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STATE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 1994

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CHAPTER REPORTS

Blue Mountain

Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays, 3:00 pm

Klondike Pizza, 828 Southgate, Pendleton

Chapter Address: 1306 S.E. Court, Pendleton, Or. 97801

Chapter Contact:

Hi. It has been a fairly quiet month. A lot of riders from around here went to Sturgis and other places. Our Coordinator went to John Day to talk to the riders there who are hoping to start a new ABATE chapter there. For a fund raiser we had a yard-sale and raised a little bit of money. Our Historian is working on a Harley Davidson clock carved out of wood that is about three feet tall to be donated to the member with the most miles logged this riding season! Our main interest as a chapter for now is a membership drive. Freedom Run "94" was a lot of fun. What a beautiful view of Mt Hood. Uh, that is except for the day it rained. But that was a refresher and helped keep the dust down for a minute or two.

Until next time - Ride safe!

Central Oregon

Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7 pm

American Legion Hall, 8th St., Redmond

Chapter address: P.O. Box 1527, Redmond, Or 97756

Chapter contact: Cindy Maxwell (503)382-7079

We are still as busy as we can be over here on this side of the mountain. Our Pig Roast will be over by the time you read this, but I can guarantee that all who went had a good time. We are joining forces with AMO to put on the Annual Toy Run in this year, and we have already begun collecting canned food. We also have been given the opportunity by the Christ Disciples to host the swap meet next year. With this much lead time we are hoping that we can pull off a successful event. This may seem really short and that's because it is! Oh well Cindy you "Who" will be back next month, YAHOO!!

Thanks for reading

Ms. P

COLUMBIA RIVER

Meets 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12:30 pm

Cactus Club & Diner, 8131 N. Denver, Portland

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 11817, Portland, OR 97211

Chapter Contact: Angle, (503)285-4329

Howdy:

Well the Freedom run was a great success. The music was great, the company wonderful. We all had a great time for the little of those who were not afraid of the little bit of rain we had. I'm sure next year will be a lot better and larger.

Well it's getting near the Toy Run (Halloween) benefit for Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children. Where are you people, we need more volunteers for this event. Come on, give a little for the children of Shriners October 29th.

Also, by the time you read this several other events will

have been over with. Hope you all were able to attend them and give your support.

Motorcycle awareness program in Salem. October 16, 12:00-1:00pm sign ins, Building 50 Room 111. For more info call Rick (503) 283-9596.

See you at the next meeting. Membership drive was lost to Chuck Bizzard for \$101.00.

Anyone interested in designing a T-Shirt for our 20th anniversary will need to have design in at Nov. State board meeting. Thank you Roger for a Good Freedom Run!

Ride Safe,

Lana

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Meets 3rd Sunday at 11:00 am

Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg

(Contact Ed Halkyard at (503)673-6120 for info.)

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 61, Roseburg, OR 97457

Chapter Contact: Joy Hoover(503)673-1304

Greetings,

First off, many thanks to Mel and Sharon.

Second, DC ABATE got a certificate of appreciation from Roger and State ABATE for our Fossil efforts. Thanks Bros!

Third, Joe Sturart thanks us for our efforts in relation to the fight against gun laws. Joe is our connection with the Oregon State Shooters Assn., no problem Joe.

Fourth, I'm not going to rag pro or con about loud music at Fossil or any other B.S. those of us smart enough to realize all civil rights issues are related just took it in the hemorrhoids again with the vote for the crime bill. Some will say what does this have to do with motorcycle rights. Well now we will have many more cops on the streets bored to tears or brain washed by the propaganda looking for you. Today Billery got on T.V. to say he was going to push a new law to make it illegal for minors to own fire arms? in Oregon you can't buy a gun as a minor, so why do we need a law to prohibit illegal activity brought to us by Big Bro. They are hell bent to own you in D.C. so watch out.

So now I want to touch on apathy. I am the most apathetic person on this rock so I don't want anybody to think I am trying to be holy or anything. But we live in a democratic county supposedly. We have a damn good crew running our organization and I for one want to thank them one and all. Democracy don't work without action by the people, that means us. If we all don't take control of our government now some day we will get to take it back in a much more destructive way. So if you are concerned about your freedom please get involved and support all the people who take the officer jobs or just work hard to make it work.

Remember you only have 3 options- conform, fight and win, fight and lose.

Question authority!

Chris DC ABATE.

Howdy Everyone,

I'm D.C.'s new secretary, my name is Brenda Tomlinson, I'll do the best that I can for you. I just wish I knew what I was doing, so please be patient.

Well it looks like summer is about over. I hope everyone had a blast. Don and I missed the last run of summer waiting on parts after getting rear ended in Portland, so I hope your summer ended better. Stump Lake was a success and the Hog run was great so I've heard. Thanks for filling in the under privileged. Hope you all had lots of fun and all went well.

Now that summer is over and school has started I hope to see people at the meetings. We have almost 150 members in D.C., I see about 20 at meetings. I feel like I'm talking to space and no one cares. There's a lot going on right now. Joe Stewart who fills us in politically has information on politicians and bills that all of us should know about. If you care about you, your family and any of your rights, like maybe owning a gun, health care, or how to survive in what is suppose to be a free country, that's ours(!) you should come to a meeting.

I would like to meet each and every member, you could bring someone. Maybe even someone who cares; because, I wonder if our members do. You don't have to do anything but listen, maybe put in some input.

I hope to see you because your membership money doesn't do crap without you. Love you all, ride safe, and please come see us at a meeting, still the third Sunday of the month at Round Table in Roseburg.

Brenda Tomlinson
Secretary

JACKSON COUNTY

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 11 am

Oreaganos Pizza 828 2nd Ave., Gold Hill

Chapter Address: P.O. Box 1184, Medford, OR 97501

Chapter Contact: Gene Nelson (503)855-7345

The figures are in and the S.O.S. Run of 1994 was the most financially successful ever!!!

More important was the cooperation between Douglas, South Coast and Ourselves. Our trial regional run worked. Hers's to many more in the future!!!

We, as a chapter have decided to not have the Last Chance Run this year due to a crowd calendar. The chapter is gearing for our Fogey Feed and Toy Run. If any of the membership can help with either of these extremely worthwhile projects please come to a meeting and pitch in. The Fogey Feed is scheduled for Saturday, November 19 and the Toy Run will be Saturday, December 3.

Please note our chapter elections are coming up in November. We always have the newly elected officers in place for the Toy Run. This is a very important time of year for your chapter. We need some fresh blood on the board to keep the chapter rolling. Please come to the meetings to see the present board members and possibly run for an office. It is you chapter.

TCB

Gene Nelson,

Chapter Coordinator-Jackson County

If your chapter has no report, please contact your chapter coordinator. The information passed on in these reports is all that some members gets. For those who do the reports, please include all the information possible, as to keep the members that are unavailable to attend meetings informed. Thank you, the editor

LINCOLN COUNTY

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

Moby Dick's Restaurant, Newport

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

Chapter Contact: Vicki Lechner, (503)563-3520

This report comes to you about a month late, due to the deadline of our Newsletter, but we thought those of you that went to Sturgis (or else-where) would like to know what you missed on the Scenic Central Oregon Coast.

Our first out-of-town participant was "Crazy" Steve arriving approximately 2:15 on Friday! Yea Steve. We enjoyed Steve cuz he pitched right in and helped with last minute stuff. Thanks Steve. By late Friday the camping areas looked pretty good and by Sunday morning totaled over 400 adult wrist-bands sold at the gate. Friday night we had a jam session on stage and Saturday night Deja Blues (our local friend and neighbors band) played.

The campfires this year were "contained only" but Gary and Vicki provided us with their HUGE crab cooking pot and it worked really well in the concession area. Fresh paint on the kitchen and front of the stage, another outhouse, great weather, plenty of cold beer, and good food all added to a super weekend at Beaver Creek. We played 7 different bike games (results at the end of this report) and hosted our annual horseshoe tournament that went on into the night! (We may need to start that a little earlier next year) As we all know..No run report is complete without a little snivel, so ours is to the individual who snagged the contribution jar off the stage...we hope you needed it more than the "needy" we were collecting it for!

We in Lincoln County and especially Gary and Vicki Lechner would like to thank everyone who attended. They strongly feel this 12th Annual Run was one of the most pleasant of all. No REAL problems, no fuss, no muss and all that sh*t....We are hoping that everyone went home feeling as we, who hosted the run did...Smiling and looking forward to doing it all again next year.

KEG RACE

- 1- Kurt Spears
- 2- Phil Hearn
- 3- Gary Lechner

OBSTACLE COURSE

- 1- David Woods
- 2- Phil Hearn
- 3- Vince Kinyon

WEENIE BITE

- 1- Mike Blair
- 2- Randy Becker
- 3- Kurt Spears

PING PONG BALL DROP

- 1- Kurt Spears & Shirley
- 2- Randy Becker & Deb Fryman
- 3- Bryan Toller

PLANK RACE

- 1- Kenny Z.
- 2- Art Fisher
- 3- Kurt Braff

SLOW RACE

- 1- Mike Blair
- 2-
- 3- Kurt Spears

BEAVER BOOT

- 1- Nick Stockton
- 2- Alan Cortez
- 3- Skip Roberts

BLIND RACE

- 1- #30 (who ever you were)
- 2- Skip Roberts
- 3- Lorin Preston

HORSESHOE DOUBLES

- 1- Randy & Tim
- 2- Les & Rich
- 3- Haley & Homer

Reporting for Lincoln County...Deb

NORTH COAST

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

Pizza Harbor, Seaside

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

Chapter Contact: Don Smack, (503)738-7156

NO REPORT, SECOND TIME.

N.E. PORTLAND

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

Izzy's Pizza, 1307 N.E. 102nd, Portland

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

Chapter Contact: Rusty Taylor (503) 777-5121

How about that last article? What a bunch of bulls##t. I didn't get as many complaints as I thought I would. Oh well, everybody has a BBAADD month once in a while.

Well I missed the Freedom Run because I was in Salem spending time with my kids at the State fair. I'm not as young as I used to be because after some of those rides I didn't feel so good, but I got over it in time for the next ride. The Family Picnic was a good happening, I had a good time in spite of all the stress I've been dealing with.

The Toy Run Halloween Party is coming and there are a lot of details to be worked out, so if you would like to volunteer to help out, call Angie and I'm sure she could find something for you. We need dealers for the casino, we need tables for the dealers at the casino, and I'm sure I left something out, but Angie has all the details.

Elections are coming soon, so if you think you might like to fill in an officers position (like secretary or something) come to the meetings, see how things are going and volunteer for a position you think you might like. It's strange how our membership is up but our attendance at the meetings is going down. Especially with all this nice weather you would think everybody would ride to the meeting just to get out.

Speaking of elections, get out there and vote. Look for the voters guide in the mail from BikePac. It's a listing of who did and who did not respond to our questions regarding motorcycling and their political view points in regards to motorcycling. It also shows BikePac's endorsement of those in our favor. So read it and get out there and vote. If you don't vote, don't complain about the rights you lose.

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SALEM

Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:00 pm

Pietro's Pizza, 1637 Hawthorne Ave NE

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

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

Chapter Contact: Ruby Vigil (503)769-7976

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their chapter. So many events going on and so little time to plan for and attend them. We in the Salem Chapter are planning a Toy Run and Thanksgiving basket again this year, which of course, we can use all the help we can get, active members, it's really hard to pull these events off.

Last month the chapter decided it would be a good idea to attend other chapter meetings and see what was going on around the state. Ken, Gwen, Fred, Mike and I rode up to Portland to the Columbia River Chapter meeting. It was a great ride and we met new faces and exchanged ideas. We feel this will help to improve communication and comradeship with our fellow brothers and sisters in the wind.

As I once heard (The path to a friends house often chokes with weeds, when seldom used), so lets keep these paths open I, would like to give a heartfelt thanks to Gary Burford, for the benefit he planned and performed in aid to our chapter.

We also, started publishing our Chapter Newsletter again to inform our members of the happenings at the meetings. There are a lot of ideas being kicked around, so come on in and do a little kicking of your own.

Until next month,
Ruby

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: Tony & Vikki Haines, (503)759-4961

A warm, wet, friendly welcome from the South Coast!

If the wet weather is not upon us yet, it will be here soon. Now would be a good time to check the tread on those skins! A lot of us will be laying up and tearing down for winter, but there is still time for a ride or two before that happens. This is the time of year that we may encounter wet roads and the more traction we have, the better!

We have all been watching the latest battle in Washington state over the helmet law. As of the time I'm writing this, things still seem to be in a uproar. Hopefully things will come out favorably for Washington's riders. A good decision there may give us one more lever to use in our fight to preserve (and regain) our freedom of the road. At our last meeting we had some good literature passed along about fighting a helmet ticket over a DOT approved helmet. If you didn't make the meeting, Tom may have more copies.

Don't forget, our Salvation Army food drive is coming up on November 19th. We are trying to include other organizations and businesses. This is for a good cause, and it would be great if we get a lot of participation (and a lot of publicity).

After our September meeting we had a poker run. For those of you who couldn't attend, you missed out on a lot of fun and excitement!

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Mark December 17th on you calendars! That's going to be our toy run this year. Another fun time for a good cause, and maybe we can get the public to sit up and take notice of us. We may have the "biker" image, but we can show everybody the other side of the coin. Let's try to make it a good turnout and a memorable event!

We had a celebrity at our August meeting! Neal showed up wearing his new shirt from Laconia. It seems he won the award for longest rider (can we call you "Iron Butt" now, Neal?)

If any of you feel energetic and would like to help our chapter, yours truly (that's me) is working on the road and in the near future will be working out of the area. I will try to return to this part of God's country to make each meeting, but circumstances may cause me to miss one of two. I am looking for a volunteer to either take over for me as chapter secretary or act as an assistant and fill in for me at those meeting I am absent. On the bright side, I will be traveling all over Oregon and visiting with other chapters when I can.

Well, that's about it for this month. When you show up for October's meeting bring somebody new with you. And if you haven't been able to attend lately, try to stop by and see what we're up to.

Until next time, ride safe and watch our for all those little ghosts and goblins!

Drifter

S.E. PORTLAND

Meets 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12 Noon

The Pizza Baron, S.E. n & Division, Portland

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

Chapter Contact: Larry Schalk 774-2479

Hello;

I sure had a good time at the Freedom Run, and I hope you all did too. What a location, Mt. Hood in all it's beauty, every day. We had the best neighbors, we could ask for.

We are going to have our Halloween Toy Run Party at the Melody Ballroom, on Sat, October 29, 1994, at 7 P. M. - 1 A.M.

October 1st, 1994 is the Canine Companions For Independence Poker Run. Sign-in is 11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M., at the Pizza Baron, S.E. n. & Division. \$5.00 a hand-high & low hand winners.

And the Toy Run Fund Raiser, Sept. 17, 1994. It will be a small Poker Run. Sign-in Noon-1:30, starting and ending will at the River Road House, 11921 S.E. 22nd., in Milwaukee. All proceeds will go to buy the Auction items for the Halloween Party Oct. 29th.

South East, North East & Columbia River, are putting on a Family Picnic, on Sept. 18th, a Sunday, at Eagle Fern Park, Estacada, Or. At Noon, ending at Six. Its a Pot Luck, and there will be lots of games for the kids to play.

ENJOY
DEBBY

WASHINGTON COUNTY

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

Round Table Pizza, 2473 N.W. 185th, Beaverton

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

Chapter Contact: Don Murry 648-9651,

Dave at V-Twin (503)648-4103

Howdy from Washington County:

As you read this we hope you are reminiscing the End of Summer Run, that took place September 23, 24 and 25th. Next month I'll have the official update. Those of us that have been fortunate enough to make it to the runs that have taken place in the past weeks have all reported good times for all. So far it has been a terrific summer.

It took a while to get a grip on Rich's APATHY, on the cover of the August Newsletter. But thanks to Rich, for attending our August 23rd meeting, and enlightening us, it all made sense. So here's another quote for all to ponder.

If you continue to think, as you always thought,

You will continue to get, what you always got,

Is it enough, or is it not

See you at the runs.

YAMHILL COUNTY

Meets 2nd Sunday, 3:00 pm

Westward Ho, McMinnville (3rd Street)

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Chapter Contact: Kraig, (503)876-5135

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Wow !!! this month went by like grease through a goose. I looked around and suddenly realized it's time to get the lead out and get some words on paper for all you good people that believe in our causes; among them, the ongoing fight for the freedom to make our own choices as tax-paying adults who happen to enjoy riding motorcycles.

There was some comment in last month's issue of the ABATE newsletter about the turnout at Salem for the helmet rule change hearings. In any organization, only about seven out of a hundred have the time to really work hard and most of the rest just go along for the ride. But if you are along for the ride, you are missing out, because when you work for something that your heart is in, you get back a lot more than what you put in.

As you may know, this article is published in several motorcycle newsletters all over Oregon. While some groups are less political than others-and that's fine-I hope some you as individuals will get involved and do something positive for motorcycling, and help us with our fight for the freedom to continue to ride, and to make our own choices for safety equipment. We that ride have a lot better sense of what we need to protect ourselves than someone that doesn't ride and wouldn't ride even if they had the opportunity.

UPCOMING RUNS...

Plans are being made now for motorcycle runs next year. We can expect at least 10 runs with ABATE, a state GWRRA rally, and a state HOG rally. I don't have information yet on the regular annual chapter runs from all the organizations, but I'll try and spread the word as I get it.

Hopefully, we will have another IRON HORSE RODEO at Selmac Lake. This year's rodeo would have been much better had there not been 13 other runs in Oregon, Washington,

and Idaho. Next year, there will also be another Beaver Creek Bust in the Beaver Creek area just north and east of Oregon City. This year the rain got us and did its soggy thing to us.

They even had a carnival, with rides for the kids and no one should have gone hungry, even if they did get wet. The food vendors where I ate were wonderful. For those of you that do not know me, my physique says **I LIKE TO EAT WELL.**

The " BUST " also had a car auction under the big top tent and the motorcycle show and cruise-in were at the far end under cover. *Johnny Limbo and the Lugnuts* played and sang on Friday night under the tent and there was a beer garden, and a wood dance floor.

There was a very small turnout of bikes; and I think it was because of the weather. **IT WAS WET.** However this is a run that should be on everyone's **DO** list next year.

No year would be complete for us without the Rose City Motorcycle Club's Oregon 250, Oregon 500, the 1000, and all the combination on-road/off-road rides they work so hard to put together. My time spent with these neat people this year was a real joy for me. **REMEMBER, ALL MAKES OF MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOME AT ALL OF THESE EVENTS.** The only thing I might add is that you keep in mind a **DRESSER** is **NOT** the bike to take on a dual sport run.

The European motorcycle groups have great runs too and all bikes are welcome at these events as well. I really enjoyed running the **AIM** booth at the Euro-West camp-out at Fort Klamath earlier this summer. There was a guy there who was mixing marguerites using the rear wheel on his scoot to supply power for the blender! Lots of enterprising people ride motorcycles.

MOTORCYCLE SHOW...

The **ALL MAKE MOTORCYCLE SHOW** is a go at the Jantzen Beach Mall the weekend of January, 21-22, 1995.

THIS IS A FREE SHOW, IT WILL COST YOU NOTHING TO SHOW YOUR RIDE. Get in touch with me and get a spot to show your scooter off to the general public and be part of the effort being put forth to improve our image as motorcyclists.

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY. We should all have a great time, and this is right in the middle of our off season. Most of us aren't riding as much in the sloppy weather so this is a good excuse to shine up the putt and show it off.

My work number is 503/224-1106, or you can get me at home by dialing 503/777-8410. Either number will take messages and I'll get back to you in a timely manner.

If I have left anyone out, please excuse me and drop me a line. I'll make it up to you in my next article.

A.I.M....

We are now able to issue the familiar yellow plastic membership cards to new members of the AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists) program immediately at the time of sign-up!

So you folks no longer have to wait so long to get your cards. This is a real improvement in processing and I think it'll work better for you. We'll have them at most of the runs. If you have lost yours or would like one, see me.

POLITICS...

Our umbrella political organization is BIKEPAC, and for this year's election, they have made a list of endorsed candidates whom they regard as "MOTORCYCLE FRIENDLY". This information is available to all by getting in touch with BIKEPAC at P.O.BOX 5612, Salem, OR 97304, or call me or your ABATE chapter coordinator to get a copy of the list.

Naturally, the best thing you can do for yourself, and all of us is **REGISTER AND VOTE**. After all, this country is about freedom and right to vote for our leaders. We all should exercise that freedom.

Until next month, keep the round side down,

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THE 10th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MINDS

by Gordon W. Hieronimus

This year the MRF(Motorcycle Riders Foundation) held their 10th annual national meeting of all Motorcycle Rights Organizations from across the country in St. Louis, Mo. during the weekend of September 23-25, 1994. At the last minute, Rich (our state Coordinator) was called out of town. The decision for me to go in his place was made three days before the meeting. I stepped on to a plane Thursday from Portland, and off I went into a whole new world. I flew out with Joy Hoover(State Treasurer) on Thursday. We were met at the airport near St. Louis by two men from ABATE of Illinois, and they swept us(people from Salt Lake, Utah also) off to the Holiday Inn in downtown St. Louis. Friday rolled around to find us registering and attending "classes" all day long. I chose classes dealing with communication and public relations. In these classes we were taught how to do press releases and other forms of communicating with the general public. The information given was vast and well delivered. I will try to make available to all chapters some of the more useable info. I hope it helps your chapters in conveying the word and getting media coverage for events. Anyone who puts out media information, please feel free to contact me any time(before 10p.m.) at (503)253-7343.

The next class I took was the Minnesota Education program(similar to Mel's). These people put on a finely tuned and well put together program that is not only educational, but is very entertaining. There are some things that we don't do in our program that they do in theirs; however, every one has a different approach to the same problem educating the public. I found out that they take their course to not only the school system, but they go to major companies and to senior citizens. They have a file folder filled with letters of introduction and praise for the program. The letters included schools and official type people. I found their program worth the time to watch and their delivery was great. I think that we could learn just a little more than we think we know, and our program will take off. They, by the way, have been doing their program for over six years, so we are just starting and everything takes time. Please make an effort to make it to the training seminar on October 16th at

Chemeketa Community Collage for Oregon's Awareness Program training so that we can just blast out the education to all who will listen.

Friday afternoon I found myself going to a workshop on MRO publications, and learned that we do not have that bad of a newsletter. The course was taught by Marc Falsetti(ABATE of Indiana) and Teresa Hepker(BikePac of Oregon). The information and discussion after the class helped me to realize that I owe the organization an apology for loosing sight of my job. I APOLOGIZE. Now let us get on. The course showed how lay outs should be done and how to look more professional. I am proud to say that our newsletter is an informative piece of work and I will try harder to keep improving it.

Saturday Sen. Ben Campbell was suppose to be the key note speaker, but as in everything, something has to give. It was a shame that he could not make it, I was really looking forward to actually meeting this man so that I could first hand see him in action. Maybe next time. Paul Vestal, who is the current President of the MRF, gave a speech to the masses that brought tears and laughter from the whole room. He spoke of the past and of the future, then he introduced the new president to be, Marc Buckner. Marc discussed the future path which he thinks the MRF needs to go, but they still need to hear from the masses. After Marc spoke there were other speakers, but the one who stands out the most,(and always will) was Fred Harrell. Now Fred is the communication director for the MRF. This man is flamboyant to say the least. His topic for the morning was tapping new blood. He is talking about the Rich Urban Bikers, also Lawyers(or RUBL). We as a movement need financial backing and if there is a way to tap the rich to help the cause, than lets do it.

Saturday workshops included for me, Revolution Real Solution. This class informed us about how the people in Texas were overwhelmed by the 310 delegates(bikers) on the Democratic platform. It is such a simple(not simple, but easy) way to use the system to our advantage, that I am surprised we have not done it ourselves years ago. I am not going to put it in print for all to see, for all will see it and ruin our chances of success.

However the way will(or should be) passed down the line through the chapter reps report from the October meeting. I hope a lot more people join me in doing this adventure.

After lunch I listened to how the AMA is tracking and working on Legislation all over the United States. I was dually impressed to find out that over 400 pieces of Legislation happened last year alone. The AMA tracked and alerted in over 30 states. If we inform them of what is going on in our state, they will try to help us in any way they can, whether that involves lobbying or just mailing out press releases. I think that the AMA should be thanked and commended for the effort that they put out all over the US.

The classes were getting fuller and fuller as the weekend went by. They told us Saturday night that there was over 500 people there from 44 states. Some of the classes offered had to be canceled due to unavailability of the person who was to teach them, however the well oiled machine turned onward. I have to commend the two state organizations, ABATE of Illinois and Freedom of Road Riders of Missouri, they put together one heck of a weekend. With minor problems the weekend went off with out a hitch. These people put out the red carpet, including shuttle service from the

airport(in the middle of the night) and back again(first thing Sunday morning).

The banquet Saturday night was a good meal followed with a great band. The MROs from around the country gathered in line and donated all together \$91,000.00! There was an action and the band played on well into the night. There were programs on Sunday, but the ticket I was given at the last moment sent me packing for home at 7:30 a.m. (AAARRRGGGHH). I am sorry to say that once again I missed Slider Gilmore's Two Wheel Trauma program. Maybe some day I will get to see it.

I have to say thank you to Joy for putting up with me all weekend long. This lady is not on the time line that I walk, and I pushed her down the line on my time line not hers. For her to keep up with me is to be commended. I would also like to thank the MRF for holding the 10th annual Meeting of the Minds and inviting ABATE of Oregon. I hope to see in the future a great working relationship that might stop the bad legislation that we are fighting today and in the future. We have one hell of a fight on our hands in the near future with the insurance companies. That is right, the insurance companies. I look forward to hearing the other peoples report of their weekend in St. Louis, Missouri. I think we covered between the five people that went almost every workshop offered. There is a lot of info to be had.

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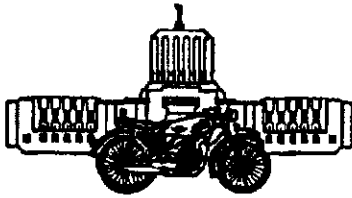
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One thing that I found most interesting during the weekend, is that there are only 2,813 members in the MRF NATION WIDE! If you are not a member of the MRF, please fill out the above form and mail in your check today. These people are working hard for your right to ride period, whether it be with a helmet on or not.



BikePAC of Oregon

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September 14, 1994

BikePAC Member and/or Supporter:

Since the September BikePAC meeting was spent endorsing candidates for the upcoming Voter's Guide, there will be no minutes sent to the general membership. Instead however, this note is being sent to you concerning BikePAC issues, and hopefully you'll pass the word along.

Sept 11th BikePAC Meeting:

The Voter's Guide is being prepared for general mailing to any and all interested parties. It should be in the mail before the end of the month. Support the endorsed candidates with Votes, Time and Dollars. You CAN change the course of legislation by electing officials that care about individual freedoms.

There are no nominees for Executive Director to replace Jack. Jack's final official act will be the sending of the Voter's Guide. If a replacement is not identified, Butch and Steve (the remaining Executive Board Members) will direct the PAC with the assistance of the Full Board. The only Full Board members, at this time, are ABATE of Oregon and AMO. Jack has solicited additional Full Board participation from: Trinity Road Riders and OMRA, but has not heard from either.

The CURRENT PLAN concerning the upcoming legislative session is as follows: Butch is the Lobbyist. He will be directed by other members of the Executive Board (i.e. Steve and Jack's replacement) plus the Full Board (i.e. a representative of ABATE and a representative of AMO, and any other Full Board Member not yet identified). A Statement of Work will be generated by these directors (currently, Steve, an ABATE rep and a AMO rep) which states Butch's role as lobbyist, reporting responsibilities and billing. The Statement of Work can be amended by a majority of the directors. The current plan can change if a majority of the Full Board agrees. This current plan should be created and signed off at or prior to the November BikePAC meeting (tentatively scheduled for Nov 6th).

Next Meeting:

The next BikePAC meeting will be a working session to actually WRITE the Legislative Concepts for the January 1995 session. This meeting will take place at Brian/Teresa's in The Dalles (since there will be direct, real-time access to computer tools) on Sunday, October 2, from 1PM to 5PM. Call Brian or Teresa (298-1317) to RSVP. If participation is greater than their house, they will get the Grange Hall (where the February Legislative Planning Session was conducted).

If you recall, at the February 1994 Legislative Planning Session, 10 concepts were identified and they were:

The Helmet Group: (1) Voluntary use for adults (Jack) (2) Responsibility Act (Brian) (3) Parity in fines/secondary offense (Open)

The Insurance Group: (4) Responsible rates (Open)

The Law Group: (5) Off-road Sticker (Arnold) (6) Reckless = assault (Sam) (7) Disabled Parking (Open)

The Education Group: (8) High school/remedial awareness (Mel?) (9) Team Oregon = endorsement (Open) (10) SVIA off-road young riders (Open)

Back then, as is true now, we stated that we needed Legislative Concepts written up by November 1st, 1994 so that we can approach newly elected Senators and Representatives to sponsor them. Also back then, a number of individuals contributed their weekend to identify these concepts, and whether they realize it or not, because of their participation back then, we are counting on them to follow through on these concepts. Hopefully, many of you who participated in the February Legislative Planning Conference can participate in the October 2nd meeting. If there is a conflict on that date, but you can assist in other matters, RSVP that intent as well. New faces are always welcome to aid in the battle for freedom. If you are free on October 2nd, please attend.

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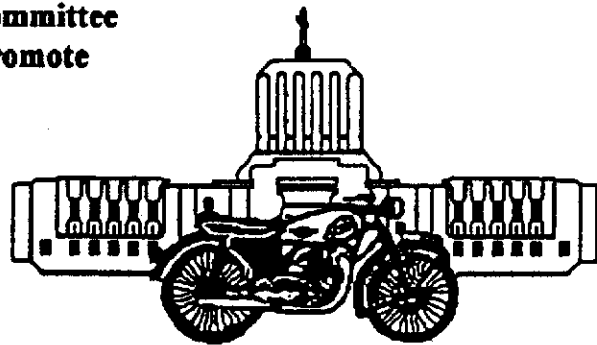
BikePAC listens to Oregon's riders and is currently working with the state legislature on: (1) enhancing Oregon's rider education program and motorist awareness, (2) fair and effective testing and licensing of motorcycle and moped operators, (3) fair insurance coverage for motorcyclists, (4) fair and reasonable access to recreational areas for off-road motorized activities and (5) adult freedom of choice on helmet use.

If these are your goals as well, join BikePAC.

"If you band together and talk as a group...they listen. An awful lot of riders don't belong to anything. They just ride for the heck of it. They don't recognize that somebody is protecting their freedoms. If you want to protect your rights, you've got to be active all the time."

—U.S. Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell
(D-Colo.)

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Federal Issues

California Desert Bill

Action is due shortly on the California Desert Protection Act. The substitute bill introduced by Sen. Bennett Johnston offers the best chance for off-highway enthusiasts to preserve riding areas or possibly delay consideration of the bill into next year.

Motorcyclists are urged to write to their U.S. representatives and senators, asking them to support Sen. Johnston's version of S.21

Contact representatives at the United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515

Contact senators at the United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20515.

The AMA

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September 1994

Last minute desert bill developments

Sen. Bennett Johnston, chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, has introduced a substitute California Desert Protection Act that offers a great deal of hope to off-highway vehicle (OHV) enthusiasts.

The Johnston bill, the third version of S.21 considered this congressional session, contains all of the hard-won amendments the AMA obtained for OHV enthusiasts in the original bill that passed the Senate this past April. The bill also would preserve additional off-highway riding opportunities.

If passed by the Senate, the Johnston bill would go to the House of Representatives for consideration. With Congress scheduled to adjourn on October 7 to prepare for this fall's elections, it is possible that time may run out before both houses of Congress can consider the Johnston version of S.21, effectively killing the desert bill for this year. See the press release in this package.

Utah Senator retracts defamatory statement

Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) has retracted a statement he made in late August that angered motorcyclists across the nation. Discussing his opposition to the assault-weapons ban in the crime bill on National Public Radio's "Morning Edition," Hatch said, "If you came from Utah, or some rural areas, and you met the people there, they're terrified with the upswing of gangs and motorcycle gangs and other types of people that are roughing up communities. The thing that keeps them free is the fact that those motorcycle gangs know that they have guns, and they're not going to put up with it."

Hatch, who has a record of supporting legislation that is favorable to motorcyclists, corrected his statement after being contacted by representatives of ABATE of Utah, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and the AMA. On August 25, the Senator entered a statement into the Congressional Record applauding motorcyclists for their efforts to promote safety and support charitable organizations, and apologizing for any misunderstanding that arose due to his earlier statement. See the press release in this package.

New NHTSA chief confirmed

After a lengthy delay, Dr. Ricardo Martinez has been confirmed as the new administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the primary agency that oversees motorcycle safety at the federal level. Martinez, an emergency and trauma care physician, has an extensive background in highway safety, and was the associate director for the Center for Injury Control. See the press release in this package.

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25,000 RIDERS BRING PARIS TO A STANDSTILL

FRANCE, 18 June, 1994 – Paris, France was the venue for the long awaited 1994 Federation of European Motorcyclists (FEM) Euro Demo. A record breaking 25,000 motorcyclists descended on the French Capital City to demonstrate against new European ant motorcycling laws which have been proposed by the French Government.

Riders arrived by the thousands to the Chateau de Vincennes, at the edge of the City, to hear speeches by European riders rights chiefs and European politicians, who all pledged their support to stop anti bike legislation that will cripple the future of world-wide motorcycling.

Afterwards thousands headed towards the City Centre and thereafter to the Eiffel Tower and Place of Human Rights, where further speeches were made by Simon Milward, FEM Secretary and Eric Thiollier from the French riders group FFMC (Federation Francaise des Motards en Colere - *French Federation of Angry Motorcyclists*).

The cavalcade of bikes was large enough to cut the entire city in two and despite the huge numbers and immense heat on one of the hottest days of the year, the Police reported no incident, praising the organisers for the disciplined way the motorcyclists conducted themselves. Even though at least 80% of riders rode without helmets, there were no reported prosecutions.

After the run, the bikes departed to a campsite, south of Paris, where a weekend of festivities had been organised. Over 6,000 stayed at the campsite.

The FEM says the political impact of the demo should not be underestimated. The French Government is set to back down from its rigid stance on the proposed European 100 BHP limit, (already existing in French law) saying that if the European Parliament is successful in removing it, then the French limit is also likely to be removed. Concessions will also be granted in France under the European Driving Licence Directive, this will allow newly qualified riders access to a wider range of machines.

Media coverage of the event was the widest that has been seen for a motorcycle Demo, with TV and newspaper coverage seen on almost every continent.

European riders are currently facing a barrage of new legislation from the European Commission. With noise, emission, anti modification and power limit proposals to fight, soon to be followed by proposals for leg protectors and airbags, there is approximately two years left to save motorcycling as we know it. The FEM is engaged in a desperate fight to preserve the rights and freedoms of European motorcyclists.

Motorcyclists world-wide should take note, new European laws, affecting the world's largest motorcycle market, will eventually be introduced on other continents, as internationally, Governments follow the lead of Europe in their obsession for conformity and control.

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SUMMARY OF PENDING FEDERAL LEGISLATION

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Courtesy of National Coalition of Motorcyclists

In 1991, Congress passed the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA, pronounced ice-tea). Section 153 of that massive transportation package provides for federal sanctions against states that fail to enact both a seat belt law for motorists and a motorcycle helmet law. States not in compliance by October 1, 1993 face transfer of 1.5% of their federal highway construction funds into safety programs. The amount diverted doubles to 3% for those states still not complying by October 1, 1994 and for each fiscal year thereafter. Following is a summary of the many efforts to repeal or modify these Section 153 penalty provisions:

SENATE WRITE – U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510
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- S. 1887** Senate version of the "National Highway System Designation Act" (see H.R. 4385). Environment and Public Works Committee held hearings July 20, 1994, in which chairman Max Baucus (D-MT) vowed he would not allow pet projects or controversial issues to be amended into the bill. Such concerns, he said, should be taken up in September when the Senate considers its own version of the "ISTEA Technical Corrections Bill" (see H.R. 3276). Attempts will be made to amend either measure to include a repeal or modification of the ISTEA penalties.
- S. 1842** Introduced by Senators Ben Nighthorse Campbell (D-CO), Dave Durenburger (R-MN) and Herb Kohl (D-WI) S. 1842 would exempt states from the federal ISTEA penalties for not enacting a helmet law if the state has a motorcycle rider education program. Introduced February 9, 1994 with 12 original co-sponsors, the bill now has 19 co-sponsors.
- S. 401** Also introduced by Senator Campbell, S. 401 would delay the federal ISTEA penalties against non-compliant states for 2 years (changing the deadline to October 1, 1995). Introduced February 17, 1993, S. 401 has 17 co-sponsors.
- S. 295** Introduced by Senator Durenburger, S. 295 would repeal the ISTEA penalties against states that have failed to enact helmet and seat belt laws. Introduced February 3, 1993, S. 295 has 27 co-sponsors.
- S. 2286** The Rail Crossing Safety Enhancement Act, introduced July 14, 1994 by Senator Richard Lugar (R-IN) with original co-sponsor Dan Coats (R-IN), is intended to lessen the fiscal impact of the ISTEA sanctions by allowing states to use reallocated highway funds for improvements to railway-highway crossings. S. 2286 has 2 co-sponsors.

HOUSE WRITE – House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515
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- H.R. 799** Introduced February 3, 1993 by Congresswoman Olympia Snowe (R-ME), H.R. 799 is the House companion bill to S. 295 and has 126 co-sponsors.
- H.R. 3276** The ISTEA Technical Corrections Bill includes a 1-year delay of the federal penalties against non-compliant states. Passed the House of Representatives on October 13, 1993 and currently awaits the Senate version of the clean-up bill. Then, both bills will go to joint conference committee to iron out any discrepancies. H.R. 3276 language was incorporated into H.R. 4385 below. Attempts will be made to get S. 1842 or S. 401 language into the Senate version.
- H.R. 4385** The National Highway System Designation Act maps out 155,000 miles of non-interstate highways that are eligible for federal aid. An attempt was made by Congressman Tom Petri (D-WI) to amend the bill to include a repeal of the ISTEA penalties. Although the amendment passed transportation subcommittee by a vote of 20-19, it was defeated 40-24 in the full committee. H.R. 4385 does include a 1-year delay of the ISTEA penalties. The bill was approved by the House on March 3, 1994, and now awaits the Senate companion bill and then both versions go to conference committee.
- H.R. 4805** Introduced July 20, 1994 by Congressman Jim Slattery (D-KS), H.R. 4805 would reduce by one-half the ISTEA penalties against states that have seat belt laws but are not in compliance with helmet laws. H.R. 4805 has 2 co-sponsors.

To find out who your state or federal political representatives are, contact your local voter registrar, League of Women Voters or Public Library.

For current status of any federal bill call (202) 225-1772.

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Road Rider Safety Tips

by Jan Fenter

PART 1: MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT BASICS - What to do and not do at the scene:

ACCIDENTS DO HAPPEN, but Motorcyclists don't dwell on this fact. Recently, someone said, "I've never been at the scene of a motorcycle accident, what do we do?" We had just witnessed the crash of someone in our group. This is a common sense list of **BASIC**, and **IMMEDIATE NEEDS**, before professional help arrives:

1) Assist the downed motorcyclist(s).

DO NOT REMOVE THE HELMET and **DO NOT MOVE THE DOWNED CYCLIST WITH POSSIBLE HEAD, NECK OR BACK INJURIES** (unless he is in danger of being injured again). Let a trained medical person make these decisions. Moving the person, or his head, may cause further complications. **ROUTE TRAFFIC AROUND HIM**, if he is in their path. **DON'T MOVE HIM**. Since motorcycles carry passengers, don't assume just one person needs assistance. Check the area (bushes) for anyone else.

Wear protection, if working with body fluids. Find out if the person is conscious and breathing. Ask, in a loud voice, if he is all-right, and if he answers you he is breathing and conscious. If he isn't breathing, try to **CLEAR the BREATHING PASSAGES** (nose; mouth). If he needs artificial respiration (and you are trained in it), leave the helmet on and proceed. If they aren't breathing, removing their helmet is a judgment call, for artificial respiration. **CONTROL SEVERE BLEEDING**, by applying pressure with a clean (preferably sterile) pad. If necessary, apply **HAND PRESSURE** to the **ARTERY**, **BETWEEN** the

WOUND and **HEART**. **ELIMINATE POSSIBLE BURNS** from hot exhaust pipes and engine. **DON'T REMOVE ANY ITEM MAKING A PUNCTURE WOUND**--the bleeding may get worse. **DON'T GIVE him LIQUIDS**, if he is **UNCONSCIOUS**, having convulsions, vomiting, or may need immediate surgery. Severe facial injuries may cause him to start choking on body fluids (blood; saliva; vomit). It is best to lay him on his side so the fluids can drain out of his mouth. But, any movement of the person could cause further complications and therefore is a "judgment call."

TREAT the person **FOR SHOCK**: Keep the person lying down, for best blood circulation (or in whatever position feels most comfortable). Keep him calm, dry and warm, but not hot. Elevate the feet, 8-10 inches, unless this causes a red face, chest pain or difficulty breathing. (Symptoms of shock are: Weakness; pale, moist skin; eyes vacant, pupils dilated; irregular breathing; weak and rapid pulse, over 100; nausea.) Shock can cause the cyclist to say he is all-right when in fact he isn't. Always speak calmly. Reassure him that help is on the way.

To assist the medical people, describe the accident. Also, let them know if he was unconscious/passed out, has any health problems (heart; diabetic), has had different behavior since the accident (can't see; slurred speech), has a medic alert bracelet, if he landed on his head, and approximate distance from first impact and where he landed.

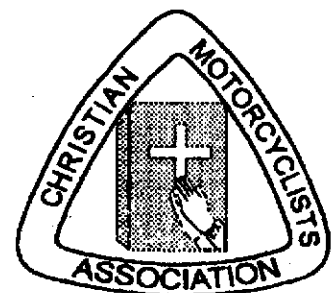
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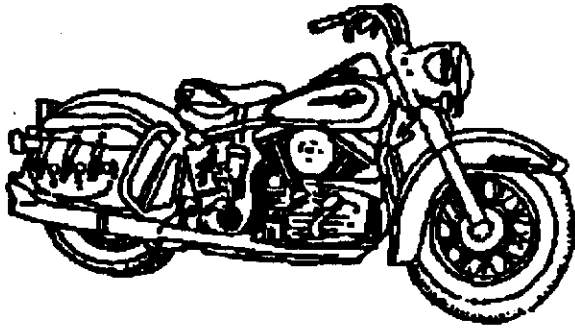
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Once again, it is that time of the year. School is starting and it is time once again to review your training as a **MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS PROGRAM INSTRUCTOR**. Arrangements have been made to provide all chapters and other interested motorcycle organizations with the knowledge and materials that is needed to properly do this program.

We will again use **CHEMEKETA COMMUNITY COLLEGE** in Salem for this training seminar. We will be in Building 50, Room 111, located 200 yards South of the main entrance to Chemeketa Community College. The date of the seminar is **OCTOBER 16, 1994**. We have set the time to register and socialize between 12:00 noon and 1:00pm, with the class starting promptly at 1:00 so don't be late. You will be finished and free to leave by about 3:00pm, so , as you can see, it's a short but intense class.

This time it will be necessary that all previously trained Instructors be there and also please try to send someone new. We feel it is important that as many people as possible know how to present this program wherever they are invited to show it. Also, please take the time to round up **ALL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL** that has been issued to your chapter or organization members and bring it with you to this seminar so all information can be again updated. There are some important updates and changes that need to be passed out, and a lot of previously passed out materials are not being utilized fully.

Please send the following information to Nic Oliver, Education Director, ABATE of Oregon, 43033 Valley View Road, Scio, OR 97374-9327, (503) 394-3456 or pager # 361-5836 at least two weeks before the date of the seminar, (October 16, 1994):

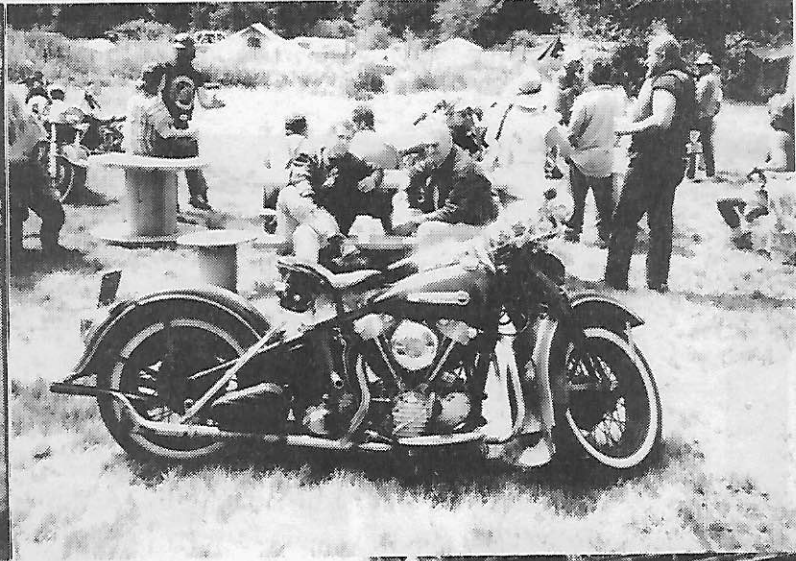
The name of your Organization or Chapter, how many people will be attending and your contact person's name, address and phone number.

We thank you in advance for your interest and dedication to this life-saving program. It is a very worthwhile endeavor and with your commitment we can make this the best year yet. Hope to see you there. Ride Safely! Drive Safely!

Nic Oliver
Education Director
ABATE of Oregon

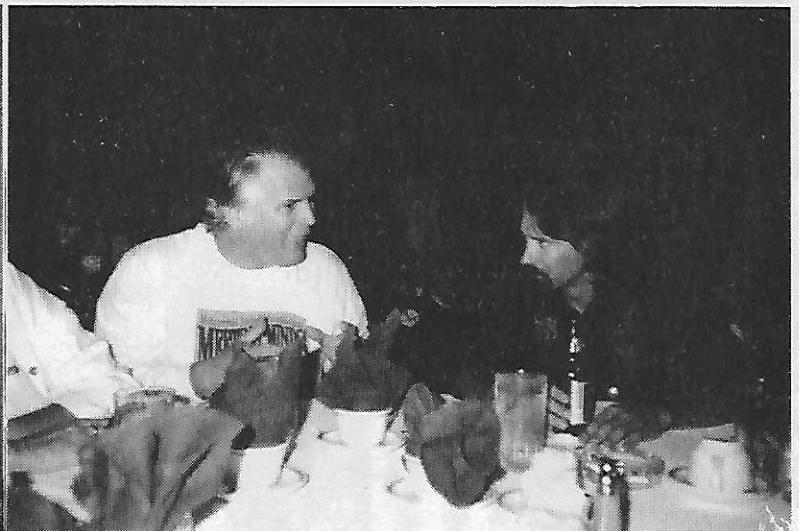
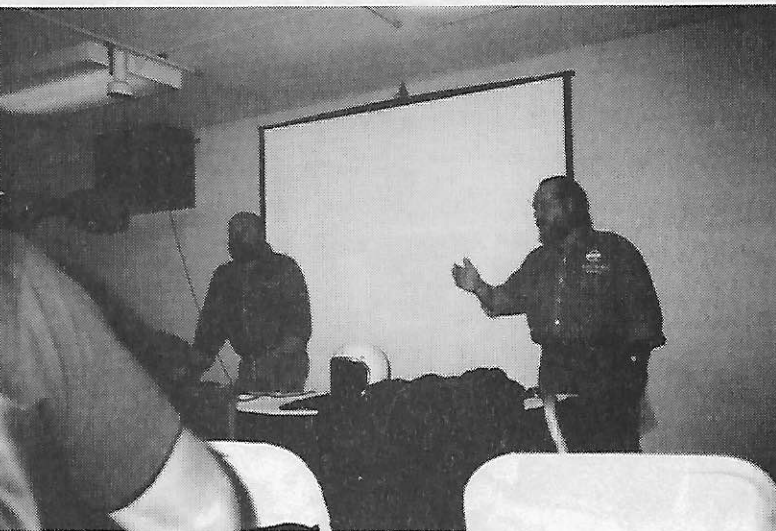
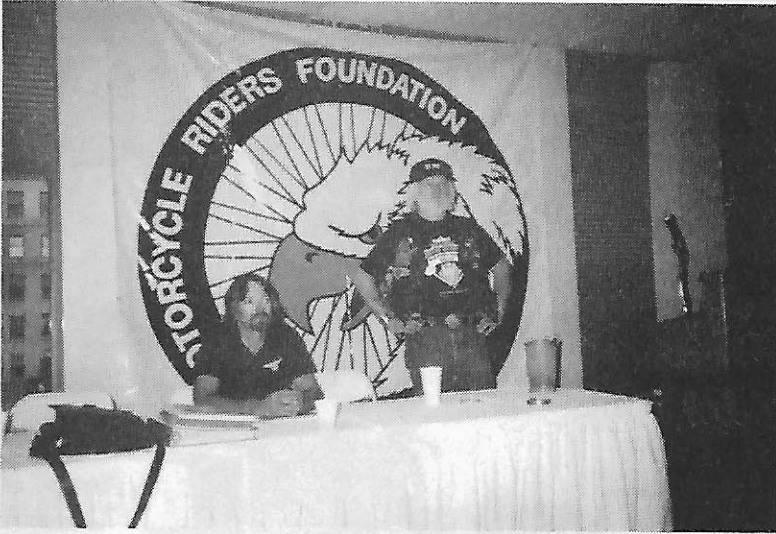
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More Beaver Creek photos!
These show that there was fun times
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See game results in Lincoln County's chapter report.

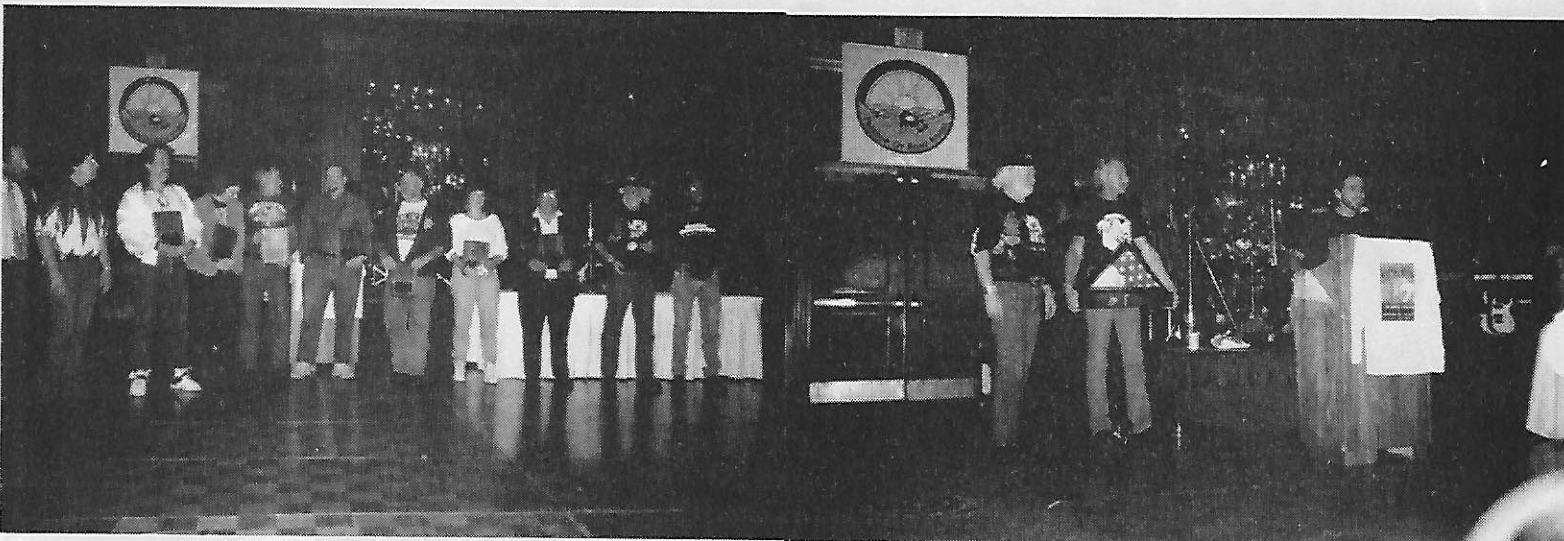
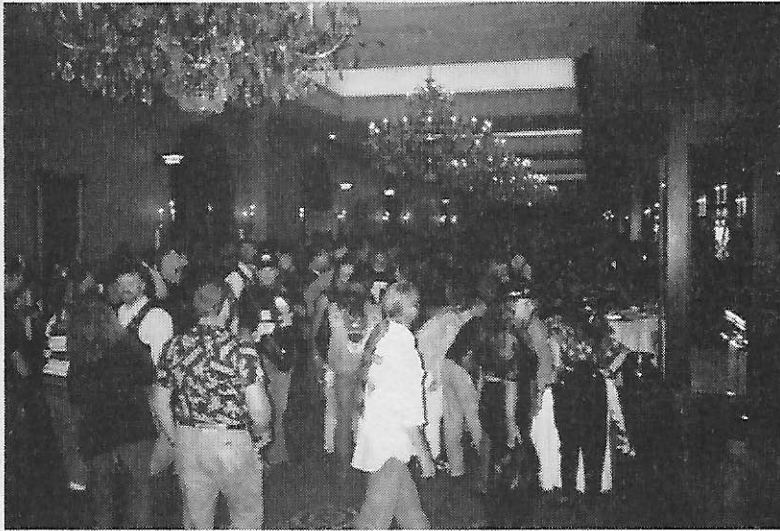


Meeting of the Minds, Sept. 94, St. Louis, Missouri.

From top left to right and then same on bottom, you see Paul Vestal, President of the MRF with Marc Bukner, V.P. of the MRF. Next you see the changing of the guard, Paul is retiring and Marc is taking over his position. The two Gentlemen are from Minnesota and teach the "Share the Road" program. Lastly is Larry Schalk smoozing with Marc Buckner at Saturday's Reception.

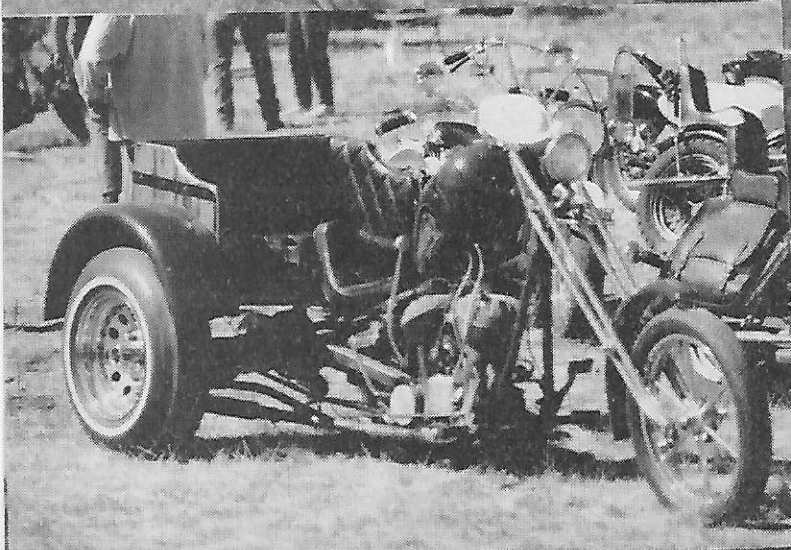


The reception was attended by well over 500 "BIKERS". Top Left to right and then bottom is the great auction hallway. Teresa Hepker receives her "Life time Achievement award from Fred Harrell and Wayne Curtin, congratulations Teresa. There were nine others who received the same award, one for each year the MRF has been around. Lastly, Marc Falsetti(ABATE of Indiana) receives the John Farmer award, a very prestigious award for service to the movement. Congratulations Marc good Job!!



FREEDOM RUN '94

BIKE SHOW AND GAMES WERE THE HIGHLIGHT OF THIS RUN, NOT TO MENTION THE WEATHER, WHICH WAS AS BEAUTIFUL AS THE RUN SIGHT! GOOD JOB ROGER.



Editor's page!

This month I am writing to you all in the hopes that there are some out there in this wondrous state of ours that will step up. What I mean by stepping up is, that they will come forth in our organization to hold offices at not only the chapter level, but at the state office level. This next year is going to be a very crucial year for our future freedoms. The Legislation people are going back into session. Next month(November) is an election month, another important time for us "BIKERS" to step up and be counted. If you don't vote, don't complain about the freedoms you lose. Bike Pac of Oregon has put out a voter's guide again for us the unknowledgeable as to aid us in make a vocal vote towards our own benefit. Let us all get out and vote. If you need a copy of the voter's guide, then contact one of the numbers listed in the Bike Pac membership application,(somewhere in this issue) and also join up with the other members to support the job done by those who do the work. Anyway ABATE of Oregon is in a position to make a difference in how the legislative decisions are made. **IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER!** What is really needed is people that can hold offices in a proper manner,(at all levels) to lead the rest of those,(who need guidance) in a positive and forward direction to the goals and objectives that ABATE needs to accomplish.

Now that brings up a very good point, what are our objectives? Are our objectives to throw the very best parties? Are they to see how many people we can alienate? Is it to watch the government take quite a few more of our "FREEDOMS" away??? I THINK NOT!!! I personally would like to see every chapter actively seek out from their members, ideas and suggestions as to our future objectives. When someone comes up with an idea, don't shoot them down if you do not agree with them. Encourage them to step up and do something about their own idea. Encourage them to go to the state board with their idea. Encourage others to help each other with developing and improving their ideas. Stand behind each other

and do not down grade any one for putting forth the effort it takes to try, even if the idea does not go where it was suppose to go. **ASK YOURSELF, WHY AM I IN ABATE, AND WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE(for the better)????????????????**

1995 is a Legislative year and we need to make our voice loud and clear. We need to stop undermining each other and get on with the program.

TOGETHER WE STAND-DIVIDED WE FALL, these words were said so many years ago, yet have more meaning these days than ever. Let us all stand together as a political force(as it should be) and go forth into 1995 with a strong well guided objective so that we can personally feel more unified and strengthened, so we can keep on track and go the distance. When we all stop fighting with our own kind than united we can get more down against others.

In a closing note,(C FLAT COMES TO MIND.) Serious things need to be taken into consideration in the next few months. Do we as an organization want to do something in a positive direction toward our Goal?? What is our goal??? What is our direction??? Real good questions if you ask me. The Coordinator of the State Board, Rich Benson has asked for several months now for people to come up with IDEAS,(SOBER IDEAS) and so for all we hear is-----.

What do you think you would do in that situation? I am glad that the new chapters in Central and Eastern Oregon have come on board. I have a sneaky suspicion that they have some good ideas and fresh energy that will help the rest of us to keep going. Let us start thinking about the upcoming year in which we are going to be needing a lot of people to step up and be counted. I will be happy,(loose description) and available next year to do the newsletter again. I have been doing it for only 20 months and am just starting to get the hang of all the ins and outs. Also I have started to develop a working relationship with the printer

we use(Oregon Litoprint, McMinnville, Oregon)and would be honored to think that you all would like me to keep on putting out the monthly rag. Is there anyone out there who will step up for any other position? Do you, as an organization want the same people to do the same jobs year after year? Do you think any one can do any of the jobs better? I better stop before I go to far.

The Editor

Dear Editor:

Volunteers needed A.S.A.P.!!!

For new transportation program to Shriners Hospital. We need volunteers to help organize and/or transport disabled children to and from Shriners Hospital. Transportation previously available through the Disability Services Offices, Adult and Family Services, and Children's Services has been discontinued due to the change in the Medical Transportation System

provided by the state. Someone needs to fill the gap and with our interest in Shriners, perhaps we can help, but we need volunteers.

We have offers for wheelchair van transportation from TLC Transportation Services, Inc., and possibly through Radio Cab and Broadway Cab. We will need volunteers to provide rides in regular cars for those who can use them.

We will also need volunteers to co-ordinate the rides as needed. This does not have to be on a full time basis, but will need to be during regular clinic and hospital hours. Orders for rides may also be taken in the evenings. These children need our help, as the state has abandoned them without notice and Shriners does not have a large enough fleet of volunteers or vans to fill this additional need.

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To the editor:

A BAD NIGHT

On Monday night I was riding home down Holgate and I was pulled over for my bike being too loud and not having blinkers.

I told officer D.J. Hansell (a chick officer) that my bike is a 1957 Sporster, it did not have blinkers because they did not make them until 1960 or so. She said no problem, you just have to install some or not ride in the dark.

But, she kept looking into my eyes, she said are you drunk or how much have you had to drink. I told her I just got off work after working 11 1/2 hours, I was a little on the tired side. I had a cup of coffee before I left work at 8:18p.m. (I was pulled over at 8:45p.m.).

She accused me of being drunk, (which I was not) she preceded in giving me a field sobriety test. I followed her pen with my eyes, she said my eyes were jerking to each side and not following like fluidly. She said I failed that test. As we continued along came cop #2.

She made me close my eyes and tip my head back and count from 85 to 100 then back from 100 to 85. Counting backwards makes one think a bit, not like counting forward, so I had to think a couple of times, it did not come out automatically like going forward. She said I failed that test also. OK along comes cop #3.

She made me walk the well known straight line heel to toe, I reminded her I just worked 11 1/2 hours and my feet hurt. I was tired, I bopped and weaved. She said I failed that test to. Along comes cop #4.

She made me stand on my left foot, with my right foot about 2 inches off the ground, toes up out in front of me, and stand for 30 seconds. I bopped and weaved again. She said I failed that test to.

She said you have to be high on something or drunk so she slapped the bracelets on me and arrested me for being under the influence of drugs. Which I was not. I'm a f*cking truck driver, I don't do drugs and I just got off work and I was kind of tired, that's why I failed your test, NOT because I'm high or drunk.

Anyway, the other cops that pulled in were all men, and all 4 cars had their lights on.

It lit up the whole ^u%king street. Cop #2 says how long ya been riding for the Outsiders M.C., I told him I don't ride for them, then cop #3 says you gotta be affiliated with them somehow. I told him, I told you I have nothing to do with the Outsiders M.C. at all. Then cop #4 say's do you prospect for them or what. I just looked at him and smiled and said I ^u%ken told you. What makes you say that? He said, well look at your bike, and look at you. I told him, I got a big dick too, does that mean I'm a ^u%king porn star.

I got a ticket, a D.U.I.I. with a \$5000.00 bail, and my bike got towed off to Speeds Towing.

I called Sam Hochberg and he said he doesn't usually handle cases without injury, so he referred me to Sheldon Aronson in the same suite. He was out of the office when I called, so I'll get back to you and let you know what's up.

Ride safe,
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The following is a open and public letter to all of you that have contributed to my well being, since knowing of my terminal illness. It is basically a thank you letter to all that have kept me in their thoughts and prayers. It is a thank you based on love and caring. If I placed all your names here poor Gordon would need another newsletter, so I will keep it brief. I just want to say a big thank You and God bless you all now and eternal. One day all too soon we shall all meet once again in Heaven, our original home, and there we shall all be together with our Heavenly Father. So please accept my deep appreciation for all those great cards, flowers, phone calls, and frog toys. Thank you to: Elizabeth Eckstrom; Lee and Linner Rich; Mike and Cheryl Barclay; North East Portland Chapter; Roger and Angie; State Board Officers of ABATE; Central Oregon Chapter; Dick and Kathy Niemela; Carol Webster; Cindy and Butch Harbough; Carolyn Meerzo; Tiffany Oliver; Nick and Gigi; Douglas County ABATE; Jackson County ABATE; Josephine County ABATE. These are only a very few. Again thank you so very much for all your concerns, love and prayers. They do help. God bless you all.

With love eternal,
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"Mr." Editor

In response to Gaffes letter about music, KOA's and large people who think they can get what they want because the are LARGE.

1- Music - There are lovers, fanatics and haters of music. If you don't like it DON'T camp near it. Better yet, those who don't want to hear music (loud or otherwise) set up your own KOA on the other side of the field. We have what we want and you do too.

2- Large People - Sounds to me like the "large security guy" has a large identity problem. Find yourself some how and somewhere else, but not at our parties. People with attitudes can be responsible for the demise of such fun times as we have at all our runs. Those of you who prefer the KOA type parties ... why don't you set one up for yourselves? Be happy! Life's too short for this type of caca to ruin our fun times. Parties reflect our freedom. Party on Gaffes!

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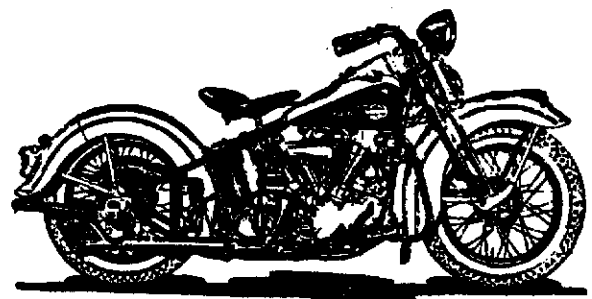
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Bikes often experience various forms of police harassment. One common form is the unlawful search of you or your motorcycle or both. Despite what police officers and television shows would lead you to believe, searches of persons and their property, are limited by the laws of the land.

For example, if you are stopped on your motorcycle for a traffic violation, the police officer can require you to produce and operator's license, a vehicle registration form for the bike and proof of insurance. The officer can detain you while he writes up the ticket and runs a computer check on you for outstanding arrest warrants, parole holds, etc. If you have a passenger, that person is NOT legally required to produce any identification.

Next, the officer may not search your vehicle unless (a) you give your consent for a search, or (b) he has arrested you, is taking you into custody and he needs to conduct an "inventory" search of your bike, or (c) he has a search warrant for your bike. The officer may not search merely because he has a hunch you are concealing something on your bike that he might want to seize like dope or a weapon.

Police will try to give you the impression that you have to agree to a search but you do not. "You don't mind if I just look in these saddlebags, do you?" Yes, you do mind. Just say no.

An officer who has stopped you for a traffic violation does not have the right to search your person unless (a) you have given your consent for the search (**REMEMBER - JUST SAY NO**); (b) you are being arrested for a crime; or (c) the officer has a reasonable suspicion that you are both armed and presently

dangerous which must be based upon specific, articulable facts. It is not reasonable suspicion to search you simply because you are riding a motorcycle, even if you are wearing "colors". Moreover, the search is limited to a pat search of your outer clothing for weapons only unless the pat search turns up something that feels like a weapon.


Persons who have been subjected to unlawful searches can sue for damages and if successful can have their attorneys fees paid by the police officer. The key problem in every case will be to prove that your version of the facts is true and not the officer's. Do not be surprised if the officers involved are willing to perjure themselves to cover up their misdeeds. Without solid witnesses or other proof, you are unlikely to be able to prove your case.

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This is a letter that was sent to the editor to show what people can and are doing to express their opinions about the problems with insurance companies.

To: Mr. Jack Strong, President
Federal Kemper Insurance
2001 East Mount Road
Decatur, Il. 62526-9305

From: Phil Hearnon
802 Speyers Road
Selah, WA 98942

Mr. Strong,

I am writing regarding a article I've just finished reading in the A.I.M. newsletter Volume 93, Issue 2. This article(with quotes reprinted from American Motorcyclist, December 1993) informs me that in a article in your company newsletter, Policy Matters, you have the opinion that there should not be any motorcycle riding allowed. Quote the safety tip: "Prohibit motorcycle riding altogether". As a motorcyclist with twenty eight years of riding experience I am more than a little concerned about your statement. As President of a major insurance company I am sure you know as well as I, and the others who do enjoy motorcycling, who is at fault in the majority of automobile - motorcycle accidents. I also believe we both realize the cost to the insurance companies when one of their policy holders are involved in automobile - motorcycle accident. I may know a litter better than you because I was struck from behind on the freeway by a automobile while riding my Harley FLHS. Perhaps if the automobile drivers were required to take part in a Motorcycle Safety Course before they were issued a drivers license or insurance policy, they would learn how to avoid these costly accidents. To get back to the subject at hand, I have a meeting

with my investment counselor on the 7th of this month. One of my investments portfolios is with Kemper Investors Life Insurance. If I find that Kemper Investors Life Insurance is in any way connected to Federal Kemper Insurance, my portfolio will be moved immediately. I will also do my best to convince my fellow employees and any persons I have contact with to do the same. For you, as President of an insurance company, to try and convince other to eliminate the source of enjoyment other people get by riding motorcycles is intolerable. Perhaps you have decided that eliminating motorcycles would be a great way to save the insurance companies the large costs they have to pay because their automobile policy holders drive around with their heads up their asses.

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In my feeble attempts to keep our members informed of developments in places other than Oregon, I have sent to our newsletter editor a press release from NCOM about the motorcyclists of France having a rally in Paris that was huge enough to bring that country to a standstill.

A couple of years ago the bikers of England stopped the country for a day because there was so many motorcycles the lawmakers could not get to work, and Parliament had to close down till the rally ended and the bikers departed. **THEY GOT THEIR POINT ACROSS!!**

Rich Benson and I met some of those leaders who organized the London rally and who organized the recent Paris rally. These people have a Hell of a lot of drive to protect their way of life as riders and they will do whatever is necessary to do so. Money is scarce to provide mailing of information and provide communications, but word of mouth and the desire to participate by ALL riders seems to get the job done.

These people are at the leading edge of motorcycle restriction laws being passed and they fight all efforts to modify or restrict their right to ride as they choose.

Some of the issues facing our European brothers and sisters are: requirements for lower leg protectors, limiting maximum horsepower, wearing reflective gear, and, stupidest of all, AIRBAGS on motorcycles.

Our European Brothers are constantly amazed by the attitude of bikers in the U.S.A. concerning riding with Jap or European motorcycles in the same group. They think that it doesn't matter in the least what kind of motorcycle a person rides, just that he or she rides.

In Europe Harleys cost so much that they represent only about 2% of the motorcycles, and the majority of riders buy European-made bikes, closely followed by Japanese bikes of all sizes.

We, Of ABATE, need to look to our brothers and sisters in Europe for guidance in our attitudes, our drive to protect our way of life, and to be willing to get off our butts and be

there at the rallies when called upon to protect ourselves. We can not depend on someone else to do it for us.

Just for a moment, put yourself in the role of a Legislator or a Senator who is about to vote on a law restricting your right to ride...

You are face to face with a biker lobbyist who is quite influential in his arguments, you have received a few letters, both pro and con on this particular issue, your staff has informed you that several phone calls have been received, mostly against the proposed bill. How are you going to vote?

It is probably a toss-up even with the arguments against the bill.

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Read everything you can to keep yourself informed this legislative session and when the call to action is issued do what is expected or you **WILL** lose your right to ride.

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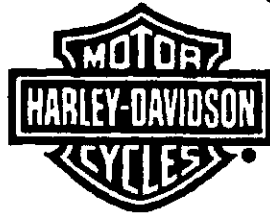
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NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: work _____ home _____
MAY WE USE YOUR NAME FOR LEGISLATIVE PURPOSES? YES / NO

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 so charged.

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? _____

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:

DOT sticker on the outside? YES NO

Label permanently fastened inside? YES NO

Was helmet modified? YES NO

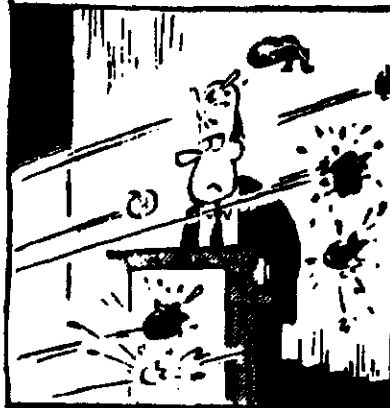
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BLUE MOUNTAIN	24	2	0	2	22
CENTRAL OREGON	127	18	0	18	109
COLUMBIA RIVER	101	3	1	4	98
DOUGLAS COUNTY	164	17	3	20	147
INDIAN CREEK	267	7	18	25	260
JACKSON COUNTY	107	11	1	12	96
LINCOLN COUNTY	107	15	0	15	92
NE PORTLAND	181	-9	16	7	190
NORTH COAST	41	1	0	1	40
SALEM	102	-4	9	5	106
SE PORTLAND	208	-4	19	15	212
SOUTH COAST	68	4	0	4	64
WASHINGTON COUNTY	114	9	2	11	105
YAMHILL COUNTY	29	0	0	0	29
TOTAL	1,640	70	69	139	1,570

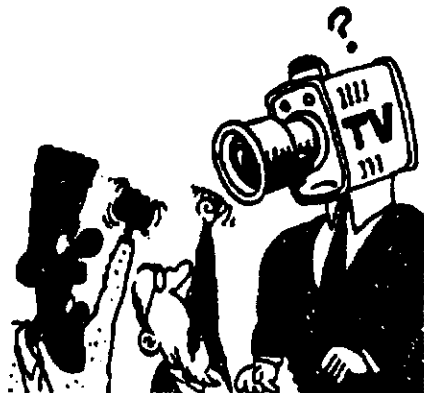
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To the Editor,

I frequently visit a very friendly bar/lunch place called H.B. Hanratty's on about 42nd St. and McDowell. Many of the patrons ride motorcycles and have attended some of our ABATE functions. Once a month I deliver copies of the Master Link and a supply of any flyers I may have on up coming runs. The fact that it was just down the street from the Best of the West conference, made it a convenient place to invite some of the out of towners to lunch.

On that particular day, Carole the owner (who believes that the real owners are those that patronize Hanratty's) was not around to meet the handful of people that came to lunch with me. She did however have the pleasure of meeting a few of the ABATE of Oregon members the very next day.

Some of you may have seen my articles on the Best of the West a few months ago and read about the effect that the conference had on me. Well, Carole asked me to write this article about how she was effected by a handful of those out of town motorcyclists that were in Phoenix for this event.

Mitch 'Captain' Putman, Carol Webster and Nic Oliver, all from ABATE of Oregon had checked out of the hotel and went into H.B. Hanratty's looking for refreshments and Mexican food. Carole happened to be in the back room at the time doing paperwork and some of those tedious/gloomy everyday duties of running an establishment. Little did she know that she was about to have a flicker of sunlight cast upon her.

Carole heard a lot of talking and laughter outside the office, but it never occurred to her to check it out. After some time, Patty the

bartender came in the office and said "Carole, you have got to meet these people."

Carol Webster immediately said "Hi, Carole with an 'E', I'm carol without an 'E'. This ended up to be the start of a good time for all.

Captain had a Harley Davidson hat on and Carole with an E said, "I can do you one better than that." She proceeded into the office and proudly returned with one of the most "unique" QUACK hats you will ever find west of the Mason/Dixon line, according to her. It was "orange and white and quite a sight". I had the pleasure of seeing it, and believe me when I say, it is "incredibly absurd".

Patty was first to venture wearing it and



left to right; Carol, Carole, Nic, Patty, Captain

all of the others took the opportunity to poke fun at her. Eventually Nic decided he'd not only try it on for size, but ended up posing for a picture with Carol and Patty and Captain. Way to go Nic!

Carol and Carole with an E went to search for

Mexican food, which they found and everyone took time to enjoy it.

After talking to Carole about older motorcycles, Captain gave Carole his number and told her to be sure to contact him if she ever needed to. He said he would put her in touch with people that would treat her right. These Oregon people were continually amazing her with their overwhelming friendliness. Little did she know they weren't even close to being done yet!

The guys took Carol to the airport for her 7:30 flight and then returned to the bar. In the time they were gone, a shift in bartenders had taken place. Captain and Nic must have looked a little intimidating when they first came in,

because the new barmaid went in back and asked Carole to please come out front. Much to her surprise, there was a lot of hugging that went on at that point.

Carole couldn't help but notice all the pins and patches on Captain's and Nic's vests. She again went into the back and this time returned with Miller Brewing pins that had Rudolph the Reindeer on them. "Ugly but snugly" pins from the Ugly bartenders contest and garters of some sort. They in return gave her a pin from each of their vests. The camaraderie wasn't over yet. They best was yet to come.

Carole had mentioned earlier that a dear friend, Danny was having a birthday in May. They talked about Oregon ABATE members sending him a card, and Carol said they would love to do it. Well, they not only sent him a card that had been passed around and signed by many, they sent him an ABATE of Oregon Newsletter, buttons, keychains, and a Harley T-shirt from Oregon!

Carole herself had promised Carol she would send her a bag of the bar snacks she liked so well, better known as "Kibbles and Bits". Guess what folks, she, not like some people that say they will do something and then don't, really did it. A note of thanks also went out with the snacks.

In closing this article, Carole wants to thank the Oregon people for their company, friendship, laughter and stories. She also wants them to know that on that day she experienced one of the most rewarding and fun filled days ever. She said that in addition to everything that was exchanged between them, she was left with the knowledge that motorcyclists ("BIKERS") are not only real people, but about the best damn people she has met in a long time!

Carole wants to tell everyone that her "doors are open to motorcyclists" and she hopes to see you again at H.B. Hanratty's, 4220 E McDowell, Phoenix, Arizona.

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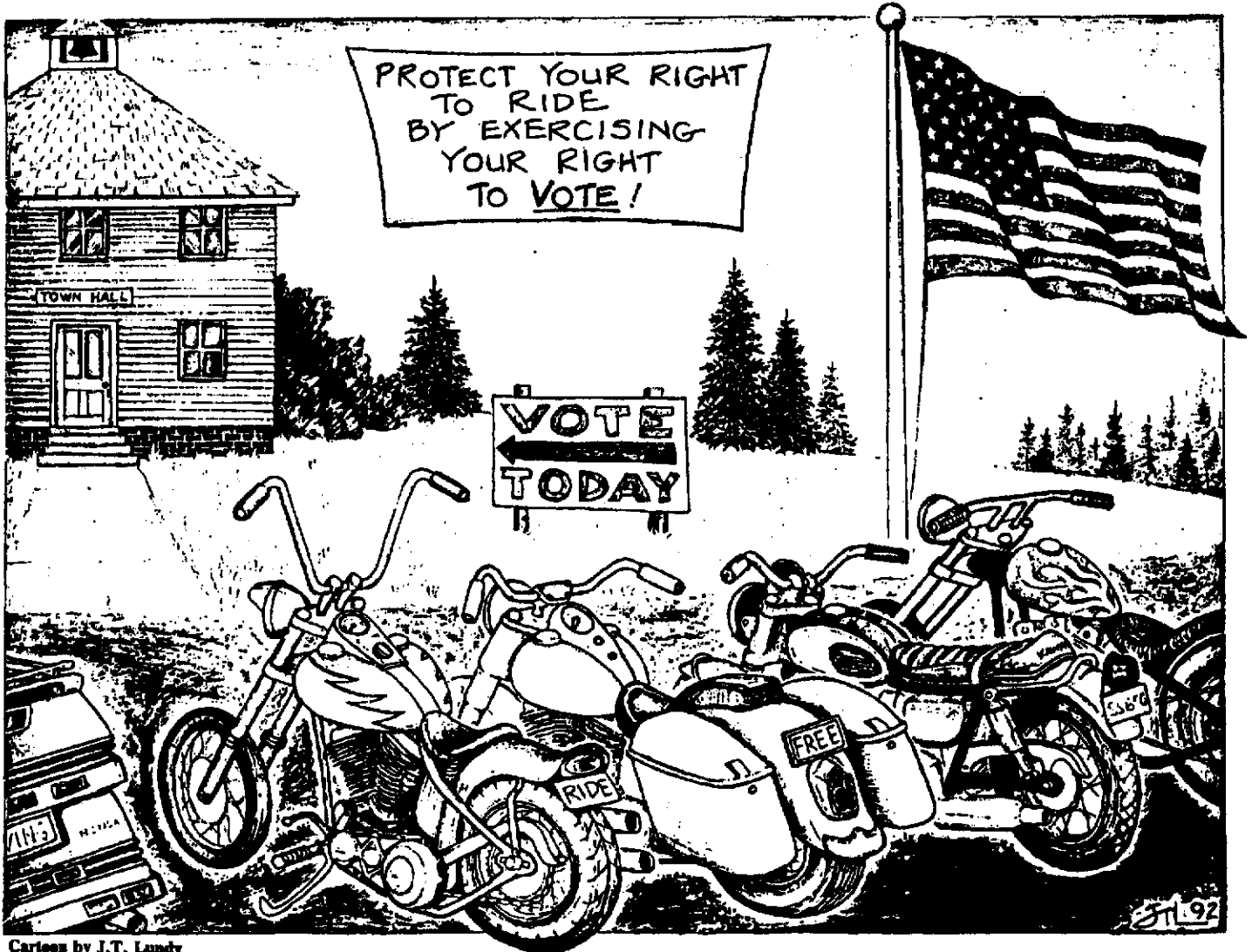
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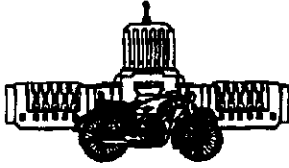


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BikePAC Drafts Bills for 1995 Legislative Session

Ten people (a kid and a number of dogs) attended the October 2 BikePAC legislative concepts meeting at Brian and Teresa's home in The Dalles. Gordon killed Roger's ABATE-Mobile getting there. It was an intense and productive session.

The first order of business was to review the topics for legislation identified in February, 1994. We needed to sort out items that had already been resolved or were in the process of resolution. There were other items that needed the consultation of individuals that were not in attendance. The final list of topics for legislative action in the upcoming legislative session were:

- Repeal the mandatory helmet law
- State Responsibility Act
- Parity in fines for helmet and seat belt law violations
- Disabled parking
- Medical exemption from helmet requirement

During the discussion about repealing the mandatory helmet law, we decided to propose a return to the pre-1988 law for helmet use for those under 18 years of age.

The State Responsibility Act addresses the issue of the State of Oregon requiring that we use certain products without giving us a list of the specific products that are "legal".

As for parity in fines, why should we have to pay more for not wearing a helmet than someone pays for not wearing seat belts? Both are mandatory safety devices, yet they're not equally fined.

Disabled parking....self-explanatory. Or perhaps you didn't realize that you cannot park a motorcycle in a disabled parking space even if you're a disabled person and you have a disabled card or license plate for your car.

There are some people who shouldn't wear a helmet for medical reasons. Yet there isn't any provision for them under the current law. We set up a concept including ideas on how to identify those medical exemptions.

Some of the legislative concepts for next year were tabled for later discussion. They include:

- Off-road stickers - Registering off-road vehicles and using the revenue to maintain their riding facilities.
- Reckless driving tickets written to motorists causing accidents with motorcycles, bicycles, pedestrians, etc. will automatically constitute vehicular assault.
- Resurrect part of SB.419 from the last legislative session to allow younger riders to operate off-road with proper training and supervision.

We also talked about submitting legislation to require Motorcycle Awareness training as part of drivers education classes and diversion classes. We decided that it would require more funding and manpower than we would be able to handle if it passed. BikePAC decided instead to endorse the ABATE of Oregon Motorcycle Awareness program and will give Nic a letter to that effect.

Next we wrote the first draft for the legislative concepts for 1995. Butch will use them to talk to candidates for the Oregon House and Senate to let them know that we are going to want them to sponsor these items for us if they are elected.

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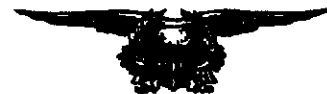
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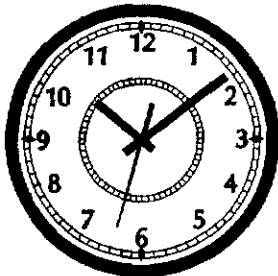
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2nd SUNDAY	YAMHILL COUNTY	3:00 pm, <i>Westward Ho, (3rd Street), McMinnville</i>
3rd SUNDAY	SOUTH COAST DOUGLAS COUNTY	11:00 am, <i>Gino's Pizza, 1324 Virginia Street, North Bend</i> 11:00 am, <i>Round Table Pizza, Roseburg Valley Mall, Roseburg</i>
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2nd & 4th TUESDAY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	8:00 pm, <i>Round Table Pizza, 2473 N.W. 185th, Beaverton</i>
1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY	NORTH COAST ABATE N.E. PORTLAND	7:00pm, <i>The Pizza Harbor, Seaside</i> 7:30 pm, <i>Izzy's Pizza, 1307 N.E. 102nd, Portland</i>
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