, scooters and mopeds). The commission proposes to increase the testing frequency to four years after the date on which the vehicle was first registered, then two years and thereafter annually for all vehicles.

Although the commission claims that “8 % of all motorcycle [crashes] are linked to technical defects,” *F.E.M.A.* doubts the accuracy of such figures and cites in-depth studies showing technical failures only account for 0.3% of all primary crash contributing factors. “In addition the countries in Europe with periodic testing regimes for P.T.W.s do not show improved [crash] figures,” according to *F.E.M.A.*

“This is nothing less than a tax on poverty for those who cannot afford a new vehicle every three years” says *F.E.M.A.* general secretary Aline Delhaye. “In terms of time and money, the cost for citizens is going to be astronomical, with no benefits in return.”

Freedom In The Land Of Enchantment

New Mexico is one of 31 states that do not require adults to wear helmets, and that’s not likely to change says *KRQE-News13*, noting that “Motorcycle rider rights

organizations are working diligently to keep it that way, not because they don’t want people to wear helmets, but because they want people to be able to decide for themselves.”

“Too many people are dying on our roads and all I’m asking is for people to look out for motorcyclists,” said Annette Torrez, chair of the *New Mexico Motorcycle Riders Rights Organization*. “I don’t want legislation telling me whether I should or shouldn’t wear a helmet,” said Torrez, who was recently recognized for her efforts at the annual *N.C.O.M.* convention with a *Silver Spoke Award*.

It’s been about a decade since an adult helmet requirement was last introduced in the state legislature, and legislators told the news agency that is because the idea is always met with angry opposition, not only from motorcycle groups, but other legislators too. “There’s always individuals who you’re seeing here who come up to Santa Fe and institute their rights and say you know what, we really don’t want to see it and these are individuals who wear helmets on a regular basis,” said New Mexico state representative Rick Miera (D-Bernalillo County), a longtime rider and member of the *National Coalition of Motorcyclists’ Legislative Task Force (N.C.O.M.-L.T.F.)*

Motorcycle Sales Rev Up

Cycle sales have fired up since the recession’s effects have waned, according to new data from *Sageworks Inc.*, a financial information

company. Sales at motorcycle and A.T.V. dealers are up nearly 16% over the last twelve months, including used bike sales. Profitability has improved from near-breakeven in 2009 to nearly 3% profit margins, *Sageworks’* data shows.

Sageworks analyst Robb Granado said sales are stronger at both dealers and manufacturers. “The fact that we see the retailers doing well shows it is actual end-user demand,” he said. “That’s a positive story for both the future of both the retailers and the manufacturers.”

Their analysis is bolstered by *Motorcycle Industry Council (M.I.C.)* numbers that reflect first-quarter industry sales of new units rose 8.8%, aided by higher gasoline prices and unseasonably warm weather across much of the country.

Quotable Quote

“There are four boxes to be used in the defense of liberty: soap, ballot, jury, and ammo. Please use in that order.”

--Stephen Decatur Miller
(originally attributed)
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Thanks for the respect!

We also had a vendor who felt the need to sell alcohol, Her and her crew were told three times by me that we are not licensed to sell alcohol and its a responsibility that our chapter was not willing to accept. A letter will be put out to all Oregon and Washington chapters on who that individual is and to forewarn them on the liability they are opening their chapter up to. After a couple reports that were made to our run coordinator, the vendor and her crew were escorted off the property Friday night.

Thanks for the respect.

As a chapter of *A.B.A.T.E.*, we are taking off a couple weeks of planning

Run 21 for next year and putting together a think tank to see if it is worth the hassle to have another *Run 21*, how we are going to approach it, and where it will be held.

It is getting to be a major headache to have to put up with others’ bullshit on a volunteer basis. So with the time off we are going to go enjoy ourselves at my second favorite run, *Beaver Creek Run* that is hosted by *Lincoln County Chapter*. And I promise that my crew and my family will give *Lincoln County A.B.A.T.E.* the respect that they have earned and deserve.

So if you think you deserve respect because you have a nice motor home, a nice bike, have a hot body, are part

of a group, wear a patch, or have a fat wallet, you don’t deserve shit. Start earning it by respecting others first, because you f_ _ked up our *Run 21*.

I would like to thank all the volunteers, staff, vendors and attendees who came to *Run 21*, who helped out and had a great time. You are the true people who respect the run and the run site and make it possible and enjoyable for the staff to come back each year and do it again.

On another note, kudos to Lee Austin. Lee received his patch and is now a patch holder for *Bikers for Christ*. Your friendship list will continue to grow by knowing who is and what is important for you in life.

-- Derwood

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Run-21 Report

Another *Run 21* is over. Everyone had a good time.

I would like to thank the businesses that sponsored us by selling tickets:

- *Knuckleheads' Tavern* in Portland
- *Wig Wam Tavern* in Scappoose
- *Oak Grove Choppers* in Oak Grove
- the *Birk* in Birkenfeld, Oregon.

Thanks also to *Love Leathers* for discounting our prizes for the drawings.

And a very special thanks to Laura Stewart for donating two leather jackets for us to auction off to help pay for our toy run parade permit this year.

My work crew at the run was the best that I have had the few years that I have been coordinator for this run. You all need to give yourselves a big pat on the back. Job well done.

Unfortunately, due to issues with Clatsop county, *Run 21* will be in a different location next year. (Place to be determined.)

Thanks to Mike and Wendy Ingraham for leasing their property to us for these past years.

Also, thanks to all of the neighbors and businesses in Birkenfeld and the surrounding areas for your support.

Vicki L. O'Donnell
Run 21 coordinator

The Whole Is Preferable To Any Single Part

by Lynn B. DeSpain

This is what seems apparent to me as I review the results of the *Proposed Bill for Helmet Choice* here in Oregon. The hang up seems to be over the two year "sunset clause".

This, when viewed on its own, is quite understandable. Two years is not long enough for the curve (a mathematical trend on paper) to prove that crashes/injuries decline after three years. The rest of the bill is very self explanatory and sufficient for any and all with the medical coverage required either on the motorcycle coverage or other insurance.

I have heard that representative Olson is prepared to present a four year sunset clause version. Have we asked if the majority of both the house and senate support four years and most importantly will Dr. No, our governor, not veto it?

However if we just look past lunch, past our emotions, what does it hurt to consider that which our opponents have given us, meaning passing the house, senate, and Dr. No, our governor, with the bill as it is first presented to us?

First, let's look at what we are given.

Money coming into Oregon!

Both Florida and Michigan expect, and in all probability will receive, over one billion dollars in additional tourist revenue from motorcycle tourism.

Why? Because that is the money they lost when they reverted back to helmet-required status. (Doesn't take a genius to figure that one out.)

What Oregon does have is a lack of new industry, losing more each year.

Beginning January 1, 2013 no more revenue from the federal government for our *not* logging "their" forest, mining "their" lands, *et al.* Which ends up in no funding for each county's sheriff's department who back up the state police and the city police.

First blush, what's the problem?

Second thought, how much more do you want to pay in taxes for the state and city while imagining your families doing without, along with your neighbors.

About the only untapped industry Oregon has left is tourism.

That, fellow members, is exactly where our strength lies.

I know from talking to businesses – the mom and pop's, banks, motels, bars, restaurants, and you-name-it in our own county. I specifically told them about Michigan and Florida and the added revenue they received from bikes coming into their states.

Then I asked them to imagine the impact that amount would have in Oregon, especially being a gateway to the Pacific ocean, as the only helmet choice state on the west coast.

Next, all were asked — "*If we were to ask all seated congressional members, and all those running against them, are you for money coming into Oregon through helmet choice tourism?*"

If the individual said "yes", would they post their picture and answer?

All of them, including the banks said they would.

If they said "no", would you post their picture and answer?

All said they would.

That is called power.

One last point we should take time to consider, now that we could have all the "money people" behind us, is to remember that in two years another election comes up. One governor, one-third of the senate, and one-half of the house could be replaced.

Now think of them considering their pictures, and answers on the walls of all the businesses in Oregon.

As the bankers all agreed, non-government money coming in is money put in circulation on houses, cars, boats, endless items.

I agree with the whole concept and ideals of *A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments*.

I support this action.

And this action means political.

What I do not condone is *apathy*.

What have I witnessed in the past few years in anything not concerning poker runs, camp-outs, swap meets, and such?

Apathy, total indifference to any and all things political.

And if I am wrong, someone explain why so many attend the fun things, while so few seem able to come to Salem for one Saturday in May for just a few hours?

My opinion,

Lynn B. DeSpain
coordinator
Salem Chapter

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IT IS HEREBY ADJUDGED AND DECLARED that Oregon House Bill 3422 means that as long as a motorcycle rider is wearing a protective covering on his head that has a hard outer shell, padding adjacent to and inside the outer shell and a chin-strap retention system with a sticker indicating that the motorcycle helmet meets standards established by the United States Department of Transportation the rider is in compliance with state law with respect to his helmet and a police officer may not inquire further to determine if the helmet worn meets United States Department of Transportation testing standards.

Dated this 9th day of May, 1997

/s/ JOHN JELDERKS
John Jelderks
United States Magistrate Judge

Submitted by
Spencer M. Neal
of Attorneys for Plaintiff

Of Mods and Rockers

The early British scooters versus motorcycles scene

In the 1950s through the early 1960s, distinct youth subcultures began to develop in London based on different types of two-wheeled vehicles: scooters and motorcycles.

"Mods" tended to be white collar youth wearing stylish suits with stovepipe legs over which they wore military parkas when riding Italian scooters in order to protect their fine clothes. Their *Vespas* and *Lambrettas* heavily accessorized with multiple rearview mirrors, fog lamps, and fox tales.

Blue collar working youth who were "rockers" normally rode heavier bikes like *Triumphs*, cut down and modified into the cafe racer look. They normally wore black leather and slicked hair like Marlon Brando in *The Wild Ones*.

Most conflicts were internal to the two groups, though in 1964 a number of minor south beach clashes between mods and rockers were blown up out of proportion by the tabloids to create pulic fear.



Rockers and mods at Brighton beach

During a press interview in the *Beatles* movie, *A Hard Day's Night*, Ringo is asked if he is a mod or a rocker, to which he replies that he's neither. He's a mocker.

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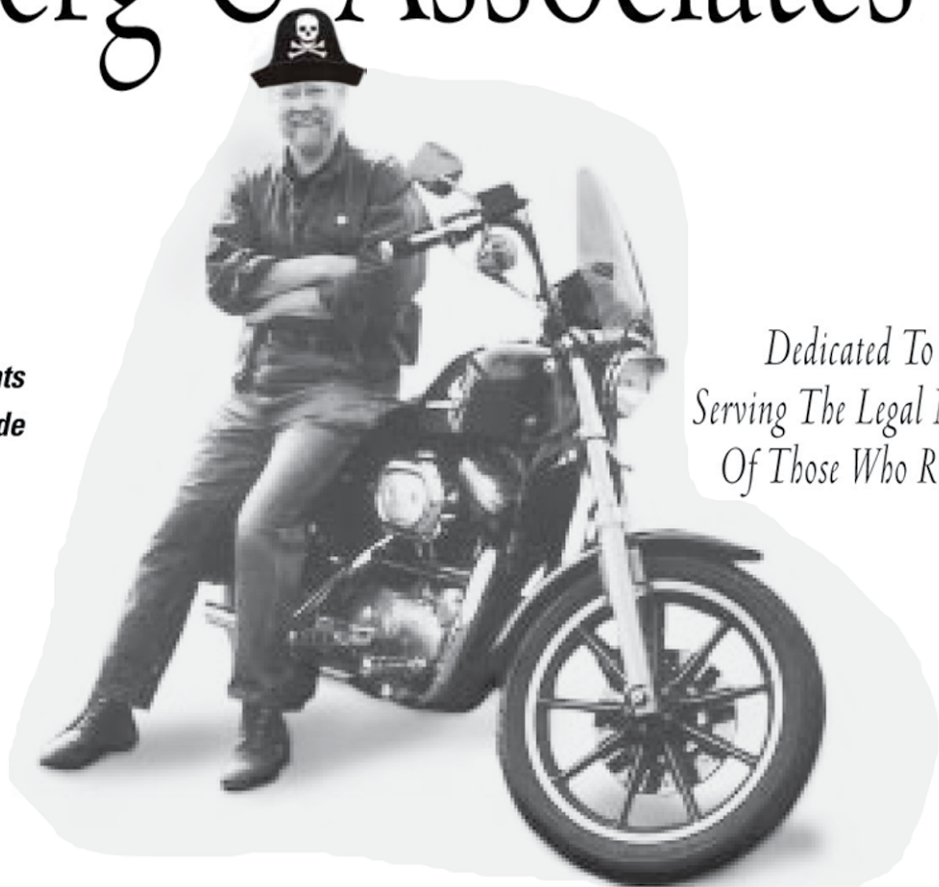
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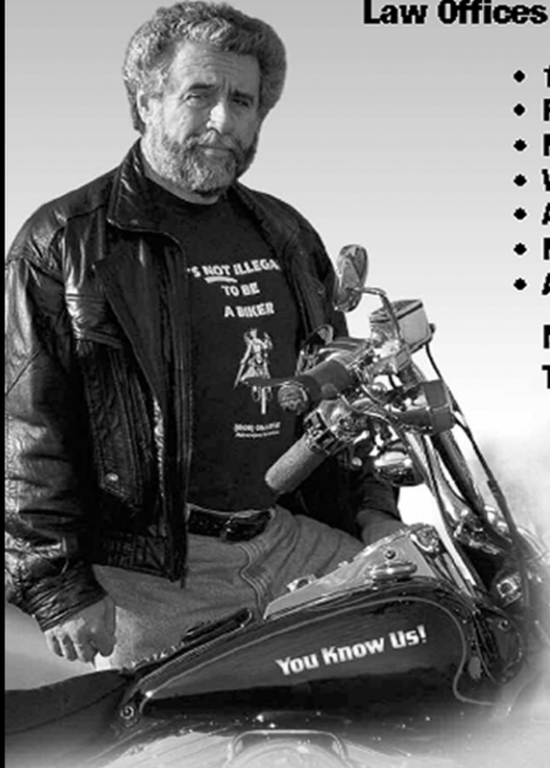
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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

This information may be presented to state and federal legislators as well as police or D.O.T. administrators. The purpose is to ensure appropriate lawmaking and reasonable enforcement. Please provide as much detail as possible. Attach extra pages if necessary. Phone 1-800-347-1106 or (503)-224-1106 in Portland if you have questions, and ask for Gunny. Thank you for your cooperation. Please send to: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg., 5603 SW Hood avenue; Portland, OR 97239 ATTN: Gunny

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

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

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

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

COURT LOCATION: city / county: _____

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

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

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

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

If no explain: _____

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

Was your helmet confiscated? YES / NO Explain: _____

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

If verbal, describe: _____

WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

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

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

YES : What was the verdict ? GUILTY NOT GUILTY

If guilty, what was the sentence? _____

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

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

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

DESCRIBE THE HELMET YOU WERE WEARING

BRAND: _____ MODEL: _____

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

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

Oregon A.B.A.T.E. STATE OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2012

NOTE: (c) = cell phone

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(Return address)

A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.
att. MEMBERSHIP
P.O. Box 4504
Portland, Oregon
97208

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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: _____

How would you like to receive your state newspaper?
 Print version mailed to your address.
 Download PDF version from state web site at:
<http://www.abateoforegon.net>

Chapter: _____

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

Please send completed application to:

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

| Membership Rates: | | | | | |
|-------------------|------------|----------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| number of members | type | one year | two years | three years | five years |
| _____ | Single | \$ 30 | \$ 55 | \$ 80 | \$125 |
| _____ | Couple | \$ 35 | \$ 65 | \$ 95 | \$150 |
| _____ | Family | \$ 40 | \$ 75 | \$110 | \$175 |
| _____ | Sustaining | \$100 | | | |
| | Lifetime | \$300 | | | |

(please circle desired duration of membership.)

(revised Jan 2011 — Rot Path)

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



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

Comments:

September 2012

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

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>August 2012</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td></tr> <tr><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td></tr> <tr><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | <p>(mabon)</p> | <p>October 2012</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | | <p>This month in 1775 -- United Colonies First Revolutionary War --</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American troops under General Richard Montgomery sent into Canada to cut off British supplies. Colonel Benedict Arnold, with about 1,100 soldiers, marches against Quebec. British ship seized off Tybee Island, Georgia, capturing 250 barrels of powder. British capture Colonel Ethan Allen and thirty-eight men near Montreal. | | | <p>1</p> <p>BikePAC Board Meeting noon-Salem library</p> <p>Today the sun is in the same position in the sky as it was on 10 April.</p> |
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| <p>2</p> <p>Lower Columbia 1900 (7 pm)</p> <p>Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)</p> | <p>3</p> <p>labor day</p> | <p>4</p> <p>Lincoln County – 1900 (7 pm)</p> <p>River City – 1900 (7 pm)</p> <p>Salem – 1900 (7 pm)</p> | <p>5</p> | <p>6</p> | <p>7</p> | <p>8</p> <p>4th quarter moon</p> <p>ABATE B.O.D. Albany – 1200 (noon)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>9</p> <p>Central Oregon 1400 (2 pm)</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Washington Co. 1930 (7:30 pm)</p> | <p><i>please</i> <i>continue</i> <i>remembering</i></p> | <p>12</p> | <p>13</p> | <p>14</p> <p>Douglas County Bike Night Drain</p> | <p>15</p> <p>new moon</p> <p>CentOr Teddy Bear Run Bend</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>16</p> <p>Southeast Portland 1200 (noon)</p> | <p>17</p> <p>constitution day</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Jackson County 1830 (6:30 pm)</p> <p>Lincoln County 1900 (7 pm)</p> <p>North Coast 1730 (5:30 pm)</p> <p>River City 1900 (7 pm)</p> | <p>19</p> <p>Josephine County 1830 (6:30 pm)</p> <p>Talk-Like-A-Pirate Day http://www.talklikeapirate.com/</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Douglas County 1900 (7 pm)</p> <p>Hub City 1900 (7 pm)</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22</p> <p>1st quarter moon</p> <p>mabon / autumn equinox</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>23</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Washington Co 1930 (7:30 pm)</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>26</p> | <p>27</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29</p> <p>harvest moon</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>30</p> <p>Today the sun is in the same position in the sky as it was on 12 March.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

STATE BOARD MEETING
Saturday, 08 Sept 2012
1200 (noon)
Ciddici's Pizza
133 SE Fifth Street
Albany, Oregon

High noon of the twenty-second day,
He rode divided on mabon's way,
Autumn was returning,
Yet he kept on yearning,
For the touch of the fleeing sun's rays.
©2012 Rot Path

Have A Smart Phone?
QR code for Oregon
A.B.A.T.E.'s web site:



(If your cell phone can't handle things like QR codes, reassure it that it's just as good as other phones in its own special way.)

2012 EVENTS and RUN LISTINGS

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

PR = Poker Run
BN = Biker Night

| date: | event / chapter or sponsor: | location: | contact number: |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 14 Sept 2012 | Bike Night / Douglas Co. | Drain | |
| 15 Sept 2012 | Teddy Bear Run / CentOr | Bend | (503)-887-3032 |
| 20-23 Sept 2012 | Meeting of the Minds / | North Carolina | 1-(800)-325-3535 |
| 22 Sept 2012 | Fall Run / Washington ABATE | Naselle, WA | |
| 06 Oct 2012 | Toy Run / JoCo | Grants Pass | (541)-659-8715 |
| 12 Oct 2012 | Bike Night / Douglas Co. | Oakland | |
| 20-21 Oct 2012 | Planning Session/Oregon ABATE | Cottage Grove | |
| 13 Oct 2012 | NCOM regional conference | Portland | |
| 17 Nov 2012 | Spaghetti Dinner & Auction / NC | | |
| 17 Nov 2012 | Stan Johnston Toy Run / WaCo | Hillsboro | |
| 08 Dec 2012 | Toy Run / North Coast | | |
| — 2013 — | | | |
| | Spring Swap Meet / Oregon ABATE | Portland | |
| | Fossil Campout / Oregon ABATE | Fossil, Oregon | |

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

| Chapter: | Day: | Time: | Location: | Phone: |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|--|----------------|
| Central Oregon (CentOr) | 2nd Sunday | 1400 (2 p.m.) | Izzy's Pizza; 810 SW 11th; Redmond | (541)-504-1678 |
| Douglas County (DC) | 3rd Thursday | 1900 (7 p.m.) | The Zen; 1969 SE Stephens; Roseburg | (541)-637-5552 |
| Hub City (HC) | 3rd Thursday | 1900 (7 p.m.) | Ciddici's Pizza; 133 SE Fifth Street; Albany | (541)-928-2536 |
| Indian Creek (IC) | 6th Friday | 2359 (11:59 pm) | (anywhere we feel like it) | |
| Jackson County (JackCo) | 3rd Tuesday | 1830 (6:30 p.m.) | D & S Harley-Davidson; 3846 S. Pacific highway; Medford | (541)- |
| Josephine County (JoCo) | 3rd Wednesday | 1830 (6:30 p.m.) | Fruitdale Grange; 1440 Parkdale drive; Grant's Pass | (541)-474-3553 |
| Lincoln County (LinCo) | 1st & 3rd Tues | 1900 (7 p.m.) | American Legion Hall; 424 W. Olive Street; Newport | (541)-265-9017 |
| Lower Columbia (LoCo) | 1st Sunday | 1900 (7 p.m.) | Colvin's Pub & Grill; 123 N. Nehalem; Clatskanie, Oregon | (503)-728-4122 |
| North Coast (NC) | 3rd Tuesday | 1730 (5:30 p.m.) | Moose Lodge; 420 17th Street; Astoria | (503)-325-0881 |
| River City (RC) | 1st & 3rd Tues | 1900 (7 p.m.) | Shiloh Inn; 3223 Bret Clodfelter Way; The Dalles | (541)-298-5502 |
| Salem | 1st Tuesday | 1900 (7 p.m.) | Hitching Post; 8046 River road NE; Salem | (503)-393-1404 |
| Southeast Portland (SE-PDX) | 1st & 3rd Sun | 1200 (noon) | M&M Restaurant & Lounge; 137 N. Main; Gresham | (503)-665-2626 |
| Washington County (WaCo) | 2nd & 4th Mon | 1930 (7:30 p.m.) | Grape Vine Restaurant; 11525 SW Barnes; Portland | (503)-597-0300 |