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# COORDINATORS COMMENTS

The Adult Responsibility Act (our helmet law amendment) will be introduced in Nov. in the legislative pre-session. This means we will have our #1 issue addressed early in the 1997 Oregon legislative session, probably in January. It will not be easy, nothing worthwhile is. Do you know what to do? Who to contact? What to say? If you need help, then attend a chapter meeting and ask the chapter legislative director what you can do or contact one of the State Officers and they can help. Are YOU ready to regain your liberty? The key to getting what we want is, EVERYBODY must be willing to get involved. Your leaders cannot do it alone. Attend "BIKER DAYS", make phone calls, write letters, lobby your elected officials. In 1995, we changed the law. We did the work, we made it happen and we can do it again.

I hear a lot of talk about Aid to Injured Motorcyclists (AIM) and the National Coalition Of Motorcyclists (NCOM), and certain product liability lawsuits that have been filed by *some* AIM attorneys. This issue is extremely complex and requires close attention in order to determine the impact these events may have on ABATE of Oregon and the motorcycle rights movement in America, if any. This requires time and attention that we (ABATE) simply don't have at the present. These issues are too important to rush to judgment. It will divert us from our more important legislative work. Because of the possible divisiveness that could occur within our own ranks, the Board of Directors of ABATE felt so strongly that they unanimously voted to **table discussion of this issue** for one year, and form a committee to investigate the matter. This committee is comprised of Butch Harbaugh (ABATE of OR.; BikePAC of OR. Legislative Director; BikePAC of OR. Lobbyist; Chairman of the Legislative Task Force - NCOM) Brian Stovall (ABATE of OR. Legislative Director; BikePAC of OR. Executive Director; Board of Directors Motorcycle Riders Foundation ) and myself. This committee is scheduled to meet in August 1997 and at that time we will discuss the matter and bring our findings and recommendations to the ABATE Board for consideration. I think that it is appropriate for any discussion about AIM-NCOM concerning these lawsuits, assuming it ever comes up, to be **tabled by the chapters** and let the committee do its work. If any members feel they have pertinent information then I ask you to contact me about it. Regaining our liberty in Oregon...that's important! The AIM - NCOM issue can wait.

By the time you read this, all of the chapters will have completed compiling the legislative district information for their members (or be very close to completion). I am told that Salem Chapter had this information turned in to "Mother" prior to the State BOD meeting on the 10th of August. I applaud Salem Chapter for their vision. If by some fluke anyone was overlooked, please use this form below, and my comments continue on the next page..

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## Legislative / District Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

address: \_\_\_\_\_

(street)

(city)

(state)

(zip)

ABATE Chapter affiliation : \_\_\_\_\_

ABATE Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Voting District Information

U.S. Congressional \_\_\_\_\_ State Representative \_\_\_\_\_ State Senate \_\_\_\_\_

**please mail to: State Membership Secretary; PO Box 4504; Portland, OR. 97208**

**ATTN: District Information**

On October 12, 1996; BikePAC hosted a legislative training seminar at the VFW Hall in Cottage Grove Oregon, the purpose of which is to train people how to lobby their legislators. Those that attended will return to their various chapters/organizations and be able to train others on how to lobby. Find out who your chapter trainers are and learn how to lobby in Salem yourself.

**Fossil Lawsuit:** A mixed bag is how I describe our progress.

Originally we were suing the OSP for the violation of the 1st (free association) and 4th (unreasonable seizures) amendments to the constitution and seeking an injunction against the enforcement of the 1988 Oregon Helmet Law, in other words, the police were to stop enforcing the old helmet law. (Please read the OSP memorandum dated July 1, 1996 on page five {5}) This memorandum eliminates the need for the injunction and therefore the ABATE of Oregon Board of Directors instructed our attorney Spenser Neal to cancel the hearing for that injunction. That is the good news.

Canceling the hearing for the injunction was done with the understanding that we would reach an agreement and settle the other issues in this case. Mr. Neal submitted a consent decree that would give ABATE some assurance the State Police would do as they said. We must have this assurance so that our rights are protected and will be respected by the police! That consent decree is currently the point of contention in the case. The OSP now seems unwilling to agree with the consent decree and they don't appear as anxious to settle this case. I know there are many of you that don't trust the police, and may be thinking they are deliberately stalling. While this may be true, it is also true that settling out of court is the most cost effective way to handle this. If this case must be settled in court, so be it, that is what we had originally planned and we will not give up this fight. Our rights are far too important to abandon. Mr. Neal is doing everything he can to settle the case, but if we must go to court to get satisfaction then we will go to court. And so it goes.

If anyone has any comments or questions about my comments, please don't hesitate to contact me. I encourage your thoughts.

Larry

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# MEMORANDUM OREGON STATE POLICE

DATE: July 1, 1996

TO: District Commanders

FROM: Glen L. Rader, Lieutenant  
Patrol Services Division

SUBJECT: MOTORCYCLE HELMETS

REFER: To House Bill 3422, Chapter 492 (ORS 801.366),  
1995 New Laws, enclosed 1995 Legislative Report  
and Enrolled House Bill 3422

The purpose of this memorandum is to remind the field of the new motorcycle helmet law. The 1995 Legislative Session changed the definition of motorcycle helmet to:

“A protective covering for the head” consisting of the following:

A hard outer shell;

Padding adjacent to and inside the outer shell;

A chin strap type \_\_\_\_\_ systems; with

A sticker indicating the motorcycle helmet meets the US DOT Standards.

No longer does the ANSI Standards apply. No longer does the helmet have to meet the standards of the Federal Government.

If you observe a rider or passenger of a motorcycle wearing a helmet that has a hard shell, interior padding, chin strap, and a DOT sticker, it is legal.

This is a major change from the helmet law prior to this legislative change. If a motorcyclist is observed and the helmet that is worn meets the above criteria, then there is no probable cause for a stop for a helmet violation.

If an officer observes a helmet that has obviously soft leather or does not have padding inside, such as older military helmets, these would be clearly illegal helmets.

I would encourage stations to share this information with their local law enforcement agencies. If there are any questions regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact me at this headquarters at Extension 4202.

# What You'll Do When You're A Legislator's Buddy

October 1996

**Get to know your legislator on a familiar basis.**

When you have established this relationship with a State Senator or Representative, then whenever you call, he/she knows who you are and where your interests lie. Get to know the legislator's key staff members the same way. A friendly relationship with an assistant or secretary is extremely valuable.

**Visit your legislator in Salem.**

Our BikePAC lobbyist can help you schedule a personal visit with your legislator in Salem and accompany you during that visit.

- This will help you break the ice and become comfortable in talking to and getting to know your legislator.
- Introduce our lobbyist to your legislator and help the legislator understand that BikePAC has your support and represents your interests.
- Together, you and our lobbyist will explain BikePAC's legislative agenda and find out how the legislator feels about motorcycling issues.

**Ask your legislator for help.**

Tell your legislator that you want to be informed when bills that affect you come up. For instance, if your legislator hears of a bill that mentions motorcycles, he/she will know that you want information about that bill, and will notify you.

**Alert BikePAC about new information you learn from your legislator.**

Sometimes a bill that has nothing to do with motorcycles is amended quietly in a way that can be bad for us, and sometimes things like this are hard for our lobbyist to find out about. If you learn from your legislator that something important to motorcyclists is being considered, call BikePAC right away and let us know. This can help us stay on top of things when the politics in the legislature get down and dirty. A friendly, familiar relationship with your legislator and their staff means they will help you with these things.

**Share your knowledge.**

Talk to your friends and chapter/group members about your experiences as a Legislator's Buddy. Let them know how your legislator responds to you and your requests, and how easy it is to be a Buddy.

**BikePAC will help you!**

We will provide you with information to help you be an effective Buddy. This includes a list of legislators names and phone numbers, information about how the legislature works, and a variety of other supporting materials. Of course, any time you need help, call BikePAC. We want you to succeed and feel good about being a Buddy.

**How much will this cost?**

Calls to your legislator on the Legislative Access line are toll-free. Calls to BikePAC officers for help and to pass along information may be long distance. You may need to mail letters to your legislator. You may have some expenses in going to Salem to visit your legislator. Ask your chapter or group to cover your costs if you need help with these expenses.

**How much time will this take?**

We hope you can take one day during the week early in the Legislative Session to visit your legislator in Salem. One of the Biker's Days would be a good time to come. Phone calls to your legislator must be made during working hours, so you do need to be able to make calls during the day. The Session runs from January through at least the end of June.

**How many Buddies do we need?**

We'd like every State Representative and Senator (that's 90) to have a Buddy. This is the most effective lobbying we can do and we'd like to do a lot of it!

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Brian Stovall, Executive Director • 541-298-1317  
Butch Harbaugh, Legislative Director • 503-838-1460

# I'm a Legislator's Buddy

## REGISTRATION FORM

Please send to: Brian Stovall, 3909 Chenowith Rd. W., The Dalles, OR 97058

Be sure that BikePAC knows who you are and how to reach you. Because you are a primary contact with your legislator BikePAC wants to provide you with the most up-to-date information, and also wants to know how to reach you on short notice if the need arises. Please complete this form and return it as soon as possible.

TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_\_

LEGISLATOR'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

LEGISLATOR'S DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

FAX PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

YES NO OK TO CALL YOU AT WORK?

YES NO DO YOU HAVE AN ANSWERING MACHINE/VOICE MAIL?

WHAT IS THE BEST TIME TO REACH YOU BY PHONE? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT HOURS DO YOU NOT WANT TO BE CALLED? \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS

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# CHAPTER REPORTS

## Blue Mountain

Meets 3rd Sunday, 1:00 pm  
East Side Tavern Restaurant 2209 Adams Ave., LaGrande  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 242 LaGrande, Or. 97850  
Chapter Contact: Robie Vandiver 541-562-5987

No report, first time. (Not readable)

## Central Oregon

Meets 2nd Sunday, 2:00 pm  
KC's Pizza House, 1655 North Highway 97, Redmond  
Chapter address: P.O. Box 1527, Redmond, Or 97756  
Chapter contact: Charley Ritter 541-383-1929

Fall has arrived in Central Oregon and there is still a lot of good riding to come.

The Raindeer Run is scheduled for October 19th and we hope for a great turn out. Of course by the time you read this the run will be history. Registration is from 9-10:00 am with the run beginning at 10:00 am. Food, money and toys are the donations we are looking for.

Vee, Charley, Robert and Cheryl braved the weather and rode over for the State Board meeting only to find the location had been changed. After two hours of trying to find the location in the pouring down rain the mighty foursome decided to head back over the mountains. Soaked to the bone and distraught at not finding the meeting they returned home in the bitter cold only to find out they were only about an 1/8 of a mile from the meeting. Great stamina folks! No wonder we have such a great group! I hope to be braving the weather and pass to make it over myself and I'm sure the four of them will be pleased with other volunteers. Thanks to Bill and Gloria for going over in September.

Our highway pickup is scheduled for October 27th. Meeting at the usual location of the Irrigation office at 1:00p.m. Be there or be square.

This years' Toy Run is being sponsored by the Motorcyclists of Central Oregon and ABATE is participating with this group. Many events upcoming and we hope to have more members get involved.

Reminder to all: Please register to vote if you haven't done so already and get out there and exercise your rights and VOTE! BikePAC has made an excellent voter's guide and I encourage all to educate yourselves before voting. Copies are available and I would be happy to send one to anyone interested.

Well I must get this finished and off to Gordon as our meeting date is late this month I have missed my deadline. PLEASE forgive me Gordon?!!

Respectfully - Rebecca

## Columbia River

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30 pm  
Alibi 4024 N. Interstate, Portland  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211  
Chapter Contact: Angie, (503)285-4329

Hello again,

I was out of town for our September meetings and have not caught up yet on what went on so will report on September and October next month.

The Freedom Run was great! Sorry so many people missed it. It was held at a very pretty site, with good food and was a fun party. Thank you to James Lewis, one of our younger members, who did a great job in our food trailer on Saturday night. Also thanks to all you special people who did make it to this important event.

It seems that low attendance has been a problem at the majority of runs and events this year. There are always a lot of reasons why people can not make any given event and few, if any, can make all of them. However, the fact is that low attendance hurts the organization because the Chapters and the State organization depend on the revenue from the various events to make it through the year financially. Now is a good time for members to be giving input at both the Chapter and State level about why they are not going to events. We need to know if it's a scheduling problems such as conflicts between events or, maybe too many events. So let people hear your thoughts and ideas.

At the time this article needed to be submitted the Portland Chapter's Halloween Party for the Shiner's Hospital had not yet happened so do not know the outcome. I hope the attendance was good and everyone had a good time. For those of you that were there, thanks a bunch.

Hope you have a great Thanksgiving with family and friends.  
Janet

## Douglas County

Meets 3rd Sunday at 11:00 am  
Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg  
(Contact Ed Halkyard at (541)673-6120 for info.)  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97457  
Chapter Contact: Joy Hoover(541)673-1304

Can you believe this incredible weather??? Hope you are getting in lots of "putts." Douglas County Chapter is still trying to finalize details for a summer run in '97. Chris and Bob are hard at work trying to tie up loose ends. We've been putting out the word about "Biker Days." Hope to see everyone there. Cody is our newest (and youngest in the state) Motorcycle Awareness facilitator. Congratulations! There has been a poor response from members thus far providing district # to Annie G. She can't forward to Mother what she doesn't have... come on people!!! Give Annie a call!!!! Our annual Toy Run will happen again this year... see Pat T. for details. Thanksgiving is around the corner. I know we all have things we're thankful for... Personally, I am thankful to all those who volunteer for positions and for those who assist whenever and wherever they can. Your help is invaluable! I am also thankful to Don our Coordinator, who does a wonderful job putting up with me!!!!!! See you next tune!

Charlie

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### Lincoln County

Meets 3rd Friday, 7:30 pm

1st Friday each month call for meeting info & place!

**Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport**

**Chapter Address: P.O. Box 665, Newport, OR 97365**

**Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, (541)563-3520**

Hi,

With summer winding down and many enjoyable rides and runs locked up in memory lane, we move on to more formal business~~~~VOTING. Its looking pretty promising if we just continue rallying, voting and voicing our opinions

We held our post-Beavercreek Party and had a Mud-run at the same time. Was a great way to wind down the camping season.

Now its coming time to start with the festive season. We are putting out a Holiday Handbook with some great recipes and crafts in it. We will be starting to preparing for the Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner soon.

So far, the weather has been extremely nice for this time of year, with many beautiful riding days. Everyone is trying to take advantage of it before it starts raining.

Till next time,

Kandi

### North Coast

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00pm

Shilo Inn, 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton, Or.

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, Or 97138

Chapter Contact: Jeff Oletzke (503) 861-0749

Here we are again going into fall. Getting everthing ready for Christmas and the toy run. There's a lot of work to do.

You've probably heard this a hundredtimes already, but "VOTE"! Read your Voter's Pamphlet and vote, IT'S YOUR FREEDOM!

*We can make a difference in 1997.*

We are sorry to lose Dave & Skye McKey. They moved to Grants Pass. Dave wrote us and told us he was going to attend a Gold Hill meeting. If you see them there or on the road, say "Hi". They are good people. Going to miss them.

Well, a word of caution, Winter is coming FAST. So watch those road coditions. Keep the RUBBER SIDE DOWN!

Well better get going, there's wood to chop. Winter's almost here.

Later,

Jeff

### N.E Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Sir Loins NE Sandy Blvd. @ 80th st

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228

Chapter Contact: Randy Phipps (503)284-1486

Our chapter is diligently attempting to consolidate a list of members with their legislative districts, e-mail addresses, fax phone numbers, and whether they want to receive phone calls about legislative events, other events, and meeting reminders. Being the good little volunteer, I am coordinating the effort and, while certainly worthwhile, it is pretty time consuming (whine, whine, whine). Anyways, this is all leading up to my admission that I haven't got crap for this month's newsletter. But I did have

some jokes donated so here they are (in their short form):

This one is from Glen Laoiza...God called up the Pope one day and said, "I have some good news and I have some bad news. The good news is that from now on there is only going to be one religion, and everyone will believe in it and practice its truths." So the Pope said, "Well, that is good news. But given that, what could possibly be bad news?" So God said, "The bad news is...I'm calling from Salt Lake City."

Here is one from Fred Wolf. One day a pig walked into a bar and ordered five beers. The bartender watched in amazement as he proceeded to drink all five beers. Upon finishing, he asked the bartender where the bathroom was. The bartender pointed to the back of the bar and off the pig went to do his business. Next thing you know, another pig comes in, sits at the bar, and orders ten beers. The bartender gives him the beers and, even more amazed than before, watches him drink all ten beers. The pig then asked where the bathroom was and the bartender pointed to the back. Pigs number three and four come in and order fifteen beers each. And, sure enough, they proceed to drink all of them and then inquire as to the location of the bathroom. So they get directions, go to the bathroom, and then leave. Just as the bartender thinks he has seen it all now, another pig walks into the bar and sits down. He orders twenty five beers and fairly quickly drinks every single one. Then he gets up and walks out the door. The bartender calls after him, "Hey, wait! Aren't you going to ask me where the bathroom is?" To which the pig replies, "No, I'm the little pig that goes wee, wee, wee all the way home."

Our last joke this month is from MaryBeth Rayburn-Hieronimus. One day God decided that he was a bit out of touch with the inhabitants of heaven. So he thought he'd walk around and mingle with them a bit and see how things were going. He came upon some mice and asked them how they liked heaven. They said that it was wonderful and they enjoyed it very much. "Well," God said. "If there's anything you need, you just let me know and I'll see what I can do." So the mice said, "Well, now that you mention it, there is one thing. Heaven is quite a big place and we have such short legs. It's hard for us to get around to see all of it's splendor." So God gave them little roller skates to make their stay in heaven more enjoyable. Some time went past and God thought he'd go do the mingle thing again since it was so much fun the last time. So he's cruising around heaven and he comes upon an old cat who has been there a very long time. God says to the cat, "How do you like things here in heaven?" The cat says, "I cannot think of anywhere I would rather be. This place is outstanding." And God replies, "Well, I'm glad to hear that. If there's anything you ever need, you just let me know." To which the cat says, "I can't think of anything that would make it better. Ever since you put that Meals on Wheels program in place, it has been the best."



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## **Salem**

**Meets 4th Sunday, 1:00 pm**

**Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE**

**(Call 503-581-3138 or 503- 581-8637 for information)**

**Chapter Address: P.O. Box 13957, Salem, OR 97309**

**Chapter Contact: Joe Heusinkveld 503-581-6461**

It's a toss-up whether the "T" stands for "Thanksgiving" or "Turkey", especially in light of how yer favored politico did in the elections.

For Salem Chapter, November will always be somewhat somber, 'cause it was a year ago this month that we lost Drop Dead Fred to an armed petty thief. Time softens but does not erase the hard edge of that loss. The legal wheels of justice grind on slowly and last month it was decided that the accused should be tried for murder. 'Bout time. But it don't matter if he spends the rest of his sorry life in the grey bar hotel at our expense or is brought up short at the end of a rope, it won't bring Fred back. And it's no use blaming guns 'cause they don't kill folks (bullets do) -- it's the result of the nut holding the trigger.

What's one solution? Prevention and education. Sound familiar? Yep, same tactics we're tryin' to use to reduce motorcycle accidents. The idea is to change attitudes and raise awareness, maybe even cause people to think. (Gasp!)

As far as guns go, let's stop supporting industries that glorify their missuse. The average L.A. police officer fires her/his weapon once every five years, but you wouldn't know it from watching the cop shows on television. Young minds pick up on that sort of thing and form life-long attitudes. "Give me the child until age six. After that, others may do what they wish with him." Know who said that? (Or words to that effect.) Adolf Hitler. Parents and adults have control of a miracle device on television sets. It's called an "on-off switch". Control the television, don't kill it. The use of a gun always has consequences, even shooting into the air. Those bullets don't just vanish. They're going to come down almost as fast as they go up. Most self-inflicted gun injuries are the result of alcohol being used for something other than a cleaner. Hate to admit it, but there's just some things that alcohol don't mix with well. Comes down to responsible use. Guns do have places in our society. How many mornings has Rot Path stood in the driveway blazing away at cyotes with a Winchester 94? (Good thing Rot Path lives in the country.)

Enough of the monthly rant already.

This is the time of year when folks are kind of sittin' back, takin' a breather from all that frantic fun of Summer and Fall. (Wasn't that some great ridin' weather we had goin' into October?) Salem Chapter's no exception to takin' a break, but now we're back with lots to do. With the recent elections now collectin' dust as historical footnotes, BikePAC and Salem Chapter are busy chasin' down newly elected and incumbant officials to see what their views are on adult choice, maybe persuade them to our point of view. Get out there and get involved, peoples. Become a Legislative Buddy. See how our government works.

Salem Chapter is gearing up for our annual Charity Run coming up next month. Hopefully the weather goddess will grant us a day of sunshine so's we can putt around giving kids, families, and others a little joy and some hope during the holiday season.

And remember all those Biker Night activities occurring the first Thursday of each month at Jammer's over on 12 th Street.

Come on over and relax a bit, have some fun. Ya deserve it, don't ya? Heck, even if yer scoot's up on blocks for the winter, yer welcomed to cage on over and hang out with all the fine folks at Jammer's.

Lookin' back over the past year, it's probably easier to notice more things that have gone wrong than right. Sometimes we gotta work a little harder to find things to be thankful for. But they're there. Sure we've lost sisters and bros. We miss `em. But we've had others survive, fix up their scoots an' keep ridin'. We came closer than we expected to gettin' adult choice restored. We succeeded in gettin' a helmet defined and gettin' a memo sent out to police agencys directing them to comply with that definition. We've had lots of really great runs, met lots of great people, had lots of fun. And we've laughed together. For that, we can be truly thankful.

-- Rot Path

## **South Coast**

**Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 am**

**Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend**

**Chapter Address: P.O. Box 4175, Coos Bay, OR 97420**

**Chapter Contact: Terry Kepl (503) 257-0172**

Dear friends,

We had an exciting September meeting. We camped out near Gold Beach over the beautiful, sunny week-end of Sept 21 & 22.

Our Saturday night poker run was a big success with Karen McIntyre winning both the high and hand. Karen gave \$15.00 of her winning back to the chapter. Thank you, Karen. Also Karen, I am appreciative that you took notes for me in my absence.

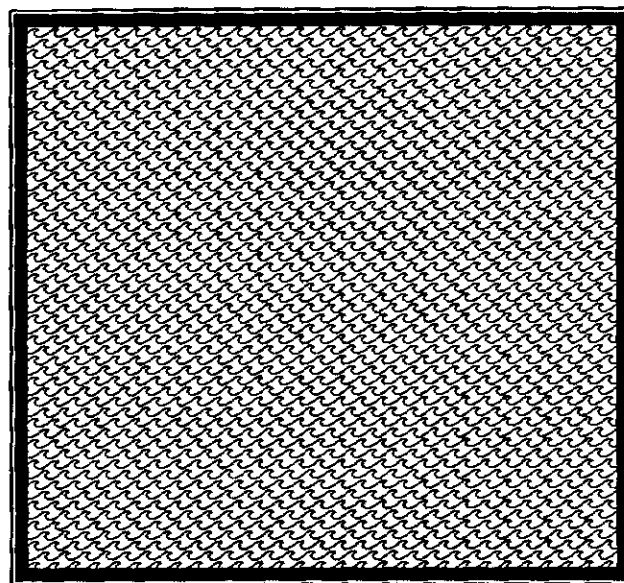
The Sunday meeting was held at Soakers in Gold Beach and much business was discussed. Karen McIntyre and Jeff Bauder reported on the State Board meeting.

We collected \$60.00 for the Non-Attendance rally. We will continue to collect monies at the November meeting.

Our chapter has 77 member---up from 71 last month. That's great!!

Enjoy the last of the nice weather. Ride safe, free and happy.

Jill



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**Meets 3rd Sunday, Noon  
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Hello

Well, Fall is here in it's full glory. The Soouthern Oregon Chapter is preparing for winter with plans for a Chapter Potluck on November 10th. Rain or Shine, bring your appetites and your favorite dish for an evening of good food and conversation.

Back in September, one of our members organized a fundraiser for the Grants Pass Coalition for Kids, a Headstart Program. A number of our members and Harley riders from other organizations got together and visited the Children's Center. The volunteers raised over \$500.00 of "In Kind" funds through their efforts. Way to go Jeff!, and a big thank you to all of those who participated in this event.

The next few months will be very busy with the holidays and preparing for the new legislative session. We have a number of bills that have been pre-sponsored and with any luck (and possibly alot of phone calls) we will be successful in the spring. The Chapter is also making plans for a number of events for the spring. If anyone wants to serve on an organizing committee, please drop a hint or give me a call.

Ride Safe  
Tom

Sorry Toni if I spelled your name wrong but you know how it goes. Gordom

**S.E. Portland**

**Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon**

**The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland  
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Chapter Contact: Lee Austin (503) 663-0203**

Hello,

The Freedom Run was really good, I wish some of you would have gone. The cause was for all of our benefits, to raise money to for the class action suit against State Police at our Fossil Run. After Friday the weather was good too, so you can't use that for a excuse.

The Portland chapters Picnic was a good one to have attended too. The weather we great end everyone had alot of fun. If you have never been to one you are really missing 'out. We have some good food, good company and lots of things to do, from watching the kids games (my favorite?, meeting new people from other chapters, and visiting with ones you do know. It's good for us to interact with the other chapters, and maybe learn new things for fund raisers they are having or have had. The BINGO and prizes are always a plus too- having members participate as a family is what it's all about with this picnic.

Nominations for chapter officers will be coming up real soon, so if you are interested in any office speak up when nominations are open. Start thinking about now, it's sooner than you think.

If you haven't yet (which all of you should have long ago),

registered to vote, you can at any time, it doesn't cost anything and there is no pain at all. So please do so now, you'll feel better if you do, really!

As you are cleaning up outside for winter, or not, do one thing, don't leave your watering hose outside. If it has alot of holes or is damaged, don't throw it away, put holes all over it, and use it as a soaker hose in your garden next summer.

ENJOY BUT DO IT SAFELY!  
Debby

**Washington County**

**Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 pm  
Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland**

**Chapter Address: P.O. Box 830, Cornelius, Or 97113  
Chapter Contact: Robin Maslin (503)648-1379  
Wild Bill (503)640-5461**

Hello Everyone!

Just now starting to catch up with the rest of the world after the end of the End of Summer run! Hope all who were able to attend enjoyed themselves! The weather had it's ups and downs, but when the sun was out, it was great! Uncle Dan and Sandy from R.U.D.E Music helped with band selection, and I think everyone enjoyed both Bad Dogs and Reckless Abandon. R.U.D.E. Music also provided the P.A. system for the weekend, enabling everyone to hear Ken Ray, Master of Ceremonies for the Bike Games. A big thank you to all the vendors who helped make the run a great time, The Rogue Pub and Eatery, Stewart Leathers, AIM, The Christian motorcycle assn., Cedar Taven Trading Post, Eagle Spirit Trading, The Cisco Loaza Food Drive, Too-Morrow's Leathers, North Coast ABATE, D & D Treasures, Cal's Paw Jewelry, Tradewinds Foods, and the rib guy. Most of the above also donated door prizes along with Eagle Custom Cycle and repair, Beaverton Harley Davidson, Columbia Motorcycles, Langliz Leathers, All American Cycles, and Titan Motorcycles. Thanks to all who made it a fun time, and a special thanks to everyone who helped out by working, organizing, cleaning up after.. hope to see a more Washington County members next year.

Now.. Upcoming events! ! ! ! Washington County is holding their Toy run on November 16th. Details in this rag... look for the flyer!!!

That's all for this month... See ya November 16th!

**Willamette Valley**

**Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm  
Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill**

**1360 Mohawk Blvd., Springfield  
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 23325, Eugene, Or. 97402  
Chapter Contact: Bob Avery (541)998-1309  
Russ Lax (541) 747-2787**

Okay you guys, this is the shortest report you will ever see from me. It's 80 degrees outside in October, I'm here in the beautiful Willamette Valley and I just got a "new to me" Springer Softail. I'm out riding! I'll catch up with business after the newness wears off. See you on the road.  
Sign me.....X-PonieRyder

Editor's note: Thanks to all involved in submitting this month...It is nice to see from all of you...Happy T-Day- GWH

# Letters and the like from you and others.

## A Bad Idea

by Ken Ray

I know the Voter's guide is the size of some towns phone books this year. But if you haven't read Measure 33, I urge you to do so. This measure would be a bad idea for the motorcyclists in Oregon if it passes. This measure would forbid the state legislature from changing any initiative or referendum passed by the Voters for five years. No big deal so far. Part two requires that to overturn a voter approved measure would require a 3/5 majority. Now I'm sure you all remember that it was the voters who slapped this helmet law on us ten years ago. And I'm sure you know that it is hard enough to get a majority in the legislature let alone a super majority to vote with us. We are all going to be spending a lot of time in the Capitol this next session. Please get everyone you know to make it easier to win back our rights—Vote NO on 33. It is a bad idea.

You guys all know how I feel about smoking. I don't do it and don't really want it around me - however.....I think this measure could have far reaching implications in the future. Do we want these guys to get a foot in the door? I thought it was somethin' to think about anyway. This is a letter I sent to the Eugene RG.

Letter to the Editor:

October 14, 1996

Upon first hearing of the proposed tax on cigarettes, my first thought was "Hey, this is a great idea! Maybe it will encourage more folks to stop smoking!" However, when I put a bit more thought into this issue, I see some major complications on the horizon.

If we allow this taxing of a potentially harmful habit, as it were, where do we draw the line? Do we tax all fast foods? Everyone knows they are a main source of cholesterol. Do we tax those who are sports minded as they are more prone to accidents than those who sit idly by and watch life pass them? Do we tax easy chairs for the same reason, as a sedentary life is also hazardous to your health?

This could very well be a list without ending. Think twice before you approve Measure 44.

By the way, I Do Not Smoke and Do wish that Everyone Could Stop. That - to my way of thinking - is Not the issue here.

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WASHINGTON (AP) -- Consumer advocate and presidential hopeful Ralph Nader is lashing out at the highway safety record of the Clinton administration.

The government has failed to provide effective leadership on safety issues, Nader charged in a report, "Driving in Reverse," released Saturday.

"The dramatic reduction in death and injuries from highway crashes since 1966 has lulled the current administration into dangerous inactivity, indifference and even more deadly capitulation to various anti-safety initiatives," said Nader, the presidential candidate of the Green Party, which is on the ballot in more than 20 states.

Nader was particularly critical of the failure of the administration to stop the elimination of the national speed limit and federal incentives for states to enact motorcycle helmet laws.

Those provisions were eliminated by Congress last year. Transportation Secretary Federico Pena had opposed ending the measures, but President Clinton signed the bill, citing the need for the highway funds it provided to the states.

And he called for improved roof and rollover standards for automobiles, lower speed limits and tougher enforcement of seat belt, drunken driving and motorcycle helmet laws.

The Transportation Department was quick to respond, claiming "the administration's top safety officials have demanded the two largest auto recalls in history ... stepped up the country's anti-drunk driving campaigns and set new truck anti-lock brake and auto passenger head protection requirements."

"The vehicle-mile highway fatality rate is the lowest in our nation's history," the department said, "our automobiles are safer than ever."



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#### NEWS:

Dateline: September 26, 1996, San Diego, California (Posted 9-30-96)

Red Barron, long time anti-helmet activist, decided to test California's helmet law by manufacturing his own helmet. Taking the law literally, he understood that ANYTHING manufactured and certified by the manufacturer of that product as meeting Department of Transportation (DOT) standards would meet the definition of a "safety helmet" according to California law and court decisions. Red was subsequently cited for wearing a coconut half-shell helmet that used strong twine for a strap, but won his case at trial when the judge actually followed the language of the higher courts and ruled that the prosecution failed to meet their burden of proof by not producing either a notice of recall of the coconut helmet by the manufacturer, a decision of non-compliance by NHTSA, or laboratory tests that proved that the helmet in question failed DOT testing (not to mention actual knowledge of one of these facts by the defendant). The non-guilty verdict also makes a case for violation of the federal injunction. If you don't understand how something like this could happen you better read somemore...

#### NEWS:

Dateline: September 27, 1996, San Luis Obispo, California

Jeff Volt is the newest victim of TWBB harassment-- a CHP officer pulled Jeff over for his choice of lids last month, told him he didn't care about any injunction, issued a ticket, and now the local CHP office is trying to cover their officer's ass. It seems the officer is in violation of the federal injunction, and the local brass have taken the initiative in investigating Jeff's Internal Affairs complaint by making unannounced visits to his house, a business named "Volt's Machine" (no relation), and several bike shops in an apparent intimidating attempt to find Jeff and the retailers of his helmet. Jeff is laughing all the way, and will not accept a purported deal to admit his helmet is "illegal" in exchange for dropping the \$76 ticket-- Jeff plans instead on suing for \$20 million for the violation of his civil rights along with violation of the federal injunction.

## Clinton Sparks Controversy with Utah National Monument

WESTERVILLE, Ohio--With his signature, President Clinton recently created a new national monument and a fresh controversy for off-highway vehicle (OHV) enthusiasts, reports the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA).

Through a proclamation, Clinton designated 1.7 million acres in southern Utah as the new Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. That action, coming in the midst of the current presidential campaign, has raised concerns within the OHV community that access to public roads and jeep trails in the region might be restricted.

In issuing the proclamation, Clinton sidestepped the traditional political process by invoking a 90-year-old law known as the Antiquities Act to establish the new national monument without congressional approval. His target in making this unilateral designation apparently was to block plans to allow mining on the land, but the national monument designation also has significant implications for motorized recreation.

Plans call for the federal Bureau of Land Management to develop an environmental impact statement examining the effects of various activities, including off-highway vehicle use. Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt has indicated that OHV use will continue under the new monument designation, but enthusiasts are concerned that existing opportunities for motorized recreation could be curtailed.

"We are keeping a very close eye on this issue," noted Eric Lundquist, AMA legislative affairs specialist. "The manner in which this monument was established and the fact that the BLM, rather than the National Park Service, will administer the lands is all very unusual.

"There isn't a great deal of precedent to indicate which direction any new regulations might go," he added. "We will work with officials in Washington and with enthusiast groups in Utah to make sure our concerns are taken into account before the BLM finalizes any regulations for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument."

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The American Motorcyclist Association is a 210,000-member non-profit organization. Established in 1924, the Association's purpose is to pursue, protect and promote the interests of motorcyclists, while serving the needs of its members.

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## How Specs Live Forever

The US Standard railroad gauge (distance between the rails) is 4 feet, 8.5 inches. That's an exceedingly odd number. Why was that gauge used?

Because that's the way they built them in England, and the US railroads were built by English expatriates. Why did the English people build them like that?

Because the first rail lines were built by the same people who built the pre-railroad tramways and that's the gauge they used.

Why did "they" use that gauge then? Because the people who built the tramways used the same jigs and tools that they used for building wagons, which used that wheel spacing. Okay! Why did the wagons use that odd wheel spacing? Well, if they tried to use any other spacing the wagons would break on some of the old, long distance roads, because that's the spacing of the old wheel ruts.

So who built these old rutted roads? The first long distance roads in Europe were built by Imperial Rome for the benefit of their legions. The roads have been used ever since. And the ruts? The initial ruts, which everyone else had to match for fear of destroying their wagons, were first made by Roman war chariots. Since the chariots were made for or by Imperial Rome they were all alike in the matter of wheel spacing.

Thus, we have the answer to the original questions. The United State standard railroad gauge of 4 feet, 8.5 inches derives from the original specification for an Imperial Roman army war chariot. Specs and Bureaucracies live forever. So, the next time you are handed a specification and wonder what horse's ass came up with it, you may be exactly right. Because the Imperial Roman chariots were made to be just wide enough to accommodate the back-ends of two war horses.

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The Associated Press

By JAN M. OLSEN

Associated Press Writer

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) -- Parliament voted to ban biker clubhouses from residential neighborhoods Thursday, four days after a grenade attack on the Hells Angels headquarters killed two people.

The law is scheduled to take effect next week.

2 1/2-year feud between the Oakland, Calif.-based Hells Angels and the Corpus Christi, Texas-based Bandidos gangs in the Nordic countries has left nine people dead and injured nearly 50.

On Sunday, an anti-tank grenade was fired into a Hells Angels compound in Copenhagen where about 150 people were attending a party.

Copenhagen's mayor ordered the Hells Angels to vacate their fortress-like headquarters last month, but they refused. The gang rents its building from the city under a law providing low-cost leases to clubs and civic organizations.

Police said Thursday they arrested a Bandidos ally after finding an anti-tank grenade buried under a garage in Kulhuse, 25 miles north of Copenhagen.

The justice ministers of Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Norway are to meet Friday to consider ways to contain the feud

between the two gangs.

It is unclear what started the battle, but police suspect the groups are fighting over drug and crime markets.

## SUNNY-SIDE UP

WOW! Are you ready for this, October 31st is over, the "turkey" is just a couple of weeks away, and Christmas is coming on strong. In less than 60 days the year will be over.. gone. The 1996 ride season is just a memory and if you're like me, you're already checking the maps and the run calendar for '97.

I was thinking about this column the other day, about how we're all getting older, as are the kids, and Proverbs 22:6 came to mind. "Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it." This simply means when you raise your children in the ways of God that eventually they will return to those good ways and values if they have strayed. Best of all, some of them will never wander. In other words, build into your child's life "moral character" and a good "sense of right and wrong".

These are things like the 10 Commandments and the Golden Rule. A child may for a season depart from these teachings and try some things out for themselves, but the truth of this teaching will be with them, and they will return to what they know is right. For instance, you - yourself may have some good memories of some church experience, maybe with a youth group, vacation Bible school, church camp or Sunday School class. Often these are places we learned little lessons, or picked up little " nuggets" that we draw on in times of stress or need. Many of you have shared some of your experience with me. Most of us have the "Grandma used to say..." thing.

Maybe it's time to revisit some of those times of our youth, maybe even to revisit that church experience. It's not an answer in itself, but it's a good place to start. Oh, and don't forget the kids  
God Bless

Livin' on the Sonny-side,

Don, Chaplain

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From The

**GUNNY'S SACK** COMES :

The AIM. . .ing Point

Summer has drawn to a close, and for those that don't ride year-round the riding season is nearly over. Here in Oregon it just means we get wet when we ride.

Either way, now is the time to check your rides over from one end to the other. Change your oil and filters. If you have a drive shaft, clean and lube your final drives. Check chains for wear and check your battery. Look at your tires. You might need new boots on the scoot. Maybe its time for brake pads or shoes or rotors, check fork seals etc. Do a check list, and use it, so you don't forget to get something done while the bike is down for the winter, like making sure riding gear is squared away.

Winter is the time to get all the maintenance out of the way so you're good to go for next season. Don't procrastinate until the first odd bright day in January to get needed work done on your ride. If you wait until Spring, you might find your shop too busy to help you for weeks.

Schedule an experienced rider course first thing in the spring too, so YOU'RE all tuned up ready to go.

## LEGISLATION:

Here in Oregon, we're gearing up for our next legislative session. Get with your state groups, wherever you live. Find out what you can do to help. Attend your biker PAC (Political Action Committee) meetings. With winter on the way we can't use runs for an excuse not to be there. It takes all of us to get the job done.

Freedom is NOT FREE, it is paid for with sweat, blood, and oh so many tears by our forefathers. Some of us today are veterans of wars fought in the name of freedom, myself included. We have a responsibility to maintain those freedoms so precious to us. Make no mistake, there are those who would take them from us, and we have to work hard to keep them. I'm not just getting windy over motorcycle issues either, there are a lot of other things happening that can have an effect on our lives.

Big brother isn't just after bikers, he wants everybody's freedoms so he can issue them to us one at a time, like candy on Halloween, *provided we conform* to what *HE* thinks is best for us.

I never will forget the first Chinese tourists I came into contact with. They were guests at a motel I used to manage, and they were being led around like cattle. The regime they lived under didn't allow people to make decisions about their daily lives. These people were being told what they would eat for breakfast, and it didn't matter that there was a menu for them to make choices from. To me, that sight was terrifying. I never want to see that happen in our country. Don't tell me your vote doesn't count.

## DISCRIMINATION:

I've been reminiscing about the years gone by, and the time I've spent, on the roads of this country, riding motorcycles of every size and description, some of which I spent more time beside the road fixing than riding.

Discrimination is the sad part of all the years I've been riding. It rears its ugly head in all aspects of our lifestyle, and I won't preach to the choir about it other than to point out that we need to fix it or it won't be fixed.

It's not just the helmet, it's every part of our lives. You don't believe me? Just walk into any large department store with your riding gear on and watch the people, see how they avoid contact with you, watch you so you won't steal the store, or stumble all over themselves to make bloody sure you are happily taken care of because they're scared of you, which is really reverse discrimination.

I am happy to say that the discrimination within our own ranks is rapidly changing. We are learning not to be so biased (for example, over what brand we ride), and that's the biggest hurdle we have if we expect to be treated with the respect we cry about not having from the rest of the world.

The exception to the last remark is my concern over problems that crop up from misunderstandings or rumors that circulate about one organization or another that tend to cause disunity. This internal strife harms our entire community, and we are the losers. If we let it continue we will destroy ourselves as a movement and our enemies won't have to do a thing but sit back and watch. Divisiveness within is suicide. **WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER**, and discuss our differences, and come up with solutions before we hurt our own cause. To not do so is treason unto ourselves. We have better fish to fry than each other!

## AIM INSURANCE TIP:

For those who put their bikes beddy-bye for the winter, comes this tip from Sam Hochberg, our A.I.M. (Aid to Injured

Motorcyclists) attorney here in Oregon: Be careful about dropping your insurance during the off-months. Some companies allow you to drop it during a three to six month winter period; some allow "sunny day coverage," but which may require that you to notify your agent before you ride. If you don't have year-round insurance and you get a sunny winter day, don't ride without calling your agent first. Murphy's law will strike, and you're liable to have that one wreck on the one day you aren't insured. In most states, that could mean a license suspension, not to mention the possible loss of serious bucks in benefits. Check your policy now, or call your agent.

If you drop coverage for the winter, at least keep your fire and theft coverage active. If the garage burns down or a creep rips off your ride, Sam says your homeowner's policy might not apply.

For more insurance or accident information, in Oregon call Sam at 503/224-1106, or call AIM for your own AIM attorney, at **1-800-531-2424**.

## NEWS BITS & PIECES:

**Burbank, CA:** Elizabeth Dole rode into the Jay Leno show on the back of Jay's Harley. Now she's a biker from way back. It doesn't matter that she is one of the strongest advocates for mandatory helmet laws there is. Huh?

**Ukraine:** Officials here are trying to appease mine workers by paying off back wages with state-produced motorcycles that the public isn't that fond of to start with. Hey, we all work to support our bikes, just not quite so directly.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny, Oregon AIM Chief of Staff.

The Associated Press

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) -- Malaysia's police chief reportedly has a tough new solution for drivers and motorcyclists who race on Kuala Lumpur's streets: caning.

The Star newspaper reported today that Police Inspector General Abdul Rahim Noor wants racers to face the penalty normally reserved for rape, kidnapping and armed robberies.

"My personal view is that they should be caned," Rahim was quoted as saying. "Maybe one day the government may use caning to stop these racers from endangering the public."

Police routinely catch dozens of racers, especially motorcyclists, on Saturday nights. They usually are fined \$80 and freed.

"We have acted against them but they keep coming back," Rahim said.

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To ABATE Members:

The end of another year is coming upon us and those of us who enjoyed the many runs of 1996 have a lot of good memories. It has been noticed that the work at these runs seems to be done by the same people over and over again. DO YOU ALL THINK THIS IS REALLY FAIR???????

What would happen to these runs if the people who work them all the time decide to sit around like most of you. The answer is very simple WE COULD NO LONGER ENJOY OURSELVES BECAUSE THERE WOULD NOT BE ANY RUNS TO GO TO. I am sure that this is not what you want to see happen. So the next time that you attend a event why not donate some of your time so that everyone can enjoy themselves????? Because if you don't start takin on some of the responsibility some day may come sooner than you think. The next event you attend when you see someone working, just as them if they could use a helping hand. I don't think this is TOO much to ask.

A CONCERNED ABATE MEMBER

Greetings from a very busy and tired me,

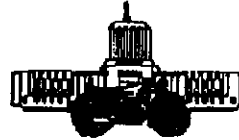
I want the people that helped at "Fossil" to know that with them it was a big success. All of you that worked so hard, you know who you are. Then the "Labor Day Run" happened, again the people, I'll call the workers, were there seeing that what needed to be done was taken care of. Things have become a bit smoother for all of us again. I want them to know I sure appreciated all that help, and even though the run was small it was a really super nice run. Our last but not least was the "Freedom Run". We just knew everyone was going to be there because it seemed everyone complained of all the harrassment going on. I was really disappointed when only a few that really care what happened were there. Again the helpers where there as always. This is one of the prettiest sites, Mike Getz was a nice host. He was there to answer any question or problems which might arise, but no problems, everything went smoothly. Thanks Mike, very much. Without everyones participation, fund raisers don't turn out well.

And again thanks to all of you that helped throught out the summer, may you enjoy your winter also.

Thanks,  
Rotten Roger

Here is to Roger and all he does,  
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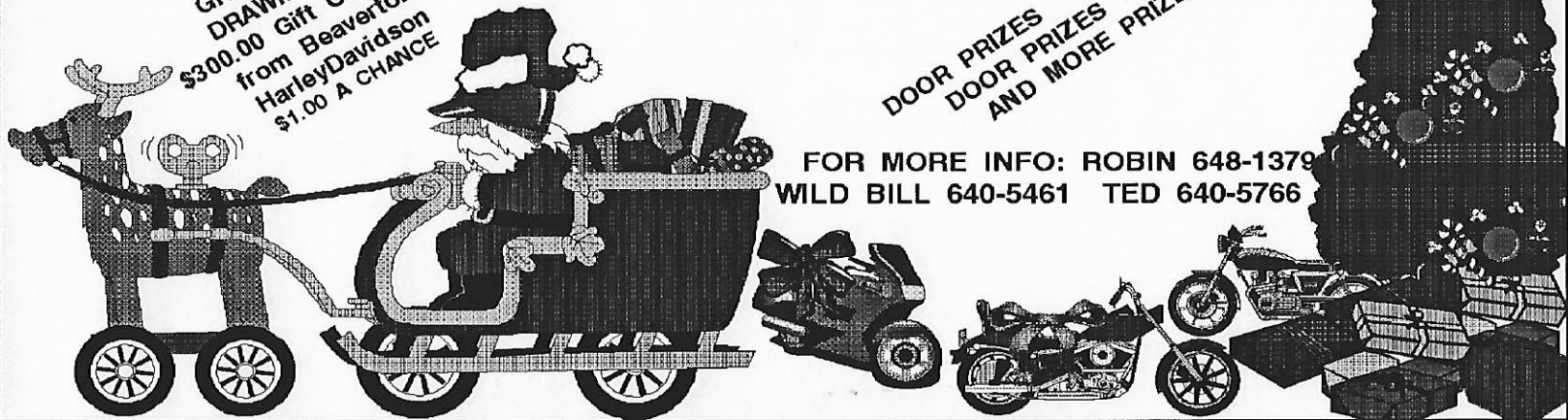
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## The End Of Summer Run 1996

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After you stop and the road melts away and your body regains its normal sensation, you realize you're there! The End of Summer Run, the event that's the last big blow-out of the summer! The one you can't miss, sure! you've missed a few good ones this season, but this is the one, the last chance of summer. This is the last one to really share good times, a few beers and laugh with comfortable old friends and meet new friends.

The weather was average for September in Oregon, unpredictable, but mostly sunny with a downpour on Saturday right in the middle of the bike games. It won't stop you anyway, no matter what the weather is like. Hey this place is great, it's called Horning's Hideout and you can see why. It was like riding into the sun, directly west of Portland, nestled down in Brunswick canyon, just above, North Plains a flyspeck size of a town. Looks great, campsites around a nice size pond, big enough for paddle boats and swimming, but still easy enough to see across to the prime campsites on the other side. At nite white christmas lights sparkle on the water, giving it a festive feel. It's not too flat like some sites, nothing to see for miles...No, this place has open grassy fields, rolling hills, and campsites tucked all around the pond. It has a nice gathering area at the center for all the great music and vendors all ready active with people. Look around, there's beer, food, great shit to buy, and good looking bikers. There's nothing like looking down into a sea of leather while hearing deep V-Twin thunder and laughter to tell you it's going to be a *great* weekend!

Friday night was a great opener, there was this band called Bad Dog. Don't know who picked that name, but they were anything but bad! Everybody settled in after the all the welcomes and the door prizes, to enjoy the fire and the tunes well into the night.

Saturday morning was crisp, and clear even after a late night drenching. Lots of people crawled out of tents looking like they had *way too good a time* the night before! Got to get breakfast, no wait COFFEE! no problem, there's plenty to choose from, even an espresso stand for the chronic bean heads!

Saturday's events included a bike show, bike games and door prizes and more prizes. They had the traditional bike games with trophies for first and second place for: the Slow Race, Plank Ride, Weenie Bite, and the Can Stack. Trophies were given away in the bike show categories: Stock, Custom, Sportster, Rat, Classic and Peoples choice. The kids had a good time ,they got to play "Treasure Hunt" a mad scramble for 8 pounds of candy in a hay pile and really cool face painting too.

Saturday night was the night to be there. They had this group called 'Reckless Abandon' Man They wailed! They played till 2:15am and people still wanted more. It doesn't get any better than that, a good ride, good friends, good tunes, good food & drink, and all for a great cause.!

The ABATE people running this thing were really cool, they'd really put it all together. They had info about upcoming events and fund-raisers. They had a 50/50 drawing for the Boy's and Girls Club of Hillsboro , even a drawing for a full set of leathers for Team Oregon, a motorcycle education course sponsored by the State of Oregon, not to mention BikePac of Oregon. Washington County ABATE wouldn't want you to forget about their next big deal: The fourteenth annual toy run for Hillsboro Fire&Rescue's Toy&Joy program. on Nov. 16th.  
Any Questions? call Ted at (503)640-5766

The only thing better than the weekend is the butterflies and pump I get, thinking about the ride home. See you next year at the End Of Summer Run!

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Another Portland musician, whose child was helped by the hospital three years ago, saw the motorcyclists of ABATE of Oregon enjoying their toy run. He wanted to return a small part of what the hospital had given his child and the musicians' benefit was born.

The first year \$600 was raised, mostly by volunteer jammers participating in a worthy cause. Last year, the response by the music community was overwhelming, almost creating a gridlock in the scheduling for the four hour event. The musicians' efforts contributed \$1500 and two big bag of toys, plus a great time was had by everyone who attended.

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On Saturday, November 2, at the third annual event, the hours have been expanded to accommodate the growing number of musicians and bands interested in participating. From 2 PM - 12:30 AM, at the River Road House in Milwaukie, some of Portland's finest musicians will be donating their time to support the Shriner Crippled Children's Hospital. Even a starving musician can afford the cover of five bucks or a new toy.

This is an all round music event and open to players of all instruments. We've had country, alternative, rock-n-roll, and a big dose of the blues. Norman Sylvester will be returning this year with Jimmy Lloyd Rea, Arthur Moore and Francine West. And, as if this doesn't sound like fun already, four Shriners' clowns dressed in costume will make you smile.

Yes Mabel, the River Road House does have the reputation of being a biker bar, and rightly so. However, when you're watching the news on December 7th and see Santa Claus with a full bag of toys and a thousand bikers parading through downtown Portland you may recognize one of them from sitting next to you at the musicians' toy run benefit. Don't let the Hollywood biker stereotype deter you from helping these children.

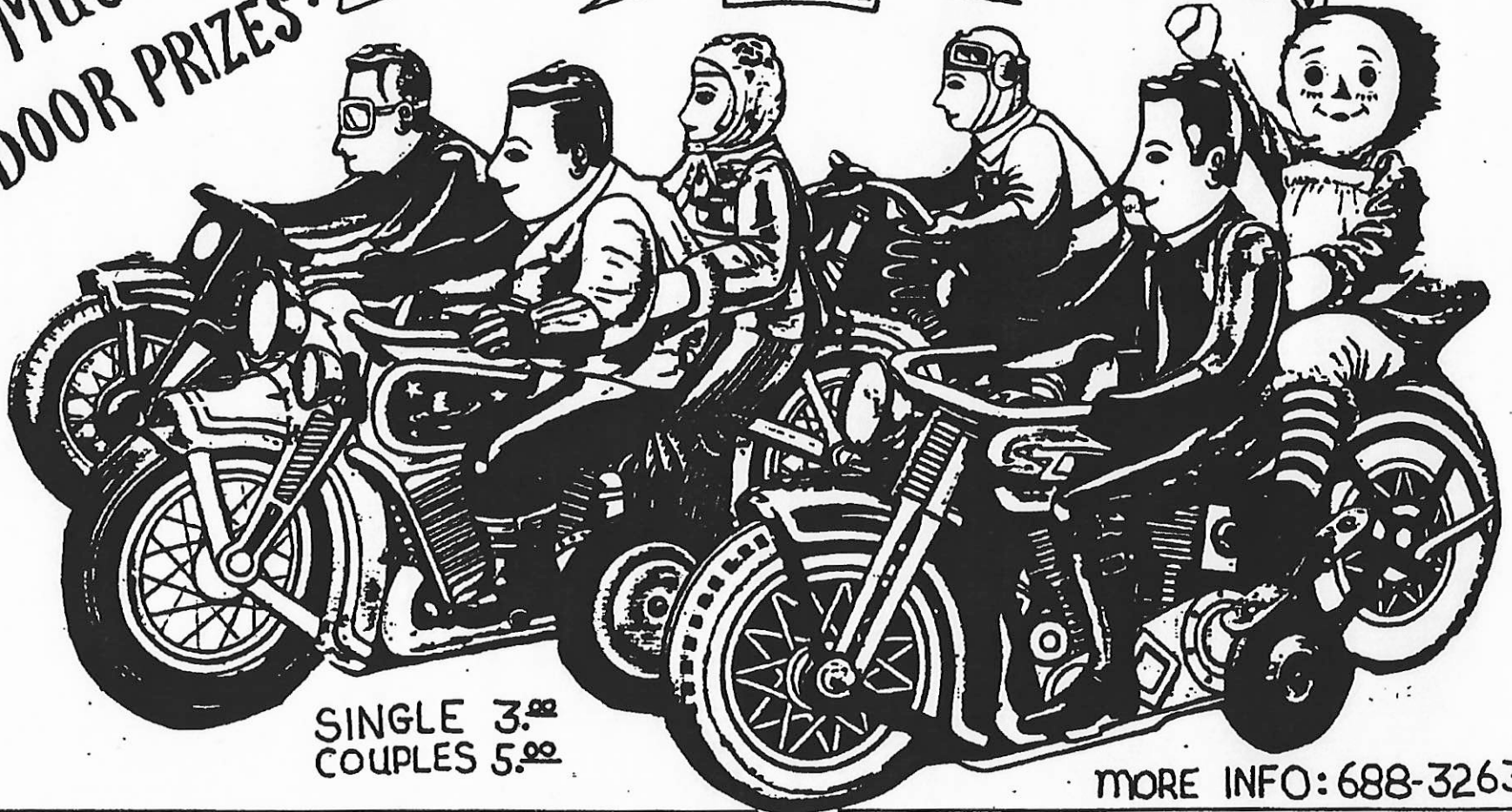
If you are a musician with a tuba or have a band and are interested in contributing to this worthy cause, call Arthur West at 625 - 6019. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the ABATE of Oregon, Portland Chapters' Toy Run.

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# ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST!

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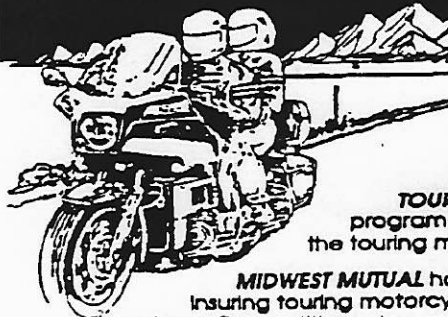
December 1, 1996, at the beautiful Oregon Coast. On that blessed day, Nic & Gigi will pledge their lives together in the presence of their friends and family at 1:30pm on the beach just below the Shilo Inn, which is west (towards the beach) of Moby Dick's restaurant, on the main drag in Newport OR. If the weather permits. If not, the Wedding will take place in Moby Dick's.

The reception will follow in Moby Dick's and is a potluck affair. Bring whatever you want (no booze). There will be food provided also. This event will be open to whomever wishes to join as Louanna and Nic want everyone to share in their joy on this happy day.

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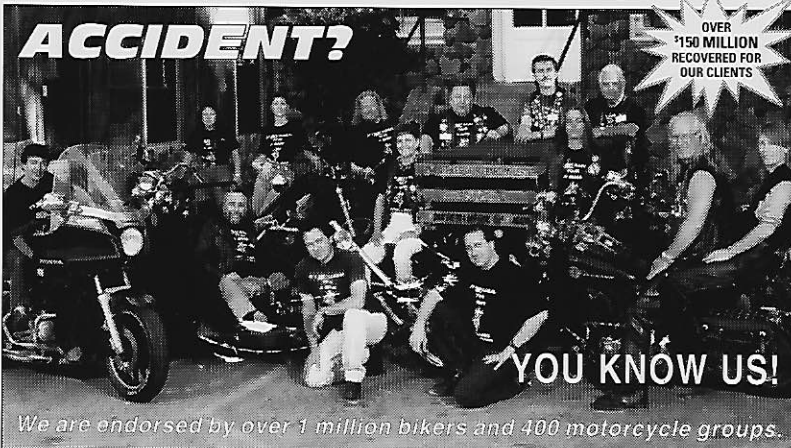
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# HELMETS ARE NOT SAFE !

By Steve "Red" Barron - President ABATE of California Local 6 & Motorcycle Accident Investigator for Jacobson & Hupy, S.C

If you live in a helmet law state, you are being forced to wear something that may injure you. Until freedom of choice is restored in every state for every motorcyclist, we are all at risk of helmet induced injuries caused by an unjust law. Motorcyclists accept the inherent risks associated with riding, and have long contended that each accident is unique. Wearing a helmet can cause some accidents, and may either increase or decrease the level of injuries, depending on the circumstances surrounding each accident. Each individual rider is the most equipped, best informed, and is personally affected by the decision of whether to wear a helmet or not, and therefore should be allowed to make that choice without government interference. Rider safety and helmet laws are two separate subjects.

The below advertisement for a "safety" item designed to protect riders from "safety" helmet injuries should bring attention to the inconsistencies of helmet laws as a safety measure. Motorcyclists should be cautioned that wearing the below advertised device might restrict neck movement. Full range and use of the neck to increase the peripheral vision and awareness of the motorcyclist has been proven to be critical in avoiding many types of accidents. Whether someone decides to use this device or not is the choice of each individual rider - unless misguided and ignorant legislators decide to mandate its use. Only by being involved in protecting and promoting the sport of motorcycling can we prevent this type of legislation and ensure that future generations can enjoy the sport of motorcycling.

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**Legislative Report**  
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**State**

**Elections** The Voters' Guides have been sent out. Final deadline for voter registration is October 15, next Tuesday. The one thing left besides voting is to see what you can do for supportive candidates in your districts. I'm sure a little last minute help or money would be greatly appreciated.

**Federal**

Our MRF lobbyist, Wayne Curtin, recently testified about next year's authorization topics. Following this report is a copy of Wayne's testimony.

Respectfully submitted,

Subject: U.S. House Hearing Thursday, September 19, 1996, the Surface Transportation Subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a hastily called hearing on highway safety issues. The MRF was notified on Monday that this hearing would be taking place and was offered an opportunity to testify. Below is the agenda/witness list for the hearing. Following that is Wayne Curtin's written statement for the record, which was submitted to the subcommittee Wednesday. Wayne gave verbal testimony before the subcommittee on Thursday. Wayne's testimony addresses the "safety" and NHTSA related items that the MRF Board of Directors approved for an agenda during re-authorization of ISTEA, which will take place in 1997.

As well, the MRF will be seeking a legislative resolution to the recent cropping up of efforts to ban motorcycles from public roads, mainly in cities. Since this was not a safety related issue it is not addressed in this testimony, however, it and all of the items in Wayne's testimony have been raised with committee staff as items motorcyclists would like to see addressed in ISTEA re-authorization.

The MRF believes, that though this is a full and aggressive legislative agenda, it is one that is obtainable by the motorcyclists' rights movement. ISTEA re-authorization will be a 4 to 6 year bill, so we need to work to accomplish this agenda in 1997, because, most likely, there will be no other major highway legislation to work with until after the beginning of the 21st Century. Subcommittee on Surface Transportation Hearing Agenda ISTEA Reauthorization Highway Safety: The Section 402, 403 and 410 Programs and Other Traffic Safety Issues

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Thursday, September 19, 1996 10:00 a.m.  
2167 Rayburn House Office Building

PANEL 1 Honorable Richardo Martinez Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

(NHTSA) accompanied by: Mr. Dennis Judycki, Associate Administrator for Safety and System Application, FHWA Mr. James Hudlend, Associate Administrator for Traffic Safety Programs, NHTSA Ms. Adele Derby, Associate Administrator for State and Community Services, NHTSA

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PANEL III M. Douglas Scott, Chief of Police, Fairfax County Virginia - on behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Mr. Giffen B. Nickol, Communications Coordinator, National Motorists Association Mr. Wayne T. Curtin, Vice President, Government Relations, Motorcycle Riders Foundation

PANEL IV Mr. Roger Rathburn, President, Rathco Safety Supply and National President, American Traffic Safety Services Association Ms. Kathy Hoffman, Executive Director, Roadway Safety Foundation Mr. James Keaton, Manager, 3-M Company on behalf of the Institute of Transportation Engineers

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Statement of Wayne T. Curtin, Vice President of Government Relations Motorcycle Riders Foundation before the Surface Transportation Subcommittee of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives on September 19, 1996 regarding Highway Safety Programs

Chairman Petri, Mr. Rahall, and members of the Surface Transportation Subcommittee, thank you for inviting me to testify today on behalf of America's motorcyclists. My name is Wayne Curtin, and I am the vice president of government relations for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). The MRF is a coalition of state motorcyclists' rights organizations and individual members representing over 275,000 motorcyclists.

#### **Motorcycle Safety As A NHTSA 402 Program Priority**

I appreciate this opportunity to provide your subcommittee with some thoughts the MRF has on highway safety programs administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The members of MRF are appreciative that in the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991, motorcycle safety was retained as a national priority in the 402 safety program. We hope that in the ISTEA re-authorization motorcycle safety will again be designated as a national priority, with an emphasis placed on rider education and motorist awareness programs.

#### **HOV Lanes, A Safer Riding Environment**

Another provision of ISTEA that created a safer riding environment was the one that provided motorcycles access to HOV lanes. That action by Congress has resulted in all HOV lanes nationally being opened to motorcycles. When commuting, motorcyclists are safer in a riding environment that has less vehicles and is flowing smoothly than in congested stop and go traffic. HOV lane access provides motorcyclists with that safer commuting environment. For that, motorcyclists thank Congress.

#### **Setting Accident Prevention As NHTSA's Priority**

In looking at ISTEA re-authorization, I ask you to consider different priorities than NHTSA now has. It seems that in safety programs NHTSA has focused on occupant protection to the detriment of accident prevention. The MRF recommends a shift in NHTSA priorities to develop educational and other programs that will reduce accidents.

By focusing on occupant protection issues, instead of accident prevention, NHTSA is in effect adding to societal costs. By preventing accidents not only would both fatalities and injuries be reduced, but property damage to vehicles would also be reduced. Whereas, occupant protection programs do nothing to prevent or reduce

property damage and still result in injuries and fatalities. Preventing accidents eliminates all three. The members of MRF believe that education to prevent accidents is a much better approach to reducing injuries and fatalities than mandating occupant protection equipment. NHTSA's obsession with occupant protection, at the expense of accident prevention, indicates NHTSA believes accidents are acceptable. It is MRF members' belief that accidents are preventable. We ask Congress to direct NHTSA to make accident prevention their number one priority and shift the majority of the resources dedicated to occupant protection to accident prevention.

#### **Ending The Use Of Highway Trust Funds For Advocacy/Lobbying**

Last year, this Congress voted to repeal the federal penalties on states without helmet laws, for which the MRF membership is extremely grateful. Many thought that the message from that action was clear: the issue of helmet laws was to be left up to the states. However, what we have seen since then is that NHTSA is increasing its activities to lobby for helmet laws in the states. The MRF feels this is an inappropriate use of tax dollars. In the last thirty years, between studies and supporting lobbying efforts, NHTSA has spent millions of dollars on the helmet laws issue. And, what is the end result? Other than for a short period of time in the late 1960's and early 1970's, roughly half of the states have had helmet laws for all riders and half have not. Today, 25 states have mandatory all rider helmet laws and 25 do not. Is it really a good investment, especially in light of trying to balance the budget and reducing "big government," for NHTSA to continue to spend millions of dollars to lobby for an issue that the state legislatures have already made up their minds on? If the states did not pass helmet laws due to the Section 153 penalties, why should the federal government continue to throw money at the issue?

To prevent the future unwise use of Highway Trust Funds, the MRF requests you to consider including a provision in the ISTEA re-authorization that would prohibit the Department of Transportation, including NHTSA, from expending any funds authorized under ISTEA re-authorization on research and advocacy on the helmet laws issue. These funds are tax payer dollars and it is inappropriate for NHTSA to continue to spend these funds on lobbying activities. Has the federal government, in the last 30 years, not already spent enough money studying the issue of helmet laws? What else is there to know about the issue? In our opinion, these funds are being wasted because the state legislatures have been flooded with NHTSA funded studies and are already pretty clear about their positions on the helmet law issue.

#### **GAO Audit**

To help you evaluate MRF's request to prohibit NHTSA from expending additional funds on the helmet law issue, the MRF suggests you order a GAO audit of how much the Department of Transportation has spent on the helmet law issue over the last thirty years. And, we would like to see this audit include a cost benefit analysis on how this money was used versus how it could have been used for accident prevention. We believe Congress will be aghast at the amount, especially in light of how those much needed resources could have been used in other educational and accident prevention activities.

#### **Prevention of Future Penalties and Sanctions**

In regards to future penalties or other sanctions on federal highway funds, the MRF requests you consider a provision in ISTEA re-authorization similar to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. That Act contains a "point-of-order" for any provision imposing an unfunded mandate. We believe that a similar "point-of-order" provision in ISTEA re-authorization to limit the withholding or transfer of highway funds in an attempt to coerce states into passing certain, supposedly safety, laws would be in the best interest of the American tax payer and the states. Highway funds are collected through user fees, which should be used to build and maintain highways, and trails whose motorized users also pay user fees, not to blackmail states into passing laws of questionable value.

#### **Incentive Grant Programs**

The MRF understands there is some discussion about including some type of safety program incentive grants in ISTEA re-authorization. The MRF has concerns about where the funding for incentive grants would come from, in light of the great needs for infrastructure maintenance and repair. But, if the funds are available, MRF would be supportive of incentive grants that were performance based on reducing accidents and fatalities. Those two items should be the only criteria. The MRF opposes incentive grants that would be issued based on states passing specific laws. That should not be the federal government's role. That role should be to set goals:

reduce accidents and fatalities. How the states do that should be left to them and if they are successful in doing so they should be rewarded. Using federal funds as incentives for states to enact specific laws is nothing more than using federal funds for lobbying state legislatures. The MRF believes federal funds should not be used, in any form, for lobbying purposes, whether that be funding lobbying directly or providing a tool (i.e. grants) for organizations to lobby for specific laws. To reward states for developing their own programs that reduce accidents and fatalities is not lobbying, and the MRF supports that concept of incentive grants.

### **Intelligent Transportation System**

Last, the MRF has concerns about the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS). We have doubts that motorcycles are being fully considered in early development and design of ITS. For motorcyclists this is a vital safety issue. It is not that we want to see onboard computers designed for motorcycles; the enjoyment of riding a motorcycle is operating it and being in control. Our concern is that the detection systems being designed for other vehicles will not detect small motorcycles in the flow of traffic. If this concern is not addressed soon, the early operations of ITS equipped vehicles may not detect small motorcycles and result in motorcycles being hit by those vehicles. To ensure this does not happen, the MRF requests that ISTEA re-authorization include a provision that would insure all research on the Intelligent Transportation System consider the interaction of motorcycles in traffic and that all development and implementation of ITS include motorcycles as an integral part of that development and implementation. On behalf of the MRF and America's motorcyclists I thank you for this opportunity to present our concerns and views as you consider safety issues in the development of the ISTEA re-authorization and map the future of America's transportation system into the 21st Century.

## ***Your Motorcycle Accident Lawyer***

# **SAM HOCHBERG**

### **Attorney at Law**

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# BIKER DAYS 1997

January	10	Friday	10am
February	13	Thursday	10am
March	12	Wednesday	10am
April	8	Tuesday	10am
May	19	Monday	10am

This advance notice is to enable everyone to arrange their schedule. It is essential to our efforts that everyone attend at least one Biker Day. Do your best to attend as many Biker Days as possible.

## BECOME A LEGISLATOR'S BUDDY

We need at least 90 "Legislator's Buddy's" (that's one for each of our state legislators). If you, or any other chapter member you know, want to be a "Buddy" then fill out the form on page 7 and send it off right away. Feel free to make copies of the form and sign up as many people as possible.

### Join & Support the MOTORCYCLE RIDERS FOUNDATION Register, Vote, Write & Ride!

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**  
(All information treated confidentially.)

Referred by \_\_\_\_\_  
MRF # \_\_\_\_\_  
Member was given:  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pin  Patch  Year Rocker  
Newsletter - What Issue? \_\_\_\_\_

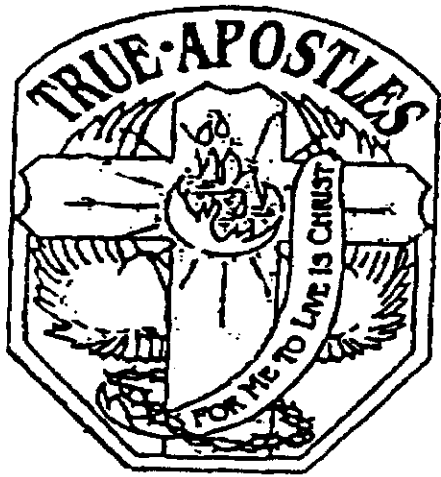
- Annual Individual Membership ... \$20  
 Annual Sustaining Membership ... \$100  
 Annual Joint Membership...\$30  
 New Membership  
 Renewal Member #

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a state motorcyclists' rights organization? Y / N Name \_\_\_\_\_  
What talents do you have that might benefit motorcyclists' rights and the MRF?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Will you volunteer these talents if the MRF needs your help? Y / N  
Mail with remittance to: Motorcycle Riders Foundation, Inc.  
PO Box 1808, Washington, DC 20013-1808  
202/546-0983 • FAX 202-546-0986 • BBS 515-858-5882  
<http://WWW.xmission.com/~mrf>





13th Annual TRUE APOSTLES

# TOY RUN

Saturday, November 30, 1996

donations distributed by

The Salvation Army

Sign in: 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Meet at: THE CHURCH OF GOD

3300 NE 78th st.

Vancouver, Wa.

(Take I-5 to 78th st. Go east 1 mile.)

Run pins for a \$5.00 donation

*Limited supply! Sign up early!*



👉 Door prizes 👈

50/50 drawing 😊

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Vic Voltz

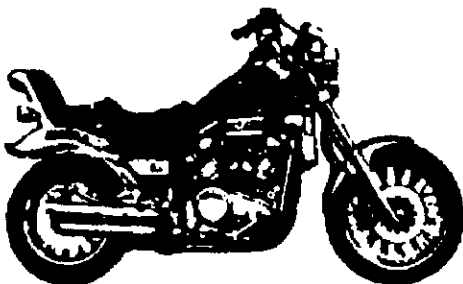
Roger Yarnell

360-254-5181 ☎

503-643-4725 ☎

# ALL BIKES WELCOMED

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Call Gordon at (503)253-7343 to place your classified with us Today!

For Sale 1974 Jensen Healey, 76,000 Original miles, Stored last 14 years. Excellent condition except needs minor engine work. Trade for PAN or Shovel... 360-642-2544 (11/96)

For sale: Brand new set of Bub's "Bad Dogs" pipes fits most Softails-\$250.00 (????)-679-7729 eves. (1-97)

WANTED: Women to become CERTIFIED Motorcycle Awareness Instructors! This is a class that can be taught to students from Kindergarten to Senior Citizens. It is pertinent and age appropriate, cars and trucks are not the only things we share the road with. Bicycles and pedestrians are also a part of this diverse mixture. Our Motorcycle Awareness Program is free and can be taught in almost any setting. By becoming a certified instructor you can become involved in your schools and community in a very valuable capacity, safety and education. Think about it and if interested, please contact Nic Oliver or myself, Jennie Lindi, our phone #s are in the front portion of this newsletter. Thanks and please try it, I promise it is fun!

## BikePAC meeting DATES:

Nov. 16th, 1996

Dec. 14th, 1996

January 4, 1997

go to the Salem Library

For Sale:  
\$75.00 Ball Python's  
Call Bill @ 541-440-8427  
(1-97)

Wanted:  
Windshield for '77 FLH  
503-665-1201  
(12/96)

### FOR SALE:

1972 Dodge Conversion Van good condition-\$2250.00

ALSO 18' fully self contained travel trailer- good condition \$1250.00 call John or Brenda 541-444-2708 (1-97)

Easyriders & Iron Horse rags from early 80's & 90's

In the wind#'s 7,8,9 & 10  
Please send SASE for complete list to:  
Blayne Brisson  
P.O. Box 1557  
Eagle Point, Or. 97524  
(1-97)

### FOR SALE

1994 Yamaha 535 Virago - Special Edition. 5500 miles. Wine & silver paint, lots of chrome. Windscreen, Engine Guards, Foam Grips and Slash Cut Pipes (for that "Boulevard Note"). Always garaged, never down, always maintained. \$4,000 541-998-5133. (12/96)

### FOR SALE:

1993 JEEP WRANGLER  
4.0 6 cyl. Engine and auto trans.  
Has two tops, glass sliding door windows, blue, has 14,900 miles asking \$13,900.

### ALSO

1995 Velorex SIDE CAR  
model 700 with full cover  
new was \$1,650.00 asking \$1,200.00  
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(12/96)

### FOR SALE:

1987 Honda 250 Rebel  
GREAT SHAPE!  
Well maintained & not abused. Has new rubber at both ends and only 9700 miles.  
"Great starter Bike!"  
Asking \$1,500.00  
541-746-7837, leave message  
(12/96)

**ABATE OF OREGON IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANYTHING SOLD THRU THESE ADS. THESE ARE THINGS THAT INDIVIDUALS ARE SELLING NOT ABATE OF OREGON. (except membership to ABATE) THE EDITOR 1-96**

FOR SALE:  
318cc Dodge Eng w/trans  
\$450.00  
Randy or Dani  
503-284-1486  
(12/96)

WANTED:  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS!  
Are you one of the few,  
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☎ Contact your local chapter ☎

Legislative Director and sign up to be a Legislative BUDDY!!!

It is a simple yet necessary position that needs all the people we can get, from all over the state.

Do this today and work for a free

tomorrow! ☺☺

"As advertised in the Thunder Press"  
Like new LOCK-N-ROLL Quick mount system for FLH's...late 80's to '96. Bought new for \$480.00 for a '92 FLHTC, didn't fit correctly, getting another unit from manufacture and have been authorized to resell for \$350.00  
Call Rick (541)-746-7837 home evenings or (541) 741-5836 work days  
(12/96)

### FOR SALE:

1-Heritage front fender \$150.00  
1-Heritage windshield \$75.00  
2-Heritagebags \$400.00  
Both Heritage Gas Tanks(1 Dent) \$475.00  
1-Heritage rear fender(scratched)\$200.00  
1-Heritage passing lamp/turnsignals\$75.00  
1-Ness flamed center divider (1 tiny nick)\$65.00  
1-Fatboy Front fender(scraped) \$150.00  
Buy all for \$1400.00  
541-756-7337  
(12/96)

ATTN: Members

Following is a list of products available through ABATE of Oregon, Inc. Products are another way of helping support ABATE.

Revised: March 1995

**ABATE PRODUCTS ORDER FORM - PRICE LIST**

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>YEAR PINS</b>				
_____	AYP2	Year Pin - 2 yr. member - blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP3	Year Pin - 3 yr. member - white .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP4	Year Pin - 4 yr. member - red/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP5	Year Pin - 5 yr. member - white/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP6	Year Pin - 6 yr. member - black/orange .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP7	Year Pin - 7 yr. member - black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP8	Year Pin - 8 yr. member - dark blue .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP9	Year Pin - 9 yr. member - yellow .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP10	Year Pin - 10 yr. member - red/white/blue .....	3.25	_____
_____	AYP11	Year Pin - 11 yr. member - purple/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP12	Year Pin - 12 yr. member - blue/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP13	Year Pin - 13 yr. member - green/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP14	Year Pin - 14 yr. member - black/red .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP15	Year Pin - 15 yr. member - gold/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP16	Year Pin - 16 yr. member - grey/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP17	Year Pin - 17 yr. member - copper/black .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP18	Year Pin - 18 yr. member - light blue/gold .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP19	Year Pin - 19 yr. member - purple/gold .....	3.00	_____
_____	AYP20	Year Pin - 20 yr. member - red/white/blue .....	3.75	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>ABATE PINS</b>				
_____	ALAN	ABATE Anniversary Pin .....	3.25	_____
_____	ALPIG	ABATE Logo Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ALPIS	ABATE Logo Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIB	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AEPIG	ABATE Eagle Pin - large, gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	AWP	ABATE Wing Pin - silver .....	5.00	_____
_____	AWPG	ABATE Wing Pin - gold .....	5.00	_____
_____	ASP	ABATE Supporter Pin .....	4.00	_____
_____	AUWP	ABATE Uplifted Wing Pin - 5 color .....	4.00	_____
_____	ALOP	ABATE Oval Logo Pin - black/gold .....	4.00	_____
_____	AFP	Fossil Pin .....	3.75	_____
_____	A#1P	ABATE #1 Pin - small, 3 color .....	2.25	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
_____	AFRB	ABATE Freedom Of The Road Belt Buckle - pewter .....	15.00	_____
_____	ALH	ABATE Logo Hats - white on black .....	5.00	_____
_____	CW	Screw The Helmet pin .....	3.00	_____

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>ABATE T-SHIRTS</b>				
_____	AFRTS	ABATE T-Shirts .....	10.00	_____
		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
_____	AFRTL	ABATE Sweatshirts .....	15.00	_____
		Sm _____ Med _____ Lg _____ X-Lg _____		
		NOTE: Assorted Colors.....X-Lg and LARGER add \$2.00 Chapter Logo setup fee with each order (One time charge) .....	9.50	
		(In order to be able to obtain shirts at this price, orders must be a minimum of 12 shirts or more.)		

QTY.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	TOTAL
<b>SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS</b>				
_____	ANG	Year Bars (Indicate year _____ - 1982 thru 1993 available .....	1.00	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (Indicate year _____) Small _____ 1984-1993 avail. ....	1.00	_____
_____	CLOTH	Year Bars (Indicate year _____) Large _____ 1984-1992 avail. ....	1.50	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Cars w/Let Those Who Ride Decde .....	5.00	_____
_____		License Plate Frames - Motorcycles w/Let Those Who Ride Decde .....	5.00	_____

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**Portland, Oregon 97208**  
**Angie Jensen, Products Director**  
**PHONE: 503-285-4329**

**Shipping Charge= \$3.00 for pins**  
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PREPAID \_\_\_\_\_ COD \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

**Please use street address - we ship UPS where ever possible.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!!**



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

Dan Miller, President  
Oregon Traffic Safety Education Association  
c/o Silverton High School  
802 Schlador  
Silverton, OR 97381

October 22, 1996

Dear Dan Miller,

This letter is in regards to the incident at the Oregon Traffic Safety Association's State Conference on October 11, 1999 at Gresham High School. The incident involved statements made by Joanne Fairchild (Emmanuel Hospital) in the Trauma Nurses Talk Tough (TNTT) presentation. The statement named ABATE of Oregon and inferred that ABATE promotes irresponsibility and is, therefore, a public burden

To quote Joanne Fairchild, "ABATE in promoting choice is a dangerous burden on the public," and, "To use that group ABATE's phrase "Let those who ride decide,' I say let those who pay decide."

These statements were heard by your conference attendees including our representatives during her presentation. These statements are slanderous and were an uninformed, irresponsible act perpetrated without any regard toward Corporate Sponsors of your organization.

We are understandably distressed by this as we have supported OTSEA openly and with pride. We feel that action must be taken and that we deserve the right of a public rebuttal of these unwarranted accusations. We also feel that other reparations are due, including appropriate letters to the TNTT program executives as well as apology letters to this organization.

Furthermore in the hope of fostering genuine dialogue between groups that are OTSEA members, we offer to show our commitment to safety. We will display our acclaimed Motorcycle Awareness Program that is currently being taught at Drivers Education classes throughout the state for TNTT' or, for that matter, any interested group. It is inherent in our philosophy that giving responsible adults the informed choices in regards to safety works much more effectively than simply mandating safety. ABATE of Oregon is highly committed to safety programs that produce real results like the Motorcycle Awareness Program.

Because our history shows that ABATE is an organization dedicated to promoting safety and awareness we are understandably insulted by the statements made by Ms Fairchild. Therefore we have come to you first, as the host organization for this State Conference in hopes of a swift and appropriate set of actions regarding this incident. We hope to hear from you very soon.

Sincerely,

Larry Schalk  
State Coordinator  
for the Board of Directors  
ABATE of Oregon, Inc

# Minutes for State Board meeting

October 12, 1996

Meeting was called to order at Cottage Grove VFW hall at 12:20 by State Coordinator Larry Schalk. There were 11 of 13 chapters in attendance with 11 eligible to vote.

**Coordinator's Comments:** none

**Correspondence:** none

**Officer Reports:**

**Legislative Director:** Brian reported that the final voter's guides are out. He also provided a copy of Wayne Curtain's testimony at the US House of Representatives' committee on transportation and Infrastructure. Also Brian spoke about the reauthorization of a federal highway bill that meant that it was indeed crucial to send people from Oregon to Washington DC.

**Education Director:** Nic Oliver talked about the Oregon Traffic Safety Education Association meeting he and Jennie attended. There was a discussion on the effort to set a national standard for drivers education. He also talked about a woman who spoke as a member of Trauma Nurses Talk Tough. She made a statement that claimed that ABATE by promoting freedom of choice is being irresponsible and going to cost the state lots of money. It was decided to send a letter to the head of OTSEA expressing our outrage at being called irresponsible and to ask that personal opinions like this person's not be allowed to continue at future OTSEA events. Jennie reported that she has met with the 55 Alive program people. They are trying to find a way to fit the Awareness Program into their program.

**Membership Secretary:** Mother was not available. The membership report she sent along reports 1817 members. Roger noted that this is our highest ever total membership.

**Newsletter Editor:** Gordon apologized to Douglas Co. because they did have the report in despite the newsletter saying they did not. He also asked for tech tips and articles. Also, any additional graphics would be appreciated.

**Products Director:** Angie was not available. The Freedom Run shirts are available at \$12.00 and they need to be sold.

**Public Relations:** Clark talked about working at DJ's and that he will be at NW Thunder.

**State Run Coordinator:** Roger said the Freedom run had a very disappointing turnout with 136 people. It was rainy and cold so that may have kept people away. They need to sell the t-shirts to break even on the run. Roger also had a certificate of appreciation for various people who had helped at the Labor Day run and the Freedom Run.

**Treasurer:** Joy reported our fund totals on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September at \$115.40 in Bulk Mail, \$631.14 in Checking, \$20,616.11 in Savings and \$1,920.32 in Legal for a total of \$23,282.97.

**Historian:** No report.

**Web Page Editor:** Bob said that he should have something on line by the middle of next month. He will still need help with graphics and articles.

## Committee Reports

**Membership-** Larry asked reps to check with their membership secretaries to make sure they have been in contact with Mother.

**Officers Handbook-** Chris Vieira added to the descriptions of some of the offices and added to all of them that all officers will operate in accordance with the bylaws and rules of operation. The Vice-Coordinator and/or the sergeant-at-arms may be in charge of the inventory of ABATE materials. The Secretary will sign and date minutes to verify authenticity. The Membership secretary will furnish updated member lists to chapter mem. Sec. each month.

## Unfinished Business:

**Approval of 1996-1997 Budget** was tabled until the November meeting to be sure all chapters had adequately discussed it and understood all the particulars. It is crucial that the chapters understand the reason for a budget and why we cannot operate without one for any longer.

**Fossil Lawsuit.** Larry reported the latest proceedings.

**ABATE Representatives in Wash DC.** People who were willing to go to Washington were asked to speak about why they should be the ones to go. Brian mentioned how it was important to send the best people possible and also a male/female team as well as people from different areas of Oregon. The people at the meeting or represented were: Ruth Trombetta, Tom Halley, Louana Paulson, Don Hamlin, Ken Ray, Howard Butts, and Brenda Huber-Trainer. The nominated left the room and the state board decided to have two teams. The first team is Ken Ray and Ruth Trombetta. The alternates are Bob Avery and Brenda Huber-Trainer.

## New Business:

**Meeting of the Minds Report.** Bob Avery spoke about the classes he attended and how much was available to learn. He said that much of the educational stuff happened outside the organized classes and it was definitely worth the effort to attend. Ken Ray gave a report on the efforts to restrict or eliminate motorcycling in Europe and why this is important here. There was some follow up information by Larry Schalk and Brian Stovall.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10

Next meeting November 9<sup>th</sup> at Springfield Chamber of Commerce at 12:00 noon.

Minutes submitted by Ken Ray, State Recording Secretary.

## HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

PLEASE SEND TO: Sam Hochberg, A.I.M. Attorney, 750 Morgan Bldg, 720 S.W. Washington, Portland, OR 97205, ATTN: Gunny Hutch.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: work \_\_\_\_\_ home \_\_\_\_\_

MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? YES / NO

### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

DATE STOPPED: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ TIME STOPPED: \_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_ a m / pm

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ID NO: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICE AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY REASON FOR STOP: HELMET / OTHER (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITE # \_\_\_\_\_ 1st appearance: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ 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? \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

REVISED : 12/06/94

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

NEW \_\_\_\_\_ IF NEW RECEIVED PATCH \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL \_\_\_\_\_ IF RENEWAL, MEMBERSHIP NO. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS IN SAME HOUSEHOLD (Use additional paper if necessary)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

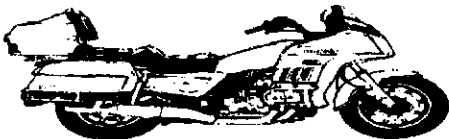
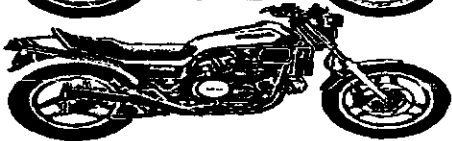
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 FULL MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 COUPLE MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

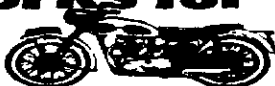
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

SEND TO MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY P.O. BOX 4504 PORTLAND, OREGON 97208

## **All bikes – All riders**



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## **CHANGE OF ADDRESS?**

If you or someone you know has moved and you haven't received your newsletter since, DON'T BLAME US! Just fill out this form and return it to:

**A.B.A.T.E. of Oregon, Inc.  
P.O. Box 4504  
Portland, OR 97208**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NEW ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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**Ride safe and SOBER, if not for you than FOR ME AND MY FAMILY! Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!**  
**Enough said.....GWH**

**Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When**

1st & 3rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
2st SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 pm, KC's Pizza House, 1655 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 am, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	BLUE MOUNTAIN	1:00 pm, East Side Tavern Rest., 2209 Adams Av., LaGrande
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	11:00 am, Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill
2nd & 4th SUNDAYS	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 pm, Alibi 4024 N. Interstate, Portland
4th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 pm, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
2nd & 4th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 pm, Pizza Hut, 3190 N.W. 185th, Portland
1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 pm, Shilo Inn 1609 E. Harbor, Warrenton
	N.E. PORTLAND	7:00 pm, SirLoins NE Sandy Blvd @ 80th St, Portland
3rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	7:30 pm, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
1st THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 pm, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield
1st FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	Call for meeting info and place 541-563-3520