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RUN FLIERS..... you'll see them

IMPORTANT ARTICLES

Legislative stuff you will see it
Special letter 25-26

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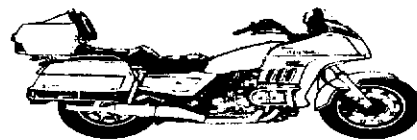
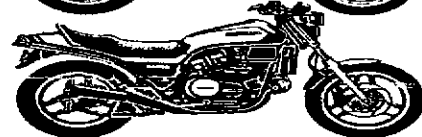
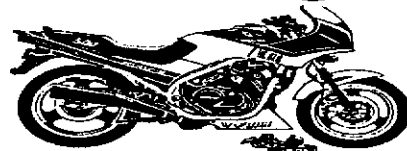
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Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1 st & 3 rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland
1 st SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM Moose Lodge #323, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
3 rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	12:00, Noon Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, Oregon's Pizza, Gold Hill
2 nd SUNDAYS	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 PM, Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland
4 th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 PM, Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem
1 st & 3 rd TUESDAY	RIVER CITY	7:30 PM, Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles
2 nd & 4 th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 PM, Miller's Homestead Restaurant, 640 SE10 th St., Hillsboro
1 st & 3 rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM, Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria
3 rd WEDNESDAY	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122 nd , Portland
2 ND WEDNESDAY	KLAMATH COUNTY	6:30 PM, Old Town Pizza Co., 722 Main St. Klamath Falls
3 rd THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, Prime Time Sports Bar & Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield
1 st & 3 rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	11:00 AM, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 14th, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 12:35 by Chris Vieira, Coordinator. There were 11 chapters in attendance, with all eligible to vote. (Klamath County, North Coast, and Southern Oregon were not represented).

Coordinator's Comments: BikePAC by the Sea just finished last weekend. There were lots of awards given, with special recognition to Brian Stovall and Teresa Hepker for their years of dedicated service.

Correspondence: MOTM flyer, ODOT conference flyer, Blue Ribbon Coalition letter with information regarding closure of Forest Service roads, letter from Vet's group out of OSP, NCOM report.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Legislative Director: Now is the time to participate in your Political Party's caucus meetings. Looking for bikers who want to run for a political office.

ABATE's BikePAC representative: A brief review of the achievements by BikePAC, with an awards ceremony, and special awards to Brian Stovall and Teresa Hepker. Planning session with the new Executive Director, Frank Saxton.

Education Director: Not present, no report.

Education Director II: OPEN

Membership Secretary: Not present, monthly report included to Chapter representative's packets.

Newsletter Editor: Not present, no report.

Products: Several new products come to Chiloquin and check them out.

PR Director: Chiloquin posters mailed, but there are more available, please help to get them out. Melinda is following up on some media leads that have been sent her way. Ronald McDonald House has contacted Melinda requesting that ABATE participate in helping coordinate what they hope could become the largest run in the Northwest. More information on this to come. Melinda also wrote a letter in response to the letter from the Rose City HOG member who felt he was treated rudely at the Fossil gate.

State Run Coordinator: Roger needs all chapters who are planning an event to contact him by the October State Board meeting with the dates. He will be coordinating events for ABATE with the other bike groups in the area, to help avoid runs competing with each other.

State Run Coordinator II: OPEN

Treasurer: Clark reports balances as of 7/31/99: Bulk Mail: \$3,588.81; Checking: 3,366.10; Savings: \$34,693.58; for a grand total of \$41,648.49. Clark is working with Klamath Falls and North Coast chapters, whose treasury reports are overdue.

Historian: Not present, no report

WebPage Editor: Not present, no report

Vice Coordinator North: Discussion regarding WebPage, and possibility of a makeover on the first page. Frank mentioned that most sites update the first page at least every 6 months. There was discussion about inappropriate language being used by ABATE officers during an ABATE function. Please remember that the public perception of any organization can be adversely affected by using improper or offensive language.

Vice Coordinator South: Gate help is requested for Chiloquin.

Vice Coordinator East: BikePAC meeting was wonderful, hope you had a chance to attend.

Sergeant at Arms North: Chiloquin coming up, get those volunteers together for Security!

Sergeant at Arms South: Tina echoes the above comment, and pointed out that chapters volunteering to cover a block of time was greatly appreciated, with special recognition of Washington County and Lincoln County. Way to go!

Sergeant at Arms East: Not present, no report

Committee Reports

1 Membership Committee: No report

2. Sanctioning Committee: Central Oregon's Teddy Bear Poker Run on August 28* approved.

Unfinished Business:

1. Incident report cards: Chris delivered a stack, come get a couple, and carry them with you!

2. Best of the West: Our proposal has been accepted, and potential dates set. The weekends of April 21-23 or April 28-30 are the most likely. Location has not been arranged as of yet, but the proposal did include Portland as the 1st choice with Eugene a backup if nothing available on the above dates. More information to follow.

New Business:

1. Motion made by Randy Phipps to send up to 4 people to the ODOT Conference in Ashland, with the costs of the conference and lodging to be paid by ABATE of Oregon. Motion seconded. Discussion regarding the value of participating in this conference. It was pointed out that the people that attend this conference are also the ones who participate in the legislative process. By having ABATE members attend, the motorcycling community is not so "faceless", and we also have an opportunity to meet potential friends. Vote: 11 aye, 0 nay. Motion carries

2. Motion by Brenda Trainer-Huber: That ABATE of Oregon reward the Chapter that signs up the most Precinct Committee People by November 1st. The winning chapter will be determined based on the number of PCP's per chapter membership on a percentage basis. The winning chapter will receive Fossil Tickets for the new PCP's. Vote: 11 aye, 0 nay, motion carries.

3. Motion by Teresa Hepker, that ABATE of Oregon contribute \$2,500 to the MRF, payable now, to support their work representing motorcyclists in Washington D.C. The amount breaks down to approx. \$1.50 per member. Vote: 11 aye, 0 Nay, motion carries.

4. Discussion regarding possibility of a chapter producing a 21 and over run. There is no rule prohibiting a chapter from doing so, but all sanctioning guidelines must be met.

5. Discussion regarding "Sister chapter" concept with Washington State, as there are several chapters who have members living there. Attempts will be made to include more information pertaining to members across the Columbia River.

Announcements were made and the meeting was adjourned at 3:40

Minutes submitted by Jill Tracy, State Recording Secretary.



AN AMERICAN FAMILY!

CHAPTER REPORTS

Central Oregon

Meets 2nd Sunday, 2:00 PM
Moose Lodge #323, 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond
Chapter address: P.O. Box 9188 Bend, Or. 97708
Chapter contact: Jay Swartz 541-389-6773

No report.

Columbia River

Meets 2nd Sunday, 12:30 PM
Pizza Perfect 6815 N.E. Killingsworth, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211
Chapter Contact: Spike 503-282-4604

Howdy All,

I can hardly believe that it's already September. Summer Run behind us. Or in this case YOU! I didn't get to go: (I did however hear that "The Benders" kicked some ass on Saturday night. This didn't surprise me. I've heard the boys play. And hope to hear them again soon. Possibly at a future Columbia River function? Maybe the Sweetheart Dance?

Anything can happen.

All it takes is Teamwork and great planning.

On the Subject of Team, you can always get involved with Team Oregon. I personally have family and friends that found it fun and informative. So checkout your local college listings for Motorcycle education. Stand up and be counted. Or better yet fill out an application and teach. I hear that it will give you a warm fuzzy feeling, and satisfaction that can't be measured. Personally I'll take my X-mas money anyway I can find it...

Lastly but not least of my potpourri of tidbits this month I would like to wish, Brian Stovall, better health and happiness and Thank Frank Saxton for stepping up to the plate.

Till next time.

Kornfed

Douglas County

Meets 3rd Sunday at 12:00 AM
Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97470
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No report.

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Klamath County

Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 6:30 P.M.
3rd Sunday @ 2:00 P.M.
Old Town Pizza Company, 722 Main St., Klamath Falls
Chapter address. P.O. Box 1844 St. Klamath Falls, Or. 97602
Chapter contact: Carol 541-273-0358
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By the time you read this we will be on our way or already at Chiloquin. Great response on the advance tickets. I sent off for mine on Monday and had them back Wednesday. From Klamath Falls to Portland and back in 3 days. Must be some sort of record. Our Chapter was invited by Wright Greenhouse to help deliver and plant flowers and vegetables they had donated to KLEOS Children's Community last weekend. KLEO is a home for children who have been abandoned, abused or for whatever reason are wards of the state. Nick, Carol, Doug, Red Dog, Jacque, Crystal, Ali and Don Picked up the plants at the nursery and transported them to Chiloquin. They helped the children plant them at the home and it was a big success.

Carrie G. has moved out of town so we are in need of someone to share Ways and Means with Cathy Daniels.


Now is the time to recruit new members during and after the Chiloquin Run when the enthusiasm is high. It is also time to start planning some winter activities when we are stuck indoors.

Hope to see you at the September meeting with some new ideas.

Jon Daniels won the 50/50 last meeting. The second time in a row. It has something to do with the amount of tickets he buys.

Ride free

Judy "Mom" LaMay



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Lincoln County

Meets the 1st & 3rd Friday, 7pm
Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 614, Waldport, OR 97
Chapter Contact: Gary Ploub 541-782-3476

When you read this the 17th Annual Beaver Creek Run will be a new page in the history books. As I type this into the e-mail, the run starts officially tomorrow. Already the meadow has campers and 5 vendors set up. Once again, the hard working chapter members and the great non-members have worked a miracle and transformed the neglected buildings and fields into a great run site. Next on the event calendar is Chiloquin. We are already planning the games and working on trophies. Hope to see everyone there. Well, time to get back to the Beaver Creek kitchen and stack the buns. Some how I had a lapse in good sense and volunteered to head the kitchen this year. I had a lot of help and willing workers. A big thank you to them.

More next month.
Ride Safe
Shirley

N.E. Portland

Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 PM
Round Table Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 5792, Portland, OR 97228
Chapter Contact: Rusty Taylor 503-777-5121

Hello Members

I am loving this time of the year, things are just cruisin' along. The runs are just excellent this year. I've noticed at Fossil, Cow Chip, and especially Summer Run, there's a pile, called "the dead chair pile," and it seems to always be right next to where Roger camps out. Just recently, at Summer Run, Roger was camp next door to, well we won't say her name but her initials are (Anna D.), and she too contributed to that "dead chair pile.

What's up with that! The two of you i.e. and lawn chairs. Maybe we should have a "dead chair camp turd award. What do you think!

Moving along, last month we started our merged NE Portland /Columbia River Chapter Meetings; NE Portland meets every 3rd Wednesday (same place Round Table Pizza) and Columbia River (same place Pizza Perfect) every 2nd Sunday of the month. Please try to make it to your chapter meetings, we need more of our members to join in our fight for freedom, this goes for all of you former members as well, come back and join us, we need you. We need to prepare and come up with a plan that will have an effective impact involving Legislation. Each of you members out there can make an awesome difference, if we all join and band together in our fight for freedom. Don't forget that!

Lastly, NE Portland Chapter Poker Run, August 28, 1999, sign up time 10:00 am @ Stage Coach Saloon, on Sandy Blvd. Hope to see you there. Take Care and Ride Safe!

Carmen



North Coast

Meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 PM
Astoria Eagle, 894 Commercial, Astoria
Children are Welcome
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 468, Seaside, OR 97138
Chapter Contact: Jeff Gee 503-861-1703

Greetings from the coast!

Once again another month has flown by us bringing us closer to Fall.

Preseason football has started and our second meeting of the month will now revert back to the third Wednesday. I had mentioned several letters back that we had changed that to the third Sunday but the change was not made in our header. Oh well. I've noticed from reading the newsletter that meeting attendance is down in many chapters. Our last meeting was also a low turnout. I'd like to point out that it is Summer and a lot of folks have gone to Sturgis and/or are just out in general enjoying themselves while they can.

After all, here in the Northwest you have to ride when you can in the good weather as we get plenty of the bad! I'm sure things will change as we move further toward Winter.

Our last meeting we discussed the upcoming End of Summer Run. There is a lot of work and planning that goes into this type of event to make it successful. Our chapter is committed to this end. Many of us may not be politically oriented but I feel it noteworthy that when faced with a project of this magnitude our chapter really does pull together! Last year we all did our part and the run turned out great.

I am sincerely hopeful that our counterpart, (Washington County) can and does recognize the need for communication and cooperation to make the run the same success. There will be time enough for credit taking after the event.

I plan to hit Beaver Creek Run this coming weekend and am looking forward to a ride down the coast. Hope to see you there! Wherever you go this Summer, Ride Safe!!!!!!

Jamye.....

River City

Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 PM
ZIM'S BRAU HAUS, 604 E. 2nd. St., The Dalles
Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1103, The Dalles, OR 97058
Chapter Contact: Kevin, Membership Secy. [541] 352-7471

We had a small but rowdy meeting tonight in a thunderstorm. We planned September 11 as our Second Annual Yard Sale date. It will be at Ed and Linda Brannam's at 1108 Dry Hollow St., The Dalles. The contact for donations is Cindy Judah (298-4150).

John Combs would have won our membership drawing for \$85, if he had been at the meeting. It will be \$90 next meeting. Randy Knodel won the 50/50 and donated his share back to the Chapter (Thanks, Randy).

We went for a great ride two weeks ago, around Mt Hood to the home of Fran Melero (SE Chapter). Fran and her friends did a bang up job of cooking to feed us all. It was no small task as 23 people came from River City!

Thanks, Fran, it was a fine day for all of us.

We are talking about having some of our meetings in Goldendale and Hood River since so many of our members live in those towns. More later, on that.

Our Sunday rides just get better all the time! We have attracted a lot of new members by having these rides and by distributing business cards inviting people to rides and meetings. Last Sunday, we stopped at the Team Oregon training class, handed out cards to all the students, and talked to them for a bit. Then we went on a 120-mile ride to Pine Hollow Reservoir, Mt. Hood and back through Hood River.

18 members and one guest tonight attended our chapter meeting. Thanks Marty Million, for coming to see what we are all about. That's about a 25% member attendance! We are going to ride in the Klickitat County Fair parade in Goldendale on August 21 and try to start an annual teddy bear run at this event. So, this is a challenge to all chapters to join us and try to outdo us!

Our Second Annual Chapter Yard Sale will be held on September 11 at 1108 Dry Hollow Rd. Send us an item to sell or come on out an shop.

Our membership raffle pot will grow to \$95 next meeting because Lloyd Roberts was not there when his name was drawn. Frenchy won the 50/50 and got \$16.

Brian

Salem

Meets 4th Sunday, 1:00 PM

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

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

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Chapter Contact: Jim Russell 503-743-4121

Elaine and Gary Devore (503)-581-0006

No report.

South Coast

Meets 3rd Sunday, 11 AM

Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend

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Chapter Contact: Charlie Hill (541) 888-8081

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I know this newsletter comes out a couple months later than our actual events, but I wanted to thank everyone who came to the Coos River Run, and those who volunteered. It is always greatly appreciated when we have such a great turnout and good help. I sure did meet a lot of nice people.

I hope to see all of you at other runs and ours again next year.

Still to come is the Cranberry Fest on September 10, 11, & 12 with a parade on Sunday and our Show-N-Shine on September 19th at Tower Ford.

Take care,

Cindy Zaffarano

Southern Oregon

Meets 3rd, Sunday, Noon

Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 2031 Grants Pass, OR 97528

Chapter Contact: Tom Orsini (541)-479-8635

No report.

I will never hope to see,
Dr Kitzhopper riding with me.
I like my freedoms and all,
But not that guy at all!

S.E. Portland

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon

The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 90233, Portland, OR 97290

Chapter Contact: Lee Austin 503-760-9015

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It looks like we are finally getting some decent riding weather and it's about time. I hope you all have been taking advantage of the weather and getting out to enjoy the sport we all have in common. There have been some really great runs going on this summer and it has been really fun partying with the best. Seems like Rotten Roger is trying to start his own "lawn chair" cemetery. It has become well known that the run is not quite complete until Roger has killed another chair.

When it comes to putting these runs and events on, I want to let everyone who is volunteering to help that they are VERY APPRECIATED. Most of us know a lot of the jobs we volunteer for are great fun. Some are hard work, but its pays off in the long run. When you see someone working the gate, building the stage, doing security, cooking, and cleaning up, we are doing this all for a good reason. This is how we support the chapter. If at all possible, please be more generous with your time, and help out at some events for a few hours. I guarantee you will have a good time.

Not much to bring up on the politics side except to get ready to start gearing up as we have a long road ahead of us if we want to get rid of the lid. We have a lot of good people on our side and we need to know who they are. Be sure to read your newsletter thoroughly from cover to cover. Watch for any new information or legislation. Then, set some time aside to get involved.

The following chapter member lost out on \$50.00 for not being present at the last chapter meeting: Brenda Johnson. Jackpot will remain at \$50.00 until won. You can only win if you're at the meeting when your name is drawn.

It's great to belong to such a great organization.

Hope to see more of you at the meetings...

Ride safe...

Anna

Washington County

Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 8:00 PM

Miller's Homestead Restaurant, 640 SE 10th St., Hillsboro

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 830, Cornelius, OR 97113

Chapter Contact: Ted Tracy (503) 640-5766

No report.

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4618 Daisy St. C/O Rick Maish, Springfield, OR 97478

Chapter Contact: Michael Taylor 541-485-2352

or Rick Maish 541-746-7837

What Dawn and Robin Ferren suggested months ago as a good time became just that in mid July as chapter members rode up to Washington for the 12th annual Cow Chip Boogie. Rosie led the pack of 14 bikes up I-5 to a grassy field east of Castle Rock. The rest of the group showed up later and the party began. Saturday morning it rained. I used to think Oregon was wet... Most of the day was spent huddled under three canopies sipping assorted refreshments and watching the road turn from wet grass to slick mud. By evening, though, Robin and Jim had a nice fire going, the rain stopped and spirits were revived. Our chapter even took the largest out of state MRO award. We never did make it up to St. Helens but back in camp we danced hard (ask Dawn Ferren about her sprained ankle!), ate good food (Roxanne and Rich were vending their usual fare) and learned all about keeping Dave's 63 Pan in running order. The ride back turned hot and sunny once we crossed the Columbia. Our favorite watering hole was the Lyon's Den in Vernonia with its crooked wooden floors and lots of character! Staying on side-roads west of I-5 made the trip a day long scoot and by day's end we were all dried out and glad for the chance to spend a great weekend together.

Not as many turned out for the Saturday dinner ride (7/31) but it was a wild and crazy bunch (Robin and Dawn, Hal and Sandy, Gene and Patty, and Wendy and me). The plan was to hit Drain from Territorial south, 34 to the coast and cruise 101 to Depoe Bay. Gene and Patty were waiting at the Beachcomber in Florence around 12 or so. No problem...except I ignored the left turn to Drain sign and took us into the deep, dark bowels of the Siuslaw Valley forests. As much as I enjoy the Umpqua, Siuslaw Valley Road was the perfect mistake (adventure), deer on the road, elk on the clearcuts, bear sign everywhere, and virtually no cars!

Eventually took Smith River out to Reedsport and met Gene and Patty around 1pm. Made it to the Sea Hag in Depoe Bay (by way of the Rogue Brewery in Newport!) and had a great oyster dinner. Gracie (the owner) had been lookin' for us and played a wild bit of polka improv on the stacked bottles of bar stash while blowin' on a kazoo, shakin the rattles, whistles and whatever else she could make sound like a tune.

Hard to believe a lady in her 60's (70's ?) could have so much free-spirited talent. Robin took her down the main drag on his bagger and she left us with a hug and a gift for the ladies.... not to mention a full stomach! Nice ride back up the Alsea and home after dark. Probably the most fun I've had in quite awhile. Only wish more of the chapter could have been with us.

Don't miss the next one folk.

Got a meeting place idea yet? Izzy's Pizza on Mohawk for the time being.... third Thursday at 7 pm starting in September. See ya there.

Michael

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News & Notes for the Politically Motivated Motorcyclist

This monthly service compiled and edited by the AMA Government Relations Staff to keep motorcyclist organizations informed of happenings around the world. We welcome your news and views. Please submit all material to Terry Lee Cook, Government Relations Specialist / State Program Development, 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147; fax 614-856-1920 or e-mail to tcook@ama-cycle.org.

Thanks to the efforts of the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA), its members, and the motorcycle industry, US trade officials have decided they won't impose a 100 percent import duty on certain European motorcycles in their war with Europe over beef.

Had they remained on the list of products targeted for duties, the price of European motorcycles (displacing 500cc or less) imported into the United States could have doubled. Those include off-highway motorcycles from Beta, Bultaco, Fantic, Gas Gas, Husaberg, Husqvarna, KTM, Montesa, Scorpa, and TM.

But on July 19, the US Trade Representative's Office released a final list of European products subject to 100 percent import duties beginning July 29. The list includes 34 categories of products ranging from beef and pork to onions and soup, and no motorcycles.

"We said all along that motorcycles had no place in a trade dispute over beef, and we're elated that we were able to make the case to federal officials," said Edward Moreland, the AMA's Washington representative. "But this is really a testament to the power of grassroots lobbying and to AMA members and other motorcyclists who made phone calls, wrote letters and sent e-mails to their elected officials.

"This is another good example of how motorcyclists can be effective when they work together," he said. "We had great support from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and, specifically, from ABATE of Illinois."

World Trade Organization (WTO) arbitrators on July 12 found that a European Union ban on American beef costs the United States \$116.8 million a year in lost exports. The finding allows the United States to impose a 100 percent import duty on European goods equal to that amount.

The final list of products targeted for duties was produced from a preliminary list that considered 75 categories of European foods and goods. Most of the categories on the preliminary list were food-related, but the list also included two categories of motorcycles: 51cc to 250cc, and 251cc to 500cc.

The import duties are in response to the 15-member European Union's decade-long ban on the importation of hormone-treated American beef due to health concerns.

But the World Trade Organization (WTO) in recent years found there was no scientific evidence to support the European position, and unsuccessfully ordered the European Union to lift the ban.

Election 2000 is rapidly approaching. Will you be working on a politician's campaign or will we finally see more leather and bright colored OHV gear in the various local meeting halls, city council chambers, county committee meetings, state houses and

the halls of Washington? Is it too early to start planning motorcycle specific parking in front of these places?

As we have done in the past, the editors of News & Notes for the Politically Motivated Motorcyclist would like to assist all of the motorcyclists who are sacrificing precious riding and family time to run for public office. This is the final step in becoming engaged in the political process and is especially applauded by the AMA Government Relations staff.

Please forward all pertinent campaign data, after you have filed for election, to the address above and we will track the information so that other motorcyclists in your area, and around the world, will be able to help in your campaign.

Republican Russ McInnis of Alexandria, LA, President of ABATE of North Louisiana, is running for the 36th district seat in the Louisiana State Senate.

He is strongly for individual rights no new taxes at all, and bringing their educators up to the national pay level through incentive-based programs.

His opponent is incumbent Foster Campbell, a Democrat, who Russ feels believes new taxes are necessary, does not listen to the people in his district, and is a professional politician.

The primary for this race is October 23, 1999. Any donations can be sent to Russ McInnis, PO Box 103, Elm Grove, LA 71051, phone (318) 747-0444, fax (318) 747-0645, or e-mail russmcinnis@hotmail.com or babyhucy@shreve.net

AMA member Robert R. (Bob) Johnson of Colorado Springs, CO decided to thoroughly read his new life insurance policy and discovered another prejudicial company. Veterans Life Insurance Company has two (out of nine) really interesting exclusions in their policy. Exclusion "(6) any sickness or bodily or mental infirmity;" and (9) operating any motorcycle, motorbike, minibike or moped."

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Administrator Ricardo Martinez MD, is now a graduate of a two-day motorcycle training course, taken along with eight other agency officials who are involved in motorcycle regulation. The course was sponsored by the state of Maryland and coordinated by the AMA and the MRF offices in Washington, DC.

Persuading Dr. Martinez, an emergency-room physician, to take the course was intended to give him a motorcyclist's view of safety and to show motorcyclists that NHTSA cared about rider education.

"The agency has a strong interest in motorcycling," Martinez said, "especially since the demographics of the sport are changing. There are more female bikers, riders are older, their incomes are increasing and more professionals ride bikes. There are 6.6 million motorcycles in use, up from 5.1 million in 1990." But Martinez is unlikely to change his mind about helmets, especially after his emergency-room exposure to motorcyclists' head injuries.

Martinez said he's ready to get a license and do more motorcycling now that he's trained. He's also pushing the National Agenda for Motorcycle Safety, a blueprint developed by the agency in conjunction with motorcyclists organizations to promote a comprehensive approach to motorcycle safety.

The CEN (Comité Européen de Normalisation), the bureaucratic agency responsible for normalization in the European Union, recently published the draft standards for motorcycle rider's clothing (standard number 13595 and 13954). They have been circulated to European national standardization institutes for First Inquiry. Standard 13595 addresses jackets, trousers and one piece or divided suits while standard 13594 concerns gloves. The deadline for comments is November 27th, 1999.

In order to ward off the risk of compulsory standards, FEMA and FIM had the scope changed to "professional motorcyclists". The text says "a person who is employed to provide (...) services requiring the riding of a motorcycle".

Examples are dispatch riders, vehicle breakdown support, and transport of passengers by motorcycle. These do not show, for example, that motorcycle journalists would be included or excluded from the scope. FEMA sought to define a list of "professional motorcyclists" agreed to, but this was opposed. Once the final version of the standards is accepted by CEN, it is up to the national governments of the European Union to decide whether the norm should be compulsory.

Minnesota riders will no longer be penalized by their insurance company for being involved in an accident while not wearing a helmet.

On May 25, 1999 Governor Jesse Ventura signed SF 1762, "Prohibiting the admissibility into evidence of proof of the use or failure to use protective headgear by adult motorcycle operators or passengers in litigation involving personal injuries or property damage resulting from the use or operation of a motor vehicle, authorizing actions for damages from incidents involving allegedly defective headgear."

In addition to the helmet victory, Governor Ventura also signed a law allowing motorcycles to use a blue dot tail light.

Congratulations to Bob Illingworth and Minnesota motorcyclists for getting this legislation passed.

The Prince William Off-Road Coalition was formed by concerned AMA members after learning that the Prince William County, VA Board of County Supervisors would hear recommendations by county officials on limiting off-road vehicles usage within the county. An increased number of residents have voiced support for the cause, even those who do not use off-road vehicles.

The county board has ordered a group of government employees to examine a section of land at the Prince William landfill where off-road vehicles could be free to ride without the fear of citations by police. Currently, it is against county ordinance for riders to use county property for their sport or to ride on private property without permission.

The group began meetings in May after filling a county board meeting with off-road enthusiasts angered by comments about restricting riding, even on private property.

County Supervisor Mary Hill said she is in favor of some regulations for off-road riders as far as having buffer zones with neighboring land, but thinks that with the coalition and the county working together, a solution can be found.

Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan has vetoed legislation, which would return the right of choice to wear a helmet for Missouri adults over 21 years old. This is despite the hundreds of letters, phone calls and visits from members of Freedom Of Road Riders (FORR), Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) and the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) and his prior assurance to motorcyclists that he would sign & support any helmet modification sent to his desk.

In his veto message he cites many studies for his reasoning to veto this legislation. Prevailing in these studies is the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration's August 1998 Without Motorcycle Helmets We all Pay the Price, which the AMA and the MRF have been disputing since its inception.

Governor Carnahan, who is running for the US Senate next year, can be reached at Office of the Governor, State Capitol, Room 216, Jefferson City, MO 65101 (573) 751-3222.

Missouri lawmakers will be holding a 10-day legislative session in September to consider overriding gubernatorial vetoes and FORR, MRF and AMA will be working to get lawmakers to override the veto of the helmet bill.

In addition to organizing and conducting more than 3,300 motorcycling events in 1998, American Motorcyclist Association (AMA)-chartered clubs and promoters raised more than \$3.6 million last year for charitable organizations.

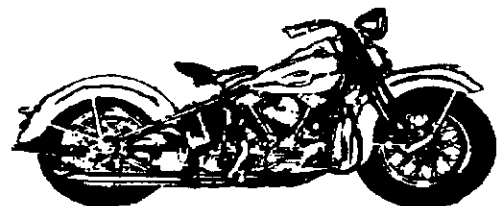
The motorcycling community is well-known for its long history of supporting important causes with fundraising rides and events, and 1998 was excellent proof of that.

Based on year-end reports submitted by clubs and promoters to the AMA, the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States was once again the single largest benefactor of AMA-sanctioned fundraising events, receiving more than \$1.5 million last year from the Ride For Kids program and other sources.

Other AMA clubs and promoting affiliates that raised substantial amounts for charities last year include the Christian Motorcyclists Association, which raised \$600,000 for missionary-related causes; and the Motorcycle Miracle Tour that raised more than \$60,000. Other top fundraising clubs include Chapter IX of the Blue Knights, NJ, which raised \$50,000; the Sacandaga, NY Chapter of the Harley Owners Group, which raised \$51,000; and the Merrimack Valley Trail Riders, which raised \$37,000.

Four AMA-chartered clubs and promoters made the list of the top-10 fundraising clubs for the first time. The Columbus, OH Harley Owners Group jumped into the fourth spot by raising \$56,000; the Brothers of the Wheel, of Madison, WV were seventh with \$50,000; ABATE of Ohio was eighth, raising \$40,000; and Moving Violations Motorcycle Club, Jamaica Plain, MA raised \$40,000 to place ninth.

For more information about the benefits of chartering your organization with the AMA, contact the AMA Charter Department at 13515 Yarmouth Dr., Pickerington, OH 43147; call (614) 856-1900; or e-mail Chris Coyan at ccoyan@ama-cycle.org. AMA memorializes hit-and-run victim.



PICKERINGTON, Ohio – In response to the state of Tennessee's decision to name a freeway after the late state Sen. Carl Koella, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) has named a highway after the motorcyclist and AMA member Koella killed in a hit-and-run crash.

The AMA is renting space on two billboards along U.S. Route 321 south of Knoxville, Tenn., to designate the road as the "Terry Barnard Memorial Highway."

The billboards include the AMA's website address – www.amacycle.org – so that passing drivers can find out more about what the AMA calls an "outrageous" situation.

This year, the Tennessee General Assembly approved, and the governor signed into law, a bill designating a part of Interstate 140 south of Knoxville as the "Sen. Carl O. Koella Jr. Memorial Highway." The action has outraged motorcyclists nationwide who feel naming a highway after the senator is an insult, since he was involved in a hit-and-run collision that killed a man.

Even more insulting, said Greg Harrison, AMA communications vice president, is the mud-slinging now aimed at the late Barnard, who was killed on U.S. 321 in October, 1996. Tennessee officials have even gone so far as to circulate an anonymous note, allegedly written by someone involved in the accident investigation, that blames Barnard for his own death.

This "analysis," being circulated by state Sen. Bill Clabough, contradicts statements made by witnesses to police investigators, Harrison points out in a column titled "Contemptible," appearing in the September issue of American Motorcyclist magazine. The author of the "analysis" implies Barnard was traveling as fast as 100 mph, yet witnesses told police his speed was 40 mph to 48 mph in the 50-mph zone when Koella turned his van in front of him.

One witness testified that once the van blocked Barnard's lane, "he didn't have a chance." Barnard, 52, of Huron, Ohio, struck the van, then hit another car and died. Koella got out of his van, looked around, and then drove away, witnesses told police investigators. He later pleaded "no contest" to a charge of

leaving the scene of a fatal accident, was fined \$2,500 and sentenced to 30 days of community service. Koella died in January 1998 following heart surgery.

The AMA wants to keep the "Terry Barnard Memorial Highway" billboards up as long as possible in Barnard's memory. Donations may be sent to: AMA Billboard Fund, 13515 Yarmouth Drive, Pickerington, OH 43147. All donations go directly to maintaining, and perhaps expanding, the billboards.

Illinois adopts law against motorcycle bans

PICKERINGTON, Ohio – Illinois has become the second state in the nation to pass a law prohibiting motorcycle bans on nearly all of its roads, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) reports.

In July, Virginia became the first state to protect the rights of motorcyclists to use public roads built or maintained with federal or state funds. The Illinois legislation follows the same approach. Signed into law Aug. 13, it also bars local governments from passing mandatory helmet laws.

The Virginia and Illinois laws are based on federal legislation successfully promoted by the AMA last year. Under the federal law, approved as part of a massive federal highway-funding bill, states and cities nationwide are prohibited from banning motorcycles from any road built or maintained with federal funds. By extending that protection to state-funded roads, Illinois and Virginia essentially have eliminated the possibility of a ban on nearly any public road.

ABATE of Illinois was the driving force behind the new Illinois law that expands the protection of motorcyclists' rights. The campaign came in response to repeated efforts by Chicago officials to ban motorcycles from various city streets, including scenic Lake Shore Drive.

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"Illinois and Virginia have taken major steps to protect the rights of motorcyclists," said Sean Maher, AMA legislative affairs specialist. "These laws can serve as model legislation for lawmakers in other states."

The American Motorcyclist Association is a 235,000-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. For more information, visit the AMA website at www.ama-cycle.org.



"PORTLAND CHARTERS" SUMMER RUN REPORT 1999

To all who attended the summer run off Macabe road east of Sandy Or. Well another run came and went and I want to thank every one who attended the run. We all had a great time and every thing went great.

I personal thank everyone who chipped in and helped that made every thing run great, bike games ran by Marty Coon, Rusty Taylor and the world famous Tim Taylor that went great M/C Spike Neal it was actually fun to watch. And the gate was great I was able to relieve a lot of people and they were able to Enjoy the run to thnxs Angie Earl, Bob Earl, Terry Schaffer, Many Coon. Little Donny and Carmen to all so Brent Plaster who all so spent two long days mowing the run site, also worked

the gate to Dan, Machele Caidwell for having the run on there property, Janet at the ABATE Booth, but all and all our attendance was not that great so the ones who didn't come sorry you missed out!

All and all Bill Cameron did a good job at the PR end of it. And a special thanks to east winds for coining in Sat. and leveling off some of the field to make it a better run. Also the two bands we had were great Fri night. The Roads End what a hit they were also had them at 6:00 to 9:00 sat nite then the Benders they were great to. All and all it was one of the best-organized runs I have seen in a long time. Oh yes I must not forget these two boys Dick Edmonds and Geoff White, pulling duty at the gate, security, and staying for the clean up crew along with Rusty, Janet, Spike, Brent, Marty, Man oh Man I hope I can remember every body whoops thxs Anna Banana you to Well enough gibberish for now to bad for the ones who didn't make it you mist a good run!

Run Coordinator Lee A. Austin

P.S. We wouldn't let Rotten Roger Work a lick so from my survey of the old Fossil he was having one hell of a good time did my soul good to see him relaxing in his own way. (as far as I am concerned he earned every minute of it good for you Rotten).

Also thx's go to Fran and Debbie Mae for the Cisco Lojaza Canned Food Drive booth and to Craig Blair for his devotion. I hope I didn't miss anyone if I did please for give me my memory isn't that long these days. So as they say in closing God Bless and Ride Safe.



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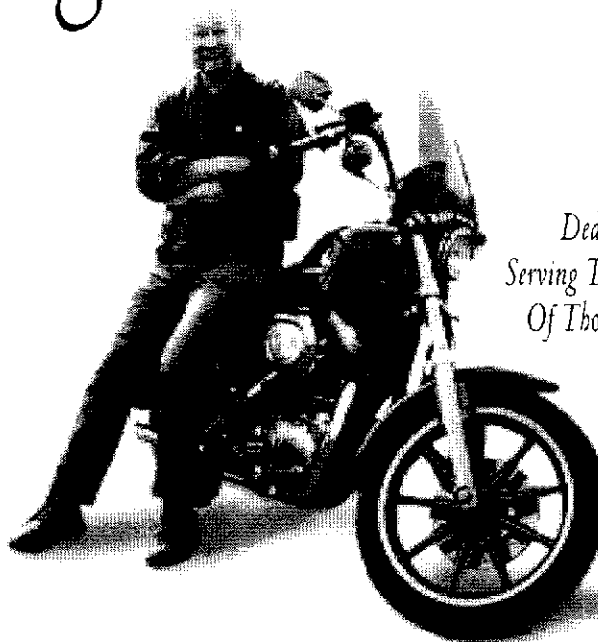
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Legislative Director Report

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Over the next couple of Months, ABATE will be transitioning over to election campaign support mode. Candidates will start filing in November although a few have already declared their intentions. BikePAC will be reviewing who is running for what, making recommendations and asking for volunteer help to get friendly folks elected. While ABATE is not able to "endorse" political candidates, we are certainly free to inform our membership who supports our agenda and who does not. Individual members have the freedom and the Constitutional right to support whoever they chose for elected office. As we enter this phase of political activism, I think it is important to remind ourselves of the rules. In my role as Legislative Director for ABATE, I will be providing information regarding the positions that various candidates have on issues of interest to us. I will *NOT* be making any recommendations. I will put on my BikePAC hat when/if I feel the need to do that.

Diesel Dave Ganslein has been very busy trying to get helmet law repeal added to the DPO party platform much the same way that Bob Avery and Ken Ray did on the GOP side 2 years ago. Dave is getting a very chilly reception from the Dems so far and needs a lot of help getting our message across. This work is very important because if we can get helmet law repeal included in the platform of both major political parties, helmet law repeal in Oregon will be inevitable (not that it isn't anyway). What can you do? First, you need to be registered to vote. And not only registered, but registered in one of the three major parties in Oregon: Democrat, Republican, or Libertarian. If you are registered as an Independent as I was for many, many years, you can't vote in most primary elections and you

can't participate actively in party politics. To get what we want, we are going to need to get a lot more ABATE members involved in party politics.

Once you are registered, you need to sign up to become a Precinct Committee Person (PCP) in your County. This is a really easy thing to do right now but if you wait much longer, instead of being appointed you will have to be elected. Being elected is no big deal except that it is a lot less trouble to get elected if you are an incumbent who's name is already on the ballot.

Once you become a PCP, you can run for cool things like Delegate. Being a Delegate entitles you to do things such as proposing changes to the party platform like what Dave, Bob and Ken did. You will also have the ability to cast a vote in support of these amendments. In addition, you can run for party offices like Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and so on. And even if you don't want to run, you will be there to help get your Biker Brothers and Sisters elected to those jobs. If we can get as many people as show up at a typical ABATE meeting to become active PCPs, we can run both parties in every County in the State. Wouldn't that be cool! Governor Kitzhaber is a "good" party man. Imagine his frustration if the party tells him that he is required to support our helmet law repeal bill! Want to send him a message? This is how to do it.

BikePAC is building a list of County PCP "Chiefs" who will help you get signed up, elected and integrated into the political process. You will not be doing this alone and it is very, very important work. Drop me a note at Frankie@Easyrider.com, call me at 503.297.2325 or speak with your Chapter Legislative Director to get on board.



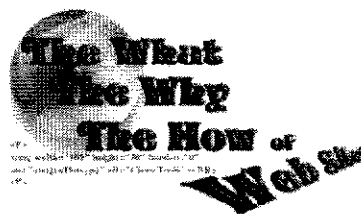
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PR Director's Report

I have been on a journey and I will share some of my experiences with you, but first, the official report. The Chiloquin posters got mailed out last month thanks to Roger, Bitch and Jimmy. Press releases are ready to go out next week. Last week I had a great conversation with Art West who gave me a couple of media leads that I'm going to follow-up on. Nancy Brooker had a talk with Margie Boule, who remembers us from our appearance on AM Northwest promoting the Shriner's Hospital Toy Run. All of these people do talk shows and Art figures it's still a good time to talk about politics. I'm looking forward to making these contacts. Thanks for the leads, and keep 'em comin'.

Speaking of leads and action items, I received an email from Elissa Vecchione, President of an Oregon-based PR agency called EVPR, Inc. Her clients include McDonald's restaurants and the Ronald McDonald House Charities and Houses of Oregon and SW Washington. She wants to discuss ABATE's assistance in helping her coordinate what she hopes will be the largest run in the NW, to help benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities. They are presently looking at the summer/fall of 2000, and "hope to attract hundreds and even thousands of bikers from around the western region." I will be following up my contact with Elissa after the August Board Meeting.

The most fun I had was responding to a letter in the Rose City HOG newsletter. "ABATE - A Bad Attitude Toward Everyone" was written by a HOG member who did not like how he was treated at the Fossil gate. I will include my response to him at the end of this lengthy report. I know that many of our Portland area ABATE members are also HOG members. I hope they too, take the time to respond to the author. I'm not sure if my letter got printed, but I offer it as an example of how to respond to criticism in a positive and productive way, just like Roger asked me to do!

Members, remember to volunteer for a security or gate shift if you show up for Chiloquin. You get to meet some very wonderful people when you're out there. My last words of advice: If you're out for a putt on a nice autumn day, don't forget that the deer head for the road during hunting season.

My good friend, Butch had a deer ram into his bike from the side as he was goin' down the road and never even had a chance to see it coming.

Now, onto my ramblings. My daughter, Katrina and I packed up our camping gear and headed over to Wallowa Lake as soon as school was out. As disappointed as I was, at how much development had gone on in the area during the last 12 years, I also gained a whole new respect for the members of the Blue Mountain Chapter. The ABATE members who tried to keep things together were pulling from a gigantic geographical area known for its inclement weather. Even the drive from La Grande to Joseph made me realize how much these members have given to the organization over the years.

So, before we lose more of our valuable rural chapters, I want to thank the members of Central Oregon, Douglas County, River City, K-Falls and Southern Oregon for maintaining your chapters over the years. All of our chapters are critical. I have always felt that one of ABATE's strength is our state-wide representation. I would be very unhappy working for an I-5

corridor organization, like the state capitol! Anyway, hang in there and keep the faith.

It seems funny that I would be talking about the importance of attending chapter meetings when I haven't been to one of my own since May. So here's my alibi: There was Paco's Run (which has been on my "to do" list for over 10 years), Cisco's Canned Food Drive event at Seaside (which involved staying over night so that I could party with old and new friends), Beaver Creek Run and State Board Meeting (which involves an overnight camp out) and then Chiloquin. Chapter meetings were canceled on the Fourth of July and the weekend of Summer Run (which, of course, I did attend). And, where did summer go anyway?

Jim Niece, Vice Coordinator North made a post-election pledge to attend other chapter meetings and events up here in the northland, and he's willing to take me with him. It has been a blast to be supporting other chapters and meeting new people. In fact, the other fun thing I did was to attend the first combined NE Portland and Columbia River Chapters meeting. I was surprised at how many people I knew there. Sure did miss Gordon and Kornfed, but then I get in trouble for visiting with them during meetings.

For years, I've talked about attending other chapter meetings as part of my "state officer" duty and this was my first. Look out Washington County, here I come. Even if you aren't a state officer, we should all support other area chapters by dropping by for a visit when we can. Seems as if this is a good time for moral support for us, organizationally. We seem to be losing members and that concerns me.

I am hearing members complain about other members, which disappoints me. I think that if the complaint is about how someone is doing something, then I don't want to hear it. Tell it to that person directly. Whining to me, or others, is not in good use of hot air. What really mystifies me are the people who don't volunteer to do the work, who complain to me about how an ABATE volunteer is doing their job. Anyway, my point here is we need to support each other individually and as chapters. After all, we are on the same team. Let's start playing like team members.

Speaking of team players, I didn't see many Freedom Fighters at the BikePAC Retreat last weekend. My public pledge is to become a PCP this year, which means maybe a little bit less time for ABATE, but it is energy well-spent in the Portland area Democratic Party, or DPO as Diesel Dave would say.

When I listened to the reasons why people were not politically active this year, I had to say "NO excuse!" I too, am too broke, too tired and am a single working mom. If I can find the time to make a difference, where are the rest of you? ABATE needs you and your ideas. I hope we have better representation from the complainers at the ABATE Planning Retreat this fall. And, I'll tell you why...

My 10 year-old and I are riding bicycles to her daily swim lessons this week and next. She is constantly complaining about having to wear a helmet and how uncomfortable it is. I tell her she has to wear it because it is the law. I point out that I don't want to wear my motorcycle helmet, but I do because it is legally required of me. You have to understand that Katrina has spent many days at the state capitol lobbying for motorcyclists' rights. On the third day of the same dialogue, I said to her, "if you don't like the law then you need to change it." She looked at me as if I were crazy and said, "Oh yeah, like that'll pass."

We need to remember that each and every one of us does make a difference. Stay positive.

Melinda McCrossen, (503) 231-2701, melindam@teleport.com

To the "Rose City HOG Town Crier" Editor:

Please allow me to respond publicly to Bryan's article (July 1999) entitled, "ABATE - A Bad Attitude Toward Everyone" because it is so important that we not have any hard feelings amongst motorcycle riders in this state. I would be happy to email it, so that no one has to redo the typing if the editor wishes to email me. Thanks again for the opportunity to respond to the article.

Dear Bryan and Nancy Baker,

The article you wrote in the "Town Crier" regarding the bad experience you had at the ABATE Fossil Run gate over Memorial Day weekend came to my attention second-hand. Someone who is both a HOG member and an ABATE member wanted ABATE to respond to your concerns. I volunteered to do the job because I am one of the people who work the Fossil Run and I am deeply concerned about your experience.

It takes a lot of volunteers to run an event as large as Fossil and the people who run the gate are expected to follow orders. Believe it or not there are no "favorites" played at the gate. My boyfriend and I worked there, the entire weekend, and we paid to get in! The main gate rule is, everyone pays to get in, PERIOD. The gatekeepers are hard-working volunteers who are not in any position to discriminate.

I'm not sure of how HOG handles their events, but you might want to get a second opinion from a HOG rally gatekeeper about your ABATE Fossil Run experience. I would also highly recommend that you consider volunteering to work a shift at the gate for one of your own events to see if exceptions are made for others. I personally would be interested in knowing if exceptions are made who makes the exceptions, and what are the conditions to qualify a person to not have to pay? My understanding is that not only do I have to pay to get into a HOG rally, but I must also be a HOG member.

My greatest concern with your article however, was the tone. I would assume that riding a motorcycle is a mutual passion for us because of the organizations that we represent. We have a great deal in common and I believe that we should be supporting each other in our efforts to promote our love for riding.

Speaking of which, did you know that the money ABATE raises at the same gate you were turned away from, provides us with almost 100% of our annual operating budget. We spend this money on rider education programs, motorcycle legislative efforts and community charities. I personally know of several HOG members who joined ABATE because of what we can do together, to create a positive future for motorcycle riders in this state.

In closing, I'd like to publicly apologize to you if you were treated rudely by anyone at the ABATE Fossil Run gate. I would also like it if you gave Fossil a second chance. It's a blast! There are enough motorcycle "enemies" out there that those of us who ride should strive for good communication and cooperation amongst ourselves. Our rules may be different, but our hearts are similar.

Melinda McCrossen

Public Relation Director

ABATE of Oregon, Inc.



From The

GUNNY'S SACK

This time of year, things here in Oregon get hectic. Like most places, there is a motorcycle event every weekend – sometimes more than one – so the old Gunny is stretched sorta thin. Listen to me squawk. I could be working for a living instead of having to attend some of the best rallies and runs in the country with salt of the earth people.

Just this last three weeks has seen me at the Coos River Run in Southern Oregon in some of the most beautiful country God ever made. A week later I found myself up on the slopes of Mount Hood, more of God's special country at the Summer Run. Both of these runs are sponsored by ABATE of Oregon, Inc.

This last weekend I was a guest at the first annual River Run put together by members and associates of Salem ABATE although it was not sponsored by ABATE of Oregon, Inc. The festivities started out well, Ma Nature stepped in, we got rained on most of Friday night, and when I left late Saturday afternoon it was still raining.

The party Friday night was an all-nighter though, and great fun was had by all present. Unfortunately, the rain really put a damper on things and the show sorta petered out.

Looking forward to next year, however, with great anticipation. Things just gotta get better. The run site is right on a beautiful river and camping is in the woods. Doesn't get much better than that. I had pancakes, bacon, and eggs for breakfast for \$2.00. You can't buy the makins and cook'em yerself for that.

NCOM HAS THE INTERNET GUNNYSACK: This column is written a month in advance so, like most magazines, the info will be a month or so old by the time most of you see it in print. Those of you on the Internet can get an early look because of the access provided by the AIM/NCOM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists) Internet services. If you'd like to receive your GunnySack early, free, via e-mail each month, just dial yourself into their website, <http://www.aimncom.com> and look for the GunnySack info, or just e-mail Bill Bish, at NCOMpms@aol.com, and he'll put you on the list - and, you can also get NCOM's free "Coast to Coast Biker News," E-mail newsletter compiled by Bill every month. Oh yeah - the website also features an archive of old GunnySacks, if you really feel the need to look at more of my rambles.

NEWS BITS 'N PIECES:

LOUISIANA: GOOD NEWS! We welcome the state of Louisiana the land of the free. The governor here signed the helmet repeal bill into law and you can now ride FREE, although you must be at least 18 years of age and carry proof of \$10,000 health insurance.

MINNESOTA: Governor Jesse Ventura signed legislation that permits the use of BLUE DOT tail light lenses. They also signed a bill erasing an old law that required the judge to review whether an injured rider was helmeted, in dealing with damages.

WASHINGTON, DC: The Motorcycle Riders Foundation announced recently that the US Department of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) both are looking hard at promoting rider safety courses and making motorists more aware of bikes by advertising and providing promotional material to the public.

Miracle of miracles, the Secretary of DOT, Dr. Ricardo Martinez, AND EIGHT OTHER OFFICIALS from DOT and NHTSA, participated in a rider Ed course in Maryland to educate themselves about the problems faced by bikers. The secretary said he planned to get licensed and do more riding on HIS motorcycle! He said he still felt that wearing helmets reduced the public burden caused by injured bikers.

Lyeskil, SWEDEN: From the E-mail news service called "BIZARRE NEWS" comes this jewel. They like the wind in their hair...all over! A biker and his girlfriend were recently out for a ride on their motorcycle - IN THE NUDE. Cops stopped them and wrote them up for just one violation: NOT WEARING HELMETS! Doncha love it?

NEW YORK, NY: For the eighth consecutive year, motorcycle sales have grown by double digit numbers. This year sales are up 25% for just the first six months. Does that mean that just maybe we bikers are beginning to be respectable citizens?

Maybe with more riders we will have a little more support in our fight for the return of our freedom to make our own decisions about our safety.

BELLE PLAIN, MINN: The Excelsior-Henderson Motorcycle Manufacturing Co. announced the shipment of their 1000th SuperX(R) motorcycle. Enthusiasm is building across the country for this fine machine.

BANGKOK: There is a clown here that's riding his motorcycle around town and stabbing young women in the back with a needle and screaming (in Thai, I guess), YOU'VE GOT AIDS! Doesn't get much more trashy than that. Fortunately those that have tested for the disease have come up negative.

ROME: Unhappily there comes a report from here that a Japanese student died as a result of being robbed of her purse by MOTORCYCLE riding snatchers.

PHOENIX, AZ: NASCAR Winston Cup driver Jeremy Mayfield just took delivery of a custom "TITAN GECKO" scooter. Wonder how come it wasn't news when I bought my new ride a couple years ago? Well, I hope he enjoys his new ride as much as I do mine.

U.S. CONGRESS: According to a news release I just read from the MRF, the Governmental Accounting Office reports that the BAC.08 level laws on drinking and driving are not that effective in preventing people from driving drunk. It appears that more effective methods include *EDUCATION OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC*. Now there is an amazing conclusion by one of our very efficient governmental agencies.

LONDON: Jennifer Paterson one of the hostesses on the cook show "TWO FAT LADIES" died in August of cancer. She was the pilot of the old Triumph sidecar rig that the two women rode from place to place filming their show. Too bad we lost her cause she was a good cook and funny to watch.

SAM'S AIM TIP 'O THE MONTH: A lot of states still have laws on the books about "Blue Dot" tail-lights, so my boss, Sam Hochberg (you know - our Oregon AIM Attorney, with Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) says he has some ideas: In Oregon, they re-wrote the law - maybe because some bikers were beating those blue dot tickets. Oregon law now says you can only have a blue or purple insert up to 1" diameter put in a tail/brake/turn signal lens if the vehicle was made BEFORE 1959! Otherwise, it's a violation.

But, every state has it written differently, folks. Sam sez we used to beat them here in Oregon this way: You bring a light bulb and battery to court, turn off the lights and show the judge that the lens does NOT glow with a blue light! That might work in

your state, but, check your state's law thoroughly, first, preferably with a lawyer. Most states have an AIM Attorney who can probably discuss that, free. Those AIM guys handle the bike wrecks nationwide, but you know, they put a lot of free sweat into the biker community too, so we might as well use 'em! Call Bill Bish at AIM and ask for your local AIM Attorney info. The number for Bill, at AIM: 1-800-531-2424, or 1-800-On-A-Bike.

Keep the round side on the bottom.

Gunny, Oregon AIM Chief of Staff



Dear Gov. Kitzhaber,

It has come to my attention that you wrote to the committee handling the helmet amendment law. I find it interesting that you state in this letter that a study done by some group of medical people states that helmets are good and that without a helmet law for all our cost (or burden) to the general public would increase...I too have read some reports and my findings are to the contrary. I would like to see a copy of this report you are quoting from so that I may have the same information as you have. I find it also interesting that you feel it is ok for you to have the freedom to choose when and what "safety equipment" to use when it comes to river rafting. I think that there are not as many head injuries in rafting as there are in motorcycling because fools not wearing the "proper safety equipment" usually drown before smashing their skulls on the rocks. I think that it is high time you got off your own personal agenda as a safety nazi and allowed the intelligent people half a chance to prove themselves. When the helmet law was first voted in, I was promised lower death rates, lower insurance and over all a secure feeling that i was safer with a helmet. **NONE OF THAT HAS HAPPENED!**

I think if you want to make it safer on the roads, you might consider outlawing cell phones. Just the other day I was rear-ended by a person who was sucking coffee and chatting on a cell phone. Now my motorcycle is damaged and my passenger is injured... A helmet played no part in causing nor reducing the injuries.... Just some person in a car talking on the phone and sucking coffee. Please explain to me how a helmet is going to save me from this type of wreck.

I would like you to write me back and either include a copy of the report that you got your statistics from or lead me in the direction of getting a copy. I feel it is only fair that all the players have all the information available to them and that you give both sides a fair chance and equal time. You are just one man and should only have that much power. Please in the future do not abuse your position as Governor again to influence a committee or vote, it just is not right.

Gordon W. Hieronimus

(Editor's NOTE: This was sent to the Gov. back on June 3, 1999 via E-mail. Now to this date I have had NO RESPONSE... Is this the way the Gov. is with all those who write against his way or is it just me?)



I received this from Ben, it does sound like a true story, doesn't it???

"Grampa Bert! Grampa Bert! I saw a morsikle in the barn!"

"Eh?"

"I saw a morsikle in the barn! Under a old blanket! Is it yours Grampa Bert? Is it?"

"Saddle up on my knee here, Sonny Bert, it's time I told you a little story. That there in the barn is one fine motorcycle. A 1993 Harley Davidson. I used to ride it everywhere."

"How come you don't ride it no more? How come nobody rides it no more?"

"I never saw a real morsikle! Only in books."

"Well there was a day when a lot of folk rode motorcycles. There was all kinds of motorcycles. Ones that went fast. Ones that you could pack a month's worth of gear on and go across the country. And ones that you could putt around on just 'cause you liked it, just like Grampa Bert's."

"Wha happened?"

"One day some people in the government..."

"Govament?"

"Oh yea. The government is a bunch of people who run the country. You know, like the president. The president is the boss of the government. They make all the laws and tell us what's good for us and bad for us. If they think something is bad for us they pass a law so that we can't do that anymore."

"Is that what happened to morsikles?"

"Yes. The government took a count of all the people who were getting hurt on motorcycles and found out that most of them were young people like your uncle's age on the motorcycles made to go fast. So they passed a law against the motorcycles that go fast."

"But I thought all morsikles go fast."

"Well your right. No one knew how fast was too fast. They tried to say it by how powerful they were but then they found out that some motorcycles that were less powerful went even faster because they were lighter. Then they tried to say the ones that looked like race bikes with the wrap-around fairing, er... windshield and that didn't work, either. There was just too much confusion as to what was a fast motorcycle. Finally they settled on naming them outright like California did a few years earlier."

"But I thought California was part of the United States."

"Yea. Well that's a-whole-nother story."

"How could they do that? Can't people stop them. Can't we stop them?"

"We could if we all got together and said 'No! We won't let you do this! But we didn't.'"

"Why?"

"Well because not everybody rode motorcycles. And even those that did, didn't stick together. Even some of the people who rode motorcycles didn't like the motorcycles that went fast and didn't stick up for them. They didn't realize that the people in the government didn't really know the difference between motorcycles at all and what they really felt is that they were all bad."

Once the law was passed against fast motorcycles it wasn't long before the focus went to the other motorcycle groups and eventually more laws were passed to outlaw all motorcycles on the street. And that's the end of the story."

"My teacher told us a story like that except for guns."

"You're a good kid, Sonny Bert. As a matter of fact the exact story happened for guns except instead of 'fast motorcycles' it

was for what they called 'assault weapons.' It's my fault, kid. Me and all the other Grampas out there. We could have stopped it all. I'm sorry, Sonny."

"It's OK Grampa Bert."

"I wish it was, kid. I wish it was. Now go on back outside and play. Oh, and don't forget your helmet."



"PEN PALS"

Hey People!

I just wanted to say thanks for sending my newsletters into my cage and keeping me informed. Knowing what the one organization I believe in has got going on has kept my spirits up through my time of being down- it also gave me something against some of these legal do- gooders (guards) in here.! Some of them ride and some ain't got a clue and that makes em fun to argue with. Anyway, the time has come, they got to let ol' Renegade out of his cage, so I'm heading home to Southern Oregon with a new perspective on life!

My goals are clean and sober, get back to work, support my Chapter (Southern Oregon), and get a bike under me and help in fighting for what we believe in. The handle bar issue was a great victory and I was disappointed that we lost the helmet issue-again! Some of the arguments I've been in with the so-called officers of the law in here had to do with them bent on thinking that taxpayers are paying everytime we dump a machine. Some of what I've shot back at them is the fact that most of our machines range in value from \$10 to \$30,000. And believe it or not we carry a lot of insurance - including rider policies! I've told them that if they really checked those statistics they'll find that the majority of that belongs to young uneducated riders on those crotch rockets. Even more involved motorists in some way tangling with a bike but because a bike was involved it becomes a statistic. Ya know what really p****es me off about all this and really winds me tight? Most of these **people** don't ride and don't own a bike and they believe we should wear a helmet! Why are these people being allowed to say what's right for us? I'm certainly wound tight enough to get more involved with what we're fightin' for!

Well, I've sputtered long enough and all I wanted to say was Thanks for not forgetting me while I was down! Change my address back to Southern Oregon as the first week in August I'm going home- I wonder if any of my Leather still fits? HE< HE!

Thanks

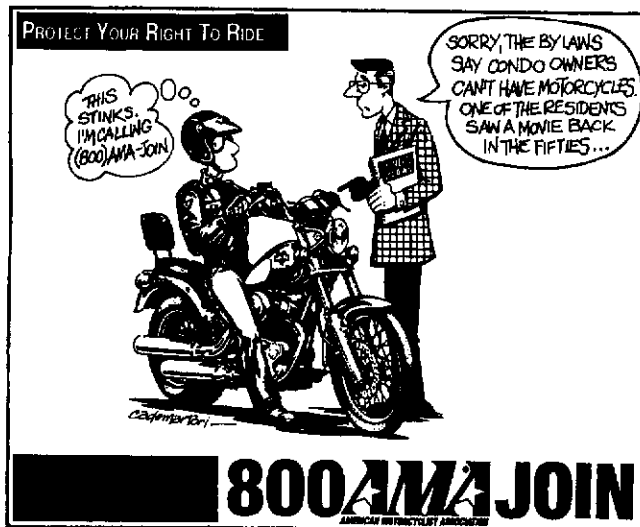
Tim Rohde

AKA Renegade



Hi,
 I'm writing to you hoping you might be able to give me some info. I was reading Biker Mag #168, March 1999. I'm locked up down here in Texas doing an eight-year aggravated. I have been locked up a year already. I was reading through the mag and said, "what the heck." I'll write them and find out if they know some friends of mine who moved from Calif. to Oregon. Their names are O**** and D***** B****. O**** was President of a M/C. If you just happen to know them, tell them I said HI! Give them my address and have them write me. If you have any women there that need a "PEN PAL", here's a lonely Bro who will fly a kite to anyone who will listen. All letters will be answered!

See ya
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Dear "Mother"

I have had an encounter with our local Sheriff Dept. last month with Deputy Art West. I was stopped for supposedly no light on, which was not true. My low beam is hard to see during the day so I use the two driving lights constantly. Anyway after checking my lights he saw what was on. Meantime he made an issue about my helmet and being rather upset, he proceeded in an air that it was not a legal helmet and I was asked for my license, insurance, and registration. I produced everything but he was in such a rush I couldn't find my ins card with an expiration date. So needless to say I was issued a citation for my illegal helmet and no insurance. He left and I found my card in my trunk under my leathers. Just a couple more minutes and that part would not have been on the citation. Anyway I sent all the information to our attorney R. Lester. They said not to worry. They would represent me in court at NO COST! Strange, I've never heard of no cost. Is this true? I've sent a copy of the citation. I've called the Sheriff Dept and they faxed the attorney a copy of my citation, also I sent them a copy of my medical report about my neck injury. I have a weight limit for my head, now I can wear a helmet by my choice, which is the way it should be. The helmet is a "Beanie", hard outer shell, adj padding, retention strap, with a DOT sticker. I purchased it over ten years ago. I never had been stopped before. I feel if is a lack of knowledge on the Deputy for not knowing or refusing to know. I even produced a copy of the HB and let him read it. He said this does not pertain to my helmet.

Anyway so much for my future respect towards our law enforcement.

Lone Rider
 Tom Carr
 Eugene, Or. Member



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THE EDITOR 1-99*

YOUR AD COULD HAVE BEEN
HERE!
LOVE NOTES AND B-DAY
GREETINGS ALSO ACCEPTED.
MAIL TO PO BOX AND SEE WHAT
HAPPENS!

ALSO

1995 8HP Mercury trolling motor
looks & runs like new
\$950.00 / OBO
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(11/99)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO MEGAN
YOU MADE TO 9
AND THAT IS FINE!
LOVE
DAD AND MOM

1977 Harley XLH 1000
7500 Original miles, S&S Carb, drag
pipes, King tank, custom seat. New battery,
tires, chain, oil pump, fork seals, etc.
Excellent condition. Needs nothing but
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Dyna 2000 ignition new paint
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Many upgrades
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This machine is in excellent condition
Asking \$11,500.00 FIRM
Want details call LEE at 503-760-9015 I
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(11/99)



LOST
3 rental chairs
at Summer Run
They cost us
\$15.00 each,
which will be refunded
if we can
get them returned.
If anyone finds them
please call
Lee Austin at
503-760-9015 or
Anna Dahl at
503-252-5645

Happy Birthday Joe!

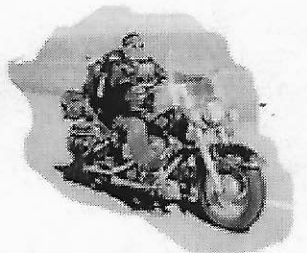
September 13th is Joe's birthday!
Some of you know him as Helmar...
some of you know him as Helmar the Terrible...
some of you don't know him at all :)

But call him anyway!

503-661-0507



*No man grows old who has
his family and friends...*



This is a paid for page. Thank you for using the ABATE of Oregon Newsletter to express you wishes and message. The Editor.



Key Bank Acct # 370442023732

Robert "Uncle Bob" Jackson

For many of you who receive this the contents are already known. Uncle Bob is well known as an active member of ABATE and GWRRA. Bob rides both Harley and Goldwing with pride. For years Bob has been active in both clubs and has been a leader in the children's charities at Shriners hospital. Bob and wife Rena sell tickets all year for the Harley given away at the annual ABATE teddy bear run benefiting the children at Shriners. He was very proud this year of the wheel chairs given to the needy children.

Bob recently was diagnosed with cancer. The tumor is in advanced stage and Bob must have an operation on Wednesday August 11th. By removing the growth the doctors hope to make him more comfortable. Our prayers for him on that day are certainly needed.

Uncle Bob always is more concerned for others than for himself. He has been the ambassador of biker goodwill to many adults and children. Certainly he has raised the motorcyclists image wherever he has donated his time and efforts. He is Santa Claus to many children at Shriners and spends many hours during the year just visiting the hospital and being that special "biker" friend to the kids. Bob has worked 10 hour days so that he can have Friday off to go see his kids at the hospital.

Even though Bob has good medical coverage the expense is staggering with this kind of disease. A fund has been established for Uncle Bob and Rena at Key Bank. Here is an opportunity for all of us to give back something to a person who has given our motorcycle community so much. Deposits can be made in any amount, at any Key Bank. Just tell them it is the Robert "Uncle Bob" Jackson Fund. The account is at Key Bank Lloyd Center for reference. Any branch of Key Bank can accept your donation. Also donations can be sent to the fund via snail mail to 807 NE Couch St. Portland,OR. 97232.

I will attempt to update everyone via e-mail on Bob's condition as I get information. Please pass this notice on to individuals and clubs so that we might make this a real tribute to Bob and Rena. Remember one of the best parts of our involvement is the often used statement, "We take care of our own". Here is a chance to prove that kind of love by helping directly in Bob and Rena's difficult time ahead.

Just a closing note, Bob gave me hell for setting this up. He intends to beat this thing and then donate the fund to his kids or buy another wheelchair. But then that is just the kind of guy he is and how that Ol' Biker would look at this whole thing.

If you need to get hold of me you can call at 653-2882 eves or e-mail dinness@teleport.com

Thanks for your support and prayers for Uncle Bob..... Daryl Inness

THANK YOU ONE & ALL

BOB IS DOING GOOD CAME THROUGH THE OPERATION WITH FLYING COLORS TOOK OUT A 20 LBS. TUMOR . NOW ON TO THE NEXT STEP. WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THER PRAYERS &FOR THER FRIENDSHIP&SUPPORT DURING THIS TIME . WE DIDN,T KNOW JUST HOW MANY FREINDS WE HAD UNTIL BOB GOT SICK .WE COULDN,T HAVE GOTTEN THROUGH THIS WITHOUT ALL OF OUR FAMILY&FREINDS THERE WITH US . IT HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING AT TIMES WITH THE PHONE CALLS AND ALL ,AND WE JUST WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW WE APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU .

GOD BLESS YOU ALL
UNCLE BOB & RENA

BikePAC: Do the best you can to help us this up coming campaign season.

Quote: "Even If You are on the Right Track You Will be Run Over If You Just Sit There."

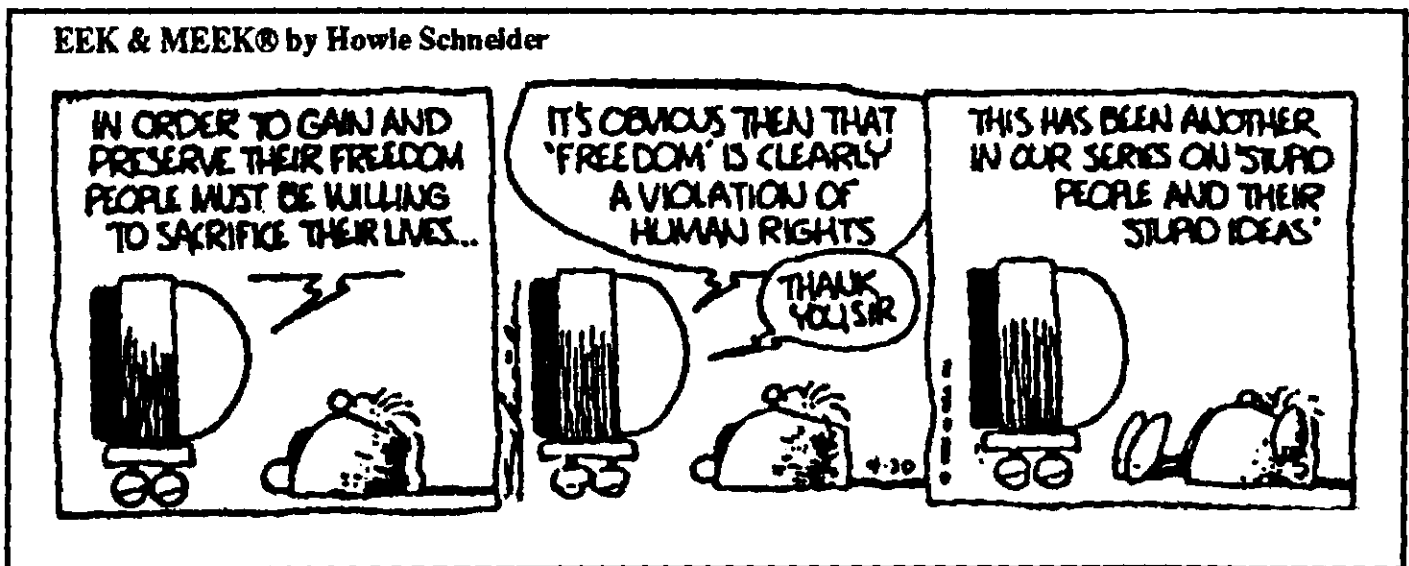
I am really looking forward to my vacation at the Chiquin Motorcycle Rodeo. I have plans to see a lot of folks that I miss while I am living in Salem. It is already mid Summer can you believe it? Time is really marching on.

I know that I can keep myself busy with places to go and things to do to actively seek out what we can do to work toward our personal freedoms. Time does not stand still for anyone. We need to have a plan in place and a way to follow through on commitments to Legislators and want to be Legislators. We need some Legislators of our own in there. Anyone interested in running for office. Be a PCP, we need all the help and knowledge we can acquire.

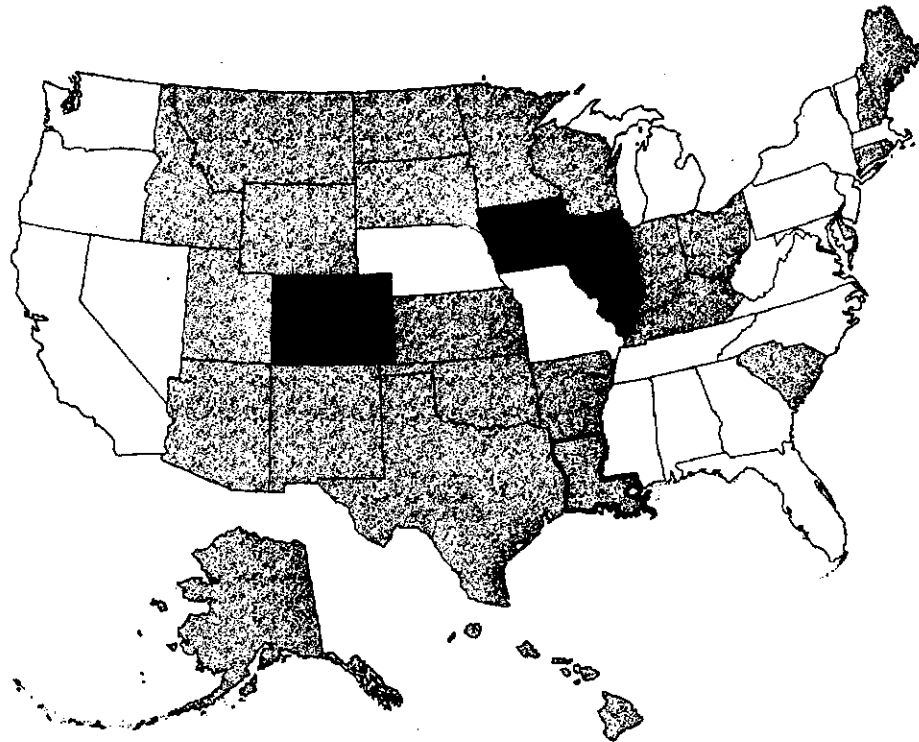
We are not giving up; I am proud to know that my team is still in there fighting. We are coming up with the strategies to continue the work. I hope everyone can take on a little of the time it will take to work on a campaign or two.

Join yet another MRO for your freedoms the numbers do mean something to those organizations. We need to work on pulling folks back into our folds and help them to be productive members. Even a three year sabbatical is not too long once the old burn out has set in but do come back and help our cause.

Submitted by MURGE (Margy Jane Gunter) BikePAC Representative for ABATE of OR



U.S. HELMET LAW STATUS



Effective
8/15/99



UNIVERSAL – HELMETS REQUIRED FOR ALL RIDERS

AL CA D.C. FL GA MD-*r* MA MI MS MO NE NV NJ-*r* NY-*r* NC OR
PA TN VT-*r* VA WA WV-*r*



LIMITED – HELMETS REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN RIDERS

(helmet required up to age indicated in italics)

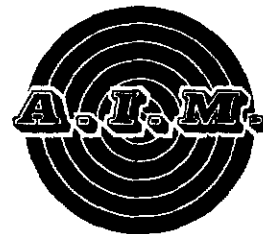
AK-19*pn* AR-21 AZ-18 CT-18*n* DE-19*rn* *(must have helmet in possession)* HI-18*r*
ID-18 IN-18*n* KS-18 KY-21*m* LA-18*m* ME-15*n* MN-18*n* MT-18 NH-18 NM-18*r*
ND-18*r* OH-18*n* OK-18 RI-21*np* SC-21*r* SD-18 TX-21*e* or *m* UT-18 WI-18*n* WY-19



NONE – NO HELMET REQUIREMENTS

CO IL IA

r = reflectorization required
p = required for all passengers
n = required for novices or permit holders
e = must pass riders ed course
m = medical insurance required



If you've been injured in a motorcycle accident anywhere in the U.S. or Canada call Aid to Injured Motorcyclists 1-(800)-ON-A-BIKE.

CONGRATULATIONS LOUISIANA!

ABATE Of Ore.Inc.

Wa.Co.and North Coast Chapters

September 17-18-19th

**Birkenfeld on the
Nehalem**

**Bike Rodeo &
Show, door prizes
and music all
weekend!**

**Music by Brian C.,
Alive and well!!!
AND Trail's End**



*For More Info Contact-
Ted-640-5766 or Jeff 861-1703*

Advanced tickets:

Members \$70 Non-Members \$75

At the Gate

Members \$75 Non-Members \$20

Vendors welcome

call early for the best space

*Kids activities, Food Vendors and
Beverages available*

NO Fireworks, Illegal Firearms, Campfires, Bad Attitudes, Bad weather,
No drunk driving, Gate closed at 11:00 pm, No Dogs
Parents caught not supervising their kids will be escorted out with no refund
Proceeds to benefit Wa.Co.and North Coast Chapters of ABATE Of Or. inc.

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HELMET / INFRACTION / STOP REPORT FORM

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

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

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

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

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE STOPPED?

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

LOCATION: _____

OFFICER NAME: _____ ID NO: _____ POLICE AGENCY _____

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

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

CITE # _____ 1st appearance: ____ / ____ / ____ 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: _____

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: _____

VOTER INFORMATION:

CONGRESSIONAL _____ SENATORIAL _____ REPRESENTATIVE _____

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

YOUR CANCELLED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER RECEIPT IS YOUR PROOF OF PAYMENT

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
Attention Membership**

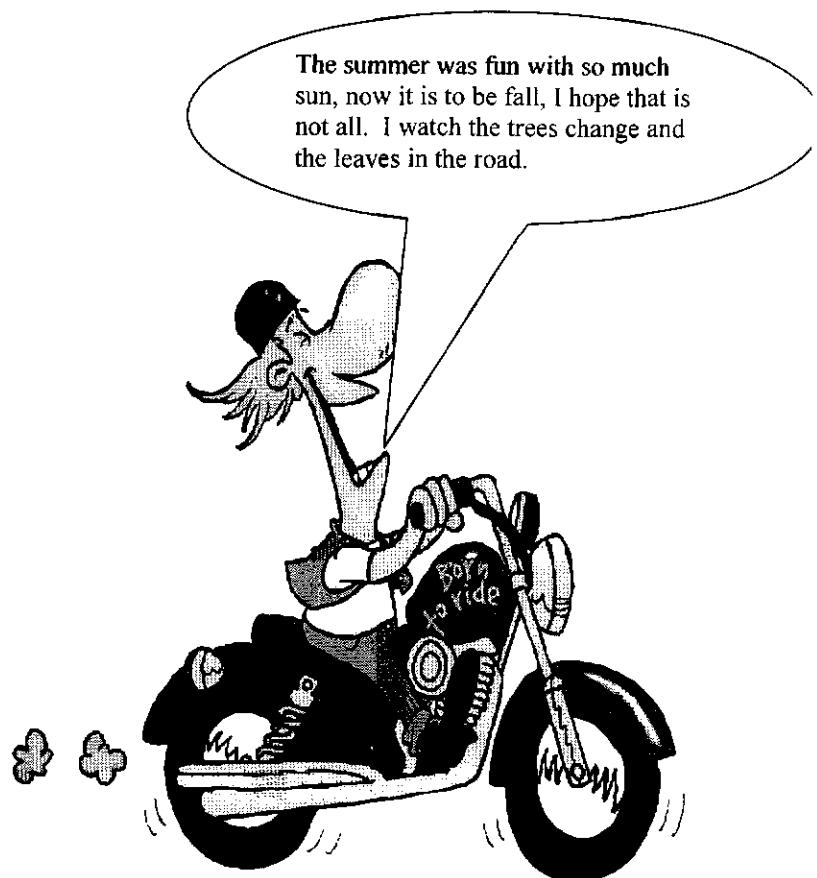
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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

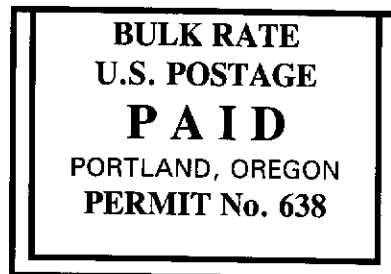
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER _____

SIGNATURE _____



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P.O. Box 4504
Portland, OR 97208

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



TIMELY DELIVERY REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL

Hey look below... no really, see the changes???..... Find three changes and win a prize! Go to your local chapter meeting to find out what that prize is!

School has started, are you all trying your best to get the MAP into schools? Call your Education Director to find out how.

I will not stop... Gordon

Chapter Meeting Places - Where & When

1 st & 3 rd SUNDAY	S.E. PORTLAND	12:00 Noon, <i>The Pizza Baron, S.E. 122nd & Division, Portland</i>
2 nd SUNDAY	CENTRAL OREGON	2:00 PM <i>Moose Lodge #323 3199 N. Hwy 97, Redmond</i>
3 rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST	11:00 AM, <i>Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend</i>
	DOUGLAS COUNTY	12:00, <i>Noon Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg</i>
	SOUTHERN OREGON	12:00 Noon, <i>Oregano's Pizza, Gold Hill</i>
2 nd SUNDAY	COLUMBIA RIVER	12:30 PM, <i>Pizza Perfect, 6815 NE Killingsworth, Portland</i>
4 th SUNDAYS	SALEM	1:00 PM, <i>Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave. NE, Salem</i>
1 st & 3 rd TUESDAYS	RIVER CITY	7:30 PM, <i>Zim's Brau Haus, 604 E 2nd St., The Dalles</i>
2 nd & 4 th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	7:30 PM, <i>Miller's Homestead Restaurant, 640SE 10th St., Hillsboro</i>
1 st & 3 rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE	7:00 PM <i>Astoria Eagles, 894 Commercial, Astoria</i>
3 rd WEDNESDAY	N.E. PORTLAND	7:30 PM, <i>RoundTable Pizza, 4141 NE 122nd, Portland</i>
2 nd WEDNESDAY	KLAMATH COUNTY	6:30 PM, <i>Old Town Pizza Co., 722 Main St., Klamath Falls</i>
3 rd THURSDAY	WILLAMETTE VALLEY	7:00 PM, <i>PrimeTimeSportsBar&Grill, 1360 Mohawk, Springfield</i>
1 st & 3 rd FRIDAY	LINCOLN COUNTY	11:00 AM, <i>Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport</i>